March 2023 Adar/Nisan 5783



# HaKol

HAKOL IS THE NEWSLETTER OF HERZL-NER TAMID CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATION



Get Ready to Re-tell the Story of Purim with a Bang! Join us for Megillah Reading & Shpiel on March 6th, Evev Purim, 7:00 PM.

No acting experience required, just bring your energy and have fun! All Members of the community are invited to participate.

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# THE 2023 LEGACY FUNDRAISER

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Honoring **David and Lorna Isenberg** as the 2023 recipients of the Bob Zimmerman Community Leadership Award

Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM at Herzl-Ner Tamid

Join us for havdallah, music, food, cocktails and fun at this festive adults only event.

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FOR AN INTERACTIVE, PRINTABLE CALENDAR OF ALL HNT EVENTS HAPPENING THIS MONTH VISIT H-NT.ORG/CALENDAR.







## A Message from Rabbi Jacob Herber



Rabbi Jacob Herber

s most of you know we don't recite Hallel on Purim. The Bavli, the Babylonian Talmud teaches: "Why do we not recite Hallel on Purim? There are a number of responses including that we do not do so because Hallel is not said for a miracle which occurred outside of the land of Israel . . . Rav Nahman said: The reading of the Megillah is the equivalent of reciting Hallel. Rava said: There is good reason to recite Hallel on Pesach, as it says in the Hallel, *Sing praises, you servants of the Lord* who are no longer servants of Pharaoh. Can we say in this case, *Sing praises, you servants of the Lord* and not servants of Ahasuerus? We are still servants of Ahasuerus."

According to Rav Nahman, there's an inherent requirement to recite Hallel on Purim, but the reading of the Megillah tells the story and sings the praises of the victory against Haman and those who threatened to exterminate the Jewish people. So the obligations are fulfilled by the reading of the Megillah. On the other hand, Rava is of the opinion that there's no obligation to recite Hallel on Purim because the story in the Megillah begins with the Jews in exile, subservient to Ahasuerus, and ends with the Jews in exile, subservient to Ahasuerus. Rava seems to think that, in this context, Hallel is simply inappropriate.

Purim is the holiday of the diaspora. We've lived in

many tenuous situations over the centuries, dependent on the majority culture and its authorities. We've been subjected, too often, to persecution, exile, and discrimination and which leads us to be extremely careful when we notice that a certain authority may be kind to us, because things may quickly change. Hallel as psalms of praise, according to Rava, can only be recited when Jews are totally free, just as they were after leaving the bondage of Egypt and when we lived in their own land. Living in exile under a mercurial ruler is not full freedom. But because we were saved, we need to remember that salvation. That's why, for Rav Nahman, the Megillah takes the place of Hallel. By telling the story we recognize the obligation to protect ourselves just as Mordecai and Esther did long ago. We can be thankful for both their leadership and the Purim story.

In contrast, Pesah celebrates our liberation from the slavery and bondage from Egypt. We recite Hallel not only in our services, but also at our Seder. There are also special customs related to the Hallel of Passover. The first two days of Pesah we recite the full, complete Hallel. During the remainder of the festival, we recite an abbreviated Hallel known as the half Hallel. Again, in the same tractate of the Bavli (Megillah 10b) the text describes God as bereft at the downfall of the wicked: "Rabbi Yohanan said: The ministering angels wanted to chant their hymns, but the Ribono Shel Olam said,

"The work of my hands is being drowned into the sea, and shall you chant hymns?"" In other words, God prevented the angels from singing a full Hallel because the Egyptians, who were also God's handiwork, were drowning in the sea. Just as it would be inappropriate for God to rejoice in the fall of God's creation, we should also be sensitive to the loss of life, since our salvation, to a large degree, was based upon the drowning of the Egyptians in the Reed Sea. According to this view, we can't be totally joyous on the Festival of Freedom when others were injured or killed when we gained our freedom.

The half Hallel teaches us that we need to be sensitive to our own victories and to the downfall of others. In our religious tradition each person is made in the image of God and we have a responsibility to preserve life and not destroy it. While we can be joyous in our own salvation and redemption, we also need to be cautious in that joy.

These two approaches - not reciting Hallel on Purim and only reciting half Hallel on the final six days of Passover - teach us important lessons about ensuring the safety and security of the Jewish people, not only in Israel, but around the world, and at the same time, about protecting all human life as much as possible.

As we listen to the Megillah on Purim and rejoice in the salvation of the Jews of ancient Persia, and as we recite Hallel both at the Pesah Seder and during the final six days of the festival, let's remember these two lessons that come from our Talmudic Sages which continue to echo in experiences today.

-Rabbi Jacob Herber



## **Open Budget Meetings**

Thursday, March 2 and March 21 • 7:00 PM • In-Person at HNT with Zoom option available

Come learn about the tentative fiscal year budget for 2023-2024 and bring questions and feedback. March 2nd and March 21st. Sign up at <a href="https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/open-budget-meeting.html">https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/open-budget-meeting.html</a> to receive the information in advance.

## Purim Shpiel: It's a Small Shul!

Join us on March 6th at 7 PM for a night of Disney-inspired fun as we bring the Megillah story to life with a talented cast of characters, including Mickey, princesses, villains, and Winnie the Pooh. Our amazing cast includes synagogue leaders, volunteers, and FRS students.

The night will kick off with a costume parade and a sing-along. Come dressed in your best and bring the whole family for a smile-inducing, community-based event. And don't worry, we'll have homemade hamantaschen for the kids and still make it to bed on time!





## Legacy Fundraiser Update

The excitement is building as we are getting closer to our \$180,000 donation goal for HNT, your Jewish home! But the journey is far from over, and we need your continued generosity to make it to the finish line. Every donation, big or small, brings us closer to achieving our mission and making a real impact in the HNT community. The generosity of our donors humbles us, and we are so grateful for the outpouring of support. Thank you for supporting HNT on this journey. Let's make it happen by donating today and reaching our final fundraising goal!

To Donate/RSVP go to h-nt.org/Legacy

## Mary's Place Children's Book Drive

Now - March 11



To honor Lorna and David Isenberg's long standing commitment to Tikkun Olam, please join us in participating in these efforts by bringing children's books at the Annual Legacy Fundraiser on March 11.

The Mary's Place book drive is a fantastic opportunity to make a difference in the lives of women, children, and families in need. Mary's Place is a non-profit organization providing inclusive shelter and services to those most in need.

Join us in spreading the love of reading and making a difference in the lives of children in our community. These books will create reading corners, support educational programs, and provide a sense of normalcy and comfort for those seeking shelter at Mary's Place.



## "Hametz" during Passover



We are commanded not to eat, see, or possess any "hametz" during Passover. Hametz, usually translated as "leaven," is technically any one of the five biblical grain species – wheat, barley, rye, spelt, or oats – that has been in contact with water for more than 18 minutes. That's why matzah is OK during Passover, but bread isn't. Alas, beer and whiskey, with rare exceptions, are made from these grains, so they are not kosher for Passover. So that we don't have hametz in our possession, we put any hametz we want to put away for Passover in a separate space, and we sell it to a non-Jew for the duration of the holiday.

To sell your hametz fill out the form on this page. You can scan the form, mail it, or just send the information requested in the form to <u>ashley@h-nt.org</u> not later than 9:00 AM on Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

## Fast of the Firstborn

Since the firstborn of the Egyptians died so that our ancestors could get free from Egypt, there is a custom that Jewish first-born children fast as a sign gratitude that we weren't killed. The fast of the firstborn is marked starting at sunrise on the day of the seder and continues until sundown. However, if you're a firstborn you can be exempted from the requirement to fast by attending a seudat mitzvah, a "mitzvah meal." We will hold a siyyum, the completion of a tractate of learning, on that morning (Wednesday, April 5) following our streamed morning minyan. Join us for a last pre-Passover bagel and l'hayim before Passover whether you're fasting or not.

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#### **Authorization to Sell Hametz**

later than Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM.

	out this form and scan it or take a picture of it and email it back to Ashley Rowland (ashley@h-nt.org) or just send the requested o Ashley. Please email or call Ashley to arrange dropping off form and/or check				
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Name					
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The Torah prohibits the ownership of leaven during Passover; therefore requiring the most preparation of any holiday. The Rabbinic Assembly Passover Guide is intended to help families maintain a Pesahdik home according to the principles of Conservative Judaism and its understanding of Jewish Law. With significant changes in the nature and manufacture of kitchen products and foodstuffs, new policies are required to maintain a Kosher-for-Passover kitchen. The full guide is available at: https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/sites/default/files/2022-03/pesah-guide-5782.pdf					
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## B'nai Mitzvah See service times and links on page 16

#### Eliot Abramson • March 25



Eliot Abramson is the son of Joey Abramson z"I, Jessica Abramson & Jeremy Lott. He is the brother to Elyse, Jossalyn, Elan, Micah and Evi. He is the grandson of Daniel & Aviva Abramson, Jon & Cathy Friedberg, Brian & Carolyn Butler, and Marty & Sharon Lott. Eliot is a 7th grader at Islander Middle School and will be celebrating his 13th birthday just 12 days before his Bar Mitzvah. Eliot has many hobbies and interests including lacrosse, skiing, basketball & fishing. He also loves attending summer camp, math and spending time with friends just being a teenager! For his mitzvah project, Eliot is preparing welcome boxes filled with clothing, treats, stuffed animals and nightlights to children who arrive in the United States without the protection of an adult. These youth are supported by the Unaccompanied Youth Program that Jewish Family Services supports. The goal of this program is to help youth reunite with a guardian in Washington state and successfully integrate into their new community.

### **March Anniversaries**

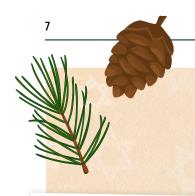
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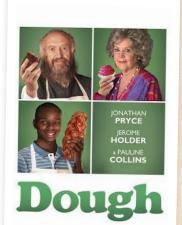
## Todah Rabbah

Elliot Moss for continuing to digitize our membership files

Judy Harris, Sue Solomon & Norene Arnold for helping with our big February HaKol mailing

Ella Toker for helping with our member mailing





## **Daytimers Lunch & Film Series**

Free during the day? Join us for good conversation, tasty lunch, and a Jewish-themed film!

Wednesday, March 15: Dough

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM • HNT Feinberg Social Hall

"Dough" is a 2015 British comedy-drama film about an old Jewish baker who forms an unlikely friendship with a young Muslim immigrant from Africa, resulting in a successful blend of their respective cultural heritages in their bakery. Through their struggles and differences, they discover the power of unity and the importance of keeping traditions alive.

HNT's in-house caterer, Lirit Maslan Ziv of Purple Beet Catering, will prepare the meal for this special program.

#### Pricing:

\$10/per person early bird (register by March 8th) or \$12/per person for lunch, served 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM, followed by the film.

Film only: free admission, but your registration is still appreciated.

Because we pre-order food, refunds cannot be issued after the Friday March 10th.

Register at <a href="https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/DaytimersMarch">https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/DaytimersMarch</a>



## Pray, Eat, Play (PEP)

#### Saturday, March 18th, Following Kiddush Lunch • Upper Foyer at HNT

This is a once a month after Shabbat services opportunity to play games and schmooze. After immersing yourself in the service, and filling your stomach with a kiddush meal, come socialize while playing games such as: MahJongg, Rummikub, Sequence, Chess, Checkers, Dominoes, Card games. Open to all ages and genders but children must be accompanied by an adult. Donations of gently used games (that don't involve writing) will be gladly accepted.

## MITZVAH CORPS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY



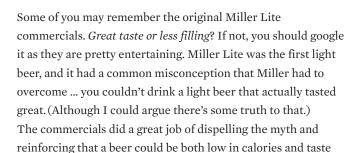
Our Mitzvah Corps volunteers are here to help make your life a little easier! Need a Shiva or Shabbat meal? We can provide those. Need a friendly face to visit with? We can provide that. Need a ride to services or appointments? We can provide that too.

Our \*helping hands\* reach out to our HNT community whenever the need arises. Who doesn't need a bit of TLC at one time or another?

Contact Judy Ziedman, HNT Mitzvah Corps Chair <u>iraez@comcast.net</u> • 425.883.6482 (home phone) • New volunteers are always welcome!



## Great taste or less filling?



good. It kept Miller Lite as the #1 selling light beer for decades.

As you can tell, that's a natural lead into my topic – the Legacy Fundraiser. No, we won't be serving Miller Lite at the event ... I don't think. It is very easy to forget or even not know the significance of the Legacy Event. So, let's take a look: what is the Legacy Fundraiser and how has it evolved?

Years ago, the original purpose of the fundraiser was clearly financial. HNT has a philosophy of inclusiveness and welcomes all Conservative Jews independent of ability to pay. Dues and religious school tuition fall far short of covering the expenses for the synagogue. A significant percentage of member dues and religious school tuition are mitigated. So, the funds raised at the Legacy function help make this possible.

We also took advantage of the Legacy Fundraiser to thank and honor someone or some group that contributed greatly to HNT over the years. It has always been synergistic – matching a fundraiser with honoring a leader in the synagogue, something many, if not most, synagogues undertake.

Several years ago, we lost a beloved member of our synagogue, Bob Zimmerman. Bob was a fixture at HNT, involved in so many ways. But perhaps his greatest legacy is the impact he had on the kids. We created the Bob Zimmerman Community Leadership Award to keep his memory alive and recognize future leaders in his honor. This award is traditionally given at the Legacy Event to the honoree, this year's recipients being David and Lorna Isenberg.





There is a challenge in honoring an individual. We are a fairly large congregation with members moving away from Seattle and new members joining every year. It is very likely that there are many congregants who don't even know the person or group being honored. That's ok. As much as we're honoring the person or people, we're acknowledging the concept ... the recognition that it takes dedicated people to help make the synagogue work and grow.

But the Legacy Fundraiser has another value. As people got busier and busier, there were fewer opportunities for HNT friends to get together. You could see how much people missed each other just by checking the foyers and patio during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. There may have been more people outside talking than in the sanctuary. And providing opportunities to make connections has become even more important coming out of the pandemic. The Legacy Event is an important part of this community building effort. Friends can see each other and just chat without the turmoil of dropping kids off at FRS or the myriad of other activities that take up our time.

So, what is the legacy fundraiser? Is the purpose to honor a person or group that has contributed significantly to the synagogue? Is it to raise funds to bridge the gap between dues and tuition and the actual costs to run the synagogue? Is it to provide a forum for us to celebrate being together as a community? Yes, Yes, and Yes! We need to recognize those that work hard to make HNT a great community and set the example for future leaders. We need to raise funds to keep the synagogue operating. And we need to celebrate together, as a large family.

Much like Miller Lite, our Legacy Fundraiser can be less filling and taste great! Hope to see you there.

- MICKEY FRIEDMAN,

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PRESIDENT, HNT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## MISHLOACH MANOT FUNDRAISER

CELEBRATE PURIM BY SENDING TRADITIONAL
MISHLOACH MANOT (PURIM GIFTS) TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS
WHILE SUPPORTING YOUR SYNAGOGUE!

Though the order deadline has passed, there is still time to arrange receiving Mishloach Manot! Help Reduce Waste! If you are receiving Mishloach Manot, you will need to 'opt in' by Wedensday, March 1 by responding at <a href="https://henchmosen.org/MM">h-nt.org/MM</a> with whether you'd a.) like to receive your chocolates or b.) prefer to receive only a list of who sent to you so the gift cost is donated back to support HNT.

We hope everyone will want to enjoy the treats, but not responding will indicate that you want to receive your list only, without the chocolates.

Pick-up windows are:

Sunday, March 5: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Monday, March 6: 9:30 AM - 6:30 PM



## SEATTLE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

MARCH 11-26, 2023

IN THEATERS + VIRTUALLY

The 28th Seattle Jewish Film Festival will return for film lovers from March 11-26. This year, join us for the best of globally acclaimed Jewish and Israeli cinema in-person and will screen virtually. Learn more and buy tickets at <a href="https://www.SeattleJFF.org">www.SeattleJFF.org</a>



#### The Levy's of Monticello (Virtual)

Streaming March 13 - March 26 Sponsored by HNT

Discover the lesser-known history of Monticello - the iconic American landmark home to President Thomas Jefferson. After his death, the estate was sold to Uriah Phillips Levy, a Jewish naval officer and Jefferson admirer. The Levy's of Monticello, a film, tells the story of the Levy family's century-long ownership, restoration, and preservation of the estate in the face of increasing antisemitism. The film also explores the paradox of Monticello as a plantation built by slaves and preserved by Jews and its connection to ongoing racism and antisemitism in the national narrative.

10 free tickets are available for HNT members, first come, first served. Email Sosna@h-nt.org to claim yours!



## Resettling Refugee Families - Household Item Collection



Now - March 31

HNT is helping 10+ refugee families being resettled by Jewish Family Service to ensure they have all the basic household items they need to begin a new life in a new country by the end of March. These families are fleeing inhumane situations in their countries of origin, and we know you want to

Option 1: Rally Your Circle to Sponsor a Family Email Refugees@h-nt. org to let us know that you'd like to help one of the refugee families by collecting a complete list of household items or specifically for bedroom,

### **Teen Feed**

#### Captain Needed

Help us provide dinner for 60 homeless teens. Email TeenFeed@h-nt.org to be added to our monthly email list, and to let them know if you want to cook, or purchase items and deliver to the home of this month's Teen Feed leader. For additional details and location information, check out: https://h-nt.org/shelter-meals



bathroom, kitchen, or general household. Then we will email you the easy "how-to" list.

**Option 2:** Purchase Items to Donate

**Option 3:** Make a monetary donation or sign up for an item on our captains

Help make our drive a success!

## **Elizabeth Gregory Home Monthly Second Sunday Lunch**

#### Captained Needed

This facility acts as a permanent address for so many in need of social services, job applications, etc... as well as providing access showers, laundry, computers, and referrals for needed services. We provide a hot lunch for 25-30 which can be dropped off Friday afternoon or Sunday morning by 10:30 AM in the U District, or arrange an earlier drop off with the captain(s). Sign up at https://h-nt.org/shelter-meals

### Congregations for the Homeless Shelter Meals

#### Captain Needed

The shelter serves 100 men each night and needs lot of help to keep everyone well fed. Food is dropped off outside, so it's easier than ever to help. Sign up to be a captain at <a href="https://h-nt.org/shelter-meals">https://h-nt.org/shelter-meals</a> or email <a href="mailto:ShelterMeals@h-nt.org">ShelterMeals@h-nt.org</a> to learn how easy it is to captain a meal with a group of friends.





### Shelter Meals Shout Outs

Thank you to everybody who contributed funds to help serve 130 meals for Teen Feed, Congregations for the Homeless and Elizabeth Gregory Home in February. Special thanks go to Norene Arnold and Nathalie Bentov, our shelter meal leaders. Ask any of these captains – it's easy to do, and we need more of you! Sign up for future months at https://h-nt.org/shelter-meals and we will follow up with details, or email Sosna@h-nt.org for questions.





## Come join the HNT Women's League Book Club which meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM online on our Cloud HD Video Meeting

Upcoming meetings for the Women's League Book Club.

- Thursday March 2: Here All Along talk with author Sarah Hurwitz at SJCC or online.
- Monday, April 3: No book club.
- Monday, May 1: The Violin Maker's Daughter by Sharon Maas discussion leader Helene Rubens



### **Judaica Shop**

Buy gifts and give twice – proceeds benefit HNT youth programs! We have the largest Judaica Shop in the Seattle area with many beautiful and meaningful Judaica and gifts in all price ranges. The Judaica Shop is open appointment only by contacting Kari Haas: 206-719-2224.

## AFFINITY GROUPS

HNT is building community with Affinity Groups, connecting members with shared interests or circumstances. Groups are lay-led, can be virtual or in-person, and can be year-round or seasonal at any frequency.

### **Current Affinity Groups:**

Board Games • Bowling • Challah baking • Cycling • Gardening • Golfing • Hiking • Kayaking • Needle arts (knit, crochet, needlepoint...) • Skiing • Trains (real & model) • Zoom Shabbat Dinners

Sign up at <a href="https://mailchi.mp/h-nt/affinity">https://mailchi.mp/h-nt/affinity</a>







### **Needlecraft Affinity Group**

Thursday, March 9th and March 23rd • 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the HNT Skolnick Board Room

Knit, Crochet and more! The HNT Needle Arts Affinity Group is getting started. This is a wonderful opportunity to socialize with fellow crafters. Bring your projects, learn a new craft or get better at what you know. RSVP to <a href="https://link.ps.//inches

### **Zoom Study Group**

Saturday, April 8th • 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Are you tired of studying alone and craving a dynamic and engaging study experience? Look no further! Join our exciting Zoom study group, where you'll get the chance to collaborate and learn alongside other motivated individuals.

Our group meets every second Saturday of the month from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, giving you plenty of time to delve deep into the subject matter and make meaningful progress. Plus, with the flexibility and convenience of Zoom, you can participate from the comfort of your own home! If you're interested, contact the amazing Astrid Davidson at <a href="mailto:Astriddavidson18@gmail.com">Astriddavidson18@gmail.com</a> to join in on the fun!

# A Message from Director of Education Dr. Eliyahu Krigel, CJE



"Moses recalls that God spoke to Israel "face to face." One would expect that expression to be "panim el panim ("face TO face"), but it says, panim b'panim (literally, "face IN face"), expressing even greater directness. The presence is not only turned to the other but penetrates into the other."

-Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch (1808-1888)

## Better Together: A Virtual Program For Teens And Participants Over 65 Years Old!

Monthly Sundays, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom & In-Person at HNT • Next date: Sunday, March 19

In our successful Better Together program this year we have been focusing on the concept of Panim B'Panim mentioned in the quote above from Rabbi Hirsch. Face IN Face highlights the importance of good communication. Better Together is geared towards students ages 11-18 and participants over 65 years old. The purpose is to unite these two groups by strengthening the communication and connection they both feel on a personal and communal level. This year we incorporated the FRS 5th grade into the program, and we are so pleased with the results. The Better Together curriculum has been an outstanding resource for us in planning the discussions and content of each lesson. We have met in person for six sessions so far. Relationships have been formed and we have gotten into a very nice flow with the program.

Each morning Better Together meets we first meet with the teens to introduce the topic of the day and begin preparing for our intergenerational time of study and learning with the elders. This format has worked because it has enabled for growth to come out of the consistency. The intergenerational study begins together when we discuss in a large group the theme and topic of the day. The groups are then divided and given study sheets to answer questions printed from the Better Together curriculum. We then come back together and verbally reflect and discuss what was learned. We use the final 20 minutes of class for an activity we can do all together. By focusing on experiential learning at the end, we are able to conclude with action tied to the content of the learning.

One meaningful twist on the intergenerational component of Better Together for us this year has been growing etrog trees. After Sukkot the students collected 30 etrogim. We then used one of the class times in October with the elders to cut and separate the seeds after learning

about Sukkot. We then dried out the seeds and cured them so they would be ready for planting. The students and elders then planted the seeds in November in small containers they designed with values such as respecting elders and learning from everyone. We talked about what a seed needs to grow and related it to what people need to grow and develop.

The comprehensive aspect of the curriculum provides for choice and freedom in picking and choosing activities for each lesson. Although this is our second year with Better Together, it really feels like our first year in a lot of ways because it's only been a few months that we have been meeting in-person. Planting the etrog seeds was a successful factor for the students because it helped them understanding aging and the holiday of Sukkot in a new light. Throughout the program we have used The Interview Game to help us prompt conversation both in our large group and also in our smaller groups. We can simply ask a question but there is a difference when it's on the screen. The Interview Game helps the participants feel more engaged and like they have direction and meaning with the questions. Instead of asking random questions, the game has helped us deepen our relationships between the teens and the elders. Here is a link to the game if interested: <a href="https://www.theinterviewgame.com/">https://www.theinterviewgame.com/</a>

The Better Together program has made a big difference for our seniors at HNT. The program has provided a place for our seniors to meet and feel heard. The connections with the students the seniors have made has been significant. Better Together is funded by a nationally recognized foundation. The program is a five-year grant opportunity. We are in year two right now.

If interested, please sign up below to be included in our plans and activities. Please register for the Better Together program with this link: <a href="https://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/better-together/">https://hnt.wufoo.com/forms/better-together/</a>

P.S. The Gwenn and Dean Polik and Valerie Polack z"I Israel Trip 2023 was a complete success! We have had a wonderful journey to Israel from February 15-26. Pictures are up on the HNT Facebook page. In order to have ample time for reflection, we will put the student reflections in the Hakol next month instead of this month as previously planned. We

continue to show our gratitude and appreciation to Gwenn and Dean Polik for supporting the Masa Program at HNT!

Dr. Elizahu Krigel - Dr. ELIYAHU KRIGEL

## FRS Parent Coffee with the FRS Parent Committee

#### Sunday, March 5 • 10:00 AM in the Upper Foyer at HNT

Join the FRS Parent Committee for schmoozing and coffee on March 5 at 10:00am after our morning assembly in the Upper Foyer at HNT. Bond with FRS families, share stories and resources, and strengthen friendships and connections with other parents. All are welcome! We will continue holding these informal gatherings all year on the first Sunday of the month when FRS is in session. Just like we want all our students to be best friends, we also want our parents to be in partnership and connected as well. For more information about the FRS Parent Committee, please contact Lindsay O'Neil (lindsayoneil@gmail.com) or Brooke Pariser (brookesidell@hotmail.com).







### **Tot Shabbat**

Presented by Stroum Jewish Community Center, Herzl-Ner Tamid Conservative Congregation, PJ Library, and Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle

Fridays • 9:45 AM - 10:30 AM In Person at the SJCC

Join Chava Mirel and Dr. Eliyahu Krigel for Tot Shabbat at the SJCC! Open to everyone. Bring your extended family. Thank you to the Jewish Federation of Seattle, PJ Library, the SJCC, and HNT for sponsoring this program. Experience the magic and wonder!



- Great work to the FRS students for always diving right into their lessons and for asking great questions!
- It was so great to meet and work with Nadav Shachmon during at FRS. Nadav works for RootOne. RootOne helps thousands of Jewish teens travel to Israel for a meaningful experience by offering financial support. Find out more about the important work of RootOne with this link: <a href="https://rootone.org/">https://rootone.org/</a>
- Outstanding work to Aliza Glatter for being our second chaperone on the Masa Israel trip. Aliza is currently the Camp Director at the SJCC. We have been so fortune to have her join us on our Israel adventure! Thank you Aliza for your outstanding work!
- Great work to Nathan for helping to light the candles for Tot Shabbat. Kol HaKavod!
- Thanks friends for your participation at Tot Shabbat. What a large and lively group. It has been so wonderful to sing and make beautiful music with Chava Mirel. Tot Shabbat is presented by Stroum Jewish Community Center, Herzl-Ner Tamid Conservative Congregation, PJ Library, and Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle! We meet every Friday at the SJCC at 9:45.
- We had such an amazing time on the Gwenn & Dean Polik and Valerie Polack z"I Israel Trip 2023! Here is our group during our last class before the trip!
- Thanks Randy Kessler and Noy from StandWithUs for a thoughtful and inspiring presentation at HNT in preparation for our Israel trip! We continue to show our gratitude and appreciation to Gwenn and Dean Polik for supporting the Masa Program at HNT!
- Thanks to Josh Niehaus for bringing the ruach with Schechter Ruach! Learn more about CSS with this link: https://www.campschechter.org/financial-aid/

## **USY Seattle Achim**

## SJCC Purim Carnival: Help USY Run a Booth!

Sunday, March 5 • 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM at the SJCC

Join USY Advisor Joel Jacobs to run our booth and some games for kids during the SJCC Purim carnival. Open to all 6th – 12th graders! We will have the game and booth all set up. Sign up and RSVP for a shift with this link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0549A8A62AA0F94-usypurim">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0549A8A62AA0F94-usypurim</a>

### Making Mitzvah Bags with USY

Sunday, March 19 • 12:15 PM - 2:15 PM at HNT Youth Lounge

Join us for an opportunity make <u>Mitzvah Bags</u> for those in need. Open to all 8th - 12th graders from HNT and beyond. Please sign up and tell us what you want to bring to help contribute to the Mitzvah Bags with this link: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1f9nl3bxl7YRURWwTK8PDzvU4dliDJDFiRt3awlLzbUM/edit#gid=0">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1f9nl3bxl7YRURWwTK8PDzvU4dliDJDFiRt3awlLzbUM/edit#gid=0</a>



For more information about USY at HNT, please contact our USY advisor Joel Jacob's at <a href="mailto:usyadvisor@h-nt.org">usyadvisor@h-nt.org</a>



## College Packages

Please submit addresses by March 24 at h-nt.org/college

Pesach is around the corner, and so are our last college packages of the school year! If you have an undergraduate college student with a new address this spring or if you've never submitted their information, submit their address so they can receive some Kosher for Pesach goodies! Please note that we cannot send packages internationally. We need volunteers to help assemble packages at home! Visit <u>h-nt.org/volunteers</u> to sign up.

## **Adult Education**

Current Offerings:

-Introduction to Judaism taught by Rabbi Jacob Herber Sundays, March 5, March 12, March 19, March 26, 10:30 AM – 11:30AM, In person (HNT Board Room) & via Zoom

-Foundations for a Thoughtful Judaism: American Jewish Identity and Israel taught by Rabbi Herber

Wednesdays, April 19, May 3, May 17, May 31, June 14, June 21, 7:00PM – 8:30PM via Zoom

-Lunch & Learn: Walking with Mitzvot taught by Rabbi Jacob Herber Wednesdays, March 8, March 22, April 26, May 10, 12:00PM-1:00PM, via Zoom

#### -Adult Hebrew taught by Janine Rosenbaum

Date and time information available at <a href="https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/">https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/</a>
<a href="https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/">Hebrew-Classes</a>

-The Jew Among the Nations: Where are We Headed? facilitated by Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum

Thursday, February 23, 7:00PM -8:30PM via zoom

Please go to <a href="https://h-nt.org/year-round-adult-learning/">https://h-nt.org/year-round-adult-learning/</a> for information on all of our Adult Education offerings.

## Within the Shul Family

#### We Celebrate:

- Parents Janine & Andy Jacobs on the wedding of Dylane Jacobs to Allen Cox
- Grandparents Carol & Peter Michel on the birth Elio Tedeschi Michel
- \* HNT members are listed above. For a complete list email <u>Ashley@h-nt.org</u>

#### We Offer Condolences for:

- Frances Sussman z"l, mother of Marcia Beberfall
- Ruth H. Robinson z"l, mother of Andy Robinson
- Edward Weiss z"l, father of Peter Weiss
- Esther Ostrovsky z"l, sister if Raquel Shapiro
- Dorothy Vinegar z"l, grandmother of Rachael Moss
- Johnny Cohn z"l, husband of Elaine Cohn, father of Jeff Cohn
- Diane Shear z"l

#### Refuah Shelemah to Congregants:

Marion Aronson, Sandy Bing, Margaret Castellanos, Lore Coe, Paula Feldman, Lois Glass, Esther Lott, Wayne Morse, Joyce Rivkin, Betsy Rosen, Susanne Rosenkranz, Sylvia Siegel, B. Sloan, Jeanne Snyder, Ella Toker

- \* HNT members are listed above. For a complete list email Ashley@h-nt.org
- \* 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 the office to request that a name be removed.

### Ways to Participate in T'filot:

HNT offers both in-person Shabbat services in our Sanctuary, and a virtual option available to view at <a href="https://hnt.org/youtube">h-nt.org/youtube</a>

Morning Minyan is also offered both in-person and virtually at <a href="https://hem.nc.g/services">h-nt.org/services</a>

## March T'filot

Pre-negs: Fridays at 5:30 PM
Kiddush lunch: Saturdays following services
Sponsorship opportunities are available.
Please contact Melanie at Melaniem@h-nt.org
for more information

Friday, March 3 6:00 PM Services Birthday Shabbat

Saturday, March 4 10:00 AM Services

Monday, March 6 Erev Purim 7:00 PM Purim Shpiel

Tuesday, March 7
Purim

Friday, March 10 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, March 11 10:00 AM Services No Kiddush Lunch

Friday, March 17 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, March 18 10:00 AM Services

Friday, March 24 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, March 25 9:30 AM Services Bar Mitzvah of Eliot Abramson

> Friday, March 31 6:00 PM Services Anniversary Shabbat

Saturday, April 1 10:00 AM Services

### Morning Minyan:

Weekdays: 7:30 AM, Sundays & Secular Holidays: 9:00 AM



<sup>\*</sup> HNT members who are direct mourners are listed. For a complete list of mourners, email <u>Ashlev@h-nt.orq</u>



## IN SUPPORT OF ONE ANOTHER

These generous tributes were made from January 21 through February 20, 2023

#### **AMY MACKOFF CAMPERSHIP FUND**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Michael Falkenstein from Michael & Susan Becker Hedwig Falkenstein from Michael & Susan Becker Ruth Becker from Michael & Susan Becker Esther Kahn from Michael & Susan Becker Fred Kahn from Michael & Susan Becker

#### In Memory of

Arny Barer from Ann Lee Rogel

#### **BUILDING FUND**

#### In Memory of

Johnny Cohn from Louie Sanft

#### CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Babette Schiller from David Schiller

Dr. Albert Kovsky from Michael, Debbie, Greg, and Steve Kovsky

Sylvia Perl from Clive Brazg Carolyn Berch Rosenfeld from Leslie & Ken Gordon

#### In Appreciation of

Cantor Kurland from David Schiller

#### In Honor of

Cantor Kurland from Arny & Anita Reich

#### In Memory of

Esther Ostrovsky from Bob & Talby Gelb
David Bernstein from Peggy Bernstein & Family
Rita Reich from Jim & Lee Keller
Abe Kriger from Ella Toker
Jack Reiter from Ella Toker

Arny Barer from Ella Toker
Bob Lowy from Ella Toker
Samuel Ben-Rubin from Barry & Judy Schwarz
Rita Reich from Mickey & Debbie Kovsky
Dick Angel from Gail Wiener
Frances Sussman from Michael & Shainie Schuffler

#### **DANNY LEWIS FUND**

#### In Memory of

Frances Sussman from Henry & Paula Feldman

## DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION DISCRETIONARY FUND

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Lisette Amaraggi from Nicole Elbling Leo Bojman from Nicole Elbling Suzie Amaraggi from Nicole Elbling

#### **EILEEN MINTZ KITCHEN FUND**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Nellie Blum from Paul & Florence Katz Burstein Doris Lederman from Jerry & Judy Weiser

#### **ENDOWMENT FUND DONATIONS**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Julia Shaffer from Ron & Lori Kaufman

#### In Memory of

Dave Bernstein from Ron & Lori Kaufman

#### **FLOWERS FUND**

#### In Memory of

Johnny Cohn from Ilyse & Greg Wagner Johnny Cohn from Richard & Barrie Galanti

#### FRANKEL ENDOWMENT FUND

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Harry Lederman from Jerry & Judy Weiser

#### FRANKEL LIBRARY FUND

#### In Memory of

David L. Gray from Nolan & Pat Newman

#### FRANKEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Abraham Emmerman from Alan & Elaine Peizer
Walter Rosenstock from Alan & Elaine Peizer
Ruth Peizer from Alan & Elaine Peizer

#### In Memory of

Ruth H. Robinson from Ron & Lori Kaufman Esther Ostrovsky from Stephen & Robin Boehler

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

May Cutson from Israel & Betsy Rosen Sylvia Rosen from Israel & Betsy Rosen Sam Berch from Gary Berch

#### In Honor of

The marriage of Dylane Jacobs to Allen Cox from



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Robert and Talby Gelb

#### In Memory of

Ruth H. Robinson from Janet Neumann & Ricardo Wenger

Ruth Robinson from Dean & Gwenn Polik Rita Reich from Bob and Talby Gelb Bob Lowy from Bob and Talby Gelb

#### **MASLAN MEMORIAL FUND**

#### In Memory of

David Bernstein from Peggy Bernstein & Family

#### **MEMORIAL FUND**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Marilyn Boden from Allan, Tamar, Hannah & Alyssa Boden

Joseph Eliezer Daitsch from Michele Appelbaum Moe Schwartz from Mimi & Jeff Rubenstein, Ryan Rubenstein & Lauren Goldfein

Aleksandr Dernis from Ella Dernis William Cordova from Sandra Feinstein Donald Silverstein from Warren E. Cohen Morris Kane from Ed & Carol Kane Bernard Simon from Stacey Brody & Tom Brody Lois Ducharme from Sharon Woolcott Sylvia Glazer from Janet & Robert Lackman Family

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Guta Esther Sentner from Shirley Zarkin Martin Rind from Brad Rind & Janet Gray Ben Delson from Eleanor Delson Henia Brazg from Ron Brazg Fannie Feinberg from Joyce Benezra
Jacob Klaff from Leslie & Denise Klaff
Edith Dichter from Robin Zambrowsky
Robert Donin from Carol Barer
Richard Willner from Andrew & Nancy Willner
Esther Mutchler from Mickey Sobel

#### In Memory of

Anne Geiger from Muriel Jory
Diana Greenbaum from Ken & Lois Glickman
Esther Ostrovsky from Mike & Cheri Levy
Rita Reich from Ron & Lori Kaufman
Rita Reich from elinor and alvin bayliss
Bob Lowy from Jay & Susan Matt

#### MITZVAH CORPS FUND

#### For the Yahrzeit of

David N. Levy from Mike & Cheri Levy Sophie Lemchen from Larry Lemchen

Sophie Lemchen from Sonny Putter & Rochelle Roseman

#### In Honor of

Carol and Peter Michel's new grandchild from Nolan & Pat Newman

#### In Memory of

Edward Weiss from Ilyse & Greg Wagner Bob Lowy from Mike & Cheri Levy Arny Barer from Jeffrey & Janet Gindin

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#### In Memory of

Ruth H Robinson from Bruce & Peggy Gladner
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#### For the Yahrzeit of

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#### In Honor of

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#### In Memory of

David Bernstein from Peggy Bernstein & Family

#### **YOUTH ACTIVITIES FUND**

#### For the Yahrzeit of

Helene Betty Weiser from Jerry & Judy Weiser





## BELOVED DEPARTED

#### Memorialized with Yahrzeit Plagues at HNT

## SHABBAT OF March 3/4

- 4 Samuel Kirschbaum Nathan Lipets
- 5 Hayyah Silver
- 6 Ruth Canty
  Fannie Kaminoff
  Leo Kirstein
  Amelia Tobias
- 7 David Boman Reva Fine Morris Finegold Harry Lederman Chaya Bellina Minkove Alan Rappoport Isadore Schuman

David Topolovitz

- 8 Mary Colf Mark Hodin Sarah Joseph Marvin Klass Nina Pinch
- 9 Moshe Dahukey Jacob Feinberg Ethel Jaffe Marie Lewinski Mr. Victor Liff Phil Paloy Ludwig Rosenbaum Sarah Walker

## SHABBAT OF March 10/11

- 11 Marion Rubenstein Burnie Sanft Toba Thomas
- 12 Gertrude Auerbach Julius Kahn Jules Winikoff
- 13 David Coe Ida Gerber Anna Malakoff Samuel Minsk
- 14 Morris Bensussen Jack Goldman Isadore Levy
- 15 Freda Perez Samuel Sands

16 Hyman Block

- Shirley Boman Lillian Lipets Ida Roffe Louis Rosenberg Sara Sadick
- 17 Max Cohen Ann Etsekson Albert Winters

## SHABBAT OF March 17/18

- 18 Mary Barrat
  Sarah Berch
  Hannah Fenik Bernstein
  Morris Fischler
  Moshe Greenberg
  Augusta Levinson
  Henry Magdal
  William Wienir
  Dorothy Wittenberg
  19 Samuel Asia
  Mac Edelson
  Fannie Gold
  Manuel (Manny) Lott
- 20 Abner Angel
  Florence Gaponoff
  Isabelle Malakoff
  Philip David Maslan
  Charles Michel
  Max Oppenheimer
  Robert Rosenfeld
  Alan Rosenstock
  Geula Gili Selzer

Gail Stulberg

George Silver

- 21 Ida Balter
  Irving Boonov
  Jacob Bovarnick
  Abraham Cohen
  Harry Friedman
  Rose Grund
  Max Tobias
  Adolph Weinthrop
  George Winston
  Yetta Wolff
- 22 Susan Friedman
- 23 Abraham Gottlieb

## SHABBAT OF March 24/25

- 25 Goldie Cohn Mendel (Max) Katz Janet Wacks
- 26 Riva Emmerman Klein Carl Rubinstein
- 27 Marie Friedlander Vivian Ordell
- 28 Joseph Fisher
  Louis Kolpack
  Edith Polack
  Dave Ross
  Nathan Schwartz
  Rachel Wise
- 29 Joseph Golden Sarah Green
- 30 Aaron Chiprut Felix Hahn
- 31 Rose Bovarnick

## SHABBAT OF Mar 31/Apr 1

Louis Snider
Augusta Suffion
Rose Brown
Rhoda Fishman Eisen

Fannie Delson

- Mr. Harry Gold Harry Aaron Jaffe Jack Kaplan Isaac Lackman Louis Rutt Nessie Warshall
- 3 Lenore Casserd Ruby Gladstein Jennie Lander
  - Julius Myers Fani Rosenbaum
- 4 Gerald Braverman Irving Hirsch Chaim Pinchev
- 5 Henry Arshon Samuel Berger Nettie Gladner Marion Glazer Rose Saslow Kornblit Margaret Olbaum Altha Rosenberg
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## HERZL MEMORIAL PARK

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For more information about the Herzl Memorial Park, contact Elaine Weinstein at 425-455-4703.

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