

NHBZ Weekly News Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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Parshios Behar-Bechukosai

May 23-24, 2025 Candle Lighting 7:55 PM 25-26 lyar 5785

Shabbos Concludes 9:01 PM

Reminder: There is NO Eruv this week

Sponsorship

Please join us for lunch this Shabbos sponsored by Faye Cohen and Brian McCary

Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David 10:00 AM

Childcare 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Torah Portions

Torah Reading: Leviticus 25:1-27:34	696-722
Haftorah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14	1179

Prayer Times

Friday, May 23

Mincha/Maariy 7:00 PM

Candle Lighting 7:55 PM

Shabbos, May 24

Shachris/Mussaf 9:00 AM

Drasha by the Distinguished Rabbi David

Mincha 7:40 PM

Shalosh Seudos and Learn after Mincha by the Distinguished Rabbi Nimchinsky

Shabbos Concludes 9:01 PM

Minyan Times May 25-31

	Sun May 25	Mon May 26 Yom Yerushalayim	Tues May 27	Wed May 28 Rosh Chodesh	Thurs May 29	Fri May 30	Shabbos May 31
Shacharis	8:00	8:00	7:00	6:45	7:00	7:00	9:00
Mincha/ Maariv	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	7:45

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Congregation News

Yahrzeits Observed This Week

Sat eve May 24- Sun May 25 27 Iyar - Sarah Eisenberg

Sun eve May 25 - Mon May 26 28 Iyar - Betya Vladimirov

Mon eve May 26- Tues May 27

29 Iyar - Shoshana Volotzky 29 Iyar- Alta Hollander

Tues eve May 27 - Wed May 28

1 Sivan - Rose Londe 1 Sivan - Sol Feit

Wed eve May 28 - Thurs May 29

2 Sivan - David Klarfeld

Happy Birthday!

Phyllis Silverman - May 23
Howard Loiterstein - May 24
Brent Waxman - May 27
Bruce Waxman - May 27
Adina Belasen - May 28
Myra Radinsky - May 29

Happy Anniversary!

Sanford & Jennifer Cohen - May 24
Naftali & Jane Kadosh - May 25
Jay Pepose & Susan Feigenbaum - May 27
Bruce & Faith Waxman - May 29
Erol & Sally Amon - May 29

Save The Date!

Shavuos

June 1-3

Graduation Shabbos Kiddush

TBD

Pizza Night

June 29

Ongoing Classes

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 Downstairs

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=tw7llOVumZ8QelPxHvApYZsox8VU em.1

The Future of NHBZ



We are excited to announce that the NHBZ Shul membership has overwhelmingly voted in favor of Rabbi Aron Rubin to assume the position of Senior Rabbi. The Executive Committee will now proceed with contract discussions. We will announce more details once we have an agreement, which we are optimistic that we will have soon.

Rabbi Aron Rubin grew up in Melbourne, Australia, the land of koalas and reverse gravity. He studied for two years at Yeshivat Har Etzion in Alon Shevut, and attended college in Melbourne, where he earned a bachelor's degree in food science and chemical engineering. While at college, Rabbi Rubin was active in the Melbourne Jewish community, giving Torah classes, and as a counselor in Bnei Akiva. Upon graduating, he decided to follow his passions to become a Rabbi.

After completing college, Rabbi Rubin relocated to New York, where he earned his Semicha (Rabbinic Ordination) from Yeshiva University (and where he met his wife, Leia). He also participated in the combined RIETS/Ferkauf program, designed to further train Rabbis in the area of mental health and counseling. While studying for Semicha, Rabbi Rubin served as a Rabbinic Intern at the Roslyn Synagogue, and at the Great Neck Synagogue, in the New York Area. He also earned a masters degree in Jewish education from Yeshiva University's Azrieli School.

In 2019, Rabbi Rubin and his family moved to Overland Park, Kansas, where he is the Assistant Rabbi at Congregation BIAV, and serves a number of roles in the Kansas Jewish community. He was the Rabbi of the Kansas City Kollel, and taught across a number of ages at Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. He is currently the Rabbinic Representative at the Vaad HaKashruth of Kansas City, and performs a number of roles for the Vaad.

When not learning or teaching, Rabbi Rubin can be found baking a cake, reading, nurturing one of his indoor plants, or taking care of household responsibilities.

Leia Rubin (Wachsstock) hails all the way from a place called "St. Louis, Missouri". She attended Block Yeshiva High School, and spent one and a half years at Michlalah Seminary in Jerusalem. Leia has a B.A. in Judaic studies from Touro College, and a master's degree in occupational therapy from Touro University. She currently works as an occupational therapist with hospital patients in acute care, and essentially doubles up as a professional weight-lifter (lifting patients for treatment).

Leia is very passionate about teaching Torah and communal involvement. In addition to her work and family responsibilities, Leia is very active in the Overland Park Jewish community. She is involved in youth and women's programming, studies with girls for their Bat Mitzvah, and teaches Torah classes to groups of women.

Rabbi Aron and Leia Rubin have three children: Eitan (6 years old), Yedidya (2 years old), and Atara (2 months old).

Yom Yerushalayim



Jerusalem Day (Yom Yerushalayim) is the day that celebrates Israel's regaining control over the whole city during the 1967 Six Day War.

After Tzachal fought hand-to-hand to retake the old city, we could finally go freely to the Kotel, Jews could again live in the old city, and all of Jerusalem was once again under Jewish/Israeli control.

It is celebrated every year in May or June, with festivities and events held across Jerusalem and a march around the old city, with 10,000 and more participants. This year, Jerusalem Day will begin at sundown on 25 May 2025, and conclude at nightfall on 26 May 2025.

Resources For Those Affected by the Storm

If you were impacted by the storms this past week, here are some resources that may be helpful.

St. Louis Jewish Loan Association www.stljla.org

Jewish Food Pantry https://jfsstl.org/get-help/our-services/food-pantry/ 314-993-1000

Jewish Family Services (for Mental Health) https://jfsstl.org/get-help/our-services/mental-health-services/

Tomchei Shabbos (kosher food pantry) tomcheishabbosstl@gmail.com

Missouri State Emergency Assistance

Clayton (314) 290-8486

Olivette (314) 983-5201

University City (314) 505-8593

Other municipalities can be found here https://sema.dps.mo.gov/county/search.php?id=189

St. Louis County Emergency Management (314) 615-9508

https://stlouiscountymo.gov/st-louis-county-government/emergency-management/

Missouri REALTORS® Relief Foundation:

Offers up to \$500,000 in grants to Missourians impacted by the March and April 2025 tornadoes, assisting with housing-related expenses

https://morealtors.wufoo.com/forms/application-for-disaster-relief-assistance-zo7n4b703dqw6i

United Way - call 211

US Small Business Administration -

Low interest disaster loans to repair/replace real estate, personal property, businesses https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance

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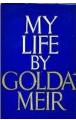
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June 9 is New Book Club Date

The current book is *My Life*, the autobiography by Golda Meir. The new meeting date, postponed until *after Shavuot*, is Monday, June 9, 7:15–8:45PM. Location TBA



First published in 1973, this personal account of the first female Prime Minister of Israel reveals unique insights about the story of Israel itself.

Join us June 9! Everyone is welcome!

Future 2025 Book Club discussion dates are:

- □ Sunday, July 27, 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

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

On Community

Jewish faith is learned and taught, lived and experienced, in community. That is why the integrity of the community, its inner cohesiveness, and its loyalty to the founding terms of its existence, matter even more than the learning or piety of individuals.

- Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks Z"L Community of Faith

On this Day in Jewish History

28 Elul U.S. President Harding signed a joint resolution of Congress approving the establishment in Palestine of a Jewish Homeland, 1922.

Behar-Bechukosai: When Bad Things Happen

Bad things happen. They happen to good people. Contrary to common perception, bad things also happen to bad people. The difference is not so much in what happens, but in what happens to the person.

When bad things happen to bad people, they are confirmed in their badness. "We knew it all along," they say. "The world is a bad place. The only way to get anywhere in life is by being badder than all the other baddies."

When something bad happens to a good person, it makes him or her a better person.

Trust in G-d is a great virtue. The Talmud and other sources of Jewish lore are full of shining examples of men and women whose faith in G-d and their trust in His salvation never wavered, even in the most trying of circumstances.

But, said the founder of Chassidism, Rabbi Israel Baal Shem Tov, there are times when it is forbidden to trust in G-d.

Trust in G-d, said the Baal Shem Tov, is a great virtue when applied to one's own life. But to resort to trust in G-d in matters concerning others' lives is a grave sin. If you hear of a fellow in need and you say "G-d will provide," if your reaction to your neighbor's difficulties is "G-d will help," you're not being pious. You are simply shirking your responsibility toward your fellow man.

The same double standard applies to taking a "philosophical view" on pain and suffering. To justify another person's suffering, to see something positive and gainful in another's pain, is callous, cruel and plain wrong. Unless you are a prophet (in which case G-d might appear to you and say, "Go to so-and-so and tell him that such-and-such happened, or will happen, because he did this-and-that"), you have no business explaining other people's lives. Or defending Gd's way of running His world (He doesn't need your help).

But that's exactly what a good person does regarding his or her own troubles. When something bad happens to him, he says: "Where did I go wrong?" She says: "Someone is trying to tell me something. What might that be? What can I learn from this?" He says: "Now I can appreciate the value of health and prosperity. Now I understand what so-and-so was going through."

A good person who lived 850 years ago put it thus: "To say, 'This is just how the world runs, and this trouble happened to happen,' is an act of cruelty, for it causes a person to persist in his negative ways... [rather,] it should serve to rouse the heart and open pathways of return to G-d" (Maimonides). — from Yanki Tauber, www.chabad.org



Shalom,

5/2025

A very BIG yeshar koach to all those that stepped forward and participated in this campaign. And a special call out to the following Matchers for taking the lead.

Gold	Silver	Bronze	
\$5,000-\$9,999	\$2,500-\$4,999	\$1,500-\$2.499	Stuart Klamen
Martin Sneider	Denny and Amy Feit	Lenny and Fran Alper	Dr. Daniel and Marcella Morgensztern
Menachem Szus	Tony and Carole Granillo	Dr. Craig and Jackie Berkin	Ephraim and Michelle Mufson
Bruce and Faith Waxman	Michael and Charlene Kass	Kenny and Barb Bressler	Jim Pollock
		Irwin and Arlene Fredman	Aileen Shifren
		Dr. Eliot and Sally Katz	Anonymous
			Anonymous

Mazal Tov to the winning Team, Waxman/Rush/Matt and the runners up Mufson Bluestein Mishpacha. Kol Hakavod

You may, of course, still contribute at

https://thechesedfund.com/nhbz/2025-outreach-and-congregation.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this campaign. I can be reached by sending an email to menachem@alonsystems.com and by SMS or phone call at 314-629-8741.

Menachem Szus, Fundraising Chair, NHBZ

Dan Winograd, President

Bruce Waxman, Treasurer



Giving & Dedication



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 office@nhbz.org

Tributes – Honor Simchas, Wishes for Good Health, Condolences

Call or email the Shul office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 or office@nhbz.org \$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.





TIKUN LEIL SHAVUOTH

SUNDAY 1ST JUNE ONTO MONDAY 2ND JUNE, 2025 STARTING AT 12 AM (MIDNIGHT) SHACHARIT AT 5 AM



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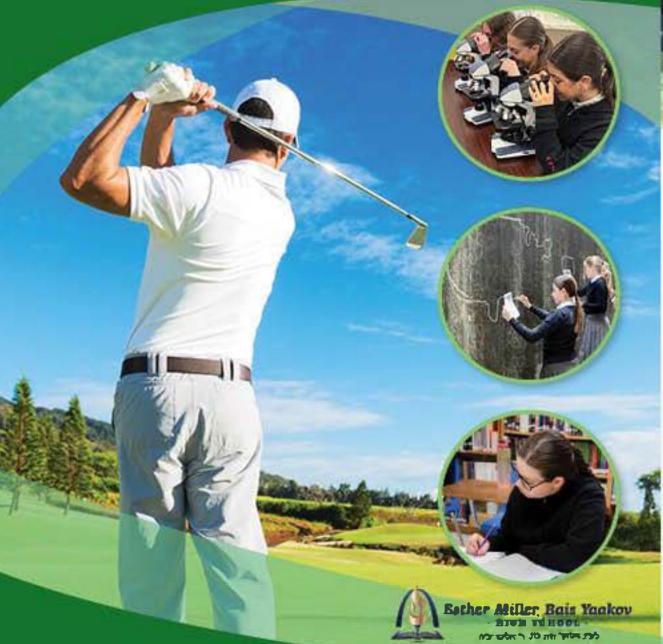
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EVENT DATE & LOCATION:

WEDNESDAY JUNE 11, 2025

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INDIVIDUAL GOLFER: \$150

BEQ DIN NER ONLY: 550

REGISTRATION:

To register for the Golf Tournament, please scan the QR code.



SCHEDULE:

3.20 PM

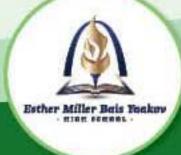
Event Registration & Lunch

1:30 PM

Shotgun Start

6:30 PM

BBQ Dinner & Prize Distribution





GOLF WEDNESDAY JUNE 11, 2025 TOURNAMENT

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For questions, contact: Alana Minoff 314-303-0861, alanam@jsustl.org



