

NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

March 31, 2012

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

8 Nissan, 5772

Torah Portion Tzav
Haftorah Tzav

Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36
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Thanks to **Mayer Taller** for sponsoring this bulletin
in honor of **Michael Shapiro** for his devotion to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion.

Erev Shabbos - Friday, March 30

- **Mincha & Maariv** (7:00 pm)
- **Candle Lighting** (7:04 pm)

Shabbos HaGodol - Saturday, March 31

- **Shachris & Musaf** (8:30 am) - Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
 - Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
 - Leyning: **Michael Shapiro**
 - Haftorah: **Mayer Taller**
 - Sermon: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - 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** (10:15 am) - led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**, in the Chapel on the lower level.
- **Kiddush** (following Musaf) - Tzaytzchem L'Shalom! Join us for a fond farewell Kiddush in honor of **Michael & Rachel Shapiro** and family, as we wish them much hatzlacha and success in their impending relocation to Australia; thanks to **"POP-STARs" Irwin & Roz Rosen** for sponsoring soda for Kiddush today in honor of their daughter, **Sheryl Levine**, and her continued good health.
- **Shabbos Study Group** (5:50 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** (6:50 pm) - Thanks to **Kenny & Barb Bressler** and **Menachem & Linda Szus** for sponsoring Shalosh Seudos this evening in memory of their beloved mother, **Geraldine Bressler, z"l**.
- **Shabbos Concludes** (8:08 pm)



שבת שלום

This Week

Davening Times	Shabbos Mar 31	Sun. Apr 1	Mon. Apr 2	Tues. Apr 3	Wed. Apr 4	Thur. Apr 5	Fri. Apr 6	Shabbos Apr 7
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	6:50 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	6:55 pm
Events	Tanach Study	Sloppy Joe; Tanya	Give to Maos Chitim	Buy Cash Cards;	Lunch & Learn	Shechita Class	Siyum, Erev Pesach	Pesach

- **Sunday Learning** - (Sunday, March 31, 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 break until after Pesach) - with **Rabbi Smason**, for young men and women; at Starbucks at Olive & Price; with complimentary drinks to all participants!
- **Pre-Pesach Sloppy Joe** (Sun. April 1, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm) – **leave the cookin' to us before Pesach!**
- **Tanya Class** (Sunday, April 1, 8:00 pm) – at NHBZ lower level; see picture ad for details.

- **Vaad Hoer Maos Chitim Campaign** (now through Passover) – the campaign assists people in Israel and St. Louis to properly observe Pesach; make checks payable to Vaad Hoer Maos Chitim, and write 'NHBZ' on the notation; send checks to Vaad Hoer or NHBZ.
- **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** (Thursday, April 5, 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.
- **Erev Pesach Fast of the Firstborn** (Friday, April 6, dawn until Siyum or Kiddush) – firstborn men fast in gratitude to HaShem for having saved the first born of Israel during the 10th plague -- the Plague of the First Born -- when the first born of the Egyptians were killed on the night before the Jewish people left Egypt; those firstborns who attend the Siyum (the ceremonial completion of a Talmudic tractate) following Shachris on Friday and participate in the celebratory meal afterward, override the obligation to fast until Kiddush.
- **Passover** (Friday night, April 7 through Saturday, April 14) - see complete schedule on last page.
- **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

- **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group** (April meeting cancelled due to Pesach) - 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 in May!!
- **Morris Lenga Yiddish Club** (April meeting cancelled due to Pesach) - Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.
- **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)
- **Pancake Breakfast** (Sunday, May 6, 10:00 am)
- **Irvin Alper Social Club** (Sunday, May 6, 5:00 pm – *no meeting in April due to Pesach*)
- **Semi-Annual Membership Meeting** (Tuesday, May 8, 7:30 pm)

Meetings

- **Board of Directors** (Tuesday, April 10, 7:30 pm, following minyan at 7:00 pm)
- **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: www.ovkosher.org

Reminders

- **Bulletin Deadline is Noon on Wednesday!**
- **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.
- **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 Tzav

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Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



There was a one hour interview on CNBC with Warren Buffet, who has donated \$31 billion to charity. Here are some very interesting aspects of his life:

- He still lives in the same small 3 bedroom house in mid-town Omaha that he bought after he got married 50 years ago. He says that he has everything he needs in that house. His house does not have a wall or a fence.
- He drives his own car everywhere and does not have a driver or security people around him.
- He never travels by private jet, although he owns the world's largest private jet company.
- He does not socialize with the high society crowd. His pastime after he gets home is to make himself some pop corn and watch television.
- Bill Gates initially didn't want to meet Warren Buffet, thinking Buffet was only interested in narrow financial subjects. "What were he and I supposed to talk about, P/E ratios?" Gates said. But when they met, they hit it off immediately and subsequently became close.
- Warren Buffet does not carry a cell phone, nor has a computer on his desk.
- His advice to young people: Stay away from credit cards and invest in yourself.

The happiest people do not necessarily have the 'best' things. They simply appreciate the things they have. This timeless idea is expressed in our tradition as follows: "Who is wealthy? The one who is happy with his lot." (Pirkei Avos 4:1)

Parshas Tzav – Leviticus 6:1 - 8:36



The portion begins with G-d continuing to teach Moses many of the laws relating to the *Mishkan* service. However, while last week's portion described the *korbanos* (offerings) from the perspective of the giver, this week the Torah focuses more directly on the Kohanim, providing details about their service. After first describing the maintenance of the fire which burned on the altar, the Torah discusses the various kinds of *korbanos* which Aaron, his sons, and the succeeding generations of

Kohanim would be offering. The offerings must be brought with the proper intention, and eaten in a state of spiritual purity. Finally, Moses performs the lengthy consecration service of the *Mishkan*, and Moses anoints Aaron and his sons for their service in the *Mishkan*, in front of the entire congregation of Israel.

Rabbinic Ruminations



During the course of the Apollo space program, astronauts obtained roughly 700 pounds of lunar material. The vast majority of those samples were used for scientific research. However, specific lunar samples from Apollo 11 and Apollo 17 were earmarked as political souvenirs. Precisely 270 prepared lunar rock samples were distributed in the 1970s as part of the Goodwill Moon Rocks program, most of them going to the 50 U.S. states and a number of foreign countries as tokens of appreciation for support of Apollo, NASA and U.S. interests. Four decades later, no one can account for a significant number of those nigh-irreplaceable moon rocks. 180 are missing. That means that two out of every three Goodwill Moon Rocks were lost or stolen!

Many of the rocks were lost due to outright negligence or lack of oversight. In 2010, former Senator Kit Bond was cleaning out his Washington, D.C., office when he found Missouri's missing moon rock. Bond was governor in 1973 when then-President Richard Nixon distributed the Apollo mementos. The rock was inside a box of tapes, plaques and other paraphernalia. Arkansas, Hawaii and Oregon misplaced their moon rocks in desk drawers for decades. A former Colorado governor simply took his state's moon rock home with him when he left office (though he returned it later). Ireland accidentally threw its moon rock in a landfill when cleaning up damage from a museum fire and then dug it up when they realized their mistake.

The Torah obligates the finder of an article to return the lost object to its owner. Known in Hebrew as *Hashovas Aveida*, we're required to honor and preserve the possessions of others. If one cannot ignore his friend's *material* items, and must make sure they are returned to him, surely one cannot ignore a fellow Jew's *spiritual* well being. Thus it is an obligation to reach out to those Jews who unfortunately have been distanced from their Jewish heritage

and spiritual connection to the Almighty. This enormous obligation to care for all Jews is a great challenge of the current generation -- and a personal challenge for each of us.

Quote of the Week

"Everyone has inside of him a piece of good news. The good news is that you don't know how great you can be!" -- Anne Frank

Joke of the Week

The Navy Admiral had only one ear and was extremely sensitive about his appearance. One day he was interviewing two Navy Master Chiefs and a crusty Marine Sergeant Major for his personal staff.

The first Master Chief was a Surface Navy type and it was a great interview. At the end of the interview the Admiral asked him, "Do you notice anything different about me?" The Master Chief answered, "Why yes sir. I couldn't help but notice you are missing your

starboard ear." The Admiral got very angry at this lack of tact and threw him out of his office. The next candidate, an Aviation Master Chief, when asked this same question, answered, "Well yes sir, you seem to be short one ear." The Admiral threw him out also.

The third interview was with the Marine Sergeant Major. He was extremely sharp, and seemed to know more than the two Master Chiefs put together. The Admiral wanted this guy, but went ahead with the same question. "Do you notice anything different about me?" To his surprise the Sergeant Major said, "Yes, sir. You wear contact lenses." The Admiral was impressed. "Absolutely correct, and how did you ascertain that, Sergeant Major?" the Admiral asked.

The Sergeant Major replied, "Well sir, an old goat like you surely you can't see well anymore, and it's pretty hard to wear glasses with only one ear."

(Thanks to Jerry Cohen)



OY VEY!

**Mazel Tov On Simchas
This Week Mar 31 - Apr 6**

Happy Birthday

Chasya Rosenbaum Sarah Hirsch
Louis Osheroff Loren Abrams
Phyllis Manesberg Alan Haber

Happy Belated Birthday (March 27)
Mimi Fiszel

Happy Anniversary
Charles & Gloria Waxman

Happy Belated Anniversary (March 25)
Stan & Rhonnie Goldfader

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*Did you know that the glue on the
back of Israeli stamps is kosher?*

Today is Shabbos HaGadol

The Great Sabbath - March 31

The Shabbos before Pesach commemorates the 10th day of Nissan, when the Hebrew slaves took the lambs that they were going to offer for Pesach and tied them up outside their homes, to keep until they offered them on the 14th. This was a very dangerous thing to do, because Egyptians worshipped sheep; but, miraculously, instead of slaughtering the Hebrews, the Egyptians instead fought with each other over whether the Hebrews should be sent away already. In many synagogues other than Nusach Hari, the special haftorah for this Shabbos is Malachi 3:4 - 3:24, which tells about the return of Elijah the prophet and coming of the Messiah. We believe that Elijah will return at Pesach, and that is why we include a cup of wine for him at the seder. At NHBZ, we say the regular Haftorah for Tzav.

Minyan Men

*Daily Mincha and Ma'ariv continue this
week with evening davening time 7:00 pm*

Mayer Taller: 997-0927
Rabbi Smason: 749-5271
Howard Sandler: 409-7266
NHBZ Office: 991-2100

Stump the Rabbi

Ask Rabbi Smason questions about Judaism. Any question is fair game! You can ask your questions in person, or by email at: Pepshort613@gmail.com

Question: What religious objects are traditionally kissed?

Answer: Kissing is a universal sign of affection. While there are no Jewish laws that require us to kiss a ritual or holy object, many have the custom to kiss:

- **The tallis just before putting it on.**
- **The tefillin when taking them out of their bag and before replacing them in the bag.**
- **The mezuzah upon entering or leaving a house.** It is done by touching the mezuzah with one's hand and kissing the fingers that made contact with the mezuzah.
- **The Torah when it passes by in the synagogue.** Some extend a hand to touch the Torah cover and then kiss their hand. Some touch the Torah with the edge of a tallis and then kiss the tallis. Others kiss the Torah cover directly.
- **The Torah before one recites the blessings over it.** This is done by taking the edge of one's tallis or the sash used to tie the scroll together, touching the outside of the scroll with it, and kissing the tallis or sash.

Reminder . . .

Our beautiful new shul is our home for prayer, learning and socializing. Please remember to take care of it as if it is your own home. If a drink is spilled or if you see some food on the carpet, please notify William or clean it up before somebody slips or grinds it into the carpet. Smudged finger prints or dirt on the walls, windows or furniture are unsightly. If we each take responsibility for the appearance of our building, we will continue to be proud of our beautiful shul.



Getting to Know You

by Roving Reporter Robin Rickerman

This week featuring **Gary Sudin**.



Tell me a bit about your family history.

I am the son of Alice and Irving Sudin of St. Louis. I met my wife Trudy at the University of Missouri, and we were married at the campus Hillel. We have now been married 36 years, and have 3 children - Lyle, Dena, and Saul, all married, and all living in Brooklyn or Brookline, and 3.7 grandchildren (one due in June!)

What is your favorite holiday and why?

Xmas - it's my birthday!

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

I am an Eagle Scout; sang for Leonard Bernstein in the "Kaddish Chorus" when I was 8; started playing guitar at 9; made my own darkroom at 11; built a color TV when I was 14; built a car from scratch (between ages 19 to 21); traveled the world lecturing on technology for 15 years; drove the Alaskan Highway last summer. Bob Kaiser is my cousin.

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

Trudy joined and so did I !.

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

Traveling: Having traveled many places - there's no place like home, and home is where you make it.

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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

Mincha/Maariv 7:00 pm
Bedikas Chometz (Search for chometz).. After 8:13 pm

April 6 - Friday, Erev Pesach

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

Shachris..... 9:00 am
Sermon by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
Kiddush sponsored by **Jeff & Murry Baker**
Mincha/Maariv..... 6:55 pm
Bench Licht & Second Seder..... After 8:15 pm

April 8 - Sunday, Second Day of Pesach

Shachris..... 9:00 am
Kiddush sponsored by **Irwin & Rosalind Rosen**
and **Marvin & Jackie Gitel**
Mincha/Maariv..... 7:10 pm
Yom Tov Concludes..... 8:16 pm

April 9 – 12, Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu Chol Hamoed

Shachris..... 6:45 am
Mincha/Maariv..... 7:00 pm

April 12 – Thursday Eve, Erev Yom Tov

Make an Eruv Tavshilin in order to cook for Shabbos
Mincha/Maariv 7:00 pm
Bench Licht Erev Yom Tov 7:17 pm

April 13 - Friday, Seventh Day of Pesach

Shachris..... 9:00 am
Sermon by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
Kiddush sponsored by **Ron & Ina Makovsky**
and **Dr. Milton Tofle**
Mincha/Maariv..... 7:00 pm
Bench Licht Shabbos & Yom Tove after 7:17 pm

April 14 - Saturday, Eighth Day of Pesach

Shachris..... 9:00 am
Sermon by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
Yizkor..... 10:30 am
Kiddush Sponsored by **Sam & Shirley Bluestein,**
Shirley Fredlich, and Adrienne Jackson & Cynthia
Grossman Geller in memory of **Victor Grossman**
Mincha/Maariv..... 6:30 pm
Pesach Concludes..... 8:21 pm

Important Note: 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.



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Extra Trash During Pesach??

The U. City Public Works Department will place a blue dumpster at the U. City Recycling Drop-off Center, 975 Pennsylvania Avenue, for Passover. The dumpster is being provided so residents can dispose of additional food waste and trash accumulated during the holiday. The dumpster is for "trash only" and will be available on Friday, March 30, 2012 and removed on April 9, 2012.

Maos Chittim – Time is Running Out

The Vaad Hoer of St. Louis conducts its Maos Chittim campaign to assist people in the St. Louis community, as well as in Israel, who need help to properly celebrate Pesach. Make checks payable to **Vaad Hoer Maos Chittim**. Send checks to the Vaad Hoer with a notation: "from Nusach Hari B'nai Zion"; or send them to our office and we will forward them to the Vaad.