



NHBZ Yom Tov & Shabbos Bulletin

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Shabbat Shalom!

Erev Shabbos & Yom Tov, Friday Night, April 3, 2015

Mincha & Ma'ariv (7:00 pm)

Candle Lighting ~ 7:08 p.m. First Seder ~ After 8:11 p.m.

Our Generous Sponsors This Shabbos & Yom Tov!

- Thank You to *Dr. Alan & Marcie Brook* for sponsoring this Shabbos Bulletin in honor of the birthday of their daughter *Eliana!* **HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELIANA!!!**
- Thank You to *Jeff & Murray Baker, Boris & Alla Yasinev* for sponsoring Kiddush on the 1st Day of Pesach.
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PESACH!!! Good Shabbos & Good Yom Tov!

Pesach ~ First Day (9:00 am) – Shabbos, April 4. *Thank you for leading services:*

- Pesukei D'Zimra: **Ed Lyss**
- Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
- Leyning: **Kenny Bressler**
- Haftarah: **Moshe Pinto**
- Sermon: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
- Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**

Readings: Exodus 12:21-51, in Siddur: pp. 496-497

Maftir: Numbers 28:16-25, p. 497

Haftarah: Joshua 3:5-7; 5-2 – 6:1; 6:27, pp. 497-498

Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ (6:55 p.m.)

Yom Tov Candle Lighting and Second Seder ~ Moztai Shabbos, April 4, After 8:12 p.m.

Pesach ~ Second Day (9:00 am) – Sunday, April 5. *Thank you for leading services:*

- Pesukei D'Zimra: **Ed Lyss**
- Shacharis: **Menachem Szus**
- Leyning: **Moshe Leib Cohen**
- Haftarah: **Lenny Alper**
- Musaf: **David Rubin**

Readings: Leviticus 22:26 – 23:44, in Siddur: pp. 498-500

Maftir: Numbers 28:16-25, pp. 500-501

Haftarah: 2 Kings 23:1-9, 21-25, p. 501

Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ (7:10 p.m.)

Yom Tov Concludes ~ 8:13 p.m.

- **Tefillah/Prayer Learners' Service ~ With Rabbi Yosef David.** No classes during Pesach. Classes will resume April 18
- **Shabbos Learners' Service ~ First Day of Pesach** (10:15 am.) Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason** in the Rivkin Chapel.
- **Kiddush ~** (After Musaf)
- **Mincha & Ma'ariv ~** (6:55 p.m.)

Please be sure to read Rabbi Smason's Beyond Twelve Gates in this Bulletin:

“What Happens to All Those Notes in the Western Wall?”

PESACH!!!

Chol HaMoed Pesach Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday, April 6-9

- Shacharis.....6:45 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv ~ Mon/Tues/Wed.....7:00 p.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv ~ (**Erev Yom Tov**) Thursday, April 9...7:10 p.m.
Yom Tov Candle Lighting ~ Thursday, April 9.....7:14 p.m.
- **Seventh Day of Pesach** ~ Friday, April 10
Shacharis9:00 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv ~7:00 p.m.
Shabbos & Yom Tov Candle Lighting.....7:14 p.m.
 - **Eighth Day of Pesach, Yizkor Recited** ~ Shabbos, April 11
Shacharis9:00 a.m.
Yizkor.....10:30 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv ~7:00 p.m.
Shabbos & Yom Tov Conclude.....8:18 p.m.

Reminder ~ Sale of Chometz: Please make checks payable to NHBZ, memo line: "Sale of Chometz." Send or bring them to our office; or charge to your credit card - call Sandie at 314-991-2100, ext. 2.

Vaad Hoer Maos Chittim Campaign ~ (now through AFTER Pesach) – The campaign assists people in Israel and St. Louis to properly observe and celebrate Pesach. Please make your checks payable to Vaad Hoer Maos Chittim, and write "NHBZ" on the memo line; send checks to the Vaad Hoer or NHBZ.

SIMCHAS

MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS April 4-10. **Happy Birthday to Loren Abrams, Eliana Brook, Phyllis Manesberg, Chasya Smason Rosenbaum, Morris Scheer, Avital Nava Simon, Trudy Sudin, Marty Tessler, and Margo Tzadok! Anniversaries ~ None in April!** 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 Pack of Cards.

When You Need Rabbi Smason ~ When you or a loved one becomes ill, and is hospitalized, please have a family member or friend contact Rabbi Smason on his cell phone as soon as possible . . . 314-749-5271.

Mi Shebarach List ~ Prayers said for a *Refuah Shelayma* (Speedy Recovery) for your loved ones and friends. Please call 314-991-2100, ext. 2, by 10 a.m. Friday mornings to include the names on our list to be read on Shabbos.

Shul News . . .

- **Monday, April 13, 3:15 p.m.** ~ NHBZ Women's Tefillah Class, Monday, April 13, 3:15 p.m., NHBZ Youth Lounge.
- **Monday, April 13, 5:30 p.m.** ~ **After Pesach ~ "Organize the Kitchens" Committee ~ Julie Eisenberg** is chairing this newly-formed, Board of Directors Committee, to organize our kitchens. **WE WANT YOUR IDEAS!!!** Please join us in the Youth Lounge to discuss the best ways to proceed. At the end of our labor of love, we will have a list of the equipment needed in our two kitchens, and invite everyone to a "kitchen shower" so we can all contribute the items to help us reach our goals!!!
- **Tuesday, April 14** ~ Board of Directors Meeting. **Mincha & Ma'ariv at 7:00 pm, Meeting, 7:30 pm.**
- **Sunday, April 26** ~ **All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Buffet** ~ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. **New scanners will accept Credit Card Payments!!!** **Are you new to NHBZ, looking to meet more members...sign up to help on our Pizza Buffet Line!** **It's a great way for everyone to say "Hi."** Bring your family and friends to enjoy a delicious dinner of pizza, pasta, salad and garlic bread, dessert and beverage! Reservations are not needed - just show up, eat to your heart's content, have fun schmoozing and have a great time!!! Plus a movie

for the kids every month!!!! (Please place carry-out orders by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Pick up time for carry out pizzas: 4:30-4:45 p.m.)

- **Tuesday, April 28** ~ Executive Committee Meeting. [Mincha & Ma'ariv at 7:00 pm, Meeting, 7:30 pm.](#)
- **Mi Shabayrach L'Cholim - Prayers for Those Who Are Not Well** ~ Upon the recommendation of the Religious Committee, the Shabbos and Yom Tov format for our *Mi Shabayrach L'Cholim* (Prayers for Those Who Are Not Well) will undergo a change beginning on Shabbos, April 4. All names submitted to the office will continue to be read by Rabbi Smason. However, while Rabbi Smason recites those names in an undertone, all congregants will be encouraged to simultaneously recite get-well prayers for their loved ones and others.
- **Women's Emergency Tehillim Circle** ~ These women have made the commitment to be on call to say Tehillim for individuals whenever an emergency situation occurs: **Julie Eisenberg, Sandie Abrams, Debbie Barash, Shirley Bluestein, Marcie Brook, Rhonnie Goldfader, Sandy Kahn, Joni Kaiser, Sandy Klarfeld, Cindy Looney, Laura Rader, Shayna Scribner, and Peggy Umansky.** Prayers are said at home. Please call **Julie Eisenberg**, 314-695-5615, or **Sandie Abrams**, 314-991-2100, ext. 2., if you would like to participate. Please provide us with your phone number and email address so word can get to you as soon as an emergency arises.

In The Community . . .

- **Community Yom HaShoah Commemoration** ~ Sunday, April 19, 4:00-5:30 p.m., at Kol Rinah Congregation, 829 Hanley Road. For further information, go to HMLC.org or call 314-442-3714.
- **Kashrus Alerts: Sally Sherman Raviolletti Salad** ~ The Orthodox Union does not certify Sally Sherman Raviolletti Salad. Some Raviolletti Salads were mistakenly labeled with an OU symbol. Corrective actions have been implemented. **Endico Brussels Sprouts** ~ The Orthodox Union does not certify Endico Brussels Sprouts. Some boxes of Endico Brussels Sprouts are stamped with an unauthorized OU Symbol. Corrective actions have been implemented.
- **A Call for Help from the Jewish Food Pantry** ~ The Jewish Food Pantry is in desperate need of volunteers. The amount of food they are receiving is growing, but the number of people to organize all of the donations is NOT keeping up! To help or for questions, call **Julie Eisenberg** at 314-494-8437.
- **Women's Tehillim Group** ~ A group of women in the community, gather each Sunday at 9:15 a.m., at the home of Jan Adelman, 8032 Amherst Ave, 314-863-5438, to say Tehillim in the *zechus* (merit) of a *refuah shelayma* (full & speedy recovery) for the *cholim* (the ill people) in our community. The Tehillim hotline for names and updates: 314-441-6460. *The group will not meet this Sunday, April 5th (the second day of Pesach), but will resume on Sunday, April 12.* If you have any questions, please call **Julie Eisenberg** at 314-494-8437.
- **Tomchei Shabbos On-Going FOOD DRIVE!!** *Tomchei Shabbos* (Supporters of the Sabbath) is maintained through contributions of food and money, and was established by the Vaad Hoer, which discreetly provides families in our community with Shabbos & Yom Tov meals. Bring a bag of non-perishables to our office, or for home pick-up please call **Sally Needle**, 314-991-2575. To make a donation go to www.ovkosher.org.

*Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
First & Second Days of Passover April 4 & 5, 2015*

"What Happens to All Those Notes in the Western Wall"

Millions of people a year visit the Western Wall in Jerusalem. Inspired by one of Judaism's holiest sites, many visitors offer a prayer while standing in the shadow of where the *Beit HaMikdash* (the Holy Temple) once stood. The Wall, which has been a site for prayer and pilgrimage for centuries, annually receives multiple 'visitors' of another type -- written prayers on pieces of paper wedged into the cracks of the ancient stones. Some letters are sent to the Wall by fax or email -- often for a small fee. Western Wall Rabbi Shmuel Rabinowitz places hundreds of letters a year received by the post office addressed simply to "G-d in Jerusalem." Have you ever wondered what happens to all those notes?

Twice annually, Rabbi Rabinowitz supervises the removal of the notes that have been slipped between the stones of the ancient edifice. This past week, Rabbi Rabinowitz said, "We are now cleaning the stones of the Western Wall, we're collecting the notes . . . that were inserted in the past six months in the cracks of the Wall, we're talking about hundreds of thousands of notes if not more, if not millions, we ... are ensuring that no one can open these notes. We'll collect them in bags and then we'll bury them, G-d willing, in the Mount of Olives." Leaving notes of prayers and pleas has been adopted by members of many faiths around the world. It is common for Christian pilgrims travelling through the Old City of Jerusalem to stop by the Western Wall and leave a note.

For those unable to visit the Western Wall, some send a note with friends or family who will be traveling to the holy site. Others, desiring to have prayers said at the Western Wall, work with organizations such as westernwallprayers.org, that arrange for individuals to personally offer specific prayer requests at the Western Wall. Regardless whether your prayers ascend to Heaven via the Western Wall --- don't underestimate the power of prayer.

Passover

Passover begins on Friday evening, April 4. Since the holiday begins on Shabbos, the regular cycle of Torah readings is interrupted with a reading that reflects the theme of the holiday. On the first day of Passover, Shabbos, the Torah reading is from Exodus 12: 21- 51. This reading describes the Exodus from Egypt and the Passover offering. On the second day of Passover, Sunday, the Torah reading is from Leviticus 22:26 -- 23:44. This reading describes journeying to the Holy Temple in Jerusalem on the three pilgrimage festivals (Passover, Shavuot, Sukkot) and the counting of the Omer. May you and your families have a meaningful and joyous holiday.

Rabbinic Ruminations

Albert Einstein once said, "*I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious.*" The curiosity of German graphic designer Benedikt Gross resulted in the creation of a fascinating project. Gross was flying into Los Angeles for the first time when he gazed out the jetliner's window and was mesmerized by the grid of shimmering turquoise swimming pools tiling the landscape below. The graphic designer recalls saying to himself, "I wonder how many pools there are?" The image of all those backyard oases visible only from the sky stuck with him. A few months later while at an MIT research lab, he met Joseph Lee, an L.A. native with a background in remote sensing and cartography. Over a lunch conversation, the two decided to take on the project of finding and mapping all the swimming pools in the Los Angeles basin.

They began with aerial imagery from the U.S. Geological Service. Gross and Lee expected to receive from the imagery a map of beautiful images, but instead received "digital noise and an ugly mishmash of lines." Turning to a service in India that turns bitmap images into vectors, within a short time they had an outline of tens of thousands of swimming pools. Continuing their work with complex computer mapping, they ended up with "The Big Atlas of LA Pools," a digital analysis of every swimming pool in the Los Angeles Basin. Their research, which fills 6,000 pages in 74 printed volumes and cost \$3700 to publish, counts 43,123 pools between the Hollywood Hills and San Pedro. As a spinoff from their project, the duo created a 22-minute video, "[The L.A. Swimmer](#)," a swoosh of a ride across Los Angeles showing quick glimpses of backyard pools. One unintended result of the project: Gross and Lee have been talking with the L.A. Fire Department about using the maps to help locate pool water in case of fires.

We humans are naturally curious creatures -- we are born to explore. Even if we don't immediately sense the benefit of questioning and exploration, curiosity still has value because the journey of learning is its own reward. That's the same message we get on Passover. What does the wise child of the Haggada say? "*What are the testimonials, statutes and laws Hashem our G-d commanded you?*" Jewish learning is supposed to inspire us, and to push us to explore beyond what we already know. There's even titled a book [Swimming in the Sea of Talmud](#) because Jewish study leads us into the vast, challenging, and compelling unknown, which we do for the pure joy of learning something new. As numerous as the swimming pools in Los Angeles may be, they are not infinite. But human curiosity -- our drive to explore and learn and grow -- just might be.

Quote of the Week

"F-E-A-R has two meanings: 'Forget Everything And Run' or 'Face Everything And Rise.' The choice is yours." ~ Zig Ziglar (1926-2012) Hilary Hinton "Zig" Ziglar, American author, salesman, motivational speaker.

Joke of the Week

- There was a husband and wife celebrating their 60th birthdays. While walking along a beach, they spot an old bottle. The woman picks up the bottle and notices that it still has the cork intact. So, being curious as to what may be inside, she manages to get the cork out and out pops a genie. The genie tells the man and wife that they will be granted their deepest wish.
- The woman says, "I have always wanted to travel the world! I would like tickets to dozens of locations around the world."
- The genie snaps his fingers, and dozens of tickets appear. The woman is ecstatic!
- The genie turns to the husband.
- "What would you like?" he asks.
- He thinks—and very quickly says, "I would like a woman thirty years younger."
- The genie nods, and waves her wand, and PRESTO ---
- The man is now 90 years old.

P E S A C H



Chag Kosher V'Sameach
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MINYAN! IT'S GOOD FOR US & GOOD FOR YOU, TOO!!!

| <i>This Week At a Glance</i> | Shabbos April 4 | Sunday April 5 | Monday April 6 | Tuesday April 7 | Wed. April 8 | Thurs. April 9 | Friday April 10 | Shabbos April 11 |
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| Shachris | 9:00 am | 9:00 am | 6:45 am | 6:45 am | 6:45 am | 6:45 am | 9:00 am | 9:00 am |
| Mincha/Ma'ariv | 6:55 pm | 7:10 pm | 7:00 pm | 7:00 pm | 7:00 pm | 7:10 pm | 7:00 pm | 7:00 pm |
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NHBZ Event Planner

(Check **“Shul News . . .”** 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

SHABBOS

- Tefillah Class (9:30 am) led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel.
- Child Care (10:00 am – Noon) for kids 3 & under in the Children’s Room.
- Learners Service (10:15 am) led by Rabbi Ze’ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel.
- Shabbos Tanach (Bible) (45 minutes before Mincha)

SUNDAY

- Mishna Learning (after Shacharis) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler, of Aish HaTorah
- “Mystical Moments” with Rabbi Max Weiman (between Mincha & Maariv.)
- Tanya (8:00 pm) with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel

MONDAY

- Mah Jongg (Mondays, 4-6:00 pm) NHBZ Lower Level. Proceeds benefit The NHBZ Chesed Fund.

WEDNESDAY

- Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (12:15-1:00 pm) Studying Pirkei Avos.

SEMI-MONTHLY at NHBZ

- Women’s Tefillah Class (2nd & 4th Mondays) 3:15 pm with Rabbi Smason at NHBZ.

MONTHLY at NHBZ

- Irvin Alper Social Club (First Sunday) 5:00 pm.
- Mussar Mondays (First Monday) 7:00-7:45 pm. at the home of Richard & Mindy Woolf.
- Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday) 2:30 pm with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel, at the home of Jackie Berkin.
- Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday) 7:00 pm at NHBZ.
- Sisterhood (Third Tuesday)
- Dine-In Pizza Night (Last Sunday) 5:00 – 7:00 pm Place Carry-Out Pizza orders by 10:00 am, 314-991-2100, ext 2. Pick up time 4:30 – 4:45 pm.

NHBZ Signature Events

- Synaplex Shabbos
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn

The Deadline to submit new information to appear in our Shabbos Bulletin is Wednesday each week, NO LATER THAN 12:00 noon, please. That will allow the time needed to make changes. The bulletin is printed first thing every Thursday morning.