

HaKol

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HaMotzi To-Go



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A MESSAGE FROM INTERIM RABBI, RAV BARRY LEFF



This is my last HaKol article. I finish my tenure as your interim senior rabbi at the end of June. It feels like the time has flown by.

This has been, without question, the most unusual year of my rabbinate. It's almost surreal to have gone from a standing room only crowd of 1,000 people in our sanctuary on Yom Kippur to being in that same large, now empty, sanctuary, with just me and Cantor Kurland leading services for a congregation joining us from home.

Certainly, none of us anticipated the challenges we were going to face at the end of the year as we began our year together. I have enjoyed serving as your rabbi for this last year. Herzl-Ner Tamid is a great community that exemplifies many of our most sacred Jewish values. Over the past few weeks I've had the opportunity to co-teach a Hartman Institute course with Rabbi Rosenbaum. The course is called "Together and Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood." One of the central issues in the course has been the tension between the Jewish tradition's universalistic values on the one hand (we're all created in the image God, love the stranger, etc...), and our particularistic values (the chosen people, all Israel is responsible for one another, etc...) on the other hand. One of HNT's strengths is the way that it navigates that tension, putting our universalistic values into practice with our strong social justice programs, and nurturing the particularistic with traditional services, vibrant Jewish learning for all ages, and a focus on building community.

Synagogues by definition are very "people-centered" places, and in normal times staff and clergy spend a lot of time with people in person, whether it's in services, classes, visiting the sick in hospitals, officiating at lifecycle events, volunteering in the community, or having meetings to plan or manage various synagogue functions. The staff has done an incredible job of moving from a very

in-person and hands-on environment to a virtual environment. Within a week of the announcement of the coronavirus restrictions, we had "gone virtual" with services, religious school classes, and other programming and meetings moved online. Nadine and her staff, Cantor Kurland, and Dr. Eliyahu all moved quickly to adapt to the new reality without any loss of momentum. I've also very much appreciated the support of the lay leadership, especially Zane Brown, who provided vision and strategic guidance while allowing the staff to run with the day to day issues. Tara Reck, Ilyse Wagner, and the rest of the Ritual Committee were also great to work with as we clarified some policies and adapted to our new coronavirus reality while staying faithful to our commitment to halacha.

I know this has been an especially difficult time for many of you. Some of you have had loved ones fall ill, and not been able to be with them physically in their time of need. Some have lost loved ones, and not been able to mourn in the traditional way. B'nai Mitzvah kids have had to either postpone their simcha or have a virtual Bar or Bat Mitzvah, which is not what they were planning. I wish all of you who have faced or are facing those challenges much strength in the days to come.

Herzl-Ner Tamid is coming into an exciting time. I'm sure Rabbi Herber will provide capable leadership for the next stage in HNT's journey. A community campus remains an intriguing possibility. I wish all of you much success and joy as you go from strength to strength. As for me, my plan for the next year is to divide my time between my two homes, New Mexico and Jerusalem. If you'd like to stay in touch with me, feel free to connect with me on Facebook, subscribe to my blog (<https://neshamah.net>) or email me at rebbarry@yeladim.org. Look me up if (when) you come to Jerusalem!

B'vracha (with blessings),
Rav Barry

T'FILOT

MORNING MINYAN: WEEKDAYS: 8:00 AM • SUNDAYS: 9:00 AM

During this time when houses of worship in our state are not allowed to join together in person for prayer, we have moved all of our prayer services, including on Shabbat, to an online format. We form a minyan using two-way voice/video technology, and conduct the full traditional service, including an opportunity for people to say Kaddish.

Friday, June 5

- 6:00 PM Services
- Birthday Shabbat

Saturday, June 6

- 10:00 AM Services
- Bar Mitzvah of Ben Benezra

Friday, June 12

- 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, June 13

- 10:00 AM Services
- Bar Mitzvah of Kyler Deutsch

Friday, June 19

- 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, June 20

- 10:00 AM Services

Thursday, June 25

- 8:00 AM Services
- Bar Mitzvah of Henry Aronchick

Friday, June 26

- 6:00 PM Services
- Anniversary Shabbat

- Pride Shabbat, *see details on page 8*

Saturday, June 27

- 10:00 AM Services

HOW TO CONNECT:

You can join our Virtual Services on any desktop computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone at: <https://zoom.us/j/814064429> If this is your first time using Zoom, read through our How To Use Zoom guide. If you run into further problems, please email RavBarry@h-nt.org before or after Shabbat and he'll either try and talk you through it or get a volunteer to help you.

You can use a landline to have an audio-only connection by dialing +1669-900-6833, 814064429# If you have a lot of background noise, or are having a side conversation, please mute yourself so we can limit distractions from the service.

B'NAI MITZVAH



June 6

Benjamin Benezra is the son of Paul Benezra and Gina Benezra, grandson of David and Eileen Mintz z"l, Leon and Sandra Benezra. He is a 7th Grader at Beaver Lake Middle School. Ben takes cooking and baking classes at Frog Legs culinary school for kids. Ben enjoys playing youth basketball and hanging out with his friends and schoolmates. He also enjoys biking, hiking, swimming, and spending time outdoors. Ben has attended Camp Kalsman for many years and enjoys making new friends, learning about the Jewish traditions, and the sense of independence that camp creates.

Ben is an extremely sweet and thoughtful young man, he makes friends easily and is very polite to his teachers, family, and peers. For his Bar Mitzvah Project, Ben has been volunteering at the Sammamish Animal Sanctuary, a place where formerly homeless, neglected animals needing a forever home are cared for and loved by many as they live out their lives. His duties included, feeding, cleaning, brushing, assisting the staff with camps and tours of the facility. Ben is extremely excited to share this special day with his family and friends.



June 13

Kyler Deutsch is the son of Inger and Jay Deutsch and a wonderful brother to Halle and Elijah Deutsch. He is the grandson of Pat Deutsch and Harold Deutsch z"l and Carl Schiff and Judy Schiff z"l. Kyler is a 7th grader and St. Thomas School. He enjoys soccer, golf, video games, hanging with his friends and LOVES playing with his dog Pepper. For his Bar Mitzvah project, Kyler will be donating to organizations working to find a vaccine for Covid 19.



June 25

Henry Aronchick is the son of Becky & David Aronchick, and the grandson of Craig & Shiela Sternberg and Paul & Michele Meyer. Henry is a 7th grader at Billings Middle School. He had hoped to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah at Camp Ramah in Ojai California this summer, but instead gets to celebrate becoming a Bar Mitzvah with the community at Herzl-Ner Tamid. Henry has many interests including Video Games, Skiing, Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee, Playing the Trumpet and Reading.

SHALOM AND TODAH RABBAH TO RAV BARRY

Rabbi Barry Leff, known to us as Rav Barry, completes his tenure as HNT Interim Senior Rabbi at the end of June. When Rabbi Rosenbaum announced his retirement after 17 years, it was felt that our congregation needed time to assess our direction and find a leadership fit who would best guide us into this next period in our congregational life. And we did take that time; first to be sad that Rabbi Rosenbaum would no longer be our senior rabbi, then to be happy that he would be taking a well-deserved retirement, and to reflect on who we were and want to be as a congregational community.

The able hands of our Senior Rabbi Search Committee, led by Julie Ellenhorn and Michael Tarlowe, were able to enlist so many interests and viewpoints of our congregants which as we know, resulted in the hiring of Rabbi Jacob Herber who will join us on August 1, 2020. Our congregation was able to focus on this future because Rav Barry was holding the reins steady, keeping us focused on our mission and sharing his experience from other interim positions of what it takes to maintain and grow our synagogue in this time of transition.

The transition he could not have planned for was COVID-19, this time when leadership, spiritual expression, grieving, and celebrating would need to be reimagined in

unprecedented ways. Fortunately, Rav Barry's background in technology has served us all well as we began to pivot to online functionalities. He has been instrumental in helping us think through the possibilities and the opportunities that this moment presents. Rav Barry's instinctive optimism has infused our discussions, even if his love of marathon running has not caught on with the same enthusiasm!

It's complicated to be an interim rabbi. It takes skill to keep the organization steady without making too many impactful changes that he cannot see through, yet he had to make decisions called for by the unusual circumstances in which we all find ourselves. Rav Barry helped us ease into these changes, researching best practices and halachic decisions of the Conservative movement and indeed, kept us all steady.

We thank Rav Barry for spending this year with us. Thank you for your thoughtful sermons, boozy learning sessions, minyan engagement and for your steady leadership. We wish you and Susy a safe and exciting new beginning in New Mexico.

Nadine Strauss
Executive Director

NADINE'S BIRTHDAY CHALLENGE

Three-Day Hygiene/Toiletry Drive for Refugees

Todah rabbah to all the folks who drove in to celebrate Nadine's birthday by donating for refugees supported by Jewish Family Services. Over 100 of you drove through to drop enough goods to fill the youth lounge to the ceiling as well as contributing generously financially. Stay tuned for the counts and the pictures and yes, the video for this wonderful event.



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Tele-Mensches

Thank you to the 50+ congregants highlighted in last month's HaKol who are making regular check in calls to some of our congregants that are at highest risk.

If you would like to become a Tele-Mensch, or if you or anyone you know would benefit from regular check in calls, please contact Ashley at 206-232-8555 x208, Ashley@h-nt.org

HaMotzi To-Go

Order Your June Meals Today!

Friday, June 5

Italian Shabbat Menu by On Safari Foods

Friday, June 12

Indian Shabbat Menu by Eli Lahav

Friday, June 19

Family Shabbat Menu by Purple Beet Catering

Friday, June 26

Japanese Shabbat Menu by Mangia Bene Catering

Celebrate Shabbat with festive meals that you don't need to prepare – open to all! In addition to giving you the night off from cooking, these meals support our caterers who serve us year-round. Available for contactless pick-up, or contactless delivery to those who need.

We appreciate your ordering early so we can meet the need. Place your order at: <https://h-nt.org/june-meals> by the Friday before to guarantee your order. Grateful appreciation to the Alfred and Tillie Shemanski Trust Fund and many donors for subsidizing meals for those in need.

MESSAGE FROM ILYSE WAGNER PRESIDENT, HERZL-NER TAMID



I've spent a lot of time at Herzl-Ner Tamid since my family joined over 40 years ago. During the past 25+ years that I've been an adult member, there have been weeks when, between attending services, dropping/picking up my kids from FRS and USY, and committee meetings, I was in the building 5 – 6 times a week. In recent years, that was reduced to 3 – 4 times a week as I now have teenagers who can drive themselves to and from their various activities at HNT. However, in the past few months, I have not walked into HNT even once. I miss stopping by the office to chat with whoever happens to be available; I miss seeing the Cantor lock eyes with someone as they enter and sing "yeah," I miss watching Dr. Eliyahu talk with parents at the bottom of the hill during pick up; I miss seeing the light from the Lott stained glass windows stream into the sanctuary; but most of all, I miss sharing a physical space with all of you.

While we are not all together in the same building, it's been heartwarming to continue to be an active participant "at" HNT in so many other ways. For programs such as religious services and education, we were able to move online rather quickly, allowing us to still have those face to face interactions we so highly crave in this time of isolation.

And we've taken it one step further as so many of us stay on Zoom following services to share in Kiddush and just catch up. And I've experienced this on a larger scale as well. One Saturday evening, early in the quarantine, I created my own progressive Havdallah, joining in with four different congregations in four different time zones. I've also attended book clubs and classes, through several different Jewish organizations, with people from around the world.

There is great opportunity for virtual interaction these days, but many of us are also struggling right now. HNT has stepped up to provide so much for those in need, from shopping and pharmacy delivery, to providing meals through both our local caterers and volunteers, to over 60 volunteers, including myself, who call congregants regularly just to check in (Hi, Joe). HNT has always been more than a building. HNT is a community. It is where we build connections and support one another, in good times and in bad. I am honored to begin my term as president of the board during this time when we are focused on truly helping one another and discovering new ways to connect that will continue into the High Holidays, and beyond.

Ilyse Wagner
HNT President

ANNUAL COMMITMENT

Has there been a greater moment than NOW to recommit to our Jewish Home?

Each of us continuing to do our part to share what resources we can, especially right now, will help ensure that Herzl-Ner Tamid can continue to serve our congregants and be a beacon in our lives. We count on each other!

This year, like everything else in our daily lives, the process is a little bit different than in the past. This year's Annual Commitment mailing went out in Mid-May. **Please review your personalized Annual Commitment Form** for information on your invoiced Annual Commitment amount.

If your credit card details have not changed, your card will be charged according to the same number of payments as last year and **NO ACTION IS NEEDED!**

If your payment details or preferences have changed, or you would like to make alternate arrangements for your account, please let us know by:

- (a) completing the form mailed to you.
- (b) completing the Membership Annual Commitment Form online at <https://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/membership-annual-commitment-form> or
- (c) contacting Nicole at Nicole@h-nt.org or Nadine at Nadine@h-nt.org or leave a voicemail at: 206-232-8555 X222

PERSONAL PERSPECTIVES ON LIFE DURING THE PANDEMIC

A Message from Guest Writer Marilyn Corets

Throughout the Jewish calendar there are significant periods where we count the days between observances, from the 10 Days of Repentance between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in the fall, to the Counting of the Omer during the seven weeks following the Passover seders in the spring, to the Three Weeks of mourning leading up to Tisha B'Av in the summer. For me, there is another meaningful time period – the days between Yom Hazikaron (Israel's Memorial Day) and Shavuot. In 2011, my mother, Roberta Corets z"l, passed away on May 9 (5 Iyar), which was Yom Hazikaron in Israel, and my shloshim, 30 days of mourning for a parent, ended on Shavuot. Both holidays are full of symbolism, which during difficult times provides guidance and hope.

I will never forget how Rabbi Rosenbaum beautifully eulogized Mom by linking her quiet strength to the respect displayed across Israel as her soul departed this world. On Yom Hazikaron, Israel commemorates all the soldiers and civilians who lost their lives defending the State of Israel. When the siren sounds at 8:00 PM, Israelis stop whatever they are doing, wherever they are, and stand at attention to honor the lives lost. Drivers stop in the middle of the road, get out of their cars and stand in remembrance. Workers stop what they are doing. Families stop eating dinner. Everyone spends a minute in respectful silence. Quiet can be strength, like my beloved mother.

During shloshim, I got reacquainted with Bob Zimmerman z"l, the dedicated leader of HNT's Morning Minyan and one of my former religious school teachers. He was so welcoming, knowledgeable, helpful and kind. I quickly became connected to this community within a community. There was something so special about the culture Bob created in the minyan that after my 30 days of mourning I continued to attend on Sunday mornings with my daughter, in addition to Friday evenings with my family in the sanctuary, for the full 11 months.

I gained such an awareness of all of the programs, services and support that HNT provides, literally 24/7, that when I was asked to join the Board of Directors I felt a debt that I could start to repay with my time. When Bob passed away suddenly in June 2014, I experienced both tremendous loss and a sense of grief that he would never fully know how much he was appreciated. Like we hear from clergy at burial sites – helping to shovel the gravesite is the ultimate mitzvah because it can never be repaid – I felt that what Bob had done for me and every other mourner could never be repaid.

How does all of this relate to sheltering in place and life during a pandemic? Well, as one of the volunteer drivers who delivers meals to members, I had to catch my breath when Rebecca Frankel asked me to deliver a "Motzi To-Go" meal to Becky Zimmerman. You see, when I delivered Becky's holiday meal the day before Israel Independence Day, it was Israel Memorial Day and that evening I lit a yahrzeit candle for my mother. How timely that I had the opportunity to perform a mitzvah for the Zimmerman family on a day when the memory of my mother and Bob's *menschlichkeit* were front of mind. I was thanked by several people for the service I provided, but it was me who was most grateful for the opportunity to perform a mitzvah.

As I write this article, we are two weeks away from Shavuot, the holiday that marked the end of my shloshim and for which I find strength and comfort in its "circle of life" symbolism. The Torah service includes the reading of the Ten Commandments ("Honor thy Father & Mother"!) and the joyful blessing of the new babies. My personal brand of spirituality includes a belief that if you keep your chin up and eyes open there are signs that guide and sustain you. This belief has been particularly powerful and reassuring during these uncertain times. When we help others, we are truly helping ourselves. And therein lies the silver lining.



SOCIAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES AND UPDATES

Opportunities Supporting our Larger Community Through COVID-19

Congregations for the Homeless

In addition to their regular needs, the shelter has reached out to request the items below to see them through this crisis. Please drop off donations to CrossFit Amped 399 114th Ave NE, Bellevue, where you'll see the CFH Donation Area sign, and label any bags/boxes "CFH":

- Toilet Paper
- C-fold/Tri-Fold paper towels
- Hand soap (Pump or large refill bottles)
- Hand sanitizer
- Hand Lotion (Pump style bottle is preferred)
- Non-perishable foods (noodles, ramen, rice, canned food, soup, etc.)
- Bandanas
- Rain Ponchos
- Safety Goggles (These can be sourced from garage, sheds, etc; do not have to be "new")
- Masks – N95, Medical
- Towels (These can be gently used but cannot be stained)

Leschi Elementary School

The greatest need right now is for gift cards to be used on gas, medication, household goods, and of course food. Leschi is currently handing out lunches Monday through Friday along with these gift cards, to be received once per person per week.

To help, send \$25 gift cards for Safeway or Fred Meyer to our Leschi parent volunteer contact, Katie Busby at: 330 30th Ave. S, Seattle, WA 98144 - OR - order online at: <https://giftcards.com/safeway-gift-card#!#main> (selecting "Plastic" at the top, rather than an e-gift card) or <https://giftcards.kroger.com/our-store-cards/kroger>. Gift cards ordered online should also be sent to Katie Busby at the address above.



Stay Home. Stay Healthy. Give Blood.

Donating blood is an essential and encouraged activity exempt from stay-at-home orders. Bloodworks NW has transitioned to scheduled appointments only, spreading appointments out, and no guests or people under age 16 are permitted onsite, to ensure safe social distancing and a

controlled environment and experience for donors. Make an appointment at: schedule.bloodworksnw.org.

Social Action Updates

Even from home, our generous volunteers and donors are still supporting the organizations that have come to rely on our support. Here are just a few examples of the acts of kindness happening in our community.

Social Action Appeal Allocations & COVID Relief

In April, the Social Action – Social Justice Committee allocated \$16,000 of the 2019 Social Action Appeal funds in grants to our partner organizations: Congregations for the Homeless, Leschi Elementary School, Sophia's Way, and Jewish Family Service. With the COVID-19 outbreak creating such a large humanitarian need in the area, funds were made available for emergency relief, as well as for project-based requests.

Leschi Elementary School

Today's rabba to Linda Krisher, head of our Leschi Elementary tutoring program, who coordinated donors sending grocery gift cards for Leschi families in need. To date, generous donors have sent \$500.



Saving Lives at the Annual Blood Drive in March

Today's rabba to the stellar folks who rolled up their sleeves at the HNT Annual Blood Drive in March! We broke our own records with 58 registered donors giving 50 units of blood, saving 150 lives! We are so proud that 10 of those were first-time donors, including a 16-year-old, and that our roster of donors included a cancer survivor who

is happy to have the chance to give back again. Thank you for hearing the call (while adhering to the state mandated protocols), including those who couldn't be fit into the schedule and instead donated at the Bellevue blood bank.



Today's Rabba to Kellie Israel for making these beautiful cards for congregants that live in communal housing.



Teen Feed courtesy of Nathalie Bentov and family.

Teen Feed

Thank you to March and April Teen Feed leaders/volunteers Nathalie Bentov and family and to May Teen Feed leaders/volunteers Brian Lurie and family along with Kellie Israel, who made dinner in their kitchens at home to drop off and feed 80 teens at Teen Feed and ROOTS young adult shelter.

If you'd like to donate to the funds for Teen Feed meals, email Rebecca@h-nt.org.

Congregations for the Homeless

Thanks to our May shelter meal captains, Florence Katz Burstein & Nancy Morse, for teaming up with their friends, each in their own homes, to prepare and deliver meals for 100 homeless men.

Our Social Action Committee remains committed to providing meals to CFH through the course of the pandemic. In April, \$2,000 from the 2019 Social Action Appeal was allocated to CFH to cover the cost of two take-out meals per month through June.

PRIDE SHABBAT 2020

Friday, June 19

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Co-sponsored by Herzl-Ner Tamid

"Sharing The Light"

Stories & Melodies to Nourish the Spirit

Coronavirus has brought stress to all of our lives in different ways. It can be easy for its impacts to take up significant mental and emotional space, daily. Whether or not the weekend comes around. Grab a warming drink of your choice (vitamix juice delight, cocktail shaker or vino - it's up to you!) and join us by the Shabbat Lights to celebrate Pride Shabbat. We'll gather to light the Shabbat Candles. To take a few mindful breaths. For just this moment, we will let the hurry of the world fall away. Please bring: Two candles (and a way to light them).

RSVP on Zoom at: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJtceGupjwsH9KDZL6-10Qmd7XfqaZxHosW>.

A MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, DR. ELIYAHU KRIGEL, CJE



Proverbs 24:16 teaches, "Seven times the righteous person falls and gets up, while the wicked are tripped by one misfortune." The righteous stand up after falling so many times because they are resilient and persevere. The wicked are tripped by one misfortune because they easily give up when faced with a challenge. All my life I have always been someone who views a glass that has

water up to the halfway mark as being half full. Others might view this same glass of water as being half empty. Whether you are an optimist like me, or you tend towards the pessimistic perspective, the coronavirus has changed our world forever. The way we will interact with each other will be different in the future. The reassuring aspect is that we are all in this together. Although many continue to face hardship and challenging times, I would like to offer five optimistic points that have been pleasant surprises to me in this time as our school & community transitioned to a virtual platform:

1. **Expanding the Invitation List:** B'nai mitzvah families can now extend their invitation list and invite people to their simcha or special day they might not have considered before this pandemic. There is now a lot of flexibility regarding who can attend Zoom life cycle events like bar or bat mitzvah ceremonies or weddings because the invitation list is no longer impacted by catering numbers or party attendees.
2. **Spotlighting Special Moments:** With spotlighting, special moments can be magnified for all to witness. Grab a front row seat to all the important times and memorable events in the lives of those you care about the most. Gone are the days of not being able to see clearly or hear speeches. The two b'nai mitzvah ceremonies we've celebrated so far as of June 1 have been so touching and beautiful because the spotlight feature on Zoom has allowed us all this window of close observation into the heartfelt life of the family.
3. **Schmoozing and Connecting:** During the past few months I have connected with more people from my past than I have during the past few years. Life happens and we don't always have an opportunity to connect with our loved ones across the country or globe. The emphasis on the virtual connection has enabled me to regularly connect with my family members and friends who aren't local. FRS attendance has been stellar because we've been able to remain connected virtually since mid-March. After HNT services, friends and families have continued to use the Zoom platform to schmooze & share when so many are physically isolated.
4. **Teaching through the Turmoil:** The dedication of the FRS teachers and teaching assistants has been so positive. Transitioning to FRS Virtual School was not as simple as

just going online. Teachers and teaching assistants planned detailed PowerPoint and Prezi presentations filled with insight, wisdom, and inspiration in order to modify the FRS spiraled curriculum. Using Kahoot and other interactive games has enabled the content we teach to stay relevant and meaningful and that only happened because the dedicated FRS staff continued to place learning first by teaching through the turmoil.

5. **Parenting with Positivity:** Since we have been unable to meet physically, I have witnessed so many positive parent interactions up close and personal. FRS parents are there for their kids. I have enjoyed working with families on creating a virtual road map that is individualized and specific. The positivity our parents have shown me has been heartwarming and inspiring.

As a learning community we continue to adapt and think of ways to we can still be together and move in a positive direction. By focusing on the righteous person getting up after each obstacle, we can all move through this with grit and vigor. As we transition into the summer months, may we call continue to remain healthy and joyful!

FRS Next Year Beginning on 9/13/2020

Register for FRS with the link below. While our hope is to open back up in the fall and all be together physically in school, we are making alternative arrangements. If needed FRS Virtual School will continue in the fall depending upon the recommendations from the state and the CDC. We have created a supportive online community and learning has been steady and consistent. Please continue to check your email regularly throughout the summer for FRS extra recourses and opportunities to connect. The first 50 families who register for FRS will be entered into a raffle to win a new laptop computer. Register for FRS with this link: <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/HerzlNerTamid>

B'tayavon: My Kitchen to Your Table

Introducing HNT's new pilot program called B'tayavon: My Kitchen to your Table! B'tayavon matches stretched-thin families balancing so many priorities with those among us who can fairly easily stretch their own meal preparation to include a meal for another family. Our hope is that our volunteer chef will contact the interested family to ascertain needs and dietary preferences and provide a meal 2-3 times a month for the family. Please fill out the form below if you are interested in being matched and pass it along to anyone you think might want to be a volunteer chef. Once a match has been made, the volunteer chef will contact the receiving family to work out the details: <https://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/w110wx4j0ui0k5h/>

A MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, DR. ELIYAHU KRIGEL, CJE

- **Becoming a Leader Trip • August 25-27**
- **Camp Solomon Schechter**

Join Dr. Eliyahu Krigel for the sixth annual Becoming a Leader Trip from August 25-27, 2020 at Camp Solomon Schechter. This trip has become an enduring touchstone experience for middle and high school students within our community. The trip is geared toward sixth through eighth grade students from HNT and beyond. The trip focuses on the b'nai mitzvah journey, both before and after, and how it relates to the coming of age experience on a personal level. For students about to become a b'nai mitzvah and for students who have already experienced this meaningful rite of passage, this trip is an opportunity to combine Judaism, ecology, and leadership in the beautiful Pacific Northwest. Alumni of the trip who went on the trip in previous years are encouraged to participate again this year to deepen their understanding and experience of leadership and ecology in a Jewish context. The leadership opportunities for all the students on this trip are tremendous. The trip marks a transition in our student's educational journey! We will go white water rafting the first day together on the trip and then head to CSS to continue our adventure. The program is focused on middle school students but led by high school students. High school students receive 24 volunteer hours for participation in this program. Please contact Dr. Eliyahu Krigel at eliyahu@h-nt.org for more information about this trip. Contact Nadine Strauss for mitigation for need based HNT students. Please go to this link for registration: <http://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/becoming-a-leader-6/>

Mazal Tov Seattle Achim USY

Great work to our USY chapter at HNT called Seattle Achim for a wonderful year. At the recent ZoomVention, we are very pleased to inform the community Seattle Achim won the following awards:

- Chapter of the Year: Seattle Achim
- Best Religion/Education Program: Seattle Achim for Pizza in the Hut
- Best Israel Affairs Program: Seattle Achim for Israel Zoom Night

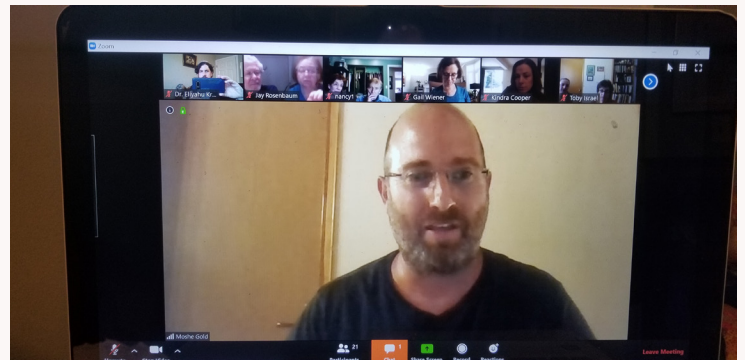
In addition, the following individual Seattle Achim students were also recognized for their outstanding achievements and efforts all year:

- Freshman of the Year: Bailey Wagner
- USYer of the Year: Boaz Malakoff

Yasher Koach, great work, to Risa Wagner for becoming the new 2020-2021 Pinwheel Regional President!

Jackson Pincus is our USY Advisor and more information about Seattle Achim can be found by emailing Jackson at Jackson@h-nt.org or by emailing Dr. Eliyahu Krigel at eliyahu@h-nt.org.

Sign up with the link below to join Seattle Achim USY at HNT: <https://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/usy-2020-2021-membership-form/>



FRS Moshe Gold: On a sunny day in Seattle last month, over 30 students in the HNT adult education Hebrew class with Morah Janine Rosenbaum participated in a virtual tour of Israel with professional tour guide Moshe Gold.



FRS Melissa: Since staying at home Dr. Eliyahu repurposed one of the FRS tablets so Melissa Maslan could continue her learning & exploring at home with fun Hebrew and Jews apps!



FRS Risa: Great work to Risa Wagner for becoming the next USY Pinwheel Regional President. Risa also works as a teaching assistant at FRS and has attended numerous becoming a leader and Masa trips. We are so proud Risa for all her accomplishments and can't wait for a great year ahead under her guidance and leadership!



FRS Drive: Thanks to all the FRS parents who came to pick up the FRS student material in April. The FRS community continued to persevere and endure all year long.



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1	David & Susan Fish	45	17	Josh & Anna Fein	8
1	Ron & Lori Kaufman	62	17	Dick & Linda Jacobs	37
1	Marc & Gina Gonchar	26	18	Dick & Marilyn Brody	53
3	Brian & Abby Marcus	20	18	Marc Stewart & Pamela Becker	14
3	Marc & Lisa Glasser	19	18	Barry & Judy Schwarz	54
4	Dan & Anne Miller	14	19	David & Deborah Beder	26
5	Israel & Betsy Rosen	64	20	Eric & Lisa Rosenblum	38
5	Steven & Stephanie Kahn	37	21	Eduardo & Vivian Kassner	22
6	Mark & Rhonda Gottschalk	44	21	Ben & Malori Dahukay	28
6	Danny & Michele Glasser	27	21	Jeff Robinson & Carol Stockton	39
7	Brian & Randy Pollock	50	22	Arne & Lena Josefsberg	40
7	Scott Telford & Allison Lowy	5	22	Bruce & Peggy Gladner	34
8	Dan & Martha Javnozon	18	22	Sam Newson & Geri Schnitzer-Newson	40
8	Robert & Pam Glowitz	44	22	Steven & Iris Schwartz	34
10	Marc & Leah Boman	36	23	Robert & Gail Stagman	58
10	Joe & Karyn Barer	25	23	Boris & Margaret Castellanos	24
10	Michael & Dawn Schiller	30	23	Ted & Arlen Levy	46
10	Mark & Nancy Kiviat	52	23	Harold & Ferne Ross	57
10	Tyler Graham & Kaitlyn Robbins	2	24	Anthony & Janet Shanks	36
10	Arny & Carol Barer	53	24	Herb & Debra Weisbaum	36
10	Neville & Gwenda Smith	61	24	Mike Gundle & Nina Schorr	19
11	Jeffrey & Janet Gindin	54	24	Victor & Leah Scapa	13
12	Steve & Jan Lewis	49	24	Aaron & Aileen Okrent	36
12	David & Joy Dadoun	32	25	Morton & Loretta Kuznetz	70
13	Neer & Melissa Danielli	21	25	Daniel & Candace Friedman	20
14	Andy & Dale Robinson	39	26	Jamie & Rebecca Frankel	4
14	Arny & Anita Reich	50	27	David & Peggy Bernstein	66
15	Jeff & Mimi Rubenstein	45	27	Neil & Sari Schneider	55
15	Josh & Carrie Hearshen	17	28	Daniel & Ruth Raskind	28
15	Howard & Barbara Shulman	51	29	Michael Rogers & Susan Glicksberg	23
16	Antony & Rene Egnal	33	29	Ken & Jen Alterman	40
16	Lucas Schenck & Carla Bauman	24	30	Adam Mihalstin & Marilyn Corets	24
16	Mike & Karen Mendelsohn	46	30	Kerry & Kara Moscovitz	24

WITHIN THE SHUL FAMILY

We Celebrate:

- Grandparents Pat & Nolan Newman, and parents Adam Newman & Rebecca Samelson on the birth of Nora Hazel Newman in March
- Great-Grandmother Rabbi Arlene Schuster on the birth of Kayla Rose Wilks
- Grandparents Donna & Robert Peha on the birth of Lucy Violet Shamash
- Parents Aileen & Aaron Okrent on the engagement of Joshua Okrent to Amalia Williams
- Parents Irit & Josh Levin on the birth of Jaron Benjamin Levin

We Offer Condolences for:

- Jeanette Gilman z"l, mother of David Gilman
- Shirley DiFrancisco z"l, sister of Saul Rivkin
- Louis Bauman MD z"l, mother of Carla Bauman
- Michael Fagman z"l
- Max Blustein z"l, father of Paul Blustein
- Carol Brown z"l, mother of Candace Friedman

We Offer a Refuah Shelemah to Congregants:

Kay Adam, Marion Aronson, Ruth Becker, Sandy Bing, Margaret Castellanos, Larry Epstein, Valerie Epstein, Paula Feldman, Mimi Fisher, Neal Gafer, Talby Gelb, David Gilman, Lois Glass, Larry Glosser, Irving Hirsch, Andy Jacobs, Joyce Kligerman, Diane Lilly, Bob Plum, Susanne Rosenkranz, Sylvia Siegel, Jeanne Snyder, Netta Sonkin, Bridget Wellen, Ina Willner

If you or someone you know is on the Refuah Shelemah list and no longer needs healing prayers, we would be delighted to remove their name. Please contact Ashley@h-nt.org or leave a message at 206-232-8555 x208 to request that a name be removed.

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In Honor of

Irene Epstein's cousin, Prof. Galia

Rahav, lighting one of the 10 torches

in Israel on Yom Ha'atzmaut for

excellence in treating Coronavirus

patients

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Miriam Wilenzick

Melvin Wilenzick

Maria Wenger

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Sally Behar

Doug & Ellie Davis

Margie Offer

Ettie & Sheri Davis

Syryl Burn

Marilyn & Chuck Caplan

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Shabbat of June 5/6

- June 6 Louis Kahn
Rebecca Rose Lott
Elizabeth Schwarz
Berta Woislowski
Isaac Roffe
- June 7 Mary Miller
Mary Erdrich
Isaac Robinson
Elvira Oppenheimer
- June 8 Siegfried Hamburger
Harold Rosenblume
Jacob Keisler
Lillie Wittenberg
Robert Zimmerman
Susanne Frankel
- June 9 Jack Brin
Samuel Peizer
Ann Tobias
Harry Thalheimer
Charles Fine
- June 10 Abe Levey
Anna Dolgoff
- June 11 Samuel Bernstein
Sali Fuchs
Eda Walters
- June 12 Isadore E Falk

Shabbat of June 12/13

- June 13 Ilona Feldman
Esther Abramowitz
- June 14 Samuel Reibman
Sarah Greenberg
Morris Mezistrano
- June 15 Lewis Hearst
Susan Angel
Sheldon Joseph
Miller
- June 16 Louis Epstein
Harry Kolpack
Sarah Fish
Tobias Vinnick
Fannie Cohen
- June 17 Modechai Augustover
Neshe Augustover
Eugene Rickles
Evelyn Gorelick
- June 18 Samuel Brucker
Louie Rosman
Sam Metzker
- June 19 Alfred Neff
Hannah Sarah Gleser
Abraham Jaffe

Shabbat of June 19/20

- June 20 Suzanne Shultz
Anne Hahn
Celia Deutsch
Solomon Becker
Milo Lobell
- June 21 Karen Shapiro
- June 22 Anna Wiseman
Sam Goldsmidt
Esther Laufer
Albert Pruchno
Hirsh Kaplan
- June 23 Samuel Goldman
Isaac Fleischman
Stanley Singer
- June 24 Herbert Wittenberg
Louis Kaminoff
Laz Lazarus
Perry Levinson
Mera Shure
- June 25 Sylvia Friedman
- June 26 Ida Stueckgold

Shabbat of June 26/27

- June 27 Alfred Ordell
- June 28 Rose Zeidman
- June 29 Ethel Leibsohn
Earl Ayon
Eli Shulman
Vera Neslin
Samuel 'Buddy'
Friedman
Fannie Danz
- June 30 Bertha Rosenbaum
- July 1 Ruth Schocken
Joseph Bieber
Bertha Corets
- July 2 David Boonov
Edward Hirshberg
Simon Applebaum
Sam Gladstein
John Frankel
- July 3 Carol Davis
Abraham Bookman
Leopold Kirschbaum
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Ernst Windmueller

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