

Good Yom Tov & Good Shabbos to Everyone!!

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Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion
Rosh Hashana, Thurs. & Fri., September 9 & 10
Shabbos September 11, 2010

Bruchim Habayim
Rosh Hashana, 1 & 2 Tishrei 5771
Shabbos, 3 Tishrei 5771



May We All Be Inscrbed for a Healthy, Happy Year!!!



★ **Thank You to Harold & Jessica Fadem** for the beautiful baskets from the Jewish Food Pantry that adorn our Bimah for Rosh Hashana. Harold & Jessica have made a contribution to the Food Pantry, and we are grateful to them for their generosity in helping to beautify our shul every Rosh Hashana. Thanks for sponsoring soda on Shabbos ~ our "POP"-STARS of the week ~ **The Pepose Family!!!**

★ Davening ~ Rosh Hashana Machzor

Rosh Hashana - First Day

Sedras: Breishis 21:1-34, pages 164-166. Bemidbar 29:1-6, page 169. Haftorah: I Samuel 1-2:10, pages 170-172.

Rosh Hashana - Second Day

Sedras: Breishis 22:1-24, pages 164-166. Bemidbar 29:1-6, page 169. Haftorah: Jeremiah 31:2-20, pages 170-172.

★ **Thank You For Leading Davening:** Pesukei D'Zimra: 1st Day RH: **Ron Makovsky**; 2nd Day RH: **Menachem Szus**; Shacharis RH: **Elie Needle**; Leyning RH: **Elie Needle**; Haftorah: 1st day RH: **Moshe Pinto**; 2nd day RH: **Lenny Alper**; Shofar: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smanon**; Musaf RH: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**. **SHABBOS DAVENING:** Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**; Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**; Leyning: **Elie Needle**; Haftorah: **Ron Makovsky**; Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**.

★ **KID FRIENDLY** child care program on both days of Rosh Hashana and on Yom Kippur Day from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. with **SNACKS & DRINKS** provided. On **YOM KIPPUR** day, we will also provide **LUNCH** for the children. Thanks to **Nina Levine** for planning the children's programming for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

★ **LEARNERS' SERVICE** on the first day of Rosh Hashana in our rear building from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. led by **Rabbi Chanan Swidler**, of Aish HaTorah, in our rear building from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ON YOM KIPPUR DAY, Shabbos, September 18, we will have a Learners' Service, in our Chapel from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. led by **Rabbi Yonason Goldson**, of Aish Ha Torah and Block Yeshiva High. We will also have a Youth service on Yom Kippur day to be held in the rear building and led by **Gershie Meisel**, the new coordinator of NCSY (National Council of Synagogue Youth) & JSU (Jewish Student Union) organizations. Gershie will also be working closely with our shul in promoting youth activities.

★ **Mincha First Day Rosh Hashana:** We will daven Mincha on the 1st evening (Thursday, Sept. 9) at 7:00 p.m. Bench Licht Thursday night at 8:04 p.m. or after.

★ **Second Day Rosh Hashana:** Davening begins Friday morning (Sept. 10) at 8:00 a.m.; Bench Licht Friday evening at 6:59 p.m.; We will daven Mincha on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

★ **Shabbos Mincha:** We will daven Mincha on Shabbos at 6:40 p.m. Shabbos will conclude at 8:01 p.m.

★ Shacharis, Mincha and Maariv ~ Shabbos, September 11 through Friday, September 17:

	Shabbos	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shacharis	9:00	★8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	★★7:00
Mincha	6:40	6:40	6:50	6:50	6:50	6:50	★★1:30
		★Fast of Gedaliah					★★ Erev Yom Kippur
						KOL NIDRE	★★6:45

★ **It is customary** to make a contribution to the synagogue for honors received during the holidays. We appreciate receiving your donations.

★ **Tzom Gedaliah** ~ Fast day commemorating the murder of Gedaliah, governor of Israel, on Sunday, September 12. The fast begins at 5:25 a.m. & concludes at 8:06 p.m.

★ **Men's Mikvah Times** during the upcoming holidays are posted on the lobby bulletin board.

★ **A reminder from Rabbi Smanon** ~ A warm, brief greeting of 'Good Yom Tov or Good Shabbos' during services enhances our experience at shul. Members are encouraged to make guests and visitors feel at home. However, I respectfully request that any continual conversation not take place until the conclusion of services. During the time of services conversation should only take place outside of the Sanctuary.

★ NHBZ Shabbos Events

★ SHABBOS FESTIVITIES, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

★ **KABBALAT SHABBAT** with Aryeh Needle Friday night, October 15, 6:00 p.m.

★ **OCTOBER LUNCH & LEARN** in honor of our friends celebrating October Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries on Shabbos, October 16.

★ **KABBALAT SHABBAT with Aryeh Needle** Friday night, November 12

★ **FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBOS DINNER** following services, November 12.

★ **SYNAPLEX SHABBAT** Always interesting topics and dynamic speakers to nourish your mind; then enjoy Shabbos lunch in honor of our friends celebrating November Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries on Shabbos, November 13



☆ NHBZ Coming Events & Dates to Remember

☆ **The Irvin Alper Social Club** We will not have an Irvin Alper Social Club get-together in September.

☆ **YOM KIPPUR, SUKKOS & SIMCHAS TORAH** - Yom Kippur - Kol Nidre night: Friday, Sept. 17 (Mincha at 1:30 p.m./Kol Nidre at 6:45 p.m.) Yom Kippur Day: Shabbos, Sept. 18: Yizkor will be recited at approx. 12:15 p.m., Neilah at 6:30 p.m., Shofar sounded at 7:53 p.m.; Sukkos: Wednesday night, Thurs. & Fri., Sept. 22/23/24; Hoshana Raba: Wednesday, Sept. 29; Shemini Atzeres: Thurs. Sept. 30; Simchas Torah Night, Thurs., Sept. 30: Hakofos and FREE Spaghetti Dinner; Simchas Torah Day, Friday, October 1st, Lunch following services, Adults: \$10.00, Kids 6-10: \$5.00, Kids 5 & under: FREE.

☆ **Shul Board of Directors Meeting** This coming Tuesday, September 14. Minyan at 7:00 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Joe Rothman Auditorium.

☆ **Carry Out PIZZA NIGHT** Wednesday, September 15.

☆ **PIZZA IN THE HUT** Sunday, September 26.

☆ **Executive Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, September 28. Minyan at 6:25 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

☆ **1st Ever NHBZ GOLF TOURNAMENT** Monday, September 20th

at Normandie Golf Club!! \$150 per player or 4-player team for \$500. Check-in & registration at 9:00 a.m. The tournament begins at 10:00 a.m. Lunch is provided.

We will also have a **"Shootout for the Shul" Hole-In-One Contest** with the Grand Prize of a 2011 Chevy Camaro sponsored by Elco Chevrolet Cadillac.

"Golfer-Gofers" (volunteers) will be needed 8:30-10:00 a.m. to help with the coffee & donut station, to set up registration to sign the golfers in, and to hand out goody bags.

Additional golfer-gofers will be needed 9:50 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. to rotate time slots to monitor the hole-in one contest throughout the golfing time, and 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to drive a beverage cart and deliver box lunches to the golfers, and later for awards, etc. The afternoon should wind up around 3:00 p.m. Please contact **Bobby Levine, 602-1796** or rxlevine@charternet.net, to sign up for the volunteer time slot that will fit into your schedule (**you don't have to sign up for the whole day**). And tell all of your 'golfer friends to come!!!

☆ **2010 RABBI RIDE-AROUND RALLY & PICNIC** Sunday, October 10, in Forest Park!! This is a fundraising & social event -- Sponsor **Rabbi Smason's** 50-Mile Ride Around Forest Park's bike trail: We ask for a minimum pledge of 25c per mile, which makes a total \$12.50 donation; 50c = \$25; \$1.00 = \$50; \$2.00 = \$100.00!!! Come and have some fun!! The ride begins at 8:30 a.m. and the picnic is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. Call our office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 to make your pledge.

☆ **6th Annual KOSHER CHILI COOKOFF** Sunday, November 21st!! It's not too early to get your team together!! Go to our website, www.nhbz.org, for the 2010 entry form and rules.



☆ **Multi-Family Sale!!** Please give your **furniture, books, lamps, household items and knick-knacks** in **good** condition, for the Shul's Multi-Family Sale in the Fall; **gently used** clothes that are still nice enough to wear (**very clean PLEASE, no stains or damages** please!) For drop-off times and questions about sale, please call Esther Gelb, 567-1683.

☆ **We are proud to present our Honorees for 2010 -- Joann Raskas & Ron Rosen.** And a new Youth Service Award to recipients **Alex Lyss and Jack Lyss.** Joann Raskas and Ron Rosen are the benefactors and inspiration of the monthly "night out" that has delighted the entire Jewish community ~ **Our Lion's Den Pizza Night at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion!!!** They donated our very first pizza oven!!! This outstanding good deed launched the project that has surpassed our expectations, and continues to provide a venue for kosher meals and family fun! Alex and Jack Lyss are two extraordinary young men who have immersed themselves in shul life and have endeared themselves to everyone at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion. The list of the good deeds performed by Alex and Jack Lyss is impressive - from regularly leyning (reading) the Torah, to choosing a service project for our shul to complete their Eagle Scout program, Alex and Jack exemplify the best in today's youth ~ learning, building and preparing for the future. It is with great pleasure that we give well-deserved kovod (honor) to these wonderful people on Sunday, December 12, 2010. We have chosen to create an elegant, elaborate evening at our current location - 8630 Olive Boulevard, to bid a fond farewell in a grand manner to the "old" as we prepare to move into our new facility in 2011. The Ad Journal order forms have been mailed. Please respond with your business ads, and greetings and messages to our honorees.



Thanks to
Leo Bressler
for sponsoring this Bulletin
in honor of his grandchildren,
Micky, Eli and Dani,
and the pleasure of having
everyone together for Rosh Hashana!

Tzayschem L'Sholom
to Eli returning to New York
and to Dani returning to Israel
on Sunday!



MAZEL TOV
ON SIMCHAS THE WEEK OF
September 11-17!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Louise Givon
Sam Schraier
Yelli Smason
Suzanne Tandler

Happy Anniversary
Lester & Pearl Figus

Show your friends you care ~ SEND A TRIBUTE!
Shul: Call Gloria Waxman, 314-872-3296
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Beyond Twelve Gates

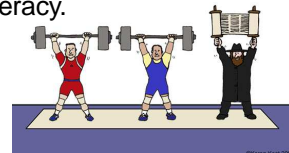
by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

'Beyond Twelve Gates' refers to a beautiful concept taught by the great mystic *Rabbi Isaac Luria* (1534-1572), also known as '*The Ari*'. There exist twelve gates of prayers in Heaven — one for each tribe of Israel. Additionally, there exists a Heavenly thirteenth gate. Through this gate the prayers of all Jews regardless of tribe, Jewish education or level of observance are allowed to enter and are heard by G-d.

Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates. A reader of Beyond Twelve Gates told me that she was having problems with the delivery of her local daily newspaper. The following is the message her paper 'boy' left regarding the odd times she was receiving the paper: **"I dont dilvery papper in the morr. i do all my papper in the evening"** "Goodness knows," the reader exclaimed, "he's never read it!!" Certainly, there's a degree of arbitrariness about any definition of illiteracy. Literacy has been traditionally described as the ability to read and write. However, many feel that literacy is also about culture, social outlook, and the ability to make informed decisions. What is 'Jewish Literacy?' Perhaps Jewish Literacy can be simply described as 'essential Jewish knowledge.' Are we and our children Jewishly literate? A worthy goal for this coming year is to increase our level of Jewish literacy.

Torah Reading for Rosh Hashana

The two days of Rosh Hashana fall out on Thursday, September 9 and Friday, September 10. On Thursday the Torah reading is from Genesis 21:1 — 21:34. On Friday the Torah reading is from Genesis 22:1 — 22:24. The theme of the Thursday Torah reading is that G-d remembered Sarah at the age of 90. She bore a son, named Isaac, to her 100 year old husband Abraham. Our tradition teaches that Sarah conceived on Rosh Hashana. Not only do we recall Sarah and Abraham's great merit, but we should be inspired to repent and pray just as they did. The theme of the Friday Torah reading is the account of the **Akeidah**, the Binding of Isaac. Both Abraham and Isaac demonstrated their willingness to make any sacrifice to comply with G-d's will. Our tradition teaches that the **Akeida** took place on Rosh Hashana. The shofar of Rosh Hashana is customarily made of a ram's horn to recall the merit of the **Akeida** because a ram was substituted for Isaac on the altar.



Parshas Ha'Azinu Deuteronomy 31:1-52

Ha'Azinu is comprised primarily of Moses' "song" about the horrible tragedies and supreme joy which will make up the Jewish people's future history. While not a song in the familiar sense, Moses' song is a blend of otherwise disparate ideas into a beautiful symphony of thought. It expresses the idea that everything that G-d does — past, present and future — somehow fits into a perfect harmony, although our limited human understanding prevents fully recognizing the wisdom of G-d. Ha'Azinu contains the mitzvah for each Jew to write a **Sefer Torah** (Torah scroll). Many suggest that this mitzvah can be fulfilled by the purchase of books containing Torah content. Does your home contain any books of Torah? Today there is an abundance of excellent Torah books written in English. Let me suggest two: **The Stone Chumash** (5 Books of Moses), and **Living Each Week** by Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski. Ha'azinu concludes with G-d's command to Moses to ascend Mount Nebo, where he will view the land of Israel and then pass away.

Rabbinic Ruminations

A little girl was trying to get a turtle out of its shell. Her uncle told her to take the turtle near a fire and warm him up so that he would come out by himself. Said her uncle: "We are sort of like turtles. Never try to force someone into anything. Just warm them up with a little human kindness, and more than likely they'll come your way." Have you ever noticed that if you add the letter 'd' to the word **kin**, you have **kind**? To treat someone kindly is to treat them as kin. Kindness is an action that flows from kinship. Rosh Hashana is the day that the first human being was created; 'a birthday celebration', if you will, for Adam and Eve. Jewish tradition teaches that the reason why humanity descended from one person rather than multiple individuals was to create a universal kinship and familial bond. Rosh Hashana, then, is a day to recognize our kinship with all humanity. Every person we meet, on some level, is our relative. That understanding should motivate us to act with kindness toward all.

Quote of the Week ~ Daniel Boone

I have never been lost, but I will admit to being confused for several weeks.



Fess Parker

Joke of the Week



OY VEY! In the early years of the State of Israel, nearly the entire Jewish community of Yemen was airlifted there. Many of the arriving immigrants claimed tremendous old ages; some of them said they were 140, 150, and even 160 years old. It seemed hard to believe and it was impossible to substantiate their claims, for they had brought no accurate birth records with them. One day, a newly resettled Yemenite Jew appeared in the Tel Aviv office of an insurance broker saying he wanted to buy a life insurance policy. The broker looked at the man, saw he was no youngster, and asked him: "How old are you?" **"Seventy two."** "Seventy two? That's too old. We can't sell you a life insurance policy." **"That's not fair,"** the man answered. **"Last week you sold my father a policy."** "Your father? How old is he?" **"Ninety five."** "Impossible." **"Go check your records."** The agent checked the records and found to his amazement that the preceding week the man's 95 year-old father had been issued a policy. The agent came back. "You're right. We'll sell you a policy. But you have to come in on Tuesday for a medical checkup." **"I can't come in on Tuesday."** "Why not?" **"My grandfather is getting married."** "Your grandfather is getting married? How old is he?" **"A hundred and seventeen."** "A hundred and seventeen? Why is he getting married?" **"His parents keep pestering him."**

Thanks for reading 'Beyond Twelve Gates'. Comments, questions, requests to be added to our email list, or better jokes, can be sent to Rabbi Smason at Pepshort613@gmail.com or adarabba@hotmail.com. Care to know more about Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation? Check us out at www.nhbz.org If you enjoyed Beyond Twelve Gates, please share with a friend. Thanks to Alan Haber for his assistance in distributing BTG.

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★ Learning at NHBZ & with Rabbi Smason

★ Weekly Learning ~

★ **Boys' Shabbos Study Group** With Rabbi Smason for boys ages 10-14 each Shabbos, **30 minutes** before Mincha. **This Shabbos at 6:10 p.m.**

★ **Shabbos Study Groups** Each Shabbos one hour before Mincha. **This Shabbos at 5:40 p.m.** Studying Tanach (currently, Melachim Bet - Kings II) and Pirkei Avos, led by **Menachem Szus**; **Everyone at any level of learning is welcome.**

★ **Sunday Learning** Mishna Shiur every Sunday. **Rabbi Chanan Swidler**, of Aish HaTorah, leads a study of the Mishna following Sunday morning services. Davening at 8:00 a.m. followed by Mishna study.

★ **RAP with the RABBI** Teen Group with **Rabbi Smason** will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in his office.

★ **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** Wed., 12:15 pm, in the auditorium. Insights for daily living from the weekly Torah portion. The class will not meet on Wednesdays before Sukkos and Shemini Atzeres/Simchas Torah -- September 22 & 29.

★ Monthly Learning ~

★ **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group ~ "Women of Valor ~ Our Biblical Mothers"** presented by **Rabbi Shaya Mintz**, of the St. Louis Kollel. The group meets on the first Tuesday of the month. We will not have a class in September. **Next class Tuesday, October 5, 2:30 p.m.**, at the home of **Jackie Berkin**. All women are welcome. Please join us!!!

★ **The Morris Lengua Yiddish Club** meets on the 1st Thursday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Joe Rothman Auditorium. **Next Date Thursday, October 7th, 7:30 p.m.** Join us for a spirited & enjoyable hour filled with Yiddish stories and songs, fun and laughter, **keeping Yiddish alive!** Seasoned "mayvens" (experts), as well as novices are invited!!!

★ Melton Classes

Rabbi Smason's Schedule of Classes:

High Holiday Series:

Tuesdays at CAJE 7-8:30 p.m.
September 7 — Rosh Hashana: Mystery of its Melody
September 14 — Yom Kippur: Open the Gates!
September 21 — Sukkot: Gimme Shelter

Hoshanah Rabbah Lunch and Learn

Wednesday, September 29, At the home of Cyndee Levy, 333 Mason Road, 63141
10:30-11:30 a.m. **What is Hoshana Rabbah?** with Rabbi Smason
11:30-Noon Lunch (dietary laws observed)

Bereshit 2: Stories of the First Jewish Family (Melton Scholar Series)

The stories take us from Creation through the Foundational stories of Abraham and Sarah. The themes of family and faith, honor, passion and power provide a rich exploration of our foundations with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion.

Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
20 Sessions beginning October 5
TCP credit: Bible & Commentaries 10 credits

Felicia Graber's Schedule of Classes:

The Holocaust as Reflected in Dairies and Memoirs

(Melton Scholar Series) A literary journey that brings remarkable first person accounts as insight into the struggle for life as writers describe day-to-day life coping in the ghettos, imprisoned in the death camps, hiding on the run, and fighting for their lives with Felicia Graber at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation. Register through CAJE: Contact Cyndee Levy clvy@cajestl.org, or call 314-442-3754 (office), 314-503-2899 (cell).. Scholarships are available.

Thursdays 10:30 - Noon
10 sessions beginning October 7
Fee: \$175; Book Fee: \$36
TCP: 7.5 credits in Jewish History

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CARRY OUT NIGHT:

THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15!!

HOT PIZZA WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU TO PICK UP!! OR ORDER AN UN-COOKED PIZZA TO FREEZE AT HOME!!

Plain Cheese Pizza ~ \$12.00 Toppings ~ \$.75 each
EXTRA-CHEESE MUSHROOMS ONIONS TOMATOES BASIL
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Deadline to Order: 12:00 noon on SEPTEMBER 15

NEXT DINE IN NIGHT
PIZZA IN THE HUT ~ SUNDAY, SEPT. 26



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for 2 EVENTS!!**
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**SIMCHAS TORAH
Spaghetti Dinner & Auction
FREE TO ALL**

Spaghetti ~ Sandie's Salad ~ Garlic Bread
~ Candy Apples ~
Thursday Night, Sept. 30, between Hakafos

**Simchas Torah
Luncheon**

SIMCHAS TORAH DAY ~ Friday, October 1
Services will conclude at 12:30 p.m.

Join us for Kiddush, free to all as usual . . .
then enjoy a wonderful lunch of
Deee-licious Stuffed Cabbage

& Hot Dogs for Kids
Baba's To-Die-For Killer Potatoes
Cole Slaw Green Bean Salad
Dessert & Beverages

Adults: \$10.00 Kids: 6-10: \$5.00
Kids 5 & Under: FREE