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# HaKol

HAKOL IS THE NEWSLETTER OF HERZL-NER TAMID CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATION



FOR AN INTERACTIVE, PRINTABLE CALENDAR OF ALL HNT EVENTS HAPPENING THIS MONTH, VISIT <u>H-NT.ORG/CALENDAR</u> OR SEE INSIDE.





uring the Hebrew month of Elul we're asked to prepare ourselves spiritually for the promise of another, new year. We do a deep dive of introspection and reflection which, we hope, will lead us to *teshuvah*, repentance. This endeavor of self-improvement is meant to be grounded in our Jewish values.

The Kotzker Rebbe teaches that the verse "You shall be holy beings to me" (Exodus 22:31) should be understood to mean that because God has enough angels, what God really needs are holy human beings. While angels are static creatures, we humans are multi-dimensional. We are fallible, but also capable of self-improvement. And this is precisely why God wants us in this world.

During this season of repentance, we should understand that neither we nor God is judging us against the yardstick of perfection. We aren't angels and God neither expects nor wants us to be them. Instead, God celebrates the fact that we are mere mortals, with all our shortcomings, but with the God given ability to become better versions of ourselves. And *teshuvah* is the pathway for accomplishing this goal.

As we prepare for these Days of Awe, we need to remember to avoid being overwhelmed by the unrealistic expectations we may impose on ourselves because of the misperception that our tradition demands we be perfect, angelic, in the way we live. This isn't just false; it can be incredibly discouraging. How could we possibly meet such a standard? At the same time, we should be cognizant of the fact that God values who we are as human beings. So while being perfect isn't what's

expected, our improvement as moral and ethical people and our scared living surely is.

It's important to ask ourselves some fundamental questions, especially now: "How can I live differently so that I can be a better person?" "What commitment can I make which will enable me to feel more connected to God, Judaism, my family, my people?" "What will it take to fill my life with real, important, existential meaning?"

As the Friday night song, "Shalom Aleikhem" reminds us, Angels are honored visitors and messengers of God. But they aren't a part of this world. We, on the other hand, do inhabit this realm, and it's up to us to live in it in the best, most morally aspirational way as possible. May we all succeed in this important undertaking.

Shanah tovah!

-RABBI JACOB HERBER



#### Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Service Times

#### **Selichot**

Saturday, September 28th - 8:00 PM

#### **Erev Rosh Hashanah**

Wednesday, October 2nd - 6:30 PM

#### Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Thursday, October 3rd - 8:15 AM
Tashlich by the Wittenberg Waterfront - 1:15 PM
Mincha/Ma'ariv - 6:30 PM

#### **Rosh Hashanah Day 2**

Friday, October 4th - 8:15 AM

#### Kol Nidre (Erev Yom Kippur)

Friday, October 11th - 6:00 PM

#### Yom Kippur

Saturday, October 12th - 9:45 AM Yizkor ~ 12:45 PM Mincha - 4:15 PM Ne'ilah/Ma'ariv - 6:00 PM

Final Tekiah & Break-the-Fast - 7:15 PM



#### **Youth & Family Service Times**

#### Erev Rosh Hashanah - Wednesday, October 2nd

5.00 PM - 6.00 PM-

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM:

Middle School Program - FRS Classroom #1
High School Program - Frankel Library

#### Rosh Hashanah Day 1 - Thursday, October 3rd

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM:

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center Middle School Program - FRS Classroom #1 High School Program - Frankel Library 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM:

Family Tashlich Ceremony - Wittenberg Waterfront

#### Rosh Hashanah Day 2 - Friday, October 4th

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM:

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center Middle School Program - FRS Classroom #1 High School Program - Frankel Library

#### **Erev Yom Kippur - Friday, October 11th**

5:00 PM to 6:00 PM:

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM:

Middle School Program - FRS Classroom #1 High School Program - Frankel Library

#### Yom Kippur - Saturday, October 12th

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM:

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center Middle School Program - FRS Classroom #1 High School Program - Frankel Library

7:00 PM: Flashlight Brigade: Youth and families will meet in the Upper Foyer when called for the HNT tradition of the annual flashlight brigade, Havdalah and final Tekiah. Some flashlights and glow sticks will be provided but please bring your own as well.

Our Family Services will be meaningful and fun for children ages preschool through fifth grade and their families. Registration is requested in order to attend at

https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/hh-family-services-2024.

# High Holiday Preparations

# Rosh Hashanah College Packages

Addresses Due by Wednesday, September 18th

If you have an undergraduate college student, fill in their information at h-nt.org/college so they can receive some goodies for a shanah tovah!

# Selichot Program & Service

Faith and Tragedy: Preparing for the Days of Awe Saturday, September 28th • 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

When tragedy strikes, people of faith need a way to understand their relationship to God. This need is all the more relevant during the High Holy Day season when we confront the losses we've sustained and grapple with prayers in the Mahzor which challenge our notions of sin, repentance and punishment. Jewish thought offers many approaches for the faithful to consider who and where is God in moments of crisis and soul-searching. Join Rabbi Herber for an evening of text study and discussion as we explore what it means to maintain a relationship with God when are struggling and searching for God.

# Sukkah Hop - Save the Date

Sunday, October 20th • Early Evening, Time TBD

Please join us at our shul-wide Sukkah Hop on Sunday October 20th. We will have several sukkot to hop to within a few hour period in the early evening. More details to come, but SAVE THE DATE! We hope to see you there for drinks, snacks, community and fun!

#### Sign Up Now to Host

Anyone with a sukkah, no matter the size, is invited to host a stop for our Sukkah Hop on Sunday, October 20th. With an open-house style, expected time frame for guests is early evening and HNT will provide every host with their own lulav and etrog set, free of charge!

If you plan to have a sukkah and are willing to host a stop, please email Cora (Cora@h-nt.org) to let her know you are interested in hosting.

# Jewish Calendars

Jewish calendars will be available thanks to Team Chotzen from The Landmark Group (<u>TheLandmarkGroup.com</u>) group who generously provided these to our congregation. These are for members only and there are a limited quantity so only one per family. They will be in both the lower and upper foyers closer to the High <u>Holidays</u>.





# Sneak Into Shul This Yom Kippur

Sunday, October 6th • 10:00 AM • HNT

It is traditional for Jews to wear non-leather shoes on Yom Kippur. By not wearing shoes that require an animal to give up its life, we are reminding ourselves that kindness is what God wants most of us on this holiest of days. At HNT, we're going to do this mitzvah in a special way this year. Borrowing a page from the TikTok craze, we're going to gather together and paint our canvas sneakers lots of bright colors. Then we can wear our sneakers to shul on the Day of Atonement.

10:00 AM - Learn a hilarious, but meaningful song about Jewish walking on the High Holidays.

10:15 AM - Learn the meaning of this mitzvah with Rabbi Rosenbaum.

10:45 AM - Paint your canvas sneakers.

Most important of all... October 11-12: Sneak into shul on Yom Kippur!

#### Don't forget to bring your own canvas sneakers!

Here are a few recommendations: Amazon (kids), Amazon (adults), Target (adults), Old Navy (kids)

If you have any questions, please contact Irit Eliav Levin, Director of Education, at Irit@h-nt.org

Sign up: https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/sneak-into-shul.html



## Donate Blood & Give the Gift of Life

Wednesday, September 4th • HNT Parking Lot

We are hosting the Bloodworks NW Bloodmobile for one day only! Secure your spot now to donate blood during any opening 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Thank you for participating in this life saving effort.

Sign up: https://donate.bloodworksnw.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/82351











#### Mah Jongg Affinity Group

Thursdays, September 12th & 19th - 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Dragons, Flowers, and Cardinal Directions, oh my! Please join us for Mah Jongg Affinity Group on Thursdays at HNT! There is an opportunity to learn if you are new to the game too! Please contact Judy Weiser at <a href="mailto:weiserfam@comcast.net">weiserfam@comcast.net</a> for more details.



#### **Shabbat Dinner Group**

Friday, September 27th at 7:30 PM - Address given upon registration

Participation in this group is limited to HNT members only. Immediate family or a companion is welcome. Dinners will be held monthly on every fourth Friday (except haggim) at 7:30 PM (or 4:30 PM for younger families). Hosts provide challah, wine, beverages and Shabbat candles. Hosts may limit the number of seats they can accommodate. Guests will need to coordinate with the host to bring vegetarian/dairy or parve dishes to share. Register below to participate and join our new group.

https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/friday-night-shabbat-dinners



#### **Needlecraft Affinity Group**

Thursdays at 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Upper Foyer

Knit, crochet and more with the HNT Needlecraft Affinity Group! This is a wonderful opportunity to socialize with fellow crafters. Bring your projects, learn a new craft or get better at what you know.

# Within the Shul Family

#### We Celebrate:

 Ruth & David Peckarsky on the birth of their grandson, Max Samuel Weinberg Peckarsky

#### Refuah Shelemah to Congregants:

- Baila bat Gavriel v'Chaiya
- Chaiya Devorah bat Pesiya Brynna
- Lori Kaufman
- Shmuel ben Y'rachmiel v'Hannah
- Daniel ben Y'rachmiel v'Hannah
- · Shayna Chaiya bat Enya
- Tzvi Hirsch
- Moshe ben Devorah
- Tom Livingston
- · Aviv Moshe ben Yitzchak v'Lara
- Sara bat Avner v'Shoshana
- Kathy Goff
- · Pinchas ben Shoshanna
- Shaindel bat Avraham v'Sarah
- Michal bat Ephraim v'Rivka
- Gedaliah ben Nessah
- · Michael Ben Sarah Rochel



<sup>\*</sup> HNT members are listed above, to add a name to the list email <u>Aviva@h-nt.org</u>

# September T'filot

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

Friday, September 6 6:00 PM Services Birthday Shabbat

Saturday, September 7
9:30 AM Services & Bat Mitzvah of Hannah Sherer

Friday, September 13 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, September 14 10:00 AM Services

Friday, September 20 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, September 21 10:00 AM Services

Friday, September 27 6:00 PM Services

Saturday, September 28 10:00 AM Services 8:00 PM Selichot Services

# Bat Mitzvah





Hannah Sherer is the daughter of Charles and Molly Sherer and sister to Simon (11). She is the granddaughter of Bill (z"I) and Judy Harris and Barbara Sherer and David Sherer. Hannah is an eighth grader at Cougar Mountain Middle School in Issaquah. She has many hobbies and interests, including knitting, crocheting, student leadership, softball, baking and spending time with friends and family. She also loves spending summers at Camp Solomon Schechter. Hannah enjoys helping kids, and for her mitzvah project volunteered at Friendship Circle, an organization bringing fun activities and experiences to children with special needs.

<sup>\*</sup> If you or someone you know is on the Refuah Shelemah list and no longer needs healing prayers, please contact the office to request that a name be removed.



# Why the Black-Jewish Relationship is More Relevant than Ever

Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum

On June 24-25, I co-organized a Conference on Black-Jewish Relations at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, my alma mater. Attending the conference were 8 Black ministers and 7 rabbis representing Seattle, New York, Philadelphia, New Haven, Chicago, San Francisco, New Orleans and Atlanta. The retreat grew out of our National Black-Jewish Clergy Bible study group which is now entering its fifth year. This group is an outgrowth of a local Seattle equivalent which is entering its sixth year. And we are very excited about our latest project: writing a Black-Jewish commentary on the first chapters of Exodus. We hope it will be ready for circulation by next Passover.

Many people have asked me why I continue to engage in this bridge building work. With the growth of antisemitism and anti-Zionism, shouldn't we be focusing on the challenges of the Jewish people exclusively? And, besides, I've heard people say, "we have been there for the Black community, but where was the Black community on October 7th?"

Of course, we should be wary of making broad generalizations about any community. Our local Black-Jewish Clergy group published a powerful letter of support for Israel and condemnation of Hamas in the Seattle Times on December 19. Nevertheless, the attitude of many Black leaders around the country has been troubling. The New York Times reported that in January, more than 1000 Black pastors called for a cease fire, and many expressed disappointment in President's unwavering support for Israel in its war against Hamas. Speaking of the Palestinians, Rev. Cynthia Hale of Georgia said, "We see them as part of us. They are oppressed people. We are oppressed people."

For those of us who remember Dr. Martin Luther King, jr. marching arm and arm in Selma with Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, not to mention the murders of Schwerner, Goodman and Chaney, it may come as a shock to see ourselves perceived as oppressors by so many prominent Black leaders. But the Black-Jewish relationship did not deteriorate overnight. Dr. King was a staunch supporter of the State of Israel. But, as early as the mid-sixties young leaders like Stokely Carmichael

(later Kwame Ture) were already portraying Israel as a white supremacist oppressive colonialist state. I remember passing by the Apollo Theater in Harlem in 1975 and seeing only three letters lit up: P-L-0.

Relationships cannot live on distant memories. I came of age in the midst of the Civil Rights Movement. I heard my father give sermons on racial equality and defend a Black fire chief's right to buy a home in our suburban New York town (against the will of some of his congregants). But the Black-Jewish relationship has been deteriorating for over fifty years.

It is naïve for us to say we were abandoned by our friends in 2024, when the Black-Jewish relationship has been frayed for several decades.

The reasons for Black-Jewish tensions are complicated and beyond the scope of a short article. But, in my conversations with Jewish and Black friends and colleagues over the past five years I will say this: Each community feels abandoned by the other. Many Blacks believe that Jews 'became white'-- succeeded economically, moved into white neighborhoods, and left their Black friends and neighbors behind. One Black woman said to me "We get it. You made it to the popular table (in the high school lunchroom). Who wouldn't want to be at that table?"

Many Jews, on the other hand, believe that Jews got booted out of the Civil Rights Movement when Black pride required Black leaders to be less dependent on white people. Worse, we got ejected from the 'oppressed club,' and we were deemed to be on the side of the enemy.

Under the circumstances, there is a strong temptation for Blacks and Jews to just walk away from each other. But I don't think that's possible. It seems that this relationship is rarely at neutral. It's either very good or very bad. And, right now, the weakness of our relationship with the Black community is hurting us. The Israeli-Palestinian conflict has been racialized. Increasingly Israel is being considered racist by its very existence. Those of us who remember better days may be stunned by this, but we should not give up hope that we can turn things around.

It is not too late for us to repair this relationship, but it will take time and a lot of understanding. At our conference in New York, Dr. Stephen Ray told us that he believes that the Black-Jewish relationship is one of the best things that ever happened to America. For all of the complexities of the past several decades, the Jewish community is still the only non-Black ethnic group that consistently votes for Black candidates. It is not mere coincidence that Governor Josh Shapiro was one of the first Democratic politicians to endorse Barak Obama in his bid for the presidency. President Obama has never forgotten it and they have been close ever since.

In our New York conference, Dr. Ray said that the Civil Rights Movement did not prepare for its own success. That is, the Movement ended Southern segregation, but there was no clear vision of what was next. Defining

racism and a path to racial progress are far more complicated today than they were in 1963. What new moral vision of America could Blacks and Jews share? That is a conversation I'd like to have! With a Black woman presidential candidate married to a Jewish man, perhaps this is a window of opportunity for Blacks and Jews to begin a new kind of conversation, and rejuvenate a relationship which could benefit both our communities and most of all, America.

- Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum, Rabbi Emeritus

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# How to Change Your Mind Without Losing Your Soul

With Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum

Sundays, November 3, 10, 17 • 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM • Save the Date!

What does the Jewish people have to offer a world that seems both overwhelmed by change and fearful of commitment?

# Daytimers Lunch & Film Series

Wednesday, September 11th: Septembers of Shiraz 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM • HNT Feinberg Social Hall

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

Based on the 2007 novel by the same name, *Septembers of Shiraz* follows Jewish Iranian gemologist Isaac Amin (Adrien Brody) and his family as they try to survive during the Iranian revolution.

**Pricing:** \$10/per person early bird (register by September 4th) 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 Friday, September 6th.

Register at https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/daytimers-lunch--film2.html



## Adult Education



# Adult Ed Classes Taught by Rabbi Herber



Classes Begin This November

#### Introduction To Judaism

This course is open to all, and is perfect for interfaith couples, those raising Jewish children, spiritual seekers, individuals considering conversion, and Jews who want a meaningful chance to reconnect with their Judaism as an adult. Please be sure to purchase the books listed on the registration page prior to the first class.

#### Together & Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood

In the aftermath of October 7th and Israel's military response to free its hostages and defeat Hamas, we have been attacked, besieged, and isolated at home. Join us for this compelling, text-based Shalom Hartman Institute video series which will explore and consider how to understand what it means to be a member of the Jewish people, the core values that animate Jewish peoplehood, and the contemporary challenges to Jewish unity in the face of unprecedented antisemitic and anti-Israel activism and hate.

Learn more and register:

https://h-nt.org/year-round-adult-learning/

# Finding Our Way in a Morally Confused World

Led by Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum, Beth Huppin, Dikla Kafka, Noa Brazg, Rabbi Jacob Herber

Sunday Morning, September 22, 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM • HNT

This has been a momentous year for the Jewish people. In a short period of time we have experienced the birth of the Israel Democracy Movement; the trauma of October 7th in Israel and all the losses and heartbreak that have followed in Israel, in Gaza and on the West Bank; the alarming growth of antisemitism and anti-Zionism on the college campus, in our local communities and globally; and the deepening divide between liberal and conservative forces in Israel, in America and globally.



The community is welcome. There is no charge. Please pre-register using this link:

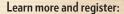
https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/finding-our-way-in-a-morally-confused-world.html



# Hebrew Classes Taught by Janine Rosenbaum

Classes Begin This September

Janine Rosenbaum, the wife of Rabbi Emeritus Jay Rosenbaum, has been teaching modern, Biblical and Prayerbook Hebrew to adults and young people for over fifty years. She holds a B.A. in English and K-12 Education and a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science.



https://h-nt.org/year-round-adult-learning/



# Message From the President



As Rosh Hashanah approaches, I am reflecting on how grateful I am for Herzl-Ner Tamid. We have an excellent staff who are dedicated and talented, who put in countless hours to ensure our events and services run smoothly, ensure HNT has an excellent religious school, and make sure that we are supported spiritually and in our life cycle events.

Our amazing volunteers are the backbone of this community. I want to thank our Executive Director Search Committee, led by Ilene Sloan and Lindsay O'Neil, for their wholehearted commitment to bringing an excellent team member, Nison Simontov, to our team. The committee members spent many hours screening resumes and interviewing candidates. They are: Charles Sherer, Robin Boehler, Susan Ben-Rubin, Michael Tarlowe, Bob Solomon and Salvador Orozco Villalever.

Please stop by the office when you get a chance to meet Nison. He would love to connect with you.

I also extend many thanks to our Cantor Search Committee, led by Elana Hornstein, for their time and expertise in bringing HNT two excellent and qualified candidates for a full-time Cantor position. The committee members are: Jonathan Langman, Gail Wiener, Kennis Koldewyn and Will Quantz. We hope to be able to share some exciting news soon!

Both of these committees performed the sacred duty of sustaining our synagogue by hiring excellent staff. We have many, many more volunteers that serve in every aspect of our community. I am grateful for all of you!

We are also so happy to welcome Cora Miller as our Director of Community Engagement. She is a wonderful addition to our staff and will bring a new energy and dimension to our programming.

This year will be an exciting year for HNT. The plans for Barnabie Point are coming together under Audrey Covner's leadership. We will begin the search for a new senior rabbi this fall. Stay tuned for updates as the year progresses.

Many thanks go to the entire board of directors for the love, thought and time they dedicate towards the betterment of HNT. I know this is the season for introspection and asking forgiveness. For me it starts with gratitude for all we have here at Herzl-Ner Tamid.

Robert and I wish you and your families a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year! May we all have many reasons for gratitude in our lives in the coming year.

Donna Pelia

- Donna Peha,

President, HNT Board of Directors



# A Message from Director of Education Irit Eliav Levin





When I sit down to study, I immediately find myself in the company of the scholars of the Mesorah (Tradition). The relationship between us is personal. The Rambam is at my right; Rabbenu Tam to my left. Rashi sits at the head and explains. Rabbenu Tam asks, the Rambam codifies, and Rabad comments. They are all in my small room, sitting around my table. They look at me with fondness, playful with me regarding the logic and the text, encouraging and strengthening me like a father. The study of Torah is not simply a didactic act; involvement in the words of Torah is not simply a technical formal matter concretized via the creation and exchange of ideas. It is a powerful experience involving the closeness of many generations, the joining of spirit to spirit and the connection of soul to soul. Those who transmit the Torah and those who receive it meet one another at the same historic juncture."

#### - Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik

Torah is the link that connects us one to another, L'Dor V'Dor, from generation to generation. The power of this connection is at the very foundation of what makes our community so special.

This summer, we got to experience that magic as everyone from infants to grandparents joined together at the waterfront for Shabbat services and dinner. We will see it throughout the year as we gather together for the High Holidays, Shabbat services, Hanukkah celebrations, reading the megillah at Purim, and so much more.

For parents, I believe that providing your child with the foundation they will need to have meaningful, rewarding Jewish lives is one of the best gifts you can ever give them. Having the skills to lead and participate in services, the foundation in Jewish texts, and the

FRS Teacher Morah Sheri Kittay brought some special treats to our HNT kids and staff at Camp Solomon Schechter! We know all of the HNT kids had a wonderful time at CSS this year! We're lucky to have such an incredible Jewish home away from home for our students!

knowledge of Halacha and Jewish tradition will guide them throughout their lives. Our historical teachers join with the many excellent teachers we have at HNT to share knowledge and ideas with us all.

Registration for the Frankel Religious School is open! School starts in September. Let us help you provide that foundation. Let's ensure that whenever they sit down to study, our children will also be surrounded by scholars because they will know enough and care enough to invite them in. May it be so.







#### Tot Shabbat at SJCC

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

Grab your 'bim' and your 'bam,' along with your kiddos or grandbabies, and join us for Tot Shabbat at the J! Everyone is welcome. Thank you to the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle, PJ Library, SJCC, and HNT for sponsoring this program.





### Grand Opening of Danny's Den!

Sunday, September 8 • Check the Upcoming eKol for More Information

Join us for the grand opening of Danny's Den on September 8th. There will be a short ceremony from 9:45 AM - 10:00 AM in the sanctuary during the FRS morning assembly. Then enjoy refreshments and playtime for the littles in Danny's Den immediately following. Drop off your kids at Hebrew school and stay for some fun for the siblings. Everyone is welcome!





# Polack Food Bank Food Drive - Together Against Hunger!

Now through Yom Kippur • Friday, October 11th

Help support the Jewish Family Service Community Wide Food Drive benefitting the Polack Food Bank, which distributes food to more than 2,000 of our neighbors in Seattle and on the Eastside. We give our appreciation to Acme Food Sales and the Estate of Valerie Polack in generously contributing a matching gift, pound for pound, again this year!

What to donate: canned goods (low sodium)- grains & pastas - proteins (tuna & peanut butter) - toiletries JFS does NOT accept - glass containers - opened packages - expired food

#### Teen Feed

Sunday, September 22nd

Each month a dedicated crew of HNT volunteers prepares and serves meals to homeless youth in the University District. Email our Teen Feed leaders at TeenFeed@h-nt.org to help this month, for questions, or to be added to the Teen Feed volunteer list.

## Food Drive Delivery Volunteers Needed

Sunday, October 13th • Meet at HNT: 9:30 AM • Deliver to Kent: 10:30 AM

Come do a whole lot of good in a short time. Pack up collected food at HNT and transport it to the JFS warehouse in Kent. Large car trunks and trailers welcome! Register at <a href="https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/polack-food-drive-delivery-opportunity.html">https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/polack-food-drive-delivery-opportunity.html</a>

# Todah Rabbah to...

An enormous thank you to **Nadine Strauss** for stepping in as HNT's Interim Executive Director this summer during a challenging time. Her deep care for our community has been an incredible gift to us all. Nadine's dedication to the Jewish community continues to inspire us.

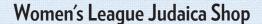
Jenn Rosenwald for her creative eye and time to envision and create a fun kids space in the new Danny's Den

Susan Edelheit, Bob Solomon, Sue Solomon, Jaime Slutzky, Sonny Putter Nathan Stiefel and Lori Kezner for helping put the final finishing touches on Danny's Den

Gail Wiener and the Membership Committee for their amazing work on putting together this summer's ShaPotluck events

Executive Director search committee: Ilene Sloan and Lindsay O'Neil: co-chairs, committee: Charles Sherer, Robin Boehler, Michael Tarlowe, Susan Ben-Rubin, Salvador Orozco-Villalever, and Bob Solomon

Cantor search committee: chair person: Elana Hornstein, committee: Jonathan Langman, Gail Wiener, Kennis Koldewyn, Will Quantz, and Donna Peha



The shop is open by appointment - call **Kari at 206-219-2224** to schedule your visit. We have everything you need, including tallitot, kippot, and kid sized shofarot.



# MITZVAH CORPS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

HNT Mitzvah Corps' mission is to provide caring and compassion to our fellow congregants while giving generously of ourselves.

#### Mitzvah Corps Happenings

It's time to get ready for our annual High Holiday Goody Bag Outreach Project, and we need your help!

#### Here's how it works:

- A list of congregants is compiled and passed on to Mitzvah Corps. These congregants are chosen because they could use a
  bit of TLC due to a loss, illness, or other reason, and we want them to know that we are thinking of them.
- Each chosen congregant receives a bag containing a kosher jar of honey and an apple for a sweet New Year, and a traditional kosher round challah.
- Mitzvah Corps volunteers pick up the bags at HNT on Sunday, September 22nd and deliver to the congregants before the start of Rosh Hashanah, which begins on Wednesday evening, October 2nd.

The Corps is always looking for new volunteers; contact me at <u>jraez@comcast.net</u> or 425-883-6482 to join our group, ask questions, or to submit names of congregants who you would like to receive a goody bag. Anyone who delivers a bag receives a challah and a sweet treat!

Shanah Tovah, here's to a happy and healthy New Year!

-Judy Ziedman, Mitzvah Corps Chair





# September Anniversaries

September 1	Paul & Andrea Blustein	39 years
September 1	Aaron & Judy Findley	22 years
September 1	Will & Lauren Leahy	29 years
September 1	Tzachi & Lara Litov	33 years
September 1	Melanie & Jeff Miller	11 years
September 1	Carl & June Silverberg	40 years
September 1	Norman & Barbara Walker	67 years
September 2	David & Judy Benami	38 years
September 2	Jonathan & Karen Langman	17 years
September 2	Greg & Jenn Rosenwald	17 years
September 2	Lindy Klaff & Scott Ecker	23 years
September 2	Chelsea & Jeremiah Cohen	12 years
September 4	Bryan & Michelle Kulp	13 years
September 4	Ryan & Jodi Sternoff	19 years
September 5	Sam & Rachel Blum	14 years
September 5	Dena & Drew Herbolich	31 years
September 5	Aaron & Leigh Anne Kiviat	20 years
September 5	Marty & Melissa Nelson	25 years
September 5	Scott Stone & Rachel Dobrow Stone	20 years
September 5	Jerry & Judy Weiser	48 years
September 7	Benjamin & Trea Diament	16 years
September 8	Norman & Lisa Judah	43 years

September 8	Eliyezer & Ruth Kohen	37 years
September 8	Adam Szpiro & Anne Pesenson	16 years
September 9	David & Karen Rosenzweig	45 years
September 10	Barry & Marcy Bockow	47 years
September 10	Yuval & Melissa Mazor	18 years
September 10	Joe & Judy Schocken	55 years
September 11	Vivian & David Blum	48 years
September 12	Gary & Sharon Constantine	43 years
September 12	Robert Speigel & Mary Anne Balch Speigel	48 years
September 13	Eli Livne & Esti Karson	37 years
September 13	Joey & Marcia Mayo	51 years
September 14	Jeff & Andrea Cordova	38 years
September 14	Liron Ziv & Lirit Maslan Ziv	10 years
September 17	Mike & Elisabeth Spring	19 years
September 18	Justin Magaram & Amy Schottenstein	30 years
September 21	Kevin Bachus & Chanel Summers	27 years
September 21	Sam & Jaime Slutzky	21 years
September 23	Barbara & Amos Szpiro	57 years
September 24	Wayne Gotel & Alisa Margolis	21 years
September 25	Aaron & Sasha Appelbaum	19 years
September 29	Ehud & Jen Halberstam	11 years



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# SHABBAT OF September 6/7

#### Sept. 7 Annie Bookman Sept. 7 Alfred Jacobi Sept. 8 Melvin Arshon Sept. 8 Leah Gottlieb Sonia Kremen Sept. 8 Solie Ringold Helen Ross Sept. 8 Nathan Cohen Sept. 9 Samuel Levenson Sept. 9 Sept. 9 Larry Lief Sam Schneider Sept. 9 Hiram Stoffer Sept. 10 William Rosenberg Sept. 10 David Silver Sept. 10 Daniel Wallace

Sept. 11 Sarah Wagner Sept. 13 Lewis J. Malakoff

# SHABBAT OF September 13/14

Sept. 14	Harry Berool
Sept. 14	Dorothy Kraft
Sept. 14	Henry Paloy
Sept. 14	William 'Billy' Sturman
Sept. 14	Lewis Weiner
Sept. 14	Leo Weiss
Sept. 15	Betty Dorman
Sept. 15	Harry Fein
Sept. 15	Jerold Jaffe
Sept. 16	Celia Hart
Sept. 16	Joseph Smith
Sept. 16	Lena Thomas
Sept. 17	Pauline Blyden
Sept. 17	Harry Cohn
Sept. 17	Kalman Lander
Sept. 18	Gloria Alterman
Sept. 18	Michael Saul Bienn
Sept. 18	Mary Goldman
Sept. 18	Joseph Paloy
Sept. 19	Mary Grashin

Sept. 19 Audrey Grace Rappoport

Sept. 20 Minnie Dolgoff

Sept. 20 Harry Gerber

# SHABBAT OF September 20/21

Sept. 21	David Miller	\$
Sept. 21	Edward Rossman	5
Sept. 21	Milton Sonkin	9
Sept. 21	Sam Thomas	9
Sept. 21	Stephen Wasser	S
Sept. 22	Leon Benezra	S
Sept. 22	Robert Schuffler	S
Sept. 22	Barney Shain	S
Sept. 23	Gary Becker	S
Sept. 23	Meta Stern	S
Sept. 24	Keith David Goldfarb	S
Sept. 24	Jeremiah Michel	S
Sept. 24	Katherine Michel	S
Sept. 25	Morris Leopold	S
Sept. 25	Adolph Miller	S
Sept. 26	Benjamin Samuel Asia	S
Sept. 26	Betty Newman	S
Sept. 27	Judith Barish	5

Sept. 27 Fortuna Barrat Sept. 27 Frankie Barrat

Sept. 27 Nathan Feinberg

Sept. 27 Arthur Grashin

# SHABBAT OF September 27/28

Sept. 28	Fan Shifrin Coe
Sept. 28	Arthur Kritzer
Sept. 28	Leo Rosenbaum
Sept. 28	Benjamin Rosenthal
Sept. 28	Stuart Schain
Sept. 28	Irving Stone
Sept. 29	Isadore Konigsberg
Sept. 30	Joseph Lander
Sept. 30	Ada Sanft
Sept. 30	Benton Sterling
Sept. 1	Irwin Wirth
Sept. 1	Sam Zarkin
Sept. 2	Charles Leopold
Sept. 2	Jack Lewis
Sept. 2	Irwin Poll
Sept. 3	Abraham Fish
Sept. 4	Harry DuBonne
Sept. 4	Jennie Lazansky



# Herzl-Ner Tamid Calendar of Events - September 2024

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					Hebrew 1	Hebrew 2
		J			Minvan 7:30am	Minvan 9:00am
					Selichot	Selichot - 1st Night
					<b>30</b> (27 Elul)	<b>29</b> (26 Elul)
	7:30pm					
	Shabbat Dinner Group					
	Services (	7:00pm		Modern Hebrew 1 7:00pm		
	Pre-Neg 5:30pm	Beginning Hebrew		11:00am		Teen Feed 5:30pm
	9:45am	9:30am	7:00pm	Prayerbook Hebrew		10:15am
Selichot Program 8:00pm	Tot Shabbat at SJCC	Modern Hebrew 2	Modern Hebrew 3	9:30am		Finding Our Way Class
Shabbat Services 10:00am	Minyan 7:30am	Needlecraft Affi. 9:30am	Biblical Hebrew 9:30am	Modern Hebrew 2	Modern Hebrew 1 9:30am	Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am
Nitzavim-vayellech	Candle Lighting 6:37pm	Minyan 7:30am	Minyan 7:30am	Minyan 7:30am	Minyan 7:30am	Minyan 9:00am
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14 (11 Elul) Ki Teitzei	13 (10 Elul)	12 (9 Elul)	11 (8 Elul)	10 (7 Elul)	9 (6 Elul)	8 (5 Elul)
	Pre-Neg 5:30pm Birthday Shabbat Services 6:00pm					
Shabbat Services 9:30am	Tot Shabbat at SJCC 9:45am		Blood Drive 9:00am		Minyan 9:00am	
Hannah Sherer	Minyan 7:30am	Needlecraft Affi. 9:30am	Minyan 7:30am	Minyan 7:30am	Labor Day	
Bat Mitzvah of	Candle Lighting 7:20pm	Minyan 7:30am	Rosh Chodesh Elul	Rosh Chodesh Elul	Office Closed	Minyan 9:00am
7 (4 Elul) Shoftim	6 (3 Elul)	5 (2 Elul)	4 (1 Elul)	3 (30 Av)	2 (29 Av)	1 (28 Av)
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday

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