



NHBZ Weekly News

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

PARSHAS VAYEIRA

NOVEMBER 15-16 **14-15 CHESHVAN 5785**
CANDLE LIGHTING 4:29 PM **SHABBOS CONCLUDES 5:30 PM**

Sponsorships

Kiddush this week is in memory of our beloved Samuel Bluestein for his first yahrzeit.

Given by his family

The bulletin this week is sponsored by Faith and Bruce Waxman as a Mazel tov to their daughter, Leah, for passing the CPA exam.

Prayer Times

Friday, November 15

Mincha/Maariv 4:25 PM

Candle Lighting 4:29 PM

Shabbos, November 16

Shachris/Mussaf 9:00 AM

Drasha by Rabbi David

Mincha 4:10 PM

Shalosh Seudos and Learn after Mincha by Rabbi Nimchinsky

Shabbos Concludes 5:30 PM

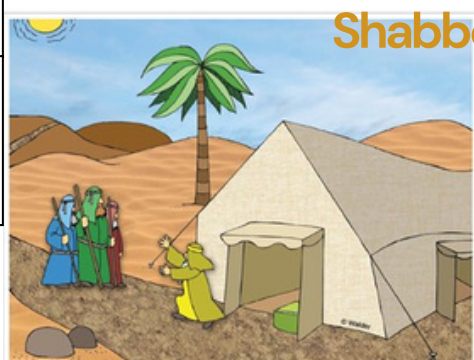
Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David 10:00 AM

Childcare 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Torah Portions

Torah Reading Genesis 18:1-22:24	78-104
Haftorah: Kings II 4:1-37	1134-1135



Minyan Times November 10-16

	Sun Nov 17	Mon Nov 18	Tues Nov 19	Wed Nov 13	Thurs Nov 14	Fri Nov 15	Shabbos Nov 16
Shachris	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/ Maariv	4:20	4:20	4:20	4:20	4:20	4:20	4:00

Congregation News

Yahrzeits Observed This Week

Thurs eve Nov 14 – Fri Nov 15

14 Cheshvan – Carl Gillerman
 14 Cheshvan – Lillian Klarfeld
 14 Cheshvan – Oreon Sandler

Fri eve Nov 15– Sat Nov 16

15 Cheshvan – Jennie Shank
 15 Cheshvan – Marvin Stein
 15 Cheshvan – Celia
 Steinberg
 15 Cheshvan – Rabbi Michael
 Dov Weissmandl

Sat eve Nov 16 – Sun Nov 17

16 Cheshvan – Gerald Bolt
 16 Cheshvan – Victor (Bud)
 Finer
 16 Cheshvan – Fred Ring

Sun eve Nov 17 – Mon Nov 18

17 Cheshvan – Ida Saltzman
 17 Cheshvan – Jacob Schwartz

Mon eve Nov 18 – Tues Nov 19

18 Cheshvan – Mildred Brooks
 18 Cheshvan – Toby Katz
 18 Cheshvan – Louis
 Mankofsky

Tues eve Nov 19 – Wed Nov 20

19 Cheshvan – Abe Osheroff
 19 Cheshvan – Martin
 Schneider

Wed eve Nov 20– Thurs Nov 21

20 Cheshvan – Noah Efron
 20 Cheshvan – Adolph Gelb
 20 Cheshvan – Natalie Klamen
 20 Cheshvan – David Melamed
 20 Cheshvan – Pinchas
 Richman

Happy Birthday!

Marilyn Liss - November 16
Kenny Bressler - November 17
Ezra Cohen - November 21
Evan Garmaise - November 21



Happy Anniversary!

Jerry & Devy Goldenberg - November 18
Marvin & Doris Lerner - November 20

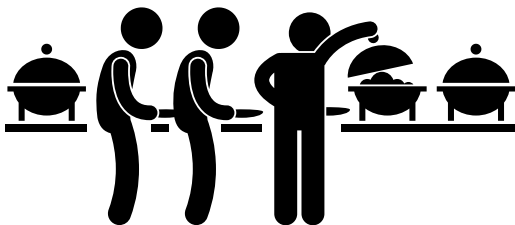


Kiddush Sponsorship Information

You can sponsor our Classic Kiddush for \$136 and even add enhancements to it at an additional cost.

What a great way to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, a special event, an honor for your friend or just a way to say "Thank you" to someone!

Please contact our office to become a sponsor.



Ongoing Classes

Sundays

Rabbi Swidler's "Learning Mishna" after Shachris

Mondays

Partners in Torah
8:00-9:00 PM

Tuesdays

Rabbi Sentell's "Chumash in the Original"
12:00-12:45 PM

Wednesdays

Rabbi Feigenbaum's "The Torah's wisdom for our everyday life"
7:00 PM

Mondays-Thursdays

Rabbi Smason's "The Book of Judges"
Zoom Class 3:00 PM

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?pwd=tw7lIOVumZ8QeIPxHvApYZsox8VUem.1>



THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP

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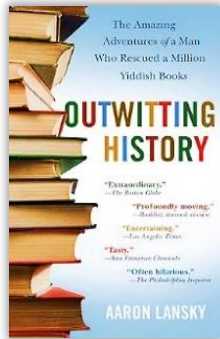
15 Cheshvan 5785

November 16, 2024

Book Club Meets *This Monday*

The Sisterhood Book Club will meet **this Monday, November 18**, 7:15-8:45 pm, at the home of Vivian Zarkowsky. We will discuss 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 discussion of this exciting and inspirational review of the recovery of a crucial part of Yiddish culture. The discussion will be led by Sharon Summers. We'll also select the next books to read and discuss in 2025. **Bring your suggestions!**



Please RSVP for directions and more details. fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org

All women are welcome to join!



Sisterhood Congratulates the New NHBZ 2025 Board of Directors!

“Parents and leaders must establish a culture in which honest, open, respectful communication takes place, one that involves not just speaking but also listening. Without it, tragedy is waiting in the wings.”

“Always choose influence rather than power. It helps change people into people who can change the world.”

– Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks ZT”L,
Lessons in Leadership

THIS DATE IN JEWISH HISTORY

15 Cheshvan – Hebrew date of Kristallnacht, 1938 (*This year on Shabbos, November 16*)
17 Cheshvan – Beginning of the Mabul (Flood) (as per R. Eliezer) (*This Year Monday, Nov. 18*)

VAYEIRA: *Why Is Inviting Guests Such a Mitzvah?*

The Talmud tells us that hosting wayfarers is a mitzvah for which a person is rewarded in this world and in the World to Come. Why is this relatively simple mitzvah (not even listed in the Torah as an obligation) given such a prominent place in Judaism? Does it not pale in comparison to, say, charity? As challenging as charity is, *hachnasat orchim* (inviting people to stay at your home) is harder. If money is personal, our home is hyper-personal.

Allowing someone to enter your space, your sanctuary, the place that you call home, is quite an ask. Giving them the opportunity to be privy to your secrets as they open the closets in your home and discover a skeleton or two (*I always thought that he had no temper . . . Can you believe how messy the bedroom area is . . . The kids are not so well-behaved after all . . .*) can be gut-wrenchingly vulnerable.

What does the Torah say about hospitality? The portion of Vayeira opens with Abraham lying at the entrance to his tent, which is on the main thoroughfare and has entrances on all sides to attract as many visitors as possible. Abraham is 99 years old, and he's in great pain, as it is the third day (which we're told is the most painful day) after his circumcision. G-d has come over to the tent to perform the mitzvah of visiting the sick, *bikur cholim*. Imagine that — G-d visiting Abraham at his sickbed!

Suddenly, Abraham spots three Arab nomads walking through the desert. It's an unbearably hot day, Abraham is in tremendous pain, and he has the most Divine visitor . . . what should he do?

What would we do in this scenario? Look away and make believe as if we didn't see the hungry travelers? Decide that talking to the Almighty is more important than greeting some pagans who deny His very existence?

Abraham had no such hesitations. He jumped up, ran out into the scorching heat and invited the three nomads (who were angels in disguise) to join him for a feast—never mind that he was in the middle of chatting with Gd!

Thus, Talmud concludes, “Welcoming guests is greater than greeting Gd!”

In Jewish tradition, Abraham is the manifestation of kindness on earth. This story is but one example. Later in the Parshah, we learn that Abraham and Sarah opened a hotel, which they ran free of charge. They loved sharing not only their wealth but their home as well.

Bringing people into our space can be quite exposing and maybe even embarrassing, but it is one of the greatest forms of kindness and the epitome of sharing our bounty. The founders of monotheism dedicated their lives to this. It must be worth it.

From personal experience, I know that hosting is one of the most rewarding and satisfying mitzvahs we can do. Seeing the smile on people's faces as they leave your home and hearing their words of gratitude is deeply rewarding. So, what are you waiting for? Open your heart and open your home. The blessings are sure to follow.

– from **Rabbi Levi Avtzon**, www.chabad.org

NHBZ ELECTION RESULTS

Polls closed at Noon on November 10, 2024

The election results are in!

***Congratulations to the new Officers
and newly elected Board Members***

Newly Elected Officers

One-Year term through 2025

President	Dan Winograd
Vice President	Jennifer Hartranft
Vice President	Denny Feit
Vice President	Stella Vladimirov
Vice President	Gavriel Matt
Treasurer	Bruce Waxman
Secretary	Caryn Alper
Gabbai	Alan Zarkowsky

Newly Elected Board Members

Full 3-Year Term 2025-2027

Joni Kaiser
Joey Mufson
Sari Neudorf
Charlene Kass
(Open)

Filling Partial Term ending 2025

Teree Farbstein

Continuing Board Members

Through 2026

Marcie Brook
Faye Cohen
Fran Reisler
Meira Ganel
Evan Garmais

Through 2025

Nancy Rush
Tony Granillo
Richard Woolf
Jerry Tullman

*Thanks to all who
attended the
membership
meeting and voted
in the election!*

*Stay tuned for the
installation date.*



Trustees (Past Presidents)

Leonard Alper
Craig Berkin
Kenny Bressler
Janet Haber
Robert Kaiser

Mark Ragin
Irwin Rosen
Menachem Szus
Jay Umansky
Alan Zarkowsky



CONQUERING OUR GREATEST CHALLENGES

We cordially invite you to **AN EVENING OF CHIZZUK** at a ruach filled Melave Malka



Rabbi Bentzion Chait

is the Director of the **National Torah Initiative** and a member of the hanhala of **Yeshiva Chofetz Chaim** of Queens. He was also one of the founding Roshei Yeshiva of **Yeshiva Toras Chaim Toras Emes** in Miami.



מוצאי שבת ט"ז מרחשון
NOVEMBER 16
8:30 PM

For Men & Women at the Yeshiva Campus
1809 Clarkson Road, Chesterfield

Sit-Down Delicious Milchig Melave Malka & Kumzits with Talmidim to Follow

\$18 Suggested Donation Per Person
RSVP appreciated to events@missouritorah.org



PRESENTS

"TO PERSECUTION NO ASSISTANCE"

THE STORY OF JEWS IN AMERICA

Brunch and panel discussion with
Rabbi Moshe Taub & Dr. Isaac Amon

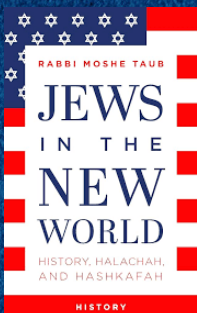


SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

10:30am – 12:00pm

At Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Admission: \$10



Before moving to Holiswood in 2017, Rabbi Taub was the Rav of the Young Israel of Buffalo for 13 years. His 'Shul Chronicles' column has been a weekly feature in Ami Magazine, where Rabbi Taub also serves as Rabbinical Editor. He is Menahel at Telshe Yeshiva/Riverdale and has taught at a number of local schools and Yeshivos, including Shevach High School for Girls, Yeshivas Noviminsk, and Springfield Yeshiva, and has been a guest speaker/lecturer for eclectic crowds, ranging from premier yeshivot and synagogues to Harvard Law School. His book 'Jews in the New World' is now available in bookstores and online.

Dr. Isaac Amon is Director of Academic Research at Jewish Heritage Alliance and Adjunct Professor at Washington University School of Law in St. Louis. A former ISIS war crimes investigator, he was a 2024 summer scholar in-residence at Oxford University. The proud grandson of 20th century Ashkenazi, Sephardi, and Mizrahi immigrants to the United States, he has spoken to Jewish communities across North America, Israel, and Europe on antisemitism, crypto-Judaism, the Inquisition, and the Holocaust.)

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

RSVP and questions email office@stlkollel.com

**For the Yarzeit
of Rachel Imeinu**
and Fundraiser for
Aniyei Eretz
Yisroel

**22nd Annual
WORLDWIDE
EVENT**



**ציפית
לישועה**

The **Secret to
Holding
on Tight to
Hope**

Introduction by: HaRav Shmuel Kamenetsky shlita

Words of Inspiration from:

- HaRav Tzvi KUSHELEVSKY** shlita
- Rabbi Paysach KROHN**
- Rabbi Joey HABER**
- Rebbitzin Tehila JAEGER**

22nd Yarzeit Rachel Imeinu Video 5785

TAKING PLACE LOCALLY ON

DATE: Wednesday, Nov 20, 2024

TIME: 8 PM

PLACE: U. City Shul

CONTACT INFO: Lynda (314) 862-0025

SUGGESTED MINIMUM DONATION: \$10

All proceeds for Tzedaka for Aniyim - Torah Umesorah's Aniyim Fund

*Total
Video Time:*
**1 Hour
15 min**



**More Info: AniyimFund@gmail.com // P: (no text): 201-837-0354
Text/Whatsapp: USA: 908-910-6877 // Europe: 0754 179 6916**

Donations go to the Torah Umesorah's Aniyim Fund, for food and other necessities for the poor and needy. Please make checks payable to Torah Umesorah's Aniyim Fund c/o Traub Family, 6022 Berkeley Ave., Baltimore, MD, 21209.

This program was coordinated with the guidance of HaRav Shmuel Kamenetsky, shlita.

L'ilui nishmas Ruchama ע"ה bas HaRav Naftali Halvery Jaeger Shlita • L'ilui nishmas Tema bas Mordechai z"l (Rebbitzin Kamenetsky) and Yblch't 'Refuah Sheleima for Shmuel ben Eta Ettel (HaRav Shmuel Kamenetsky, shlita)

Video Sponsor, Zecharia Dov ben Perel Shira





Kosher Thanksgiving Police and Firefighters Feast

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NHBZ loves the security and protection that the Olivette Police and Firefighters provide, and is grateful for their superior service!

Let's show our appreciation by cooking and serving a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner for Police Officers and Firefighters who must spend Thanksgiving on call at the station rather than at home with their families.

To make this happen, [We Need Sponsors](#) to defray the cost of the meal. Please consider becoming a sponsor for any amount of money. Contact office@nhbz.org or call 991-2100

[We Also Need Volunteers on Thanksgiving Day](#) to do the following: Deliver and serve the Thanksgiving Feast to the Police and Firefighters on Thanksgiving Day. Come and bring your kids or grandkids. Kids will be able to see Police and Fire Station, and talk to police officers and firefighters.

It will be lots of fun!



If you want to help and volunteer, Please contact Stella Vladimirov at (314) 540-4450



SUNDAY SHACHRIS

WITH AN ADDED BONUS OF YUMMY BREAKFAST

Start your Sunday off right, come for davening, stay for delicious food, and a Mishna class given by Rabbi Swidler!

Date: November 24, 2024

**Time: 8 AM Shachris followed
by Breakfast and Learning**

Location: Upstairs Sanctuary

Sponsorship opportunities available
(\$25 Minimum)



Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024

5-7 PM

ALL YOU CAN EAT KOSHER BUFFET

DELICIOUS

PIZZA

PASTA



NEW!

LOADED

SALAD BAR



PRICING:

ADULTS: \$15

KIDS AGES 3-12:

\$8

KIDS UNDER 3:

FREE

CHOLOV YISROEL CHEESE; PAREVE CRUSTS UPON REQUEST. ALL FOOD IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE VAAD



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