**NHBZ Weekly News** 

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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#### Parshas Vayikra

#### April 4-5, 2025 Candle Lighting 7:09 PM

Nusach Hari Binai Zion

### Sponsorships

The bulletin this week is sponsored by Boris & Alla Yasinev in memory of her mother, Emma Levina, Nechama Bat David z"ls yahrzeit

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:

- Joel Ehrlich in memory of his mother, Marian Bat Shlomo, z"ls yahrzeit
- Kenny & Barb Bressler in memory of his mother, Geraldine Bressler, Gitel Bas Meyer z"ls yahrzeit

### Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David 10:00 AM

Childcare 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

# Torah Portions

Torah Reading: Leviticus 1:1-5:26	544 - 566		
Haftorah: Isaiah 43:21 - 44:23	1165 - 1166		

6-7 Nissan 5785 Shabbos Concludes 8:09 PM

# **Prayer Times**

Friday, April 4

Mincha/Maariv 7:00 PM

Candle Lighting 7:09 PM

Shabbos, April 5

Shacharis/Mussaf 9:00 AM

Shabbos Hagadol Drasha will be given at Kiddush by the Distinguished Rabbi Feigenbaum "Insights into Pesach and the Hagaddah"

Mincha 6:15 PM

Shalosh Seudos and Learn after Mincha by the Distinguished Rabbi Nimchinsky

Shabbos Concludes 8:09 PM

### Minyan Times April 6-12

	Sun Apr 6	Mon Apr 7	Tues Apr 8	Wed Apr 9	Thurs Apr 10	Fri Apr 11	Shabbos Apr 12 Erev Pesach
Shachris	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:30
Mincha/ Maariv	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	6:45

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### **Congregation News**

### **Yahrzeits Observed This Week**

Thurs eve Apr 3 - Fri Apr 4 6 Nissan - Mollie Mitchell 6 Nissan - Abraham Cohen

Fri eve Apr 4 - Sat Apr 5 7 Nissan - Clare Sandler

Sat eve Apr 5 - Sun Apr 6 8 Nissan - Geraldine Bressler

Sun eve Apr 6 - Mon Apr 7 9 Nissan - Robert Koshner

Wed eve Apr 9 - Thurs Apr 10 12 Nissan - Herman Drifon

### Happy Birthday!

Eliana Brook - April 4 Margo Tzadok - April 6 Trudy Sudin - April 8 Melissa Schapiro - April 9 Avram Cohen - April 10

### [Happy Anniversary!]

Jason & Nancy Rush - April 6

# Scholarship Opportuntiy

Jewish War Veterans Heritage Post 644 of St. Louis is pleased to announce the \$1,000 Ted and Rachael Pevnick Family Scholarship and the \$1,000 Chuck Sandroff Scholarship Awards. Interested in eligibility and the application process, please contact the office at <u>office@nhbz.org</u> or <u>www.jwvstl.org</u>.

### Save The Date!

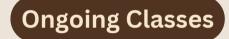
Pre-Pesach Men's Event April 6 5:30-7 PM

> Pesach April 12 - April 20

Mimi David's Masquerade Class April 24 - 2 PM

> Synaplex April 26

Pizza Night April 30 - 5-7 PM



Sundays Rabbi Swidler's "Learning Mishna" after Shacharis

> 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"

6:15 PM Upstairs

Thursdays Rabbi Hess's Amud-a-Week after Maariv

Mondays-Thursdays Rabbi Smason's "The Book of Judges" Zoom Class 3:00 PM <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?</u> <u>pwd=tw7IIOVumZ8QeIPxHvApYZsox8VU</u> <u>em.1</u>

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### Maos Chitim For Pesach

Maos Chitim is money for the poor that will go towards getting basic needs for Pesach. Please see the attached letter from the Vaad Hoeir of St. Louis on how to give money.

# **Pesach Information**

The Pesach Newsletter can be found in a previous email or upstairs in the shul lobby. Any additional information will come out right before Pesach in the Shabbos bulletin.

## Pesach Kiddushes

There will be Kiddush on 4 days of Pesach, we are looking for sponsors to enhance them.



March 2025

Rabbi M.H. Eichenstein 5"37 Chief Rabbi 1942-1981

Dear Friends:

Rabbi S. Rivkin 5"37 Chief Rabbi 1982-2003

Rabbi Menachem Greenblatt Rabbi Yosef Landa Rabbanim Achraim

Rabbi Zvi Zuravin Executive Director

Rabbi Avraham Bloch ראש השוחטים

Rabbi Yitzchak Kowalsky Senior Rabbinical Coordinator

Mr. Alan Kandel President Passover begins Saturday evening, April 12, 2025, and once again the Vaad Hoeir of St. Louis through its Rabbi Sholom Rivkin Tzedakah/Merle Hartstein Maos Chitim program is conducting its annual campaign to assist hundreds of families in our community in celebrating this important holiday of the Jewish people. The Vaad Hoeir is the central institution providing this assistance along with the cooperation of several Jewish communal agencies.

The need for more generous support is especially critical amid the ongoing rampant inflation. Many families continue to struggle to meet their basic needs. The added expense of the holiday preparation is even more stressful.

A gift of at least \$100 will help provide emotional and financial sustenance to our needy families. Please give generously and send your contribution in the enclosed return envelope. Your continuing support of this program truly demonstrates that "All Israel is responsible for one another." *Kol Yisrael Areivim Zeh Lazeh.* The grateful recipients of your assistance write heartfelt letters of appreciation, thankful for being remembered during this holiday season.

#### <u>Credit/Debit card donations also may be made online by going to</u> <u>www.stlmaoschitim.com.</u>

The administrative costs for the Maos Chitim Campaign are minimal in order to assure that the needy in our community receive the maximum direct benefits from your gifts.

Thank you so much for sharing in this great mitzvah.

Most sincerely,

Price Dassua

Pnina Glassman Chair, The Sholom Rivkin Tzedakah/Merle Hartstein Maos Chitim Fund



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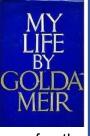
April 5, 2025



### Sisterhood Book Club News

Thanks to *Linda Shore* for leading the discussion of *Before the Storm: A Thrilling Historical Novel of Real-Life Nazi Hunters*, by James Shipman at last Sunday's Book Club meeting. The discussion generated many questions about the cold war with the Soviets, the ethical choices the US government made concerning Nazi scientists, the treatment of German citizens, and more.

The next book is **My Life**, the autobiography of Golda Meir, first published in 1973. Read the personal account of the first female Prime Minister of Israel from her earliest years through the establishment of the state



and into the early 1970s. Join us for the discussion – Monday, May 19, 7:15-8:45PM.

#### Everyone is welcome!

Future 2025 Book Club discussion dates are:

- □ Monday, May 19, 7:15-8:45PM *My Life*, by Golda Meir location TBA
- Sunday, July 28, 3:45PM 90 Seconds: The Epic Story of Eli Beer and United Hatzalah, by Rabbi N. Seltzer – at NHBZ before Pizza Night
- Monday, September 15, 7:15-8:45PM The Whisper Sister, by Jennifer S. Brown –

□ November 24 – TBD

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

VAYIKRA: Sacrificing the Inner Animal

Today we begin the book of Leviticus, so-called because it is concerned largely with the laws of the priesthood, the descendants of the tribe of Levi. The dominant theme, that of the sacrificial offerings brought on the altar, is introduced with these words: "A man who offers from you an offering to G-d..." The sequence of the words seems incongruous — it should read, "A man from you who offers..."

Underlying the ritual of sacrifices, the ceremonial acts of the Kohen, there is the intent of the donor of the offering. The animal offering was symbolic of a greater sacrifice, that of the donor himself.

There is the animal and the divine within men, constantly struggling for domination. The "animal" takes a different form in each person, but universally urges man to earthly pursuits, physical pleasures, as opposed to serving G-d and concern for the soul.

That Torah teaches us that the offering must be "from you," that every man must seek out and recognize clearly his own animal. He must know his feelings and actions for what they are, not disguising faults as virtues, but correcting them. The sacrifice is not the symbol of some incomprehensible; it is to emphasize to man what he must do with himself. The value of the offering is measured not by its costliness, but by how much of himself man offers to his Creator.

- By Rabbi Zalman Posner, www.chabad.org

### A PESACH MESSAGE FROM RABBI JONATHAN SACKS Z"L

The Exodus is the inexhaustible source of inspiration to all those who long for freedom. It taught that right was sovereign over might; that freedom and justice must belong to all, not some; and that, under G-d, all human beings are equal. It took many centuries for this vision to become the shared property of the liberal democracies of the West; and there is no guarantee it will remain so. Freedom is a moral achievement, and without a constant effort of education it atrophies and must be fought for again."



Shalom,

3/2025

It is the time of the year that we need to address the financial condition of our shul.

We are in the midst of one of the most important efforts that a congregation can undertake and that is the decision to hire our new Rabbi and Rebbitzen, who will guide us forward in our spiritual and Outreach efforts.

Notwithstanding whom we choose for this position, we are going to be taking on extra expenditures, both salary and programming related, so that we can provide the new Rabbi with all the resources required to succeed and move us forward.

To make the budget, we need to raise, this year, \$200,000 in gifts, dedications and donations.

We are starting this effort with the online theChesedFund. Our goal for this is to raise \$100,000. The first stage is to obtain matchers. To become a matcher requires a minimum donation of \$1,500.

We plan to run the online part in April, 2025. So it would be good to have the matching grants by Pesach of this year.

Please contact me with your matching grant. I can be contacted via email at <u>menachem@alonsystems.com</u> and by SMS or phone call at 314-629-8741.

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Menachem Szus, Fundraising Chair, NHBZ Dan Winograd, President Bruce Waxman, Treasurer





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.



# STEAK & SEDERS PRE-PESACH MEN'S EVENT

JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING LED BY RABBI DAVID IT WILL BE AN EVENT FILLED WITH SOME GREAT TIPS ON HOW TO LEAD A PASSOVER SEDER, DELICIOUS FOOD, AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES



# Date: Sunday, April 6, 2025 Time: 5:30 - 7 PM Location: NHBZ 650.N Price Rd. St. Louis, MO 63132



**RSVPs Required**– Stimled to the first 25 men Act Fast and electroge your friends to join you before the spots are full

> Contact: office@nhbz.org or 314-991-2100 ext. 2 \$5 Cost