

# NHBZ Weekly News Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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September 7, 2024, • 4 Elul 5784 • Candle Lighting 7:05 pm • Shabbos Concludes 8:01 pm

Parashas Shoftim Haftorah Shoftim Deuteronomy 18:9– 21:9 Isaiah 51:12-52:12 Chumash p. 1024 – 1045 Chumash p. 1199-1200

### <u>Prayer</u>

#### Friday, September 6

- 7:00 am Shachris
- 7:00 pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
- 7:05 pm Candle Lighting

#### <u>Shabbos, September 7</u>

- 9:00 am Shachris Torah Reading Musaf
- Distinguished Rabbi of the Week: Rabbi Yaakov Berkowitz
- 10:00 am Soul Building with Rabbi David:
  "Why Can't I Stay Consistent?"
  - 6:40 pm Mincha- Shalosh Seudos Ma'ariv
- Third Meal and Learn with Rabbi Nimchinsky!
- 8:01 pm Shabbos concludes



#### Minyan Times September 6 – September 14:

	Fri Sept 6	Shabbos Sept 7	Sun Sept 8	Mon Sept 9	Tues Sept 10	Wed Sept 11	Thu Sept 12	Fri Sept 13	Shabbos Sept 14
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	6:40	6:50	6:50	6:50	6:50	6:50	6:50	6:30

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## **Congregation News**

## Happy Birthday!

Myra Solomon	Sep 8
Fran Hoffman	Sep 10
Daniel Morgensztern	Sep 10
Irwin Rosen	Sep 10
Corey Woolf	Sep 10
Jesse Barash	Sep 11
Evie Winograd	Sep 12
Ayelet Smason	Sep 12

## Happy Anniversary

Michael & Charlene KassSep 7Jerry & Gail TullmanSep 8



## Yahrzeits Observed This Week:

Thurs eve Sep 5– Fri Sep 6 3 Elul Moises Lisker

Fri eve Sep 6- Sat Sep 7

4 Elul Samuel Tolpen 4 Elul Dora Wolff <u>Sun eve Sep 8– Mon Sep 9</u> 6 Elul Frances Katz 6 Elul Annie Mendelson

Mon eve Sep 9 -Tue Sep 10 7 Elul Harry Barash 7 Elul Esther Corman Tues eve Sep 10 – Wed Sep 11 8 Elul Joe Nissenbaum

#### Wed eve Sep 11–Thurs Sep 12

9 Elul Anna Frankel9 Elul Bessie Gordon9 Elul Maya Malka9 Elul Toby Gutterman9 Elul Sidney Shapiro

#### SAVE THE DATE!

- Monday, September 9 at 7:45 pm Partners in Torah resumes.
- Tuesday, September 17 at 7:30 pm NHBZ Board Meeting
- Thursday, September 26 at 2:00 pm Mimi David's women only class "Masquerade!" see flyer for details.
- Friday, September 27. Lively musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service followed by a Community Shabbos Dinner for the entire family. RSVP information coming soon
- Sunday September 29 10:30 4:00 pm Sababa Jewish Arts and Cultural Festival. Staenberg Complex, Outdoors.

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# Seeking volunteers for SO

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

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## 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.

Agudath Israel of Missouri will be holding their annual crowdfunding campaign from Tuesday, September 10, through Wednesday, September 11. This campaign supports many important community-wide initiatives, including the EAO scholarship fund, voter mobilization efforts, and ongoing political advocacy. Be on the lookout for the campaign link, and please consider participating in this important cause!

# <u>Learning at NHBZ</u>

#### 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.

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#### It's that time of year again! **Everyone is Invited to participate** in Sisterhood's

New Year Greetings **Fundraiser for 5785** 

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 NHBZ Sisterhood and your name will be published in the 5785 Rosh Hashanah Bulletin! See flyer for details.

"When G-d is at the centre of our lives. we open ourselves up to the glory of creation and the beauty of other people. The smaller the self, the wider the radius

of our world." - Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks ZT"L, The Greatness of Humility (Shoftim, Covenant & Conversation)

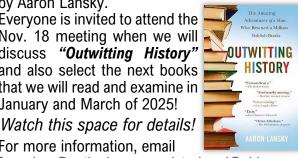
#### Book Club Meets November 18!

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!

For more information, email



fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org All women are welcome to join!

**E** III is the 12th and final month in the Jewish calendar. leading up to the High Holidays, Rosh Hashanah, and Yom Kippur—a month that connects the past year with the coming year—a time when we reflect on where we stand and where we should be going. Every day of Elul we blow the shofar, give extra charity, recite special Psalms, and ask G-d for forgiveness. - www.chabad.org

#### SHOFTIM: Turn Kindness into a Habit

Here's a riddle:

I am your constant companion. Half the things you do you might as well turn over to me, and I will be able to do them guickly and correctly....

I am easily managed – but you must be firm with me. Take me, train me, be firm with me, and I will place the world at your feet...

Who am I?

Habit.

We are told in this week's Torah portion to walk in the ways of G-d 'all the days' (Devarim 19:9).

The Sages explain that walking in the ways of G-d means emulating G-d's kindness and compassion. G-d is the ultimate giver, building and sustaining our world constantly.

The Chofetz Chaim notes that the Torah is stressing that this must be done every day. It is a mistake to think that if one does someone a favor they have 'covered' their obligation to do kindness for the next few weeks.

Every day of our lives we need to go out of our way to do a favor for someone.

In the lead up to Rosh Hashanah it is a prime time to take on a small step to improve ourselves. The Torah is giving us a practical suggestion: perform a daily act of kindness and turn it into a habit.

As Antony Williams once said, 'Kindness is not an act, it's a lifestyle.'

(Extract from poem by Steven Covey, Torah ideas Adapted from Love your Neighbour by Zelig Pliskin).

- Shoshanna Dresner, www.aish.com



#### **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:office@nhbz.org">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 <u>office@nhbz.org</u>, or call 314-991-2100, ext. 2. Be sure to leave your name, call back phone number, and your order. Prices below are estimated. Confirm actual price when you place order.

- Basic Lulav & Esrog set \$60
- Standard Lulav & Esrog set \$70
- Deluxe Lulav & Esrog set
  \$80
- Premium Lulav & Esrog set \$95

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!**

# Marking One Year § October 7th Join Us

# JFedSTL.org/Oct7

# **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.

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





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.



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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



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