NHBZ Shabbos & Pesach Bulletin

March 23, 2013 Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Torah Portion – Tzav:

Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36

Stone Chumash pages 568-587

Shabbos HaGadol

Haftorah: Jere

Jeremiah 7:21-28, 9:22-23 Stone Chumash pages 1167-1168

Thanks to the Winograd and Liberman families for sponsoring this Shabbos Bulletin in honor of their parents' 40th Wedding Anniversary! Happy Anniversary to Rhonnie & Stan Goldfader from Mel, Dan, Jake, Ben & Mazel, and Josh, Lindy, Hannah, Leah & Nathan!!!

Erev Shabbos - Friday, March 22

- Mincha & Ma'ariv (6:55 pm)
- Candle Lighting (6:56 pm)

<u> Shabbos - Saturday, March 23</u>

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
- Haftorah: Fabian Attoun
- Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Leyning: Aryeh Needle
- Musaf: Dr. Ethan Schuman
- Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv (6:40 pm) Shalosh Seudos will be sponsored by Marian Walters in memory of her beloved husband Kurt Walters, β''ζ, by Esther Kalina in memory of her beloved husband Sydney Kalina, β''ζ, and by Boris & Alla Yasinev in memory of beloved father, Moisey Yasinev, β''ζ.
- Shabbos Concludes (8:00 pm).
- Pesach ~ First Day (9:00 am) Tuesday, March 26. Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: Ron Makovsky
- Haftorah: Sid Silverman
- Shacharis: Dr. Ethan Schuman
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Leyning: **Kenny Bressler**
- Musaf: Dr. Ethan Schuman

Readings:

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

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

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

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This Week At a Glance	Shabbos March 23	Sun. Mar. 24	Mon. March 25	Tues. Mar. 26	Wed. March 27	Thurs. Mar. 28	Fri. Mar. 29	Shabbos March 30
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	7:00 am	9:00 am	9:00 am	6:45 am	6:45 am	9:00 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:40 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	6:50 pm
Events – see times in Event Planner Box below	Kiddush in honor of the 40 th Anniv. of Rhonnie & Stan Goldfader	Have you Sold Your Chometz?	Last chance to Sell Chometz: 7:30 a.m.	1 st Day Pesach!	2 nd Day Pesach!	Please Give to Maos Chitim!	Erev Shabbos	Chol HaMoed Pesach.

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Chapel Phone: 314-991-2100 Webpage: www.nhbz.org 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

- Child Care (10:00 am Noon) kids 3 & under in the Children's Room
- Youth Programming (10:15 am 11:00 am) children 4-8, in the Youth Lounge.
- **Learners Service** (10:15 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
- RAP with the RABBI Teen Group (10:15 am) with Rabbi Smason @Starbucks Olive & Price
- 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, 7:00 pm) with Rabbi Smason at the home of Norma Rubin

WEDNESDAY

 Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (12:15 pm – 1:00 pm now studying Pirkei Avos

THURSDAY

 Schechita (5:30 pm – 6:30 pm) with Rabbi Chaim Loike of the OU Kashruth Division

Monthly at NHBZ

- 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 home of Jackie Berkin
- **Shabbos Parsha** (3rd Tuesday, 12:15 pm) with Rabbi Smason at the offices of David Rubin
- Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday, 7:30 pm)
- **Dine-In Pizza Night** (Last Sunday 5:00 pm 7:00 pm)

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- Carry-Out Pizza Night (Wednesday mid-month; will resume ASAP!)
- **Sisterhood** (Third Tuesday)
- Women's Guide to Time (As scheduled) with Rebbitzen Chani Smason

NHBZ Signature Events

- Synaplex Shabbos
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn
- I-Chat
- Pesach ~ Second Day (9:00 am) Wednesday, March 27. Thank you for leading services:

Pesukei D'Zimra: Ron Makovsky
 Haftorah: Lenny Alper

- Shacharis: Menachem Szus - Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

- Leyning: **Dr. Larry Gornish** - Musaf: **David Rubin Readings: Leviticus 22:26 – 23:44, in Siddur: pp. 498-500**

Maftir: Numbers 28:16-25, pp. 500-501 Haftorah: 2 Kings 23:1-9, 21-25, p. 501

Coming Events – (see Event Planner Box for *all* events)

- Vaad Hoeir Maos Chitim Campaign
 assists people in Israel and in our own St. Louis community to properly observe and celebrate Pesach.
 Please make your checks payable to Vaad Hoeir Maos Chitim, and write "NHBZ" on the notation; send checks to the Vaad Hoeir or to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion. It's never too late to help support our people.
- Today is Shabbos HaGadol ~ "The Great Shabbos." The Shabbos before Pesach commemorates the 10th day of Nisan, when the Hebrew slaves took the lambs that they were going to offer for Pesach and tied them up outside their homes, to keep until they offered them on the 14th. This was a very dangerous thing to do because Egyptians worshipped sheep; but, miraculously, instead of slaughtering the Hebrews, the Egyptians instead fought with each other over whether the Hebrews should be sent away already. In many synagogues, other than Nusach Hari, the special haftorah for this Shabbos is Malachi 3:4 3:24, which tells about the return of Elijah the prophet and coming of the Messiah. We believe that Elijah will return at Pesach, and that is why we include a cup of wine for him at the seder. At NHBZ, we say the regular Haftorah of Tzav.

- Please join us for a new class series with Rabbi Smason at The Law Offices of David A. Rubin, L.L.C. NEAR THE "J" 10880 Baur Blvd., 63132. The <u>3rd</u> Tuesday of the month, 12:15 p.m. Next class: <u>April 16</u>, Kedoshim: What is Holiness? Following months' schedule: <u>May 21</u>: Be'ha'aloscha: The Priestly Blessings. June 18: Balak: Bilaam; a Non-Jewish Prophet?
- A New Bi-Monthly Women's Tefila Class. Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason, the class will meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Norma Rubin, at 1039 Chartres in University City (one block east of McKnight, off Old Bonhomme). Next class: Monday, April 8. The focus of our class is the structure and deeper meaning of the Shabbos morning service and prayers, and how prayer can be used as a basis for our own communication with G-d. All women welcome!

Meetings

- Board of Directors (Tuesday, April 9) Minyan at 7:00 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Sisterhood Luncheon (Tuesday, April 16, at noon)
- Executive Committee (Tuesday, April 23)

Reminders

- Buy and Use Cash Cards call the office ASAP to order your cards and earn free money for NHBZ!
- Schnucks E-Scrip Card Use your Schnucks Card now, and make it count!!!
- **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, extension 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.
 - o For a Shul tribute, call Gloria Waxman at 314-872-3296
 - o For a Sisterhood tribute, call Phyllis Silverman at 314-434-2482
 - o For Libby Needle Fund, call Sally Needle at 314-991-2575
- Buy a Brick Online or by Phone Our website now accepts online donations for the Brick and Planting Campaign; go to http://www.nhbz.org/dedications.asp or call the office at 314-991-2100.
- **Synagogue Honors -** It is customary to make a donation to the synagogue for an Aliyah or other synagogue honors received.
- 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 English--if Hebrew names are unavailable. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.
- *Memorial Plaques* ~ All memorial plaques from our former location are lovingly mounted in our new building. Remember your loved ones with a plaque; prices range from \$150 to \$275. Call the office for details.
- 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 as you observe the yahrtzeits of your dear family members.
- Mishna Study for a Loved One ~ Learning Mishnayos in memory of a loved one or for a Refuah Shelayma for a person who is ill is an age-old Jewish Tradition. The word Mishna (learning) is closely related to the word Neshama (soul), and we believe that learning Mishnayos in someone's name acts as a Spiritual Elevation for that person or that person's soul. Our NHBZ Mishnayos Shiur, which learns every Sunday following morning minyan, is carrying on this tradition by dedicating the MIshnayos to those in whose names the Mishnayos will be learned. You may dedicate Mishnayos for 1 year: \$250; 6 months: \$150; 3 months: \$96; 1 month, \$50. 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.

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Beyond Twelve Gates Parshas Tzav/Passover March 22, 2013

Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates

Residents of a rural New Hampshire town voted earlier this month to rename a fishing and skating spot that's been called Jew Pond since the 1920s. The 104-33 vote was accompanied by enthusiastic debate, with some Mont Vernon residents urging that the name be changed and others saying it should be kept. "I don't know if it was meant to be offensive or not, but if people are offended by the name I don't see why we shouldn't change it," said Bill Davidson, who has lived in Mont Vernon for 13 years. But 34-year resident Lawrence Rondo and his wife, Annette, disagreed. "Changing it is stupid. People just like to stir up trouble," Rondo said. Added his wife, "People are too sensitive today." A Mont Vernon town health officer Rich Masters pushed for the vote after the name appeared in a news report about an algae bloom at the pond. "I, frankly, find it to be inappropriate, disrespectful to some people," he said, "and I feel it needs to be changed."

Over the years, the pond, near the center of town, has been called by many names. The pond originally was named Spring Pond because the owners of a hotel there created it by digging up a spring to irrigate their golf course. They made clear in a brochure that Jewish guests were not welcome. The rest of the story is a bit murky, but it's generally believed that the body of water became Jew Pond when two Jewish businessmen from Boston bought the hotel. Resident Kevin Schmidlein thought the name should be changed. "If we're going to be known for something, I'd rather it be for something other than this," he said. The town, about 35 miles southwest of the state capital, Concord, has Jewish residents, but census data don't indicate how many. The only synagogue Masters said he knew about is in Nashua, about 15 miles away. Proposed new names for the pond include Carleton Pond and the original Spring Pond.

What's in a Jewish name? Judaism considers our names to be of great significance. The Book of Exodus begins with the words, "And these are the names of the Children of Israel ..." In Hebrew, the name for the Book of Exodus is *Shemos*, meaning, *'Names'*. And the Midrash relates that the Jewish people were redeemed from Egypt in the merit of three primary actions: they spoke their own language, they wore distinctively Jewish clothing, and they gave their children only Jewish names. Parents receive a glimmer of Divine inspiration when they give their child a Jewish name. What's in a Jewish name? Nothing less than a connection to our heritage and to our identity.

Parshas Tzav Leviticus 6:1 -- 8:36

The portion begins with G-d continuing to teach Moses many of the laws relating to the *Mishkan* service. However, while last week's portion described the *korbanos* (offerings) from the perspective of the giver, this week the Torah focuses more directly on the Kohanim, providing details about their service. After first describing the maintenance of the fire which burned on the altar, the Torah discusses the various kinds of *korbanos* which Aaron, his sons, and the succeeding generations of Kohanim would be offering. The offerings must be brought with the proper intention and eaten in a state of spiritual purity. Finally, Moses performs the lengthy consecration service of the *Mishkan*, and Moses anoints Aaron and his sons for their service in the *Mishkan*, in front of the entire congregation of Israel.

Passover

Passover begins on Monday evening, March 25. On the first day of Passover, Tuesday, 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, Wednesday, 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, Shevous, Sukkos) and the counting of the Omer.

This Shabbos preceding Passover is referred to as *Shabbos HaGadol*, or the Great Shabbos. What is it that makes this particular Shabbos 'Great'?

The Midrash states that in Egypt Moses was able to convince Pharaoh that the enslaved Jews should have one day a week to rest. This day, Moses argued, would enable them to be more productive than the other days of the

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week. So, the Jews observed Shabbos while in Egypt, and it was known as "The Day of Moses." Shabbos is, however, much more than a day of physical rest.

A 'National Day of Unplugging' was recently advocated by a secular not-for-profit Jewish group to 'unplug' from technology on Shabbos. They suggested that all Jews put down their cell phone, stop the status updates on Facebook, shut down Twitter, sign out of e-mail and reclaim time to slow life down and reconnect with friends, family, the community and themselves for 24 hours. Doesn't that sound like a nice idea?!

Contemplating the purpose of existence and what we hope to do with our lives is a central goal of Shabbos. More than simply a day of not working, a person who is truly free will utilize Shabbos to choose their goals and determine their purpose. The Shabbos on the eve of our liberation from Egypt differed from the Shabbos that was "The Day of Moses." This was no longer to be a day of rest for weary slaves, but a day of spiritual uplifting for people who are free. That Shabbos was -- just as each and every Shabbos can be -- a Great Shabbos. (adapted from *Living Each Day*, Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski)

Quote of the Week

Patriotism is supporting your country all the time, and your government when it deserves it – *Mark Twain*

Joke of the Week

A man is walking along a street in New York and sees a tailor's shop called COHEN and O'REILLY. He goes in and talks to what seems to be a typical Jewish tailor behind the counter, telling him how impressed he is that for once the Irish and the Jews, often at one another's throats, have come together like this.

The tailor seems unmoved.

'You sopprized by dis!?' he asks.

'Well, yes' the man replies, still oozing enthusiasm.

'I mean...COHEN and O'REILLY working together in the same shop. I mean, It's different! It's heartwarming! I'm truly surprised!'

'Vell', says the tailor...

'Here's annuder soprize for you...I'm O'Reilly!'

Simchas, News and Features

- MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS March 16-22 Happy Birthday to Mimi Fiszel, Shirley Fredlich, Mike Hirsch, Janice Shanitkvich, Alla Yasinev and Alan Zarkowsky. Happy Anniversary to Stan & Rhonnie Goldfader and Ron & Ina Makovsky. 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 Card Pack.
- <u>TOMCHEI SHABBOS</u> ~ The food drive continues! Please pick up a bag to fill with non-perishable food items available at NHBZ in the office or chapel. Money donations are always welcome! For more details, or to arrange a pick up at your home, please call Sally Needle at 991-2575.
- Rubin Israel Experience ~ Applications are now open for the sixth "Rubin Israel Experience," an all-expense-paid trip for young adults who have never been to Israel. The trip is offered and staffed by Jewish Federation of St. Louis and is underwritten by philanthropists Ron and Pam Rubin. There are 10 spots open to young adults in the St. Louis area who want the opportunity to see Israel in a fun and meaningful way. In the past, the age range for participants was 27 to 40 years, but this year the age range is being expanded to include those up to 45 years old. An information session will be held on Thursday, March 28 at 7 pm at the Federation Kopolow Building, 12 Millstone Campus Drive. The group will travel October 6 to 16, 2013. Applications are available at JewishinStLouis.org/Rubin. Space on the Rubin Israel Experience is limited. Applications are due by April 16, 2013. Those who have previously applied are encouraged to apply again. For more information contact Margo Newman at mnewman@jfedstl.org or (314) 442-3865.

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- Yom HaShoah The St. Louis community will mark Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Rememberance Day) Sunday, April 7, 4 pm at Congregation B'nai Amoona, 324 S. Mason Road. The theme for this year's program is "Voices from the Holocaust." The program will feature eyewitness accounts by three survivors, Ben Fainer, Sara Moses and Sara Wolf, and liberator Sanford "Buddy" Lebman, a traditional candle-lighting ceremony, Holocaust Torah procession, liturgical readings and prayers, and recognition of the 70th anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto uprising. Music will be performed by Elegant Ensembles and the B'nail Amoona Zamarim teen chorus. The event is sponsored by Sara and Leo Wolf. For more information, contact the Holocaust Museum and Learning Center at 314-442-3714 or email dreich@jfedstl.org.
- Kashrus Alerts: 1.) OU: King of the Sea Canned Tuna & Sardines bear an unauthorized OU. The Orthodox Union does not certify these products; it does certify Great King Salmon. 2.) cRc: Some varieties of Science Diet Dry Cat Foods have been reformulated and now contain wheat, a fact announced by the company after the Star-K Passover Guide was distributed. Star-K urges you to check the ingredients. If chometz ingredients are found including wheat or oat derivatives, it should be put away and sold with the rest of the chometz.
 3.) Blue Ribbon Kosher: Breads under the name PANNE' PROVINCIO French Baguette are being sold at Costco stores along the East Coast and in sections of the Midwest. These breads are in bags that were printed in error with the Blue Ribbon Kosher symbol on them. They are to be considered not kosher. Corrective action is being taken.

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To Stan & Rhonnie from your Children ~~

Forty Years Ago, you both said "I do"-

Stan with a 'stache and Rhonnie with a "Red" hairdo.

You raised us girls with strong values and love,

And, today your hard work paid off with awesome grandkids to hug.

We wish you 40 more years to enjoy each other-

To love, cherish and respect one another.

We love you so much and appreciate all you do-

Happy Anniversary, Mom & Dad, we All Love Youkk

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The Winograds (Mel, Dan, Jake, Ben & Mazel)

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The Libermans (Josh, Lindy, Hannah, Leah & Nathan)

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