

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion
Shabbos, October 9, 2010 ~ Rosh Chodesh

Good Shabbos to Everyone

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Bruchim Habayim
1 Cheshvan 5771



Make Your Pledge for the Rabbi Ride Around!!!



☆ **Kiddush** ~ Everyone is invited 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, enhance or add something special to a Kiddush, sponsor Soda or Shalosh Seudos, please call 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to make arrangements. Your contribution will help our NHBZ Kiddush & Shalosh Seudos Funds.

☆ **Davening** ~ *Parshas Noach*

Sedra: **Bereshis: 6:9-11:32**; pages 30-53. **Haftorah: Isaiah 66:1-24**; pages 1208-1210.

☆ **Thank You For Leading Davening:** **Pesukei D'Zimra: Howard Sandler**; **Shacharis: Ron Makovsky**; **Leyning: Michael Shapiro**; **Haftorah: Lenny Alper**; **Musaf: Rabbi Michael Rovinsky**.

☆ **Jr. Congregations** Jr. Congregation for girls and younger children will be held on Shabbos morning at 10:30 a.m. in the Playroom with **Dodi Smason**. Boys Jr. Congregation will meet in the Auditorium, at 10:30 a.m. with **Avrumi Smason**.

☆ **Mincha & Maariv:** We will daven Mincha on Shabbos evening at 5:50 p.m. Shabbos will conclude at 7:17 p.m.

☆ **Shacharis, Mincha and Maariv ~ Shabbos, October 9 through Friday, October 15:**

	Shabbos	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shacharis	9:00	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00
Mincha	5:50	6:05	6:05	6:05	6:05	6:05	6:05

☆ **Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan** ~ Friday & Shabbos, October 8 & 9.

☆ **It is customary** to make a contribution to the synagogue for honors received during the holidays, and in memory of your loved ones after Yizkor on Yom Kippur & Shemini Atzeres. **We thank you very much for your donations.**

☆ **Monument Dedication** ~ for **Ethel Kanter, Ist**, will be held this Monday, October 11, 11:00 a.m. at Chevra Kadisha Cemetery on Page and North & South.

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

☆ **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 & Anniversaries on Shabbos, October 16. Thank you and Mazel Tov to **Irwin & Roz Rosen** for a very generous donation toward the luncheon in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. **Rabbi Smason** will lead a Learner's Service; our guest speaker, **Gershie Meisel**, Program Coordinator of NCSY & JSU, will speak on the topic: "Avraham & Jewish Outreach."

☆ **KABBALAT SHABBAT with Argeh Needle** Friday night, November 12

☆ **FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBOS DINNER** following services, November 12. Guest Speaker, **Gary Frolich**, will speak on the topic "Cracking the Genetic Code: Jewish Health & Heritage," which will cover the history of typically Jewish disorders, plus the origin of Ashkenazic surnames.

☆ **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.



☆ **Shul Board of Directors Meeting** - Tuesday, October 12. Minyan at 6:05 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

☆ **Carry Out PIZZA NIGHT** Wednesday, October 13. Deadline to order: noon of that day.

☆ **2010 RABBI RIDE-AROUND RALLY & PICNIC** Sunday, **October 17**, 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.



☆ **Sisterhood's Mixed Company Day** Tuesday, October 19, at noon. Delicious Lunch, Gold Dollar Bingo, Attendance Prizes. \$6.50 donation. Call Rachael, 314-395-6017, for reservations.

☆ **Executive Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, October 26. Minyan at 5:45 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.



☆ **Multi-Family Sale!!** Please give your **furniture, books, lamps, household items and knick-knacks** in **good** condition, and **gently used** clothes that are still nice enough to wear (**very clean PLEASE, no stains or damages** please!) for the Shul's Multi-Family Sale on Sunday, October 24 and Wednesday, October 27. For drop-off times and questions about the sale, please call Esther Gelb, 567-1683.



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☆ **6th Annual KOSHER CHILI COOKOFF - NEXT MONTH!!!**

Sunday, November 21st!! It's not too early to get your team together!! Go to our website, www.nhbz.org, for your 2010 entry form and rules.



☆ **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 5:20 p.m.***

☆ **Shabbos Study Group** Each Shabbos one hour before Mincha. ***This Shabbos at 4:50 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 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.

☆ **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. **Next class Tuesday, November 2nd, 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, November 4th, 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!!

☆ **We are proud to present our Honorees for 2010 ~ ~ Joann Raskas & Ron Rosen.** And a new Youth Service Award will be presented 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 home in 2011. You have the Ad Journal order form. Please help make this a memorable journal for our Honorees with your personal messages and photos, greetings to **Joann Raskas & Ron Rosen** and **Alex & Jack Lyss**, your business ads, or your own special thoughts.

☆ **NCSY News**

☆ **Teen Paintball Event** - This Sunday, October 10, 2:00-5:00PM. ORGANIZED BY NCSY, JSU & BBYO - OPEN TO ALL (Grades 8-12)! PAINTBALLIN' @ The Breaker in Collinsville (4604 Fairmont Ave. 62234). Come chill or shoot your friends (Yes Rabbi Mike & Rabbi Gershie will be suited up!) and meet new ones @ St. Louis area's NEWEST Paintball Facility. Cost: \$20 per person. That includes gun, all day air, mask and 500 paintballs (additional Paintballs are \$12 for 500). If you have your own equipment you may bring it with you. You must purchase paintballs at the field. You can not bring your own. Sandwiches & chips catered by Kohn's: \$5.00. (You must order when you RSVP for the event) Long sleeve shirts, pants and light jacket or sweatshirt are suggested to be worn. You must RSVP. So please contact Rabbi Mike at Rabbimike@jsu.org or 314-498-6279 and we look forward to a great "shoot out".

☆ **NCSY Shabbaton** St. Louis has once again been chosen to host the 2010 JR NCSY (Grades 5-8) Fall Shabbaton November 5-7. The majority of the activities will take place at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation. We are in need of housing to sleep 200 children and staff from throughout St. Louis and the Midwest. All children will bring sleeping bags so you do not need to worry about beds. (A bed for the staff member would be nice if available.) Each group of children housed will be accompanied by at least one staff person. Our ideal area for housing is Price road on the West to Center road on the east. The closer to NHBZ the more ideal, but with this many children to house we are grateful for all houses open to us. All food will be provided by NCSY and you do not need to provide any food to the children. If you are able and willing to house the children or have any questions, please contact Rabbi Mike at rnr@stlncsy.com or 314 498 6279. We thank you in advance for your hospitality.

☆ **Melton Classes**

Rabbi Smason's Schedule of Classes:

Purposes: Essential Concepts of Jewish Life & Thought. Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. at the Jewish Federation Building. For information and registration call CAJE, 432-0020.

Beyond Twelve Gates

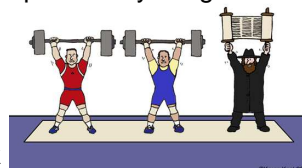
by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

'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. Do you learn from your mistakes? A husband and wife were enjoying an evening at home. An action-packed adventure movie was playing, and the bad guy was being chased by a police officer down a spiral mountain highway. As the speeds increased to an uncontrollable level, the wife said, "I bet you dinner at a fancy restaurant the criminal goes over the cliff." "It's a bet," said the husband. Just then the bad guy lost control on a curve and drove over the cliff. Realizing he had just lost the bet, the husband asked, "Where do you want me to make dinner reservations?" His wife looked over at him and said, "I feel guilty collecting on our bet. I've seen this movie before." "So have I," the husband sheepishly responded, "but I didn't think he'd be stupid enough to drive off the same cliff twice." A wise Jewish woman (my mother, she should live and be well) would often share with her children the following piece of wisdom; "Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me." Making mistakes is part of life. But if we don't learn from those mistakes and repeat them, they are particularly dangerous.

Parshas Noach Genesis 6:9 — 11:32

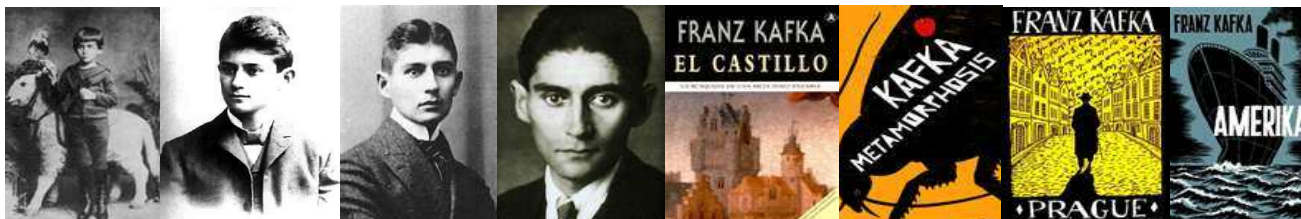
As a result of Mankind's evil, G-d brings a flood to destroy every living creature. Only Noah, his family, and at least one pair of every animal species were spared. Trivia question: Do you know the name of Noah's wife? (hint — it is NOT 'Joan of Ark') When the flood waters begin to recede after a lengthy deluge, Noah sends forth from the ark a raven and dove to determine whether the land has dried sufficiently so that they can leave the ark to once again resettle the earth. G-d promises that He will never again destroy all of Mankind by means of a flood, and He designates the rainbow as a sign for that eternal covenant. Noah plants a vineyard, drinks from its produce and becomes drunk. In his intoxicated state, he shamefully uncovers himself. While his son Ham dealt with his father inappropriately, Noah's other two sons, Shem and Japheth, cover their father in a respectful manner. Generations pass and the world is repopulated. The people attempt to wage war against G-d by building the Tower of Babel. G-d responds by mixing up their languages into a 'babble', and dispersing them across the planet.



Rabbinic Ruminations

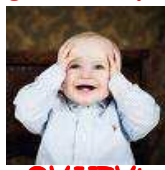


Last year, a high school student named Corey Swearingen put a letter in a bottle and dropped it in the Atlantic Ocean, off the Florida coast. It was an experiment for school. In the letter, he appealed to whomever came across the bottle to contact him and let him know where in the world it showed up. Amazingly, someone did. About 16 months after the bottle was dropped, Swearingen's marine science teacher heard from someone in Ireland. The letter had made its way across the Atlantic Ocean and washed up on the shores of the Emerald Isle, found by a 17-year-old and his Dad while out for a stroll. The wine bottle, which is being put on display in an Irish pub, is not the first message in a bottle to survive a perilous journey. In 1979, Dorothy and John Henry Peckham dropped a message in a bottle in the Pacific Ocean while on a cruise. Amazingly, the bottle found its way to Southeast Asia where it was picked up by 31-year-old Hoa Van Nguyen. Nguyen wrote back and began a correspondence that eventually led to the Peckhams helping to sponsor Nguyen and his family's immigration to the United States. These bottled messages bring to mind a favorite verse in Tenach (the Jewish Bible): "**Cast your bread upon the waters, for after many days you will again find it**" (Ecclesiastes 11:1) A literal understanding of the passage may refer to sending ships selling grain to many different ports, for some are bound to gain success. It may also refer to casting seed on the shallow areas of a river, with the hope that some will take root. Whatever the literal meaning, the spiritual lesson suggests that a daring, altruistic act of kindness will yield **guaranteed** returns in the future. Jewish consciousness teaches that no good deed goes without creating a cosmic ripple effect, and that no mitzvah goes unrewarded and unnoticed by G-d.



Quote of the Week ~~ Franz Kafka A book must be the ax for the frozen sea within us.

Joke of the Week



OY VEY!

Yankel the butcher had a bad habit; he cheated people by putting his thumb on the scale. Late one afternoon Mrs. Goldstein came into the butcher shop and wanted a chicken. Yankel had only one left in the meat counter. He then put it on the scale and announced the price. Mrs. Goldstein hesitated, and said, "I think I'd like a little larger bird." The butcher said, "That's no problem." He then reached into the meat counter, put the same chicken back in, shuffled it around a bit and brought out the same chicken, put it on the scale this time with his thumb on the scale and announced a heavier weight and higher price. However, Mrs. Goldstein was no dumb cluck. She smiled and said, "Fine, I'll take it! In fact, I think I'll take BOTH OF THEM."



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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MAZEL TOV
ON SIMCHAS THIS WEEK
 October 2-8!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
 Polina Golynskiy
 Ina Makovsky
 Michelle Mufson

Happy Anniversary
 Mike & Batya Elbaz
 Larry & Faith Comensky

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

Have a Great Time! Join us for the Picnic!

Sponsor Rabbi Smason on The 50 Mile
RABBI-RIDE-AROUND

BENEFIT RALLY & PICNIC

IN FOREST PARK

OCTOBER 17, 2010
 RIDE BEGINS AT 8:30 AND THE PICNIC AT 12:30

Call for Details, Sponsorship Forms, and Make Sure to
 RSVP for the Picnic Celebration: 314-991-2100 Ext. 2

Per-Mile sponsorship starts at just 25¢ and all proceeds benefit the ongoing programs of NHBZ; Classes for teens and adults, wonderful Community Programs and Chesed.

PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA
 at NHBZ!!!



CARRY OUT NIGHT:
THIS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13!!

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 OCTOBER 13

NEXT DINE-IN NIGHT ~ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31st

Señores y Señoras!

IT'S ALMOST HERE!!!
 Nusach Hari B'nai Zionisimo's
 6th Annual
 Kosher Chili Cook-off
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21st!!

Get ready! Get your team!
 Get your recipe . . .
 Caliente y Delicioso!!



THANKS TO ALL OF OUR
 SUKKAH-BUILDING SUPER STARS:

ALAN HABER
 BOB KAISER
 BOBBY LEVINE
 JACK LYSS
 MENACHEM SZUS
 BORIS YASINEV
 JONATHAN YASINEV.

AND OUR UN-BUILDER SUPER STARS:

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