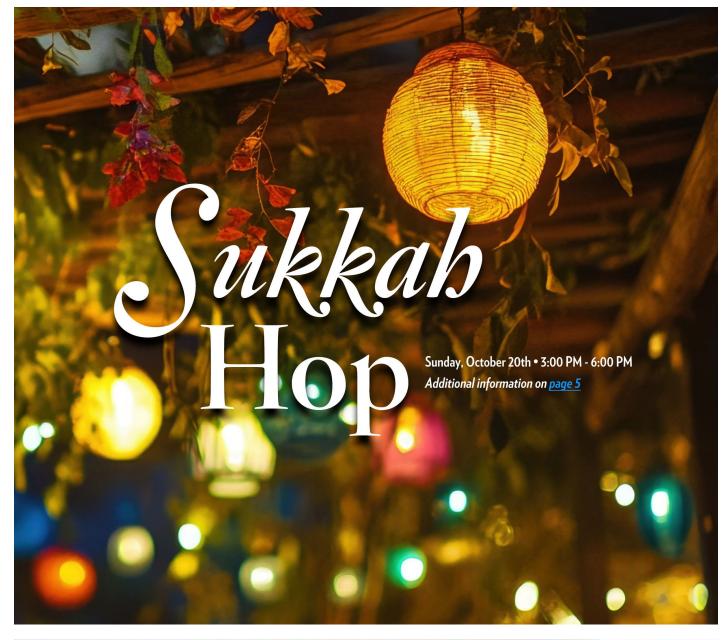
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FOR AN INTERACTIVE, PRINTABLE CALENDAR OF ALL HNT EVENTS HAPPENING THIS MONTH, VISIT <u>H-NT.ORG/CALENDAR</u> OR SEE INSIDE.



A Message from Rabbi Jacob Herber



he haftarot between Tisha B'Av and Rosh Hashanah are beloved. The words of Isaiah bring us hope for the future. Every year when I would approach this haftarah I would notice that many phrases appear in our liturgy. Notably, "Awake, awake, O Zion! Clothe yourself in splendor;" (Isaiah 52:1) or "Rouse, rouse yourself! Arise, O Jerusalem " (51:17) You'll find versions of these lines in Leckha Dodi. A favorite Israeli dance song also derives from this haftarah: "Mah navu al hehharim..." How welcome on the mountain, are the footsteps of the herald. Announcing happiness, heralding good fortune, proclaiming victory, telling Zion, "Your God reigns!" (51:27) These verses exude beauty and goodness. But as I write these words during the start of the month of *Elul* my eyes aren't focused on these verses, they're fixed on the verses where our people are so in need of consolation.

These words from this haftarah seem to shout out to our bereft souls: "**I, I am the One who comforts you!** What ails you that you fear, man who must die. Mortals who fare like grass?" (51:12) And later we read, "Raise a shout together, O ruins of Jerusalem! **For God will comfort this people**, will redeem Jerusalem." (52:9) We wish that we could comfort the families of all who have lost loved ones in the war in the last 11 months; we pray that God will comfort them.

Many of us watched the devastating funeral of Hersh Goldberg-Polin z"l. We're always saddened by the death of any innocent person who dies in tragic and avoidable ways. This one may have felt different to so many of us because Hersh's parents, Rachel and Jon Goldberg-Polin, had tirelessly advocated for their son and for every hostage. Rachel asked the world to count the days, to say the names of the hostages, to pray, to do hesed, to sing, and to learn Torah as ways of advocating for and supporting the hostages. She wanted to put out good energy into the world. We knew their faces and stories and we somehow believed that their son, and everyone's children, would come home.

And then, we found out that this was not to be, and we wondered how they, how any of the families, would endure the pain and agony of their loss. We watched the funeral and heard the graceful and heroic words of Hersh's parents. We heard the President of Israel mourn and apologize to the families. Our hearts were and are broken for them, for this situation, for every hostage family, for the war.

And now, we find ourselves at that time of the year when we're supposed to hold in one hand the arduous, hard task of self-renewal, introspection, and *teshuvah* (Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur), and the joyous, joyful endeavor of celebrating our bounty and the Torah (Sukkot and Simhat Torah). This dichotomy is starker than ever this year because our observance of Simhat Torah will coincide with the first yahrzeit of the October 7th attack and massacre. If we found it impossible to celebrate and dance while Israelis in the *Otef* (Gaza Envelope) were being slaughtered in the most unspeakable of ways and taken hostage, how will confront the same dilemma this year?

The answer can be found in the response of many of the survivors of the Nova massacre.

Mia Schem, who was kidnapped from the Supernova rave and then later released during one of the early pauses, has said: "I will never forget October 7, 2023. The pain and the fear, the difficult sights, the friends who won't come back and those we must bring back. But we will win, we will dance!" It's this mindset that led to a gathering in June of over 40,000 people in Tel Aviv's HaYarkon Park for a concert of healing. Survivors, loved ones of those murdered, hostage family members, and others danced to music and remembered. I was deeply moved when I heard another Nova survivor reflect on the event: "At the beginning it was very triggering even to hear the music. But now we're back, we're here to remember those we've lost, and guess what? We're even stronger than before. If we stop, they win."

It's in this spirit that we should and will approach the Jewish holidays of this season and the impending oneyear anniversary of October 7th. HNT is a co-sponsor of the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle's "October 7 One Year Later: Seattle's Community Commemoration, which will be held October 7th at 7:00 pm. Federation has asked that we not hold our own, separate commemorative events so that we can mark this solemn day as one, united community. So, if you haven't yet registered, I urge you to do so here, <u>https://templedehirschsinai.shulcloud.com/</u>form/oct7-community-commemoration.

On Shemini Atzeret and Simhat Torah, we will take an appropriate moment to remember those who were murdered, who lost their lives on October 7th and after fighting Hamas and murdered in captivity. And we will also dance with the Torah. Because if we stop, they win.

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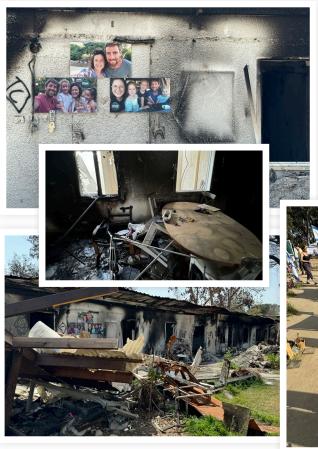
HE HER -RABBI JACOB HERBER

October 7th Community Commemoration

Monday, October 7 • 7:00 PM • Co-Sponsored by HNT

Join the The Jewish Federation, HNT, and other community sponsors for a community-wide gathering to commemorate the events of October 7, the subsequent war, and its victims. This event will include a meaningful program that honors those affected.

RSVP: https://templedehirschsinai.shulcloud.com/form/oct7-community-commemoration









High Holiday Schedule

Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Service Times

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

Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah Service Times

Sukkot Day 1 Thursday, October 17th - 10:00 AM

Sukkot Day 2 Friday, October 18th - 10:00 AM

Shemini Atzeret

Thursday, October 24th - 10:00 AM with Yizkor Community Dinner and Program - 5:30 PM

Services with Hakafot & Dancing Thursday, October 24th Services & Hakafot/Dancing - 7:00 PM

Simchat Torah

Friday, October 25th Services & Hakafot - 10:00 AM

Youth & Family Service Times

Erev Rosh Hashanah - Wednesday, October 2nd 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM:

Family Service - Stroum Jewish Community Center

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

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Sukkah Hop - Registration Open!

Sunday, October 20th • 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Join HNT families and members for a fun afternoon of sukkah hopping! We will provide a map and you get to choose where you end up. Each stop will have a fun drink and snack for you to enjoy before hopping to your next sukkah of choice.

Register here: https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/sukkah-hop-event.html

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 Holidays.

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.

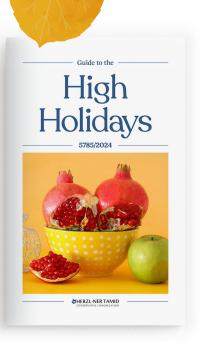
Most important of all... October 11-12: Sneak into shul on Yom Kippur!

Don't forget to bring your own canvas sneakers!

Here are a few recommendations: <u>Amazon (kids)</u>, <u>Amazon (adults)</u>, <u>Target (adults)</u>, <u>Old Navy (kids)</u>

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



View our <u>Guide to the High Holidays</u> for more information

HNT Received Two PSE Grants to Improve Our Synagogue Lighting

Pardon Our Dust

Our synagogue has received two incredible PSE grants that will allow us to significantly improve our lighting. The first grant covered 100% of the cost to retrofit the lighting in the Lott education building and exterior lighting on the overhangs of the main building, which we completed before the High Holidays. The second grant will cover up to 70% of the projected cost to upgrade the lighting in our main building. These upgrades will not only enhance the aesthetics and functionality of our spaces but will also provide substantial financial savings. With a payback period of less than 18 months based on the anticipated energy savings, this project will help us reduce our operational costs in a meaningful way.

More importantly, this initiative aligns with our commitment to Tikun Olam—our responsibility to repair and protect the world. By making energyefficient improvements, we are actively reducing our environmental footprint and contributing to a more sustainable future.

We look forward to seeing the positive impact these upgrades will have on our community, both financially and environmentally.

HNT Holiday Shuk - Save the Date

Sunday, November 24 • 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Get ready to do your holiday shopping in the HNT Feinberg Social Hall. A variety of vendors, many of them congregants and/or local artisans, will be available to sell unique items for the whole family.

Some of our talented congregants include: handcrafted items by Susan Amira Designs, woodworking by Jonathan Sandler, candles by Aviva Krause and handmade items by members of our Needle Arts Affinity Group. Local children's author, **Brianna Caplan Sayres**, will be sharing her books and other products. In addition, we will have jewelry by **Shi Shi Design**, watercolor art by **Allie Evans**, and much more.

We welcome other interested vendors. Please reach out to <u>Cora@h-nt.org</u> if you or someone you know would like to be part of this event.



Toby Diament for the dedication with which he performs the mitzvah of compiling the annual list of Jewish war heroes to be remembered every Shabbat in the coming year. Toby efficiently and respectfully works with the database of over 3,000 American Jewish service members created by **Ellis Corets z**"l.

Stacey Brody, Susan Edelheit, Lori Kezner, Toby Israel, Mindy Landsman and Jenn Rosenwald for their work in preparing Danny's Den for its Grand Opening.

To everyone who stayed to move the bima and prepare the sanctuary and social hall for the High Holidays.

To the usual crew, plus a few newcomers who helped to build and setup our new sukkah this year.

Melissa Brown for overseeing putting all of the reserved seat covers on in our Social Hall and Sanctuary space.

Jaime Slutzky for owning the High Holiday honors process and its many layers.

Alan Wilensky for dressing the torahs in their high holiday best.

Judy Ziedman for leading and managing the annual Mitzvah Corps Rosh Hashanah gift bags for many members of our congregation.



AFFINITY GROUPS









Mah Jongg Affinity Group

Thursdays, October 10 & 31 • 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Dragons, Flowers, and Cardinal Directions, oh my! Please join us for Mah Jongg Affinity Group on Thursdays at HNT! The second Thursday of each month we will welcome new learners. Please contact Judy Weiser at <u>weiserfam@comcast.net</u> for more details.



Shabbat Dinner Group

Friday, November 22 • 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, October 10 & 31 • 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.



Shout out to the Mah Jongg Affinity Group!

Within the Shul Family

We Celebrate:

- Mickey & Cathy Friedman on the marriage of their daughter Shayna Friedman to Aaron Wong-Kaufman
- Steve & Sherri Westman on the birth of their granddaughter Sadie Mara Goldman
- Kari Haas on the birth of her granddaughter Lucy Erdman

We Offer Condolences for:

Mike Bovarnick on the death of his brother David Saul Bovarnick z"l

Refuah Shelemah to Congregants:

- Baila bat Gavriel v'Chaiya
- 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
- Michael Ben Sarah Rochel
- Shimon ben Shia v'Chanah
- Shimka bat Frumka
- Krendel bat Miriam
- Miriam bat Abraham v'Sarah

* HNT members are listed above, to add a name to the list email Aviva@h-nt.org

* 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.

October Shabbat T'filot

High Holiday service times, listed on Page 4 October 7th Minyan will be on Zoom only

Friday, October 4 6:00 PM Shabbat Services No Pre-Neg

Saturday, October 5 10:00 AM Shabbat Services No Kiddush Luncheon

Friday, October 18 6.00 PM Shabbat Services No Pre-Neg

Saturday, October 19 10.00 AM Shabbat Services

Friday, October 25 6:00 PM Shabbat Services No Pre-Neg

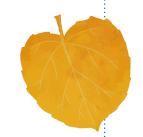
Saturday, October 26 10:00 AM Shabbat Services

Simchat Torah Community Dinner and Program

Thursday, October 24th • 5:30 PM

Join us on October 24th at 5:30 PM for a community dinner and learning opportunity before Simchat Torah services. We'll join together for a delicious, family-friendly dinner, and then get to learn more about the Torah from Rabbi Herber! Check the eKol for registration information. If you have any questions, please contact Irit Eliav Levin, Director of Education, at Irit@h-nt.org.

Kiddush Luncheon in Sukkah



Barnabie Point is Happening!

C lose your eyes. Envision Herzl-Ner Tamid 24 months from now. We will have a new building on campus with new classrooms for FRS and the Jewish Day School, a mid-size, configurable modern sanctuary for B'nai Mitzvot and other activities, and office space for several Jewish organizations. We will have a spiritual resurgence with a new Rabbi and Cantor, who will create and run great programming and provide the ruach that make HNT the special place that it is. We will have significantly more individuals coming to the HNT campus during the day, bringing a renewed vitality and membership opportunities. This is a great foundation to build the type of synagogue community we want at HNT.

With all of these things coming together, it paints an exciting picture for HNT's future! Here we'll focus on one aspect of this future - the Barnabie Point Project.

Let's start with why we are developing on Barnabie Point. It's pretty simple. HNT needs an **upgraded space for the 120 strong, thriving Frankel Religious School**. HNT needs a **modern mid-size sanctuary** to celebrate B'nai Mitzvot, Shabbat services and hold educational programs. HNT will have an **additional revenue source** to support a myriad of programs and the staff to fund them. HNT will benefit greatly from any activity/program that **brings people to the HNT area of Mercer Island** as potential participants/members of HNT. And HNT owns a valuable property – Barnabie Point – that has been sitting essentially unused for 20+ years. So, stop nodding your head in agreement and learn why it's now, finally a reality.

It's not easy to make a project like this happen ... one that makes sense for HNT, the greater Jewish community, and the Mercer Island community. Usually, a major event creates great change. In this case, a confluence of things happened. JDS sold their space in Bellevue and needed a new home. HNT's needs for an updated space for FRS and for a new mid-size sanctuary continue to rise in priority. Thanks to the leadership of Audrey Covner, Dianne Dougherty and a myriad of other HNT, JDS, and community volunteers, a plan was put together and the group has been working non-stop to make this collaboration a reality. Below is a vision of what the end result may look like:

There will be a new modern space that the architect is working on; schematics will be available for all to see shortly. State-of-the-art classrooms for the current JDS student body with room for potential growth. These same classrooms will be used on the weekends and weeknights as the new FRS classrooms. A multi-purpose space that's easily configurable into a modern sanctuary. Leased space (read, rental income) exclusively for Jewish organizations. There are already several showing great interest in residing on this campus with shared security and space.

We're sure you have a thousand questions from the financial impact (including how is it possible that 70% of the goal is already pledged?) to the construction impact to what this means for the current HNT building. Two open Town Hall Meetings at HNT will be held on **Tuesday evening, Oct 22nd starting at 7 PM and Sunday morning, Oct 27th starting at 10:15 AM**. Of course, there will be food. **Mark your calendars**. We're also building a dedicated, dynamic section on the HNT website for the Barnabie Point Project with up-to-date information, schematics, construction schedules and more. This will be launched right after the Town Hall Meetings. There will also be regular updates going out jointly to both the HNT and JDS communities.

The future is exciting. There is a lot of work ahead, and the community needs to work together to make it happen. There are many opportunities for everyone to be an active participant. So, come to the Town Hall Meeting. Talk to people. Ask questions. Find out where your passion is and how you want to be involved. Support this project with your time and your dollars. Most importantly, be a part of the most exciting initiative for the Jewish Community of the Greater Puget Sound area in generations.



Daytimers Lunch & Film Series

Wednesday, October 30th: *The Band's Visit* 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!

This heartwarming and poignant winner of the Cannes Film Festival Un Certain Regard prize is the mesmerizing and witty story of strangers in a strange land. A fading Egyptian police band arrives in Israel to play at the Arab Cultural Center. When they take the wrong bus, the band members find themselves in a desolate Israeli village.

Pricing: \$10/per person early bird (register by October 23rd) 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, October 25th.

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



October Anniversaries

0ct. 2	Brad Rind & Janet Gray	36 years	Oct. 16	Mike & Ruth Bovarnick	69 years
0ct. 7	Bruce & Marsha Krivosha	51 years	0ct. 17	Bruce Campbell & Bridget Wellen	11 years
0ct. 9	Zane Brown Jr. & Melissa Brown	30 years	0ct. 17	Ken Willner & Molly Reardon	31 years
0ct. 10	Adam & Michele Kohorn	25 years	0ct. 22	Nissim & Judy Neuman	29 years
0ct. 11	Leonard & Louise Berman	43 years	0ct. 23	Jeff & Cindy Droker	30 years
0ct. 11	David & Ruth Peckarsky	49 years	0ct. 23	Chuck & Jill Friedman	31 years
0ct. 12	Edward & Sheryl Stern	55 years	0ct. 23	Ann & Jim Meisner	41 years
Oct. 13	Timothy & Ruth Jacobs	28 years	0ct. 25	Elliot & Lina Margul	4 years
0ct. 14	Marv & Lisa Brashem	34 years	0ct. 26	Doron & Dina Holan	21 years
0ct. 14	Zach & Jessica Duitch	17 years	0ct. 26	Debby & Neal Applefeld	33 years
0ct. 14	Adi & Chelsea Nov	23 years	0ct. 29	Michael & Susan Enberg	35 years
0ct. 15	Ross & Kimberly Wolf	33 years	0ct. 29	Craig & Robin Medin	24 years
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Rabbi Search Committee Formation

We are forming a Rabbi Search Committee dedicated to finding our next spiritual leader. This is an important and transformative step for our synagogue, as we seek our next rabbinical leader who will inspire, guide, and uplift our community.

We invite those who are interested in serving on the committee to submit their expression of interest to Donna Peha or Elana Hornstein, or send an email to president@h-nt.org, at your earliest convenience.

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.

Learn more and register:

https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/introduction-to-judaism.html

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.shulcloud.com/event/adult-education-with-rabbi-herber.html

How to Change Your Mind Without Losing Your Soul

With Rabbi Jay Rosenbaum

Sundays, November 10, 17 and December 8 • 10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Jews are taught to question. It's in our spiritual DNA to challenge the status quo. But 'change' is not the whole Jewish story. In asking Abraham to chart a new path, God also requires of his descendants a multigenerational commitment. In fact, the most meaningful changes in history incorporate a sense of purpose and continuity across the generations. What does the Jewish people have to offer a world that seems both overwhelmed by change and fearful of commitment?

Learn more and register:

https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/how-to-change-your-mind



Hebrew Classes Taught by Janine Rosenbaum

Classes Available Now

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.

Learn more and register:

https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/adult_education_hebrew_classes



A Message from Director of Education **Irit Eliav Levin**

On Rosh Hashanah it is written, and on Yom Kippur it is sealed... how many will pass and how many will be created, who will live and who will die, who in their time and who not in their time... But *t'shuvah*, *t'filah*, and *tzedakah* remove the evil of the decree...

As we enter into the High Holiday season, these lines and the meaning behind them are at the forefront of my mind. How do I, as an educator and as a mother, share these ideas in a way that will be meaningful for our children? How do I ensure they are prepared for the important work that is to come during these holy days? And what role can FRS play in giving our students the lifelong skills to be a part of this sacred community, doing this sacred work?

Two of the pieces are fairly simple for our students to understand. Ask even our youngest students what they should do if they hurt someone and they are quick to share that you must say "I'm sorry." While there is certainly nuance to be learned about *t'shuvah* (repentance) as they grow older, that is a skill that will likely be reinforced in other areas of their lives. Similarly, our students innately understand the importance of *tzedakah* (charity), of our obligation to help those in need. Our kids are incredibly kind and compassionate, wanting to help others however they can.

It is the final piece, *t'filah* (prayer), where I think we have the largest role to play. We have an obligation as a Religious School to give our kids the tools to be able to participate in and even lead services on the High Holidays, Shabbat, and beyond. It is our holy work to teach them how to read the Hebrew prayers, to understand the deeper meaning these prayers are designed to teach us, and to know the melodies that help to bring these prayers to life.

I often share that one of my goals for our students is that they will be able to walk into any synagogue, Hillel, JCC, or independent minyan in the world, and be able to participate in the service. Even if the tunes and some words are different, they should feel at home. And so, this has become a guiding principle for FRS. Below are just a few of the changes we've made to our program to help us reach this goal.

• Our Sunday morning assembly, which includes our Pre-Gan through Kitah Hey (pre-k - 5th grade)





students and their families, heavily emphasizes T'filot, including ways to find meaning and connection in the prayers.

- We created a new staff position, a Hebrew and T'filah specialist, whose job it is to work with students individually and in small groups to reinforce their Hebrew decoding skills and to ensure they know the words and melodies of prayers. This position will focus primarily on 3rd-5th graders, as these are core years for learning these skills. We are thrilled that long time beloved FRS teacher, Kathy Packer, has accepted this role, as our students will learn so much from her!
- Over the summer, Kathy and I (with feedback from FRS teachers) revised our T'filah curriculum, creating a map of prayers that students will be focusing on in each grade to help them hone their skills. Our Kitah Dalet and Hey teachers, Andi Neuwirth and Julie Katz, also created a detailed spreadsheet of main themes and messages from each prayer that they will be teaching to their students.
- Several of our teachers have begun using the Making T'filah Meaningful curriculum that I wrote for Behrman House, which uses discussion, art, group projects, and more to help students build personal relationships with prayer.
- Kitot Vav and Zayin continue their work to help students prepare to become B'nai Mtizvah and beyond, by teaching T'filot, Trope, Torah and so much more!

I feel so fortunate to be working with such a committed and amazing staff in FRS. Our children are being expertly guided towards a lifelong love of Jewish learning and with the tools to be a part of any Jewish community, anywhere in the world.

Shanah Tovah! Wishing you all a healthy and happy New Year! And may this be the year that our prayers for the safe return of the hostages, for positive learning environments for our students, and for peace in Israel and around the world - be answered.



-Irit Eliav Levin



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.

Frankel Religious School - Pre-Gan Class

Fun Opportunity for 3-5 year olds!

Did you know that the Frankel Religious School starts at age three? We are looking for a few more students for our Pre-Gan class at FRS! Come join Morah Cindy each week for a fabulous morning of singing, doing art projects, and learning about Judaism in a fun and meaningful way! Class meets from 9:30 AM - 12:15 PM! Please help us spread the word about this fabulous program! (Note: Students must be potty trained to participate.) If you are interested in learning more, please contact Irit Eliav Levin, Director of Education, at Irit@h-nt.org.





Registration for the Frankel Religious School Is Open!

Registration for the 5785 (2024-25) Frankel Religious School is open! Come join in the fun as we bring Judaism and Jewish values to life! Students age three* through seventh grade are welcome! Click here to enroll: <u>https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/school_enrollment.php</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact lrit Eliav Levin, Director of Education at <u>lrit@h-nt.org</u>. *All students must be potty trained.

Frankel Religious School Employment Opportunities

The Frankel Religious School is seeking a fourth-grade Judaic studies teacher (Sunday/Tuesday) for the 5785 (2024-25) school year. Pay range: \$40-\$50/hr DOE. If interested, please send a cover letter & resume to: Irit Eliav Levin, Director of Education at Irit@h-nt.org.



Danny's Den - A New Kid Friendly Space

Danny's Den is officially open! Created in memory of Danny Lewis z"I, and in the office of our beloved Cantor Kurland z"I, the new kid-friendly space will be available for families with young children on Shabbat and Holidays. Children will find books, toys, and space to move, while parents will have access to a livestream of services.



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

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 https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/polack-food-drive-delivery-opportunity.html

Teen Feed

Sunday, October 27th • 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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 <u>TeenFeed@h-nt.org</u> to help this month, for questions, or to be added to the Teen Feed volunteer list.





Toiletry Drive Thank You

Many thanks to our congregants who generously donated toiletry items and/or monetary donations to support the Toiletry Drive for students at Leschi Elementary School in Seattle. We were able to put together 51 kits, each containing 12 personal need items. In addition, over 100 miscellaneous items were given to the school for distribution.

Thanks to all of our volunteers who put the kits together and delivered them to Leschi: **Toby Israel, Mindy Landsman, Lynn Wartnik, Cheryl Cohen, Michelle Goldberg, Pauline Stern, Josh Krisher, Efrem Krisher** and **Linda Krisher**.



Judaica Shop New Open Hours!

First Sunday of Each Month Starting November 3 • 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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. The Corps is always looking for new volunteers; contact me at <u>jraez@comcast.net</u> or 425-883-6482 to ask questions or to join our group!

Shanah Tovah, here's to a happy and healthy New Year! -Judy Ziedman, Mitzvah Corps Chair



Todah rabbah to the usual crew, plus a few newcomers who helped to build and setup our new sukkah this year!

IN SUPPORT OF ONE ANOTHER

These generous tributes were made from August 21 through September 20, 2024

AMY MACKOFF CAMPERSHIP FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Laura Mackoff from Robert & Polly Amkraut

FRANKEL LIBRARY FUND

In Memory of West Cooke from Lee Miller

FRANKEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In Memory of Alan Fingeroot's sister Pam from Bob & Sue Solomon Richard Bien Dobrow from David & Elizabeth Director

GENERAL FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Stephen Wasser from Amy Wasser & Marvin Stern

In Memory of David Bovarnick from Susan & Lonnie Edelheit Rabbi Moshe Pomerantz from Gerry & Sandra Ostroff Cantor Brad Kurland from Rabbi Miriam Potok

MASLAN MEMORIAL FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Peter Maslan from Bob Maslan

MEMORIAL FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Royce Willhoyt from Mark & Ruth Balter Florence Marsh from Muriel Epstein Larry Kuznetz from Loretta Kuznetz Ida Sadick from Loretta Kuznetz Samuel Silverstein from Warren Cohen Jack Farber from Jeff & Barbara Farber Jean Putter from Sonny Putter & Rochelle Roseman Rita Schlesinger from Tracy Schlesinger Helen Keller from Jim & Lee Keller

MEMORIAL FUND

Lucy Joan Sytman & Frank Vyborny from Alex Sytman Pauline Margolis from Bob & Janet Lackman Harry Fein from Susan Fein Debra Davis & Sandra Moore from Valerie & Larry Epstein

In Memory of Rabbi Moshe Pomerantz from Sara Blumenzweig Israel Rosen from Faye & Sid Anschell

MITZVAH CORPS FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Bob Plum from Faye Plum & Art Rider Marlene Kotkins from David & Karen Rosenzweig

In Honor of Rabbi Steve & Sherri Westman's New Granddaughter from Efrem & Linda Krisher Nolan Newman's birthday from Hilary Abramowitz

MORNING MINYAN FUND

In Appreciation of Alan Wilensky from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

In Honor of Hannah Sherer's Bat Mitzvah from Efrem & Linda Krisher

In Memory of

David Bovarnick from Ilyse & Greg Wagner Rabbi Moshe Pomerantz from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler David Bloch from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler David Bovarnick from Elaine Cohn David Saul Bovarnick from Richard & Norene Arnold George Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

PRAYERBOOK FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Eva Krisher by Efrem & Linda Krisher and Family

RABBI ROSENBAUM'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of Rabbi Rosenbaum from Brad & Susan Lehrer

YOUTH ACTIVITIES FUND

In Honor of Will Quantz & Daniel Becker from Ari Feiger

In Memory of Rose Liedman from Ed & Debbie Margolis



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Memorialized with Yahrzeit Plaques at HNT

SHABBAT OF October 4/5

Oct. 5	Ruvim Kushner
Oct. 6	Lawrence "Larry" Kuznetz
Oct. 6	Hermina Orchinsky
Oct. 6	Anne Sorsky
Oct. 6	Shimon Weinberger
Oct. 6	Birdye Wienir
Oct. 6	Samuel Wienir
Oct. 7	Margaret Klatzker
Oct. 7	Sara Weinthrop
Oct. 8	Celia S. Champagne
Oct. 9	Sophie Lentzer
Oct. 9	Hetty Lighter
Oct. 9	Marlene Robinson
Oct. 9	Louis Rosenblatt
Oct. 9	Samuel Roth
Oct. 10	Dora Bloch
Oct. 10	Herbert Danz
Oct. 10	Zelma Schocken
Oct. 10	Freda Stoffer
Oct. 11	Simon Finkelstein
Oct. 11	Arie Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Izchak Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Meir Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Musha Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Ore Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Risha Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Simcha Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Sora Pomeraniec
Oct. 11	Nathan Sharin
Oct. 11	Sol Topolovitz

SHABBAT OF October 11/12

SHABBAT OF **October 18/19**

Oct. 12	Fanny Frankel	Oct. 19	Joseph Arshon
Oct. 12	Werner Frankel	Oct. 19	Salo Matzdorff
Oct. 12	Betty Jungster	Oct. 19	Morris Pearl
Oct. 12	Sally Jungster	Oct. 20	Anita Harris
Oct. 12	Hermann Oppenheimer	Oct. 20	Sophie Mesher
Oct. 12	Annie Pearl	Oct. 20	Lydia Vinnick
Oct. 12	Lucy Joan Sytman	Oct. 21	Betty Lesch
Oct. 12	Peter L. Thomas	Oct. 21	Marcus Lobl
Oct. 13	Mark Feldman	Oct. 21	Rebecca Mesher
Oct. 14	Murray Seymour Goldman	Oct. 21	Jean Putter
Oct. 15	Nora Eilenberg	Oct. 21	Ida Sadick
Oct. 15	Kurt Leeser	Oct. 21	Charles Waldman
Oct. 15	Pauline Margolis	Oct. 22	David Droker
Oct. 15	Riva Spokoiny	Oct. 22	Max Efron
Oct. 16	Sophie Dwoskin	Oct. 22	Abraham Lemchen
Oct. 16	Eleanore Friedman	Oct. 22	Beth Rosenstein
Oct. 17	George Miller	Oct. 22	Meyer Rothstein
Oct. 17	Anny Shifrin	Oct. 22	Herman Tapper
Oct. 17	Leah Solomon	Oct. 22	Shirley Ungerleider
Oct. 17	Sidney Tat	Oct. 23	Judah Delson
Oct. 17	Abraham Wise	Oct. 23	Al Sanft
Oct. 18	Lena Mutchler	Oct. 23	Rita Schlesinger
Oct. 18	Rita Rickles	Oct. 23	Abraham Sterling
		Oct. 23	Mary Wittenberg
		Oct. 23	Yehudi Yudelson
	1	Oct. 24	Rena Gerson
		Oct. 24	Lily Kremen
		Oct. 24	Nathan Sobel
		Oct. 24	Ludwig Stern
		Oct. 24	M. Joseph Ungerleider
		Oct. 25	Loren Galanti
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Oct. 25 Louie Hasson

Oct. 25 Sophie Levin

SHABBAT OF October 25/26

Oct. 26	lda Ginsberg
Oct. 26	Esther Goldstein
Oct. 26	Marsha Rivkin
Oct. 27	Joseph Coyne
Oct. 27	Fanny Pinchev
Oct. 27	Samuel Stoffer
Oct. 28	Bernice Birch
Oct. 28	Beatrice Brenner
Oct. 28	Jack Farber
Oct. 28	Raissa Liwschitz-Liff
Oct. 28	Felix Lublin
Oct. 28	Edward Rosenblatt
Oct. 29	Helen Kaplan
Oct. 29	Abraham Lozansky
Oct. 29	Robert Lurie
Oct. 29	Eva Miller
Oct. 29	Solomon Stalin
Oct. 30	David Cohn
Oct. 30	Florence (Freddie) Myers
Oct. 30	David Rappoport
Oct. 30	Max Shifrin
Oct. 31	Jacob Bienn
Oct. 31	Sarah Fleischman
Oct. 31	Walter Oppenheimer
Nov. 1	Isadore Katz
Nov. 1	Moses Shulman
Nov. 1	Rebecca Director

Minyan 9:00am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am Teen Feed 5:30pm	27 (25 Tishrei)	20 (<i>18 Tishrei</i>) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Minyan 9:00am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am Sukkah Hop 3:00pm Sukkah Hop	13 (<i>11 Tishrei</i>) Minyan 9:00am Polack Food Delivery Opportunity 9:30am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am		lin 1:c	6 (4 Tishrei)		Julinay
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		26 (24 Tishrei) Bereshit Shabbat Mevarchim Shabbat Services 10:00am	19 (17 Tishrei) Chol Hamoed Sukkot Shabbat Services 10:00am Kiddush in the Sukkah 12:00pm	10 (17 Tichrai)	sh op ii: 5 n n	12 (10 Tishrei)	ha	5 (3 Tishrei) Ha'Azinu

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If there is a death in the family, contact the Seattle Jewish Chapel at 206-725-3067. For more information about the Herzl Memorial Park, contact Elaine Weinstein at 425-455-4703. In times of loss, or in need of pastoral care, HNT members should call the HNT office at 206-232-8555.



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To always have a well-maintained cemetery, please consider remembering Herzl Memorial Park in your Will, or by contributing to the cemetery's Endowment Care.