# **NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin**

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Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Thanks to Leonid Vladimirov for sponsoring this Shabbos Bulletin in honor of the birthday of his wife Stella.

# Erev Shabbos - Friday, February 22

- Mincha & Ma'ariv (5:20 pm)
- Candle Lighting (5:28 pm)

# Shabbos - Saturday, February 23

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services:
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: Howard Sandler - Haftorah: Reuven Tzadok
  - Shacharis: Dr. Ethan Schuman - Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
  - Leyning: Max Gornish - Musaf: Dr. Ethan Schuman



- **Kiddush** ~ (After Musaf) Thanks to **Reuven & Margo Tzadok** and **Ely Langfeld** for sponsoring a Salad Bar with extras, Gefilte Fish Balls, Chummus, Crackers, Grapes, & Trail Mix, in memory of Shirley Langfeld \( \int\_{5}^{"}, \) Miriam Tzadok  $l''_5$  and Haviv Tazdok  $l''_5$ .
- Kiddush ~ Thanks to Leonid Vladimirov for sponsoring a cake to celebrate his wife's birthday ---HAPPY BIRTHDAY, STELLA!!!
- Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv (5:10 pm)
- Shabbos Concludes (6:32 pm)

# This Week

At a Glance		Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Shabbos
	Feb. 23	Feb. 24	Feb. 25	Feb. 26	Feb. 27	Feb. 28	March 1	March 2
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	5:10 pm	4:30 pm	5:30 pm	-	-	-	5:30 pm	5:20 pm
Maariv Only	-	-	-	6:45 pm	6:45 pm	6:45 pm	-	-
Events – see times in Event Planner Box below	Shabbos Zachor; Maariv 7:00 pm; Read Megillah 7:15 pm.	Purim Seudah, 4:45 p.m. Sharp!	Shushan Purim!	BUY CASH CARDS!	Rabbi Smason's Lunch 'n' Learn	BUY CASH CARDS !	Erev Shabbos	Kiddush in honor of Larry & Rayna Chervitz

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NHBZ Event Planner (Check 'Coming Events" for time, date or location changes.)
Call the office at 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to confirm the date and time of any event.

#### Weekly at NHBZ

#### **SHABBOS**

- Child Care (10:00 am Noon) kids 3 & under in the Children's Room
- Youth Programming (10:15 am 11:00 am) children 4-8, in the Youth Lounge.
- **Learners Service** (10:15 am) led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Chapel
- Shabbos Tanach (Bible) Study Group (30 minutes before Mincha)

#### SUNDAY

- **Mishna Learning (**after Shachris) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler of Aish
- RAP with the RABBI Teen Group (10:15 am) with Rabbi Smason @Starbucks Olive & Price
- Mystical Moments with Rabbi Max Weiman (between Mincha & Maariv.)
- **Tanya** (8:00 pm) with Rabbi Shaya Mintz of the St. Louis Kollel

#### **WEDNESDAY**

 Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (12:15 pm – 1:00 pm) now studying Pirkei Avos

#### **THURSDAY**

 Schechita (5:30 pm – 6:30 pm) with Rabbi Chaim Loike of the OU Kashruth Division

#### Monthly at NHBZ

- Irvin Alper Social Club (First Sunday)
- Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday, 2:30 pm) with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel at home of Jackie Berkin
- Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday, 7:30 pm)

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- **Dine-In Pizza Night** (Last Sunday 5:00 pm 7:00 pm)
- Carry-Out Pizza Night (Wednesday mid-month; will resume ASAP!)
- Sisterhood (Third Tuesday)
- Women's Guide to Time (As scheduled) with Rebbitzen Chani Smason

#### **NHBZ Signature Events**

- Synaplex Shabbos
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn
- I-Chat

# <u>Coming Events</u> – (see Event Planner Box for *all* events)

- PURIM! Reading the Megilla ~ Saturday night, February 23: Ma'ariv: 7:00 p.m. Megilla Reading (by Rabbi Shaya Mintz): 7:15 p.m. Special "Pasta Groggers" available for purchase: the boxes of pasta will then be donated to the Jewish Food Pantry. Please bring non-perishable food or personal care items; barrels are set up in our upper & lower levels. Ice Cream Treats and Hamantashen for ALL!! Sunday morning, Feb. 24: Shachris: 8:00 a.m. Megilla Reading (by Rabbi Michael Rovinsky): 8:30 a.m. A VERY BIG THANK YOU to Paul Mendelson for, once again, making the generous donation of the "pasta groggers."
- PURIM SEUDAH!!!!! Complete with Whiskey Slush!!!! A Very Special & Festive Purim Feast ~ Israeli Style! Prepared by Sima Moria and Moshe Pinto, with help from Mati Elmaleh and Boris Yasinev. Sunday, February 24, 4:45 p.m. SHARP!
- Monday, February 25 ~ Shushan Purim
- A New Bi-Monthly Women's Tefila Class. Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason, the class will meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Norma Rubin, at 1039 Chartres in University City (one block east of McKnight, off Old Bonhomme). <u>First class: This Monday, February 25</u>. The focus of our class will be the structure and deeper meaning of the Shabbos morning service and prayers, and how prayer can be used as a basis for our own communication with G-d. All women welcome!
- Shabbos, March 2 ~ Kiddush in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Larry & Rayna Chervitz.
- Saturday Night, March 2 ~ Indulge yourself at the NHBZ Wine & Chocolate Pairings with noted wine columnist, Gail Appleson. 7:30 p.m. at 7700 Forsyth Blvd., Suite 1800, in Clayton (at Armstrong Teasdale in the Centene Building). \$15.00 per person in advance. RSVP by Wednesday, February 27, 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Space is limited, so call early!!!
- Shabbos, March 9 ~ Shabbos Lunch & Learn in honor of March Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries.
   Thanks to Jerry & Fran Cohen for a very generous donation to sponsor Chollent & Sesame Noodles in honor

- of their 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary in February, and Jerry's "Special" birthday in March. Thanks to **Larry & Shirley Hollander** for sponsoring special cakes in honor of Jerry & Fran! **Mazel Tov to Jerry and Fran!!!**
- Sunday, March 10 ~ NHBZ Sisterhood & the Irvin Alper Social Club invite everyone to their Antiques Road Show & Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Interesting ~ Funny ~ Surprising!!!! Bring an item. Values determined by Art Ressel, of the renowned Ivey-Selkirk Appraisers. All you can eat dinner follows (Pasta with Meat Sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert and Beverages.) Admission \$10.00 per person. RSVP: Rachael Pevnick (314-395-6017) or Ruth Alper (314-569-2877). All profits will benefit the "Passport to Israel" program. Come and support our NHBZ kids!!
- Please join us for a new class series with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason at The Law Offices of David A. Rubin, L.L.C. 10880 Baur Blvd., 63132. The third Tuesday of the month, 12:15 p.m. Next class on: March 19, Vayikra: Why Did We Bring Sacrifices? Following months' schedule: April 16, Kedoshim: What is Holiness? May 21: Be'ha'aloscha: The Priestly Blessings. June 18: Balak: Bilaam; a Non-Jewish Prophet?

# **Meetings**

- Sisterhood Luncheon & Gold Dollar Bingo (Tuesday, March 12, at noon.) Delicious Lunch & Prizes! Corned Beef & Turkey Sandwich, Potato Salad, Mixed Green Salad, Sweets, Coffee, Soda & More!!! \$6.50 donation. Men & Women of all ages Welcome!!! RSVP: Rachael Pevnick, 314-395-6017.
- Board of Directors (Tuesday, March 12) Minyan at 6:45 p.m.; Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Executive Committee (To Be Announced)

# Reminders

- Buy and Use Cash Cards call the office ASAP to order your cards and earn free money for NHBZ!
- Schnucks E-Scrip Card Use your Schnucks Card now, and make it count!!!
- **Sponsorships** If you would like to sponsor Kiddush, Soda, Shalosh Seudos, this Bulletin, or something unique in honor or in memory of a loved one, please call 314-991-2100, extension 2, to make arrangements.
- Tributes Show your friends you care; a tribute is a donation in honor of a birth, a birthday, an anniversary, a healthy recovery, or in memory of a loved one, or for any reason to show you care; tributes will be listed in this bulletin monthly.
  - o For a Shul tribute, call Gloria Waxman at 314-872-3296
  - o For a Sisterhood tribute, call Phyllis Silverman at 314-434-2482
  - o For Libby Needle Fund, call Sally Needle at 314-991-2575
- Buy a Brick Online or by Phone Our website now accepts online donations for the Brick and Planting Campaign; go to <a href="http://www.nhbz.org/dedications.asp">http://www.nhbz.org/dedications.asp</a> or call the office at 314-991-2100.
- **Synagogue Honors -** It is customary to make a donation to the synagogue for an Aliyah or other synagogue honors received.
- Mi Shebarach List ~ Prayers will be said for a Refuah Shelayma for your loved ones and friends. Please call the office <u>by Friday mornings</u> so we can include the names on our Mi Shebarach list for Shabbos. We need the names of the person who is ill AND his/her mother's name; either in Hebrew or English--if Hebrew names are unavailable. 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.
- Memorial Plaques ~ All memorial plaques from our former location have been lovingly mounted in our new building. You can honor and remember your loved ones with a plaque: <u>Cast Iron Plaques</u> with names in raised lettering, \$275.00; Molay is recited on each yahrtzeit. <u>Brass Plaques</u> \$150.00; inscribed with name. Molay is recited on each yahrzeit.
- Shalosh Seudos, The 3<sup>rd</sup> Meal of Shabbos ~ To sponsor Shalosh Seudos on Shabbos, which takes place between Mincha and Ma'ariv, please call the office to make arrangements. We are very grateful to those of you who sponsor the Third Meal as you observe the yahrtzeits of your dear family members.

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• Sponsor Mishna Study for a Loved One ~ Learning Mishnayos in memory of a loved one or for a Refuah Shelayma for a person who is ill, is an age-old Jewish Tradition. The word Mishna (learning) is closely related to the word Neshama (soul), and we believe that learning Mishnayos in someone's name acts as a Spiritual Elevation for that person or that person's soul. Our Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Mishnayos Shiur, which learns every Sunday following morning minyan, is carrying on this tradition by dedicating the MIshnayos to those in whose names the Mishnayos will be learned. You may dedicate Mishnayos for 1 year: \$250; 6 months: \$150; 3 months: \$96; 1 month, \$50. Thanks to Bob & Sandie Abrams for sponsoring Mishna Study for Carol Abrams, sister in law, and Irwin Mitchell, cousin, for 3 months. May your loved one be bound up in the bond of eternal life. May HaShem be filled with compassion to restore the health of your loved one.

Beyond Twelve Gates

Parshas Tetzaveh / Purim

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#### Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates

Our persistent need to rank events and people has led to the proliferation of year-end 'Best of the Year' lists; Top 10 Sports Moments of the Year, Top 10 News Stories of the Year, Top 10 Gefilte Fish Recipes of the Year (well, maybe things haven't gone that far ...yet). However, an intriguing year-end list, put forth by the *Times of Israel*, was 'Gentiles of the Year 2012.' One name relatively unknown on this list was Istvan Ujhelyi. Unfamiliar with Mr. Ujhelyi? His name is worth knowing.

After a far-right Hungarian politician called for Jews to be screened as potential security risks, Istvan Ujhelyi, the deputy speaker of Hungary's parliament, led colleagues in wearing yellow stars as a sign of solidarity with the country's Jewish community. While presiding over a parliamentary session, Ujhelyi, bedecked in his own yellow star, said, "One of our fellow deputies stepped over a line that I thought until now could not happen in the halls of the Hungarian national assembly. As far as I know I do not have Jewish ancestry, but should (someone) uncover that I have such roots, I will be proud of them." Some 550,000 Hungarian Jews were killed in the Holocaust, including a third of the victims who died at the Auschwitz concentration camp. Hungary's Jewish population is estimated at 100,000 today, and while physical attacks are rare, an elderly rabbi was insulted recently near his home and Jewish and Holocaust memorials have been vandalized.

Istvan Ujhelyi's action and words brings to mind the teaching of Hillel (Ethics of the Fathers 2:6) ".....and in a place where there are no men, strive to be a man." There are times when circumstances in life require that we go against the tide. Even when no one else has the wisdom or courage to do the right thing, even when everyone else has become part of the faceless crowd, we still must rise to the occasion.

#### Parshas Tetzaveh Exodus 27:20 -- 30:10

This week's portion is a haberdasher's dream. Following on the heels of the elaborate details of the construction of the Mishkan, G-d describes to Moses the special garments which are to be worn by the Kohanim during their service. The ordinary Kohanim would wear four special garments, while four additional vestments were to be worn exclusively by the Kohen Gadol (High Priest). All of these garments were woven and crafted from materials donated by the people. The Torah portion then shifts its attention to G-d's commandments regarding the inauguration ritual for the newly constructed Mishkan, to be performed exclusively by Moses for seven days. The inauguration included Moses' adorning and anointing the Kohanim, and his bringing offerings. On the eighth day, Aaron and his sons would assume their offices as the Kohanim. After then describing the offering to be brought in the Mishkan every day of the year in the morning and afternoon, the portion concludes with the command to build the last of the Mishkan's structures, the golden altar upon which the incense would be offered every morning and afternoon.

#### Purim

This coming Saturday night/ Sunday is the holiday of Purim. Purim is arguably the most joyous holiday on the Jewish calendar. If you would have only two days a year to attend synagogue, Purim and Simchas Torah should be your choices. Purim is celebrated with the 'Four M's' -- in the following 4 ways:

- 1) Megilla: On Purim we read the Book of Esther, which recalls the attempt of evil Haman (boo!) to wipe out the Jews of Persia
- 2) Mishloach Manos: We send gifts of food to friends and relatives ..at least two ready-to-eat food items in each package, delivered by a proxy. The joy of the day increases as we send and receive

- 3) Matanos L'Evyonim: We don't forget those with less...at least 2 gifts of money and/or food to the poor on Purim day
- 4) Mishteh: The merry, merry meal on Purim day ....an easy mitzva to fulfill

Purim represents the height of joy -- so enjoy!

#### Rabbinic Ruminations

In *The Merchant of Venice*, Shakespeare called it 'green-eyed jealousy.' Witnessing friends' vacations, relationships and life successes can trigger envy, a first cousin to jealousy. According to new research, a modern twist of this age-old human reaction, 'Facebook envy', is causing considerable misery and loneliness.

A study conducted by two German universities found envy rampant on Facebook. One of three people were found to have felt worse after visiting the social network site and more dissatisfied with their lives, while people who browsed without contributing were affected the most. "We were surprised by how many people have a negative experience from Facebook with envy leaving them feeling lonely, frustrated or angry," said researcher Hanna Krasnova. Vacation photos were the biggest cause of resentment with more than half of envy incidents triggered by holiday snaps on Facebook. Social interaction was the second most common cause of envy as users could compare how many birthday greetings they received to those of their Facebook friends and how many "likes" or comments were made on photos and postings. It was found that people aged in their mid-30s were most likely to envy family happiness. Men were shown to post more self-promotional content on Facebook to let people know about their accomplishments while women stressed their good looks and social lives.

Jealousy (defined as a resentful emotion toward another person) and envy (a feeling toward another's perceived superior advantages or accomplishments) are generally considered to be negative reactions. However, with the right perspective jealousy and envy can raise you up, rather than making you want to pull the other person down. Ideally we should be motivated by the desire to create and achieve, not by the desire to defeat or best others. However, when jealousy and envy are used as incentives to push you to learn or accomplish more, then positive results can be realized. The Talmud says, "Jealousy between scholars increases wisdom." Keep the green-eyed monster at bay by using him to prompt you to higher levels of achievement and greatness.

Quote of the Week

Unfaithfulness in the keeping of an appointment is an act of clear dishonesty. You may as well borrow a person's money as his time. -- Horace Mann (US educator, the first great American advocate of public education, 1796-1859)

# Joke of the Week

A man suddenly became very ill and was rushed to the hospital. Tragically, the doctors were unable to save him and he died. His soul went to heaven, and pleaded before G-d that his time shouldn't have come yet. He had too many things left to do. G-d listened to his arguments and said, "Okay – you're going to live another 25 years and 8 months. Back to earth you go!"

The man recovered fully and when he left the hospital, decided that he was really going to live this time around! First, he went to a hair stylist and dyed his gray hair black. Then, he had Botox injections to remove the wrinkles from his forehead. Finally, he decided that he was going to have the nose job that he always wanted. As he was walking out of the plastic surgeon's office, he stepped off the curb and was hit by a bus. He was killed immediately and his soul went back to heaven. The man was distraught, and demanded to know why G-d had ended his life after he was promised another 25 years and 8 months. G-d turned to the man and said, "I'm so sorry. I didn't recognize you!"

# Simchas, News and Features

- MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS February 16-22 Happy Birthday to Arnold Brody, Larry Chervitz, Daniel Golynskiy, Susan Manesberg, David Pepose, Ron Segall and Stella Vladimirov. Anniversaries No Anniversaries This Week. Show your friends you care ~ send a tribute. Shul: Gloria Waxman 314-872-3296; Sisterhood: Phyllis Silverman 314-434-2482; Libby Needle Fund: Sally Needle 314-991-2575; For Chesed Fund: Drop by the office for a Card Pack.
- Kashrus Alert from the Kof-K
   Starbucks' 10oz. containers of Toasted Marshmallow Hot Cocoa distributed by Conifer Special Ties mistakenly bear the Kof-K symbol. This is a non-kosher item. Corrective action is being taken. Currently, no Starbucks' Hot Cocoa Marshmallow products are certified by Kof-K.
- JSU Gala Jewish Student Union "INSPIRE A JEWISH TOMORROW!" March 9<sup>th</sup>, at the Coronado Ballroom, honoring Michael and Carol Staenberg; special tribute to Rick Kodner and Gail Brody. We will also inaugurate

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the Meira Bresler Riemer Scholarship Fund. Meira was passionately involved in inspiring the youth of both JSU and NCSY. In her memory, her family and friends have established this National fund, which will provide opportunities to youth to enhance their Jewish identity and love for Israel. For details, to make reservations, or to make a donation visit <a href="www.jsustl.com">www.jsustl.com</a>. Contact chairpersons Danielle & Eldad Bialecki or Melanie & Dan Winograd at <a href="jsustl@gmail.com">jsustl.com</a>. JSU serves more than 700 teens in 11 high schools in the St.Louis area.

- TOMCHEI SHABBOS COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE IS A SUCCESS!!! And the food drive continues
  on! Please pick up a bag for non-perishable food items available at NHBZ. Money donations are
  always welcome! For more details, or to arrange a pick up at your home, please call Sally Needle
  at 991-2575
- Rabbi Smason's Notes About Loshon Hara In a few weeks we will read a Torah portion in the Book of Leviticus, which describes in great detail the varying and numerous manifestations of the disease called tzara'as. Although it has commonly been mistranslated as leprosy, this skin disease bears little resemblance to any bodily ailment transmitted through normal exposure. Rather, tzara'as is the physical manifestation of a spiritual malaise, a punishment from G-d primarily for the sin of speaking loshon hara. Loshon hara, meaning literally 'the evil tongue', is often translated as 'gossip'. However, loshon hara is the Hebrew term for derogatory speech that is true. Motzei shem rah refers to derogatory speech about others that is false and slanderous. Guarding one's tongue is a litmus test that identifies a serious Jew. Our words can be supportive, instill confidence, and bolster self-esteem. But when used improperly, our words can insult, demean and degrade. "Who is the man that desires life, and loves many days, that he may see good? Guard your tongue from evil and your lips from deceitful speech." (Psalm 34:13) Strive to be a serious Jew, and stay far from loshon hara.

Join Us for the

Reading of The Megillah

Motzai Shabbos

Saturday Night, Feb. 23, 7:15 p.m.

Sunday Morning, Feb. 24, 8:30 a.m.



With added purpose!! Buy our special "Pasta Groggers" to drown out Haman's name during the Megillah. \$4.00 per box. The pasta will then be donated to the Jewish Food Pantry.

Come enjoy Purim with us at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion! Hamantashen compliments of Sisterhood, and Ice Cream Treats for everyone!!!

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