# **NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin**

### May 7, 2011 Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Today's bulletin is sponsored by *Fran & Lenny Alper* in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of *Charles & Gloria Waxman.* 

#### <u> Erev Shabbos - Friday, May 6</u>

- Mincha & Maariv (7:00 pm)
- Candle Lighting (7:38 pm)

#### Shabbos - Saturday, May 7

- Shachris & Musaf (9:00 am) Thank you for leading services:
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: *Howard Sandler*
  - Shacharis: Dr. Ethan Schuman
  - Leyning: Michael Shapiro

- Haftorah: Brent Waxman
- Sermon: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- Musaf: Dr. Ethan Schuman

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- Learners Service will be postponed until we're in our new building, with the exception of Synaplex Shabbos next week.
- Jr. Congregations (10:30 am) Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children meet in Children's Room with *Nina Levine*; Boys Jr. Congregation will meet in the Auditorium with *Avrumi Smason*.
- Kiddush/Lunch (following Musaf) Kiddush is sponsored today by the Waxman family Bruce & Faith, Scott & Susan, Brent, and all the grandchildren in honor of the 60th wedding anniversary of Charles & Gloria Waxman; Mazel Tov to the Waxmans!
- Shabbos Study Group (6:40 pm) Studies in Tanach, *led by Menachem Szus*; everyone at any level of learning is welcome; now studying Yeshayahu (Isaiah).
- Boys' Mishna Study Group (6:55 pm) With Rabbi Smason, for boys ages 10-17.
- Mincha/Shalosh Seudos (7:25 pm)
- Shabbos concludes (8:43 pm)

This Week

<ul> <li>Davening Times</li> </ul>	Shabbos May 7	Sun. May 8	Mon. @ May 9	Tues. # May 10	Wed. May 11	Thur. May 12	Fri. May 13	Shabbos* May 14
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	8:30 am
Mincha/Maariv	7:25 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:30 pm

#### @ Yom Ha'Zikaron # Yom Ha'Atzmaut

\* Synaplex Shabbos

- **Sunday Learning** (Sunday May 8, 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** (Sunday May 8, 9:15 am 10:00 am) with Rabbi Smason for young men and women in the Rabbi's office.
- Yom Ha'Zikaron & Yom Ha'Atzmaut Commemoration (Monday May 9, 7:00 pm) at Young Israel; featuring guest speaker *Lt. Asael Lubotsky*, IDF veteran and author of best-selling autobiography; co-sponsored by NHBZ and others; for more information, call 314-727-1880.
- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Wednesday, May 11, 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.



- Next Carry-Out Pizza Night (Wednesday, May 11)
- Buy and Use Cash Cards and Kohn's Scrip Next Cash-card Order Days are May 16 and May 31; earn free money for NHBZ. Order your cards this week! Buy Kohn's Scrip any time.

#### Coming Events

• Synaplex - Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries in May (Saturday, May 14)



- **NHBZ Sisterhood Mother's Day Luncheon** (*Tues May 17, Noon*) In the NHBZ Auditorium; delicious Lunch of Tuna Salad, Egg Salad, Kugel, Fruit, Cake, Coffee & Soda \$6.00 Donation; plus Gold Dollar Bingo; Men & women of all ages are welcome; RSVP to Rachael at 314-395-6017.
- Lag B'Omer Pancake Breakfast (Sunday, May 22, 10:00 am) See picture ad for details.
- Jewish Unity Live (Sunday, May 22, 7:00 pm) Celebrate Jewish Education with the St. Louis Kollel at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel; featuring a dairy dessert reception and **Rabbi** Yechiel Spero speaking on "Islam, Israel and the Unwavering Jewish Soul"; call 726-6047 for info.
- Next Dine-in Pizza Night (Sunday, May 29)
- **Memorial Day Brunch & Learn** (Monday, May 30) Shachris at 8:00 am followed by brunch; then *Rabbi Smason* will speak on the topic "Four Types of Students".
- Annual Barbara Mendelson Tomchai Shabbos Brunch at NHBZ (Sunday morning June 5) Sponsored by the Vaad Hoeir; free to everyone; more details to come.
- Irvin Alper Social Club (First Sunday, June 5)
- **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group** (*First Tuesday, June 7, 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, June 9, 7:30 pm) Join us for a spirited hour filled with Yiddish stories, songs and laughter; seasoned "mavens" as well as novices are welcome.

#### **Meetings**

- Board of Directors (Tuesday, May 10, 7:30 pm following minyan)
- Executive Committee (Tuesday, May 24, 7:30 pm following minyan)

#### Kasherus Alert

• Hamakua Kona Coffee Glaze and Honey Macs - These Macadamia nuts are labeled with a plain OU, but contain dairy ingredients, as listed in the ingredient panel, and should be labeled OU-D.

#### **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.
- Norma's Bakery is open again after a Pesach vacation; see picture ad.
- 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 872-3296 For a sisterhood tribute, call *Phyllis Silverman* at 434-2482 For Libby Needle Fund tribute - Call *Sally Needle* at 314-991-2575



- **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: office work, cooking, pickup and delivery, repairs, Pizza night, Sukkah raising, outreach committee, building committee; 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 Emor

May 7, 2011

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#### Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



Brick by brick, tiny figure by tiny figure, Alec Garrard has painstakingly worked for 30 years on an astonishing recreation of Herod's Temple. His version is so impressive that some of the world's top

archaeologists and experts from the British Museum have come to view it. For his part, Mr Garrard, 78, a retired farmer in Norfolk VA, has dedicated 33,000 hours to constructing his model. He has hand-baked and painted every clay brick and tile and even sculpted 4,000 tiny human figures to populate the courtyards. Each of the costumed figures measures just a half an inch, and took about three hours to He then started to construct the amazing make. 1:100 scale model, which is now housed in a huge building in his back garden. "Everything is made by hand. I cut plywood frames for the walls and buildings and all the clay bricks and tiles were baked in the oven then stuck together," he said. Mr Garrard still spends hours working on the model every day.

The more passions and interests one has, the more ways one has of being happy. Albert Einstein once said, "I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious." Our passions are what make life colorful. When we get involved in a passion, we get into a 'zone' where time disappears. Are you currently involved in a project that captivates you? Find your passion, whatever it may be.

#### Parshas Emor: Leviticus 21:1 - 24:23



Following the command in last week's portion to be sanctified and holy, Parshas Emor begins by discussing various laws directed specifically to the *Kohanim* and the *Kohen Gadol* (High Priest). Included is the command for the Kohen to refrain from becoming ritually impure through contact with a dead body (except for close

relatives) and increased restrictions on whom they may marry. G-d requires those with greater spiritual responsibilities to maintain a higher standard of spiritual purity. Parshas Emor contains two of the most significant mitzvos in the entire Torah; to always be mindful of not desecrating G-d's name, and on the contrary, to sanctify Him at all costs.

The Torah goes on to discuss the festivals of the year -- Pesach, Shavous, Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Succos and Shemini Atzeres. The festivals, including Shabbos, are referred to continually as *moadim*, appointed times; they are special days when Jews 'meet', as it were, with G-d. The festivals interrupt our ordinary weekday activities and inspire us to rededicate ourselves to those ideals that life is really about. Later, two constant mitzvos maintained in the *Mishkan* are stated: the daily lighting of the menorah and the weekly display of the *lechem hapanim* (showbread). The portion concludes with the horrible incident of a man who cursed G-d's name.

#### **Rabbinic Ruminations**

As a child you might remember playing with a magnifying glass looking at ants and other insects. By using a microscope, we can enlarge the images of



small objects, making it possible to find out more about their structures and the way they function. But if you *really* want to see tiny things clearly, consider an electron microscope. An electron microscope uses

electrons to illuminate a specimen and created an enlarged image. While the best optical microscopes are limited to magnifications of 2,000 times, a high resolution electron microscope can produce a magnification of 50 million times.

The ability to see with high magnification is of great importance in medical and biological research. Similarly, the ability to see clearly into the future is of great importance for living a good life. Ethics of the Fathers (2:13) teaches: "What is the proper way to which one should cling? Rabbi Shimon says, 'One who sees the consequences of their actions.'" Our decisions and actions set into motion consequences that can be greatly beneficial -- or detrimental. Speaking without thinking, for example, is like shooting without taking aim. Don't be like the person who once said, "Sometimes people mistake the way I talk for what I am thinking." Look to the future, and plan your speech and actions accordingly; our happiness and success in life depend on it.

#### Quote of the Week

"You ain't going nowhere, son. You ought to go back to driving a truck." -- Jimmy Denny, manager of the Grand Ole Opry, who fired Elvis Presley in 1954



#### Joke of the Week

The Kosher Leather Company feels it is time for a shake-up and advertises for a new managing director. Herb gets the job. He is determined to rid the company of all slackers. On his first tour of the factory, he sees a young man leaning against a wall. The area is full of production workers and he thinks this is a good time to let them all know he means business.

Herb walks up to the man and asks, 'So how much money do you make a week?' The young man looks at Herb and replies, 'I make \$400 a week. Why do you want to know?'

Herb then hands the man \$400 in \$20 bills and shouts, 'Here's a week's pay. Get out of here and don't let me see you here again.

Feeling pretty good about his first dismissal, Herb looks around and asks, 'Does anyone want to tell me what that idiot did here?'

With a smile on his face, one of the workers replied, 'He's a pizza delivery guy from down the road.'





#### Kohn's Scrip is now available for NHBZ

NOW, you can purchase Kohn's Scrip in the NHBZ office in increments of \$25. Use it at Kohn's just like money. NHBZ earns 5% on each purchase. You need to eat; why not use scrip?

Stock up on Kohn's Scrip now and earn free money for NHBZ!

#### Call us with the names of your Graduates

Before you know it, it will be graduation time. Do you have a graduate in your family? Please call the office, 314-991-2100, extension 2, and give us his or her name and school so we can wish your graduate a big Mazel Tov!

"Graduation Shabbos and our June Lunch & Learn will be held on Shabbos, June 18. We ask each family to honor their graduate(s) by helping to sponsor the lunch & dessert with an \$18.00 contribution."

### **NHBZ Giving Opportunities**

NHBZ is open 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year. To provide such a facility, the congregation depends upon gifts and contributions above and beyond members' dues. In giving to NHBZ, you fulfill an important mitzvah. We have established numerous ways to contribute to NHBZ listed below. Call the office at 314-991-2100 for details.

- **TRIBUTES** Honor someone's simcha or good health or a loved one's memory
- CAPITAL CAMPAIGN Help build our new shul
- SYNAGOGUE HONORS It is customary to make a donation to the congregation for an Aliyah or other honors
- SPECIAL GIFTS CAMPAIGN A special gift is a donation above and beyond annual dues and any specific funds.
- **SPONSORSHIPS** Sponsor kiddush, Soda, Shalosh Seudos, or this bulletin
- **PLAQUES** Honor or memorialize friends, relatives and events
- BOOK FUNDS Purchase, repair or dedicate books
- EDUCATIONAL FUNDS Help students and teachers
- SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS Donations are used for various purposes

## Norma's Bakery is Open

Enjoy fresh baked homemade challah and cake, and support **NHBZ** at the same time!

Every purchase includes a donation to **NHBZ** & it *still* costs less than other "home" kosher bakeries

All baked goods are pareve and prepared in the NHBZ kitchen under RABBINIC SUPERVISON of Rabbi Zev Smason

Challah, medium	\$4.50	(\$1.00 to NHBZ)
Challah. large	\$6.00	(\$2.00 to NHBZ)
Lemony Lemon Cake	\$8.00	(\$2.00 to NHBZ)
Chocolaty Chocolate Cake	\$8.00	(\$2.00 to NHBZ)
Fresh Apple Apple Cake	\$8.00	(\$2.00 to NHBZ)

Call Norma Yabeta at 314-398-1044 before Noon on Wednesday so your order will be ready for pick up before Shabbos.



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## Nusach Hari B'nai Zion's



## Saturday Morning, May 14

8:30 am - Regular Shabbos Services

10:30 am - Learner's Services in the Chapel Rabbi Chanan Swidler of Aish St. Louis

11:00 am - Break-out Sessions

 Jew and Gentile: The Torah Attitude toward Non-Jews Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

- The Jewish Right to Return to Israel from Exile Rabbi Chaim Possick of Torah MiTzion Kollel
- A Stranger Among Us: Is There An Obligation to **Care For Illegal Immigrants?** Rabbi Shlomo Soroka of St. Louis Kollel
- Hot Topics for Jewish Teens Avrumi Smason
- Tot Shabbat

Noon - Kiddush Lunch for all

All events are free and open to the public. Home hospitality for the weekend is available.

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# Lag Balmer Pancake Breakfast

on Sunday, May 22 nd, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

All you can eat buffet.

Blueberry, Chocolate Chip and Plain Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs Mini-Bagels w/cream cheese, margarine & jelly, Robin's yummy potatoes, Fresh Fruit, Coffee/Tea/Juice Adults: \$10 Kids 4-10: \$5 Kids 3 & under: FREE

~ First come, first served ~ While all the goodies last!!!



Our menu is pareve and under the supervision of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason.

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And in partnership with NCSY, on Sunday May 22, NHBZ will host a Bone Marrow Transplant Information Drive. A simple gum swab test is all that is required to help with this tremendous need in the community for lifesaving, bone marrow transplants donors. The NCSY kids will distribute information and coordinate the screening test under direction from the GIFT OF LIFE BONE MARROW FOUNDATION. www.giftoflife.org.

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