



NHBZ Weekly News

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America



November 28-29, 2025
Candle Lighting 4:23 PM

PARSHAS VAYEITZEI
Genesis 28:10-32:3

8-9 Kislev 5786
Shabbos Concludes 5:24 PM

Announcements

- Save the Date: The St. Louis Jewish Community Blood Drive will be at Congregation Young Israel on Sunday, January 11, 2026 from 10 AM - 4 PM. Please come and participate in this life saving chessed.
- The Jewish Federation of St. Louis One Happy Camper program is now accepting applications for Summer 2026. One Happy Camper grants range from \$700-\$1,000 for first time overnight campers. Campers must be enrolled in a session that is at least 12 consecutive days at one of the 150+ nonprofit Jewish overnight camps listed on the Foundation for Jewish Camp website. Families are encouraged to apply as soon as possible at OneHappyCamper.org.

Yahrzeits Observed This Week

[Nov 28 - 8 Kislev](#)

Elsie Drexler

Edna Feit

Alice Sudin

[Dec 1 - 11 Kislev](#)

Harry Pepose

[Dec 2 - 12 Kislev](#)

Shawn Lewis Berkin

James Edward Levine

[Nov 29 - 9 Kislev](#)

Becky Alper

Mary Ludwig

Ann Rosen

[Dec 3 - 13 Kislev](#)

Jeanette Freistein

[Nov 30 - 10 Kislev](#)

Ruth Blumberg

Happy Birthday!

Jack Loiterstein - November 28

Melanie Winograd - December 1

Gail Rose - December 2

Menachem Szus - December 2

Maxwell Goldman - December 4

Happy Anniversary!

Leonid & Stella Vladimirov - December 3

Scott & Leslie Gitel - December 4

Upcoming Events

November 30 - Pizza Night

December 6 - Tot Shabbos

December 10 - NHBZ Gala120

December 13 - Cohen Bar Mitzvah

December 27 - Nov/Dec Birthday Kiddush

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"
6:45 PM Downstairs

Thursdays

Rabbi Hess's Amud-a-Week
after Maariv

Mondays-Thursdays

Rabbi Smason's "The Book of
Judges"

Zoom Class 3:15 PM

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78974795850?pwd=tw7lIOVumZ8QelPxFvApYZsox8VUem.1>

Prayer Times

Friday, November 28

Mincha/Maariv 4:25 PM

Candle Lighting 4:23 PM

Shabbos, November 29

Shacharis/Mussaf 9:00 AM

Latest Shema Time 9:24 AM

Mincha 4:05 PM

Shalosh Seudos After Mincha
and Learn

Shabbos Concludes 5:24 PM

Weekday Schedule

Shacharis (Sun) 8:00 AM

Shacharis (Mon-Fri) 7:00 AM

Mincha (Sun-Thurs) 4:25 PM

Mincha (Fri) 4:20 PM

Shabbos Programming

Soul Building with Rabbi David
10:00 AM

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

Shul Contact Information

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Hindy- Bookkeeper
bookkeeper@nhbz.org

Sept–Nov Tributes

Please note that if your tribute was not mentioned, it does not mean it wasn't sent.
Some papers were misplaced during the holiday craze after the individuals were notified.

Mazel Tov:

Taylor/Smason families on a baby girl

Shirley Bluestein
Joni & Bob Kaiser

Marin/Waxman/Greenberg Families on a baby girl

Phyllis & Howard Loiterstein
Joni & Bob Kaiser
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Peysakovich/Mufson/Bluestein Families on a baby boy

Feigenbaum/Pepose Family
Joni & Bob Kaiser

Happy Birthday from Feigenbaum/Pepose Family:

Fran Hoffman
Daniel Morgensztern
Jesse Barash
Norma Rubin
Sandy Cohen
Meira Ganel
Faith Waxman

Happy Birthday from Joni & Bob Kaiser:

Faith Waxman
Joel Ehrlich

Happy Anniversary:

Rabbi & Mrs. Rubin
Faith & Bruce Waxman

Arlene & Irwin Fredman
Joni & Bob Kaiser

Michael & Charlene Kass
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Jerry & Gail Tullman
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

Refuah Shelaima from Joni & Bob Kaiser:

Max Minoff
Boris Yasinev
David Rubin
Joe Newman

In Memory Of:

Kelsey Vonk
Fran Hoffman
Joni & Bob Kaiser

Marcia Tash
Fran Hoffman

Barry Friedman
Fran Hoffman

Dr. David Reisler's Yahrzeit
Feigenbaum/Pepose Family

In Memory Of:

Larry Eisenberg

Faye & Brian McCary
Phyllis & Howard Loiterstein
Jesse & Debbie Barash
Norman & Linda Shore
Alan & Marcie Brook

Irwin Rosen

Faye & Brian McCary
Phyllis & Howard Loiterstein
Erol & Sally Amon
Fran Hoffman
Gary Benson
Jesse & Debbie Barash
Sarah Schaefer
Denny & Amy Feit
Garden View Care Center–Chesterfield
Alan & Marcie Brook
Rabbi Chaim & Devorah Edelstein
Eliot & Sally Katz
Irwin & Arlene Fredman
Fadem Family
Amy & Craig Neuman
Samuel Ockner
Fred & Sheri Seigel
Bruce & Diane Barron
Sharon & Barry
Craig & Jackie Berkin

Rachel Zakroff

Joni & Bob Kaiser

Penny Goldenhersh

Faye & Brian McCary
Craig & Jackie Berkin
Lynne & Larry Steinman
Bob & Joni Kaiser

Morton Gelber

Sharon & Barry

Sanford Wolff

Sharon & Barry

Mrs. Raskas

Craig & Jackie Berkin

Jacquelyn Smason

Howard & Phyllis Loiterstein
Shirley Bluestein
Jewish Federation of St. Louis
Eliot & Sally Katz
Denny & Amy Feit
Myra & Steve Radinsky
Linda & Norman Shore
Gary Benson
Lisa Goffstein
Leslie Gitel
Andy & Ellen Berg
Judy Levin



THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP

NOVEMBER 29



Volume 8

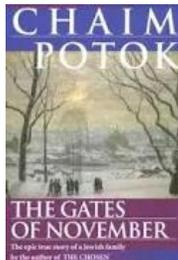
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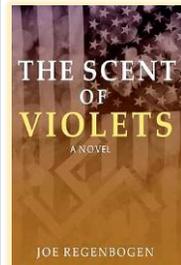
November 29, 2025

Book Club Discussed Potok Book

The Book Club met on Monday, November 24, to discuss **The Gates of November**, by Chaim Potok, the remarkable account of life in Russia before the fall of the Soviet Union. Many thanks to **Sallie Volotzky** for hosting and for sharing her personal insights about the author, and we thank everyone who attended for contributing to the discussion.



The next Book Club Meeting will be on Sunday, January 25, 3:30-5:00 PM, at NHBZ, lower level, just before the January Pizza Night. The book is **Scents of Violets** by Joe Regenbogen, a novel exploring the themes of redemption and forgiveness.



COME FOR BOOK CLUB – STAY FOR PIZZA

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

VAYEITZEI: There is only the One Above and you below; everything else is just connections

There is only the One Above, and you below.

As for this universe you inhabit, it is nothing more than a means by which the two of you will connect.

Whatever enters your universe today will be precisely what you need to connect. Perhaps by doing a mitzvah. Perhaps by overcoming a challenge. Or perhaps by extracting from it some spark of divine wisdom.

You don't need to understand the purpose. You just need to know that G-d does not dump useless junk in your world.

As for the other guy, he is the center of his universe. And when you enter his universe, you must know that you are only there to assist him in his life's mission to connect above and below.

– adapted from the wisdom of the **Lubavitcher Rebbe, zt"l**, words and condensation by **Rabbi Tzvi Freeman**, www.chabad.org

THE SOURCE OF CONFIDENCE AND JOY

'Light of foot, Jacob set out for the land of the people who lived to the east.'

– Bereshit 29:1

Even though Jacob was on his way to enter a spiritually dangerous environment, his joy in fulfilling his Divine mission and trust in G-d's protection permeated his entire being, down to his feet.

Following Jacob's example, we can adopt the same joyful and confident attitude when we set out to tackle life's numerous daily, mundane activities, even though they may not seem as spiritual.

The key is to make sure beforehand that, like Jacob, we are properly nourished (by studying the Torah), properly clothed (by observing G-d's commandments), and properly focused on our goal (of making the world into G-d's home). – www.chabad.org

Sisterhood wishes **Mazel Tov** to NHBZ on the **120-year history** of the Congregation. Join us Dec. 10 for

GALA 120

We'll take a look back, and leap forward to begin our next 120 years!



Who can you identify in this photo of the 2002 Sisterhood Board of Directors?

Welcome to The NHBZ Community



Welcome New Members

SEPTEMBER NEW MEMBERS

TRACY BORDEN

ITTA BOYKO AND FAMILY

CHAIM AND DEVORAH EDELSTEIN

JOEL EHRLICH

ZEV AND SHANA KATZ AND FAMILY

SHIMON & KATYA OHANA FAMILY

ZEV ROSENBERG AND DAUGHTERS

YOSEF AND BEKKA RUBE AND FAMILY

DON SINGER

OCTOBER NEW MEMBERS

RUBIN AMON

GALINA DEGA

STAN ECKERT

ROZA KOYEN

ELIOT MARKMAN

MICHAEL PARKER

MARK ROTHSCHILD

SUE WEISS

NOVEMBER NEW MEMBERS

JUDITH GLAZER

RAYA MORRIS

MELANIE THEIDE

BARRY & EVELYN WITTEN

Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025

5-7 PM

ALL YOU CAN EAT KOSHER BUFFET

DELICIOUS

PIZZA



PASTA



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 RABBI RUBIN



314-991-2100



NHBZ.ORG



650 North Price Rd. St.
Louis, MO 63132



Tot Shabbat & Groups at NHBZ!

DECEMBER 6, 2025

10:30AM-11:30AM

**DAVENING, SONGS, PARSHA,
ACTIVITIES AND MORE!**

AGES 0-4: BABYSITTING ROOM

AGES 5-12: YOUTH LOUNGE





ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY KOLLEL PRESENTS

PRE-KESHER

ice skating event

FOR CURRENT AND NEW
KESHER GIRLS (K-5TH) &
KESHER KREW (6-8TH)
AND THEIR MOMS

MOTZEI SHABBOS
DECEMBER 6TH
7:00-8:00 PM

BRENTWOOD SKATING RINK
2505 S BRENTWOOD BLVD
BRENTWOOD, MO 63144

SAVE THE DATE!

\$5 PER SKATER

Come spend time with your Kesher freinds. Learn more about the Kesher Program and sign up! Get excited for another great year in store- Kesher 2026!

FOR MORE INFORMATION
YFARKAS@STLKOLLEL.COM



PRE-
KESHER
EVENT
DEC. 6TH

LOOK OUT FOR
MORE DETAILS

KESHER IS BACK THIS WINTER!

Kesher

CONNECTING GENERATIONS

**Mother Daughter
Program**

*save the
dates!*

SUNDAY MORNINGS • 10:30 - 11:45 AM
JANUARY 4 & 11, FEBRUARY 1 & 8

FOR GIRLS: KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE

WITH KESHER KREW FOR GRADES 6+

Delicious Brunch • Creative Craft • Engaging and Interactive Learning

A PROGRAM OF
ST. LOUIS
COMMUNITY
Kollel



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 remember loved 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 yahrtzeit.

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 yahrtzeit in perpetuity.

Book Funds – Dedications Inscribed

- \$60.00 Nusach Hari Daily Siddur
- \$75.00 Artsroll – 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.

GALA 120

You are invited!

*An Evening of
CELEBRATION*

1905 - 2025



*Wednesday, December 10, 2025
7:15 in the evening at
Nusach Hari B'nai Zion*



Rabbi Aron Rubin

Join us for a Dessert Reception
as we celebrate our first 120 years
and welcome our new spiritual leader
Rabbi Aron Rubin and Family
and thank our HONOREES for their
dedication and support to NHBZ.



Rabbi Yosef &
Rebbetzin Mimi David

\$54 per person ~ RSVP by November 17

Honorees: Rabbi Dov Nimchinsky, Rabbi Shimmy Fried, Rabbi Avi Feigenbaum, Rabbi Yaakov Berkowitz, Rabbi Yitzchok Shimon Hess,
Rabbi Shmuel Miller, Rabbi Avi Bin-Nun, Rabbi Daniel Sentell, and Rabbi & Mrs. Yosef David



Rabbi Nimchinsky



Rabbi Fried



Rabbi Feigenbaum



Rabbi Berkowitz



Rabbi Hess



Rabbi Miller



Rabbi Bin-Nun



Rabbi Sentell