



# Shabbos Bulletin

*Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion*

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

December 14, 2019 ~ 16 Kislev 5780      Candle Lighting 4:24 pm      Shabbat Ends 5:28 pm

Torah Portion:              Genesis 32:4 -- 36:43  
Haftorah:                  Obadiah 1:1-21

Chumash pages 170-197  
Chumash pages 1141-1142

## **Thank you to our Sponsors:**

Thank you to **Irwin and Arlene Fredman** for sponsoring Shalosh Seudos in observance of the yahrzeit of Irwin's mother, Henrietta Fredman z'l.

## **Erev Shabbos, December 13**

- **Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ 4:20 pm**

## **Shabbos, December 14**

- **Shabbat Services ~ 9:00 am**
  - Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**
  - Shacharis: **Richard Woolf**
  - Leyning: **Stuart Klamen**
  - Haftorah: **Brent Waxman**
  - Drasha: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**
  - Musaf: **Menachem Szus**
- **Learners Service with Rabbi David ~ 9:30 am**
- **Babysitting ~ 10:00 am**
- **Starting Points ~ Led by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason ~10:15 am ~ Topic: "How Do You Define Success?"**
- **Mincha / Ma'ariv /Shalosh Seudos ~ 4:05 pm**

## **This Week and Beyond**

Minyan Times	Shabbos Dec 14	Sun. Dec 15	Mon. Dec 16	Tues. Dec 17	Wed. Dec 18	Thurs. Dec 19	Fri. Dec 20	Shabbos Dec 21
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*	4:05 pm	4:20 pm	4:20 pm	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	4:20 pm	4:05 pm

\* Ma'ariv only

**Happy Birthday to: Rodney John, Sandra Abrams, Elisheva Sudin, Dr. Jonathan Shanker, Frances Rothman, Victoria John, Peggy Umansky, Leslie Gitel, Rhonnie Goldfader and David Gellman**

**Anniversaries- none**

**Shabbat Greeter: Marcie Brook and Larry Chervitz**

- **Sunday, December 15 ~ 114<sup>th</sup> NHBZ Anniversary Dinner at Clayton Plaza Hotel**
- **Shabbos, December 21** ~ Kiddush Luncheon sponsored by Leo Bressler
- **Sunday, December 22** ~ First night of Chanukah
- **Shabbos, December 28** ~ We welcome guest speaker, **Jack Langen**, whose topic will be : *Courage on Campus: How a University of Illinois Student Leader Stood With the Jewish Community*". Kiddush / Luncheon
- **Sunday, December 29 ~ 4:30 - 7:30 pm ~ The NHBZ Chanukah Party for Kids and Adults is going to be fantastic! Amy and Denny Feit** are chairing the party and they have planned an event not to be missed. **Please RSVP early! Adults \$14 -Kids \$8- Family max \$48.** After December 20<sup>th</sup> the price goes up. We are also looking for sponsors for the dinner at \$25 -\$100.
- **Shabbos, January 25** ~ Synaplex Shabbat ~ featuring Nadav Alkoby, Midwest Campus Coordinator at ZOA Campus,

## **Parshas Vayishlach**

Jacob and his family returned from the house of Laban to the land of Israel, only to find Esau heading toward them with 400 men, ready for battle. After preparing his family for war and praying to G-d for help, Jacob attempts to appease his brother by sending him a gift of many animals. After his family crosses the river to await the meeting with Esau, Jacob is left alone for an all-night 'confrontation' with an angel disguised as a man. Although Jacob is victorious, he is left limping from a hip-dislocation. Rejoining his family, Jacob encounters Esau who accepts him with an apparent new-found brotherly love. Jacob and Esau part ways in peace. Another crisis arises when Jacob's daughter Dinah is abducted and raped by Shechem, the prince of a town with the same name. Two of Jacob's sons, outraged at the humiliation caused to their sister, trick the town's residents into circumcising themselves on the condition that they would then be allowed to intermarry with Jacob's family. Simeon and Levi (two sons of Jacob) then decimate the entire city and save Dinah. Later in the portion, G-d blesses Jacob and gives him the additional name, Israel. Soon after, Rachel dies while giving birth to Benjamin, Jacob's twelfth son. Finally, Jacob returns home and is reunited with his father Isaac. The Torah portion concludes with a lengthy genealogy of Esau's family.

## **Adult Learning at NHBZ**

**Every Wednesday 12:15 pm ~ Study with Rabbi Smason- Study Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers.**

**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:

December 14: "How Do You Define Success?"

December 21: "What Do You Love About Being Jewish?"

December 28: "Chanukah: Do Miracles Still Happen?"

**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



***Congratulations  
to all our Honorees!***

# *114<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet*

**Honoring**



**HaKaras HaTov  
Award**  
Teree Farbstein



**Guests of Honor**  
Robert & Joni Kaiser



**Israel Advocacy  
Award**  
Rick & Marcy Cornfeld

## **Sunday, December 15, 2019**

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

## *Clayton Plaza Hotel*

**7750 Carondelet Ave  
Clayton, MO 63105**

**From Carondelet – Enter hotel driveway – Go straight ahead –  
Follow signs to parking garage – Go up to bridge and cross over  
to Hotel – Take elevator up to Crystal Ballroom**

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

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# JOIN US FOR A FAMILY Chanukah Party!

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, 2019**  
**4:30-7:30 PM**

**Fun Activities For both Children And Adults ...**

Balloons by Mike

Arts and Crafts

Dreidel Games (with prizes)

Bingo for Kids and Adults (more prizes!)



## A Festive Dinner



with Jelly Doughnuts and  
Beverages, including "Adult Beverages"

**\$14-Adults • \$8-Kids 10 and under • 3 and under no charge, \$48-Family cap.**

**\* Price after Dec. 20th \$18 Adults- \$14 kids under 10.**

**Please Consider Being A Sponsor for \$25-\$100**

**RSVP By December 20th\* to [Jeff@nhbz.org](mailto:Jeff@nhbz.org) or 314- 991-2100**





# Courage on Campus

## Shabbos, December 28, 2019



We welcome University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Body Vice-President Jack Langen who stood up for Jewish students by speaking against an anti-Israel resolution proposed by the student government.

**Services 9:00 am**

**Kiddush Luncheon 12:15 pm**

Mr. Langen will speak during lunch on:

**"Courage on Campus: How a University of Illinois Student Leader Stood With the Jewish Community"**

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To read more about Mr. Langen please go to:

<https://www.algemeiner.com/2019/10/31/university-of-illinois-student-leader-hailed-for-courageous-stand-with-jewish-community-in-fight-against-anti-israel-resolution/>





# THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP DECEMBER



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## This MONDAY, Dec. 16, is a unique opportunity for all NHBZ Book Club members

The **author herself will Skype** with us at our next book club meeting on **Mon, Dec. 16,**



**7:15-8:45 PM** at the home of Vivian Zarkowsky. The book is **"Jerusalem Maiden"** by **Talia Carner**, a saga, a history, and a dramatic and hopeful love story that also moves through the exciting art

world of early 20th century Paris and modern day Israel. For more info or to **RSVP** call **Terri Schnitzer** at **314-518-4107** or email **terrischnitzer@yahoo.com**

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

## Sisterhood Welcomes our New Torah



"Miriam, the prophetess, Aaron's sister, took a timbrel in her hand, and all the women came out after her with timbrels and with dances."

**\*Shemos/Exodus 15:20 is the verse chosen by Sisterhood to dedicate**

## The Power of Altruism

*Rachel died and was buried on the road leading to Efrat. Efrat is also known as Bethlehem.*

- Genesis 35:19

We are taught that Rachel chose to be buried in Bethlehem, rather than in Hebron with the other patriarchs and matriarchs. She foresaw that the Jewish people would pass by Bethlehem many centuries later when they were driven out of the Land of Israel following the destruction of the first Temple. At that time, after the patriarchs tried but failed to appease G-d, Rachel argued that just as she had not been jealous of her sister Leah when she became Jacob's wife, G-d should not be "jealous" of the idols the Jews had worshipped. G-d accepted her argument, and proclaimed: "Because of you, Rachel, I will return the Jewish people to their homeland."

It is Rachel's self-sacrifice and devotion that evoke G-d's promise to redeem us, despite our misdeeds and shortcomings. -from the *Lubavitcher Rebbe*, adapted by Moshe Wisniefsky (www.chabad.org)

*Mazel Tov to*

Our own Sisterhood President and recipient of the *HaKaras HaTov* Award

***Teree Farbstein***

and to Guests of Honor

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and to recipients of the Israel Advocacy Award

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December 14: "How Do You Define Success?"

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January 4: "What Three People, Living or Dead, Would You Invite to Dinner?"

January 11: "Listen to Your Messages: How Do You Know When It's G-d Who Is Talking?"

January 18: "The Surprising Spiritual Side of Winter"

January 25: "Humor: Laughing When You Need It Most"





# TO THE SOURCE

## Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

### A LEARNING PROGRAM

## ENGLISH AND HEBREW TEXT

### FOR MEN AND WOMEN

#### TOPICS INCLUDE:

Mitzvah of Writing a Sefer Torah      Mitzvah of Tzedaka  
Laws of Conversion      Mitzvah of Honoring our Parents

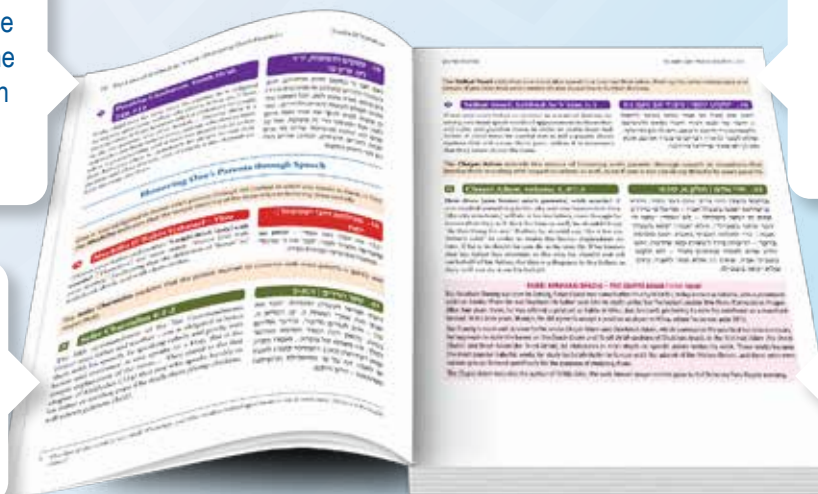


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**Mondays at 7:00 pm**

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# Torah Campaign Giving Levels

There are many ways to participate in the writing of the **NHBZ TORAH**. You can make dedications in honor of family members or friends, in memory of loved ones, to commemorate a special occasion, your birthday, an anniversary, Bnai Mitzvah, or life cycle event. Consider including your children and grandchildren in the writing of our Sefer Torah so that they, too, can fulfill the Mitzvah. When the Torah is nearly complete, we will have a completion and dedication ceremony at NHBZ on Sunday, December 8.

Please reserve the following dedications by circling your choice(s) and filling in your selections on the Order Form (prices are for each individual item, but you may select more than one of an item):

1. **One complete book of the Five Books of the Torah**..... **\$5400**
2. **Beginning or ending verses of the Torah** ..... **\$5000**
3. **Special Torah Selections** ..... **\$2500**

Suggestions:

Blessings for our Children

Shema Yisrael

The Ten Commandments

Az Yashir - Song at Splitting of the Sea

Birchat Kohanim - Priestly Blessings

Vayehi Binsoa - Prayer at the Ark Opening

Chazak - Final verse of one of the first 4 books

Hashem Hashem - G-D's 13 Attributes of Mercy

Your favorite or significant selection

4. **Weekly Torah Portions(s) – Sedra(s)** ..... **\$1800**
5. **Yom Tov / Special Holiday Torah Portion(s)** ..... **\$1000**
6. **Torah Sections - Aliya/ot or Maftir** ..... **\$540**

Suggestion: Select one of the seven aliyot of a weekly Torah portion or the Maftir from a Bnai Mitzvot or wedding

7. **Torah Verses – Pasuk(im)** ..... **\$180**

Suggestion: Select a verse that has a special meaning to you

8. **Letter(s) in the Torah** ..... **\$36**

Suggestion: Select letters of a family name

***The scribe always leaves a few letters of a new Torah incomplete so that he can finish them at a dedication ceremony. If you dedicate \$500 or more, you and your family will be entitled to 'inscribe' one of these unfinished letters (along with the scribe) at our dedication ceremony.***

**List the specific name, number or letter of your selection(s)**

1. Book(s) of the Torah \_\_\_\_\_
2. Beginning or Ending Verse(s) of the Torah \_\_\_\_\_
3. Special Torah Selection(s) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Weekly Torah Portion(s) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Yom Tov Torah Portion(s) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Torah Section(s) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Torah Verse(s) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Letter(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Specify the text of your dedication(s)**

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**Ex: The Book of Bereishis is dedicated in memory of my father Chaim Yenkel by Motke Habad and family**

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