NHBZ Shabbos & Pesach Bulletin

April 7 & 8, 2012

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

15 & 16 Nissan, 5772

Erev Shabbos & Pesach - Friday, April 6

- Mincha & Maariv (7:00 pm)
- **Candle Lighting** (7:11 pm)
- First Seder (after 8:14 pm)



- No Shabbos Study Group or Shalosh Seudos today.
- Mincha (6:55 pm), Light Candles and Second Seder (after 8:15)

Second Day of Passover - Sunday, April 8

Torah Portion: Leviticus 22:26 - 23:44 Maftir: Numbers 28:16 - 28:25 Haftorah: II Kings 23:1-9, 23:21-25

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- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: *Ron Makovsky*
 - Shacharis: *Menachem Szus*
 - Leyning: Asher Zarkowsky
- Haftorah: Lenny Alper - Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

- Musaf: David Rubin
- Kiddush (following Musaf) sponsored by Irwin & Rosalind Rosen and Marvin & Jackie Gitel and the NHBZ Sisterhood.
- No Child Care, Youth Programming or Learners Service today.
- Mincha (7:10 pm), Yom Tov Concludes (after 8:16)

This Week

	Davening Times	Shabbos Apr 7	Sun. Apr 8	Mon. Apr 9	Tues. Apr 10	Wed. Apr 11	Thur. Apr 12	Fri. Apr 13	Shabbos Apr 14
	Shachris	9:00 am	9:00 am	6:45 am	6:45 am	6:45 am	6:45 am	9:00 am	9:00 am
	Mincha/Maariv	6:55 pm	7:10 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	6:30 pm
	Events	Yom Tov Pesach	Yom Tov Pesach	Chol Hamoed Pesach	Chol Hamoed Pesach	Lunch & Learn	Make Eruv Tavshilin	Yom Tov Pesach	Yom Tov Pesach; Yizkor

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Regular Weekly Event Schedule for Pesach – Check Carefully

- **Sunday Learning** (Resumes Sunday, April 22, 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** (*Resumes Sunday, April 15*) with **Rabbi Smason**, for young men and women; at Starbucks at Olive & Price; with complimentary drinks to all participants!
- Tanya Class (Resumes next Sunday, April 15, 8:00 pm) at NHBZ lower level.
- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Wednesday, April 4, 12:15 pm) in the Teen Lounge; 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.
- **Shechita Class** (*Resumes Thursday, April 19, 5:30 pm 6:30 pm*) An 8 month series of classes for men led by Rabbi Chaim Loike, a Rabbinic Coordinator with the OU Kashruth Division; at NHBZ lower level.
- Buy and Use Cash Cards (Monday Friday) Next order dates are Monday, April 16 and Monday April 30; buy 'em before these dates and earn free money for NHBZ.

Coming Events

- Make Eruv Tavshilin (Thursday, April 12) see picture ad for details.
- **Pesach Days 7 & 8** (Friday, April 13 and Saturday, April 14) **YIZKOR** on Saturday, April 14.
- **Seudas HaMashiach** (Shabbos, April 14, following Mincha at 6:30 pm) the "Messiah's Feast", instituted by the Baal Shem Tov, is the final meal of Passover, and focuses on the Messiah and the final redemption.
- Carry-Out Pizza Night Returns (Wednesday, April 18) perfect timing right after Pesach!!!
- Yom HaShoah Commemoration (Sunday, April 22, 4:00 pm) at Temple Israel.
- Dine-In Pizza Night (Last Sunday, April 29, 5:00 pm 7:00 pm)
- NHBZ Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday, May 1, 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 3, 7:30 pm*) Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.
- Pre-Lag B'Omer Pancake Breakfast (Sunday, May 6, 10:00 am)
- H.H. Bremler Memorial Program (Sunday, May 6, 1:00 pm)
- Irvin Alper Social Club (First Sunday, May 6, 5:00 pm)
- Semi-Annual Membership Meeting (Tuesday, May 8, 7:30 pm)

Meetings

- Board of Directors (Tuesday, April 17, 7:30 pm, following minyan at 7:00 pm) New Date!
- Executive Committee (Tuesday, April 24, 7:30 pm, following minyan at 7:00 pm)

Kashrus Alert

- The cRc Passover Guide for 2012 is now posted on the cRc website www.crcweb.org
- The OV Passover Guide for 2012 is now posted on the OV website: <u>www.ovkosher.org</u>

Reminders

- **Sponsorships** If you would like to sponsor kiddush, Soda, Shalosh Seudos, this bulletin, or something special and unique in honor or in memory of someone, please call 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to make arrangements.
- **Synagogue Honors -** It is customary to make a donation to the synagogue for an Aliyah or other synagogue honors received.





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.

Passover

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Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



An Ohio man recently got the deal of a lifetime at a thrift store. Zach Bodish, an art enthusiast and thrift store regular, paid \$14.14 for what he thought was a framed poster reproduction of a famous Pablo Picasso print. Bodish later discovered a small red signature at the bottom right of

the print, and realized he may have had an original Picasso print on his hands. Art experts who saw the print said the signature looks like the real deal, and could sell for \$6,000 at an auction or double that if it were sold to a gallery. For now, Bodish says there is a good chance that he will sell the print and make a tidy sum on his original investment.

The Roman Emperor Hadrian once gave his nephew, Onkelos, sound business advice. "Seek goods which are low in price because people do not realize their worth. Once you explain the real value of the merchandise, the price will rise and you will surely make a fine profit." Onkelos immediately put his uncle's advice into action. He went to the Holy Land and converted to Judaism. Upon Onkelos' return to Rome, the enraged Hadrian asked him, "Why did you leave your home and religion to accept the religion of a small, persecuted, ill-treated nation?"

Replied Onkelos: "I listened to the Emperor's own good advice to buy merchandise whose value people do not know. The Torah calls the Jewish people a Nation of Priests. The Torah, itself, is eternal and priceless. I 'bought' into this precious inheritance. Someday, the entire world will know its value." Buying into the wealth of Torah study and beautiful mitzvos that are available in Jewish life is a sure way to obtain great spiritual riches.

Passover



This coming Friday evening, April 7, begins the major festival of Passover. Passover, known in Hebrew as *Pesach*, is a national birthday party; it was then that the 'Children of Israel' who later became the 'People of Israel' - began their march through

history with the exodus from Egypt. Passover is the

celebration of the beginning of our mission to become a 'Light unto the nations.' May you and your families have a meaningful and joyous holiday.

On the first day of Passover, Shabbos, 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, Sunday, 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.

Rabbinic Ruminations



An unusual feature of humans is their ability to produce extraordinary feats of strength - referred to as 'hysterical strength' - or inconceivable performances of endurance when the only alternative is to face death. One re-

markable instance of hysterical strength involved Lydia Angyiou, who lives in a village of 300 people in far northern Quebec.

In 2006 Lydia was walking near the village community center with her two sons when a polar bear began sizing up her 7-year-old son. Lydia told the children to run and raced around to get between the bear and her son. She then started kicking and punching the animal before the bear swatted her in the face and she fell on her back. With the bear on top of her, Lydia began kicking her legs in a bicycle-pedaling motion. She was swatted once more and rolled over, but the bear moved toward her again. Fortunately, an onlooker who heard the commotion shot and killed the bear.

The bear measured eight feet in length and weighed at least 700 pounds. Lydia "is about 5-foot-nothing and 90 pounds on a wet day," said a local policeman, with a laugh. "But I guess when your back is up against the wall, I guess we come up with super-human strength." These type of superhero exploits, scientists explain, are the result of the human brain's forcing the body to keep much of its muscle power in reserve unless the power is required to preserve life. A burgeoning body of data suggests that our brains ensure that we can never perform our best until the stakes are dire.

Many Biblical sources compare the Torah to rain. Like rain which saturates the soil, causes it to sprout, and

allows the hidden potential of the seed to reach actual fulfillment, so does the Torah allow our hidden spiritual potential to approach perfection. Each of us harbors a potential beyond our wildest dreams.

Quote of the Week

"Never ruin an apology with an excuse."

-- Kimberly Johnson (American poet)

Joke of the Week

Actual writings on hospital charts by Doctors:

- 1. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
- 2. On the second day the knee was better, and on the third day it disappeared.

- 3. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
- 4. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
- 5. Discharge status: Alive but without my permission.
- 6. Healthy appearing decrepit 69 year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
- 7. The patient refused autopsy.
- 8. Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital.
- Patient's medical history has been remarkably insignificant with only a 40 pound weight gain in the past three days.
 Patient has two teenage children,

but no other abnormalities.



Mazel Tov On Simchas PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA at NHBZ !!! This Week Apr 7 - Apr 13 ARRY OUT NIGHT RETURNS: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 !! py Birt Hot pizza will be waiting for you to pick up!! Martin Tessler Or, order an un-cooked pizza Trudy Sudin Sid Silverman Rhoda Carl to freeze or bake at home!! Cheese Pizza: \$12.00 Toppings: 75*c* each Extra-Cheese, mushrooms, onions, tomatoes, Happy Anniversary basil, greenpeppers, sliced olives, pineapple PLACE YOUR ORDER ~ 314-991-2100, ext. 2 Show your friends you care - SEND A TRIBUTE Deadline to Order: 12:00 noon on April 18 Shul: Call Gloria Waxman 314-872-3296 NEXT DINE-IN NIGHT IS APRIL 29 Sisterhood: Phyllis Silverman 314-434-2482 Libby Needle Fund: Sally Needle 314-991-2575 Chesed Fund: Drop by the office for a Card Pack **ISRAEL CORNER** Extra Trash During Pesach?? The U. City Public Works Department will place a Minyan Men blue dumpster at the U. City Recycling Drop-off Check the schedule on page 1 for Center, 975 Pennsylvania Avenue, for Passover. Yom Tov and Chol Hamoed davening times The dumpster is being provided so residents can Mayer Taller: 997-0927 dispose of additional food waste and trash Rabbi Smason: 749-5271 accumulated during the holiday. The dumpster is Howard Sandler: 409-7266 for "trash only" and will be available on Friday, NHBZ Office: 991-2100 March 30, 2012 and removed on April 9, 2012.

Stump the Rabbi

Ask Rabbi Smason questions about Judaism. You can ask your questions in person, or by email at: <u>Pepshort613@gmail.com</u>

<u>Question</u>: Is there an order of precedence for getting an aliyah?

Answer: There are long-standing laws and traditions that have established the order of precedence for receiving an aliyah, i.e. being called to the Torah. Given that the number of people who may be called to the Torah is limited, we need a schedule of priorities.

The first two aliyos are always reserved for a Kohen and a Levi. From the third aliyah onward, from which a Kohen or Levi is excluded, the following priorities prevail for everybody else:

- 1) a bridegroom on the Shabbos before his wedding
- a boy who has just turned thirteen years of age (Bar Mitzvah)
- 3) the father of a newborn child
- a bridegroom on the Shabbos after his wedding
- 5) the father of a baby girl who is to be named
- 6) one observing Yahrzeit for one's parents on that day

Other priorities for receiving an aliyah include: one who is about to leave on a long journey or who has just returned from such a journey, a distinguished guest in the community, and one observing yahrzeit for someone other than parents.

Getting to Know You

by Roving Reporter Robin Rickerman

This week featuring Rachael Pevnick.



Tell me a bit about your family history. My dad came from

Lithuania at the age of 9 in the early 1900's. My mom came from Poland at the age of 10, also in the early 1900's. My mom came to St. Louis for her sister's

wedding and met my father there. Two sisters married two brothers! I met my husband Teddy 58 years ago, and we have 3 children, 6 grand-children and 2 great grandchildren.

What is your favorite holiday and why?

Passover. I just love Passover. My son conducts the Seder and I sit and kvell, to have my family together and nice weather, too!.

What is something about you that most people don't know?

I always wanted to make a living making people laugh. I would love to be a comedian!!!

How did we become so fortunate to have you as a member of Nusach Hari?

My father belonged to Bnai Zion. When they merged with Nusach Hari, they tore down their building and gave the money to build the classroom building behind Nusach Hari on Olive. That is when we became members 32 years ago.

If you could travel, ANY WHERE IN THE WORLD, where would you go and what would you do? I would go to California to see my 2 Great Grandchildren - 2.5 years old and 2 weeks old...OY!!



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Easy donations for NHBZ and **not a penny out of our pocket!** Just hand your e-Scrip Card to the checker when you check 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.

NHBZ Pesach Schedule 5772 (2012)

A big thank you to our **Sisterhood** for their generous donation to help sponsor all the Pesach Kiddushim!

April 5 - Thursday Evening

<u> April 6 - Friday, Erev Pesach</u>

Shachris	7:00 am
Siyum for First Born: Tractate Ta'anis	After Shachris
conducted by Dov Axelbaum	
Mechiras Chometz (Sell Chometz)	By 7:45 am
Finish Eating Chometz	By 10:31 am
Biyur Chometz (Burn Chometz)	By 11:47 am
Bitul Chometz (Annull Chometz)	By 11:47 am
Mincha/Maariv	7:00 pm
Bench Licht (Light Candles)	7:11 pm
First Seder	After 8:14 pm

April 7 - Shabbos, First Day of Pesach

April 8 - Sunday, Second Day of Pesach

<u> Apri1 9 – 12, Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu Chol Hamoed</u>

<u> April 12 – Thursday Eve, Erev Yom Tov</u>

April 13 - Friday, Seventh Day of Pesach

April 14 - Saturday, Eighth Day of Pesach

<u>Important Note</u>: You must wait at least 60 minutes, until 9:21 pm, so that the Rabbi has time to buy back your chometz and until you put away Pesach utensils before eating chometz.

Eruv Tavshilin

Since the 7th day of Pesach falls on Friday, it is necessary to make an Eruv Tavshilin (mingling of cooked foods) in order to prepare food on Yom Tov for Shabbos.

According to Jewish Law, one is permitted to cook on Yom Tov, but only for that day, and not for the following day. Thus the problem: how to cook for Shabbos when Yom Tov occurs on Friday?!

The Rabbis instituted the Eruv Tavshilin to solve the problem. If one begins preparation for Shabbos **before** Yom Tov, i.e. on Thursday, April 12th, before Yom Tov begins, then one is permitted to **continue** the preparation for Shabbos **on Yom Tov itself**.

Therefore, on Thursday, April 12, cook a hard boiled egg, and set it aside with a piece of gefilte fish and a piece of matzo as the beginning of preparations for the Shabbos following Yom Tov. Hold these 'eruv-foods' and recite the following prayer and declaration:

Blessed art Thou, L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, Who hast sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us concerning the mitzvah of **eruv**.

By means of this **eruv**, may we be permitted to bake, cook, keep dishes warm, light Shabbos lights, and prepare during the festival all we need for Shabbos - we and all Israelites that live in this city.

For more details, call Rabbi Smason.



The Only Talking That is Permitted During Davening

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