

NHBZ Sukkos & Shabbos Bulletin

Oct 13 – Oct 15, 2011

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

15-17 Tishrei, 5772

Erev Sukkos – Wednesday, October 12

- **Mincha & Maariv** (6:05 pm)
- **Light Candles for 1st day Sukkos** (6:09 pm)



Sukkos Day 1 - Thursday, October 13

Torah Portion:	Leviticus 22:26 – 23:44	Siddur pp 471 - 473	Chumash pp 680 - 691
Maftir:	Numbers 29:12 - 29:16	Siddur p 473	Chumash p 894
Haftorah:	Zachariah 14:1 – 14:21	Siddur pp 473 - 474	Chumash pp 1241 - 1242

- **Shachris & Musaf** (8:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
 - Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
 - Leyning: **Asher Zarkowsky**
 - Haftorah: **Kenny Bressler**
 - Sermon: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
- **Mincha** (6:05 pm), **Light Candles for 2nd day Sukkos** (7:11)

Sukkos Day 2 - Friday, October 14

Torah Portion:	Leviticus 22:26 – 23:44	Siddur pp 471 - 473	Chumash pp 94 - 99
Maftir:	Numbers 29:12 - 29:16	Siddur p 473	Chumash pp 894 - 895
Haftorah:	I Kings 8:2 – 8:21	Siddur pp 474 - 475	Chumash pp 1242 - 1243

- **Shachris & Musaf** (8:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
 - Shacharis: **Menachem Szus**
 - Leyning: **Asher Zarkowsky**
 - Haftorah: **Moshe Pinto**
 - Sermon: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - Musaf: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
- **Mincha** (6:05 pm), **Light Candles for Shabbos** (6:07)

Shabbos - Saturday, October 15

Torah Portion:	Exodus 33:12 – 34:26	Siddur pp 478 – 479	Chumash pages 504 - 513
Maftir:	Numbers 29:17 – 29:22	Siddur p 475	Chumash p 894- 897
Haftorah:	Ezekiel 38:18 – 39:16	Siddur p 480	Chumash pages 1243 - 1244

- **Shachris & Musaf** (9:00 am) - Thank you for leading services:
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
 - Shacharis: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**
 - Leyning: **Michael Shapiro**
 - Haftorah: **David Rubin**
 - Sermon: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - Musaf: **Dr. Ethan Schuman**

Shabbos - Saturday, October 15

- **Learners Service** (10:15 am) – Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**, in the Chapel.
- **Girls Jr. Congregation** (10:30 am) - Girls Jr. Congregation and younger children meet in the Children's Room downstairs with **Georgia Laird**.
- **Kiddush** (following Musaf)

- **Shabbos Study Group** (5:00 pm) - Studies in Tanach, led by **Menachem Szus**; everyone at any level of learning is welcome; now studying Yeshayahu (Isaiah).
- **Boys' Mishna Study Group** (5:15 pm) - With **Rabbi Smason**, for boys ages 10-17.
- **Mincha/Shalosh Seudos/Ma'ariv** (6:05 pm)
- **Shabbos Concludes** (7:08 pm)



This Week

Davening Times	Shabbos Oct 15	Sun. Oct 16	Mon. Oct 17	Tues. Oct 18	Wed. Oct 19	Thur. Oct 20	Fri. Oct 21	Shabbos Oct 22
Shachris	9:00 am	8:00 am	6:45 am	6:45 am	6:30 am	9:00 am	9:00 am	9:00 am
Mincha/Maariv	5:45 pm	5:55 pm	5:55 pm	5:55 pm	5:55 pm	5:55 pm	5:55 pm	5:35 pm
	Chol Hamoed	Chol Hamoed	Chol Hamoed	Chol Hamoed	Hoshanah Rabbah	Shemini Atzeres	Simchas Torah	

- **Sunday Learning** (Sunday Oct 16, 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, Oct 16, 10:00 am) - with **Rabbi Smason**, for young men and women; at Starbucks at Olive & Price; with complimentary drinks to all participants!

● **Grillin' in the Hut!** (Sunday, October 16, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm, in the Sukkah on the patio) - Grilled hamburgers & hot dogs fresh off the grill, corn salad, salad bar with all the fixin's, beverages, and popsicles for dessert. Plate prices: Adults - \$12.00; Kids 4-10 - \$5.00; Kids 3 & under - Free. Extras can be purchased.

- **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** (Next class is Wed, Oct 26, 12:15 pm, in the Teen Lounge on the lower level) - 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.
- **Simchas Torah Evening & Free Dinner** (Thursday, October 20, 5:55 pm) – Mincha, Ma'ariv and Parade of Torahs; break for Dinner between Hakofos; join us as we mark the conclusion of the annual cycle of Torah Readings and the beginning of a new cycle; please RSVP, 314-991-2100, ext. 5, so we know how much food to prepare; **It is not too late to be a sponsor!**
- **Simchas Torah Day & Lunch** (Friday, October 21, davening – 9:00 am, lunch 12:30 pm) – join us as we read the last parashah of Deuteronomy and the first parashah of Genesis; lunch includes Bagels, Lox & Cream Cheese, Sliced Vegetables, White Fish Salad, Egg Salad, Sesame Noodles, Sandie's Salad, Fresh Fruit, Beverages & Dessert; Adults - \$12.00; Kids - 6-10: \$5.00; Kids 5 & under - Free. RSVP, 314-991-2100, ext. 5.
- **Buy and Use Cash Cards and Kohn's Scrip** (Monday – Friday) - Next Cash-card Order Days are **Monday, October 17 and Monday, October 31**; earn free money for NHBZ; order your cards this week; Kohn's Scrip is temporarily sold out.

Coming Events

- **Sisterhood Lunch & Bingo** (Tuesday, October 18, Noon) – Everybody is welcome – men and women; \$3 donation entitles you to 2 Bingo Cards and lunch.
- **Dine-In Pizza Night** (Sunday, October 30, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm)
- **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group** (First Tuesday, November 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, November 3, 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** (Sunday Nov. 6) - Bingo 4:00 pm; Dinner 5:00 pm; Cards 6:00 pm; or watch the movie "The life of the Marx Brothers;" call Ruth Alper for reservations: 314-569-2877; all for \$7.00.
- **Synaplex and Birthday/Anniversary Lunch & Learn** (Shabbos, November 12)

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.

Sukkos

October 15, 2011

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Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates



Maybe it's never too late to finish something you started a long time ago.

Don Polk of Greenville, Missouri broke up with his high school girlfriend Wanda when he graduated, and left to fight in the Korean War. That was in 1952. They both married other people and only saw each other briefly at high school reunions. After more than 50 years, Wanda's husband had passed away and, being a widower himself, Don got her number from a friend. It took more than a week to get the nerve to pick up the phone.

"I don't know, I guess I was afraid to call her or something," Don said.

Finally, he did call.

"And my heart skipped a beat," said Wanda.

Don began to call and write, and Wanda kept their letters in the little \$3 cedar box Don gave her for just that purpose back in high school. Six months after the phone call, Don got down on one knee and asked Wanda to marry him. The Polks were recently married.

There is no time like the present to learn, to grow, and to reach your full Jewish potential -- even if you're late.

Torah Reading for Sukkos



The Torah readings for the first two days of Sukkos and Shabbos reflect central themes of the holiday of Sukkos. On both Thursday and Friday (October 13 & 14) the Torah reading is from Leviticus 22:26 -- 23: 44. On Shabbos the Torah reading is from Exodus 33:12 -- 34:26. The readings include descriptions of the featured mitzvos of the holiday. During Sukkos we dwell in a 'Sukkah' -- a booth or hut whose roof is made of detached tree branches and other natural material. As the weather begins to turn cooler, we leave the comfort of the indoors for our Sukkah. In it we joyously reflect upon what we achieved over the course of the High

Holidays and renew our commitment to spirituality and a G-d centered life.

The Torah readings also describe the 4 Species (*Arba Minim*) used on Sukkos: The palm branch (*lulav*), citron (*esrog*), myrtle branches (*hadassim*), and willow branches (*aravos*). A well known concept is that the 4 Species represent distinct personality types:

- 1) The edible and fragrant *esrog* symbolizes one who is both Torah-learned and charitable,
- 2) the *lulav*, which bears sweet dates but totally lacks fragrance, represents one who is learned but lacking in good deeds,
- 3) the fragrant but inedible *hadassim* symbolizes one who excels in good deeds but is unlearned, and
- 4) the *arava* symbolizes a simple person, lacking both Torah knowledge and good deeds.

By binding these species together and holding them at one time, we express the unity of all Jews.

Rabbinic Ruminations



We've all heard the expression, 'Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me.' Habitual gamblers, apparently, are easier to fool than others. According to a new study published in the *Journal of Neuroscience*, near misses provide potent fuel for the habit in regular gamblers. The more severe a participant's gambling habit, the stronger the mid brain response to a near miss. In other words, near misses are most rewarding for pathological gamblers, who experience them as being almost as rewarding as a win. Study participants who gambled less often also found near misses rewarding, but to a lesser extent.

Manufacturers of gambling games know the rewarding effects of near misses and design slot machines in such a way as to exploit the cognitive distortions of gamblers. Using a technique called clustering, they create a high number of failures that are close to wins, so that what the player sees is a misrepresentation of the probabilities and randomness that the game involves. The gambler who nearly hits the jackpot will therefore want to continue playing, because he thinks he has a good chance of winning.

Physicist Richard Feynman famously said, "The first principle is you must not fool yourself, and you are the easiest person to fool." Many of us suffer from various forms of illusions; thinking we can safely text while driving, not addressing a health concern, or believing we know much more than we actually do. The best antidote against a life filled with illusions is to be always careful to speak words of truth. It is written in a traditional Jewish source (Midrash) that anyone who is careful to speak words of truth, will be sent a *malach* (an angel) who shows him the truth. The Torah says, "Distance yourself from falsehood" -- the only matter from which the Torah warns us to "distance" ourselves.



OY VEY!

Quote of the Week

"It may be taken for a certainty that not a foot of land will be taken from the Indians without their consent"
- Thomas Jefferson

Joke of the Week

A man is stopped by the police at 2 A.M. and is asked where he is going at that time of night. The man replies, "I'm on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late."

The officer then asks, "Really? Who is giving that lecture at this time of night?"

The man replies, "That would be my wife."
(Thanks to Barry Weinschenker)

Mazel Tov
On Simchas this week!
October 15 - 21, 2011

Happy Birthday

Michelle Mufson
Ruth Katz
Murray Baker
& belated Happy Birthday to
Susan Feigenbaum (with
apologies)

Happy Anniversary

Larry & Faith Comensky
Gary & Nancy Benson
Ephraim & Michelle Mufson

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

Don't Miss it – Simchas Torah at NHBZ Friday, October 21

After the *hakafot* and the dancing, sections of three Torah scrolls are read. The last *parashah* of the Torah, V'Zos HaBerachah, at the end of Deuteronomy (33:1-34:12), is read from the first scroll, followed immediately by the first chapter and part of the second chapter from the Book of Genesis (1:1 - 2:3), which is read from the second scroll.

It is a special honor to receive the last *aliyah* of the Book of Deuteronomy; the person receiving that *aliyah* is called the *Chasan Torah* (the groom of the Torah). It is also a special honor to receive the first *aliyah* of the Book of Genesis; that person is called *Chasan B'reishis* (the groom of Genesis).

All men are called for an *aliyah*, and all children are called for a special *aliyah* called *Kol HaNe'arim* (all the children).

Don't miss the once a year performance of the double-over-and-under Hagbah, and the special rendition of Adon Olam by the NHBZ Tabernacle (Sukkah?) Choir!

Join us for a joyous lunch after services.

Adults: \$12.00; Kids 6-10: \$5.00; Kids 5 & under: Free.

RSVP, 314-991-2100, ext. 5.

Simchas Torah Events

Thursday Night October 20
and Friday October 21



EREV SIMCHAS TORAH
Thursday Night, October 20



Break for Dinner between Hakafo - FREE TO ALL.
Please RSVP, 314-991-2100, ext. 5, so we know how many people to prepare for. Thanks to these generous people for sponsoring the dinner so we can offer it free to all who attend our Simchas Torah night:

Bob & Sandie Abrams
Dr. Craig & Jackie Berkin
Alan & Janet Haber
Irwin & Roz Rosen
Menachem & Linda Szus
Bob & Joni Kaiser
David & Fran Reisler
Mayer Taller
Drs. Susan Feigenbaum & Jay Pepose

Andy & Ellen Berg
Sam & Shirley Bluestein
Mark Ragin & Gail Rose
Dr. Jon & Naomi Shanker
Fran & Lenny Alper
Sid & Phyllis Silverman
Moshe Pinto
Leo Bressler

Thanks to the **Sisterhood** for providing Candy Apples!

SIMCHAS TORAH DAY Friday, October 21

Lunch. Services will end at about 12:30 p.m. followed by kiddush – which is free to all. We regret we are not able to serve Stuffed Cabbage this year because our kitchens are not yet ready. We must change to a cold menu: Bagels, Lox & Cream Cheese, Sliced Veggies, White Fish Salad, Egg Salad, Sesame Noodles, Sandie's Salad, Fresh Fruit, Beverages & Dessert.

Adults: \$12.00; Kids 6-10: \$5.00; Kids 5 & under: Free.

RSVP: 314-991-2100, ext. 5.

Rabbi Ride-Around Rally & Picnic

Sunday, November 6

Join us as Rabbi Smason rides
**50 miles on the
Forest Park bike trail.**
Bike along with the Rabbi!

The **Ride** begins at **10:00 am**; the
Picnic is scheduled for **12:30 pm** at
Pavilion #5 in Forest Park.

This is both a fundraising & a social event.
Sponsor the Rabbi's 50-mile ride.
Attend the picnic: Adults \$10, Kids \$5
Be a corporate sponsor! For details,
call 314-991-2100 ext. 2



Monument Dedication For Vic Grossman

Sunday October 30, 2011, 12:30 pm
Chevra Kadisha Cemetery

Monument Dedication For Harry Friestein

Sunday November 20, 2011, 12:30 pm
Chevra Kadisha Cemetery

This is a good time to stock up on **CASH
CARDS**
in advance of Chanukah
in addition to your regular shopping needs

MinyanMan Tip # 2

If one of your regular minyan times is on Erev Yom Tov or on a national holiday we still need you and expect you to attend minyan.

Howard Sandler (409-7266)
Rabbi Smason (749-5271)
Office (991-2100)



PIZZA PIZZA PIZZA at NHBZ!!!

Lion's Den **DINE-IN** Pizza Night

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 !!
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet of Pizza, Cold Italian Pasta,
Garlic Bread & Salad plus Dessert & Beverage

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

NEXT CARRY-OUT NIGHT IS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Schedule of Yom Tov Services

SUKKOS - FIRST DAYS OF YOM TOV

<u>Wednesday Evening, October 12</u>	
Mincha.....	6:05 p.m.
Bench Licht.....	6:09 p.m.
<u>Thursday & Friday, October 13 & 14</u>	
Mornings.....	9:00 a.m.
Drasha (Thursday only).....	10:45 a.m.
Mincha – Thursday & Friday.....	6:05 p.m.
Bench Licht Thursday Night.....	7:11 p.m.
Bench Licht Friday Night.....	6:07 p.m.

CHOL HAMOED

Shabbos, Sunday, Monday & Tuesday

October 15, 16, 17 & 18

MORNINGS: Shabbos.....		9:00 a.m.
Sunday.....		8:00 a.m.
Monday & Tuesday.....		6:45 a.m.
MINCHA:		
Shabbos.....		5:45 p.m.
Sunday.....		5:55 p.m.
Monday & Tuesday.....		5:55 p.m.

HOSHANA RABA

Wednesday, October 19..... 6:30 a.m.

SHEMINI ATZERES

Wednesday Evening, October 19

Mincha.....	5:55 p.m.
Bench Licht Wednesday Evening.....	5:59 p.m.
<u>Thursday Morning, October 20.....</u> 9:00 a.m.	
Yizkor.....	10:30 a.m.
Mincha.....	5:55 p.m.
Bench Licht Thursday Night.....	7:01 p.m.

SIMCHAS TORAH

Thursday Night, October 20

Hakofos & Parade of Torahs.....	6:45 p.m.
BREAK FOR DINNER (FREE TO ALL).....	7:20 p.m.
Resume Hakofos.....	8:00 p.m.

Friday, October 21

Morning.....	9:00 a.m.
Kol Hanarim - All Children Called to Torah.....	11:00 a.m.
Bench Licht Friday Night.....	5:57 p.m.



VOLUNTEERS:

**Thanks for
answering the
call this week!**

Raising the Sukkah

Reuben Amon
Bob Kaiser
Dr. Jay Pepose
Max Pepose
Sam Pepose
Morissa Pepose (cheering squad!)
Menachem Szus
Boris Yasinev
Jonathan Yasinev

Putting away High Holiday chairs and Yom Kippur Machzorim

Andy Abrams
Bob Abrams
Jonathan Yasinev

Picking up items from Hillel

Fran Alper
Lenny Alper
Aaron Goldberg
Alan Haber
Jeff Rothman
Kenny Bressler
Tyler the dog



ISRAEL CORNER

Welcome to the NHBZ Israel Corner. Our congregation has always been a strong supporter of Israel. The new NHBZ Israel Committee would like to ensure that everyone is knowledgeable about issues facing Israel.

Fact: The State of Israel is located between Asia and Africa and between the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea, excluding the Sinai Peninsula.

Fact: The largest rivers in Israel are the Jordan, the Yarkon, the Kishon and partially the Yarmuk.



Please Join us for some

Grillin' in the Hut!

*Grilled hamburgers & hot dogs, corn salad, salad bar, beverages,
and popsicles for dessert*

Sunday, October 16, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm



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Plate prices: Adults - \$12.00; Kids 4-10 - \$5.00; Kids 3 & under - Free. Extras can be purchased.

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