



THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP AUGUST

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Preparing for Elul



Elul is the 12th and final month in the Jewish calendar. It connects the past year with the coming year — a time when we reflect on where we stand and where we should be going. As such, we sometimes anticipate the coming Holidays with anxiety or even a bit of dread. **Preparation** is the key to helping us counter that trepidation. Elul is not only the month of repentance, it is also the month of compassion and forgiveness. It follows the two previous months of Tammuz and Av — months of tragedies that were brought upon us through our sins. But on Rosh Chodesh Elul, Moses ascended to Mount Sinai for a third 40-day period until Yom Kippur, when he descended with the second tablets (luchot) and G-d's word of joyful, wholehearted forgiveness! These were days when G-d revealed to the Jewish people great mercy. Since then, this time has been designated as a time of mercy and forgiveness, an opportune time for teshuvah — repentance. The four letters of the name Elul are an acronym for the phrase in "Song of Songs" (6:3): "I am to my beloved and my beloved is to me." "I am to my beloved" — we approach G-d with a desire to return and connect. "And my beloved is to me" — G-d reciprocates with Divine expressions of mercy and forgiveness. This is the month when "the King is in the field." G-d, the King of all Kings, is accessible. All can approach Him, and He shines His countenance to all.

— adapted from chabad.org/librav/article_cdo/aid/3922314

Watch your mail for Sisterhood's New Year Greetings Fundraiser

Proceeds will benefit NHBZ's Passport to Israel Program and other Sisterhood projects. Help support your Sisterhood — please be generous!

Don't forget!! Book Club meets Mon. Aug. 27, 7:15pm at Mansions on the Plaza, 8300 Delmar

NHBZ Sisterhood presents the 3rd Annual



Dine 'n' Style Luncheon & Fashion Show Sunday, August 19

Shopping opens at 10:00 AM

Luncheon & Fashion Show promptly at 12:00 Noon

FALLING FOR FASHION

Featuring 2018 Fashions from *Orli's Boutique*, and new this year... Our 'Retail Market' with lots of Shopping on the Lower Level, including:

Jewelry, Fused Glass, Silk Scarves, Israeli Jewelry, Clothing, Accessories, Judaica Fabric Art, Purses, Books, Gifts & more...

Register NOW — \$ 20

(by August 12, please)



Call: 314-991-2100, ext.3, or

Email: FashionShow@NHBZ.org

Visit: nhbz.org/sisterhood/fashionshow

Join NHBZ Sisterhood in Supporting the Rabbi-Ride-Around



Sunday, August 26 - Forest Park Shelter 8

Come to the Sisterhood Booth at the 10th Annual Rabbi-Ride-Around and help cheer on *Rabbi Smason* as he rides 50 miles. Stop by for a special Italian treat in tribute to the memory of Gino Bartali, the great Italian cyclist who saved hundreds of Jews during the Shoah.

