

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion
Shabbos, June 19, 2010

Good Shabbos to Everyone

Bruchim Habayim
7 Tammuz 5770



Graduates! Yahoo!!!



Graduation Shabbos ~ Mazel Tov to all the graduates and their families!! The graduates' families invite everyone to Kiddush in the Joe Rothman Auditorium following services this morning.

Thanks for sponsoring soda today ~ our **"POP"-STARS** of the week ~ **Harold & Fran Hoffman!!!**

If you would like to sponsor or enhance a Kiddush, add something special, sponsor Soda or Shalosh Seudos, please call 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to make arrangements. Your contribution will help our Kiddush & Shalosh Seudos Funds.

☆ **Davening ~ Parshas Chukas**

Sedra: *Chukas: Bemidbar 19:1-22:1*; pages 838-855. Haftorah: *Shofetim 11:1-33*; pages 1187-1189.

☆ **Thank You For Leading Davening:** *Pesukei D'Zimra:* **Howard Sandler**; *Shacharis:* **Ron Makovsky**; *Leyning:* **Yaakov Goldson**; *Haftorah:* **Moshe Pinto**; *Musaf:* **Menachem Szus**.

☆ **Jr. Congregations** Jr. Congregations will be held this morning at 10:30 a.m., Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children will meet in the Chapel with **Sivya Smason**. Boys Jr. Congregation will meet in the Auditorium with **Avrumi Smason**.

☆ **Mincha/Maariv:** We will daven Mincha today at 7:50 p.m. Shabbos will conclude at 9:13 p.m.

☆ **Shacharis, Mincha and Maariv ~ Shabbos, June 19 through Friday, June 25:**

	Shabbos	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shacharis	9:00	8:00	6:45	7:00	7:00	6:45	7:00
Mincha/Maariv	7:50	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00

☆ **Father's Day Tomorrow!!! Happy Father's Day to all the Dads & Zedas!!!**

☆ **NHBZ Shabbos Events & Dates to Remember**

☆ **SHABBOS FESTIVITIES, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:**

☆ **ARI WEEKEND - Celebrating the Life of THE ARI - Kabbalat Shabbat in the Field** - led by Aryeh Needle on Friday evening, July 9, at 7:00 p.m., at our future home, 650 N. Price Road!!

☆ **SYNAPLEX SHABBAT** Always interesting topics and dynamic speakers to nourish your mind; then enjoy a wonderful Shabbos lunch in honor of our friends celebrating July Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries on Shabbos, July 10. Services will begin at 8:30 a.m. Synaplex sessions at 11:00 a.m.

☆ **Executive Committee Meeting** Tuesday, June 22, in the Joe Rothman Auditorium following Minyan. Minyan at 7:00 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30.

☆ **Dine-In PIZZA NIGHT** Sunday, June 27.

☆ **Fast of Tammuz** and **The Three Weeks** begin on Tuesday, June 29.

☆ **SHABBOS in a BOX CALLING ALL HELPERS!** We will be grilling, slicing, dicing, and doing some packaging on Wednesday, June 30th; we will finish the packaging and have everything ready for pick up on Thursday, July 1st. If you are available to help with prep work, packaging or to staff the shift for pick up, please call me, Sandie, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, so I can thank you profusely and add your name to my list of volunteers. **AND, please place your orders by Monday, June 28,** for your BBQ Chicken Dinners for 4, with all the fixin's plus dessert, for \$40.00! Pick up time on Thursday, July 1st, is anytime between 5:00 and 6:30 p.m.



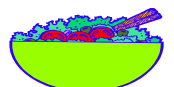
☆ **The Irvin Alper Social Club** Sunday, July 11.

☆ **Rosh Chodesh Av** Monday, July 12.

☆ **Nine Days Begin** Monday, July 12.

☆ **Shul Board of Directors Meeting** Tuesday, July 13.

☆ **EXTRA Dine-In PIZZA BUFFET NIGHT** during the 9 days, on Wednesday, July 14. **WEEK-NIGHT HOURS: 5:30-7:30 p.m. to accommodate working people. (NO CARRY OUT PIZZA IN JULY.)**



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☆ **Sisterhood's Mixed Company Day SPECIAL EVENT - "CHALLA TRADITIONS"** on Tuesday, August 17, at noon!!! **Margi Lengha Kahn**, the Jewish Light Columnist and Culinary Educator, will give a baking demonstration. You can **WATCH - LEARN & EAT** the freshly baked challas, and enjoy a nice summer luncheon.

☆ **Special Gifts Campaign & Mazel Club!!** **Special Gifts:** A VERY BIG THANK YOU to those of you who have made your pledges to our 2010 Special Gifts campaign, AND to those who have even sent in your contributions. This is just a friendly reminder and request that you send your special gift to our office. We are grateful for the donations we receive from everyone, and we know you are giving to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion as generously as you possibly can!! **Mazel Club:** We would LOVE to start the monthly drawings for the Mazel Club winners, but we're still waiting for YOU to sign up. Some of you have received the notice about our Mazel Club by email and some by snail mail. For the email crowd, just send an email to sandieabrams@hotmail.com and tell me to fill in your ticket, or tickets, and you'll be good to go. For the snail mail group, just mail your ticket and payment in the NHBZ envelope we provided. Lose your ticket? Then just call the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Mazel Club entries are only \$10 per ticket. Hope to hear from you soon! And thanks to everyone for your constant support of our shull!!!

☆ 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 7:20 p.m.**

☆ **Shabbos Study Groups** Each Shabbos one hour before Mincha. **This Shabbos at 6:50 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 the St. Louis Kollel, leads a study of the Mishna following Sunday morning services. Davening at 8:00 a.m. followed by Mishna study.

☆ **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** Wed., 12:15 pm, in the auditorium. Insights for daily living from the weekly Torah portion.

☆ Monthly Learning ~

☆ **The Morris Lengha Yiddish Club** meets on the 1st Thursday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Joe Rothman Auditorium. **Next Date Thursday, July 1st, 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!!

☆ **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. **Next class Tuesday, July 6, 2:30 p.m.**, at the home of **Jackie Berkin**. All women are welcome. Please join us!!!

☆ **Author! Author!** We have an author among us — our very own **Felicia Graber** who has written an astounding chronicle of her family's survival of the Holocaust, the post-war years and beyond, in her book, "Amazing Journey, Metamorphosis of a Hidden Child." Not only is this a fascinating read of Felicia's hair-raising and poignant account of her personal story, but she weaves a tale that is at times painfully honest and revealing, and at others uplifting and triumphant. Stranger than fiction? Well, maybe not **stranger**, but **definitely more exciting and extremely touching because our friend lived it minute by minute.** Felicia is very generously sharing her profits with NHBZ. You can order your copy of "Amazing Journey" by emailing to sandieabrams@hotmail.com and sending a check to the office, or by calling the office if you would like to use your credit card (314-991-2100, ext. 2).

The cost of the book is \$15.00. To learn a little more about Felicia's book go to www.feliciagraber.com. And join Felicia for coffee & cake to celebrate her book on Thursday, July 1, 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the Atrium in the Jewish Federation Bldg., 12 Millstone Campus. RSVP's a MUST to Felicia at 314-991-1566 or hgraber@earthlink.net. Felicia has given her children a treasure, and a wonderful gift to the rest of us. "Amazing Journey" is a must to add to your summer reading list!!!



☆ Please Pay Sisterhood Dues & Save

Your Rummage. If you haven't already paid, please send your Sisterhood Dues to Ruth Alper. Call Ruth, 314-569-2788. And please save your **gently used** clothes that are still nice enough to wear, books and household items for Sisterhood's Rummage Sale in the Fall.

☆ **NHBZ Chesed Fund ~** We need friends to visit people needing some TLC. Partner up!! It's easier when there are two of you sharing the mitzvah. Thanks and Yasher Koach to our TLC Teams and individuals: **Ruth Alper, Jackie Berkin & Sally Needle, Bertha Berman & Phyllis Silverman, and Moshe Pinto!!** Please join the TLC Team and call **Phyllis Silverman**, 314-434-2482; she will tell you who needs our TLC in hospitals and nursing homes. Want to make a donation? Please send checks to our office, or charge to your credit card -- 314-991-2100, ext. 2.

MAZEL TOV
ON SIMCHAS THIS WEEK!
June 19-25, 2010!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Sam Bluestein
Esther Gelb
Daniel Givon
Joni Kaiser
Roma Kleiman
Sarah Klein
Sanford Koenig
Phyllis Shanke
Bobbie Tolpen

Happy Anniversary
Alan & Vivian Zarkowsky

Show your friends you care ~ SEND A TRIBUTE!
Shul: Call Gloria Waxman, 314-872-3296
Sisterhood: Call Phyllis Silverman, 314-434-2482
Libby Needle Fund: Sally Needle, 314-991-2575

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. When Richard Chaifetz was a freshman at St. Louis University in 1971, he was summoned to the bursar's office and told he was two months behind on his tuition and unless he paid, he would have to leave school. Chaifetz told the school he had no way to pay, and was told to talk to Father Paul Reinart, the president of the university. Chaifetz said, "I assured him that not only would I pay my tuition, but if he allowed me to stay since I was a good student and my education meant so much to me, I would pay back the university in some fashion because I knew I would be successful in life. He looked at me and after a few minutes, he said, 'Rich, I believe in you, take as long as you want to pay your tuition. I know you'll make good on it.'" Thirty six years later, Chaifetz paid the school back, and then some. St. Louis University's on-campus arena is known as the Chaifetz Arena, named after successful Chicago businessman Dr. Richard Chaifetz, who made a \$12 million naming rights gift to the Arena. It's been said that the two most important words in our language are 'thank you.' Everyone of us, no matter how difficult our position in life, has much to be thankful for. If we could each cultivate an 'attitude of gratitude', the world would be a much better place.

Parshas Chukas Numbers 19:1 - 22:1

This week's action-packed portion begins with the paradox of the Red Heifer, a mitzvah we are asked to perform even though we are unable to understand its purpose and reason. The narrative then jumps to the death of the prophetess Miriam. The people are then left without water, since the miraculous well, which had accompanied them in the desert, existed only in her merit. G-d commands Moses and Aaron to speak to a particular rock so it will miraculously produce water; Moses strikes it with his staff instead, and G-d tells the two leaders they will not enter the Promised Land. What did Moses do wrong? One classic approach suggests that Moses' sin was that he became angry (he said to the Jewish people, 'Listen now, you rebels'). Although the best of us can occasionally lose our temper, teachers and parents carry a special responsibility to be good role models for their students and children. Little pitchers have big ears! Later in the portion, the king of Edom refuses to let the Jewish people pass through his borders, causing them to take a longer route. Aaron dies and is buried on Mount Hor. The Children of Israel sing a song of praise about the well of Miriam. The portion concludes with the battles and victories over Sichon the king of Emori and Og the king of Bashan.



Rabbinic Ruminations



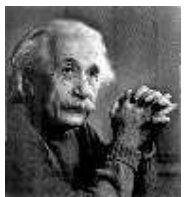
Irish writer Oscar Wilde once said, "Now it seems to me that love of some kind is the only possible explanation of the extraordinary amount of suffering that there is in the world." Does Jewish tradition support Wilde's hypothesis? Several years ago Darryn Sleet, a St. Louis high school football player, was leveled by a fierce, clean hit by an opposing defender after catching a pass. Darryn, who somehow held onto the ball, was knocked unconscious for about four minutes, then rushed to the hospital by ambulance. What good could possibly have resulted from such a trauma? A CAT scan and an MRI detected a cyst on the young man's brain that was unrelated to the football incident. He had surgery to remove the cyst that neither he nor his doctors were previously aware of. In an incredible twist, Valerie Sleet expressed gratitude to the unidentified player who clobbered her son. "I would really like to meet (that) boy and thank him. He saved my son's life. The doctors said Darryn was probably born with that cyst. We never knew it was there. He had no symptoms. The doctors said it would have continued to grow and caused a stroke or a seizure or something like that someday. And they never would have found it if Darryn had not been in that football game. It's just G-d's blessing. G-d's looking out for him - in a hard way, but G-d's looking out for him." Moses sought to understand why bad things happen to good people. He was told by G-d, "...you will see My back, but My face may not be seen." (*Exodus 33:23*) A retrospective view — namely, G-d's 'back' — may reveal the improbable, the unlikely, or perhaps the unimaginable. Judaism teaches: *Kolmah d'avid Rachmana, l'tavavid* — everything that G-d does, He does for the good.

Quote of the Week

All children are artists. The problem is how to remain artists once they grow up ~
Pablo Picasso



Joke of the Week



Albert Einstein died and went on to his Heavenly reward. He walked up to the first person he met and introduced himself. "Well, it's nice to meet you," responded the gentleman. "By the way, I have an IQ of 170." "Great!" answered Einstein. "Then we can spend our time discussing quantum physics." Einstein then introduced himself to the next person he saw. "So nice to meet you," the woman said. "My IQ is 155." "Delighted to meet you," Einstein said. "We can talk about such things as mathematical theorems." Later Einstein came upon another man. "Hello sir. My name is Albert Einstein. Pleased to make your acquaintance." The man shook his hand heartily. "Pleased to meet you, too," the man said, "but my IQ is just 85." "Ah," said Einstein, "so how are things in Washington?"

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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Nusach Hari B'nai Zion's



Shabbos in a Box

PLAY & HAVE FUN Friday, July 2nd
Let US Prepare Your Friday Night Shabbos Dinner!
Complete Grilled Chicken Dinner for Four!

MENU

Whole Grilled Chicken (4 Quarters)
BBQ Sauce optional
Rice with Sautéed Veggies
Homemade Cole Slaw
Corn Salad
7" Round Cake
ALL FOR JUST \$40.00



Extras Serve Four:

2nd Whole Chicken (4 Quarters)	\$18.00		
12 Drumettes	\$7.50	Corn Salad	\$4.00
Rice w/Sautéed Veggies	\$4.00	Large Challa	\$4.00
Homemade Slaw	\$4.00	Kiddush Challa	\$2.00

CHESED OPPORTUNITY:
BUY DINNER FOR A FAMILY NEEDING SOME TLC! \$40.00

PLACE ORDERS:

Call Sandie 314-991-2100, ext. 2
Orders MUST be placed by Monday, June 28

PICK UP ORDERS: Thursday, July 1
Between 5:00 & 6:30 p.m.

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Nusach Hari B'nai Zion 8630 Olive Blvd.

Big Shabbos Do'n's! Special Celebrations and Exciting Coming Events



Graduation Shabbos TODAY!! Mazel Tov to all the graduates & their families!!!

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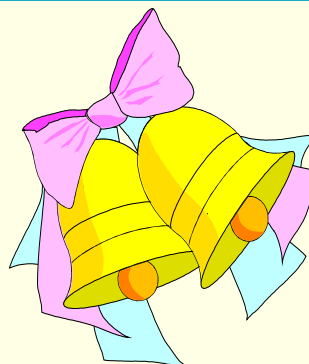
**Lion's Den DINE-IN Pizza Night
SUNDAY, JUNE 27!!**

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet of Pizza, Spaghetti, Garlic Bread & Salad plus Dessert & Beverage
Kids 3 & under: FREE Kids 4-10: \$6.00 Adults: \$10.00

~~CARRY-OUT NIGHT:~~ **EXTRA DINE-IN
WEDNESDAY, JULY 14
DURING THE NINE DAYS!!**

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 GREEN PEPPERS SLICED OLIVES PINEAPPLE
PLACE YOUR ORDER ~ 314-991-2100, ext. 2
Deadline to Order: 12:00 noon on JUNE 16.



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Mazel Tov Phyllis & Sid!!