

## NHBZ Shabbos & Yom Tov Bulletin

## Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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**Torah Portion: Haftorah:** 

Parshas Korach: Numbers 16:1 – 18:32

1 Samuel: 11:14 - 12:22

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Candle Lighting ~ 8:09 p.m. Shabbos Concludes ~ 9:13 p.m.

#### Our Generous Sponsors This Shabbos . . .

~ Thank You to Dr. David & Fran Reisler for sponsoring some special cakes today In Honor Of their Wedding Anniversary!!! Mazel Tov Fran & David!!!!!

~ Thank You to "POP-Stars" Ron & Sandy Segall for sponsoring soda today "To Help Nusach Hari B'nai Zion!!!" Thanks Ron → Sandy!!!!!

## Shabbat Shalom!

Erev Shabbos, Friday Night, June 19, 2015

Mincha & Ma'ariv (7:00 pm) **Shabbos, June 20, 2015** 

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 a.m.) ~ Thank You For Leading Davening
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
- Haftorah: Alan Haber
- Drasha (Sermon): Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Shacharis: Howard ShalowitzLeyning: Moshe Leib Cohen - Musaf: Howard Shalowitz
- Tefillah/Prayer Learners' Service ~ Rabbi Yosef David is on Summer Break, and will return in late August; date To Be Announced.
- Learners' Service ~ (10:15 am) Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel.
- Rabbi Smason's Sermon Topic ~ Father's Day: Why Every Child Need a Dad!
- Kiddush ~ (After Musaf)
- Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv ~ (7:55 pm)
- Tomorrow ~ Sunday, June 21 ~ Happy Father's Day to all the Dads and Zeidas!
- Rabbi Smason Out of Town ~ Rabbi Smason will attend the RCA Conference, and a Wedding, from next Friday, June 26, through Wednesday, July 1. Rabbi Smason will return to the office on Thursday, July 2. We will welcome Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel, who will join us next Shabbos, June 27.

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MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS June 20-26. Happy Birthday to Teree Farbstein, Esther Gelb, Daniel Givon, Sarah Klein, Sanford Koenig, Alan Morgensztern, Joel Sher, and Bobbie Tolpen! Happy Anniversary to Richard & Mindy Woolf, Boris & Alla Yasinev, and Alan & Vivian

**Zarkowsky!** 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.

Please be sure to read Rabbi Smason's Beyond Twelve Gates in this Bulletin: "Life: 10% How You Take It, 90% How You Make It" 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...**

- New Torah Mantles and Paroches (Ark Cover) for the High Holidays! We need some new white Torah Mantles, and a new white Paroches, for the High Holidays! It has been decades since we have had new, beautiful, white Mantles to adorn our Sifrei Torahs for the month of holidays that are soon approaching ~~ Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Sukkos and Simchas Torah. All of our thirteen mantles are threadbare and yellowed with age; they are definitely not up to the standard and quality we expect and demand for our precious Torahs. This is an opportunity to dedicate a High Holiday Mantle, or the new Paroches, in memory of, or in honor of, someone near and dear to you. Please speak with Menachem Szus if you would like to dedicate a Mantle for \$5,400.00, or the new Paroches (curtain covering the Holy Ark) for \$18,000.00. The company will ship the Mantles and Paroches, embroidered with your heartfelt message, within 5-6 weeks of receiving an order. Erev Rosh Hashana is Sunday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, so please begin the ordering process as soon as possible. The weeks seem to slip by so quickly!!! Please call Menachem, 314-629-8741. The name of your loved one, with your special message, will be lovingly displayed on all the Yomim Noraim far into the future of our shul. A "Big Thank You" to Dr. Susan Feigenbaum and Dr. Jay Pepose who will be dedicating a new Torah Mantle for the High Holidays.
- Dedicate Mishnayos ~ Every Sunday morning after minyan, Rabbi Chanan Swidler, of Aish HaTorah, leads our Mishnayos Shiur ~ a group of men learning Mishnayos in the merit of a Refuah Shelayma (a full and speedy recovery for individuals) and in memory of our departed loved ones. They will begin learning from a new book ~ The Schottenstein Mishnah Volume One; they have just ordered five copies of the book, which you may dedicate for \$35.00 each in honor of, or in memory of, a close relative or friend. Please call the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to make your dedication of one of the books for this important, age-old Jewish Tradition. 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. Thanks to Bob & Sandie Abrams for dedicating a book in memory of their beloved cousin Irwin Mitchell.
- Women's Home Study Group ~ The Women's Home Study Group is on Summer Break! The monthly study group, which meets at the home of Jackie Berkin on the first Tuesday of each month, will resume on Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Women's Tefillah Class ~ Rabbi Smason's Women's Tefillah Class, which meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays each month, is on Summer Break.
- NHBZ KidZone Community Family BBQ ~ Thanks to Everyone ~ Thanks to KidZone Kontributors for their \$25.00 Donations as Sponsors: Bob & Sandie Abrams, Lenny & Fran Alper, Sam & Shirley Bluestein, Jeremy & Lauren Brenner, Dr. Faye Cohen & Brian McCary, Alan & Janet Haber, Bob & Joni Kaiser, Bobby Levine, Cheryl & Monti Mantinband, Dr. Daniel & Marcela Morgensztern, Mark Ragin & Gail Rose, Bobbie Ring, Dr. Dan & Melanie Winograd, and Richard & Mindy Woolf!!! And, Thanks to our KidZone Volunteers for all their help with Set-up, Cooking and Grilling, Serving, and the Clean-up Squad: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason, Sandie Abrams, Danielle Bialecki, Jeremy & Lauren Brenner, Bob & Joni Kaiser, Svetlana Kogan, Bobby Levine, Alana Minoff, Cheryl Ring Mantinband, Marcela Morgensztern, Bobbie Ring, Gary & Trudy Sudin, and Richard & Mindy Woolf!!!
- Thanks to Everyone for Ordering <u>Cash Cards in June!!!</u> Thank you to members and friends: Dr. Alan & Marcie Brook, Dr. Faye Cohen & Brian McCary, Don & Julie Eisenberg, Bob & Joni Kaiser, Kerry & Sandy Klarfeld, Dr. Shayna Scribner, Lana Weinbach, and Richard & Mindy Woolf! Please help raise money for NHBZ and <u>place your order for July!</u> The order form is attached to this week's bulletin. Every order makes a difference to our shul!
- Thursday, June 25 ~ "The Secrets to a Successful Jewish Marriage" series of classes concludes with Class #5, this Thursday night, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- Shabbos, June 27 ~ The men of the Sunday morning *Mishnayos Shiur* (Study Group) will enhance the Kiddush by giving a *Siyum Mishnayos*, to celebrate their achievement of completing a book of the Mishnah.

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Thanks to Rabbi Chanan Swidler, Paul Kremer, Eliyahu Scheinberg, Menachem Szus, Mayer Taller, Victor Tendler, and Boris Yasinev.

- Sunday, June 28 ~ All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Buffet ~ 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Credit Card Payments
  Accepted!!! 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!!!! 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." (Please place carry-out orders by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning, June 28, 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Pick up time for carry out pizzas is 4:30-4:45 p.m.)
- Tuesday, June 30 ~ Executive Committee Meeting. Mincha & Ma'ariv at 7:00 pm, Meeting, 7:35 pm.
- Tuesday, July 14 ~ Board of Director's Meeting. Mincha & Ma'ariv at 7:00 pm, Meeting, 7:35 pm.
- Shabbos, July 18 ~ Lunch & Learn celebrating July Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries, Synaplex Shabbat, and Ari Weekend!
- The NHBZ Women's Emergency Tehillim Circle ~ The following women have made the commitment to be "on call" to say Tehillim for individuals whenever an emergency situation occurs at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion: Julie Eisenberg, Chairperson, Sandie Abrams, Debbie Barash, Shirley Bluestein, Marcie Brook, Linda Carton, Teree Farbstein, Dr. Susan Feigenbaum, Mimi Fiszel, Rhonnie Goldfader, Joyce Hochberg, Sandy Kahn, Joni Kaiser, Sandy Klarfeld, Sarah Klein, Svetlana Kogan, Lori Laird, Cindy Looney, Phyllis Loiterstein, Beverly Magencey, Marcela Morgensztern, Laura Rader, Nancy (Belau) Rush, Mimi Sabol, Dr. Shayna Scribner, Peggy Umansky, and Mindy Woolf. We say the prayers at home. Please call Julie Eisenberg, 314-695-5615, or Sandie Abrams, 314-991-2100, ext. 2., if you would like to participate. We will ask you to provide your phone number(s) and email address so we can get word to you as soon as an emergency arises.

<u>IMPORTANT NOTE</u>: This <u>NHBZ EMERGENCY Tehillim Circle</u> is separate from the ongoing Tehillim we are saying for our dear friend Michelle Mufson. Although some of the women listed above are part of both groups, the Emergency Circle truly stands "on call" and ready to act immediately, within the special circumstances of the Emergency element of this group. As soon as Rabbi Smason learns of a critical, <u>emergency situation in our shul</u>, he will alert Julie Eisenberg, give her the name of the person in crisis, and emails will go out immediately so we can begin saying Tehillim.

## In The Community . . .

- Millstone Campus Men's Mikvah ~ Due to the long-awaited improvements being made to the
  Millstone Campus mikvahs, the men's mikvah will not be available for use on Erev Shabbos for the next
  several weeks, until further notice.
- Wednesday, June 24 ~ Sh'ma: Listen ~ Speaker Series ~ 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the Jewish Federation Kopolow Building. Topic, "Life in Israel . . . "Political Structure" and "Impressions and Take-Aways" from the May, 2015, Missouri Legislators' trip to Israel. For details or to RSVP, contact Barbara Levin at <a href="mailto:BLevin@cajestl.org">BLevin@cajestl.org</a> or 314-442-3752.
- Wednesday, July 15 ~ Aish HaTorah Raffle Drawing Grand Prize, \$50,000 Cash!!! For details or to get your tickets go to <a href="mailto:st.louis@aish.com">st.louis@aish.com</a> or <a href="mailto:www.aishstlouis.net">www.aishstlouis.net</a>, or call Claire at 314-862-2474.
- 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 Community Tehillim Group ~ Meets each Sunday at 9:15 a.m., at the home of Jan Adelman, 8032 Amherst Ave, 314-863-5438, to say Tehillim in the zchus (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. If you have 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 Hoeir, 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 <a href="www.ovkosher.org">www.ovkosher.org</a>.

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# Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason Parshas Korach June 20, 2015

## "Life: 10% How You Take It, 90% How You Make It"

Talk about a sticky situation.

President Obama, in India for a state visit this past January, was chided by local press after he was spotted chewing gum during a parade. The president's habit also drew a similar reaction from Chinese netizens when he attended a November summit in Beijing with gum in his mouth. Following the incident in China, columnist Charles Krauthammer voiced his complaint: "My mother used to say, 'Don't chew gum.' And that was just in class . . . In China, chewing gum is a sign of disrespect." It's not that the president chews gum for fun. A longtime smoker, Obama reportedly chews Nicorette to help kick the habit. He says it isn't about vanity or disrespect. It's an alternative to smoking in public. His aides described his quest to kick cigarettes as a "lifelong struggle." "I was one of these teenagers" who smoked, he said in 2009. "And so I know how difficult it can be to break this habit when it's been with you for a long time."

Given the circumstances, President Obama might not deserve to be chewed out (pun intended) for his gum habit. But the issue brings to the fore consideration of two forms of behavior: Etiquette and ethics. Rabbi J.B Soloveitchik explains that ethics require a person to do what is right even when in private, and nobody sees him. In contrast, etiquette is a matter of civility and manners, which is dependent on people's opinion. One who focuses on ethics, the Rabbi says, is liable to forget about etiquette without consideration of human dignity. Chasidic literature talks of a foolish chasid who saw a extremely small person, went over to him, and enthusiastically blessed in a loud voice, "Baruch meshaneh habriyot." ("Blessed is He who created unusual creatures") In a rush to do mitzvot, don't treat others as "mitzvah objects." Always be cognizant of the respect and honor due to others.

### Parshas Korach Numbers 16:1 - 18:32

This week's Torah portion begins with the infamous rebellion led by Korach against his cousins, Moses and Aaron, claiming that the two of them had usurped power from the rest of the Jewish people. Korach, motivated by jealousy and a desire for honor, rejected Moses' authority and claimed that the appointment of Aaron as *Kohen Gadol* (Head Kohen) was motivated by nepotism. Korach cleverly persuaded 250 judges and others from disaffected groups to become his followers in the rebellion. A frequent theme in the Torah is: Sooner or later G-d always gets the last word. In Korach's case, it was sooner. What was the result of the rebellion? G-d made the earth open up to swallow Korach, the ringleaders of the rebellion, and their families. Fire consumed the remainder of the 250 rebels. The story of Korach's rebellion concludes with an act of reconciliation -- and surprisingly, a U.S. Presidential reference. The staffs of the leaders of the 12 tribes were placed near the Ark of the Covenant. To prove that the tribe of Levi and Aaron was Divinely chosen, Aaron's staff sprouted leaves, almond blossoms and even almonds. I suppose you could say that this miracle made Aaron ....Chief of Staff!

## Rabbinic Ruminations

Imagine visiting a Walmart Supercenter and peering inside a case that contains a handful of watches in the \$5,000 – \$10,000 price range. These watches are placed at the side of the display case near the main aisle, so they're likely the first watches you see as you approach the case. Between their location and appearance, you can't help but look at the \$5,000, \$6,000+ watches. The \$950 Luminox Men's Ultimate SEAL Chronograph you see two steps away looks surprisingly inexpensive. "I can afford that," you hear yourself thinking. And the \$89 sports watch? Why not pick one up for weekend hikes and working out -- they're almost giving them away! There probably aren't many impulse purchases of the small selection of high-end watches; chances are, their main value to Walmart lies in the comparison or contrast.

Psychologists call this the "contrast principle." It is used in sales all the time. Merchandisers know shoppers will be delighted with an item that seems inexpensive in comparison to something considerably more pricey. The

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contrast principle is not limited to retail. In a <u>study</u>, male college students rated photos of potential blind dates as less attractive if they had just watched Charlie's Angels. Apparently it was the heightened attractiveness of the female stars that made the blind date seem less attractive. India's government cleverly used the contrast principle in proclaiming their Mars mission "cheaper than the movie Gravity.' CNN later ran the story "India's \$74 million Mars mission cost less than 'Gravity' movie," while NBC News explained "Why India's Mars Orbiter Mission Cost Less Than Gravity Movie." This framing persuasively communicated the perception that India is a low-cost high-tech hub, and desirable destination for research and development investment.

Aldous Huxley said, "There are things known and there are things unknown, and in between are the doors of perception." How does one acquire the perception for positive self awareness? When Moses turns aside to look at the burning bush, G-d says to him, "Take your shoes off your feet, the place you are standing on is holy ground." (Exodus.3:5) The Hebrew word regel (foot) is built from the same root letters as hergel (habit). "Take your shoes off your feet" can also be understood as "Revisit your habits." The Sefas Emes teaches, "the opposite of habit is renewal." Revisit how you have habitually viewed the world. A different perspective may uncover new, precious blessings.

#### Quote of the Week

"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy." -- Shakespeare, Hamlet

## Joke of the Week

- "My son," says Mrs. Levi, "is a physicist."
- "My son," says Mrs. Greenberg, "is president of an insurance company."
- "My son," says Mrs. Goldblatt, "is the head of a law firm and president of the bar association."
- "My son," says Mrs. Miller, "is a rabbi."
- "A rabbi?," Mrs. Levi, Mrs. Greenberg, and Mrs. Goldblatt exclaim. "What kind of career is that for a Jewish boy?"

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This Week At a Glance	Shabbos June 20	Sunday June 21	Monday June 22	Tuesday June 23	Wed. June 24	Thurs. June 25	Friday June 26	Shabbos June 27
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	7:55 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:55 pm

#### **NHBZ Event Dlanner**

(Check "Shull 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. (On Summer Break!)
- 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) (One hour 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays) 3:15 pm with Rabbi Smason at NHBZ. (On Summer Break!)

#### **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. (On Summer Break!)
- Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday) 7:30 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.

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#### **NHBZ Signature Events**

- Synaplex Shabbos
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn

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