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HAKOL IS THE NEWSLETTER OF HERZL-NER TAMID CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATION



Sunday, December 29th 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Oh HNT Hanukkah Come light the menorah Let's have a lava flow And watch the candles glow Gather round the table for a nosh or two The kids can join downstairs to watch a moooovie

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



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A Message from Rabbi Jacob Herber



Between March 10 – May 4, 2025, American Jews will vote for their delegates to the 39th World Zionist Congress (WZO), the "parliament of the Jewish people", which will convene in Jerusalem in October 2025. The election serves as the unifying force for world Jewry, with Israel at its center. Participate in the process to make decisions regarding key institutions that allocate nearly \$1 billion annually to support Israel and Jews around the world. It's critical, now more than ever.

Ballots are cast for slates of candidates submitted by Zionist groups. Voting is done primarily online and via mobile devices.

The election is administered by The American Zionist Movement (AZM), which is comprised of 46 national Jewish Zionist organizations and works across a broad ideological, political and religious spectrum linking the American Jewish community together in support of Israel, Zionism and the Jewish people.

The Conservative/Masorti Movement is an active participant in the elections. Here in the United States MERCAZ USA is the party of our Movement and will represent us as part of Mercaz Olami at the WZO. It's very important that we take these elections very seriously, which is why we make an early concerted effort to encourage our synagogue members to register and vote for MERCAZ USA. Our vote affects the size of our Conservative delegation and the influence that we have at the Zionist Congregation, at the Jewish Agency, at Keren Kayemet L'Yisrael. Since the Conservative/ Masorti Movement doesn't receive state support and operates largely on donations, funding for the WZO and JAFI are a very important part of the Masorti Movement in Israel. Masorti Olami, which is the worldwide Conservative movement, is also very dependent on WZO funds in order to maintain its program of outreach and education in Jewish communities throughout the world.

This is our opportunity to be involved in international Jewish issues beyond the current war in Gaza and to show our pride in being Conservative/Masorti Jews. You can find information about how to vote for MERCAZ USA <u>here</u>. I hope that you will vote and that you will also encourage all the members of your family and your friends to vote as well.

RABBI JACOB HERBER



Bring your hanukkiah and candles to light with everyone! We will have latkes, sufganiyot, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, a movie for the kiddos and plenty of snacks!

Registration is encouraged but not required: https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/hanukkah-happy-hour

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I am so honored and excited to join the HNT family as your new cantor. A little bit about me -- I am originally from Minneapolis but have made my home in Montreal for the last 14 years. Before deciding to become a cantor, I studied theater and dance, did research on the reemergence of Jewish life in post-communist Poland, worked in the oral history archives of the United States Holocaust Museum and even was a preschool teacher for a few years. Together with my husband, Steve Winkelman, I am the proud parent of Benny – who is currently studying jazz drumming at McGill University. You can expect to see both of them around HNT over the next few months, as Steve gradually shifts to a life in Seattle and Benny flies out for visits.

A few passions of mine are communal singing, dance, languages and teaching. The intersection of creativity and spirituality is especially compelling to me, and I recently completed a second master's on the topic of Hasidic dance as an embodied spiritual practice. I am certified as a yoga instructor, as well as a Jewish Mindfulness and Meditation Teacher (IJS-JMMTT).

HNT is a shul that not only has a rich history but is also vibrant and full of potential. There is so much that I am looking forward to exploring with you – amping up the communal singing in our services, bringing our FRS kids up on the bimah, recruiting and training new Torah and Haftarah readers, tapping our Jewish musical heritage (both Sephardi and Ashkenazi), as well exploring outdoor Jewish experiences that connect us with Washington's awe-inspiring natural environment.

Though my first several weeks have been primarily focused on our current (very large!) cohort of b'nai mitzvah students, I have been truly moved by the warm welcome that I have received from the entire HNT community. It is rare to find a community that faces change with such a spirit of open optimism, especially during these very challenging times. We have faced losses and hostility that would have been unimaginable just a few years ago. But I believe that the precious metal of our Jewish tradition was forged in times just as these, and if we hold fast to this tradition together – loving it even as it continues to change and evolve in our hands – that we will find the strength we need to grow and thrive in the face of history's challenges.

I feel blessed and honored to have been chosen to undertake these adventures with you.

Botchelor

- CANTOR HEATHER BATCHELOR



Cantor Batchelor Welcome Events!

We are excited to have Cantor Batchelor join us and want to offer as many chances as possible for everyone to spend time with and get to know her!

Friday, December 6 at 5:00 PM: Enhanced Pre-neg before Friday evening services with a longer time to visit with Cantor Batchelor. Special enhanced pre-neg for the occasion with services following being led by Alexa Berkenwald on the eve of her Bat Mitzvah.

Sunday, December 15 at 10:00 AM: Bagel Brunch: Please join us for a bagel brunch and an opportunity to get to know Cantor Batchelor and the many ideas she has to connect with congregants of all ages.

Check out the New Barnabie Point Website!

We're now LIVE! HNT has a new section on the website dedicated to the Barnabie Point Initiative. The site includes summary information on the project, a recording of a Town Hall Meeting, and FAQ. Check the site for regular updates as new developments occur.

If you missed the Barnabie Point Town Hall Meetings in late October, attendees were enthusiastic about the project direction and the amount of detail provided. Topics ranged from the HNT and JDS visions and how the project is a critical component of those visions, to project benefits, building design concepts, future timelines, and everyday project impacts during construction and after completion.

The Sunday Oct. 27th Town Hall recording and set of slides are available on the <u>site</u>. You'll hear directly from the Project Chair, Project Architect, and HNT & JDS Board Chairs. The slides contain larger, more readable versions of the schematics seen at the sessions. And the excellent Q & As at the end of each Town Hall Meeting have been integrated into the FAQ.

If there are any questions or comments, just shoot an email to <u>Barnabiepoint@h-nt.org</u>, and your request will be channeled to the most knowledgeable person for response.



Todah Rabbah to...

Thank you to everyone who made the Holiday Shuk happen! A big thank you to **Linda Krisher** and **Susan Amira Weinstein** who worked to find vendors and build this program from the ground up.

Effie Bar-Caspi, Ori Bar-Caspi, Bettie Baroh, Joshua Beder, Susan Ben-Rubin, Leanne Berkenwald, Robbie Caggiano, Susan Edelheit, Fran Farber, Amy Hartman, Rivka Klaff, Barbara Konikow, Efrem Krisher, Susan Glicksberg, Kari Hass, Steffie Lash, Miriam Marinelli, Jeff Marinelli, Sean McElroy, Melissa Mazor, Ilan Mazor, Laura Miller, Dan Mintz, Elaine Mintz, Brandy Moss, Aileen Okrent, Laurie Powazek, Judy Schwarz, Fiona Stone, Karenna Stone, Amee Sherer, Barbara Sherer, Sue Solomon, Sherri Westman, Gail Wiener Todah Rabbah to - Robert Peha for putting together the Sukkah Kits for this year's purchasers

Todah Rabbah to - Robert Glowitz for his weekly work with the yahrzeit plaques

Todah Rabbah to - David Beder, Ed Margolis, Peter Michel, Dan Mintz, Larry Stern, Scott Stone, Wayne Morse, Jerry Weiser for breaking down the new sukkah with spirit and strength.

HIGH HOLIDAY ANNUAL APPEAL

Thanks to your generosity and support this High Holiday season, your pledges exceeded our goals for this years annual appeal! Thank you the families below who pledged to support HNT this new year!

Jerome Adam, Robert & Polly Amkraut, David & Deborah Beder, Susan Ben-Rubin, Keely & David Berkman, Leonard & Louise Berman, Steve & Kathy Berman, Carl & Joann Bianco, Marv & Lisa Brashem, Tom & Stacey Brody, Zane Brown Jr. & Melissa Brown, Paul Burstein & Florence Katz Burstein, David & Julie Chivo, Elaine Cohn, Gary & Sharon Constantine, Marilyn Corets & Adam Mihlstin, Astrid Davidson, David & Elizabeth Director, Susan & Lonnie Edelheit, David & Julie Ellenhorn, Valerie & Larry Epstein, Alan Fingeroot, Kelly & David Finkel, Mickey & Cathy Friedman, Marc & Gina Gonchar, Kaitlyn & Tyler Graham, Dena & Drew Herbolich, Nancy Highiet Morse & Wayne Morse, Eric & Elana Hornstein, Kellie Israel, Toby Israel, Linda & Dick Jacobs, Arne & Lena Josefsberg, Larry Kalman & Ellie Halevy, Jeff & Sharon Kay, Carolyn Kessler, Eric & Leslie Kinder, Jeff & Rivka Klaff, Les & Denise Klaff, Harris & Jean Klein, Joel & Barbara Konikow, Lance & Sandy Korb, Efrem & Linda Krisher, Loretta Kuznetz, Ari Lackman & Michelle Farber, Bob & Janet Lackman, Mindy & David Landsman, Will & Lauren Leahy, Larry Lemchen, Mike & Cheri Levy, Beth Lippman, Marty & Sharon Lott, Alan & Andrea Lubner, Brian & Abby Marcus, Bob Maslan, Yuval & Melissa Mazor, Ann & Jim Meisner, Sarita R Moss, Nissim & Judy Neuman, Janet Neumann & Ricardo Wenger, Nolan & Pat Newman, Sam Newson & Geri Schnitzer-Newson, Aaron & Aileen Okrent, Salvador Orozco Villalever, Jeff & Kathy Packer, Robert & Donna Peha, Alan & Elaine Peizer, Faye Plum & Art Rider, Marc & Sue Policar, Sonny Putter & Rochelle Roseman, Barbara Rappoport, Arny & Anita Reich, Carol Reynolds, Brad Rind & Janet Gray, Renee Robbins, Ann Lee Rogel, Adam & Wendy Rosen, Doug & Deborah Rosen, Jay & Janine Rosenbaum, Ellen Rosenstein Brin, Aaron & Jane Rosenstein, David & Karen Rosenzweig, Helene Rubens, Jeff & Mimi Rubenstein, Armani Salary, Sandy Samuel, Sari Schneider, Joe & Judy Schocken, Mitchell & Nedra Schwamberg, Barbara Sherer, David & Stephanie Shujman, Sean & Tracy Sigmon, Ted & Andrea Simons, Nison Simontov, Neville & Gwenda Smith, Bob & Sue Solomon, David & Joy Stiefel, Michael & Dafna Tarlowe, Corbin & Debbie Tudor, Ilyse & Greg Wagner, Amy Wasser & Marvin Stern, Craig Weinstein, Jerry & Judy Weiser, Sherri & Steven Westman, Carolyn & Eldon Wexler, Court & Michelle Will, Patty Willner & Neil Martin, Jeff & Judy Ziedman, Becky Zimmerman, Noam Zohar

SOCIAL ACTION APPEAL

Thank you the generosity of the following families, who contributed to our Social Action Appeal this year. We raised over \$7,000 to support our efforts to help those in need in our community.

 Ken & Jen Alterman, Robert & Polly Amkraut, Debby & Neal Applefeld, David & Deborah Beder, Carl & Leanne Berkenwald, Gary & Sharon Constantine, Marilyn Corets & Adam Mihlstin, Astrid Davidson, David & Elizabeth Director, Susan & Lonnie Edelheit, David & Julie Ellenhorn, Valerie & Larry Epstein, Marc & Gina Gonchar, Kaitlyn & Tyler Graham, Ken & Rebecca Heller, Dena & Drew Herbolich, Nancy Highiet Morse & Wayne Morse, Toby Israel,
 Scott Jarol & Nancy Cohen-Vardy, Martha & Dan Javnozon, Eduardo & Vivian Kassner, Joel & Barbara Konikow, Efrem & Linda Krisher, Loretta Kuznetz, Ann & Jim Meisner, Becky Minsky, Lev & Isabella Novik, Salvador Orozco Villalever, Jeff & Kathy Packer, Robert & Donna Peha, Brad Rind & Janet Gray, Renee Robbins, Ellen Rosenstein Brin, David & Karen Rosenzweig, Armani Salary, Sandy Samuel, Mark & Sharon Sandler, Sari Schneider,
 Michael & Shainie Schuffler, Barry & Judy Schwarz, Barbara Sherer, Bob & Sue Solomon, David & Joy Stiefel, Corbin & Debbie Tudor, Christopher Voss, Ilyse & Greg Wagner, Jerry & Judy Weiser, Becky Zimmerman, Noam Zohar



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B'nai Mitzvah



Alexa Berkenwald · December 7

Alexa Berkenwald is the daughter of Michael and Sara Berkenwald and sister to Avi and Elan. She is the granddaughter of Carl and Leanne Berkenwald and Mark and Nancy Kiviat. Alexa is a seventh grader at Islander Middle School in Mercer Island. She has many hobbies and interests, including soccer, skiing, rock climbing, running, drill team, playing clarinet, and spending time with friends and family. She also loves spending summers at Camp Solomon Schechter in Tumwater, Washington. Alexa enjoys helping kids, and in addition to baby sitting, she has carried out her mitzvah project by helping out with specific students at Herzl-Ner Tamid's Frankel Religious School.







Jacob Gabriel Moss · December 14

Jacob Gabriel Moss "Jack" is the son of Al and Rachael Moss and the grandson of Sarita and Michael (z"I) Moss, Mark and Sharon Vinegar, and Laura and Brad Marks. Jack is a seventh grade student at Seattle's Asa Mercer International Middle School. He has many hobbies and passions including hockey, playing with his three dogs, camping and backpacking, cooking, photography, and spending time with his family, friends, and teammates. He is also an avid collector of sports memorabilia and major Seattle Kraken fan. Jack has been a summer camper at Solomon Schechter for many years, and is proud to be a student of Frankel Religious School. Jack's Bar Mitzvah project was to work with The Friends of the Seattle Public Library, an organization important to him and his family, whose mission is to support the Seattle Public Library by spreading the love of reading across Seattle's communities. He spent many hours packing and sorting books for teachers, students, and veterans, assisting readers at multiple Friend's Pop-Up and Banned Book events across the Seattle area – including the remodeled Greenwood Branch, and raising funds to support their mission and make books accessible to all.

Abigail Pernick · December 21

Abigail (Abby) Pernick is the daughter of Rebecca McKenzie and Ian Pernick, and sister of Charlotte (Charlie). She is the granddaughter of Suzan and James McKenzie and Susan (z"I) and Matthew Pernick (z"I). Abby is a seventh grader at Snoqualmie Middle School where she plays Saxophone. She has many after school activities including Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and First Lego League. She also enjoys camping, fishing and attending Camp Solomon Schechter.





Notification - Rooms Temporarily Closed

The **Skolnick Board Room** and **Danny's Den** are being evaluated for potential damage due to heavy rains and a misdirected roof spout. The cause has been identified; we are working on resolving the issue. Both rooms are temporarily closed out of an abundance of caution. Availability of the two rooms won't definitively be known until the evaluation is complete. However, preliminary findings anticipate Danny's Den to open within a couple of weeks with the Board Room opening timeframe still pending.



AFFINITY GROUPS









Needlecraft Affinity Group

Thursdays, December 5, 12, 19, 26 • 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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.

Mah Jongg Affinity Group

Thursdays, December 5, 12, 19, 26 • 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, December 27 • 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

Within the Shul Family

We Offer Condolences for:

- Dean Polik z"l, beloved husband of Gwenn Polik
- Sylvia Siegel z"I, beloved mother of Carolyn Siegel Wexler
- William 'Billy' Jaffe z"l, beloved husband of Shirley Jaffe z"l
- Mike Bovarnick z"l. beloved husband of Ruth Bovarnick
- Elisabeta Lascu z"l, beloved mother of Claudia Noagi
- Eva Safarti z"l, beloved wife of Itshak Sarfati
- Leo Speckman z"l beloved father of Dafna Tarlowe

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
- Krendel bat Miriam
- · Sara Rachel bat Yaakov Kopel v'Shifra
- Gill ben Bashah
- Rahel Rivka bat Gittel v'Baruch
- Reuven Lei ben Esther
- Hadassa bat Raguel

* 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.

Judaica Shop New Open Hours!

First Sunday of Each Month December 8 • 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

We have everything you need, including tallitot, kippot, and kid-sized shofarot.

December T'filot

See this month's B'nai Mitzvah on Page 6

HNT offers both in-person Shabbat services in our Sanctuary, and a virtual option available to view at h-nt.org/youtube

> Friday, December 6 6:00 PM Birthday Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 7 9:30 AM Shabbat Service & Bat Mitzvah of Alexa Berkenwald

> Friday, December 13 6:00 PM Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 14 9:30 AM Shabbat Service & Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Moss

> Friday, December 20 6:00 PM Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 21 9:30 AM Shabbat Service & Bat Mitzvah of Abigail Pernick

> Friday, December 27 6:00 PM Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 28 10:00 AM Shabbat Service

Morning Minyan:

Weekdays: 7:30 AM, Sundays & Secular Holidays: 9:00 AM Morning Minyan is also offered both in-person and virtually at h-nt.org/services







Daytimers Lunch & Film Series

Wednesday, December 18th: *As They Made Us* 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!

As They Made Us: A divorced mom tries to make peace with her dysfunctional family as she finds a second chance at love.

Pricing: \$10/per person early bird (register by December 11th) 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, December 13th.

Register at https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/event/daytimers-lunch--film4.html



December Anniversaries

Suzanne & Ronald Gould	56 years	Dec. 22	Phil & Susan Miller	50 years
Susie & Arthur Goldman	36 years	Dec. 23	Efrem & Linda Krisher	51 years
Clive & Lynne Brazg	47 years	Dec. 23	Michael & Wendy Spektor	45 years
Bob & Cindy Abramowitz	28 years	Dec. 23	Craig & Sheila Sternberg	57 years
Peter & Carol Michel	40 years	Dec. 23	Amy Wasser & Marvin Stern	6 years
Robert & Donna Peha	39 years	Dec. 24	Allen & Olga Karpman	24 years
Mike & Tracy Fishman	34 years	Dec. 26	Jack & Sara Goodstein	48 years
Michael & Susan Becker	41 years	Dec. 27	Perry & Sandy Bloch	43 years
Michele & Andrew Appelbaum	33 years	Dec. 27	Ron & Linda Krivosha	54 years
Nolan & Pat Newman	42 years	Dec. 27	Lewis Malakoff & Michelle Feder	27 years
Alan & Elaine Peizer	42 years	Dec. 28	Doug & Deborah Rosen	49 years
Stan & Michele Rosen	49 years	Dec. 29	Alan & Andrea Lubner	39 years
Paul Burstein & Florence Katz Burstein	48 years	Dec. 29	David & Stephanie Shujman	11 years
Mike & Cheri Levy	51 years	Dec. 31	Jordan & Andrea Lott	19 years
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Kosher Group

Are you interested in the latest Kosher finds? Or the latest "not-Kosher-anymore" info?

If so, contact Judy Ziedman at <u>jraez@comcast.net</u> to be added to the HNT Kosher Group email list and be kept up-to-date on what's happening throughout the Seattle Kosher scene.



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Holiday Shuk event on Sunday, November 24th!

MITZVAH CORPS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

The mission of HNT's Mitzvah Corps is to provide a caring and compassionate resource to our fellow congregants while giving generously of ourselves. The Corps is always looking for new volunteers.

Please reach out to Judy Ziedman at jraez@comcast.net or 425-883-6482 to ask questions or to join the group.





Thank you to everyone who joined us for the New Member Brunch on Sunday, November 10th



Adult Education



Adult Ed Classes Taught by Rabbi Herber

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. Registration is no longer available.

Together & Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood - Thursdays, Dec. 5, 12 • 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

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

Sunday, 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





Year Round 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. please reach out to Janine at janinerosenbaum@comcast.net to inquire about this years options

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A Message from Director of Education Irit Eliav Levin



"In spite of everything, I still believe people are really good at heart." - Anne Frank

or my seventh birthday, my parents took a group of my friends to see a theater production of Pollyanna. I loved the Disney movie and was even brought onto the stage to light a little sparkling candle, while the whole theater sang "Happy Birthday" to me. I still love Pollyanna, since as anyone who knows me will tell you, I tend to be an optimistic, hopeful person. This is a trait I definitely inherited from my father. We often tease him by saying that for him, the glass isn't half full, it's half full - with potential for growth.

But lately, it has been harder than usual for me to look at the world in an optimistic light. The events of October 7th and its aftermath weigh heavily on my heart. I think constantly of the hostages and was especially devastated by the loss of Hersh Goldberg-Polin z"l. The election cycle we just went through was ugly and complicated. We have neo-Nazis proudly marching through the streets. I worry for the safety of my own children and all of the children here at Herzl-Ner Tamid, especially when they are out in the world.

I know I'm not alone in feeling this way. I've lost count of the number of FRS parents who have pulled me aside or asked to speak with me, and shared that they were feeling lost, worried, and alone. It is a hard time to be Jewish right now. It's an especially hard time to be a Jewish parent right now, as we wonder about the world in which we are raising our children. Many of us feel as though we haven't had a chance to just be "normal" parents, between Covid, the rise of antisemitism, and the general unrest happening throughout the world.

But despite all of this unease and worry, there are so many moments of hope. I watch our students playing together at recess, laughing and enjoying being with other Jewish children. I see their eyes light up as they think about a Jewish text in a new way or gain mastery over a particular prayer they have been working on. I watch the devotion and care that our teachers put into their lessons, their love for our students and for our people palpable. I see the dedication of the HNT staff and volunteers, working tirelessly to make our community stronger, to keep building for our Jewish future. And I tuck my own three sweet children into bed at night, the sight of their sleepy faces filling my whole being with love. And I am so grateful for all of it.

Rachel Goldberg-Polin z"l, despite the unimaginable loss she has faced, still teaches that hope is mandatory. Her beautiful column in the Times of Israel last month is a worthwhile and important read (Make sure you have tissues nearby). She reminds us that despite everything, we must continue to work on Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. And if she can, then I have to as well. We all do.

May we work together to build a better future for HNT, for the entire Jewish community, and for the world as a whole. Ken Yehi Ratzon. May it be God's will.

A Clini Lew Director of Education



Tot Shabbat at SJCC



Fridays (Excluding Dec. 27 & Jan. 3) • 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.





Save the Date! - Spice Night

January 25th - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Join us for Havdalah, a concert by **Josh Niehaus**, explosions (safe!) in the social hall as part of the Radical Reactions program from the **Pacific Science Center**, snacks, and Science and Jewish themed art projects and more! This event is co-sponsored by the Jewish Day School and PJ Library.

Registration forms coming soon. For more information, please contact Irit Eliav Levin, Director of Education, at Irit@h-nt.org.







Stay Tuned for Information on Upcoming Projects Through the Social Action Committee

Coming up in January

HNT will be collecting comfort items for distribution to Jewish students through Hillel at the University of Washington. Please stay tuned for instructions on how to donate games and art supplies to Hillel UW in January.

Besides the UW Hillel project, SAC will also be focusing on other Jewish organizations in the forthcoming months:

- Supporting a guide dog program in Israel and, locally, the Israeli Scouts. At our January meeting we will be discussing additional projects that will benefit the Jewish community.
- SAC will continue its Teen Feed every month, as this is an important endeavor that helps many kids on an ongoing basis. We will also be organizing a couple of meals at Porchlight, the eastside men's shelter.
- The Social Action Committee is always looking for new members to join the committee and we welcome any new ideas you might have. Contact Judy Ziedman at jraez@comcast.net or 425.883.6482.

Teen Feed

Sunday, December 22 • 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.



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These generous tributes were made from October 21 through November 20, 2024

AMY MACKOFF CAMPERSHIP FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Helen Chaiken Blum from Vivian & David Blum

BUILDING FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Barney Siegel from Larry Lemchen George Siegel from Larry Lemchen

> In Memory of Billy Jaffe from Louie Sanft

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory of Billy Jaffe from Nancy Highiet Morse

DANNY LEWIS FUND

In Memory of Bill Jaffe from Robin Zambrowsky Dean Polik from Robin Zambrowsky

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory of Dean Polik from Sandy Samuel

EILEEN MINTZ KITCHEN FUND

In Memory of Sylvia Mae Siegel from Ziad and Ralda Elias

FLOWERS FUND

In Memory of Sylvia Siegel from Larry Lemchen

FRANKEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In Memory of Sylvia Siegel from Bob & Sue Solomon Dean Polik from Bob & Sue Solomon

FRANKEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of Mike Bovarnick from Bruce & Peggy Gladner Beatrice Schaner from Ilyse & Greg Wagner

GENERAL FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Fanny Berger from Marci Rogozen Ted Rosenblume from Marci Rogozen

In Honor of Sylvia Angel's Big Birthday from Diana and Ron, Galit and Sol Schneeweiss

In Memory of

Elisabeta Lascu from Ilyse & Greg Wagner Mike Bovarnick from Peggy Bernstein Mike Bovarnick from Nancy Highiet Morse & Wayne Morse Dean Polik from Jewish Day School of Metropolitan Seattle Michael Moss from Sarita R Moss

MEMORIAL FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Julius Deutsch from Jerald Weiner Louis Ostroff from Gertrude Ostroff Alice Nossen from Amy Wasser & Marvin Stern Herman Nossen from Amy Wasser & Marvin Stern Shirley Rosenblum from David & Sharron Hartman Jerry Rosenbloom from David & Sharron Hartman David Sidell from Craig & Sheila Sternberg Amy Sidell from Craig & Sheila Sternberg Ronald Weinstein from Devorah Weinstein Michelle Sloan from Devorah Weinstein Edward (Socco) Stern from Pauline Stern Ellis Corets from Marilyn Corets & Adam Mihlstin Arthur Norman Marsh from Muriel Epstein

MEMORIAL FUND

Annette Axelrad Cohen from Ronald Cohen Hyman Cohen from Ronald Cohen Morton Kuznetz from Loretta Kuznetz Nathan Kuznetz from Loretta Kuznetz Herman Tapper from Susan Tapper Robert Wilkes from Nancy Tipton Rebecca Burstein from Paul Burstein & Florence Katz Burstein Hymen Burstein from Paul Burstein & Florence Katz Burstein Judith Schartenberg Goodman from Paul Burstein & Florence Katz Burstein Charles Balter from Mark & Ruth Balter Rachel Willhoyt from Mark & Ruth Balter Morris Willner from Andrew & Nancy Willner Joseph Dwoskin from Ronald & Carol Masnik Hazel Dwoskin from Ronald & Carol Masnik Elden Krause from Aviva & Denny Krause Katie Krause from Aviva & Denny Krause Myrne Lazzar from Aviva & Vicki Krause Pliny Lazzar from Aviva & Vicki Krause Clara Gertrude Lancaster from Ruth Winston Tillie Berch from Marcy Berch Anita Tobias from Robbie Caggiano Sadie Roth from Stan & Fran Schill Edward Rosenblatt from Jackie Rosenblatt & Gary Johnson

In Appreciation of

Chuck Caplan from David & Sharron Hartman

In Memory of

Mike Bovarnick from Ron & Lori Kaufman Mike Bovarnick from Bob & Sue Solomon Billy Jaffe from Elaine Cohn Sylvia Siegel from Elaine Cohn Beatrice Schaner from Harriet Litt Carol Meisel from Beth Bernstein These generous tributes were made from October 21 through November 20, 2024

MITZVAH CORPS FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Jacob Siegel from Larry Lemchen Samuel Kotkins from David & Karen Rosenzweig Nellie Kotkins from David & Karen Rosenzweig

In Honor of Charles and Louise Kiss' 60th Anniversary from Mollie Launer

In Memory of

Mike Bovarnick from Chuck & Marilyn Caplan Dean Polik from Carl & Joann Bianco Mike Bovarnick from Carl & Joann Bianco Dean Polik from Susan & Lonnie Edelheit

MORNING MINYAN FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Elsie Greenberg Rosenstein from Ellen Rosenstein Brin Miriam Samuel from Sandy Samuel George Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler Jacob Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler Barney Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

In Memory of

Elisabeta Lascu from Sandy Samuel Dean Polik from Mike & Cheri Levy Mike Bovarnick from Mike & Cheri Levy Sylvia Siegel from Mike & Cheri Levy Mike Bovarnick from the Wagner Family Mike Bovarnick from Elaine Cohn Mike Bovarnick from Larry Lemchen Mike Bovarnick from Craig Weinstein Mike Bovarnick from Craig & Sheila Sternberg Dean Polik from Marilyn Corets & Adam Mihlstin Dean Polik from Ilyse, Greg, Shayna, Risa & Bailey Wagner Dean Polik from Anita and Arny Reich Dean Polik from Craig & Sheila Sternberg Dean Polik from Jerry & Judy Weiser Dean Polik from Larry Lemchen Sylvia Mae Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

RABBI HERBER'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of Rabbi Herber from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

RABBI ROSENBAUM'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

For the Yahrzeit of Marshall Chernin from Ralph & Lisa Katsman Harold Siegel from Carolyn & Eldon Wexler

In Honor of Rabbi Rosenbaum's Birthday from Larry Lemchen

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

In Appreciation of The Social Action Committee from Neville & Gwenda Smith

YOUTH ACTIVITIES FUND

In Honor of Bentley Harris' Bar Mitzvah from Jeff & Judy Ziedman

In Memory of Beatrice Schaner from Jeff & Judy Ziedman

BELOVED DEPARTED

Memorialized with Yahrzeit Plaques at HNT

SHABBAT OF December 6/7

Beatrice Gula
Charles Balter
Irving Greenberg
Julia Frankfurt
Ellis Corets
Henry Schocken
Samuel Epstein
Sophia Ross
Ursula Rychter
Ellis Davis
Jacob Glesin
Ada Liberman
Hyman Cohen
Rebecca Burstein
Albert Benezra
Gertrude Rosefield
Jake Gold
Stella Fein

Shabbat of December 13/14

Dec. 19Rosalind (Roz) MintzDec. 10Sofii MoscoviciDec. 20Herman NossenDec. 20Isaac MarkowDec. 20Lynne CoeDec. 20Mikel Luster

Dec. 20 Minnie Cohn

Dec. 14 Issac Lurie Dec. 14 Izhack Nagel Dec. 14 Jacqueline Barish Dec. 15 Isaac Davis Dec. 15 Phyllis Danz Dec. 16 Gisa Spektor Dec. 16 Harvey Bernstein Dec. 17 David Neff Dec. 17 Fanny Leopold Dec. 17 Ida Kushner Dec. 17 Rose Mutchler Dec. 18 Eva Getzen Dec. 18 Sarah Cohen Dec. 19 Ben Powazek Dec. 19 Herman Klatzker Dec. 19 Louis Ostroff Dec. 19 Max Kahn

Shabbat of December 20/21

Dec. 21	Bessie White
Dec. 21	Isidore Dwoskin
Dec. 21	Luba Lackman
Dec. 21	Shamay Thomas
Dec. 21	William Reich
Dec. 22	Harry Lerner
Dec. 22	Ida Kline
Dec. 22	Olga Schiller
Dec. 22	Sam Senescu
Dec. 22	Virginia Kahn
Dec. 23	Amy Sidell
Dec. 23	Ellen Friedman
Dec. 23	Frieda Kiksmann
Dec. 23	Salo Kiksmann
Dec. 23	Tsirl Rosenberg
Dec. 24	lda Liff
Dec. 25	Anna Klatzker
Dec. 25	Nat Rubenstein
Dec. 25	Rae Tover
Dec. 26	Felix Katschke
Dec. 26	Herbert Stein
Dec. 26	Julius Deutsch
Dec. 26	Lucille Wallace Lazarus
Dec. 26	Nathan Kuznetz
Dec. 26	Paula Rose
Dec. 27	Gordon Lamken
Dec. 27	Philip Tworoger
Dec. 27	Rahel Marcus

Shabbat of December 27/28

Dec. 28	Bessie Neshaver
Dec. 28	Dora Baker
Dec. 28	Fanny Wienir
Dec. 28	Louis Zeidman
Dec. 28	Morton Kuznetz
Dec. 28	Tessy Goldberg
Dec. 29	Bernard Gladstein
Dec. 29	Gladys Pruchno
Dec. 29	Rabbi Philip Langh
Dec. 30	Jack Weiskind
Dec. 30	Sarah Paloy
Dec. 31	Albert Bienn
Dec. 31	David Zweig
Dec. 31	Dora Winikoff
Jan. 1	Heather Cohen
Jan. 1	Mike Cohen
Jan. 1	Myer Grashin
Jan. 1	William Barrat
Jan. 2	Anna Poll
Jan. 2	Max Lewin
Jan. 2	Mildred Lowy
Jan. 2	Morris Ringold
Jan. 2	Saul Burston
Jan. 3	Dick Angel
Jan. 3	Gordon Gaponoff
Jan. 3	Louis Lott
Jan. 3	Marcy Backer Schwartz

To purchase a perpetual yahrzeit plaque for a loved one, please complete the form at: https://h-nt.shulcloud.com/form/yahrzeit

10:15am 4:00pm Hanukkah Happy Hour	Chanukah Minyan 9:00am Minyanaire Brunch	29 (28 Kislev)	Minyan 9:00am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am Introduction to Judaism 10:30am Teen Feed 5:30pm	22 (21 Kislev)	Minyan 9:00am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am Welcome Cantor Batchelor Bagel Brunch 10:15am Introduction to Judaism 10:30am	15 (14 Kislev)	8 (7 <i>Kislev</i>) Minyan 9:00am Judaica Gift Shop 9:30am Modern Hebrew 2 9:30am How to Change Your Mind 10:15am Introduction to Judaism 10:30am	1 (30 Cheshvan) Rosh Chodesh Kislev Minyan 9:00am
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Herzl-Ner Tamid Calendar of Events - December 2024

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Radical Reactions program from the Pacific Science Center, snacks, and Science and Jewish themed

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