

### **Shabbos Bulletin**

### Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

November 2, 2019 ~ 4 Cheshvan 5780

Candle Lighting 5:43 pm Shabbat Ends 6:45 pm

Torah Portion: Haftorah:

Noach Genesis 6:9 -- 11:32

Chumash pages 30-53

Isaiah 54:1- 10

Chumash pages 1130-1131

#### **Erev Shabbos, November 1**

• Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ 5:40 pm

#### Shabbos, November 2

• Shabbat Services ~ 9:00 am

- Pesukei D'Zimra: Howard Sandler

- Shacharis: **Menachem Szus** 

- Leyning: Michael Shapiro

- Haftorah: David Morgensztern

- Drasha: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

- Musaf: Michael Shapiro

- Junior Congregation / Babysitting ~ 10:00 am
- Starting Points ~ Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason ~10:15 am ~ Topic: "What Would I Tell My 20-Year-Old Self?"
- Mincha / Ma'ariv /Shalosh Seudos ~ 5:25 pm

#### **This Week and Beyond**

Minyan Times	Shabbos Nov 2	Sun. + Nov 3	Mon. Nov 4	Tues. Nov 5	Wed. Nov 6	Thurs. Nov 7	Fri. Nov 8	Shabbos Nov 9
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/Ma'ariv*	5:25 pm	4:35 pm	4:35 pm	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	4:35 pm	4:20 pm

<sup>\*</sup> Ma'ariv only

### RSVP BY MONDAY NOV. $4^{\text{TH}}$ FOR OUR FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBAT DINNER ON NOVEMBER $8^{\text{TH}}$

Happy Birthday to: Jeff Baker, Ethan Belau, Gaelyn Hartranft and Rayna Chervitz

Anniversaries- not this week

Shabbat Greeter: Jim Pollock and Mark Ragin

November 4 ~ 7:00 pm ~ "To the Source" with Rabbi Smason. Frist meeting of an ongoing weekly class covering contemporary Torah topics using classic and modern English and Hebrew texts. For Men and Women. We have 10 people signed up already, don't miss this educational opportunity. RSVP to jeff@nhbz.org

<sup>+</sup> Daylight Saving Time Ends, set clocks back one hour

- Friday Night, November 8 ~ Shabbat Dinner at NHBZ ~ Programs for adults and kids! RSVP by Monday, November 4. Adults \$18 / Children \$12.00. Please consider becoming a sponsor for \$25.00. See Flyer. Thank you to our Shabbat dinner sponsors: Jesse & Debbie Barash, Jerry & Fran Cohen, Amy & Denny Feit, Alan & Janet Haber, Bob & Joni Kaiser, Ed & Helayne Levitt, Dr. Faye & Brian McCary, Dr. Steve & Myra Radinsky, Leonid & Stella Vladimirov and Richard & Mindy Woolf.
- Monday, November 11 ~ 7:30 pm ~ Home Discussion Group topic: 'Medical Methods and Halacha' hosted by Jackie & Dr. Craig Berkin. RSVP to the office for address.
- Tuesday, November 12 ~ NHBZ Board Meeting ~ 7:00 pm
- Shabbat, November 16 ~ Synaplex with speakers Greg Yawitz and Rabbi Daniel Freund. Kiddush Luncheon to follow.
- Sunday, November 17 ~ 10:00 am NHBZ Annual Meeting, Election of Officers and a Sunday Brunch!
  - All members are invited to attend and hear and voice your questions about the future of NHBZ Every November, we hold a Membership meeting to give members a 'State of the Shul' report. This is an opportunity for you to interact directly with the Rabbi, President and other officers and Board members about the business of the shul. If you would like to give your opinion, makes suggestions or just listen, this is your chance.
- Sunday, December 15 ~ NHBZ Anniversary Dinner ~ RSVP now to get in on the 'early-bird' raffle.

#### **Parshas Noach**

As a result of Mankind's evil, G-d brings a flood to destroy every living creature. Only Noah, his family, and at least one pair of every animal species were spared. Trivia question: Do you know the name of Noah's wife? (hint -- it is NOT 'Joan of Ark') When the flood waters begin to recede after a lengthy deluge, Noah sends forth from the ark a raven and dove to determine whether the land has dried sufficiently so that they can leave the ark to once again resettle the earth. G-d promises that He will never again destroy all of Mankind by means of a flood, and He designates the rainbow as a sign for that eternal covenant. Noah plants a vineyard, drinks from its produce and becomes drunk. In his intoxicated state, he shamefully uncovers himself. While his son Ham dealt with his father inappropriately, Noah's other two sons, Shem and Japeth, cover their father in a respectful manner. Generations pass and the world is repopulated. The people attempt to wage war against G-d by building the Tower of Babel. G-d responds by mixing up their languages into a 'babble', and dispersing them across the planet.

### NHBZ Outreach for Thanksgiving

Once again our Community Outreach Committee will be cooking a kosher Thanksgiving dinner and delivering it to the Olivette Police and Fire Department on Thanksgiving Day. We love the security and protection that we get from our Olivette Police and Firefighters and are grateful for their service!

We are looking for a few volunteers for a couple of hours on Monday or Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> to help cook the meal or be a mashgiach. Please contact Stella Vladimirov or the office!

We show our appreciation by serving a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for the police officers and firefighters who will be spending Thanksgiving working rather than at home with their families. Once again we could use your assistance in the form of a donation of \$18 or more to purchase the kosher turkey and other trimmings to prepare the meal.

#### **Adult Learning at NHBZ**

Every Wednesday 12:15 pm ~ Study with Rabbi Smason- Study Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers. Class resumes Nov 6<sup>th.</sup>

**Every Monday 7:00 pm ~ "To the Source" with Rabbi Smason**. An ongoing weekly class covering contemporary Torah topics using classic and modern English and Hebrew texts. For Men and Women.

**Every Shabbos ~ Starting Points: "Wisdom for Daily Living" with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason** ~ A program tailor-made for those, regardless of prior educational or observance level, interested in growing Jewishly. Each freestanding session (at 10:15 am every Shabbos, unless otherwise noted) explores a distinct Jewish concept in practical, understandable terms. Join us to learn, explore, and raise your Jewish soul with the following eye-opening sessions:

November 2: "What Would I Tell My 20-Year-Old Self?"

November 9: "What Is One Thing You Can Remove From Your Life That Would Improve It?"

November 16: "How Do You Measure a Life Well Lived?"

November 23: "How Can Failure (Real or Apparent) Set You Up For Later Success?"

November 30: "What Book Would You Most Give as a Gift -- and Why"

**Every Shabbos** ~ Tanach (Bible) Study (3/4 hour before Mincha)

Every Sunday ~ Mishna Learning (after Shacharis) with Rabbi Chanan Swidler

**Every Monday** ~ 'Amud-of-the Week' with Rabbi Perlman (for men only)

First Tuesday of each Month ~ 2:30 pm ~ Women of the Torah ~ at the home of Jackie Berkin facilitated by Rabbi Yaakov Berkowitz of the St. Louis Kollel~ Open to all women

#### **Cash Cards**

Orders are now being taken through the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Use the card for all your shopping needs. The order form is attached to this week's bulletin. You probably will be shopping at Amazon, Dierbergs, CVS, or Walgreens this month, so why not benefit NHBZ as you shop?

#### ~ This Week's Torah Trivia ~

**Last Week's Question**: : What is the first letter of the Torah and what is the last letter of the Torah? What does this signify?

**Answer**: Bet is the 1st letter and Lamed is the last letter. Forward it spells Bal (owner) and backwards it spells Lev (heart). Think about the full implication.

**This Week's Question**: How long did the rain fall that led to the flood? How long were they in the ark?

### **In the Community**

Missouri Torah Institute invites the entire community to a Melava Malka on Motzei Shabbos, November 2nd at 9:00 PM at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Charlie and Naomi Ruth Deutsch- 241 Linden Avenue in Clayton. Special guest speaker will be Rav Akiva Grunblatt, Shlita, Rosh Yeshiva of Chofetz Chaim of Queens. The topic will be "The Pursuit of Happiness, Finding Simcha in our Lives". Come enjoy a hot pareve buffet catered by Jon Rubin Catering. The event is complimentary.

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### NUSACH HARI B'NAI ZION SISTERHOOD MISSION STATEMENT

to bring together the women of NHBZ, and other interested women, to serve and inspire our congregation, support our community, and enrich our lives through personal and spiritual growth in Torah values. Our activities further our commitment to Torah ideals, Jewish education, Zionism, and family.

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Since 1950, the Sisterhood of Nusach Hari B'nai Zion has supplemented and enhanced the physical synagogue building as well as the spirituality of the congregation. Whether providing funds for new kitchens or beautifying landscapes, the women of the Sisterhood have banded together to enrich our shul and inspire each other.

All women are welcome to join us!

→ Sisterhood Board Mtg: Tues. Nov. 12. 5:30 pm

### **BOOK CLUB NEWS**

Thanks to **Sandy Greenberg** for hosting and facilitating the Book Club on Wednesday, October 30. Sandy is a first-class hostess who also expertly led the discussion of **"Waking Lions,"** by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen, a psychological thriller and morality play that generated a stimulating discussion!

The next book club meeting is <u>Monday</u>, <u>December 16</u>, 7:15-8:45 PM, at the home of Vivian Zarkowsky, and the book will be "*Jerusalem Maiden*," by Talia Carner.

Looking ahead to 2020, the Book Club will discuss "Inheritance," by Dani Shapiro at the Feb. 24 meeting. All women welcome!

For info: call *Terri Schnitzer* at 314-518-4107 or email terrischnitzer@yahoo.com



### SISTERHOOD ELECTIONS ARE COMING....



Any woman who would like information about becoming more involved in NHBZ's Sisterhood is invited to call Fran Alper: 314-993-4024 or email: fran.alper@outlook.com.

Election of Officers and Board Members will take place Sunday, November 17.

We want YOU! We want YOU! We want YOU!

#### **NOACH: Looking at Yourself Through Others**

Before G-d brought the flood upon the world, He gave Noach specific instructions as to how to prepare for it - take seven males and seven females of each of the kosher animals, and two of each of the animals that are not kosher and place them in the ark. Commentaries ask why the Torah uses the roundabout expression "the animals which are not pure" to refer to the non-kosher animals. Generally, the Torah is very concise and sparing in its use of words and almost always uses the minimum amount of words to say the maximum amount of things. Why not say "the impure animals," rather than "the animals which are not pure"? Rashi explains that this teaches a person that he should always strive to use clean language, to speak in a refined way. In other words, since calling a non-kosher animal "impure" is not complimentary, it is preferable to call it "an animal which is not pure." In Western culture many of us are taught that you call things by their names and you don't mince words. But in the Torah it is not always regarded as a virtue to say things the way they are. This does not mean that one should lie, G-d forbid. But you can say the same thing in a pleasant, positive way instead of in a coarse way, and get your same point across. You will be understood just as well, but meanwhile you didn't contaminate your mouth. Your mouth was kept pure, because you were careful which words went out of it. Just like we have to be careful about what goes into our mouths (kosher food, etc.), we have to be careful about what comes out of our mouths.

The Torah teaches us that we must be careful with the way we **speak.** This same Torah portion teaches us that we must also take care regarding what we **look at**. Noach became drunk, fell asleep, and (unconscious of what he was doing) lay immodestly uncovered in his tent. Upon hearing of this, Noach's youngest son, Cham, focused on his indecency and publicly spoke of it, whereas Noach's older sons, Shem and Yefet, went immediately to the tent to cover Noach and restore his modesty. They even walked backwards into the tent in order to "...not see their father's nakedness."

These two incidents, about the unkosher animals and the incident about covering Noach, teach a person a very fundamental lesson in interpersonal relationships — how to avoid **saying** negative things about others, and how to avoid **seeing** negative things in others. The Ba'al Shem Tov taught that the people we encounter in our lives are our mirrors: If we see evil in them, we are really seeing a reflection

are our mirrors: If we see evil in them, we are really seeing a reflection of the evil within us. Since we are generally blind to our own faults, G-d arranges for us to notice them in someone else, expecting us to take the cue and recognize that we possess these same faults so we can correct them in ourselves. We can also help others to improve.

- Excerpted and adapted from Nechoma Greisman, www.chabad.org



## **Shabbat Dinner**

### Friday, November 8, 2019

- Services begin at 4:35 pm
- Welcoming Shabbat (Kabbalat Shabbat) at about 5:00 pm led by Max Gornish
- Programs from 5:30 6:00 pm

- Please consider
  becoming a
  Shabbat dinner
  sponsor for \$25
- 1) "The Essence of Kiddush" How To Make Kiddush" -Rabbi Ze'ev Smason
- 2) "Shine a Little Light Lighting Candles on Shabbos." Rebbitzen Chani Smason
- 3) "Family Shabbat in Story and Song for families with kids of all ages"- Richard Woolf
- Shabbat Dinner at 6:00 pm by Chef Norma Rubin
   Guest speaker: Detective Daur N. Nodari:
   'Inspecting St. Louis: Reflections of a Jewish Detective'





### Shabbos, November 16, 2019

- 8:30 am **Traditional Services** in the sanctuary
- 9:15 am **Prayer Learners Service** led by Rabbi Yosef David of Aish HaTorah St. Louis in the chapel
- 10:00 am **Starting Points** –led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason topic: "How Do You Measure a Life Well Lived?"
- 10:00 am **Children's Programming** lower level

  Tot Shabbat for ages 1-6, babysitting for younger children,

  Junior Congregation for ages 7 and up

### 11:15 am Synaplex Breakout Sessions:

**Greg Yawitz** "Community Building: How to Grow With the Power of Our People" Mr Yawitz is the Incoming president of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis and a Real Estate developer

**Rabbi Daniel Freund**: "The Anatomy of Halacha and Philosophies of Talmud Analysis" Principal, Kadimah High School

12:30 pm

Kiddush / Lunch for All - in the Social Hall

### Annual Membership Meeting Election of Officers Breakfast Brunch

Did you ever wonder how the officers of NHBZ are elected? Do you want to have a say in the future direction of NHBZ? Do you want to express your opinions to the Board of Directors?

You are invited to attend the Annual Membership Meeting and Election of Officers on Sunday, November 17, at 11:00 am. Refreshments will be served.

Each November, we hold a Membership meeting to give a 'state of the shul' report and elect officers and members of the Board of Directors. This is an opportunity for you to interact directly with the Rabbi, President and other officers and Board members about the business of the shul. If you would like to give your opinion, makes suggestions or just listen, this is your chance.

Here is how the election works. We have a nominating committee that consists of all past presidents. That committee deliberates throughout the year, and comes up with a proposed slate of officers that is presented to the Board in October. At the November Membership meeting, the slate is officially nominated, and other nominations are accepted from the floor. You can even nominate yourself. Those members who attend the meeting have the privilege of voting. The Officers and new Board members take office on January 1.

We have eight officers and fifteen Board members. **Officers serve for one year**, and can be re-elected. **Board members serve for three years**, with one third of the Board up for election each year. Sometimes we have a vacancy, and must nominate somebody to fill the rest of a term. Here is the slate of nominees for this year's election (indicated in red), along with continuing Board members.

#### NHBZ Officers – Term ends 12/31/2020

President \*Menachem Szus
Vice President \*Kenny Bressler
Vice President \*Naomi Shanker

Vice President \*(open)
Vice President \*(open)
Treasurer \*Denny Feit
Secretary \*Jennifer Hartranft

Gabbai \*Alan Zarkowsky





#### **NHBZ Board of Directors**

#### Term ends 12/31/2022

- \*Rodney John
- \*Howard Loiterstein
- \*Margo Tzadok
- \*Richard Woolf
- \*(open)

#### Term ends 12/31/2021

\*Rhonnie Goldfader Stuart Klamen Bobby Levine Ed Levitt Phyllis Silverman

#### Term ends 12/31/2020

Marcie Brook
Larry Chervitz
Faye Cohen
Jason Loiterstein
Stella Vladimirov



### TO THE SOURCE

### Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

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RSVP to jeff@nhbz.org / 991-2100 Mondays at 7:00 pm starting Nov. 4th



### Sunday, December 8, 3:30 pm

Join us as we complete the writing of our new Sefer Torah and dedicate it to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Torah Completion \* Parade \* Dedication Ceremony \* Refreshments

The scribe who writes the Torah will leave a few letters incomplete so that he can finish them at the dedication ceremony

If you donate \$500 or more to the Torah Campaign by November 22, you and your family will be entitled to 'inscribe' one of these unfinished letters (along with the scribe) at the dedication ceremony

We have dedication opportunities available from a single letter (\$36) to a complete book of the Torah (\$5400) ~ Rabbi Smason will be happy to help you select a dedication

You can continue to donate to the Torah Campaign through Shavuos 2020 ~ Our goal is 100% participation of our members!





### Your dinner invitation is in the mail.

It's not too soon to RSVP and send in your Ad!

# 114th Anniversary Banquet

### Honoring



HaKaras HaTov Award Teree Farbstein



Guests of Honor Robert & Joni Kaiser



Israel Advocacy
Award
Rick & Marcy Cornfeld

### Sunday, December 15, 2019

Clayton Plaza Hotel

7750 Carondelet Ave Clayton, MO 63105

Hors d'oeuvres at 5:30PM / Dinner & Program at 6:30PM

**\$125.00** per person

RSVP by Nov. 15 to be entered in the EarlyBird Raffle to win prizes

Anniversary Dinner Committee: Sandie Abrams, Fran & Lenny Alper, Marsha Feenberg, Rhonnie Goldfader, Dr. Eliot Katz, Bobby Levine, Jeff Miller, Robin Rickerman, Nancy Rush, Anna Rose Tendler

Don't miss out on NHBZ's biggest celebration of the year!

Phone: 314-991-2100, ext.2 Fax: 314-991-4809 Email: reservations@nhbz.org



# Women's Home Study Group

### "Women in the Torah"

First Tuesday of each Month, 2:30 pm at the home of Jackie Berkin

facilitated by Rabbi Yaakov Berkowitz of the St. Louis Kollel

- Open to all women
- Each class is self-contained
- No background knowledge needed



To RSVP, contact **Jeff** at **314-991-2100** or <u>jeff@nhbz.org</u>. We will provide host address & phone number at time of RSVP Check the latest NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin for any time changes

# NHBZ CASH CARD ORDER FORM

### **WHAT IS SCRIP, AND HOW DOES IT WORK?**

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

- You purchase gift cards from NHBZ at face-value and NHBZ receives a percentage of your purchase from each card as listed below. It's that simple.
- Orders are due on the 15th of each month, and the cards are usually available to pick up in the office within 5 business days.
- Just fill out a form and mail or drop off at the office with your payment. Fill Out: (All areas in red ) (questions? Call Laura at 991-2100 x:3)

YOUR NAME:	PHONE#:	EMAIL:

Orders & payments to NHBZ may be made by check or cash only, and MUST accompany your order form.

**POPULAR CASH CARDS PURCHASED:** 

Payments received after the 15th of the month will automatically be placed on the next order date.

\*\*A complete list of participating businesses can be found at:

### **ShopWithScrip.com**

If you do not have access to a computer or internet, please contact our office. Please do NOT order directly from the website.

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	\$100.00	2.25%		
<b>AMC Theatres</b>	\$25.00	8.0%		
CVS	\$25.00	6.0%		
	\$100.00	6.0%		
Dierberg's	\$25.00	2.5%		
	\$100.00	2.5%		
Home Depot	\$25.00	4.0%		
	\$100.00	4.0%		
Macy's	\$25.00	10.0%		
	\$100.00	10.0%		
Starbucks	\$10.00	7.0%		
	\$25.00	7.0%		
Target	\$25.00	2.5%		
	\$50.00	2.5%		
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	\$100.00	5.0%		
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Sam's Club	\$100.00	2.5%		

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