

NHBZ Weekly News Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Parshas Beshalach

February 7-8, 2025 Candle Lighting 5:12 PM 9-10 Shevat 5785 Shabbos Concludes 6:13 PM

## Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David 10:00 AM

Childcare 10:00 AM-11:30 AM Weather Permitting

# **Torah Portions**

Torah Reading Exodus 13:17–17:16	366-392
Haftorah: Judges 4:4-5:31	1152-1153

# **Prayer Times**

Friday, February 7

Mincha/Maariv 5:10 PM

Candle Lighting 5:12 PM

Shabbos, January 25

Shachris/Mussaf 9:00 AM

Drasha by the Distinguished Rabbi Berkowitz

Mincha 4:50 PM

Shalosh Seudos and Learn after Mincha by Rabbi Nimchinsky

## Shabbos Concludes 6:13 PM

## Minyan TimesFebruary9-15

	Sun Feb 9	Mon Feb 10	Tues Feb 11	Wed Feb 12	Thurs Feb 13 Tu B'Shevat	Fri Feb 14	Shabbos Feb 15
Shachris	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/ Maariv	5:15	5:15	5:15	5:15	5:15	5:15	5:00

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## Yahrzeits Observed This Week

Thurs eve Feb 6 - Fri Feb 7 9 Shevat - Margaret Adelstein

Fri eve Feb 7 - Sat Feb 8 10 Shevat - Bernard Hulbert 10 Shevat - Louis Haber

Sat eve Feb 8 - Sun Feb 9 11 Shevat - Jacob Levin

#### Sen eve Feb 9 - Mon Feb 10

12 Shevat - Dorothy Motchan 12 Shevat - Kurt Kahn

#### Mon eve Feb 10 - Tues Feb 11 13 Shevat - Abe Pollock

Tues eve Feb 11 - Wed Feb 12 14 Shevat - Norman Appelman 14 Shevat - Leonard Hulbert

Wed eve Feb 12 - Thurs Feb 13 15 Shevat - Ben Fedman 15 Shevat - Rose Ragin

## Happy Birthday!

Nathan Garmaise - February 8 Sheryl Levine - February 8 Sally Amon - February 9 Marsha Feenberg - February 9 Chani Smason - February 9 Scott McCary - February 11 Stella Vladimirov - February 11 Amanda Fredman - February 12

## Happy Anniversary!

Norman & Marilyn Liss -February 11



## Save The Date!

Kesher Mother Daughter Program Every Sunday Morning in February

> Sharsheret Pink Day February 12

Mimi David's Masquerade Class February 27, March 6, & March 20 -2:00 PM

Sunday Shachris/Breakfast March 2 - 8:00 AM

Women's Hamantaschen Bake March 11-5:30-7:30 PM

> Purim Breakfast Seuda March 14-10:00 AM

Keep An Eye Out For Some More Amazing Events To Come!



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## 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

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850? pwd=tw7IIOVumZ8QeIPxHvApYZsox8VU em.1



## January Tributes

#### In Memory of:

Irwin Loiterstein

Marcela and Daniel Morgensztern Julie and Donald Eisenberg Craig and Jackie Berkin Bob and Joni Kaiser Fran Hoffman Denny and Amy Feit Marcie and Alan Brook Ellen Rosen Jerry and Gail Tullman Peggy and Jay Umansky

**Mrs. Goldson** Craig and Jackie Berkin

#### Happy Birthday:

**Rachael Pevnick** Myra and Stephen Radinsky

#### Happy Anniversary:

Rayna and Larry Chervitz Marcela and Daniel Morgensztern

#### Mazel Tov:

**Great Grandson to Rachael Pevnick** Bob and Joni Kaiser

Wedding of Melanie Rush and Judah Weinerman Bob and Joni Kaiser

**Engagement of Joshua John and Ella Ullman** Bob and Joni Kaiser

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## NEXT BOOK CLUB MEETING - SUNDAY. MARCH 30, BEFORE PIZZA NIGHT

The March book is **Before the Storm:** A Thrilling Historical Novel of Real-Life Nazi Hunters, by James Shipman. JAMES D. SHIPMAN

Set in 1948 against the backdrop of the Berlin Blockade, this fast-moving Cold War thriller is actionpacked and based on a true story with plenty of plot twists and moral dilemmas.



Due to popular demand, the March Book Club will meet on Sunday afternoon, March 30, at 3:30PM, at NHBZ. This time and date will allow Book Club members to get together during the afternoon and enjoy NHBZ's All-You-Can-Eat-Kosher-Buffet Pizza Night & Salad Bar after the discussion!

#### Everyone is welcome!

All subsequent 2025 Book Club dates meet on Monday nights, 7:15-8:45PM – locations TBA:

□ May 19

□ July 28

□ September 15

□ November 24

Watch this space for details of the titles of the Book Club selections for 2025!

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

#### UNNATURAL RESPONSE

Pharaoh's advisers tried hard to explain away all the plagues. Even when the Red Sea split, allowed the Jews free passage, and drowned their enemies, there were those who ascribed the entire event to natural causes.

Such is human nature, to reflexively seek out a natural explanation for every event. But a Jew, guite the opposite, ponders a natural occurrence and sees a miracle.

Because a Jew has an innate inner conviction that there is nothing else but G-d. There is no nature—it is all by His hand.

-Likutei Sichot vol. 1, p. 240, (Chabad.org)

## BESHALACH: Rationed Food for the Soul

This is the thing that the L-rd has commanded: Gather of [the Manna] each one according to his eating capacity, an "omer" for each person, according to the number of persons, each one for those in his tent you shall take. - Exodus 16:16

The story of the *Manna* seemingly reveals G-d's "Politically Correct" side. Every Jew, man and woman, senior citizen and small child, large and small, received the exact same portion of *Manna*—exactly one omer [an ancient measure] of the heavenly food.

One need not consult a nutritionist to realize that different people have different dietary needs based on their age, body mass, gender, metabolism, etc. Is distributing equal food portions G-d's way of demonstrating the importance of absolute equality amongst all humanity — even at the expense of common sense? Or is there a deeper significance to the strict rationing of the Manna?

Judaism is actually a strong proponent of different roles for different people. G-d did not create everyone equally; instead He created many types of people, each group perfectly suited for performing its G-dly mission on this world. However, there is a powerful common factor which all Jews share—a Divine soul. While this soul expresses itself differently in different people, the divine core of every Jew's soul is identical. Thus, those traits which emanate from the very essence of the Jewish soul are exactly alike in every member of the Jewish nation. The Manna represented one of these core soul-qualities-faith and unconditional trust in G-d—and therefore was evenly allocated to every Jew, regardless of his/her physical nutritional needs.

Our sages explain that besides the obvious benefits of having a "free lunch" for forty years, the *Manna* also presented the Jews with a daily opportunity to hone their faith "skills". Putting the leftovers of the Manna casserole into the freezer for another night was not allowed. Every night found the Israelites staring into a bare refrigerator and pantry; and out the window lay great expanses of barren, foodless, desert sand. Their only source of hope was their faith in the Almighty's kindness, confidence that G-d would once again send sustenance from Heaven.

For forty years, the Jews' shopping list consisted of...faith in G-d. Their 401k plan was...faith in G-d. Their insurance was...faith in G-d.

For forty years, the faith-characteristic of the soul was exercised and polished every day. The Jewish soul always possessed this faith - it is a basic element of the Divine soul – but the "Manna Experience" brought this guality front and center. This faith was then passed on to all future generations, providing them – us – with the ability to trust in G-d no matter how empty the food cupboard or bank account may - Rabbi Naftali Silberberg, chabad.org be.





Giving & Dedication Opportunities 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 rememberloved ones by making a dedication in their memories.

#### Contributions & Dedications for Building & Campus

Small Stained-Glass Window - \$10,000 Large Stained-Glass Window - \$25,000 Yahrtzeit Board Header - \$6,000 Main Bimah (Spiritual Dedication) - \$150,000 Main Aron Kodesh (Spiritual Dedication) - \$150,000 Sanctuary or Auditorium Window - \$18,000 Dedication of Building – Please call office Campus Dedication – Please call office

This is a sample of available opportunities. For extra information, 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 per Brass leave inscribed, in memory 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 Rosh Hashana & Yom Kippur Machzorim

#### Shabbos Bulletin Sponsorship

\$54 includes your specified dedication listed in the NHBZ Weekly News Call or email the Shul office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 or <u>office@nhbz.org</u>

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

Call or email the Shul office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 or <u>office@nhbz.org</u> \$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: The above prices, effective January, 2025, are subject to change.

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BUSINESS HALACHA YOM YUUN FOR MEN WITH Dayan Ari Marburger

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

11:15 A M	Fascinating Business Halacha Questions
11:00AM	Coffee Break
10:00AM	Interest-Free: Hilchos Ribbis in our Everyday Life
9:30AM	Gourmet Breakfast



### AT YOUNG ISRAEL

SPONSORSHIPS Available

PLATINUM - \$500

GOLD - \$360

SILVER - \$180

### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT RABBI BERKOWITZ OR RABBI TAJERSTEIN

Rabbi Ari Marburger is a Dayan for the Bais Din Maysharim of Lakewood, and author of "Business Halacha: A Practical Guide to Modern Business". He is a sought after speaker and has lectured for a wide range of audiences including the Orthodox Union, Agudath Israel, and Harvard Law School.



CONNECTING GENERATIONS

# Mother Daughter Program

SUNDAY MORNINGS 10:30 - 11:45 AM

GIRLS: KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE

KESHER KREW PROGRAM FOR 6TH GRADE+

# Derech Eretz

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Shamed face, give her space. FEBRUARY 9™ מְאֹר מְאַר הֶוֵי שְׁפַל רוּחַ

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#### FEBRUARY 23RD

גְדוֹלְה הַכְנָסַת אוֹרְחֵים יוֹתֵר מִקַבְּלָת פְּנֵי הַשְׁכִינָה

> Gracious guest and helpful host.

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

No Admission Fee

BE ADDED TO THE KESHER WHATSAPP GROUP! TEXT TEMIMA: 314-817-4336

Committee: Elisheva Anton, Shana Bersin, Tzirel Biron, Riki Gutovich, Temima Klein, Elissa Schachter





# Nusach Hari Bhai Zion JOIN US FOR Minyan AND ENJOY **B'SHEVAT** TREATS

Thursday, February 13th Shachris 7:00 AM Mincha/Maariv 5:15 PM

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**Community Leadership Award** 

<u>Guests of Honor</u>

т. & ти. LEWIS & ELLEN NOTOWICH



MARCI MAYER EISEN Jewish Federation of St. Louis



ELLIE (AXELBAUM) FREYLICHER Rabbi Gershon Zeffren zt"l Alumni Leadership Award

# March 2, 2025

RITZ CARLTON 100 CARONDELET AVENUE CLAYTON, MISSOURI 63105

COMPLIMENTARY PARKING AVAILABLE 5 PM HORS D'OEUVRES 6 PM DINNER





The J Staenberg Family Complex Gymnasium 2 Millstone Campus Drive, 63146

10:45 am Doors Open

**11:30 am** Program Begins Lunch by 613 Catering under the supervision of the Verad Hoeir

1:30 pm Program Concludes

# PARTNERSHIP AWARD

**Felicia Malter** 

# PEER AWARDS

Career Achievement Esther Scharf (JFS)

Chesed/Kindness Susan Kemppainen (Covenant Place – Mirowitz Center)

Dedication Stacy Jespersen (Congregation Shaare Emeth) Missy Novotny (WashU Hillel)

Educator Lesley Coldenberg (Temple Israel)

Emerging Leader

## Lexie Schmidt (The J)

## Mentor

Jeremy Brok (LEAD STL) Lisa Deutsch (The J)

## Pillar

Heather Silverman (NCJWSTL)

## Visionary

Rabbi Yosef David (Aish HaTorah of St. Louis)

# 20TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF JPROSTL PRESIDENTS

20052007Jennifer Bell2007-2009Lori Goldberg20092011Craig Neuman20112012Michelle Brooks2012-2014Jean Cavender2014-2016Rabbi Levi Landa2016-2018Julie Gibbs20182020Randi Schenberg2020-2021Erin Schreiber20212023Sarah Levinson20232025Rabbi Lori Levine

# LEARN MORE & RECISTER >>

Free of charge to all staff in the Jewish community (20+ hours per week)

\$35 for guests

Reserved table seating for paid guests and honorees' immediate family/exec/supervisor/rabbi

Open table seating for all staff

Register by Thursday, February 28

For information contact Marci Mayer Eisen at 314-442-3810 or MEisen@JFedSTL.org.