NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

June 16, 2012

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Welcome to Rabbi Chaim Edelstein

<u> Erev Shabbos - Friday, June 15</u>

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

Shabbos - Saturday, June 16

- Welcome to our guest Rabbi Chaim Edelstein; Rabbi Smason is out of town this Shabbos for Mazi Moria's wedding.
- **Shachris & Musaf** (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services: - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler** - Haftorah: **Fabian Attoun**
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 Shacharis: Dr. Ethan Schuman
 Leyning: Aryeh Needle
- Sermon: Rabbi Chaim Edelstein
 Musaf: Dr. Ethan Schuman
- Child Care (10:00 am Noon) for children 3 years old and younger, in the Children's Room downstairs.
- Youth Programming (10:15 am Noon) for children ages 4-8, in the Youth Lounge on the lower level.
- Learners Service (on recess this week, returning next week June 23)
- Kiddush (following Musaf)
- Shabbos Study Group (6:50 pm) Studies in Tanach, led by Menachem Szus; everyone at any level of learning is welcome; now studying Yeshayahu (Isaiah).
- Mincha/Shalosh Seudos/Ma'ariv (7:50 pm)
- Shabbos Concludes (9:12 pm)

<u>This Week</u>

Davening Times	Shabbos June 16	Sun. Jun 17	Mon. Jun 18	Tues. Jun 19	Wed. Jun 20	Thur. Jun 21	Fri. Jun 22	Shabbos Jun 23
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 pm	6:45 am	6:45 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
Events	Shabbos Study Group	Sunday Learning After Shachris	Grief Support Group	Sister- hood Lunch & Bingo	Rosh Chodesh; Lunch 'n' Learn;	Rosh Chodesh; Shechita Class	Erev Shabbos	Shabbos

- **Sunday Learning -** (Sunday, June 17, 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** (*On recess until June 24*) with *Rabbi Smason*, for young men and women; at Starbucks at Olive & Price, with complimentary drinks to all participants!
- Tanya Class (On recess until Sunday, June 24, 8:00 pm)
- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Wednesday, June 20, 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** (*Thursday, June 21, 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 Thursday, June 28 and Monday, July 16; buy 'em before these dates and earn free money for NHBZ.

Coming Events

- Grief Support Group (Monday, June 18, 6:45 pm)
- Sisterhood Lunch & Bingo (Tuesday, June 19, Noon) see picture ad.
- Next Shabbos (Saturday, June 23) Kiddush will be sponsored by Phyllis Shanke in honor of her birthday and all the June birthdays in her family; Lori Laird will sponsor a cake in honor of her daughter Georgia's graduation; and Shalosh Seudos will be sponsored by Sarah Klein in memory of her beloved mother, Matti Griner.
- Dine-In Pizza Night (Sunday, June 24, 5:00 pm 7:00 pm)
- Women's Guide to Time (Monday, June 25, 7:30 pm) presented by Rebbitzen Chani Smason; Jewish month = Tammuz; theme = separation; sign = crab; focus = free will; Sound interesting? See you at NHBZ in the Teen Lounge!
- Graduation Shabbos (Saturday, June 30) stay tuned for more information
- NHBZ Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday, July 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, July 5, 7:30 pm) Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.
- **Israel Shabbos & Lunch** (Saturday, July 7) Guest speaker Morton Klein, National President of the Zionist Organization of America, will speak on the topic "Myths and Facts about Jerusalem: Whose City is it?; lunch will be sponsored by **Mrs. Sarah Klein** and the Israel Committee.
- Carry-Out Pizza Night (Wednesday, July 11) please place orders by Noon on July 11
- Legacy Shabbos (Saturday, July 14) Lunch will be sponsored by Boris & Alla Yasinev in honor of Boris' 50th birthday, and by Kurt & Sandy Kahn in honor of their birthdays and wedding Anniversary.
- Shabbos & Ari Weekend (Friday, July 20 Saturday, July 21)
- Irvin Alper Social Club (next date to be announced)

Meetings

- **Executive Committee** (Tuesday, June 26, following minyan at 7:00 pm)
- **Board of Directors** (Tuesday, July 10, following minyan at 7:00 pm)

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.

Shul tribute, call Gloria Waxman at 314-872-3296; Sisterhood tribute, call Phyllis Silverman at 314-434-2482; Libby Needle Fund, call Sally Needle at 314-991-2575; Chesed Fund, drop by the office for a card pack.

- **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 Gift Cards; call Scrip and Gift Card Mavens Janet Haber at 567-7406 or Bert Zakroff at 220-0674 for details.
- **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; please call the office to volunteer.





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 Shelach

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Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



Jack Berghouse doesn't dispute that his son, a sophomore at Sequoia (CA) High School, copied someone else's homework. But the attorney father believes the school district was wrong to kick his teenager out of an English

honors class for the offense. Therefore, he decided to sue for violating his son's due process rights. The suit seeks to force the school to readmit Berghouse's son to the class from which he was expelled, claiming that the punishment is disproportionate to the offense and will jeopardize the academic future of his son.

"There is the possibility this will cause permanent harm. What university will it keep him out of? Will that have far-ranging consequences in what kind of job he can get?" Berghouse asked. The attorney's son had signed an "Academic Honesty Pledge" at the beginning of the school year that declares cheating is grounds for immediate removal from the advancedlevel program; his mother also had signed it. Yet, rather than holding his son accountable, the father is taking the issue to court.

Traditional Jewish sources emphasize the importance of teaching our children honesty. How can that best be done? By modeling the behavior we hope to see in our children. Do we call in sick to work when we're healthy and well? Do we tell 'white lies' to get out of a tight spot? If given too much change at a store, do we return it? "And you shall teach them diligently to your children" (Deut. 6:7) Teach your children all the words of the Torah - with an emphasis on living a life of honesty and integrity.

Parshas Shelach – Numbers 13:1 – 15:41



Moses is pressed by the Jewish people to send twelve spies to the Land of Canaan (later to be called the Land of Israel). Forty days later, they return carrying a gigantic cluster of grapes and two other large fruits. Ten of the spies warn that the inhabitants of the land are

enormous in size and that the land 'consumes its inhabitants'. They convince the people that the land can't be conquered. Caleb and Joshua retain their faith in G-d, insisting that the Jewish people can, indeed, conquer the land. The people weep and proclaim that they'd rather return to Egypt. This tenth expression of a profound lack of faith in G-d prompts a Divine decree that entry into the Land should be delayed forty years. This decree was made on the ninth of the Hebrew month of Av -- known as Tisha B'Av. Numerous other tragedies occurred on Tisha B'Av, including the destruction of the first and second Temples and the expulsion of Spanish Jewry in 1492.

Parshas Shelach concludes with the command to place fringes (tzitzis) on the corners of a four-corned garment. Tzitzis help us to remember to fulfill all of the Divine commandments. This reminds me of the story of the rabbi who asked his synagogue's Board of Directors if they would supply him with a new talis once every six months. They told him, "We're sorry, Rabbi. We can't afford the fringe benefits."

Rabbinic Ruminations

How much is one second worth to you? If you're a telecommunication company, even a couple of milliseconds can be worth hundreds of millions of dollars. Today it is common to find computers connected

to exclusive fiber-optic lines that allow the buying and selling of stocks within fractions of a second. On its website, telecom company *Spread Networks* offers a "13.10-millisecond round trip between New York and Chicago."

However, on the horizon are microwave networks that promise to be faster than their fiber-optic counterparts. Using signals shot in a straight line between microwave dishes, precious milliseconds are saved by avoiding mountains, buildings and other obstacles that lengthen the trip by cable. The faster speed of a microwave network could mean a gain of 0.08 cents per share traded. A fraction of a penny may not sound like much, but one trading firm marketing a new microwave network says the added speed of 2.3 milliseconds (a millisecond is one-thousandth of a second) can save users \$1,350 a day.

In the business world they say, "Time is money." In the Torah world we say, "Time is life." Time is our greatest resource, as even a second can have great spiritual value. Important things can be achieved in very brief periods of time. Psalm 90:12 says, "Teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom." May the Almighty grant us the understanding to value our days -- and to value each and every second.

Quote of the Week

"I guess we're all one phone call from our knees" --Mat Kearney, singer-songwriter, from "Closer to Love"

Joke of the Week

Two beggars are sitting side by side on a street in Rome . One has a cross in front of him; the other one the Star of David. Many people go by and look at both beggars, but only put money into the hat of the beggar sitting behind the cross. A priest comes by, stops and watches throngs of people giving money to the beggar behind the cross, but none give to the beggar behind the Star of David.

Finally, the priest goes over to the beggar behind the Star of David and says, "My poor fellow, don't you understand? This is a Catholic country; this city is the seat of Catholicism. People aren't going to give money if you sit there with a Star of David in front of you, especially when you're sitting beside a beggar who has a cross. In fact, they would probably give to him just out of spite."

The beggar behind the Star of David listened to the priest, turned to the other beggar with the cross and said: "Moishe, look who's trying to teach the Goldstein brothers about Marketing!!"





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Stump the Rabbi

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

Question: How many people are called for an aliya when the Torah is read?

Answer: On Monday and Thursday mornings, Shabbos and Yom Kippur afternoons, Chanukah, Purim and fast day mornings and afternoons, the Torah is divided into three alivas. On Rosh Chodesh and Chol HaMoed, there are four alivas, and on festivals (Pesach, Shavous, Sukkos and Rosh Hashana) there are five. On Yom Kippur morning, there are six, and on Shabbos morning, seven. The number of aliyas was decided by Ezra. It is forbidden to call up fewer than that number and, except for Shabbos and Simchas Torah, one can also not add aliyas. On Shabbos, some synagogues increase the number of aliyas, particularly if there is an occasion with many quests in attendance, in order to honor more people.



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



Next Carry-Out Night WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

Getting to Know You

by Roving Reporter Robin Rickerman This week featuring *Rhonnie Goldfader.*



Tell me a bit about your family history.

I have been married to Stan for over 39 years. We have two wonderful daughters, sons-in-law and five precious grand-children! I come from two great parents who had a lot of love to give to their children. All our families are close, and a strong family is the pinnacle of a good life!

What is your favorite Jewish Holiday?

I love ALL the holidays! Why no <u>favorite</u>? Through my studies with Aish HaTorah, Chabad and Nusach Hari, I have learned to appreciate both the physical and spiritual purpose of each of the holidays, and therefore, they are all special to me in a different way!

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

I took formal training in life coaching, which was prior to becoming more involved in Judaism. What I have found very interesting is that the principles to living a good life with strong relationships are the same teachings that we learn in the study of Torah!.

How did we become so fortunate to have you so involved at Nusach Hari?

My parents were one of the founding families of NHBZ at the Olive St. location. I grew up here; Rabbi Borow married us! The blue glass that flanked the Aron Kodesh (at the old Shul) was donated and dedicated by the Fredlich family in honor of their parents (my grandparents)..

If you could travel, ANY WHERE IN THE WORLD, where would you go and what would you do?

My husband and I just got back from Israel. He does not like to travel and didn't want to go, but went with me for my 60th birthday. He said he was "doing me a favor" by going; now that we are back, he said he "did HIMSELF" a favor! Not being worldly travelers, we most definitely want to go back to Israel!!!

CHANGES FOR PIZZA DINE-IN NIGHT STARTING ON JULY 22

ADULT PRICES WILL INCREASE BY \$1.00, AND WE WILL BEGIN TAKING CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS. CHILDREN'S PRICES WILL REMAIN AT \$6.00 FOR KIDS 4-10; FREE TO KIDS 3 & UNDER!

FIRST PRICE INCREASE SINCE 2007!!!

The \$54,000 Challenge

An anonymous donor has issued a challenge to the Nusach Hari Bnai Zion community:

For every **new** dollar we raise for the Capital Campaign, this donor will contribute 50 cents, up to a total of \$18,000! That means if we can raise \$36,000, this donor will contribute \$18,000 to the Capital Campaign. Only new donations, i.e., new donors or donations above and beyond your current Capital Campaign pledge will count toward the challenge. Building Fund donations or Capital Campaign money donated in lieu of the Building Fund will not count toward the challenge. Your donation must be at least \$250 in order to be matched.

This is an opportunity we cannot pass up. We simply cannot afford to allow this challenge to go unmet. We are asking everyone who has not yet given, or who has not given over and above his Building Fund obligation, to PLEASE, PLEASE consider making a donation <u>now</u> so we can receive the full benefit of this very generous grant!

\$36,000 raised + \$18,000 matched =

\$54,000

<u>Shabbos</u>

June 30 - Graduation Shabbos

- July 7 Israel Shabbos
- July 14 LEGACY SHABBOS
- July 21 symplexill shabbos
- July 28 Your name here



week, and 52 weeks per year. To provide such an ongoing operation, the congregation depends upon gifts and contributions *above and beyond* members' dues. Dues only pay for 30% of our operating expenses. In giving to NHBZ, you fulfill an important mitzvah.

A "**special gift**" is a donation above and beyond annual dues and any of the specific funds. Those who give above a specified amount will be honored at a Special Gifts Event.

The official 2012 "Special Gifts" Campaign will be underway soon. You don't need to wait; make your contribution now and designate it as a "Special Gift".

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