

# NHBZ Shabbos And Pesach Bulletin

April 23, 2011 19 Nisan, 5771 Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Shabbos Chol Hamoed Pesach

Torah Portion: Exodus 33:12 - 34:26 Siddur pp 506-508 Chumash pp 504 - 513

Maftir: Numbers 28:19 - 28:25 Siddur p 508 Chumash p 892 Haftorah: Ezekiel 37:1 - 37:24 Siddur p 508-509 Chumash p 1224

## **Shabbos**

• Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:

Pesukei D'Zimra: Ron Makovsky
 Shacharis: Menachem Szus
 Leyning: Michael Shapiro
 Haftorah: Sid Silverman
 Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
 Musaf: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

 Learners Service - No service today; will resume next Shabbos, April 30; led by Rabbi Chanan Swidler or Jonathan Stern in the Chapel

- Jr. Congregations (10:30 am) Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children meet in Children's Room with Nina Levine; Boys Jr. Congregation will meet in the Auditorium with Avrumi Smason.
- Kiddush (following Musaf) Everyone is invited to Kiddush in the Joe Rothman Auditorium sponsored by the NHBZ SISTERHOOD
- Pop Stars Thanks to our "POP"-Stars of the week, Lou & Shirley Osheroff, for sponsoring soda today in honor of their granddaughter Alexis Mandel, who became a Bas Mitzvah on April 16, being accepted to the prestigious American Ballet Theatre in New York, where 1,400 hopefuls auditioned; Lexi will spend 5 weeks in New York, attending classes at the Theatre's summer program.
- **Shabbos Study Group** (6:25 pm) Studies in Tanach, *led by Menachem Szus*; everyone at any level of learning is welcome; now studying Yeshayahu (Isaiah).
- Boys' Mishna Study Group (6:40 pm) With Rabbi Smason, for boys ages 10-17.

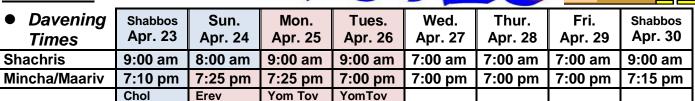
Mincha / Shalosh Seudos (7:10 pm)

Hamoed

Yom Tov

• Shabbos concludes (8:30 pm)

# This Week



\*\*\* Seudas Hamashiach ( Meal of the messiah)

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- **Sunday Learning** (no class tomorrow, April 24; resumes Sunday, May 1) **Rabbi Chanan Swidler** of Aish HaTorah leads Mishna study for men following Sunday morning services; davening at 8:00 a.m.
- RAP with the RABBI Teen Group (no class tomorrow, April 24; resumes Sunday, May 1) with Rabbi Smason for young men and women in the Rabbi's office.
- **Maos Chittim** (literally 'money for wheat') The Vaad Hoeir of St. Louis conducts its annual Maos Chittim campaign to assist people who need help to properly celebrate Pesach; see picture ad.
- Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (Wednesday, April 27, 12:15 am) Now studying Pirkei Avos (Ethics of the Fathers in English), which deals with Jewish ethical and moral principles; Please join us for an enjoyable and relevant presentation and discussion each Wednesday.

## Seventh Day of Passover - Monday, April 25

 Torah Portion:
 Exodus 13:17 - 15:26
 Siddur pp 509 - 511
 Chumash pp 366 - 383

 Maftir:
 Numbers 28:19 - 28:25
 Siddur pp 512
 Chumash pp 892 - 893

 Haftorah:
 II Samuel 22:1 - 22:51
 Siddur pp 512 - 513
 Chumash pp 1224 - 1226

Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:

Pesukei D'Zimra: Jack Lyss
 Shacharis: Ron Makovsky
 Leyning: Michael Shapiro
 Haftorah: Ron Makovsky
 Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
 Musaf: Michael Shapiro

 Kiddush (following Musaf) - is sponsored by Adrienne Jackson & Cynthia Geller in memory of Victor Grossman, and by Dr. Milton Tofle and Ron & Ina Makovsky

Mincha (7:25 pm), Light Candles (after 8:32)

## Eighth Day of Passover - Tuesday, April 26

 Torah Portion:
 Deuteronomy 15:19 - 16:17 Siddur pp 514 - 515
 Chumash pp 1018 - 1023

 Maftir:
 Numbers 28:19 - 28:25
 Siddur p 516
 Chumash pp 892 - 893

 Haftorah:
 Isaiah 10:32 - 12:6
 Siddur pp 516 - 517
 Chumash pp 1226 - 1227

• Shachris (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:

- Pesukei D'Zimra: **Jack Lyss** - Haftorah: **David Rubin** 

Shacharis: Rabbi Yonason Goldson
 Leyning: Michael Shapiro
 Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
 Musaf: Rabbi Yonason Goldson

• Yizkor (10:30 am) followed by Musaf

 Kiddush (following Musaf) - sponsored by Shirley Fredlich in memory of Morris Fredlich and by Bob & Sandie Abrams

• Mincha (7:00 pm),

- Seudas Hamashiach (Meal of the messiah) between Mincha and Maariv
- Yom Tov Concludes (after 8:33)
- **Eat chometz -** You must wait at least 60 minutes, until at least 9:33 pm, so that the Rabbi has time to buy back your chometz, and you put away your Pesach utensils, before eating chometz.

# **Coming Events**

- Annual Yom Hashoah Program (Sunday, May 1, 4:00 pm) at Congregation Shaare Emeth, sponsored by the St. Louis Holocaust Museum and Learning Center; see picture ad for details.
- Irvin Alper Social Club (Sunday, May 1, 6:00 pm) Dinner and a Movie: Corned beef, salads, dessert and drinks; the movie "Miracle at Midnight", a true story of a gentile Doctor who saved 7000 Jews, will be shown; Cost is \$7; make reservations by calling Ruth Alper 314-569-2877.
- **NHBZ Sisterhood** There will be no events in April.
- NHBZ Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday, May 3, 2:30 pm) at the home of Jackie Berkin; Topic is "The Six Constant Mitzvos," presented by Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel; All women are welcome; please join us!!!
- Morris Lenga Yiddish Club (First Thursday, May 5, 7:30 pm) Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; seasoned "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.
- Kiddush-Lunch (Saturday, May 7) in honor of Charles & Gloria Waxman's 60th Anniversary!
- Next Carry-Out Pizza Night (Wednesday, May 11)
- Synaplex (Saturday, May 14)
- Lag B'Omer Pancake Breakfast (Sunday, May 22)
- Memorial Day Brunch & Learn (Monday, May 30) Shachris at 8:00 am followed by brunch; then Rabbi Smason will speak on the topic "Four Types of Students".

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# Beyond Twelve Gates by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

Beyond Twelve Gates' refers to a beautiful concept taught by the great mystic *Rabbi Isaac Luria* (1534-1572), also known as *'The Ari'*. There exist twelve gates of prayer in Heaven — one for each tribe of Israel. There also exists a Heavenly thirteenth gate. Through this gate the prayers of all Jews, regardless of tribe, Jewish education or level of observance, are allowed to enter and are heard by G-d.

Chol HaMoed Passover April 23, 2011 19 Nisan, 5771

## Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



If I asked you "What is your net worth?", how would you respond? Perhaps you'd begin to calculate your assets, and make a few deductions because of what you owe. Many of us consider 'net worth' to be our financial worth. Do you remember Joel Grey, who sang the lyric "Money

makes the world go 'round" in "Cabaret"? Money does seem, in a sense, to make the world go round. A recent Merill Lynch Wealth Management poll surveyed affluent adults, asking what life lessons are most important to impart to their children: 51 percent of the 1,000 individuals surveyed cited "financial know-how."

The Jewish perspective, however, is that G-d doesn't measure a person's worth by money or possessions. The idea that somebody could be "worth five million dollars" is antithetical to Torah values. In Hebrew, the word for 'human being' ("adam") is made up of the same letters as the Hebrew word for "very", "meod". This is because the essence of being human is to become spiritually elevated. A person must never stagnate or become complacent. In the words of English poet Robert Browning, "Oh, but a man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's a Heaven for?" We must become a "very," constantly striving to become better and greater.

## <u>Shabbos Chol HaMoed Passover:</u> 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 selection 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, April 24. On Monday 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 the Sea. On Tuesday, 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.

### **Rabbinic Ruminations**

It's been said that 'practice makes perfect.' But practice only makes perfect if you know what perfect looks like. A successful free throw, for example, requires a precise arc, spin and release point. Until now, only a good coach could really spot what was off about a shot.



An innovative company has created a 'smart basketball' that can calculate bounces, ball spin rate and velocity down to the millisecond. A five-gram circuit board affixes to the inside of a basketball without altering its flight

or bounce. Players run through dribbling or shooting drills while the board gathers data from its accelerometers and gyroscopes. The device wirelessly transmits the data to a computer, which produces a breakdown of each shot and analyzes performance. This way, an athlete knows what is needed to work on - say, if one's right hand needs more dribbling and handling practice than one's left hand.

As in basketball, so too in life. Ethics of the Fathers teaches, "Provide for yourself a teacher." A relationship with someone who can serve as a mentor and spiritual life coach is essential. We may be 'alive', but we're not truly 'living' without a source of wisdom and objectivity to help us navigate the challenges of life. A seed

cannot grow on its own, but needs water and a nutritive environment. We each have within ourselves the seed, the kernel, from which great accomplishments can spring forth. It is the influence of that special teacher that unleashes



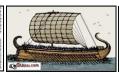
Office Phone 314-991-2100 Chapel Phone: 314-991-5494 Webpage: www.nhbz.org the power of growth in an individual.

### **Quote of the Week**

"If one does not know to which port one is sailing, no wind is favorable" - Seneca (Roman philosopher, 1st century C.E.)











# Joke of the Week

Coming out of the synagogue, Mrs. Goldman asked her husband Morris, "Do you think that Siegel girl is tinting her hair?"

Morris said, "I didn't even see her."

"And that dress Yetta Blum was wearing," continued Mrs.Goldman, "Really, don't tell me you think that's the proper way for a mother of two to dress?"

"I'm afraid I didn't notice that either," said Morris.

"Well," Mrs. Goldman said, "You did see Marilyn Kohn drink 4 glasses of wine after the service, didn't you?"

"I wasn't watching Marilyn", Morris said sheepishly.

"Oh, for heaven's sake," snapped Mrs.Goldman. "A lot of good it does YOU to go to the shul."



## Pre-paid Cash-Card Program

Do you buy prescriptions? Do you buy them at Walgreens or CVS? Do you buy **anything** at Walgreens or CVW?

## Well! Then you can help NHBZ!

Use a pre-paid cash-card for your purchases and earn money for NHBZ!

For example, if you spend \$25 per month at Walgreens or CVS for one year, you will earn \$24 (8% of your purchase) for NHBZ. If you spend \$50 per month for one year, you will earn \$48 for NHBZ.

> If 25 people do this for one year, we will earn \$1200 for NHBZ!

There are dozens of stores to choose from, and each one will donate a percentage of your purchase to NHBZ - some of them up to 25%! And it costs you nothing!

We order cards on the 15th and 30th of each month. Details are available at www.nhbz.org.

Don't hesitate to call if you have questions Janet Haber 314-567-7406 or Bert Zakroff 413-220-0674

# Kohn's Scrip is now available for NHBZ

NOW, you can purchase Kohn's Scrip in the NHBZ office in increments of \$25. Use it at Kohn's just like money. NHBZ earns 5% on each purchase. You need to eat; why not use scrip?

SOLD OUT UNTIL AFTER PESACH!! THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED NHBZ!!

## CALL US WITH YOUR GRADUATES!

Before you know it, we will be heading into Graduation Time. Do you have a graduate in your family? Please call our office, 314-991-2100, EXT. 2, and give us the names and schools so we can wish you and your graduates a big Mazel Tov!

Did you know... that NHBZ provides babysitting every single Shabbos starting at 10:30 am? ... We do. Pass the word.

#### NOTICE:

Sandie will be out of town for Pesach, leaving Sunday, April 17th, and returning to the office on Monday, May 2nd.

You can buy Cash Cards and Kohn's Scrip then!

#### Let's continue to make the scrip and gift card programs really earn dividends for us, in these easy ways:

- 1) Schnucks' eScrip Ask the cashier to scan your Schnucks eScrip card every time you shop at Schnucks; the more you use it, the the bigger the percentage we earn!
- 2) Cash Cards Hundreds of retailers participate in the Gift Card program. NHBZ buys discounted gift cards from retailers, and sells them to you at face value, and NHBZ earns the difference; it costs you nothing! Remember that everyday purchases, big or small, earn money for NHBZ. Just do it!

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# Pesach Schedule

Shachris	9:00 am
Kiddush sponsored by the	NHBZ SISTERHOOD
Mincha/Maariv	
Shabbos Concludes	8:30 pm

#### April 24 - Sunday, Erev Yom Tov

Shachris		8:00 am
	ariv	
Bench Licht	(Light Candles)	7:28 pm

#### April 25 - Monday, Seventh Day of Pesach

Shachris	9:00 am
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#### Sermon by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

Kiddush sponsored by Adrienne Jackson

## April 26 - Tuesday, Eighth Day of Pesach

Shachris	9:00 am
Sermon by	Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

Kiddush Sponsored by **Shirley Fredlich** in memory of **Morris Fredlich** and by **Bob & Sandie Abrams**Mincho

Mincha......7:00 pm Seudas Hamashiach (Meal of the messiah) after Mincha Pesach Concludes......8:33 pm

Important Note: You must wait at least 60 minutes, Until 9:33 pm, so that the Rabbi has time to buy back your chometz, and you put away your Pesach utensils, before eating chometz.

#### Mazel Tov to

# Charles and Gloria Waxman

on their 60th Wedding Anniversary coming up on May 6th.

The Waxman family
- Bruce & Faith, Scott & Susan, Brent, and
all the grandchildren will sponsor a Kiddush-Lunch on Shabbos,
May 7th to celebrate this great simcha!



# CARRY OUT NIGHT: WEDNESDAY, MAY 11 !!

HOT PIZZA WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU TO PICK UP!! OR ORDER AN UN-COOKED PIZZA TO FREEZE OR BAKE AT HOME!!

Plain Cheese Pizza ~ \$12.00 Toppings ~ 75c each Extra-Cheese, mushrooms, onions, tomatoes, basil, greenpeppers, sliced olives, pineapple PLACE YOUR ORDER ~ 314-991-2100, ext. 2 Deadline to Order: 12:00 noon on May 11

NEXT DINE-IN NIGHT IS MAY 29

Mazel Tov
On Simchas this week!
April 23- April 29, 2011

# Happy Birthday

Fran Reisler Micha Szus Charles Waxman

# Happy Anniversary

None this week

Show your friends you care - SEND A TRIBUTE

Shul: Call Gloria Waxman 314-872-3296 Sisterhood: Phyllis Silverman 314-434-2482 Libby Needle Fund: Sally Needle 314-991-2575



# **Shabbat**

# Saturday Morning, May 14

8:30 am - Regular Shabbos services

10:00 am - Learner's Service

11:00 am - Breakout Sessions (to be announced)

12:00 Noon - Kiddush Lunch

in honor of May birthdays and anniversaries

Synaplex is free and open to the public. Home hospitality for the weekend is available

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# 2011 annual Yom Hashoah Holocaust Remembrance Day

4 pm Sunday, May 1 Congregation Shaare Emeth

Sponsored by The St. Louis Holocaust Museum and Learning Center,

The theme of this year's commemoration is THE HOLOCAUST IN THE FORMER SOVIET UNION

The program will include testimonies from the Museum's Oral History Project's outreach to the Russian community by Russian survivors currently living in St. Louis. It is also a tribute to local veterans of the Soviet Red Army who fought the Nazis. The commemoration will include liturgical readings, memorial prayers and music performed by Tova, Gabriel and Mischa Braitberg. A procession of Torah scrolls rescued from the Shoah will also take place.

# THANKS TO THOSE WHO BOUGHT 40 BRICKS AT THE EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT PRICES!!

# Build a Shul!

NHBZ has new opportunities for you to make a named dedication in the new building. You can dedicate a brick or a planting. These are affordable dedications that give everyone a way to participate in the mitzvah of building a Shul and at the same time make a lasting contribution in memory or honor of someone close to you. Bricks will be placed in a prominent location near the front of the building. Plantings will be along the north border of the property, and each planting will also be identified by an 8" x 8" brick.

4" x 8" brick with 3-line inscription	\$250
8" x 8" brick with 6-line inscription	\$500
Planting and 8" x 8" brick with 6-line inscription	\$1000

#### Call the office now for details.

These are independent projects that are each separate from the Capital Campaign to which you may have already made pledges or contributions.

# **NHBZ Giving Opportunities**

NHBZ is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year. To provide such a facility, the congregation depends upon gifts and contributions above and beyond members' dues. In giving to NHBZ, you fulfill an important mitzvah. We have established numerous ways to contribute to NHBZ listed below. Call the office at 314-991-2100 for details.

- TRIBUTES Honor someone's simcha or good health or a loved one's memory
- CAPITAL CAMPAIGN Help build our new shul
- SYNAGOGUE HONORS It is customary to make a donation to the congregation for an Aliyah or other honors
- SPECIAL GIFTS CAMPAIGN A special gift is a donation above and beyond annual dues and any specific funds.
- SPONSORSHIPS Sponsor kiddush, Soda, Shalosh Seudos, or this bulletin
- PLAQUES Honor or memorialize friends, relatives and events
- BOOK FUNDS Purchase, repair or dedicate books
- EDUCATIONAL FUNDS Help students and teachers
- SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS Donations are used for various purposes

I gave, did you?



## NHBZ needs YOU!

NHBZ is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year; We need your help; whatever your skills, we have an opportunity for you: office work, cooking, pickup and delivery, repairs, Pizza night, Sukkah raising, outreach committee, building committee, you-name-it!

Call the office for details.

Your Caption Here





**Nusach Hari B'nai Zion** 8630 Olive Boulevard Saint Louis, MO 63132 **Ze'ev Smason, Rabbi**Aaron Borow, Rabbi Emeritus
Robert Kaiser, President
Dr. Ethan Schuman, Chazan

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