



NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

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Shabbos September 24, 2016

21 Elul, 5776

Torah Portion: **Ki Savo Deuteronomy 26:1 -- 29:8**

Stone Chumash: pages 1068 - 1085

Haftorah: **Isaiah 60: 1-22**

Stone Chumash: pages 1201-1202

Candle Lighting ~ 6:39 pm

Shabbos Concludes ~ 7:40 pm

Erev Shabbos, Friday, September 23, 2016

- Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ 6:35 pm

Shabbos, Saturday, September 24, 2016

- **Shachris & Musaf ~ 9:00 am ~ *Thank You for Leading Davening!***
 - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
 - Shacharis: **Louis Goldman**
 - Leyning: **Max Gornish**
 - Haftorah: **Kenny Bressler**
 - Drasha: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
 - Musaf: **Louis Goldman**
- **Learners' Service ~ 9:30 am ~ Led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel.**
- **Learners' Service ~ 10:15 am ~ Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel.**
- **Junior Congregation led by Yoni Strashun ~ 10:00 am in the Youth Lounge.**
- **Mincha/Ma'ariv/Shalosh Seudos ~ 6:15 pm**

SHUL NEWS....

Ordering Lulavim & Esrogim ~ Deadline ~ Monday, September 26, just one week before Rosh Hashana. Prices per set: \$45.00, \$55.00, \$65.00, and \$80.00. Please send your check to the office, or to charge your payment to your credit card, call Jeff at 314-991-2100 ext.2.

- **Sunday September 25 ~ RAP with the RABBI Returns!** Calling all teens; RAP with the RABBI with Rabbi Smason resumes at 10:15 am at Starbucks Olive & Price.
- **September 25, Sunday, 7:30pm ~ Speaker Night with Michael Medved.** If you don't have a reserved ticket by now ~ **you can buy one at the door for \$18.**
- **Sunday, October 16 ~ NHBZ Succah Raising 5777/2016 at 9:30am Place: NHBZ, Kaiser Terrace , All welcome. Instructions: please bring ladders and some basic tools. Also please bring work, gloves and preferably covered arms. Please RSVP to Jeff@nhbz.org and menachem@alonsystems.com to let us know that you are coming. Hoping and Praying for good weather.**

Happy Anniversary this week to: Dr. Alan & Marcie Brook

Happy Birthday this week to: Asher Zarkowsky, Sandra Segall, Emma Mufson, JoAnn Raskas, Don Kleiman, Nicole Loiterstein, Andrew Abrams, and Ruth Novack Alper

Family Shalosh Seudos: Our family oriented Shalosh Seudos program is being made possible by contributions from **Norma & David Rubin, Mindy & Richard Woolf, Teree Farbstein, Vivian & Alan Zarkowsky, Fredman Family Charitable Trust, Moshe Pinto, Marcela & Dr. Daniel Morgensztern** and from super donors **Joni & Bob Kaiser** and **Jennifer & Bryson Hartranft**. Please join them in supporting this very meaningful program. Details about our upcoming October program will be forthcoming soon. To contribute please call Jeff at 314-991-2100 ext 2 or email jeff@nhbz.org.

Adult Learning at NHBZ

Every Wednesday at 12:15 pm Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Smason. Study Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers. This class is also available to view from your computer on Wednesday's at 12 pm CST. Visit our website at www.nhbz.org - click on 'media', then 'online classes', then 'ustream_graphic'. Enjoy!

Amud-A-Week Program. Join Rabbi Daniel Freund every Monday following ma'ariv (*please note the time change*) for a weeklyfor a weekly Talmud class/shiur. This class is open to everyone, whether you are unacquainted with Talmud or are on a basic or intermediate level.

Tomchei Shabbos cookbooks are available for purchase at NHBZ, with over 500 delicious recipes just in time for the yomim tovim. Cookbooks are \$30 each, with 100% of proceeds to benefit Tomchei Shabbos. Please contact the shul office to purchase.

In the Community

Sunday, September 25, 3:00 pm ~ Be there with your family and friends as our community comes together in joy and celebration for the dedication of the **new Chabad Center at 8124 Delmar Boulevard.** **Music | Dignitaries | Refreshments | Kids Activities**

"Where Have You Gone, James Dean?"

The Woodlands High School JV football team had been working hard on the practice field for nearly two months and had yet to win a game. But two weeks ago, that all was about to change. The Woodlands (Houston, TX) team was down 29-28 to Katy Tompkins JV, but Woodlands had the football and was on the move. On the next to last play of the game, with time running out on the clock, the Woodlands JV quarterback completed a pass to his receiver, Austin Brauweiler. Austin rumbled toward the goal line for the winning TD but he crashed into a Tompkins player at the 1-yard line. So with just a few seconds on the clock, Woodlands was lining up to try and score the winning touchdown when the players noticed that the Tompkins player wasn't moving. Life Flight was called and the Tompkins player was airlifted to the hospital.

Following a 40-minute delay in action, the game was prepared to resume. With his team just 1 yard away from a potential victory, David Colschen, The Woodlands JV coach, knew in his heart what the right call was. Colschen -- at that point, the coach of a winless team on the doorstep of their first victory -- told his quarterback to take the snap and to kneel down to end the game out of respect to the injured player. Coach Colschen said "If we do go and try to win the game, do you really celebrate that?" and he added "not a single one of our kids complained about the decision ... we're here to teach kids, and there's a lot of lessons learned through football and sports." Tompkins athletic director and football coach, Anthony Tademy was touched by The Woodlands' decision. "It showed a lot of class," Coach Tademy said. "It wasn't about a win or a loss." And the Tompkins player is out of the hospital and doing much better.

We've all heard the term "a class act." But class is not an "act." Class is a deep-seated way of life for those who possess it. Having class involves good manners, politeness, pride without showboating, empathy, humility, and an abundance of self-control. The actions of class-act people speak louder than their words. Ethics of the Fathers teaches that if one doesn't behave like a mensch (a fine human being) one doesn't have Torah (im ain derech ertz ain Torah). When you act with decency towards others, you are a 'good-will ambassador' for whatever and whomever you represent.

Parshas Ki Savo Deuteronomy 26:1 -- 29:8

The parsha begins by describing the annual mitzvah for farmers in Israel to bring their bikurim, or first fruits, to the Kohen in the Temple. The donor was then to recite a prayer of thanksgiving, recalling how G-d had delivered his ancestors from Egypt and brought the new generation into a land flowing with milk and honey. Moses then teaches two special mitzvos, which the Jewish people are to perform upon entering the land of Israel. First, they are to inscribe the entire Torah on twelve large stones. Second, the twelve tribes are to ratify their acceptance of the Torah in the following manner; six tribes were to stand on Mt. Gerizim, representing the blessings, while the remaining six tribes were to stand on Mt. Eival, signifying the curses. The Levites were to stand in the valley between, reciting blessings and curses which will apply respectively to those who observe and defy the Torah. The parsha concludes with a recounting of the wonderful blessings G-d will bestow upon the Jewish people for remaining faithful, and a chilling prophecy of what might happen if the Jewish people do not follow the Torah.

Rabbinical Ruminations

Where have you gone, James Dean? Can performers like James Dean and Miles Davis still be considered the models of cool? Do the cool kids in school turn out to be the winners in life? If you have ever attended a high school reunion, you may have a sense that the definition of 'cool' may have changed, and that 'cool' doesn't necessarily translate to 'successful.' In a study, entitled *What Ever Happened to the "Cool" Kids? Long-Term Sequelae of Early Adolescent Pseudomature Behavior*, researchers followed a sample of 184 adolescents from ages 13 to 23 and found that the cool kids didn't turn out so well. In fact, early pseudomature behavior predicted long-term difficulties in close relationships and significant problems with alcohol and substance abuse. Particularly at risk were those who highly valued being popular and for whom status among peers was most important.

What does it mean to be cool today? "When I set out to find what people mean by coolness, I wanted to find corroboration of what I thought coolness was," said Ilan Dar-Nimrod, Ph.D., lead author of *"Coolness: An Empirical Investigation."* "I was not prepared to find that coolness has lost so much of its historical origins and meaning -- the very heavy countercultural, somewhat individualistic pose I associated with cool. "James Dean is no longer the epitome of cool," Dar-Nimrod said. "The much darker version of what coolness is still there, but it is not the main focus. The main thing is: Do I like this person? Is this person nice to people, attractive, confident and successful? That's cool today, at least among young mainstream individuals."

How do you know if people matter to someone? By the way they treat others. The Hebrew expression *derech eretz* refers to behavior that is polite, respectful, thoughtful and civilized. A more familiar expression of *derech eretz* is "being a mensch." Times change, and what was cool yesterday may no longer be cool today. Values and principles never change, however -- and the values of the Torah are timeless.

Quote of the Week

'One of these days' is none of these days. -- Anonymous

Joke of the Week

When I went to get my driver's license renewed, our local motor-vehicle bureau was packed. The line inched along for almost an hour until the man ahead of me finally got his license.

He inspected his photo for a moment and commented to the clerk, "I was standing in line so long, I ended up looking pretty grouchy in this picture."

The clerk looked at his picture closely. "It's okay," he reassured the man: "That's how you're going to look when the cops pull you over anyway."

Join the Minyan - It's good for us, it's good for you!

| This Week's Schedule | Shabbos Sept 24 | Sunday Sept 25 | Monday Sept 26 | Tuesday Sept 27 | Wednesday Sept 28 | Thursday Sept 29 | Friday Sept 30 | Shabbos Oct 1 |
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| Shacharis | 9:00 am | 8:00 am | Slichos 6:30 am 7:00 am | Slichos 6:30 am 7:00 am | Slichos 6:30 am 7:00 am | Slichos 6:30 am 7:00 am | Slichos 6:30 am 7:00 am | 9:00 am |
| Mincha/ Ma'ariv | 6:15 pm | 6:25pm | 6:25pm | 6:25pm | 6:25pm | 6:25pm | 6:25pm | 6:05 pm |
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NHBZ Event Planner

*(Check "**Shul News . . .**" for time, date or location changes.)*

Call the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to confirm the date and time of any event.

All events will be at NHBZ unless otherwise noted.

WEEKLY at NHBZ

SHABBOS

- Tefillah Class (9:30 am) led by Rabbi Yosef David in the Rivkin Chapel.
- Child Care (10:15 am – Noon) for kids 3 & under in the Children's Room.
- Learners Service (10:15 am) led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason in the Rivkin Chapel.
- Shabbos Tanach (Bible) (One hour before Mincha)

SUNDAY

- RAP with RABBI Teen Group (10:15 A.M.) with Rabbi Smason @ Starbucks Olive and Price
- Mishna Learning (after Shacharis) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler.
- "Mystical Moments" with Rabbi Max Weiman. (between Mincha & Maariv.)
- Tanya (8:00 pm) with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel.

MONDAY

- Mah Jongg (Mondays, 4-6:00 pm) NHBZ Lower Level. Proceeds benefit The NHBZ Chesed Fund.

WEDNESDAY

- Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn (12:15-1:00 pm) Studying Pirkei Avos.

BI-MONTHLY at NHBZ

JUNIOR CONGREGATION † TOT SHABBAT ~

MONTHLY at NHBZ

- Mussar Mondays (First Monday) 7:00-7:45 pm. at the home of Richard & Mindy Woolf.
- Women's Home Study Group (First Tuesday) 2:30 pm with Rabbi Shaya Mintz, of the St. Louis Kollel, at the home of Jackie Berkin.
- Sisterhood (Third Tuesday)
- Dine-In Pizza Night (Last Sunday) 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Place Carry-Out Pizza orders by 10:00 am, 314-991-2100, ext 2. Pick up time 4:30–4:45 pm.

NHBZ Signature Events

- Synaplex Shabbos- Services begin at 8:30am
- Shabbos Lunch & Learn

Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Sisterhood

Wishes you, your family and friends
A Healthy and Happy New Year ~ 5777
L'Shana Tova Tikatevu!

*Your support enables us to provide
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We ask for a **MINIMUM** donation of \$8.00
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**NUSACH HARI B'NAI ZION CONGREGATION
2016/5777 HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

ROSH HASHANA (RH):

Erev RH, Sunday Night, October 2

Mincha: 6:15 p.m.
Learners' Service 6:20 pm Led by Rabbi Yosef David of Aish HaTorah

1st & 2nd Days of RH, Monday and Tuesday, October 3 & 4.

Shachris 8:00 am
Torah Reading 9:45 am
Learners' Service 10:00 am – 12:30 pm 1st day led by **Rabbi Yosef David** of Aish HaTorah
Learners' Program 10:15am -12:00 noon 2nd day led by **Mrs. Mimi David**
Announcements 10:20 am
Drasha (Sermon) 10:30 am
Shofar 10:55 am
Services Conclude 1:30 pm
Mincha 6:15 pm

Family and Tot Services TBA 10:00am-12:00 noon - Day 1

Childcare 9:00 am- 1:00pm Day 1 and 2

EREV YOM KIPPUR Kol Nidre:

Tuesday, October 11

Mincha 1:30 pm
Learners' Service 6:00 pm Led by Rabbi Yosef David of Aish HaTorah

Kol Nidre

Take Out Torahs 5:55 pm
Kol Nidre 6:00 pm
Services Conclude 9:00 pm

Childcare 5:45-9:00pm

YOM KIPPUR:

Wednesday, October 12

Services Begin 8:00 a.m.
Learners' Service 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Led by Rabbi Yosef David of Aish HaTorah
Take Out Torahs 10:15 am
Announcements 11:15 am
Drasha (Sermon) 11:25 am
Yizkor 11:45 am
Mincha 4:00 pm
Ma'ariv 7:00 pm
Havdalah 7:15 pm
Tekias Shofar 7:20 pm

Family and Tot Services TBA 10:00am-12:00 noon

Childcare 9:00am-1:00pm

High Holiday Seating Information

The High Holidays are almost upon us, and with the High Holidays comes this brief reminder about some of the procedures we have in place to make sure that it runs smoothly and meets your expectations. We are busy making seating charts, so the time is ripe for this to be on your radar screen!

Of course, all *adult* members of NHBZ that are in good standing with dues payments will have reserved seats for the High Holidays, whether on the individual plan, family plan, senior citizen plan or young adult plan. Arrangements for choosing your seats have not changed; if you are satisfied with your seat you need do nothing. If you want to change your seat, or have not yet made arrangements for paying your 2016 dues, please contact the office as soon as possible.

Children are not assigned reserved seats. If you would like to reserve a seat for your child, it can be purchased for \$25 per child (through college age.) Again, if you would like to purchase reserved seats for children, please call the office.

Young Adult memberships, for those who have graduated college through age 29, also *include* reserved seats for the High Holidays. Young Adult membership dues are \$190 per year.

Out of town guests of NHBZ members can reserve a seat for \$180. Military personnel serving in the Saint Louis area or out of town college students attending school in the Saint Louis area will receive reserved seats free of charge.

Thanks for your attention to these details, and let's all work to make this our most inspirational and stress-free High Holidays ever!



JUDGEMENT DAYS: WHAT THE HIGH HOLY DAYS TEACH US ABOUT PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS



NHBZ is pleased to present **Michael Medved**

With Rosh Hashanah just one week following this event and our high stakes presidential elections six weeks later, best-selling author, popular political pundit, national radio talk show host and film critic, Michael Medved, will explore the connection of our spiritual survival and our nation's political endurance.

Sunday, September 25, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Dessert reception following

General admission - \$18

Seating is limited. Make your reservations early!

For information or to make your reservation,
call Shayna Scribner, 314-913-1200 or online www.nhbz.org

Some facts about Michael Medved

- He wrote his first bestseller at age 26
- His nationally syndicated daily radio program reaches 300 stations across the country and more than 4 million listeners - in St. Louis on 1260 AM from 3-5 pm
- He attended Yale Law School where classmates included Bill and Hillary Clinton
- He writes columns regularly for the *Wall Street Journal* and *USA Today*
- He was chief film critic for the New York Post before launching his own radio show
- He began his political consulting work with Democratic politicians
- His 13th book, *The American Miracle: Divine Providence in the Rise of the Republic*, will be available on October 25.
- He has a daughter named Shayna

Sponsorships Available! All Sponsors are invited to an exclusive dinner with Mr. Medved prior to his presentation. Call Shayna for information.