NHBZ Shabbos & Pesach Bulletin

March 30, 2013 April 1 & 2, 2013 Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Torah Portion - Shabbos Chol Hamoed:

Exodus 33:12 - 34:26 Numbers 28:19-25 **Ezekiel 37:1-14**

Siddur pages 506-508 Siddur page 508 Siddur pages 508-509

Maftir:

Haftorah:

Erev Shabbos - Friday, March 29

- Mincha & Ma'ariv (7:00 pm)
- Candle Lighting (7:03 pm)

Shabbos - Saturday, March 30

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: Alan Zarkowsky Haftorah: Keith Zeff
 - Shacharis: Menachem Szus
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Leyning: Akiva Anton
- Musaf: David Rubin
- Shabbos Kiddush ~ (After Musaf) Thanks to Menachem, Linda, Eli & Micky Szus for sponsoring special cakes and cookies in honor of Dana Szus Sutton and Elie Sutton being accepted for residencies in New York area hospitals. Dana will be specializing in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and Elie will be specializing in Surgery. Mazel Tov and Chazek v'Ematz!!!
- Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv (6:40 pm)
- Shabbos Concludes (8:07 pm).
- **Pesach ~ 7th Day** (9:00 am) Monday, April 1. Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: Alan Zarkowsky
- Haftorah: Ron Makovsky
- Shacharis: Ron Makovsky
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason - Musaf: David Rubin
- Leyning: Akiva Anton
 - Exodus 13:17 15:26: Siddur: pages 509-511

Readings:

- Maftir: Numbers 28:19-25; Siddur: page 512
- Haftorah: 2 Samuel 22; Siddur pages 512-513
- **Pesach ~ 8th Day** (9:00 am) Tuesday, April 2. Thank you for leading services: - Pesukei D'Zimra: Ron Makovsky
 - Haftorah: Kenny Bressler
- Shacharis: Menachem Szus
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Leyning: Akiva Anton
- Musaf: Akiva Anton

Yizkor at 10:30 a.m.

Readings: Deuteronomy: 15:19 - 16:17; Siddur: pages 514-515

Maftir: Numbers 28:19-25; Siddur: page 516

Haftorah: Isaiah 10:32 - 12:6; Siddur: pages 516-517

A Very Big Thank You to all of our Generous Friends for sponsoring our Pesach Kiddushim. Thanks to Jeff & Murray Baker for sponsoring Kiddush on the First Day of Pesach; to Irwin & Rosalind Rosen and Marvin & Jackie Gitel for the Second Day Kiddush; to our NHBZ Sisterhood and Sam & Shirley Bluestein for Shabbos Chol Hamoed Kiddush, and to the Szus Family for the special cakes & cookies on Shabbos Chol Hamoed; to Ron & Ina Makovsky and Dr. Milton Tofle for the Seventh Day Kiddush; and to Shirley Fredlich for Kiddush on the 8th Day of Pesach. Thanks also to Boris and Alla Yasinev for sponsoring some of the gefilte fish for our Kiddushim.

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This Week At a Glance	Shabbos March 30	Sun. March 31	Mon. April 1	Tues. April 2	Wed. April 3	Thurs. April 4	Fri. April 5	Shabbos April 6
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	9:00 am	9:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	9:00 am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:50 pm	7:00 pm	7:05 pm	7:05 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	6:55 pm
Events – see times in Event Planner Box	Chol HaMoed Pesach.	Erev Yom Tov	7 th Day Pesach	8 th Day Pesach; Yizkor	Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn	It's not too late to give to Maos Chitim!	Erev Shabbos	Shabbos Shemini

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)
- 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

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

- <u>Vaad Hoeir Maos Chitim Campaign</u> ~ (Now and after Passover too!!!) The 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 and give to the Vaad Hoeir fund.
- 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:

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- <u>April 16,</u> Kedoshim: What is Holiness? Following months' schedule: <u>May 21</u>: Be'ha'aloscha: The Priestly Blessings. <u>June 18</u>: 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!
- Rosh Chodesh Iyar ~ Wednesday and Thursday, April 10 & 11.
- Israeli-Themed Synaplex Shabbat ~ April 13. Lunch in honor of April Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries and in honor of Yom Ha'Atzmaut. Rabbi Smason will speak on the topic: "Israel As An Asset to the United States." Other speakers and topics TBA.
- Yom Hazikaron (Israel Memorial Day) ~ Monday, April 15
- Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel Independence Day) ~ Tuesday, April 16
- Shabbos, April 20 ~ Kiddush and Lunch in honor of the 90th birthday of Marian Walters, will be sponsored by her children, Vivian & Alan Zarkowsky and Evelyn & Bob Solomon. Salad for the luncheon will be sponsored by Dr. Susan Feigenbaum and Dr. Jay Pepose in honor of their children, Max, Morissa and Sam graduating from high school.
- Lag B'Omer and All You Can Eat Pizza Buffet ~ Sunday, April 28

Meetings

- The Irvin Alper Social Club (Sunday, April 7)
- 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.

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• 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.

Simchas, News and Features

- MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS March 30 April 5 Happy Birthday to Eliana Brook, Alan Haber, Sarah Hirsch, Phyllis Manesberg and Lou Osheroff. No Wedding Anniversaries 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 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.
- 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.

Beyond Twelve Gates Passover March 30, 2013

Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates -- special Passover edition. When we were children most of us had the experience of sinking our hands into the earth to plant seeds. Over the following weeks we watched with wonder as those seeds grew into green plants, edible vegetables and beautiful flowers. As adults, we can plant 'seeds' in our children that will lead to responsible and enlightened adulthood.

Passover is a time of 'planting Jewish seeds' within our children. What type of seeds will we plant?

Shabbos Chol HaMoed Passover Exodus 33:12 - 34:26

On the Shabbos that falls during the intermediate days (*Chol HaMoed*) of Passover the regular cycle of Torah readings is interrupted with a reading that reflects the theme of the holiday. Our reading this Shabbos is a section of the book of Exodus. Specifically, it is the text from divisions (*aliyos*) three through six of Parsha Ki Sisa, but newly divided into seven *aliyos* for a complete Shabbos reading.

Ki Sisa, you will remember, is when Moses comes down from Mount Sinai with the first set of tablets to find that the Jewish people had made a golden calf. Moses breaks the tablets and G-d punishes the guilty. This Shabbos' reading begins right after that. Toward the end of this Torah reading, G-d gives the commandments to observe the three festivals of Passover, Shavuos, and Succos and to appear in Jerusalem on those three occasions. Then various additional commandments are given, including not to eat chametz on Passover.

The seventh day of Passover begins on Sunday evening, March 31. On Monday, April 1, the Torah reading is from Exodus 13:17-15:26. This reading contains the description of the splitting of the Red Sea, and the Song of

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the Sea. On Tuesday, April 2, the eighth day of Passover, the Torah reading is from Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17. In chapter 16, the pilgrimage festivals (including Passover) are discussed.

A way of summarizing these three major festivals is: Passover is the holiday where you can't eat WHATEVER you want, but you can eat WHEREVER you want. Succos is the holiday where you can eat WHATEVER you want, but you can't eat WHEREVER you want. And Shavuos is the holiday where you can eat WHATEVER you want, WHEREVER you want, but you can't eat too much because it's only two days long!

Rabbinic Ruminations

After floating on the lonely seas, adrift for nearly a century, the world's oldest message in a bottle was pulled from the ocean 98 years after it was written, and officials say it is the world's oldest of its kind. Andrew Leaper, a Scottish skipper aboard the fishing boat *Copious*, discovered the bottle last April, trapped in his fishing net as he sailed east of Shetland, an island group northeast of the U.K. mainland. In August, Guinness World Records confirmed it as the oldest message in a bottle ever found, beating the previous record holder by five years.

"As we hauled in the nets I spotted the bottle neck sticking out and I quickly grabbed it before it fell back in the sea," Leaper, 43, said. "It was very exciting to find the bottle and I couldn't wait to open it." The bottle was originally launched back in June 1914 as part of a scientific study to map sea currents around Scotland. More than 1,800 bottles were released, but only 315 of them have been found. The bottle contained a cream-colored postcard asking the finder to record the location where it was found and mail it back to the Glasgow School of Navigation for a minor reward.

Imagine receiving a message from intelligent life in outer space. The thrill would be breathtaking. Now, imagine receiving a message sent from the Creator: a message that contained a description of the beginning of the Universe, the origin of the Jewish people, and a message on behalf of all of humanity. We once received such a message. It was called the *Torah* -- a find more thrilling, exciting and significant than any old message ever found in a lost bottle. Andrew Leaper's recovered bottle contained a message promising the reward of a sixpence, a coin that is no longer issued. One who finds the Torah, however, will be rewarded in this world and the next: "For they (the words of Torah) are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh." (Proverbs 4:22)

Quote of the Week

The lowest ebb is the turn of the tide -- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Joke of the Week

Three men at the office were discussing what most people wanted in a new car.

- "Dependability," said one fellow.
- "Styling," declared another.
- "Economy," said the third.

Just then a fourth man, who recently had bought a new car, entered the room. They decided to pose the question to him.

- "What is the thing you'd like most to get out of your new car?" they asked.
- "My teen-age son," he replied.

Pesach Concludes on Tuesday night, April 2nd, at 8:10 p.m.

<u>Important Note:</u> YOU MUST WAIT FOR AT LEAST 1 HOUR, UNTIL 9:10 P.M., SO THAT THE RABBIS HAVE TIME TO BUY BACK YOUR CHOMETZ & UNTIL PESACH UTENSILS ARE PUT AWAY BEFORE EATING CHOMETZ.

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