



NHBZ Shabbos Bulletin

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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June 12, 2021 • 2 Tammuz 5781 • Candle Lighting 8:07 pm • Shabbos Concludes 9:10 pm

Parshas Korach
Haftorah

Numbers 16:1 - 18:32
Samuel 11:14 - 12:22

Stone Chumash pp. 820 - 837
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Thanks to Our Generous Sponsors

Thanks to Fran and Dr. David Reisler for sponsoring today's Kiddush Lunch in honor of their 60th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to the Reislers on 60 years of wedded bliss, and may they enjoy many more years being *rayim ahuvim* - beloved friends to each other!

Prayer

Erev Shabbos, Friday, June 11

- 7:00 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv
- 8:07 pm Candle Lighting

Shabbos, Saturday, June 12

- 9:00 am Shachris followed by Musaf
- 7:55 pm Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv
- 9:10 pm Shabbos concludes

Minyan Times June 10 – June 19



	Thu Jun 10 *	Fri Jun 11 *	Shabbos Jun 12	Sun Jun 13	Mon Jun 14	Tues Jun 15	Wed Jun 16	Thur Jun 17	Fri Jun 18	Shabbos Jun 19
Shachris (am)	6:45	6:45	9:00	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	7:00	7:00	7:55	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:55

* Thursday and Friday, June 10 & 11, Rosh Chodesh Tammuz

Congregation News

Simchas for the Week of June 12 – June 18

Birthdays

Barb Bressler June 12
Nathan Brook June 12
Yitzchak Rubin June 17
Richard Woolf June 17

Anniversaries

Ed & Jane Lyss June 14
Drs. Laura &
David Goldmeier June 14



Please report any missing or incorrect information in this bulletin to the office.

Refuah Shelema

Please send tributes and words of encouragement and support for Trudy Sudin to:

Gary Sudin
408 Berkley Place Court
Saint Louis, MO 63132

Special Gifts Campaign

Good Shabbos.

The world is beginning to reopen. The Shul has reopened. Especially now, these are times when people need connections. We need you back and active. There is no greater place than our Shul for people to find meaning, to find family, and to share with friends. The leadership of the Shul has rightly decided that the future of Nusach Hari B'nai Zion hinges upon our ability to bring in young members and to attract young families with children. That is the thrust of our Special Gifts Campaign.

Many of you have already made a pledge to this important effort. I am reaching out again seeking your participation in this critical project. We hired Rabbi Okin, who has now established himself in the community and has become an important part of NHBZ. The funds raised in the campaign will be directed to cover the costs of additional children's, young singles and family programming that the Shul will now offer to all our members. As you may be aware, Rav Okin has already begun many of these activities. As outlined last year, we are looking for commitments for each of the next three years.



The Campaign will run from now through the end of July, culminating with a celebration early in August. While we are planning a PHONE-A-THON in early July to gather additional pledges, please feel free to call the office to join in this effort. Many of you may recall my Yizkor Appeal Speech several years ago when I talked about the favorite member of the Shul, the guy who gets it all done, the person who serves on committees, the leader of the congregation....Who is he???? of course, he's THE OTHER GUY. Well, this year may it be my prayer for each of you to look deep into your soul and recognize the time has come, YOU have it within you to be that OTHER GUY.

A special thank you to the members who have already committed to this important project. Please be safe and well, and understand just how much we appreciate your continued support of the Shul.

Jay B. Umansky

Chair, Special Gifts Campaign

Volunteer Opportunities



NHBZ needs YOU more than ever!

We are now serving Shalosh Seudos on Shabbos afternoon; however, we need someone to take charge of helping us fulfill this mitzvah until we hire a new Shul Administrator. If you are prepared to help with this, please email your contact information to office@nhbz.org or leave a message at 314-991-2100 ext 2.

NHBZ Homecoming Month Continues

Sunday, June 13

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

- Ice Cream Social
Indoors at the back of the Sanctuary

Wednesday, June 16

12:15 pm

- *Pirkei Avos Class, In Person at NHBZ*

Monday, June 28

7:15 pm

- Sisterhood Book Club
At the home of Linda Shore



Sunday, July 25

4:00 pm

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

- BBQ Dinner at Irv Zeid Park Pavillion
- 'Doors' open
- Dinner is served

THE FOLLOWING SUPERSEDES ALL PREVIOUS GUIDELINES

- *No limit on the number of people who may attend services or events*
- *No proof of vaccination is required to attend services*
- *No pre-registration is required to attend services*
- *No need to count the number of people who verify that they are vaccinated*

THAT MAKES IT MUCH EASIER TO JOIN US FOR HOMECOMING MONTH!

THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 13TH

4:00-6:00PM

IN THE NHBZ SOCIAL HALL



**Stop by for a sweet summer
treat & shmooze with friends**

**Individual bars + snow cones +
sugar-free + non-dairy available**

Free of Charge!

**Kashrus under the supervision of Rabbi
Ze'ev Smason**

More Congregation News

Guidelines for Food Service as of May 17, 2021, Per Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

- If you are fully vaccinated, you do not need to be 'socially distanced' while eating, but we prefer that you eat in small groups of those whom you know are vaccinated
- If you are not fully vaccinated, please maintain a 'social distance' of at least 3 feet from others (except for those who are in your 'pod').
- All servers must be fully vaccinated, and must wear gloves and masks
- Servers will distribute pre-packaged food. When getting food from the serving table, please do not gather around the table, but rather, approach the server one at a time.

Other Guidelines

The Covid pandemic is not completely over. You might have noticed that some precautions remain in place. We are taking steps to return to pre-pandemic status, but we are still observing some safeguards:

- We are not carrying the Torah around the Sanctuary
- Men with an Aliyah do not remain at the Bima for the next Aliyah, but return to their seats
- The "choir" is not leading singing from the Bima at the end of services

Coming Events

- *Every Shabbos* – Starting Points, Learners Service
- *Sunday, June 13* – *Ice Cream Social*
- *Every Wednesday* - *Pirkei Avos Class with Rabbi Smason*
- Monday, June 28 – Sisterhood Book Club
- Sunday, July 25 – BBQ Dinner at Irv Zeid Park Pavillion
- Sunday, December 12 – Save the Date 😊

Meetings

- Public Relations Committee (IN PERSON at NHBZ) – Monday, June 14, 7:45 pm
- Anniversary Event Committee – Tuesday, June 15, 3:00 pm
- Executive Committee – Tuesday, June 22, 7:45 pm

Committee members should always check to find out if a meeting time has changed.
Committee Chairmen, please submit meeting days and times to the office by Tuesday afternoon in order to be listed in the Shabbos Bulletin.



Tehillim Circle Requests Volunteers

The recitation of Tehillim (Psalms) inspires and serves as a reminder of the role G-d plays in our lives, and provides us with a communication vehicle with G-d as we plead for his merciful intervention on behalf of those facing medical, emotional, spiritual or financial challenges.

NHBZ has an organized 'Tehillim Circle', whose members recite Tehillim on behalf of those in need. If you know somebody facing challenges, you can add her or him to the list of people on whose behalf we say Tehillim.

Please contact Julie Eisenberg at 314-494-8437 or

juliecooks@icloud.com to place someone's name on the list or to volunteer to join the Tehillim Circle.

Men and Women are welcome.



Youth Programming

“Teen Schmooze”, a special opportunity just for teens in an informal group setting, is now underway. This program meets every Sunday – middle school students start at 9:00 am, and high school students at 9:30 am. **Join us indoors at the back of the NHBZ Sanctuary. Refreshments will be served!** For details, contact Rabbi Okin at aviokin@nhbz.org.



The final Middle School Group of the season will be this Sunday, June 13.
The final High School Group of the season will be on Sunday, June 20.
Teen Schmooze will resume in a month or so. Watch for announcements!

Community News

The Sarah Adelman Memorial Fund* of Dallas, Texas, invites you to attend a community-wide event commemorating the 15th Yahrzeit of **Sarah Adelman, z'l**

Sunday, July 11, 2021 at 11:00 am

Via Zoom through the courtesy of Young Israel of St. Louis**

featuring **Rabbanit Shani Taragin** speaking on the topic

“Eichah & Eliyahu: Agony of Abandonment and Cries of Consolation”

* The Fund supports needy children in the St. Louis Orthodox community who need counselling;
To contribute to the fund, go to the website samfstl.com

** To obtain the Zoom link, send an email to samfstl@gmail.com

Welcome Home



Learning at NHBZ

● Parshas Korach

This week's Torah portion begins with the infamous rebellion led by Korach against his cousins, Moses and Aaron, claiming that the two of them had usurped power from the rest of the Jewish people. Korach, motivated by jealousy and a desire for honor, rejected Moses' authority and claimed that the appointment of Aaron as *Kohen Gadol* (Head Kohen) was motivated by nepotism. Korach cleverly persuaded 250 judges and others from disaffected groups to become his followers in the rebellion. A frequent theme in the Torah is: Sooner or later G-d always gets the last word. In Korach's case, it was sooner. What was the result of the rebellion? G-d made the earth open up to swallow Korach, the ringleaders of the rebellion, and their families. Fire consumed the remainder of the 250 rebels. The story of Korach's rebellion concludes with an act of reconciliation -- and surprisingly, a U.S. Presidential reference. The staffs of the leaders of the 12 tribes were placed near the Ark of the Covenant. To prove that the tribe of Levi and Aaron was Divinely chosen, Aaron's staff sprouted leaves, almond blossoms and even almonds. I suppose you could say that this miracle made AaronChief of Staff!



● Rabbi Smason's Starting Points

Join Rabbi Smason for a 45-minute presentation/discussion of relevant, contemporary topics every Shabbos at 10:15 am in the Feigenbaum-Pepose Multi-Purpose Room. Following is the list of upcoming topics:

June 12	To Tell the Truth: Is Honesty Always the Best Policy?
June 19	How Fathers Change Lives: Stories of Remarkable Dads
June 26	What Do You Love About Being Jewish?

● NHBZ Mishmar - Join Rabbi Okin

and young men from all over St. Louis for Mishmar, an evening gathering of Torah and Camaraderie on Thursday Nights from 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm. ***We will meet indoors at the back of the NHBZ sanctuary*** with a text-based and interactive learning session. If you are interested, join the WhatsApp group with this link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/leuwWw6NTFI DC96XIXkRGv>

● Rabbi Smason's Shabbos Shoutout

The most recent Shoutout can be found at https://youtu.be/KLHrgTWOW_4

- The complete list of Shabbos Shoutouts can be found as follows. Click on the following link to go to Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/>. In the Youtube search bar type "NHBZ Shabbos Shoutout" for a complete list of all Shabbos Shoutout videos in date order – newest to oldest.

● Rabbi Okin's Torah Thoughts

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<https://www.youtube.com/>. In the Youtube search bar type "Rabbi Okin Torah Thought" for a complete list of all Torah Thought videos in date order – newest to oldest.

● Rabbi David's Learners Service

Every Shabbos at 9:15 am. Just starting out? No worries. Rabbi David teaches the basics of Shabbos prayers.



NHBZ Online Classes

Rabbi Ze'ev Smason will keep you connected during this challenging time. The classes listed below are easy to join and you can drop in on one without having previously attended. All classes are offered through Zoom video conferencing on your computer or smart phone (you do not need to download the Zoom application

Instructions to Attend Classes

For audio through your telephone, connect in one of two ways:

1. *Preferred option* - Call 312- 626 - 6799 which connects you to the ZOOM audio number and will enable you to participate fully, except for the video. Toll Free.
2. Or call 314-325-8791 for our old audio connection. We encourage you to use the *preferred option* since this way might become unavailable soon.

For Zoom video, each class has a Zoom link shown underlined in blue below. Click or tap on the link, or copy and paste the link into your browser to join the class.

List of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason's Zoom Classes

1. Weekdays, 8:15 am (Sun 9:15 am) ~ New topic "Tehillim Tips: Insights Into Our Prayers". Sessions are approximately 30 minutes.
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/99013706617>
2. Monday thru Friday, 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm ~ "King David: His Life, Times and Spirit".
An in-depth study of King David through sources in the Books of Samuel and Psalms.
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/136785930>
3. Fridays, 8:15 am ~ Discussion of the "Haftorah of the Week"
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/99013706617>
4. Mondays, 7:45 pm ~ "To the Source" covers contemporary Torah topics using classic and modern English and Hebrew texts.
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/295822730>
5. Wednesdays, 12:15 pm ~ Pirkei Avos (Ethics of the Fathers). Our long-running class offers relevant, contemporary insights based upon the timeless wisdom of the Torah.

Starting Wednesday, June 16 – Class will be In Person at NHBZ



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THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP

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Korach: “Inside/Outside”

The parsha this week tells of the mutiny led by Korach, a cousin of Moses who challenged Moses' authority. In the end, Korach and his henchmen were swallowed by the earth in a divine display of rather unearthly justice.

The Midrash reveals some of the behind-the-scenes dialogue between these men. Korach was of noble lineage; he was clever, wealthy and quite charismatic. One of the questions Korach put to Moses was this: does a house full of holy books still require a mezuzah? Moses answered that it did. Korach scoffed at the idea, ridiculing Moses. The little mezuzah contains the Shema—only two chapters of Torah. A whole houseful of books with the entire Torah won't do the trick, and a little mezuzah will? It doesn't make any sense, argued Korach.

Why was Moses' answer correct? What indeed is the significance of a small parchment on the doorpost in relation to a library inside? The Lubavitcher Rebbe explained that it all depends on location. The books are inside. The mezuzah is outside. When there are Jewish texts inside our study and living rooms, this indicates that the home is a Jewish home. This is good, and as it should be. But what happens when we leave the comfortable confines of our home? Do we cease to be Jewish?

The mezuzah is at the threshold of our homes, at the juncture and crossover between our inner lives and outer lives. As we make the transition from private person to public citizen, we need to be reminded of whom we are, and that we take our identity with us wherever we may go. There is only One G-d, says the little scroll, whether in our private domain or in the big, wide world.

One of the many works by well-known author Herman Wouk is an autobiographical novel called *Inside, Outside*, in which he portrays his own inner struggles straddling these two worlds. His pious Talmudist grandfather had a profound influence on him, but so did Hollywood and Broadway. It took him a long time to find his way and settle into an observant Jewish lifestyle while still writing bestsellers.

Being Jewish “Inside” is relatively easy. It's when we hit the “Outside” that we encounter temptation and turmoil. The challenge every Jew must face is to remain proudly Jewish even in the face of conflicting cultures, curious looks, and often, hostile attitudes.

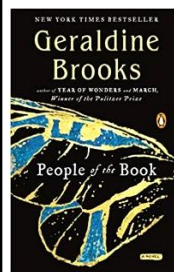
In the German-Jewish community of old there was a slogan which has long been discredited. Yehudi b'veitecha v'adam b'tzeitecha. “Be a Jew in your home and a human being outside.” The Nazis did not distinguish between Jews who looked Jewish or those who had removed visible identification.

Today, traditional dress reflecting a national character is common, accepted, and respected—from Scottish kilts to Arab kaffiyehs. The outlandish hairstyles of sportsmen and celebrities are not only accepted—they are mimicked mindlessly by millions of wannabes. Is it too much to expect a Jew to assert his Jewishness in unfamiliar corporate territory, or to keep the kippah on his head even when he walks out of shul?

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Sisterhood's Book Club News

As part of NHBZ's *Homecoming Month*, the next Book Club Meeting will be ... *in-person ... on Monday, June 28 at 7:15-8:45pm*



at the home of *Linda Shore*, to discuss “*People of the Book*” by Geraldine Brook, the historical novel that traces the journey of the famed 15th century Sarajevo Haggadah. *Linda Luks* will facilitate the discussion.

Mark your calendars now for these upcoming Book Club discussions dates. *Locations TBA.*

- ☐ **Aug. 23 “Florence Adler Swims Forever”**
by Rachel Beanland – led by Faith Waxman
- ☐ **Oct. 25 “The Third Daughter”** by Talia Carner
– discussion led by Ilene Brooks Scharnhorst

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



“Within the limits of human intelligence, we can climb at least part of the way to heaven but the purpose of the climb is the return to earth, knowing that here is where G-d wants us to be and where he has given us work to do.”

– Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks ^{Z”L}

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Moses rejected Korach's argument, with good reason. The mezuzah does not replace the need for Jewish libraries, but it serves as a perennial reminder on our doorways. As we step out of our home to enter the outside world, it beckons us to take our G-d and our Torah, our values and our traditions, along with us.

-adapted from *Rabbi Yossy Goldman*, www.chabad.org