



NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Torah Portion:
Haftorah:

Parshas Vayetzei: Genesis 28:10 – 32:3
Hosea 11:7 – 12:14

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Thanks to Leonid & Stella Vladimirov for sponsoring this Shabbos Bulletin in celebration of their 40th Wedding Anniversary on December 3rd! Happy Anniversary Stella & Leonid!!!

Erev Shabbos, Friday Night, November 28, 2014

- **Mincha & Maariv** (4:20 pm)
- **Candle Lighting** (4:23 pm)

Shabbos, November 29, 2014

- **Shachris & Musaf** (9:00 am) ~ *Thank You For Leading Davening*
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Menachem Szus**
 - Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
 - Leyning: **Moshe Leib Cohen**
 - Haftorah: **Brent Waxman**
 - *Drasha* (Sermon): **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
- **Tefillah/Prayer Learners' Service** ~ 9:30 am, led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel.
- **Learners' Service** ~ 10:15 am, led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel.
- **Kiddush & Lunch** ~ Thanks to **Fran Hoffman** for sponsoring Kiddush and Lunch today in celebration of the Special Birthday of her husband **Harold Hoffman**. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HAROLD!!!**
- **Bon Appetit** ~ We place a plate of rolls on each table at every Shabbos Luncheon (~ 1.) To enable each person to make or hear *Ha'Motzi* (the blessing on bread) over *Lechem Mishne* (two rolls or loaves of bread), and 2.) To enable each person to eat the minimum amount required when *Ha'Motzi* is made or heard, namely, one roll. **Please be seated while Rabbi Smason says Kiddush and makes HaMotzi.**
- **Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv** ~ (4:05 pm) Thanks to **Lenny & Fran Alper, Larry & Roberta Gornish, and Irwin & Rosalind Rosen** for sponsoring Shalosh Seudos today in memory of beloved mothers **Becky Alper**, ל"ו, **Sylvia Gornish**, ל"ו, and **Ann Rosen** ל"ו.
- **Shabbos Concludes** ~ (5:25 p.m.)

Dear NHBZ Friends and Members,

A request has been made to our congregation from the Vaad Hoer of St. Louis. According to a letter we received, each St. Louis Orthodox synagogue is being asked to contribute \$250.00 to support the cost of electronic sweeps at the mikvah. Sadly, these sweeps have become necessary to guarantee privacy protection for those who use our community mikvah.

Please let me know, either in person or by email (Pepshort613@gmail.com), how much you would like to contribute. Checks made out to "Vaad Hoer" can be given to me, or sent to me at our office.

*With thanks,
Rabbi Ze'ev Smason*

We have reached our goal, having collected over \$250.00, and we thank everyone who has contributed to this costly, very important project. If you would still like to make a donation to the mikvah, please send your check to Rabbi Smason, 650 N. Price Road, 63132.

Meetings

- **Board of Directors Meeting** ~ Tuesday, December 9. Ma'ariv at 6:45 pm, Meeting at 7:00 pm.
- **Executive Committee Meeting** ~ Tuesday, December 30. Ma'ariv at 6:45 pm, Meeting, 7:00 pm.

“What’s Up” at NHBZ?



NHBZ Coming Events

- **Calling All Mah-Jongg Mavens! Or Want to Learn?** Help our Chesed Fund by having fun playing Mah Jongg every Monday, 4:00-6:00 p.m., at NHBZ!! Please join us in the Teen Lounge (lower level). Only \$3.00 cover! Proceeds will benefit The Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Chesed Fund. Questions? Call Debbie Barash, 314-993-4954. **See you on Monday!!!**
- **Couples Mussar Mondays** ~ The NHBZ Children's and Young Families Committee is proud to announce its latest program: **Mussar Mondays!** The first Monday of the month, Monday, December 1, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. led by our own **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**, at the home of Mindy and Richard Woolf. We will get together to study from *Pirkei Avot*, Ethics of our Fathers, and apply some valuable lessons to our everyday lives. This monthly event is open to both members **and** non-members! Please come and invite your friends. Light refreshments will be served. See the attached flyer for details! **See you on Monday Evening!!!**
- **The NHBZ Israel Committee Presents** ~ A special evening presentation and Q&A with **Matthew Kalman**: *“Parachute Journalism: Why Media Fails in the Middle East,”* in the NHBZ Sanctuary, Tuesday, December 2, 7:30-8:30 p.m. See the attached flyer. Mr. Kalman is the author of “Psychobibi” and “The Murder of Yasser Arafat.”
- **Rabbi Smason Out of Town** ~ Leaving this Wednesday, December 3rd, after the Lunch & Learn Class; scheduled to return Friday morning, December 5th.
- **Anniversary Banquet** ~ At the 560 Music Center, 560 Trinity at Delmar in University City, on Sunday, December 14th. We are pleased to announce our Guest of Honor **Mark Ragin**, and Woman of Valor Award recipient **Sandra Abrams!** Please send in your journal ads and greetings to our honorees. Each year, we publish a commemorative journal in conjunction with our Anniversary Celebration, and we ask you to send in your greetings and congratulations to our honorees, to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion, or to Rabbi Ze'ev and Chani Smason. Please remember that all proceeds help our shul.
- **KidZone ~ KidZone “Pillow and Popcorn Chanukah Party!”** Motzai Shabbos - Saturday evening, December 20th, 6:30-8:30 pm, in the Feigenbaum-Pepose Learning Center - NHBZ's Lower Level. **Hey Kids!!!** Come in your favorite PJs, and bring your pillow and blanket to cuddle with as we watch a movie (movie begins at 6:45 pm); decorate your own, brand new pillow case - a gift from KidZone! Eat your favorite Chanukah latkes and donuts, popcorn and other snacks! All school-age children up to 11 years old are welcome; children 4 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. **Grown-Up-Zone** helpers are needed for kitchen help, set up, serving, engaging the children, helping the kids with their art projects, showing a movie, lighting Chanukah candles, and clean up. To be a Grown-Up in the KidZone, please call Cheryl Mantinband at 314-306-7736 or email to cheryldring@gmail.com. **Come and Join Us! Let's celebrate together!!!**
- **December Lunch n' Learn – December 27 ~ Guest Speaker Rabbi Yitzchak Feldheim** will speak on the topic *“How to Get Your Prayers Answered.”* Rabbi Feldheim's quick wit and larger than life personality has endeared him to hundreds of communities and campuses across the country. Growing up in New York City and serving as the Rabbi of Yardley, Pennsylvania for 15 years, Rabbi Feldheim's unique experiences have provided him a riveting perspective on Jewish thought and philosophy. Rabbi Feldheim lives in Lakewood and travels the world as the senior international lecturer for Aish Hatorah. He teaches tens of thousands of students a year at virtually every major university in North America, from Columbia and Yale to UCLA and Trinity College, and in locations as varied as South Africa, Chile and India.
- **Lion's Den Pizza Night ~ All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Buffet ~ Sunday, December 28, 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 AT THE DOOR!!!**

- **Next Synaplex and Lunch** ~ Shabbos, January 17. Three Synaplex breakout sessions will begin at 11:00 a.m. In addition to **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**, our second speaker will be **Dr. Joseph Schraibman**, professor of Spanish at Washington University, who will speak on the topic: "Jewish Latinos: Their Heritage & Culture;" Dr. Schraibman's fields of interest include 19th and 20th century Spanish Literature, the Three Religions in Spain, Literature, and the Inquisition in Spain, Latin-America, Portugal and Brazil;" our third speaker TBA. And for the kids: **Youth Programming** for kids 4 and over; and **Tot Shabbat!!!** Lunch in honor of December Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries following Synaplex sessions.
- **Installation Shabbos** ~ Shabbos, January 24!

SIMCHAS

- **MAZEL TOV ON SIMCHAS** November 29 – December 5. **Happy Birthday to Harold Hoffman, Dr. David Reisler, Gail Rose, Dr. Gary Shanker, and Menachem Szus!** **Happy Anniversary to Leonid & Stella Vladimirov!** 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.

CHANUKAH Is Coming!!!

Buy and Give Cash Cards – call the office ASAP to order your cards and **earn free money** for NHBZ! Chanukah begins on Tuesday night, December 16. Please call the office by Monday, December 8th, so cards can be ordered and received in time for Chanukah!!!

amazon smile AND *Nusach Hari B'nai Zion!*

From Menachem Szus, Fund Raising Chairman:

You most likely shop on Amazon.com and especially now when Chanukah is coming up and other end of year events. We would like to draw your attention to the fact that your shul, Nusach Hari B'nai Zion, can receive 1/2 percent of each purchase that you make at no cost to you. What you need to do:

1. Go to your Amazon Account
2. Scroll down to Settings
3. Click on Change Your Charity
4. In the "Or pick your own charitable organization" box, type in Nusach Hari-Bnai Zion and click Search
5. On the next screen simply click on the Select button next to "Nusach Hari-Bnai Zion Congregation" listing.

When you make a purchase do so through **smile.amazon.com**

After this, every time you make a purchase on smile.amazon.com, Amazon will automatically donate to our shul. Simple and useful.

Thanks, and have a wonderful and meaningful Thanksgiving holiday, and stay warm and dry.

Menachem Szus

WISH LIST!

We have very frequent power outages at the shul . . . so everything goes down from our server to the elevator!!! We require Battery Backup devices to keep the operations and server running and prevent data loss. We are badly in need of several UPS's - Uninterruptible Power Supplies for our server and some other devices. Our computer systems, including the server, enable us to efficiently manage our shul by producing the Shabbos bulletin, our accounting, a variety of printed material, the yahrzeit reminders, and more. If you would like to contribute . . . HERE IS OUR WISH LIST: **WE STILL DON'T HAVE AS MANY AS NEEDED!**

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.

Thanks to **Dr. Erol & Sally Amon, Andy & Ellen Berg, Irwin & Roz Rosen, and Jeff & Terri Schnitzer** for responding to our Wish List!!! Please call Sandie, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, or go to sandieabrams@hotmail.com.

How To Donate Stock

Have you ever thought of making a donation to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion in the form of Stocks?

It's something to consider, and very easy to do!!! Just call Rick Williams, our stock broker at Edward Jones, 314-846-8968, and tell him, or his assistant Kelly, that you would like to donate x-number of shares of stock to our shul; Rick or Kelly will take it from there, guiding you along the way. They will notify us of your generous donation – (it is our policy to sell the stock right away, and they will send a check to the shul.) Any questions, call Laura Krueger, our business manager, 314-991-2100, ext. 3. Laura's hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

NHBZ CLASS SERIES ~ MEMBERS & ALL FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!

- **Women's Tefilla Class** ~ Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**. The class meets on the 2nd and 4th **Monday afternoons** each month at 3:15 p.m. at NHBZ. Next class – Monday, December 8.

NEWS & FEATURES

- **Something Special for Chanukah** ~ Looking for a special something for a special someone, or for yourself, for Chanukah? **Sage Chic** to the rescue!!! Visit our jewelry show on Wednesday, December 10, from 3-7 p.m. in the Feigenbaum-Pepose Learning Center in the lower level of the shul to find a wonderful one-of-kind, unique jewelry piece. Bracelets, neckpieces, chains and earrings will be offered at special holiday sale prices, with sales benefitting NHBZ.
- **Welcome to Our MinyanMen** ~ We are very grateful to each man who comes to minyan. If you are not a regular MinyanMan, and you are thinking about coming to a morning minyan, we welcome you. Drop-ins are always welcome, but if you contact **Howard Sandler** the night before at 314-409-7266, it will save him much time in assembling the daily minyan. Thanks, again, to all the men who attend minyan regularly or whenever you are available!!!
- **Next SH'MA:Listen! Speaker Series** ~ What comes after Gaza? Jewish Federation of St. Louis and AJC invite the community to a special presentation with Matthew Kalman, a British foreign correspondent based in Jerusalem, to discuss strategic realities for Israel after Operation Protective Edge. The event will take place at Sweetology, 9214 Clayton Rd, at 7:00 pm on Monday, December 1. A light reception will precede the formal program; dietary laws observed. For details or to RSVP, please contact Joan Wolchansky at JWolchansky@CAJESTL.org or 314-442-3760 or Nancy Lisker at Liskern@AJC.org or 314-721-8866. For details go to www.nhbz.org and click on All Events in the upper left hand corner.
- **Chabad's Menorah Workshop & Elmo, Too** ~ Chabad's 7th Annual Menorah Workshop on Sunday, December 7th, 10:30 am to 1:00 pm, at the Home Depot – 1603 S. Hanley Road in Brentwood. Kids will build their own Menorah, enjoy latkes, Sing Along with festive music and your favorite Sesame Street characters, and a photo-op with Elmo! No charge; donation appreciated. A project of Chabad of Greater St. Louis, sponsored by the Home Depot. RSVP: Email to info@showmechabad.com or call 314-725-0400.
- **Chanukah Cookie & Cupcake Decorating** ~ Sponsored by Yeshivat Kadimah High School, Sun., Dec. 7, 7:00-9:00 pm. \$36.00 per person. Demonstration by Gitti Allman of DecorateMyCakeNY.com. Hosted by Ruth Raskas, 7920 Teasdale. Reservations required: ahraskas@gmail.com.
- **Books of Tehillim (Psalms)** ~ **Julie & Don Eisenberg** have donated 50 Sifrei Tehillim -- Books of *Tehillim* -- to be used for the recitation of Tehillim in the merit of a *Refuah Shelaymah* (full recovery) for our dear friend **Michelle Mufson**. If you would like to join those reciting daily Tehillim for Michelle, please contact Julie at 314-494-8437 or juliecooks@icloud.com. There are only a few books left; if you need a book of Tehillim, please inform Julie, who will contact Sandie and tell her you will be picking one up at the office.
- **Are You CPR Certified?** If you are **currently CPR certified** with an **Up-To-Date Certificate**, please call our office to register your name: 314-991-2100, ext. 2.
- **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, including several members from Nusach Hari B'nai Zion, gather each Sunday morning to say the entire book of Tehillim, in the *zchus* (merit) of a *refuah shelayma* for the cholim in our community. The Women's Tehillim Group **will meet this week at**

the home of Roz Hirschhorn, 835 Swarthmore Lane, Sunday November 30 at 9:15 am. If you cannot participate in person, call 314-725-1719. The following Sunday, December 7, the group will return to the home of Jan Adelman, 8032 Amherst, Sundays at 9:15 am. There is a new Tehillim hotline phone number for names and updates: (314) 441-6460. If you have any questions, please call **Julie Eisenberg** at 314-494-8437. Thanks to all for your continued support and prayers. Klal Yisroel needs you very badly right now.

- **Tomchei Shabbos On-Going FOOD DRIVE!!** Tomchei Shabbos means “Supporters of the Sabbath.” *The “Barbara Mendelson Tomchai Shabbos Fund”* was established, by the Vaad Hoer 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. **Pick up a bag** 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 Hoer Community Services, then Tomchai Shabbos.
- **Tomchei Shabbos Cookbook ~** Join us for coffee, tea, and sample desserts from our upcoming cookbook! EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO BRING RECIPES!!!! Men and women are invited on Sunday, Dec 14, 1:30-3:00 to the Hirschhorn home, 835 Swarthmore. Admission is \$18 or 6 recipes. Sponsors of \$180 or more are admitted free of charge. RSVP to Jackie Oppenheimer, 997-6924 (baubiejackie@gmail.com), or Roz Hirschhorn, 725-1719 (mummyroz@sbcglobal.net).
- **Young Israel Blood Drive ~ Save the Date ~** Sunday, January 11, 2015.

Reminders

- **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.** 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.
- **SHABBOS HALACHAS (Laws of Shabbos)** An *eruv* is an enclosure, constructed according to halacha (Jewish law), 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.
- **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!
- **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 \$180 and \$360. 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 <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 shul for Aliyos or other honors received.

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

<i>This Week At a Glance</i>	Shabbos Nov. 29	Sunday Nov. 30	Monday Dec. 1	Tuesday Dec. 2	Wed. Dec. 3	Thurs. Dec. 4	Friday Dec. 5	Shabbos Dec. 6
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	4:05 pm	4:20 pm	4:20 pm				4:20 pm	4:05 pm
Ma'ariv Only				6:45 pm	6:45 pm	6:45 pm		
Events – see times in Event Planner Box	<i>Good Shabbos to Everyone! Lunch IHO Harold Hoffman by his wife Fran!</i>	<i>Please send ads and RSVP for our NHBZ Anniversary Celebration Dinner!!!</i>	<i>Mah Jongg Game, 4-6 pm, benefits our Chesed Fund. Mussar Monday, 7:00-7:45 pm, at the home of Mindy & Richard Woolf.</i>	<i>Fund Raising Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm</i>	<i>Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn, 12:15 pm.</i>	BUY CASH CARDS	<i>Erev Shabbos</i>	

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 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) (30 minutes before Mincha)

SUNDAY

- Mishna Learning (after Shachris) 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

- Women's Tefila Class (2nd & 4th Mondays) 3:15 pm with Rabbi Smason at NHBZ. (Next class Monday, December 8th.)
- Mah Jongg (Mondays, 4-6:00 pm) Proceeds will benefit The NHBZ Chesed Fund.
- Mussar Mondays (1st Monday of each month.) First Class, This Monday, December 2, 7:00-7:45 pm, at the home of Mindy & Richard Woolf.

WEDNESDAY

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

MONTHLY at NHBZ

- Irvin Alper Social Club (First Sunday) at 5:00 pm.
- 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
- 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) (No meeting in December)

NHBZ Signature Events

- Synaplex Shabbos
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn