



# Shabbos Bulletin

*Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion*

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

January 11, 2020 ~ 14 Tevet 5780

Candle Lighting 4:40 pm

Shabbat Ends 5:44 pm

Parshas Vayechi Genesis 47:28 -- 50:26  
Haftorah: 1 Kings 2:1-12

Chumash pages 268 - 289  
Chumash pages 1145- 1146

## Thank you to our Sponsors:

Thank you to **David, Max, Sam** and **Morissa Pepose** for sponsoring the brownies in celebration of their Dad, **Dr. Jay Pepose**, on his BIG Birthday!

Our enhanced kiddush is given with gratitude by the **McCary** family to **Rabbi Smason** and the entire congregation for all the support and prayers for **Brian McCary's** quick recovery (two back surgeries) over the last year!

## Erev Shabbos, January 10

- Mincha & Ma'ariv ~ 4:35 pm

## Shabbos, January 11

- Shabbat Services ~ 9:00 am

- Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler**  
- Shacharis: **Richard Woolf**  
- Leyning: **Rabbi Perlman**

- Haftorah: **Kenny Bressler**  
- Drasha: **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason**  
- Musaf: **Rabbi Perlman**

- Learners Service with Rabbi David ~ 9:30 am
- Junior Congregation / Babysitting ~ 10:00 am
- Starting Points ~ Led by **Rabbi Ze'ev Smason** ~10:15 am ~ Topic: "Listen to Your Messages: How Do You Know When It's G-d Who Is Talking?"
- Mincha / Ma'ariv /Shalosh Seudos ~ 4:25 pm

## This Week and Beyond

Minyan Times	Shabbos Jan 11	Sun. Jan 12	Mon. Jan 13	Tues. Jan 14	Wed. Jan 15	Thurs. Jan 16	Fri. Jan 17	Shabbos Jan 18
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*	4:25 pm	4:45 pm	4:45 pm	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	6:45 pm*	4:45 pm	4:35 pm

\* Ma'ariv only

**Happy Birthday to: Norman Shore, Andrew Sher, Arthur Muskin, Dr. Caryn Garriga, Abigail Bialecki and Yael Minoff**

**Anniversaries- Sam & Shirley Bluestein, Larry & Rayna Chervitz and Harold & Fran Hoffman**



# The 2019 NHBZ Anniversary Dinner Page

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**City Museum**

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## **Support these businesses and organizations that support us!**

The following businesses and organizations helped support NHBZ by placing ads in our 2019 Dinner Ad Journal. We urge our members and guests to support them.

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## Shabbat Greeters: Teree Farbstein and Susan Feigenbaum

- **Tuesday, January 14 ~ 7:15 pm** ~ NHBZ Board Meeting
- **Sunday, January 19 ~ 1:00 3:30 pm** ~ Special Tour of the Holocaust Museum & Learning Center sponsored by the NHBZ Sisterhood. RSVP to [laura@nhbz.org](mailto:laura@nhbz.org) or call the office.
- **Shabbos, January 25 ~ Synaplex Shabbat** ~ featuring: **Nadav Alkoby**, ZOA (*Zionist Organization of America*) *Midwest Campus Coordinator*, who will speak on: "Winning Hearts and Minds on College Campus" and **Rabbi Yosef Landa**, *Director, Chabad of Greater St. Louis*, who's topic will be: "Yeshiva in Shanghai". Kiddush Luncheon. This Synaplex is sponsored by **Dr. Stephen and Myra Radinsky**.

## Parshas Vayechi

The final portion of the first book of the Torah describes Jacob's actions immediately preceding his death in Egypt. Jacob makes Joseph swear to bury him in the land of Israel, and then gives Joseph's two sons, Menashe and Ephraim, a special blessing. Notwithstanding Joseph's protest, Jacob insists on giving the younger Ephraim the right-hand position of primacy during the blessing (is this the origin of 'my right-hand man'? ). Jacob then proceeds to give each of his other sons their individual blessings in accordance with their own unique character traits and life purpose. Jacob passes away at the age of 147. He then is brought by his sons and accompanied by a great procession of Egyptian royalty to the land of Israel where he is buried in M'aras HaMachpelah (The Tomb of the Patriarchs). Upon returning to Egypt, Joseph's brothers fear that he will finally take revenge now that their father is dead. However, Joseph reassures them that he bears no hard feelings. The portion concludes with Joseph's death and the Jewish people's promise to carry his bones with them to Israel when they are finally redeemed.

## Message from the President....

As we start a new calendar year, it is a good time to consider joining a synagogue committee. Most of what gets accomplished at the shul is through the work of a committee, and you don't need to be a Board member to join a committee. In fact, we don't have nearly enough Board members to populate all the committees and do all the work that needs to get done. This is a good time to join a committee because many of them are starting their plans for 2020, and you can get involved from the beginning.

Here is a brief list of committee opportunities - Anniversary Dinner, Building, Chesed, Children and Family, Israel, Landscaping, Logistics, Membership, Outreach, Rabbi Ride-Around, Religious, Security. Every one of you has skills that can help NHBZ. If you haven't served on a committee, give it a try. It's very satisfying . . . and fun, too.

Volunteering is not just good for the shul; it is good for you. Here are some of the benefits of volunteering: you can learn or develop new skills, teach your skills to others, build self-esteem and self-confidence, make new friends, and improve your health. If you would like to join one of these committees, or propose a new committee or idea, please let us know. 991-2100 ext 2 or email [jeff@nhbz.org](mailto:jeff@nhbz.org)

**SHABBOS HALACHAS (Laws of Shabbos)** An eruv is an enclosure, constructed according to halacha (Jewish law), as a way to permit Jewish residents or visitors to carry certain objects outside their own homes on Shabbos and Yom Kippur. The St. Louis eruv encompasses parts (but not all) of Olivette, U.City and Clayton. We respectfully request that SHABBOS BULLETINS or any other item not be removed from the synagogue by those who do not live within the eruv. Questions? Ask Rabbi Smason.

## **Reminder**

When you are planning to have a kiddush luncheon, enhancing a kiddush or requesting a cake for a simcha please place your order at least **10 days** ahead of Shabbat. Our volunteer shopper and cooks will appreciate it!

## **Sisterhood News**

- **NHBZ Sisterhood Book Club meets Monday, Jan. 13, 7:15-8:45 pm**

The ***author herself will Skype*** with us at the home of Vivian Zarkowsky.

For more info or to **RSVP** call **Terri Schnitzer** 314-518-4107, [terrischnitzer@yahoo.com](mailto:terrischnitzer@yahoo.com), or **Vivian Zarkowsky** 314-997-1866, [avzark@aol.com](mailto:avzark@aol.com).

At the February 24th meeting, the Book Club will discuss ***"Inheritance"*** by Dani Shapiro.

- **Sisterhood Board Meeting Tuesday, Jan. 14, 5:30-7:00pm**

In the lower level classroom. For more info: **Teree Farbstein** 314-753-5035, [farbstein2@gmail.com](mailto:farbstein2@gmail.com)

- **Tour of St. Louis Holocaust Museum & Learning Center on Sun, Jan. 19, 1:00-3:30pm**

Meet at the HMLC, 12 Millstone Campus Dr. To RSVP call **Jeff** at 314-991-2100, ext. 2. n contact **Margo Tzadok** at 314-323-0629, [tmargo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tmargo@sbcglobal.net)

## **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:

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"

**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

## **Torah Triva from the Parsha this week:**

Question: Why are we called B'nai Yisrael and not B'nai Yitzhah or B'nai Avraham?  
The answer is?.....

## **Attention: All NHBZ Members :You are invited to join the Greeter Team.**

Participate in the mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim (hospitality) and help welcome visitors, guests, and members to our Shul. Sign up now for the 2020 Greeter schedule! For more information contact Fran Alper at 314-993-4024 or [fran.alper@outlook.com](mailto:fran.alper@outlook.com)



**The NHBZ Israel Committee sponsored pizzas for a break the fast after the 10<sup>th</sup> of Teves for IDF soldiers stationed in Hebron – Thank you to those who contributed and thank you to the IDF!**





# **NHBZ Sisterhood** *presents*

## **A Special Tour of the St. Louis Holocaust Museum and Learning Center**



*Featuring...*

- ★ Private Tour of the Museum
- ★ Eyewitness Account by Survivor *Rachel Miller*
- ★ Light Refreshments

**Sunday, January 19, 2020**  
**1:00-3:30 pm**

**Meet at the Holocaust Museum & Learning Center  
in the Kaplan Feldman Complex (Jewish Federation Bldg.)  
12 Millstone Campus Drive**

***No Charge* for NHBZ Members**

**to RSVP call Jeff at 314-991-2100, ext.2  
or email [sisterhood@nhbz.org](mailto:sisterhood@nhbz.org)**

**for more information, or to sponsor this event,  
contact *Margo Tzadok* at 314-323-0629 or [tmargo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tmargo@sbcglobal.net)**





**Shabbat**

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## Shabbos, January 25, 2020

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:

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

11:30 am

### **Synaplex Breakout Sessions with speakers:**

**Nadav Alkoby**, *Midwest Campus Coordinator at ZOA Campus ~*  
Topic: "Winning Hearts and Minds on College Campus"

**Rabbi Yosef Landa**, *Chabad St. Louis ~ Topic: "Yeshiva in Shanghai"*

Thousands of Jews found refuge in Japanese occupied Shanghai, while Jewish life in Europe was being decimated in the years 1940-45, including the remnants of the Chabad Yeshiva in Warsaw and Vilna. Among was Rabbi Avraham Tzvi Landa, father of Rabbi Yosef Landa.

A miraculous story of dedication, undaunted faith, resilience and religious perseverance.

***This Synaplex is sponsored by Dr. Stephen and Myra Radinsky***

12:30 pm **Kiddush / Lunch for All** - in the Social Hall

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***NHBZ Synaplex Shabbat is free and open to the Jewish public  
Home hospitality is available. Call the NHBZ office at 314-991-2100 ext. 2 for details.***



# TO THE SOURCE

## Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

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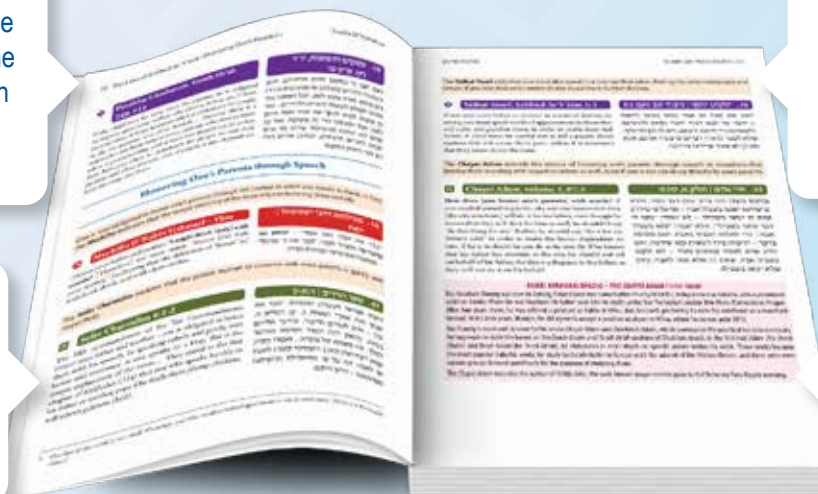


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