

December 2, 2017 ~ 14 Kislev ~ Candle Lighting 4:22 pm ~ Shabbos Ends 5:25 pm

Torah Portion: Haftorah: Vayishlach Genesis 32:4-36:43 Obadiah 1:1-21 Chumash pages 170-197 Chumash pages 1141-1142

Thanks to Our Generous Sponsors ...

Soda for the Kiddush today is sponsored in honor of **Bryson Hartranft's** 50th Birthday! With love from **Jennifer, Gaelyn, and Madeline.**

Erev Shabbos, Friday, December 1

• Mincha & Ma'ariv 4:20 pm

Shabbos, Saturday, December 2

- Shachris & Musaf 9:00 am ~ Thank You for Leading Davening!
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: Howard Sandler
 - Shacharis: Menachem Szus
 - Leyning: Stuart Klamen

- Haftorah: TBA
- Drasha: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Musaf: Alan Haber
- Learners' Service 9:30 am ~ Led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel
- Starting Points: Wisdom For Daily Living 10:15 am ~ topic: "Blind Spots: Are You Biased When Making Decisions?" Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason** in the Rivkin Chapel
- Mincha/Ma'ariv/Shalosh Seudos ~ 4:05 pm

Today's Shabbos greeters ~ Rhonnie Goldfader & Robin Rickerman

This Week & Beyond...

Minyan Times	Shabbos Dec 2	Sun. Dec 3	Mon. Dec 4	Tues.* Dec 5	Wed.* Dec 6	Thurs.* Dec 7	Fri. Dec 8	Shabbos Dec 9
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	9:00 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	4:05 pm	4:20 pm	4:20 pm	6:45 pm	6:45 pm	6:45 pm	4:20 pm	4:05 pm

* Ma'ariv only

Please note that Morning Blessings and the first Kaddish are started five minutes prior to Shachris.

Birthdays ~ Menachem Szus, Gail Rose, Harold Hoffman, Maxwell Goldman, Emily Wallman, Avi Borow, Mark Wallman, Mayer Taller, and Alex Yasinev

Anniversaries ~ Leonid & Stella Vladimirov and Dr. Milton & Tammy Sallis

- Sunday, December 3 ~ 10:00-11:30 am ~ The NHBZ education committee's Jewish Customs & Practices Series presents "Chanukah: ABC's and Insights" led by Rabbi Smason in the Pepose Feigenbaum multi-purpose room. Please RSVP to jeff@nhbz.org.
- Saturday Night, December 9 ~ 6:00-7:30 pm ~ NHBZ Family Chanukah Party! Donuts, pizza, and kids activities. See flyer for details.
- Sunday, December 10 ~ NHBZ 112th Annual Dinner ~ 5:30 pm ~ Clayton Plaza Hotel
- Monday, December 11 ~ 7:00-8:30 pm ~ The next Home Discussion Group "To Bee or Not to Bee: Honey and the Basics of Beekeeping" will start with an introduction by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason followed by a presentation by Jane Sueme, owner of *Isabees Beekeeping Equipment and Supplies*. At the home of Jason and Nancy Rush, RSVP for address to jeff@nhbz.org. *Space for this program is limited to 20 people.*
- Shabbos, December 16 ~ Family Shalosh Seudos with Rabbi Daniel Freund
- Shabbos, December 16 and December 23 ~ Tot Shabbat with Kate Friedman
- Sunday, December 24 ~ Movie Night ~ What is better than dinner and a movie on 12/24? At 5:15 we will have an Israeli theme dinner available for purchase. After the dinner we will watch the film "In Our Hands: The Battle for Jerusalem". The film debuted in sold out theaters around the country in time to celebrate the 50th anniversary of reclaiming Jerusalem. Those unable to attend dinner may attend the movie at 6:15.
- Sunday, December 31 ~ Pizza Night
- Shabbos, January 13 ~ Synaplex and Family Shalosh Seudos Program

The Thanksgiving meal (kosher, of course) was cooked in the NHBZ kitchen and brought to the Olivette Police and Firefighters on Thanksgiving Day. Thank you to **Stella Vladimirov** for organizing this feast for those who protect and serve.

Thank you to all the cooks who helped prepare this wonderful meal, those who donated, and those who helped deliver the food: Lenny Alper, Leo Bressler, Jackie Berkin, Linda Carton, Julie Friedman, Amarah Friedman, Jennifer Hartranft, Madeline Hartranft, Bryson Hartranft, Robert Kaiser, Joni Kaiser, Norma Rubin, Phyllis Silverman, Irene Schankman, Rebbitzen Smason, Rabbi Smason, Trudy Sudin, Anna Rose Tendler, Margo Tzadok, Stella Vladimirov, and Leonid Vladimirov.

Parshas Vayishlach

Jacob and his family returned from the house of Laban to the land of Israel, only to find Esau heading toward them with 400 men, ready for battle. After preparing his family for war and praying to G-d for help, Jacob attempts to appease his brother by sending him a gift of many animals. After his family crosses the river to await the meeting with Esau, Jacob is left alone for an all-night 'confrontation' with an angel disguised as a man. Although Jacob is victorious, he is left limping from a hip-dislocation. Rejoining his family, Jacob encounters Esau who accepts him with an apparent new-found brotherly love. Jacob and Esau part ways in peace. Another crisis arises when Jacob's daughter Dinah is abducted and raped by Shechem, the prince of a town with the same name.

Parshas Vayishlach cont...Two of Jacob's sons, outraged at the humiliation caused to their sister, trick the town's residents into circumcising themselves on the condition that they would then be allowed to intermarry with Jacob's family. Simeon and Levi (two sons of Jacob) then decimate the entire city and save Dinah. Later in the portion, G-d blesses Jacob and gives him the additional name, Israel. Soon after, Rachel dies while giving birth to Benjamin, Jacob's twelfth son. Finally, Jacob returns home and is reunited with his father Isaac. The Torah portion concludes with a lengthy genealogy of Esau's family.

Adult Learning at NHBZ

Wednesday at 12:15 pm ~ Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Smason. Study Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers. This class is also available to view from your computer on Wednesdays at 12 pm CST. Visit our website at www.nhbz.org - click on 'media', then 'online classes', then 'ustream_graphic'.

Every Shabbos ~ Starting Points: "Wisdom for Daily Living" with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason ~ A program tailor-made for those, regardless of prior educational or observance level, interested in growing Jewishly. Each freestanding session (at 10:15 am every Shabbos, unless otherwise noted) explores a distinct Jewish concept in practical, understandable terms. Join us to learn, explore, and raise your Jewish soul with the following eye-opening sessions:

Dec. 9: "How Not to Say Stupid Stuff" Dec. 16: "Does G-d Still Perform Miracles? (Chanukah)"

Amud-A-Week Program. Join Rabbi Daniel Freund every Monday following Ma'ariv (please note the time change) for a weekly Talmud class/shiur. This class is open to everyone, whether you are unacquainted with Talmud or are on a basic or intermediate level.

NHBZ Women's Tehilim

The NHBZ Tehilim group is in need of more participants to say prayers in emergency situations. Please contact Julie Eisenberg at 314-494-8437 or email <u>jeff@nhbz.org.</u>

Community

Monday, December 25 ~ A Taste of Discovery Seminar & Chinese Lunch ~ Aish Firehouse ~ Join Rabbi Elyahu Bergstein for a two part seminar. FREE BABYSITTING & KIDS' PROGRAM featuring Dr. Newton Apple PhD from Mad Science at 10:30 am. Cost for Seminar: \$25 per adult/Cost for Lunch: \$16 per adult, \$12 per child (ages 5-11), Kids under 5 are free.

NHBZ Event Planner (Check "This Week and Beyond . . ." for time, date or location changes.) Call the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to confirm the date and time of any event. All events will be at NHBZ unless otherwise noted. WEEKLY at NHBZ **BI-MONTHLY at NHBZ JUNIOR CONGREGATION & TOT SHABBAT SHABBOS** - Tefillah Class (9:30 am) led by Rabbi MONTHLY at NHBZ Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel. - Starting Points (10:15 am) led by Rabbi Women's Home Study Group (First Ze'ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel. Tuesday) 2:30 pm with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel, at the home of Jackie Berkin. - Child Care (10:15 am – Noon) for kids 3 & under in the Children's Room. -Dine-In Pizza Night (Last Sunday) 5:00 -7:00 pm. Place Carry-Out Pizza orders by - Shabbos Tanach (Bible) (3/4 hour before 10:00 am, 314-991-2100, ext 2. Pick up time Mincha) 4:30-4:45 pm. SUNDAY Mishna Learning (after Shacharis) with **NHBZ Signature Events** Rabbi Chanan Swidler. Synaplex Shabbos- Services begin at 8:30am - "Mystical Moments" with Rabbi Max Weiman. (Between Mincha & Maariv.) - **Tanya** with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel at 8:00pm. MONDAY - Mah Jongg (Mondays, 4-6:00 pm) Proceeds benefit The NHBZ Chesed Fund. WEDNESDAY - Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (12:15-1:00 pm) Studying Pirkei Avos.



Jewish Customs & Practices The Holiday Series

Chanukah: ABC's and Insights Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason



Sunday, December 3 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Feigenbaum-Pepose multi-purpose room

P.S. There is no charge, but we would like to know how many will attend to prepare.

Please RSVP to Jeff at **314-991-2100** or jeff@nhbz.org by the Wednesday before the gathering.



The latest in a series of talks at the homes of our members & friends

Topic: To Bee or Not to Bee -Honey and the Basics of Beekeeping

Learn interesting Jewish "Bee-Points" such as "why is honey kosher, but bees are not?"

Introduction by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason Presentation by Jane Sueme, owner of Isabees Beekeeping Equipment and Supplies

Monday, Dec. 11, 2017, 7:00-8:30 pm at the home of Jason and Nancy Rush Light refreshments will be served



Please RSVP to **Jeff at 314-991-2100** or <u>jeff@nhbz.org</u>. We will provide the address and phone number at the time of your RSVP.





Saturday, December 9th, 2017 6:00-7:30 pm

Where: NHBZ - The Feigenbaum-Pepose Learning Center (downstairs)

Who: All Families with Children birth-12! (NHBZ

membership **NOT** required...invite your friends!!!)

We will have pizza, potato latkes, doughnuts, gelt! Fun, family friendly Chanukah activities!

For questions please feel free to email Alana Minoff at <u>alanaminoff@gmail.com</u> or call NHBZ's office at (314) 991-2100, ext. 2



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Join us for a Family Shalosh Seudos (Third Meal)

Shabbat, December 16, 2017

with Guest Speaker

Rabbi Daniel Freund



Assistant Principal of Yeshivat Kadimah High School

At 3:15 p.m. Rabbi Freund will speak on

"The Slifkin Controversy: Navigating Seeming Conflicts between Torah and Science"

Mincha will be at 4:05 p.m. followed by the Shalosh Seudos meal

A Shalosh Seudos Rabbi Freund wil speak on "Chanukah, the Power of the Flame"

Please consider becoming a sponsor! Families or individuals can

sponsor the event for \$18.

Everyone is welcome!

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Shabbat Morning

Join us for each of these tailor-made sessions for those, regardless of prior educational or observance level, interested in growing Jewishly. Together we will explore distinct Jewish concepts in practical, understandable terms.

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Dec. 2: Blind Spots: Are You Biased When Making Decisions?

Dec. 9: How Not to Say Stupid Stuff

Dec. 16: Does G-d Still Perform Miracles? (Chanukah)



All Kids ages 6 and under 10:00 am – 11:30 am

NHBZ lower level in the Eli Ragin Kids' Play Room on these selected dates

December 16Shabbat of ChanukahDecember 23January 6Summer in The Snow

- Enjoy a fun, engaging, activity-filled Shabbat with songs, stories, games, dancing, puppets & more
- Snacks are provided
- Parents and grandparents are invited to stay

No RSVP necessary, no cost, no worries!

Babysitting is also available from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm