



NHBZ Weekly News

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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January 22, 2022 • 20 Shevat 5782 • Candle Lighting 4:52 pm • Shabbos Concludes 5:56 pm

Parshas Yisro
Haftorah

Exodus 18:1 – 20:23
Isaiah 6:1 – 6:13

Stone Chumash pp. 394 – 415
Stone Chumash pp. 1154 – 1155

We thank the generous sponsor of this week's Weekly News:

Ed Levitt - in honor and celebration of Helayne Levitt's 75th birthday

Prayer

Shabbos, Friday, January 21

- 4:45 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv
- 4:52 pm Candle Lighting

Shabbos, Saturday, January 22

- 9:00 am Shachris followed by Musaf
Pesukei D'Zimra: **Menachem Szus** Haftorah: **Kenny Bressler**
Shacharis: **Rabbi Avi Okin** Sermon: **Rabbi Avi Okin**
Leyning: **Stuart Klamen** Musaf: **Rabbi Avi Okin**



- **Following Musaf - Siyum of Celebration**

We are happy to announce that our Sunday morning Mishna class concluded Mesachta Nazir and also completed the study of Seder (Order) Nashim. We will celebrate this at the conclusion of Musaf with a short Siyum led by **Rabbi Chanan Swidler. Mazel tov!**

- 4:35 pm Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, D'var Torah by **Rabbi Avi Okin**, Ma'ariv
- 5:56 pm Shabbos concludes

Shabbos Mornings Kids' Programs

Every Shabbos, from 10:00 am until Kiddush is served, NHBZ offers programs for elementary and middle school students. Families do NOT need to be members of NHBZ to participate. See you Shabbos!

Minyan Times January 20 – January 29, 2022

	Thu Jan 20	Fri Jan 21	Shabbos Jan 22	Sun Jan 23	Mon Jan 24	Tues Jan 25	Wed Jan 26	Thu Jan 27	Fri Jan 28	Shabbos Jan 29
Shachris (am)	7:00	7:00	9:00	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	--	4:45	4:35	4:55	4:55	--	--	--	4:55	4:45
Ma'ariv Only (pm)	6:45	--	--	--	--	6:45	6:45	6:45	--	--

Call for Minyanim

Your attendance is needed. Check in with Rabbi Smason or Howard Sandler and commit to a time to help. Text message reminders for your minyan attendance available by providing the following information to minyan@nhbz.org: Name; cell number and carrier; and times for which you would like reminders.

Congregation News

Mazel Tov on Simchas This Week! January 22 – January 29

Happy Birthday

Rachael Pevnick	January 22	Phyllis Loiterstein	January 28
Helayne Levitt	January 24	Sally Katz	January 29
Dr. Ram Volotsky	January 24	Terri Schnitzer	January 29
Sara Garmaise	January 24		



Events

Coming Soon

- Shabbos, January 29 – Installation of Officers and Board Members

On-Going

- Online Classes – See listing on Page 6
- Every Shabbos
 - Learners' Service with Rabbi David, 9:15 am
 - Shabbos Morning Kids' Program, 10:00 am
 - Starting Points with Rabbi Smason, 10:15 am
 - "Exploring Emunah – Faith in Hashem", at Shalosh Seudos with Rabbi Okin
- Saturday Nights, 7:30 pm – ChillZone with Rabbi Okin
- Sunday mornings, after Shachris – Mishna learning with Rabbi Swidler
- Mondays, 8:00 pm – St. Louis Kollel Amud-A-Week
- Wednesdays, 12:15 pm – Pirkei Avos Class with Rabbi Smason
- Thursdays, 7:00 pm – Mishmar Learning with Rabbi Okin (Resumes 1/27)

Rabbi Search Committee **Open Meeting Wednesday, January 26, 7:15 pm**

Join us *in the Sanctuary* or *on Zoom* to learn about our search procedures.

We need your input:

What is most significant to you in choosing our new Senior Rabbi?

What characteristics and specific abilities are important to you?

This meeting is **open to all Shul members**. A Zoom link will be emailed prior to the meeting for those unable to attend in person.

Remember... you are welcome to contact *Alan Zarkowsky*, Committee Chair, at rabbisearch@nhbz.org or 314-805-1896 with your questions and comments.



We're Back! – Monday, January 24, 2022

The office reopens Monday morning! Please be patient with us; we will work our way through messages and emails and you'll hear from us as soon as possible.

Weekly News Deadline

Gentle readers, The **deadline** for submissions to the NHBZ Weekly News is **Tuesday, 12:00 Noon**. Items received after 2:00 pm Tuesdays will NOT be included in that week's publication. Your attention to and cooperation with this is greatly appreciated by your Weekly News Crew.

Eruv Hotline

Please check each week to see if the Eruv is up! The Eruv hotline number is 314-863-1811.

Got Books?



We are cleaning house and have some wonderful books looking for a new home. There are two (different) sets of Jewish Encyclopedia, books specific to certain holidays and much more! We have a table set up just outside the library; please help yourself to anything on that table! New items will be added weekly as we make our way through the stacks.

NHBZ CLOSET CLEANING TIME

Gotta make room for the skeletons. It's time to clean out the upstairs coat closet!

Please take a moment during January and take home anything that belongs to you. Soon, there will be small, individual bins for you to use. Keep an eye out.

Come January 31, make no bones about it, everything is up for grabs! If it's not yet claimed, it is in grave danger of being donated. Forewarned is fore-armed.



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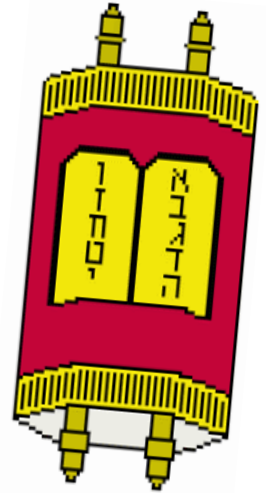
Thank you for your continuing participation in the NHBZ Pushke campaign. You will recall that the program calls for the collection of the Pushkes every three months and our returning the now empty Pushkes back to you to continue the ongoing cycle of daily contributions. The fourth cycle is now set to conclude Monday, January 31. At that time or a few days before, please drop off your Pushke at the shul office. The contents will be emptied, credited to your account and the now empty Pushke immediately returned to you for continued future use. Please call in advance (314-991-2100, Ext 2) to schedule drop off or to arrange for us to pick-up the Pushke at your home. Another convenient option is to send in a cheque for the amount saved in the Pushke. All those returning Pushkes by Monday, January 31 will have their name entered in a drawing for a \$25 Target gift card to be held shortly after the return date.

Sefer Torah Restoration Project– GLOW OF SUCCESS

Thank you to all of our donors

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On-going Covid Guidelines Shul Policy

NHBZ requires that all people attending tefila (prayer services), classes or other NHBZ programs and activities show proof of vaccination. You may show your vaccination card to Rabbi Smason whenever convenient for you both, or on Shabbos as you enter the shul. Once you have shown Rabbi Smason your vaccination card, there is no need to do so again.

Masks required of all attendees, age 3 and older. Children aged 12 and older have the same vaccination requirements as adults.

In the Community

The Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum is sponsoring a special Rosenberg Film Series program in honor of International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Film Screening & Discussion of “The Last Stage”

January 30, 2022

1:00 – 4:00 pm Central Standard Time

To Register, click on this link

<https://mailchi.mp/038c76f741b1/january-2022-film-series?e=5d5a546856>

The film will be live-streamed during the program

International Holocaust Remembrance Day, which takes place each year on January 27, commemorates the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. It is a worldwide day of remembrance and memorialization meant to remember and honor the 6 million Jewish people and millions of others murdered by the Nazis. The International Holocaust Remembrance Day Film Program will feature the film “The Last Stage”, a Polish film directed and co-written by Wanda Jakubowska. It depicts her experiences in the Auschwitz concentration camp during World War II.

Youth Programming

- Shabbos Morning Kids' Program, Rabbi Okin

NHBZ offers Shabbos morning programs for elementary and middle school students. Programs offered from 10:00 am until Kiddush is served. All program content will be personally designed and coordinated by Rabbi Okin. Families do NOT need to be members of NHBZ to participate. Please contact Rabbi Okin at aviokin@nhbz.org with any questions. See you on Shabbos!



- ChillZone Saturday nights

Join kids from around St. Louis, 5th grade and up, at NHBZ at 7:30 pm on Saturday nights for pizza, fun, and prizes while exploring Judaic topics with Rabbi Okin. Come get in the ChillZone. (Teen Schmooze will resume in the Spring.)

Learning at NHBZ

- Parashas Yisro – By Rabbi Smason

The weekly portion begins with Moses' father-in-law, Yisro, arriving at the Jewish people's camp in the desert, where he is greeted warmly by a large entourage. Yisro was inspired to join them when he heard about all of the wonders and miracles which G-d performed for the Jewish people during the Exodus from Egypt. Upon witnessing Moses serving as the people's sole judge from dawn until dusk, Yisro declares that this system will never work. He therefore suggests that subordinate judges be appointed to adjudicate the smaller cases. Moses agrees to this plan. The Jewish people arrive at Mt. Sinai and prepare to receive the Torah. Moses ascends the mountain and G-d tells him to convey to the people that they will be to Him a treasure from among the nations. After three days of preparation the moment of revelation finally arrives. Amid thunder, lightning and the sound of the shofar, G-d descends upon the mountain and proclaims – with the entire Jewish people listening -- the Ten Commandments. Referred to in Hebrew as the Aseres HaDibros, a more accurate translation would be the Ten Sayings or the Ten Statements. One noteworthy feature of the revelation is that both before and since Sinai, no nation has ever made the claim that G-d spoke to an entire nation of millions of individuals. Moses then ascends the mountain to receive the remainder of the Torah from G-d, both the written and oral segments. The portion concludes with several mitzvos concerning the construction of the altar in the Temple.

Ask Our Rabbis will Resume Next Week

- **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 7:00pm – 7:30pm. ***We will meet in the back of the NHBZ sanctuary*** with a text-based and interactive learning session. If you are interested, please contact Rabbi Okin at aviokin@nhbz.org.

- **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.

Upcoming topics:

January 15 Tips to Staying Positive in 2022

January 22 I'm Having Trouble Sticking With My New Year's Resolutions. Any Suggestions?



- **Rabbi Smason's Wednesday In-Person Class Service**

Same place and time, same health and safety protocols.

- **Rabbi David's Learners' Service**

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

- **Rabbi Smason's Shabbos Shoutout**

The complete list of Shabbos Shoutouts, with most recent listed first, can be found at

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLI_MFI0zsmKIlmpR3KpHROrHDWIDNbgsN

- **Rabbi Okin's Torah Thoughts**

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https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLI_MFI0zsmKJG-HuXMG1Ej2aUImgQHkJ-



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 to see the class) AND through audio only on your telephone.

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 Solomon: His Wisdom, Wealth and Wives".
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>

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For information or to join Sisterhood, call the NHBZ office at 314-991-2100, ext. 3, or email: sisterhood@nhbz.org