

## NHBZ Weekly News

## Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

December 24, 2022 • 30 Kislev 5783 • Candle Lighting 4:25pm • Shabbos Concludes 5:30pm

Parshas Mikeitz Rosh Chodesh Chanukah Haftorah

Genesis 44:1 - 44:17 Numbers 28:9 - 15 Numbers 7:42 - 47 Zachariah 2:14 - 4:7

Isaiah 66:1; 66:23 - 24; 66:23 Samuel I 20:18; 20:42

Chumash pp. 222 - 249 Chumash pp. 890 - 893 Chumash pp. 768 - 769 Chumash pp. 1210 - 1211 Chumash pp. 1210 - 1211 Chumash pp. 1210 - 1211

### Happy Chanukah! Chag Urim Sameach!

Thanks to our generous sponsor Libby Sorkin Routman for her traditional gift of Chanukah jelly donuts!

## <u>Prayer</u>

#### Shabbos, Friday, December 23

- 4:20 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv
- 4:25 pm Candle Lighting

#### Shabbos, Saturday, December 24

9:00 am Shachris followed by Musaf

Pesukei D'Zimra: TBA Shacharis: Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky Sermon: Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky Leyning: Rabbi Yitzchok Hess

10:00 am Kids' Program (downstairs)

 10:15 am "Soul Building" with Rabbi David (downstairs) This week's topic: "TBA"

- 4:15 pm Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv
- 5:30 pm Shabbos concludes

### Minyan Times Dec 23 - Dec 31, 2022

	Fri	Shabbos	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Shabbos
	Dec 23	Dec 24 <sup>^</sup>	Dec 25 <sup>^</sup>	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31
Shachris (am)	6:45	9:00	8:00	6:45	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	4:20	4:15	4:25	4:25				4:25	4:15
Ma'ariv Only (pm)					7:00*	7:00*	7:00*		

**^Rosh Chodesh Tevet** 

\*Join us at 6:50 pm for a 10-minute Shiur (class) on Kitzur Shulchan

Haftorah: Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

Musaf: Rabbi Chaim Bogopulsky



## **Congregation News**

#### Mazel Tov on Simchas This Week! Dec 25 - Dec 31, 2022

#### **Happy Birthday**

Gary Sudin Dec 25 Louis Goldman Dec 31 Richard Goldstein Dec 26 Eli Szus Dec 31

Melanie Rush Dec 26



**OOPS!** We missed two! A belated HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Marvin Lerner on December 23 and a very belated HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Marvin & Dorrie Lerner on November 20! Mazel Tov!

#### **Happy Anniversary**

Howard & Phyllis Loiterstein Dec 26 Craig & Jackie Berkin Dec 27 Eldad & Danielle Bialecki Dec 31

#### **Events**

#### **Coming Soon**

- Sunday, Dec 25
- Shabbos, Dec 31
- Shabbos, Jan 7, 2023
- Sunday, Jan 8, 2023
- Shabbos, Jan 21, 2023

- NHBZ's Fabulous Chanukah Party (6 8:30 pm)
- Yosef Granillo Bar Mitzvah
- Benjamin Winograd Bar Mitzvah
- SAVE THE DATE: Exclusive NHBZ Tour of the St. Louis Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum
- SAVE THE DATE: Installation of Rabbis, Officers & Board (more details soon!)

#### On-Going

- Every Weekday, 6:15 am
- Every Shabbos
- Sunday Mornings, after Shachris
- Mondays, 8:00 pm
- Tuesdays, 12:00 pm
- Wednesdays, 12:15 pm
- Mondays Thursdays, 3:00 pm
- Tuesdays Thursdays, 6:50 pm

- Gemara (Talmud) learning with Rabbi Bogopulsky
- Shabbos Morning Kids' Program, 10:00 am (downstairs)
- "Soul Building" with Rabbi David, 10:15 am
- Mishna learning with Rabbi Swidler
- St. Louis Kollel Amud-A-Week
- "Journey through the Chumash" with Rabbi Bogopulsky
- Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers with Rabbi Smason
- Book of Kings: An On-line Class with Rabbi Smason
- Kitzur Shulchan Aruch with Rabbi Bogopulsky

#### **Granillo Bar Mitzvah** Friday, December 30 and Shabbos, December 31, 2022



"With gratitude to HaShem, the Granillo family invites you to Yosef Granillo's Bar Mitzvah on Shabbos, December 31, 2022. In addition, we invite the men of NHBZ to share their life's advice to the newly minted adult at a "tish" immediately following *Shachris* services on Friday, December 30, 2022. **Kindly RSVP** to hellogranillo@gmail.com or hehadahat2009@gmail.com."

~ Carole Granillo

## **WE'RE HAVING A CHANUKAH PARTY!!!**

Sunday, December 25, 2022 6 - 8:30 pm



RSVPs now Closed (NO WALK-INs)

\*GREAT game and BINGO prizes for Kids & Adults

\*Chocolate GELT

Come out and PLAY! Join the celebration on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Chanukah!

\*Please bring a Kosher canned good for the Jewish Food Pantry



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#### OY VEY! DID I FORGET THE NHBZ ANNIVERSARY EVENT THIS YEAR??



No, the event was not held due to an unresolved UFO sighting, but you can still make a donation to the shul for this year. We look forward to the 2023 event. Contact the office to volunteer to join the Anniversary Event committee.

There is still plenty of time to make a 2022 donation to NHBZ! If you need some ideas...

#### **NHBZ Giving & Dedication Opportunities**

Giving to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion provides you with an opportunity to fulfill the important mitzvah of contributing tzedakah (charity). We offer many ways to say Mazel Tov to relatives and friends in honor of simchas celebrated, or to remember loved ones by making a dedication in their memories.

#### Contributions & Dedications for Building & Campus

To receive information on the many naming and dedication opportunities, please call our office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2.

#### **Inscribed Bricks/Pavers & Plantings**

\$250.00 for 4"x8" inscribed Brick/Paver; \$500.00 for 8"x8" inscribed Brick/Paver

#### Tree of Life – In the Alper Lobby

\$360.00 Minimum per Brass leaf inscribed, in memory of or in honor of a special person(s) or occasion.

#### Cast Iron Memorial Plaques - In the Feigenbaum-Pepose Learning Center

\$360.00 Bronze Plaque - name in raised lettering. Molay is recited on each yahrzeit.

#### Kaddish

Important mitzvos to be observed in memory of relatives or dear friends.

\$360.00 Kaddish recited daily for eleven months after the passing of the individual.

\$360.00 Kaddish recited each yahrzeit in perpetuity.

#### **Book Funds - Dedications Inscribed**

\$60.00 Nusach Hari Daily Siddur

\$75.00 Artscroll – Stone Edition Chumash

\$60.00 each Rosh Hashana & Yom Kippur Machzorim

#### **Shabbos Bulletin Sponsorship**

\$54 includes your specified dedication listed in the Bulletin

Call or email the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 or office@nhbz.org

#### Tributes - Honor Simchas, Wishes for Good Health, Condolences

Call or email the office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 or office@nhbz.org

\$10 donation per card; \$25 pack of 5 cards. We have "In memory...", "In honor ....", Speedy Recovery, and Rose Ragin Chesed Fund\* cards. (\*Sold only in packs of 5)

#### Kiddush Sponsorship - Defrays Costs of Shabbos & Yom Tov Kiddushim

Please call our office for menu selections and pricing, 314-991-2100, ext. 2.

NOTE: Please note that the above prices, effective December 2022, are subject to change.

## **In the Community**

- Aish St. Louis Two-day Event, December 25-26, 10 am 3 pm
   Jewish learning, lunch and super-fun activities for kids! See flyer for details.
- EMBY Raffle, Draw Date January 7, 2023

Support Jewish education and have a chance to win a prize! Esther Miller Bais Yaakov (EMBY) is having a Raffle! Prizes include a Wunderwig (\$1,500 value) and a cash prize of \$1,000! To purchase tickets, please visit <a href="embystl.org/raffle">embystl.org/raffle</a> and call Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum with any questions. See flyer for full details.

- St. Louis Jewish Community Blood Drive, Sunday, January 8, 2023
   SAVE THE DATE! The Annual St. Louis Jewish Community Blood Drive will take place at Congregation Young Israel on Sunday, January 8, 2023, 10 am 4 pm. Please plan to participate in this life saving Chesed.
- Jewish Community's Annual Winter Outreach Donation Drive
  NHBZ is collecting items for the Winter Outreach Donation Drive. There will be a collection box in the lobby. Please donate NEW and CLEAN: underwear, socks, gloves, blankets, pillows, coats, hats, scarves, boots, clothing, towels, washcloths and toiletries. All donations will be taken to BridgeSTL for distribution to people experiencing homelessness in the St. Louis Area. It's COLD out there! Share the warmth of generosity.

## Learning at NHBZ

- Gemara Learning with Rabbi Bogopulsky, Weekdays, 6:15 am Dive into the wisdom of the Gemara (Talmud). Start your day off right!
- "Journey through the Chumash" with Rabbi Bogopulsky, Tuesdays, 12:00 pm
   Take an amazing journey of learning! Step by step, we will explore the Chumash.
- Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers with Rabbi Smason, Wednesdays, 12:15 pm
   Feed your soul 45 minutes of spiritual nourishment from the timeless wisdom of our Sages, full of relevant, contemporary insights and lessons. Low-calorie, gluten free, and refreshing!
- Book of Kings with Rabbi Smason, Monday-Thursday, 3:00 pm (On Zoom!)
  An online class providing an exciting and informative look into the lives of Israel's early kings and prophets. Thirty-minute sessions on Zoom. Join class via this link:
  <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?pwd=tw7llOVumZ8QelPxHvApYZsox8VUem.1">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?pwd=tw7llOVumZ8QelPxHvApYZsox8VUem.1</a>
- Kitzur Shulchan Aruch with Rabbi Bogopulsky, Tuesday-Thursday, 6:50 pm
   Invest a few minutes (right before Ma'ariv!) to expand your understanding of Halacha/Jewish Law.
- "Soul Building" Series, Every Shabbos, 10:15 am
   Rabbi Yosef David teaches ways to deepen our understanding. This week's topic:
   "TBA"

#### \*NEW\* Mother-Daughter Program, Sunday Mornings beginning January 8, 2023

We are very excited to announce a Mother-Daughter learning program at NHBZ! Please plan to join us for "Middos from the Mishna" with Batya Bogopulsky and others. In conjunction with the St. Louis Kollel as part of "Kesher Connecting Generations," the program is open to girls (Kindergarten to Fifth Grade) and runs January 8 through February 12, 2023. You may sign up here:

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#### **Parashas Miketz**

In Parshas Vayeshev, Rashi comments that Yosef's face reflected that of his father. This resemblance, Rav Aharon Soloveitchik, *shlit"a*, points out, is illustrated not only in their both having dreamed prophetic dreams, but in the similarity of those dreams. The ladder in Yaakov's dream reached the heavens while planted solidly on the ground, representing his lofty idealism, his striving to transform the mundane into the transcendental while still maintaining a sense of practical realism. So too, Yosef's two dreams, taken together, follow his father's. The sheaves in the field point to a groundedness, a this-world reality, and the sun, moon and stars bespeak a lofty aspiration to reach beyond the here and now. (No wonder his brothers are envious only after Yosef's second dream. His first dream refers only to material domination, but his second vision completes the Jacobean circuit by incorporating a spiritual element. Yosef's aspirations for their father's mantle, the brothers reckoned, may come at their expense; hence their anger and their envy.)

The duality of Yaakov's and Yosef's dreams reflects the ethos of the Jewish, as opposed to the Greek, outlook. The Greek Hellenist places the highest value on preserving reality. Change and movement, to the classic Greek mind, is necessarily regression and dissolution leading to chaos. Judaism insists the contrary. While respecting the facts "on the ground", one should strive to slowly and carefully transform G-d's Creation, reaching ever higher.

Set high spiritual goals, Judaism teaches, but never lose sight of the human political dimension. Always treat people and environment with sensitivity and respect, for their good and for your own. This approach is the basis for Yosef's understanding of Pharaoh's dream: the lean cows in the dream are not satiated by a one-time feeding frenzy - they eat the fat cows yet remain emaciated. Yosef recognized that the same would be true of Egypt as a nation. Salvation and success would only come via a strategically planned, carefully implemented, sometimes painful, long-term approach. His 14-year plan brings blessing and salvation to both friend and foe.

The underlying principle of Yosef's policy, says Rav Aharon Soloveitchik, is the Torah's rejection of radical change, of apocalyptic thinking not grounded in gradual growth and transformation (represented by the rungs of the ladder in Yaakov's dream). In any endeavor, one must take a full account of the human condition, of current realities and the limitations they impose. Hence, the necessity for only one vial of oil as the basis of the Chanukah miracle, and the gradual, eight-day progression of light and power - corresponding to the growing military and political strength of the *Chashmona'im* - in our contemporary kindling of the menorah.

In our days, we have sadly seen firsthand the consequences of ignoring Yaakov and Yosef's vision. Extreme solutions to difficult and painful problems must be rejected. In our earnest hopes to bring the Moshiach, to transform the Jewish people, to redeem Eretz Yisrael and to establish communities suffused with the spirituality of Torah, we dare never neglect modalities that comprise the totality of the moral and political virtues that are the foundation for all that we do as b'nai and b'nos Torah.

Only by following the methods of our ancestors will we deserve to see the *chanukat habayit hashelishi*, the rebuilding and dedication of the third Temple, at which time, *beshuv Hashem et shivat Tziyon*, *hayinu kecholmim*, we will be as dreamers - following in the footsteps of Yaakov and Yosef.

Rabbi Basil Herring

Atlantic Beach Jewish Center, Atlantic Beach, NY



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#### Join Sisterhood at NHBZ's FAMILY CHANUKAH **PARTY** for an Evening of Fun! This Sunday, Dec. 25

### **Spread the Chanukah Light**

Why did Judaism, alone among the civilizations of the ancient world, survive? Because it valued the home more than the battlefield, marriage more than military grandeur, and children more than generals. Peace in the home mattered to our ancestors more than the greatest military victory.

So as we celebrate Chanukah, spare a thought for the real victory, which was not military but spiritual. Jews were the people who valued marriage, the home, and peace between husband and wife, above the highest glory on the battlefield. In Judaism, the light of peace takes precedence over the light of - Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, Z"L



## The Light of War and the Light of Peace

There is a law about Chanukah I find moving and profound. Maimonides writes that 'the command of Chanukah lights is very precious. One who lacks the money to buy lights should sell something, or if necessary, borrow, so as to be able to fulfill the mitzvah.'

The question then arises, What if, on Friday afternoon, you find yourself with only one candle? What do you light it as — a Shabbat candle or a Chanukah one? It can't be both. Logic suggests that you should light it as a Chanukah candle. After all, there is no law that you have to sell or borrow to light lights for Shabbat. Yet the law is that, if faced with such a choice, you light it as a Shabbat light. Why?

Listen to Maimonides: 'The Shabbat light takes priority because it symbolises shalom bayit, domestic peace. And great is peace because the entire Torah was given in order to make peace in the world.'

Consider: Chanukah commemorates one of the greatest military victories in Jewish history. Yet Jewish law rules that if we can only light one candle — the Shabbat light takes precedence, because in Judaism the greatest military victory takes second place to peace in the home.

- Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, Z"L

### **Book Club News**

The Book Club meets at 7:15-8:45 PM on the fourth Monday of odd-numbered months:

- **☼** January 23 *Israel: A Simple Guide to* the Most Misunderstood Country on Earth - by Noa Tishby (led by Margo Tzadok)
- **☆** March 27 The Lost Shtetl: A Novel - by Max Gross
- **☆** May 22 The Watchmakers: A Story of Brotherhood, Survival, and Hope Amid the Holocaust
  - by Harry Lenga and Scott Lenga

#### SAVE THE DATE SAVE THE DATE SAVE THE DATE

All women are welcome! For more info contact Fran Alper at 314-993-4024 or fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org "Wonder, rather than doubt, is the root of knowledge."

- Abraham Joshua Heschel

## Sisterhood is gearing up for 2023 and we need YOU!

To prepare for 2023, Sisterhood will soon hold an open planning meeting to discuss the best ways for Sisterhood to proceed in its mission and activities for the coming year. Do you have ideas for a holiday activity, a Chesed project, or an education program? What activities would you like to see your NHBZ Sisterhood conduct? We need YOU, your ideas, and your energy. Join us to reconnect, learn, and share ideas, as we plan for 2023, and beyond. We Can Do It All interested women will be invited to attend.

Watch this page and your email for the meeting date, time, and details.

For questions email: sisterhood@nhbz.org

# Two-day Event for the Whole Family

Free for kids 12 and under

Dec 25 & 26 10 am - 3 pm

Jewish learning, lunch and super-fun activities for kids!

ADULTS, discover Jewish wisdom with classes on Jewish identity, parenting, relationships, marriage, intimacy and even lessons we can learn from superheroes! Featuring Rabbi Leiby Burnham & Rabbi Cary Friedman

KIDS, enjoy Chanukah donut decorating & crafts, Arcade Truck (ages 8 + ), Inflatable Slide (kids 7 & under) and Mad Science presentation "Fire & Ice"

EVERYONE, dine on Chinese food on Dec 25 (what else?) and Make your own Sandwich & Salad on Dec 26 with plenty of yummy snacks and drinks throughout.

Location: Torah Prep Girls' School 8136 Groby Rd., University City, MO



For a schedule of classes/activities, speakers' bio's and payment information, call 314-862-2474 or email cwolff@aish.com or scan the QR code above



## Mother Daughter Program

Sunday Mornings 10:30-11:45 am

Girls: Kindergarten to Fifth Grade

## Middos from the Mishna

#### January 8th

Midda of the Week

"הוי מקבל את כל האדם בסבר פנים יפוד Greet every person with a pleasant, cheerful face.

#### January 15th

Midda of the Week

"אל תהי נוח לכעוס" We should not get angry easily.

#### February 5th

Midda of the Week

כל שרוח הבריות נוחה הימנו, רוח המקום נוחה הימנר Anyone who people find to be pleasant, Hashem also finds pleasant.

#### February 12th

Midda of the Week

"איזהו עשיר? השמח בחלקו" Who is rich? The one who is happy with his lot.

Location: Nusach Hari B'nai Zion, 650 N Price Rd, Olivette, MO 63132

No Admission Fee

Be added to the Kesher Watsapp group! Text Temima: 314 817 4336

Tentative babysitting option. If interested please email yfarkas@stlkollel.com

#### COMMITTEE:

Batya Bogopulsky, Sarah Glazer, Temima Klein, Riki Gutovich, Tammy Friedman, Tzirel Biron







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