

NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

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Erev Shabbos – Friday Night, August 29, 2014

- Mincha & Ma'ariv (7:00 pm)
- Candle Lighting (7:18 pm)

Shabbos – August 30

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) ~ Thank You For Leading Davening
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: Howard Sandler
 - Shacharis: Howard Sandler
- Haftorah: Kenny Bressler - Drasha (Sermon): Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Musaf: Menachem Szus
- Leyning: Moshe Leib Cohen Kiddush ~ (After Musaf) Thanks to our NHBZ Sisterhood for enhancing Kiddush today. Rachael Pevnick, Sisterhood president, takes pleasure in honoring all "The Ladies of Sisterhood!" Thanks to Dr. Jonathan & Naomi Shanker for sponsoring a cake in honor of Daniel's 8th birthday!!! And thanks to "POP-Stars" from the "Shaving Israel" organization for sponsoring the soda today!

Happy Birthday to Daniel!!!

- Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv (6:55 pm)
- Shabbos Concludes (8:19 pm) 0
- Labor Day Weekend ~ Rabbi Smason and Rebbitzen Chani will be out of town for the Labor day weekend from Sunday through Tuesday.
- **Extremely Important Message!** 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 ASAP 314-749-**5271.** Calling the office sometimes delays the time in which Rabbi Smason receives the information. Rabbi Smason is very sensitive to the needs of all our members ~~ each and every one of you. He wants to be able to help you as quickly as possible and in any way he can. Please keep Rabbi Smason's cell phone number handy in your wallet, and give it to your family and friends, so you and they will have easy access at all times.

*What's Up" on Sunday? 🎘

Lion's Den Pizza Night ~ All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Buffet ~ This Sunday, August 31, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a delicious dinner of pizza, salad, pasta and garlic bread!!! Reservations are not needed . . . just show up, eat to your heart's content, have fun schmoozing, and have a great time! Plus an extra bonus ~ we have 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 is 4:30-4:45 p.m. before the start of our buffet.) WE TAKE CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS!!!

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Mah Jongg, Anyone? !

Calling All Mah Jongg Mavens! Would you like to play Mah Jongg on Mondays, 4:00-6:00 p.m., at NHBZ, and <u>help the Chesed Fund at the same time</u>? Please join us in the Teen Lounge (lower level). Only \$3.00 cover! **Proceeds will benefit The Chesed Fund**. Lessons available; seating is limited. We hope to see you every Monday! Questions? Call Debbie Barash, 314-993-4954. MahJ-ON! We will skip this coming Monday (Labor Day). Next game, Monday, Sept. 8th.

WISH LIST:

Our computer systems, including a server, enable us to efficiently manage our shul by producing the Shabbos bulletin, our accounting, the production of various printed material, the yahrtzeit reminders, and more. Just like everyone else, we are plagued by power outages; we require Battery Backup devices to keep the operations and server running smoothly and to prevent data loss. We are now badly in need of several UPS's - Uninterruptible Power Supplies for our server and some other devices. If you would like to contribute one . . . HERE IS OUR WISH LIST:

1. APC Smart-UPS 1500VA LCD 120V - it runs about \$600 for our server

2. a few APC Back-UPS 350's running about \$90 each.

Please let us know if you can help. Call Sandie, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, or go to <u>sandieabrams@hotmail.com</u>. Thanks to **Dr. Erol & Sally Amon, Andy & Ellen Berg, and Irwin & Roz Rosen** for being the first to respond to our Wish List!!!

<u>Meetings</u>

- Fund Raising Committee Meeting ~ Wednesday, Sept. 3. Minyan at 7:00 pm; Meeting at 7:30 pm.
- The Irvin Alper Social Club ~ Sunday, September 7, 5:00 p.m.
- Board of Directors Meeting ~ Tuesday evening, September 9. Minyan is at 6:55 pm; Meeting at 7:30 pm.
- Sisterhood Lunch & Bingo ~ Tuesday, September 16, at 12:00 noon.

"What's Up" at NHBZ? <u>NHBZ Coming Events</u>

- Challa Baking Class ~ Just in time for the High Holidays!!! Tuesday evening, September 2nd, 7:00 pm at NHBZ. Demonstrated by Mindy Woolf, with <u>your hands-on participation</u>!!! You will learn about new techniques, recipes and toppings. Everyone will make 2 challas to take home for the Holidays! AND, something very COOL . . . you will be making napkin rings out of challah dough, sooooo this is a "shul-wide" call for the <u>cardboard centers from rolls of paper towels</u> to be used as forms. \$12.00 per person; space is limited so <u>RSVP NO LATER THAN THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST</u>!!! 314-991-2100, ext. 2.
- Synaplex and Lunch n' Learn ~ Shabbos, September 6th. Three Synaplex breakout sessions! Our speakers will be Rabbi Ze'ev Smason "Your Best Life: Seven Rules for the Road," Rabbi Yitzy Kowalsky, of the St. Louis Kollel, "Apples, Honey, and the Deeper Meaning of Rosh Hashana," and Nancy Lisker, Director, AJC St. Louis "A Defining Moment: Israel, the Diaspora and the World Around Us." And for the kids Youth Programming for kids 4 and over; and Tot Shabbat. Lunch in honor of September Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries following the Synaplex Sessions.
- The Irvin Alper Social Club ~ Sunday, September 7th, 5:00 p.m. in the NHBZ Social Hall. Everyone is welcome ~ please join us for a light supper, cards and schmoozing. Reservations are a Must! To RSVP -- please call Ruth Alper, 314-569-2877.
- Kiddush & Lunch ~ Kiddush & Lunch will be sponsord by Linda & Gene Carton in memory of beloved mother Sarah Kalmes, 5th, on the observance of her first yahrzeit.

- Rabbi Smason's SIXTH Annual RABBI RIDE-AROUND ~ In less than a month, Rabbi Smason will be 'rolling out' his annual 50-mile bicycle ride on Sunday, September 14, in Forest Park!! Please become a sponsor for Rabbi Smason's Ride Around the Park: We ask a minimum pledge of 25c per mile, which equals a total donation of \$12.50; 50c = \$25; \$1.00 = \$50; \$2.00 = \$100.00!!! In the past, Rabbi Smason has had pledges of \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 per mile! THIS YEAR, he has a pledge of \$18.00/mile, which equals a total donation of \$900.00!!! Call our office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to make your pledge. And please come to cheer Rabbi Smason on, and enjoy a Picnic-In-The-Park! We will meet at Pavilion #6, SW corner of the park by Clayton Road & Hwy. 40. Rabbi Smason begins his Ride at 10:00 a.m.; Picnic at 12:30 p.m. We will have boxed picnic lunches plus drinks & dessert at \$10.00 for adults, and \$5.00 for kids. Great activities for the kids are planned!!! New this year: GUESS RABBI SMASON'S RIDE TIME!!! 50% of the pot will go to the winner, or split if we have multiple winners. Submit your guesses (with payment of \$5.00) before the ride; OR, for each new sponsor you bring for at least 25c per mile, you may submit one guess!
- Sisterhood Lunch & BINGO PARCY ~ Tuesday, September 16th, 12:00 noon in our NHBZ Social Hall. Men & Women of ALL Ages are invited to come and enjoy a Delicious Lunch, Bingo, and Attendance Prizes! \$7.00 donation; RSVP to Rachael Pevnick, 314-395-6017. We hope to see you!!!
- "My Father Was a Nazi" could be the Working Title when Nusach Hari B'nai Zion presents an evening with Dr. Bernd Wollschlaeger, son of a high-ranking Nazi who was decorated with Germany's Iron Cross by Adolph Hitler, himself! Dr. Wollschlaeger's journey began at age 14, when he learned of his father's involvement during the years of Nazi rule. His quest to learn more about the Jews led him to a former Jesuit priest and many Holocaust survivors, from a trip to Israel and back to Germany where he completed medical school. He eventually succeeded in fulfilling his dream his strong desire and decision to convert to Judaism! He moved to Israel and enlisted in the Israel Defense Forces as a medical officer; he is now a family physician in private practice in Florida. Please join us on Sunday, September 21st, to hear Dr. Wollschlaeger tell his fascinating story, and meet him at a dessert reception following his presentation. Seating is limited. Advanced ticket purchase is recommended for guaranteed seating. Admission -- \$10.00.

Prior to his talk, please join Dr. Wollschlaeger at an **EXCLUSIVE DINNER FOR SPONSORS**! Sponsorship Opportunities:

- DOUBLE CHAI Table Sponsor \$3,600. Sponsor's listing in program; Ten tickets for dinner and talk
- <u>CHAI Level</u> \$1,800. Sponsor's listing may include in merit of someone (in memory, in honor) Four tickets for dinner and talk
- <u>CHESED Level</u> \$360. Sponsor's name listed in program two tickets for dinner and talk
- NEW <u>CHAVER Level</u> \$200. Sponsor's name listed in program one ticket for dinner and talk All above sponsorship levels will include:

Dinner with the speaker prior to talk, Book personally signed by the speaker Photo op with the speaker, Preferred seating at talk, Recognition in program and other printed material. Please call Susan "Shayna" Scribner, 314-913-1200, for more information, to join us for dinner, and to guarantee your seats at the talk.

- SMILLE!!! O Our Photo Directory ~ "Faces of NHBZ" ~ We have concluded the photo sessions for our upcoming synagogue Directory. If you didn't have your portrait taken it's not too late to have your picture included!!! You can email a photo, or bring a picture to the office. Please contact Rabbi Smason, 314-749-5271, or Phyllis Silverman, 314-434-2482, for details to have your photo in our Directory!
- Save the Date!!! The Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Annual Dinner celebrating our 109th Anniversary on Sunday, December 14, 2014. We are pleased to introduce our honoree Mark Ragin, and Woman of Valor Award recipient Sandra Abrams! Please be sure to mark your calendars, and start thinking about your ads for our journal. More details to follow, so stay tuned!!!

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<u>SIMCHAS</u>

 MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS August 30 – September 5. Happy Birthday to Fabian Attoun, Eli Judah Bialecki, Jonah Alexander Bialecki, Norma Rubin, Howard Sandler, and Daniel Shanker! Happy Anniversary to Joel & Susan Manesberg and Ed & Judy Ziegelman! 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 Package of Cards.

NHBZ CLASS SERIES ~ MEMBERS & ALL FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!

- Learn to Lead Davening ~ led by our Chazzan Dr. Ethan Schuman on <u>Sunday mornings</u>, at 9:00 a.m. after morning minyan.
- Shabbos Tefilla Class ~ Tefilla Class led by Rabbi Yosef David resumes today, August 30, 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel.
- Women's Tefilla Class ~ Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason. The class meets on the 2nd and 4th <u>Monday</u> <u>afternoons</u> each month at 3:15 p.m. at NHBZ. Next class Monday, September 8.

Reminders

- SHABBOS HALACHAS (Laws of Shabbos) An eruv is an enclosure, constructed according to halacha (Jewish Iaw), as a way to permit Jewish residents or visitors to carry certain objects outside their own homes on Shabbos and Yom Kippur. The St. Louis eruv encompasses parts (but not all) of Olivette, U.City and Clayton. We respectfully request that SHABBOS BULLETINS, FOOD, or any other item not be removed from the synagogue by those who do not live within the eruv. Questions? Ask Rabbi Smason.
- Become Energized *!!!* Sponsor Your Own Solar Panel*!!!* The 2014 price is just \$216 for the year. Your sponsorship will appear on the lobby monitor with an individual display with your personal or business name. Sponsor a panel for yourself, your friends, your business, or dedicate one in honor of a loved one. If you are interested in sponsoring a solar panel, please call 314-991-2100, ext. 2 and we will send you the form to complete with your own wording for your message!
- <u>Buy and Use Gift/Cash Cards</u> call the office for details ASAP and to order your cards! <u>Earn free</u> money for NHBZ! Orders are placed twice per month – on or as close to the 15th and 30th. Get gift certificates from Amazon.com, or gift/cash cards to use at Sam's, Walgreens, CVS, Talbots, gas stations – BP, Mobil, Shell and Sinclair, Macy's, Starbucks and so many more places with whom you do business!
- HEADS UPI Schnucks E-Scrip Card TOTAL \$1,435.80 in 2013!!! Let's run that number up in 2014!!! If you have been using your Schnucks E-Scrip Card when you shop, we Thank You VERY Much! NHBZ received \$1,435.80 <u>Easy Money</u> last year from Schnucks based on your purchases, and NO EXTRA CHARGE TO YOU!!! Please remember to hand your e-Scrip card to your checker every time you shop - and make your shopping trip count!!! TO NHBZ Members <u>AND Non-Members Alike</u> ~~ <u>if you don't</u> have an e-Scrip card, please contact the office: <u>sandieabrams@hotmail.com</u> or 314-991-2100, ext. 2, and "shop" for Nusach Hari B'nai Zion!!!
- **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, ext. 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. For Shul Tributes call Gloria Waxman, 314-872-3296; for Sisterhood call Phyllis Silverman, 314-434-2482; for Libby Needle Fund call Sally Needle, 314-991-2575; for Chesed Fund Tributes come by the office and pick up a package of cards!

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- Mi Shebarach List ~ Prayers will be said for a Refuah Shelayma for your loved ones and friends. Please call the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, by 10:00 a.m. Friday mornings 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 in Hebrew, or in English if Hebrew names are unavailable. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.
- *Memorial Plaques* ~ Memorial plaques are lovingly mounted in our new building. Remember your loved ones with a plaque; prices are \$150 and \$275. Please call the office for details, 314-991-2100, ext. 2.
- Shalosh Seudos, The 3rd 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 in honor of family members, to celebrate special occasions, or as you observe the yahrzeits of your dear loved ones. To make arrangements call our office at 314-991-2100.
- Buy a Brick Online or by Phone ~ Our website now accepts online donations for the Brick and Planting Campaign; go to <u>http://www.nhbz.org/dedications.asp</u> or call the office at 314-991-2100.
- Synagogue Honors ~ It is customary to make a donation to the shul for Aliyos or other honors received.

NEWS & FEATURES

- NHBZ's Pushkeh Project! Our rabbis teach that tzedakah and acts of kindness are the equivalent of all the mitzvos of the Torah. Please come by our office and pick up your new pushkeh (tzedakah/charity box)!! Fill up your pushkeh!!! The tzedakah in your pushkeh will total all or part of your contribution toward admission to a Pushka Dinner that we will schedule down the road, date TBA. The shul is adopting this idea from our Sisterhood that, in years past, had prepared a yearly Pushkeh Dinner to help raise money for their coffers. We want to say a BIG "Thank You" to Dr. Jay Pepose and Dr. Susan Feigenbaum for generously sponsoring the purchase of our new pushkehs, and "Thank You" to Bobby Levine for creating the beautiful pushkeh covers.
- Ohr Pesia Classes ~ "Yom Kippur and The Book of Yonah (Jonah) Finding Teshuva." The classes will be taught by Mimi David on Sundays, September 7th and 14th, 8:00 p.m. in the NHBZ Teen Lounge. The fee for the classes is \$10.00. This story, which we read every Yom Kippur, is about far more than a big fish who swallows a man. The most curious part is actually at the very end, where a tree miraculously sprouts over night and then dies just as quickly. What we learn from this seemingly insignificant episode will transform the way you look at Yom Kippur and the power of *teshuva* (repentance).
- Exciting New Israel Travel Grants from Jewish Federation ~ for ALL St. Louis teens and young adults who travel to Israel on a peer-based educational program. Available to teens upon completion of 9th grade, and to young adults through age 27. Monetary awards based on the length of the travel program: Short-term, including summer programs \$750.00; Semester programs; \$1,000.00; Year-long programs \$1,500.00. Participants are eligible for one grant in any 12-month funding period (August 1 to July 31 of the following year). You can apply more than once, but not for the same program. For details: Karen Rader, 314-442-3756 or go to www.cajestl.org, or sandieabrams@hotmail.com; we will email information & application to you.
- Tomchei Shabbos On-Going FOOD DRIVE!! Tomchei Shabbos means "Supporters of the Sabbath." The "Barbara Mendelson Tomchai Shabbos Fund" was established, by the Vaad Hoeir of St. Louis, to help support Jews suffering severe economic distress, by providing the families in our community with their Shabbos and Yom Tov meals in a discreet and dignified manner. A special kosher food pantry is stocked to provide them with food essentials, chicken and meat. <u>Pick up a bag</u> at our NHBZ office; help make the Food Drive a Big Success!!! For questions or home pick-up, please call Sally Needle, 314-991-2575. Tomchai Shabbos is maintained through contributions of food and money. To make a donation go to www.ovkosher.org click on HOME tab, then Vaad Hoeir Community Services, then Tomchai Shabbos.

President's Message from Lenny Alper

Summer is nearly over, and Rosh Hashanah is just around the corner! That means it is time to review and update the reserved seating chart for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We have reserved seats for members so that they can be seated with friends and family, and can come and go throughout services while being assured that they can return to the same seat. This ensures that we will have a seat for each member throughout services. If you are a new member since last year, we will assign you a reserved seat for the holidays. If you want to sit in a

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Beyond Twelve Gates by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason Parshas Shoftim August 30, 2014

Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates

Tanishq Abraham graduated from high school in June with a 4.0 GPA and a Mensa membership — he's also 10 years old. The pint size prodigy, who lives in Sacramento, Calif., also received a congratulatory letter from President Barack Obama just in time for his big day. "I sensed there was something different about Tanishq when he was 6 months old because he became very interested in clocks and numbers — he started counting and could point out numbers when he saw them in books," Tanishq's mother, veterinarian Taji Abraham, said. "He would also stare very intently at photos and ask so many questions. I always wondered, 'Why is he so curious?'"

By the time Tanishq was 2, he was adding and subtracting numbers. "I told my husband that Tanishq was very smart, but he said I was just a proud mom," she says. By the time Tanishq turned 6, he was "pestering" his mother to take paleontology college classes. After he skipped first grade, Taji began homeschooling her son and allowed him to enroll in college courses while he studied for his high school degree. In September, Tanishq will be a full-time student at American River College in Sacramento where he'll take on a five-class course load. Tanishq hopes to transfer as a junior to another university. "He would like to attend either Harvard, MIT, or Cornell," says Taji. After that, he wants to enroll in medical school and then research a cure for cancer — a goal he's had since he was 4.

Ethics of the Fathers (4:1) teaches, "Who is wise? He who learns from all people." Your curiosity and thirst will take you to every person and every place; it will not be quenched until you have drunk your fill. Questions are powerful -- and very human -- tools for learning. Look how far questioning and curiosity has taken 10-year-old Tanishq Abraham.

Parshas Shoftim -- Deuteronomy 16:18 - 21:9

Moses proceeds to review the regulations necessary for a civilized society. Local judges and officers were to be appointed in every city, and justice was to be administered righteously and impartially. A bribe of even an insignificant sum is forbidden. The Sanhedrin -- the Jewish High Court of seventy one judges -- is to make Torah-based binding decisions on new situations to prevent the fragmentation of the Jewish people.

When the Jewish people request a king, the king was not to misuse his power to amass many horses, maintain a harem nor accumulate great wealth. To order his priorities and not become haughty he should write a copy of the Torah and carry it with him. When the Jewish people had righteous kings such as David and Solomon, it was a blessing. When we had wicked kings such as Jereboam and Ahav, it was a curse.

The nation's conduct in war is mentioned. The Jewish people are told not to be afraid of the enemy, not to destroy any fruit trees in battle, and that they should first give the enemy a chance to make peace. The portion also forbids all forms of superstition and 'magic' practiced by the soothsayer. We have no need for such tricks because of our true prophets and faith in G-d. The Jewish people are promised by G-d that He will send prophets to guide them, and Moses explains how a genuine prophet may be distinguished from a false one.

Rabbinic Ruminations

You're schmoozing with friends, when someone brings up *The Brothers Karamazov*. Finding yourself caught in the middle of a conversation about a book you haven't read -- or perhaps, never heard of -- do you: (A) listen

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But you may not need glasses. A Czech study found that certain facial features—narrow faces, long noses, and thin chins—correlated with both perceived intelligence and attractiveness. Other ways to signal intelligence without opening your mouth include walking at the same pace as those around you. How you write matters, too—particularly how you write your name. Middle initials apparently lend a person a certain cachet. Participants in a study published this year rated writing samples more favorably when the author's name included a middle initial; they also presumed people with middle initials to be of higher social status than their uninitialed peers.

Ethics of the Fathers teaches, "Who is wise? He who learns from all people." The message is that one who seeks wisdom wherever it may be found is the one most likely to acquire it. He is willing to ask anyone and everyone. Such a person may be considered wise even before he has studied, since his desire will soon lead him on the direct path towards scholarship. A focus on becoming wise, rather than appearing smart, is a wise approach.

Quote of the Week

What is strength without a double share of wisdom? -- John Milton, Seventeenth-Century Poet

Joke of the Week

An atheist was spending a quiet day fishing when suddenly his boat was attacked by the Loch Ness monster. In one easy flip, the beast tossed him and his boat high into the air. Then it opened its mouth to swallow both.

As the man sailed head over heels, he cried out, "Oh, my G-d! Help me!" At once, the ferocious attack scene froze in place, and as the atheist hung in mid-air, a booming voice came down from the clouds, "I thought you didn't believe in Me!"

"Come on G-d, give me a break!!" the man pleaded. "Two minutes ago I didn't believe in the Loch Ness monster either!"

The Deadline to submit new information to appear in our Shabbos Bulletin is Wednesday each week, at 12:00 noon. The bulletin is printed <u>first thing</u> every Thursday morning.

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MINYAN! IT'S GOOD FOR US & GOOD FOR YOU, TOO!!!

This Week At a Glance	Shabbos Aug. 30	Sunday Aug. 31	Monday Sept. 1	Tuesday Sept. 2	Wed. Sept. 3	Thurs. Sept. 4	Friday Sept. 5	Shabbos Sept. 6
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	<u>8:00</u> am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	8:30 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:55 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	6:45 pm
Ma'ariv								
<u>Events</u> – see times in Event Planner Box	Good Shabbos to Everyone! Kiddush enhanced by our NHBZ Sisterhood! Cake for Daniel Shanker! Soda by "Shaving Israel"	"Learn to Lead Davening" with Dr.Ethan Schuman, 9:00 am; All You Can Eat Pizza Buffet, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.	Labor Day ~ No Mah Jongg! Next Mah Jongg Game, Monday, Sept. 8	Home Study for Women, 2:30 pm at the home of Jackie Berkin; Challah Baking with Mindy Woolf, 7:00 pm	Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Smason, 12:15- 1:00 pm. Fund Raising Comm. Meeting, 7:30 pm	BUY CASH CARDS! Morris Lenga Yiddish Club, 7:30 pm in the Youth Lounge	Erev Shabbos	Synaplex Sessions followed by Kiddush & Lunch in honor of August Birthdays & Anniver- saries!

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 Tefilla Class (9:30 am) led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Chapel Child Care (10:00 am – Noon) kids 3 & under in the Children's Room Learners Service (10:00 am) led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Chapel Shabbos Tanach (Bible) Study Group (45 minutes before Mincha) SUNDAY Mishna Learning (after Shachris) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler, of Aish HaTorah "Learn to Lead Davening" (9:00 am) with Dr. Ethan Schuman after morning minyan "Mystical Moments" with Rabbi Max Weiman (between Mincha & Maariv.) Tanya (8:00 pm) with Rabbi Shaya Mintz of the St. Louis Kollel MONDAY Women's Tefila Class (2nd & 4th Mondays) 3:15 pm with Rabbi Smason at NHBZ (Next class: Monday, September 8.) Mah Jongg (Mondays, 4-6:00 pm) Proceeds benefit The Chesed Fund. No game on Labor Day. Next game Sept. 8. 	 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 the home of Jackie Berkin. Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday, 7:30 pm) at NHBZ 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 pm. Sisterhood (Third Tuesday) RAP with the RABBI will resume in the fall. MHBZ Signature Events Synaplex Shabbos Shabbos Lunch & Learn 				
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