



# NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

November 27, 2010

20 Kislev 5771

## Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Torah Portion Vayeishev: **Bereshis 37:1 - 40:23**  
Haftorah: **Amos 2:6 - 3:8**

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### Today

- **Shachris & Musaf** (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: *Howard Sandler*
  - Shacharis: *Dr. Ethan Schuman*
  - Leyning: *Michael Shapiro*
  - Haftorah: *Fabian Attoun*
  - Sermon: *Rabbi Ze'ev Smason*
  - Musaf: *Dr. Ethan Schuman*
- **Learners Service** (10:30 am) - Lead by *Rabbi Swidler* in the Chapel
- **Jr. Congregations** (10:30 am) - Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children meet in Children's Room with *Dodi Smason*; Boys Jr. Congregation will meet in the Auditorium with *Avrumi Smason*.
- **Kiddush** (following Musaf) - Everyone is invited to Kiddush in the Joe Rothman Auditorium; Soda is sponsored by 'pop stars' *Boris* and *Alla Yasinev* in honor of the engagement of their son *Alex*.
- **Shabbos Study Group** (3:35 pm) - Studies in Tanach, lead by *Menachem Szus*; everyone at any level of learning is welcome.
- **Boys' Mishna Study Group** (3:35 pm) - With *Rabbi Smason*, for boys ages 10-17.
- **Mincha / Shalosh Seudos / Maariv** (4:05 pm)
- **Shabbos concludes** (5:26 pm)

### This Week

Davening Times	Shabbos Nov. 27	Sun. Nov. 28	Mon. Nov. 29	Tues. Nov. 30	Wed. Dec. 1	Thur. Dec. 2	Fri. Dec. 3	Shabbos Dec. 4
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/Maariv	4:05 pm	4:20 pm	4:20 pm	-	-	4:20 pm	4:20 pm	4:05 pm
Maariv Only	-	-	-	6:30 pm	6:30 pm	6:30 pm	-	-

- **Sunday Learning** (tomorrow, Sunday Nov 28, following Shachris) - *Rabbi Chanan Swidler* of Aish HaTorah leads Mishna study for men following Sunday morning services; davening at 8:00 am.
- **RAP with the RABBI Teen Group** (tomorrow, Sunday Nov 28, 9:15 am) - with *Rabbi Smason* for young men and women in the Rabbi's office.
- **Dine-In Pizza Night** (Sunday, Nov 28, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm) - and pick up Chanukah Candles, too.
- **Irvin Alper Social Club** (Sunday, Nov 28, 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm)
- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Wednesday, December 1, 12:15 pm) - Insights for daily living from the weekly Torah portion; in the Auditorium.
- **CHANUKAH BEGINS** (Wednesday night, December 1) - light first candle after dark; if you usually receive Chanukah candles from NHBZ, and don't receive them by Noon on Sunday, November 28, you can pick them up at Pizza Night, Sunday, November 28, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm.
- **Morris Lenga Yiddish Club** (Thursday, December 2, 7:00 pm)

- **Anniversary Journal** - We are past the published due date for putting your ad in our anniversary journal, and we have very little time before sending the material to the printer. Please help us make our journal memorable for our honorees, **JoAnn Raskas** and **Ron Rosen**, and for **Alex** and **Jack Lyss**, the recipients of the Youth Service Award. Call the office at 991-2100 or bring your ad in now!
- **105th Anniversary Celebration Reservations** (Sunday, Dec 12) - Send them in, now!

## Next Shabbos

- **Kabbalat Shabbat** (Next Friday Night, Dec 3) - Services will be led by the 'Eckhardt Ensemble of Milwaukee': Baritone, *Joel Eckhardt*, and sons; Joel has sung in musical theatre, opera, and television including performances with Leonard Bernstein and the New Israeli Opera; he also recorded the role of Gaston in Disney's Hebrew language version of "Beauty and the Beast."; **NHBZ thanks Torah MiTzion Kollel for making the Eckhardts available for our Shabbos davening.**
- **Shabbos Chanukah Lunch and Learn** (Saturday, Dec 4) - In honor of December birthdays and wedding anniversaries; davening will be lead by the 'Eckhardt Ensemble of Milwaukee'; speakers will be the Shlichim of Torah MiTzion Kollel and teens from Yokneam, Israel'.

## Coming Events

- **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group** (Tuesday, Dec 7. 2:30 pm) - "Six Constant Mitzvos" presented by *Rabbi Shaya Mintz* of the St. Louis Kollel at the home of *Jackie Berkin*; all women are welcome.
- **Garage Sale Part 2** (Wednesday, Dec 8, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm) - We welcome additional contributions of garage sale items (no more clothes, please) for a final garage sale blowout day.
- **105th Anniversary Celebration and Hors D'oeuvre Reception** (Sunday, December 12) - Honoring **JoAnn Raskas** and **Ron Rosen**, benefactors and inspiration for the NHBZ Lion's Den Pizza Night that has delighted the entire St. Louis Jewish community; also honoring **Alex** and **Jack Lyss** with the first NHBZ Youth Service Award for their exemplary service to the shul; it is with great pleasure that we give well-deserved kovod (honor) to these wonderful people; we have chosen to create an elegant, elaborate evening at our current location. 8630 Olive Boulevard, to bid a fond farewell in a grand manner to the "old" as we prepare to move into our new home in 2011.
- **Carry-Out Pizza Night** (Wednesday, December 15)
- **'Movies After Dark'** (Saturday, December 25) - title to be announced.
- **NHBZ Sisterhood Meeting and Lunch** - Tuesday, December 21

## Meetings

- **Executive Committee & Capital Campaign** - Monday, November 29; meeting at 7:30 pm.
- **Board of Directors Meeting** -Tuesday, December 14; Maariv at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:00 pm.
- **Executive Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, Dec 28; Maariv at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:00 pm.

## Reminders

- **Toys for Chanukah** - Bring new gifts for needy children to the office by December 1.
- **Free Money for NHBZ!!** - Use Schnuck's cards and buy Gift Cards; call Gift Card Mavens Janet Haber at 567-7406 or Bert Zakroff at 220-0674 for details.
- **Even More Free Money - Enjoy Freshly Baked Challa, Cakes & Rugelach, and Support NHBZ at the same time!** - Every purchase from Norma's Bakery includes a donation to NHBZ; all goods prepared in the NHBZ kitchen under the supervision of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason; Norma Yabeta will take your orders at 314-398-1044 or send an email to [lemuriana999@hotmail.com](mailto:lemuriana999@hotmail.com) by Noon on Wednesdays to have your baked goods ready for Shabbos.

## 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 prayers in Heaven — one for each tribe of Israel. Additionally, there 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.

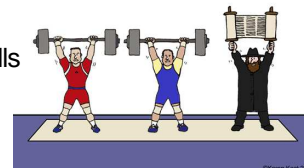
**Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates.** With Chanukah beginning next Wednesday night, here's an '8 Day Survival Kit' to help you make it through the holiday with a smile on your face.



1.) Toothpick — to remind you to pick out the good qualities in others. 2.) Rubber Band — to remind you to be flexible, since things don't always go the way you want. 3.) Band-Aid - to remind you to heal hurt feelings, yours or someone else's. 4.) Eraser — to remind you that everyone makes mistakes, and to forgive them. 5.) Chewing gum — to remind you that if you stick with it, you can accomplish anything. 6.) Hershey Kisses — when you need a hug. 7.) Candle — for when you're up late with someone who needs you. 8.) Lifesaver candy (kosher, of course) — to remind you that you're a lifesaver to so many people. Enjoy a joyous Chanukah — and remember not to eat too many latkes!

### Parshas Vayeishev Genesis 37:1— 40:23

Jacob's favoritism toward Joseph incites the other brother's hatred. Their jealousy increases when Joseph tells them about two dreams which indicate that they will one day be subservient to him. Jacob sends Joseph to check up on his brothers, and upon seeing him approaching they plot to kill him. Reuben convinces the brothers not to kill Joseph, but is unable to totally save him as the brothers sell Joseph into slavery in Egypt.



After dipping Joseph's coat in blood, they return to their father who assumes that his beloved son was torn apart by a savage beast. The Torah then digresses to relate the story of Judah and his daughter-in-law, Tamar. The narrative then returns to Joseph in Egypt, where he becomes an extremely successful slave and is placed in charge of his master's household. His master's wife repeatedly tries to seduce Joseph, and when he refuses he is thrown into prison. Ten years later, Pharaoh's chief butler and baker are placed into the same prison. One night they each have a perplexing dream that Joseph accurately interprets, setting the stage for his release from prison.

### Rabbinical Ruminations

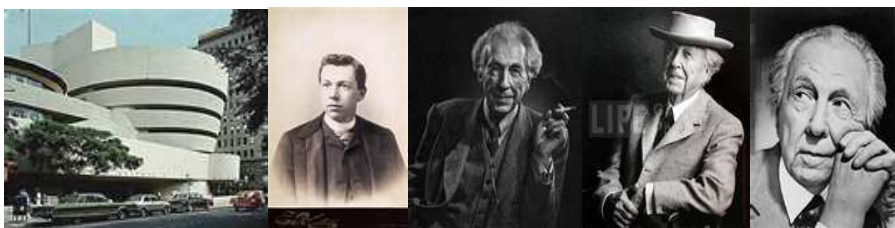
'Nice guys finish last,' the popular American saying goes. It may be that nice guys finish last — in the standings. But we see in this week's Torah portion that 'nice guys finish second' — second in command to Pharaoh. We're familiar with the story of Joseph's arrest and imprisonment. Shortly thereafter, two members of Pharaoh's Court were also thrown into jail. Joseph saw that they were depressed, and asked them, "*madua peneichem ra'im hayom?*" What's bothering you? The butler and baker then tell Joseph their dreams. Joseph interprets the dreams. The butler sees Joseph has special powers. Improbably, a chain-effect of events results in Joseph becoming second in command to Pharaoh. Why? Because of four words: "*Madua peneichem ra'im hayom?*" Even a simple act of kindness can have a stunning effect and completely change the course of a person's day, if not their life.

Here are four examples of how a few well placed words can make all the difference. Try them this Thanksgiving and Shabbos.

- 1.) **Can I help?** Even if the answer is 'no', the thought will be appreciated.
- 2.) **How are you?** Ask sincerely, with intent to know how someone is really doing.
- 3.) **You are right.** Everyone is right at least some of the time.
- 4.) **Great job, Sidney!** Everyone loves to be acknowledged for their good work and effort.

### Quote of the Week ~ Frank Lloyd Wright

Many wealthy people are little more than janitors of their possessions.



### Joke of the Week



OYVEY!

A Native American comes back to the Reservation to visit with his parents after spending some time in New York. He says to his father that he's fallen in love with a Jewish girl. His father is mortified and says, "You're betraying your heritage and you'll break your mother's heart that you're not marrying a Native American girl. You know how Jews are, they'll feel the same way and you'll be ostracized by both groups." The son reassures his father, "Don't worry. They must have already accepted the situation because they've already given their daughter a Native American name." "Really?" says the father. "What name?" The son answers, "I don't know what it means, but they're calling her 'Sitting Shiva'."

Thanks for reading 'Beyond Twelve Gates'. Comments, questions, requests to be added to our email list, or better jokes, can be sent to Rabbi Smason at [Pepshort613@gmail.com](mailto:Pepshort613@gmail.com). Care to know more about Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation? Check us out at [www.nhbz.org](http://www.nhbz.org) If you enjoyed Beyond Twelve Gates, please share with a friend. Thanks to Alan Haber for his assistance in distributing BTG.

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St. Louis Torah MiTzion Kollel Invites You to a

### Gala Fundraising Event



## A Celebration of Chanukah

to benefit Torah MiTzion Kollel,  
Sherut Leumi, and Bnei Akiva



**Saturday Night , December 4, 2010**

*The Fifth Night of Chanukah*

7:30 pm at the Cedars at the JCA

13190 South Outer 40 Road

*featuring a musical concert by the*

**Eckhardt Ensemble of Milwaukee**

Mezze Buffet & Chanukah Dessert Bar

**Young Leadership Award presented to:**

*Adira Axelbaum, Danielle Baron,*

*Amiad Fredman, Yosef Groener,*

*Levi Kaufman, Tali Koshner, Shira Mogil,*

*Loni Schuman, Merav Simon, Daniella Yasinev*

**\$150/couple – Call 314-420-8080**

## NHBZ Chanukah Helpers!!!

### TOYS FOR CHANUKAH



It's time to shop  
for the kids  
in our community!



**TOYS & GAMES**  
for all age children



Please bring your UN-wrapped,  
**BRAND NEW** gifts to our office by  
Monday, December 1

Help the needy children  
in St. Louis have a  
very happy Chanukah!



First Candle of Chanukah ~ Wed. night, December 1

## Thanks for bringing toys:

Jessica Fadem

Esther Gelb

Morris & Estelle Kram

Sarah Klein

Ted & Rachael Pevnick

Ruth Alper

NHBZ Sisterhood

Marian Walters

Your name would look great **HERE !**



Announcing the Grand Opening of

## Norma's Bakery

Enjoy fresh baked goods

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(Every purchase includes a donation to NHBZ)

Prepared in NHBZ kitchen under supervision of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

### Pareve Breads

**Challah:** \$4.00 medium; \$6.00 large; \$6.60 large with raisins

**Whole wheat bread:** \$4.00 medium; \$6.00 large

### Pareve Cakes

(can be made Dairy on request if you prefer not to use margarine)

**The Best Honey Cake You've Ever Tasted:** \$10.00 (7" x 7")

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**Norma's Special Occasion Whiskey Cake Made with so Much Real**

**Whiskey You'll Need a Designated Driver:** \$20.00

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**Norma's Special Rugelach – Chocolate/Hazelnut or Cinnamon/Fruit)**

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picked up on Monday)

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out. They swipe it, and a percentage of your total is  
donated to NHBZ!!! Don't have an e-Scrip Card?

Call Bert Zakroff, 220-0674.

## Mazel Tov

on simchas this week – Nov 27 thru Dec 3

### Happy Birthday to:

Shirley Hollander

David Reisler

Gail Rose

Menachem Szus

### Happy Anniversary to:

None this week

Show your friends you care by sending a tribute!

**Shul Tribute – call Gloria Waxman 314-434-3296**

**Sisterhood Tribute – call Phyllis Silverman 434-2482**

**Libby Needle Fund – call Sally Needle 314-2575**



## PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA at NHBZ!!!

Lion's Den DINE-IN Pizza Night

**TOMORROW -SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28!!**

**5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet

Pizza, Spaghetti, Garlic Bread & Salad  
plus Dessert & Beverage

Kids 3 & under: FREE Kids 4-10: \$6.00 Adults: \$10.00

**NEXT CARRY OUT NIGHT ~ DECEMBER 15**