



Parshas Vayechi

January 10-11, 2025

10-11 Tevet 5785

Candle Lighting 4:41 PM

Shabbos Concludes 5:44 PM

Sponsorships

This week's bulletin is sponsored by:

- Kenny and Barb Bressler in honor of Norman and Marilyn Liss's upcoming 74th Wedding Anniversary, and Norman Liss's 98th birthday.
- Daniel and Marcela Morgensztern in honor of Marcela's father, Eduardo Tayah, Avigdor Ben Nahmil Mordecai z"l's yahrzeit

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Kenny and Barb Bressler in memory of his father, Leo Bressler, Yaakov Ben Shmuel z"l's first yahrzeit.

Prayer Times

Friday, January 10

Fast Begins 6:07 AM

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

Candle Lighting 4:41 PM

**Fast Ends and Kiddush Said
After 5:43 PM**

Shabbos, January 11

Shachris/Mussaf 9:00 AM

**Drasha by the Distinguished
Rabbi David**

Mincha 4:25 PM

**Shalosh Seudos and Learn after
Mincha
by Rabbi Nimchinsky**

Shabbos Concludes 5:44 PM

Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David 10:00 AM

Childcare 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Torah Portions

Torah Reading Genesis 47:28-50:26	268 - 288
Haftorah: Kings I 2:1-12	1145 - 1146

Minyan Times January 12-18

	Sun Jan 12	Mon Jan 13	Tues Jan 14	Wed Jan 15	Thurs Jan 16	Fri Jan 17	Shabbos Jan 18
Shachris	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/ Maariv	4:45	4:45	4:45	4:45	4:45	4:40	4:30

Congregation News

Yahrzeits Observed This Week

Thurs eve Jan 9- Fri Jan 10

10 Tevet - Marcia Berkin

10 Tevet - Leo Bressler

Fri eve Jan 10 - Sat Jan 11

11 Tevet - Dave Rubin

11 Tevet - Becky Nathan

Sat eve Jan 11 - Sun Jan 12

12 Tevet - Eduardo Tayah

12 Tevet - Max Cohen

Mon eve Jan 13 - Tues Jan 14

14 Tevet - Arnold Alper

14 Tevet - Morris Kram

Tues eve Jan 14 - Wed Jan 15

15 Tevet - Goldie Heller

Happy Birthday!

Norman Shore - January 11

Happy Anniversary!

Larry & Rayna Chervitz - January 13



Save the Date!

Sunday Shachris/Breakfast – January 12

Mimi David's Masquerade Class
January 16, February 6, and February 27 –
2:00 PM

Board Installation Lunch – January 18

Sisterhood Book Club Meeting on the novel
Shelf Life by Martin Sneider
January 26 – 3:30 PM

Pizza Night – January 26



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

Thursdays

Rabbi Hess's Amud-a-Week
after Maariv

Mondays-Thursdays

Rabbi Smason's "The Book of Judges"

Zoom Class 3:00 PM

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December Tributes

In Memory of:

Helayne Levitt

Jesse & Debbie Barash
The Szus Family
Irwin & Arlene Fredman
Jerry & Gail Tullman
Daniel & Marcela Morgensztern
Joyce & Jack Silvergate
Alan & Marcie Brook
Eliot & Sally Katz
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family
Amy & Denny Feit
Linda Boyland
Shirley Bluestein
Stephen & Myra Radinsky
Myra Riley
Sharyn Levitt and Family
Stan Goldring
Faye Cohen & Brian McCary
Caryn Alper
Ephraim & Michelle Mufson

Martin Mintzer

Mimi & Marty Levy
Frederic Sussman
Jeff & Irena Scheer

Ina Makovsky

Shirley Bluestein
Diane & Bruce Barron
Cindy Slumpsky

Linda Szus

Aaron & Nancy Novack
Arnold Brody
Diane & Bruce Barron
Jeff & Irena Scheer

In Memory of:

Libby Sorkin Routman

Faye Cohen & Brian McCary
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family
Daniel & Marcela Morgensztern

Happy Birthday:

Susie Frank

Phyllis Loiterstein

Melanie Winograd

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Faye Cohen

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

David Porter

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Rhonnie Goldfader

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Peggy Umansky

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Leslie Gitel

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Happy Anniversary:

Peggy & Jay Umansky

Premier Wealth Advisors at Raymond James
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Craig & Jackie Berkin

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Refuah Shelaima:

Mark Ragin and Gail Rose

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Mazel Tov:

Michael Morgensztern on His Bar Mitzvah

Jeff & Irena Scheer

Max Minoff on His Bar Mitzvah

Jeff & Irena Scheer

Make a tribute to honor someone's simcha, good health or a loved one's memory.

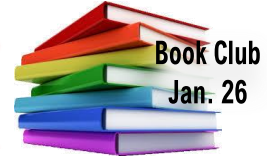
Call (314-991-2100), email (office@nhbz.org), send one through our website (nhbz.org/support-nhbz) or mail a note to make a tribute.

Tributes will be listed monthly in the Weekly News, please specify if you or the receiver wish to remain anonymous.



THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP

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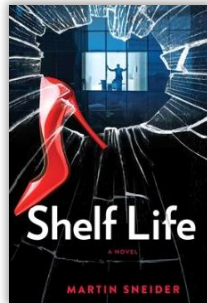
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January 11, 2025

NHBZ SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB NEWS Come for Book Club... ... Stay for Pizza

MEET THE AUTHOR Martin Sneider

The Book Club is honored to host notable fashion retail legend, shoe maven, and member of NHBZ as the featured presenter for the January Book Club meeting!



Martin Sneider will discuss his first novel, **Shelf Life**, a Jewish–American family saga about the rise of its fashion retailing empire and how it splits and impacts the family.

The Book Club will meet on Sunday afternoon, **January 26, 2025, at 3:30PM, at NHBZ**. This new time and date for *January* will allow Book Club members to get together during daylight and enjoy NHBZ's All-You-Can-Eat-Kosher-Buffer Pizza Night following the discussion!

Book Club dates for 2025

Sunday, Jan. 26, at 3:30PM prior to **Pizza Night!**

All subsequent Book Club dates meet on Monday nights, 7:15-8:45PM – locations TBA:

- March 24 – **Before the Storm**, James Shipman
- May 19
- July 28
- September 15
- November 24

For more information contact Fran Alper at: fran.alper@outlook.com or sisterhood@nhbz.org

VAYECHI: **The Right Not to Know**

"Knowledge is power," goes the knowing cliché. Like most clichés, this is true. If you knew what your bargaining partner's fallback position was; if you knew whether or not she really loves you; you'd be more in control, more the master of your fate.

But only up to a point. Imagine that you knew *everything*. Imagine that you knew exactly when and exactly how you will die. That you knew, in advance, the details of every twist and turn in your marriage — the cause of every quarrel and the timing of every reconciliation. Imagine that all the actions you will take in the course of your lifetime were listed like entries in a giant captain's log, with the results of each action noted at its side.

Would you feel that you were in control of your life? Or would you feel like a pawn being walked through the steps? Knowledge may bring power, but absolute knowledge brings utter powerlessness.

In the 49th chapter of Genesis we read how Jacob, before his passing, summoned his sons to his bedside, promising to reveal "that which will happen to you in the end of the days." When they gather round, he blesses them and assigns to each his role as the progenitor of a tribe within the people of Israel. Nothing, however, about what will happen in the end of the days.

Our sages explain that Jacob intended to reveal to them the time of the coming of Moshiach (the Messiah), but at that moment, "the Divine Presence departed from him." Jacob understood that he's not supposed to tell.

So, life's most urgent question remains a mystery. We know that the world will one day come to reflect the infinite goodness and perfection of its Creator. We know that our every positive deed is a step toward that goal, a brick in that glorious edifice. But when will it happen? Why can't we see the finish-line approaching, why can't we behold the rising edifice?

Some would say that this is G-d's way of keeping us under His thumb, so to speak. Perhaps if we knew too much, if we saw exactly how our every action and choice fitted in the master plan, we might take too many liberties, developing our own assessments of the goal and our own ideas on how to get there. So better keep man in the dark, so that he plod on toward his destiny in oblivion.

The truth, however, is the very opposite. It is precisely because G-d desired a creative, independent-minded partner to His endeavor, that He made life the mystery that it is. If we were consciously aware of the ultimate significance of our every action, our actions would be lifeless and mechanical — rehearsed lines recited by rote in a play whose script has already been read by every member of the audience.

It is only because each of our deeds, choices and decisions stands out in stark relief against the background of our lives, its train of causes and effects trailing off into the darkness of an unknown future, that our choices are truly ours, our decisions a true exercise of will, and our every deed is a meaningful contribution to our partnership with G-d in creation.

– **Yanki Tauber**, www.chabad.org

THE BIRTHPLACE OF FREEDOM

“I believe that family is the birthplace of freedom. Caring for one another, we learn to care for the common good.”

– **Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks ZT”L**, Family, Faith and Freedom (Vayechi, Finding Faith, Covenant & Conversation)



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: January 12, 2025

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

Location: Upstairs Sanctuary

Sponsorship opportunities still available
(\$25 Minimum)



BLOOD DRIVE

BOOK HERE



St. Louis Jewish Community Blood Drive

Sunday, January 12

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Young Israel of St. Louis

8101 Delmar Blvd

To book appointment, **scan QR code**,
visit bloodcenter.org or call ImpactLife
at 800-747-5401.

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Wednesday, January 15th



PRIZE 1 \$2,500 CASH



Early Bird Raffle

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gift card

\$250

For tickets purchased by
Tuesday, January 2nd.

CHOOSE YOUR TICKET PACKAGE

1 ticket for \$36

3 tickets for \$100

6 tickets for \$180

15 tickets for \$360

25 tickets for \$500

60 tickets for \$1,000

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PRIZE 2 14k rose gold & diamond Levian pendant
.62Cts of round Brilliant cut Diamonds
& 14k rose gold necklace.

\$1,750 VALUE

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Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025

5-7 PM

ALL YOU CAN EAT KOSHER BUFFET

DELICIOUS

PIZZA



PASTA



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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SUNDAY MORNINGS | 10:30 - 11:45 AM
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