

# NHBZ Weekly News

### Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

August 31, 2024, • 27 Av 5784 • Candle Lighting 7:16 pm • Shabbos Concludes 8:13 pm

Parashas Re'eh Haftorah Re'eh Deuteronomy 11:26- 16:17 Isaiah 54:11-55:5

Chumash p. 998 – 1023 Chumash p. 1199

Mazel Tov to Rabbi Yosef and Mimi David on the engagement of their daughter Ahuva David to Akiva Jacobs, son of Rabbi Adam and Penina Jacobs

## **Prayer**

#### Friday, August 30

- 7:00 am Shachris
- 7:00 pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
- 7:16 pm Candle Lighting

#### **Shabbos, Saturday, August 31**

- 9:00 am Shachris Torah Reading Musaf
- Distinguished Rabbi of the Week: Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum
- 10:00 am Soul Building with Rabbi David
- 7:35 pm Mincha- Shalosh Seudos Ma'ariv
- Third Meal and Learn with Rabbi Nimchinsky!



#### Minyan Times August 30 – September 7:

	Fri Aug 30	Shabbos Aug 31	Sun Sept 1	Mon Sept 2^	Tues Sept 3*	Wed Sept 4*	Thu Sept 5	Fri Sept 6	Shabbos Sept 7
Shachris (am)	7:00	9:00	8:00	8:00	6:45	6:45	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	7:00	7:35	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00

^Labor Day

\*Rosh Chodesh

## **Congregation News**

## Happy Birthday!

Daniel Shanker	Aug 30
Nora Baranyk	Aug 30
Norma Rubin	Sep 1
Eli Bialecki	Sep 2
Jonah Bialecki	Sep 2
Sanford Cohen	Sep 2
Michelle Goldstein	Sep 2
Howard Sandler	Sep 3
Faith Waxman	Sep 3
Meira Ganel	Sep 4
Miriam Tzadok	Sep 4

## Happy Anniversary

Louis & Rebecca Goldman Sep 5



### Yahrzeits Observed This Week:

Fri eve Aug 30- Sat Aug 31

Sat eve Aug 31- Sun Sep 1

28 Av Kevin Scott Rosen

27 Av Abraham Brown

28 Av Michel Novak

Sun eve Sep 1 -Mon Sep 2

29 Av Hannah Pepose 29 Av Frank Steinberg

Mon eve Sep 2 - Tue Sep 3

30 Av Marty Tessler

Tue eve Sep 3 – Wed Sep 4

1 Elul Jerome Gilden1 Elul Esther Levine

1 Elul Selma Levine1 Elul Ronald Segall

Wed eve Sep 4- Thurs Sep 5

2 Elul William Pultman 2 Elul Sidney Weisberg

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

- ▼ Tuesday, September 3 at 7:40 pm NHBZ Search Committee Town Hall Meeting
- ★ Monday, September 9 at 7:45 pm Partners in Torah resumes.

# Seeking volunteers for SOOO



Want to help spread the word about NHBZ? Jewish Arts & Culture Festival Looking for a fun community activity?

SAINT LOUIS

## We need you!

SABABA - Jewish Arts and Cultural Festival - will be held SUNDAY, SEPT. 29. 10:30am – 4:00pm at the Staenberg Family Complex (outdoors in back parking lot).

Enjoy food, music, art, and informational booths from community organizations. We are looking for volunteers to sit at the NHBZ table to represent our shul, chat with festival attendees, and promote our events.

Volunteer hours run from 9:00am to 5:00pm, but each shift is only 2 hours. Please call the office at 314-991-2100 to sign up for a shift of your convenience. Thank you for helping spread the word about NHBZ.

## Learning at NHBZ

#### Do you have a question for a Rabbi?

Rabbi David can be contacted and will make himself available for rabbinic counsel as well as life cycle events (e.g., deaths, bar mitzvahs, stone unveilings, bris, baby namings, etc.) and halachic questions or other Jewish emergencies.

He can be reached at 314-920-9270 or ydavid@aishstl.com

#### **Ongoing Classes**

- Journey Through the Chumash with Rabbi Daniel Sentell. Tuesdays at 12:00 pm. Take an amazing journey of learning, step by step we will explore the Chumash.
- The Inside Story with Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum: The Torah's Wisdom for Our Everyday Life. Wednesdays at 7:45 pm.
- "Soul Building" Series with Rabbi Yosef David, Shabbos mornings, 10:00 am
- Mahjong in the youth lounge Tuesdays at 1:00 pm
- Mishna Learning with Rabbi Chanan Swidler, Every Sunday morning, after Shachris
- "The 7 Habits Prep for Rosh Hashanah: Powerful Torah Lessons for Personal Change" with Rebetzin D'Vorah Miller a women's only class on Thursdays at 7 pm on September 12 and 19.
- "Masquerade" journey through the book of Esther with Mimi David September 5 and 26 at 2:00 pm
- Partners in Torah resumes Monday, September 9!



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## It's that time of year again!

**Everyone is Invited to participate** 



NHBZ Sisterhood wishes you Health, Happiness & Prosperity in the New Year...

...and invites you to wish L'Shana Tova Tikatevu to everyone in our NHBZ family!

Send your donation (\$10 min / NO max) to <u>NHBZ</u> <u>Sisterhood</u> and your name will be published in the 5785 Rosh Hashanah Bulletin! See flyer for details.

#### **Book Club Meets November 18!**

The previously announced book selection for September 23 — *Gates of November*, by Chaim Potok — has been postponed to a future date.

There will be no Book Club meeting for September. The Book Club will resume on November 18, with the discussion of the book, Outwitting History: The Amazing Adventures of a Man Who Rescued a Million Yiddish Books, by Aaron Lansky.

Everyone is invited to attend the Nov. 18 meeting when we will discuss "Outwitting History" and also select the next books that we will read and examine in January and March of 2025!

The Amazing
Adventures of a Man
Who Rescued a Million
Yiddsh Books

OUTWITING
HISTORY

\*\*Statement\*

\*\*Arron Rahnsk\*

AARON LANSKY

Watch this space for details!

For more information, email

fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org

All women are welcome to join!

"Never define yourself as a victim. There is always a choice, and by exercising the strength to choose, we can rise above fate."

 Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks zt"l, On Not Being a Victim (Re'eh, Life-Changing Ideas, Covenant & Conversation)

## RE'EH: The Jewish Calendar

Moshe seemingly interrupts his long oration to the Jewish people about their history and destiny with a surprising review of the year's calendar holidays. The calendar has always been central to Jewish life and survival. Under the dark regime of Stalin, Soviet Jewry was forbidden from owning or possessing a Jewish calendar.

The depths of loyalty of Soviet Jewry, to their inner faith, is seen in the fact that somehow millions of Soviet Jews still knew when the Jewish holidays – especially Simchat Torah – would occur. For the calendar is the rhythm of our lives and evokes with it memory, hope and a feeling of the timelessness of Jewish life and its traditions.

As such, the mere existence of the Jewish calendar posed a threat to the atheistic, cruel Communist regime that ruled then over a large part of humankind. The calendar in Jewish life and thought does not really only mark the passage of time gone by. Rather, it focuses on time that is yet to come, on the future, which can somehow always be brighter than was the past.

...The calendar supplies us with a vision of the future and allows us the ability to feel that we are masters of our own fate and that we can, by our own efforts, be influential in determining our destiny.

The Jewish calendar is a progression of one holy day to the next holy day. We are always on the way to celebrate and commemorate our obligations to serve our Creator. Though there have been numerous sad days introduced into our calendar since the times of Moshe, the Jewish calendar still remains one of upbeat spirit and joy, family and hospitality, compassion and appreciation of life and its bounties.

The parsha of Re'eh always falls in the month of Elul, leading to the glorious month of Tishrei with its days of awe and compassion and the celebration of Torah and its commandments on Succot. The review of the Jewish year, which occupies a great deal of the subject matter of this week's parsha, is therefore most fitting for it prepares us not only for the coming month but for the coming year generally.

Though the future is always inscrutable, we can nevertheless be comforted and feel secure by the consistency of our calendar, which has marked the journey of the Jewish people through time and centuries. The Jewish calendar reminds us daily of our uniqueness as a people and of the eternity of our Torah and our faith. It thus fits rather neatly into Moshe's overall message to the Jewish people as recorded for us in the book of D'varim. The passage of time itself is one of the life's gifts bestowed upon us by our Creator.

-Rabbi Berel Wein, www.torah.org



Erev Rosh Hashanah is October 2
Erev Yom Kippur is October 11

#### **High holiday Seating**

Rosh Hashanah is just around the corner! All full members of NHBZ are entitled to request a reserved seat for the High Holidays, to come and go as much as needed.

If you had a reserved seat last year and are happy with it, you are good to go! If you were not entirely happy with your seat last year (too noisy? too cold? too close to the front?) you can request a change! If you are a new member and you want a reserved seat, we can help you pick one to your liking. Please contact Lenny Alper at <a href="mailto:lenny.alper@outlook.com">lenny.alper@outlook.com</a> to review your seating options or contact Nora at <a href="mailto:lenny.alper@outlook.com">office@nhbz.org</a>. **Deadline to reserve seats: Wed., September 18**.

#### **Yizkor Book of Remembrance**

Watch your mail for information about this year's Yizkor Book. As in the past, we will request a \$10 donation for each name listed (or group, such as "and family") in the published Book of Remembrance, and an additional \$36 donation for each name read aloud during Yizkor. The Book of Remembrance is used on Yizkor throughout the year for Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeres, Pesach, and Shavuos. **Deadline to submit Yizkor names: Sunday, September 15.** 

#### Sisterhood's New Year Greetings Fundraiser

Everyone is invited to participate in Sisterhood's annual New Year Greetings fundraiser to wish *"L'Shana Tova Tikatevu"* to everyone in our NHBZ family! Simply send your donation (\$10 minimum / NO max) to NHBZ Sisterhood and **your name** will be published in the 5785 Rosh Hashanah Bulletin! Proceeds benefit NHBZ's Passport to Israel Program and other NHBZ Sisterhood projects. **Deadline to submit your name and donation: Sunday, September 15.** 

#### **Lulav & Estrog Sets**

It is also time to place your orders for Lulav & Esrog sets. Please email your orders to Nora at <a href="mailto:office@nhbz.org">office@nhbz.org</a>, or call 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Please be sure to leave your name, call back phone number and your order. *Prices below are from LAST YEAR*. Watch for new price updates...

Basic Lulav & Esrog set \$50
Standard Lulav & Esrog set \$60
Deluxe Lulav & Esrog set \$70
Premium Lulav & Esrog set \$85

All orders must be received <u>and paid for</u> on or before **Sunday**, **September 15**, **2024**. No exceptions, as order will be placed first thing Monday morning, September 16.

## **Begin your Holiday Preparations NOW!**



The NHBZ Sisterhood wishes you Health, Happiness & Prosperity in the New Year...

## ...and invites you to wish L'Shana Tova Tikatevu to everyone in our NHBZ family!

Make your check payable to **NHBZ** – write 'Sisterhood Greeting' on the memo line – suggested minimum donation is \$10 per name – no maximum!

## Names will be published in the 5785 Rosh Hashanah Bulletin

Send your contribution, along with the form below, by September 15 to:

NHBZ Sisterhood

650 North Price Road

St. Louis, MO 63132

or you may email your greeting information directly to bookkeeper@nhbz.org or visit the website www.nhbz.org to make a payment

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL THE NHBZ OFFICE, 314-991-2100, EXT.3, OR EMAIL: sisterhood@nhbz.org

#### NHBZ SISTERHOOD NEW YEAR GREETING ~ FOR ROSH HASHANAH 5785 BULLETIN

Name		
Phone	Email	
Amount enclosed \$	[suggested minimum dona	ation is \$10 per name – <u>no</u> <u>maximum</u> !]
Please list my name as f	ollows:	
	Israel Program and other NHBZ Sisterhoo	ad projects

Mishing you a Good and Sweet Year!



# Weekday Classes

## Mimi David will be teaching an ongoing women's only class titled:

# Masquerade!



Women are invited to join us for a deep dive into the book of Esther. This text based class will reveal the secrets of this famous story and uncover what really happened then, and how it resonates until today. Participants need to bring their own copy of

the ArtScroll Megillah.

The first two classes will be held at NHBZ Thursdays at 2:00pm, September 5th and September 26th.



# Special Classes

D'vorah Miller will be teaching a two-part Women's only class for Rosh Hashana Preparedness.

# September 12<sup>TH</sup> & 19<sup>TH</sup>



7 Habits Prep for Rosh Hashanah

September 12th

"Being Proactive"

Leading ourselves into the new year, and

September 19th

"Sharpening Our Saw"

Leading ourselves throughout the year

Classes will be held at NHBZ

Thursdays at 7:00pm

Marking One Year §
October 7th I

Join Us



## From Darkness to Light

We — the St. Louis Jewish community — stand with the Israeli people today, tomorrow and always.
On October 7, we will provide space for our community to gather, mourn and stand together in support of Israel.

## Monday, October 7

6:00 pm Doors Open | 7:00 pm Program to begin promptly

The program will be at a convenient location.

The exact address will be shared before the event.

A virtual option will be available.

No cost to attend. Pre-registration is mandatory.

## Register Now

For more information, call 314-442-4018.

Thank You to our Jewish Community Partner Agencies for your Commitment and Support.



## What is the Rose Ragin Chesed Fund?

The fund provides for acts of chesed (lovingkindness) to support lifecycle events of NHBZ members, such as...



Shiva trays for mourners



Gifts for newborns



Meals for the sick

## How can I contribute to the Rose Ragin Chesed Fund?

- buy Rose Ragin Chesed cards and Purim Cards
- buy 'onesies' for a baby
- make a donation to the Rose Ragin Chesed Fund
- watch for upcoming special fund-raising campaigns

## How else can I help?

Call Nora in the NHBZ Office - 314-991-2100, ext. 2, to...

- notify her about someone who is in need of chesed
- have a misheberach said for someone
- volunteer for the Chesed Committee

Purchase a **pack of 5** Rose Ragin Chesed cards – **\$25 minimum donation**. Keep some handy to send out whenever you'd like. It's a great way to honor a simcha, remember a loved one, or acknowledge anything at all. **314-991-2100**, **ext. 2**