

# NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

July 9, 2011

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

7 Tammuz, 5771

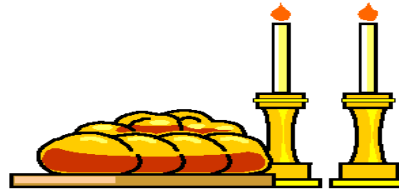
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## Erev Shabbos - Friday, July 8

- **Mincha & Maariv** (7:00 pm)
- **Candle Lighting** (8:10 pm)



## Shabbos - Saturday, July 9

- **Shachris & Musaf** (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
  - Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
  - Leyning: **Yaakov Goldson**
  - Haftorah: **Fabian Attoun**
  - Sermon: none today, Lunch'n'Learn instead
  - Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
- **Girls Jr. Congregation** (10:30 am) - Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children meet in the Children's Room on the lower level with **Nina Levine** and **Georgia Laird**.
- **Kiddush - Lunch & Learn** (following Musaf) - **MAZEL TOV** to our friends celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries in the month of July! Our celebrants invite everyone to Kiddush & Lunch in the Joe Rothman Auditorium; Please be **seated and silent** until Rabbi Smason makes Kiddush, after which you are invited to wash; then, please be **seated and silent** until Rabbi Smason makes HaMotzi; after lunch, Rabbi Ze'ev Smason will speak on the topic "Is Reincarnation a Jewish Concept?"
- **Special Thanks** to **"POP"-STARS** of the week **Lou & Shirley Osheroff** for sponsoring soda today in honor of their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; AND to **Alice, Gary & Trudy Sudin** for sponsoring **"COOL" TREATS** in honor of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren visiting St. Louis this Shabbos - **Lyle & Neeli Sudin & daughter Elisheva; Yehuda & Dena Schupper and daughters Naama & Malka; and Saul & Elke Sudin**
- **Shabbos Study Group** (7:05 pm) - Studies in Tanach, led by **Menachem Szus**; everyone at any level of learning is welcome; now studying Yeshayahu (Isaiah).
- **Boys' Mishna Study Group** (7:20 pm) - With **Rabbi Smason**, for boys ages 10-17.
- **Mincha/Shalosh Seudos** (7:50 pm)
- **Shabbos Concludes** (9:12 pm)



## This Week

Davening Times	Shabbos July 9	Sun. July 10	Mon. July 11	Tues. July 12	Wed. July 13	Thur. July 14	Fri. July 15	Shabbos July 16
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	7:50 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:50 pm

- **Sunday Learning** (Sunday July 10 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** - is on recess for the Summer.
- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Wednesday, July 13, 12:15 pm) - 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.

- **Buy and Use Cash Cards and Kohn's Scrip** - Next Cash-card Order Days are **this Friday July 15** and **Wednesday August 1**; earn free money for NHBZ; order your cards this week; buy Kohn's Scrip any time.

## Coming Events

- **Carry-Out Pizza Night** (Wednesday, July 13)
- **Dine-in Pizza Night** (Sunday, July 31, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm)
- **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group** (First Tuesday, August 2, 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 Lengua Yiddish Club** (First Thursday, August 4, 7:30 pm) - Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; seasoned "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.
- **Irvin Alper Social Club** (First Sunday, August 7)
- **Special Carry-Out Pizza Night** (Sunday, August 7 – during the 9 Days) – Pizza AND SALAD

## Kashrus Alert

- **Post Shredded Wheat** - a limited number of specially marked boxes contain a promotional dried fruit blend, and is not certified by the OK Kosher Certification.

## Meetings

- **Board of Directors** (Tuesday, July 12) – Field trip **TO THE NEW BUILDING** at 7:30 following minyan, returning to current building for meeting.
- **Executive Committee Meeting** (Tuesday, July 26, 7:30 pm following minyan)



## 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.
- **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 a Shul tribute call Gloria Waxman at 314-872-3296; For a Sisterhood tribute, call Phyllis Silverman at 314-434-2482; 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.
- **Free Money for NHBZ!!** - Use Schnuck's Scrip and buy Cash Cards; call Scrip and Cash Card Mavens Janet Haber at 567-7406 or Bert Zakroff at 220-0674 for details.
- **Even More Free Money - Try Norma's Bakery!** - Every purchase from Norma's Bakery includes a donation to NHBZ; To order, call Norma Yabeta at 314-398-1044 or send email to lemuriana999@hotmail.com.
- **Volunteer Opportunities** - NHBZ needs YOU! NHBZ is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year; to provide such an ongoing service, 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; please call the office to volunteer - 991-2100.
- **Even More Volunteer Opportunities - Our new shul is nearing completion**, but there is still much work to be done. If you would like to help on one of the following committees, please contact Lenny Alper at 314-993-4024: memorial boards, recognition plaques, mechitza, kitchen appliances, lobby decor, chapel decor, landscaping, moving, or you-name-it.

# ***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.

Parshas Balak

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## **Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates**



What scares Americans most? It isn't the dark, or thunder and lightning, or even flying on an airplane.

What really strikes fear in the hearts of many Americans are snakes. A recent Gallup poll reveals that more people - 51% - fear snakes than any other suggested possibility, including speaking in public and heights. Rounding out the Top Ten List of Americans' fears are: being closed in a small place, spiders and insects, needles and getting shots, mice, flying on an airplane, dogs, and thunder and lightning. When it comes to fears - or at least admitting to them - clear gender differences emerge. The survey reveals that women are more likely than men to be fearful of reptiles, rodents and insects. Unexpectedly, the survey showed that men have greater fear than women of going to the doctor.

It has been said that 'fear is a darkroom where negatives develop.' While it is prudent to protect ourselves against real dangers, we have a confounding habit of worrying about remote possibilities. Fear can paralyze us and rob us of the joy of living. Realistically, there are few monsters who warrant the fear we have of them. But while there are many things in the world that can make us afraid, there is much more in faith in G-d that can make us unafraid. It would be wise to remember the words of Isaiah (41:13), "For I am the Lord your G-d who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear. I will help you."

## **Parshas Balak - Numbers 22:2 - 25:9**

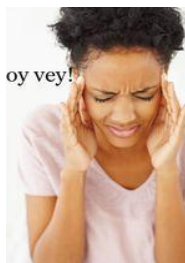


This week's portion shifts from the Jewish people's travels in the desert to the story of Bilam, the anti-Semitic prophet who attempted to curse the Children of Israel. Hired by Balak, the king of Moav, Bilam embarks upon a journey to the Israelite encampment. An angel brandishing a sword blocks Bilam's path, causing his donkey to repeatedly swerve off the road. Unable to see the angel, Bilam responds by striking the donkey three times. Miraculously, G-d causes the donkey to speak to

Bilam -- shades of Mr. Ed, the talking horse in the 1960's TV show! Bilam's eyes are uncovered, and the humiliated prophet sees the angel standing in the path. The angel reminds Bilam that he may only speak the words that G-d places in his mouth. Upon arrival near the Jewish camp, Bilam repeatedly attempts to curse the people; each time G-d prevents him from doing so, but instead he ends up uttering several sets of praises, much to Balak's dismay.

The Torah portion concludes with the Jewish men's debauchery with the promiscuous daughters of Moav and Midian, and the public immoral act of Zimri (a prince of the tribe of Simeon) with a Midianite princess. Pinchas, Aaron's grandson, zealously responds by piercing them to death with a spear, halting a plague from G-d which had broken out in the camp.

## **Rabbinic Ruminations**



Don't underestimate the power of a good sense of humor. When 56-year-old tax consultant, Karen Butler of Oregon, awoke from denture implant surgery, the swelling began to subside but her new accent stuck. The affable woman now speaks with an accent that's a bit British with a Transylvanian twang. Butler was diagnosed with Foreign Accent Syndrome -- a condition so rare that only about 60 cases have been documented worldwide. The new drawl is thought to stem from a minor injury to a tiny area of the brain responsible for language pattern and tone.

Because her accent flipped between tax seasons, Butler was forced to start many phone conversations explaining to her clients that she was indeed still Karen Butler, their tax consultant from Oregon. When asked where she got her accent from, she says 'from my dental surgeon.' Butler endures her fair share of good-spirited teasing -- mostly from her family. She struggles with the letter "W," which she pronounces like a "V." So her daughter once asked her to say, "I *vant* to suck your blood" and recorded it with her cell phone as a ring tone. Using a lighthearted approach, Butler has successfully brushed off many of the new challenges now facing her. "With a sense of humor, you can face anything," she said.

There are many different types of humor. These include: puns, wordplay, riddles, jokes, satire, wit, sarcasm, irony and slapstick. Humor is abundant in the Jewish Bible, and the idea that even G-d laughs is mentioned several times in Psalms (2:4, 37:13, 59:9). A good sense of humor lightens your burdens, inspires hope, connects you to others, and keeps you grounded, focused, and healthy. Laughter is good for your soul. Work on building and expressing a good sense of humor.

### Quote of the Week

"In today's regulatory environment, it's virtually impossible to violate rules ... it's impossible for a violation to go undetected" - Bernard Madoff, 2007



### Joke of the Week

A rabbi, a minister and a priest played cards every Wednesday for small stakes, but their problem was that they lived in a 'no gambling allowed' town. One day the police raided their game and took them before the judge. After hearing the officer's story, the judge asked the priest, "Were you gambling, Father?"

The priest looked toward heaven, whispered, "Oh Lord, forgive me," and then replied aloud, "No your Honor, I wasn't gambling."

"Were you gambling, Reverend?" the judge then asked the minister. The minister replied, "No, your Honor, I was not."

Turning to the third clergyman, the judge asked, "Were you gambling, Rabbi?" The rabbi calmly responded, "Gambling with whom, your Honor?"





## PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA at NHBZ!!!

### CARRY OUT NIGHT: WEDNESDAY, JULY 13 !!

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

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 **July 13**

NEXT DINE-IN NIGHT IS JULY 31

## LOST & FOUND

If you have any personal belongings that you have left around the old building, please make sure to remove them before the end of July. There are "things" hanging on coat racks upstairs and down; there are women's belongings in the armoire in the downstairs ladies room. Please take your tallis and tefillin home during the move.



**JOLT**  
JEWISH OPPORTUNITIES  
& AND  
LEARNING FOR TEENS

# JOLT STRIKES AGAIN!

**FALL 2011-2012**  
KICK-OFF & REGISTRATION  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 21,  
2 - 3:30 PM

FREE BOWLING & REFRESHMENTS  
REGISTER FOR CLASSES • BRING YOUR FRIENDS  
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1<sup>st</sup> Trimester begins  
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CAJE's innovative Teen  
Program • Grades 8 - 12

Thursday nights • 8-week  
trimesters • Join us for  
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**GET ENERGIZED!** SIGN UP NOW TO  
SOCIALIZE & LEARN WITH OTHER TEENS THIS FALL.

JOLT starts at 6:30  
Dinner option  
at 6:00 p.m.

CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 24 • COURSE CATALOGS WILL BE MAILED IN JULY

**JOLT: JEWISH OPPORTUNITIES & LEARNING FOR TEENS**

CONTACT: Maxine Weil, Director 314.442.3757 or mweil@cajestl.org Details : www.cajestl.org

**A VERY BIG THANK YOU** to all the men who helped pick up chairs and other items from the Kol Am auction.

Thanks to **Alan Haber**, who co-ordinated the entire effort, and to **Andy Abrams**  
**Shaun Ballard**  
**William Carter**  
**Jack Lyss**  
**Allen Swan**  
**Jonathan Yasinev**  
**Bert Zakroff**  
**Alan Zarkowsky**

THANKS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU!!!

**Pre-paid Cash-Card Program**  
**VACATION EDITION**

**Are you going on vacation this year?**

**Whether you are going near or far,  
you can earn significant money for NHBZ  
AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU**

**You can use pre-paid cash-cards for  
airlines, car rentals, hotels and more!**

Here are examples (**no extra cost to you**):

- American Airlines, Avis Car Rental, Budget Car Rental, Carnival Cruise Lines, All Marriott Bran Hotels, Omni Hotels and Ritz-Carlton Hotels return **8% of your cash card expense to NHBZ!**
- Hyatt Hotels **return 9% to NHBZ!**
- Best Western and Fairmont Hotels **return 12% to NHBZ!**

There are **dozens** of retail stores to choose from too, and each one donates a percentage of your purchase to NHBZ - up to **25%!**

**And it costs you nothing!**

We order cards on the 15th and 30th of each month. Detailed information is available at [www.nhbz.org](http://www.nhbz.org).

Don't hesitate to call if you have questions:

Janet Haber 314-567-7406 or  
Bert Zakroff 413-220-0674

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Do you SHOP?**

Then please remember to use your

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Just hand your e-Scrip Card to  
the checker when you check out.

A percentage of your total  
is donated to NHBZ!

**Need a card?  
Call Bert Zakroff,  
220-0674.**

Mazel Tov  
On Simchas this week!  
July 9 - July 15, 2011 !

**Happy Birthday**

Boris Yasinev Ileana Abrams  
Naomi Shanker Judith Glazer  
Ron Makovsky Saul Sudin  
Anna Rose Tendler

**Happy Anniversary**

Lou & Shirley Osheroff  
Linda & Dan Fleshman

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

**2011 SPECIAL GIFTS**  
**CAMPAIGN IS**  
**NOW UNDERWAY**

A "SPECIAL GIFT" is a donation you make to NHBZ that is **above and beyond** annual dues and any specific funds, tributes or honors to which you might have contributed. Those who make a "special gift" above a specified amount will be honored at the annual Special Gifts Event.

The phone-a-thon is over but the Special Gifts Campaign continues. It's NEVER TOO LATE to make a Special Gift pledge to help our shul. Call Sandie, 314-991-2100, ext. 2.

**Don't miss the  
Special Gifts Event!**

## **NHBZ Shul Tributes, May, 2011**

### **IN MEMORY OF**

Mother of Leonid Vladimirov  
 Bob & Sandie Abrams  
 Dr. Ethan & Debbie Schuman  
 Eleanor Koslow  
 Larry Goodman  
 Morris Fredlich  
 Celia & Jeff Singer  
 Martin Goldstein  
 June Cohen

Anniversary of Bob & Joni Kaiser  
 Alan & Janet Haber  
 Anniversary of Gary & Trudy Sudin  
 Alan & Janet Haber  
 Anniversary of Sid & Phyllis Silverman  
 Fabian & Francine Attoun  
 Jerry & Fran Cohen  
 Bob & Joni Kaiser  
 Bob & Sandie Abrams  
 Gloria Sirkin  
 Anniversary of Alla & Boris Yasinev  
 Harold & Fran Hoffman  
 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
 Lou & Shirley Osheroff  
 Harold & Fran Hoffman  
 Stone Dedication for Sol Feit  
 Sigmond Langsam

Birthday of Kurt Kahn  
 Rudy & Frances Oppenheim

### **A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO**

Sam Bluestein  
 Evelyn Marbain  
 June Cohen  
 Dr. Ethan & Debbie Schuman  
 Alan & Janet Haber  
 Bob & Joni Kaiser  
 Harold & Fran Hoffman  
 Kurt Kahn  
 Bob & Joni Kaiser  
 Shirley Osheroff  
 Harold & Fran Hoffman  
 Shirley Fredlich  
 Harold & Fran Hoffman

### **IN HONOR OF**

NHBZ Sisterhood  
 Randi Schenberg (Crown Ctr.)  
 Anniversary of Alan & Vivian Zarkowsky  
 Alan & Janet Haber

## **NHBZ Sisterhood Tributes, May, 2011**

### **IN HONOR OF**

Birthday of Esther Kalina  
 Bertha Berman  
 Esther Levine  
 Birthday of Esther Levine  
 Bertha Berman  
 Esther Kalina  
 Bar Mitzvah of Adrienne Breen's  
 Grandson  
 Bertha Berman

### **IN MEMORY OF**

Golda Gutman  
 Bertha Berman  
 Esther Kalina  
 Esther Levine  
 Ted & Rachael Pevnick  
 NHBZ Sisterhood

### **PURCHASED PACK OF CARDS**

Sarah Klein



## **Trib-ute (trib'yoot)**

A gift, payment, declaration, or other acknowledgement of gratitude, respect or admiration.

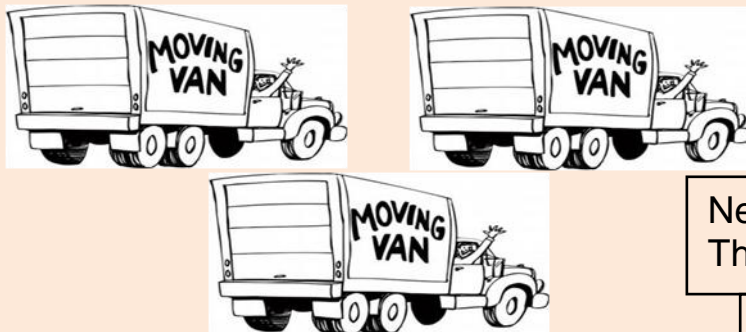
Make a tribute honor someone's simcha or good health or a loved one's memory

Synagogue Tribute - Call **Gloria Waxman** 314-872-3296

Sisterhood Tribute - Call **Phyllis Silverman** 314-434-2482

Libby Needle Fund Tribute - Call **Sally Needle** 314-991-2575

*Tributes are listed monthly in the Shabbos bulletin.*



### **THANKS TO**

**Esther Gelb** and  
**Bertha Berman**

for cleaning up  
 and disposing of  
 the leftover items  
 from the garage  
 sale.