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PROGRAM  
GUIDE  
2022-23

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# — SHALOM CHAVERIM! —

# Welcome!



We are thrilled to present Congregation Neveh Shalom's 2022-23 Program Guide! After the uncertainty and isolation of the past few years, we are delighted to offer robust programming for this coming year. We are eager to meet your spiritual, educational, and social needs through the opportunities you find here.

Our staff, clergy, and lay-leaders have created these services and programs with our CNS defining values at the forefront: Community, Innovation, Jewish Life, Inclusivity, and Transformative Learning (see page 39 for our Vision, Mission, and Values statement).

In order to learn more about how we can help you connect, please complete our new Member Interest Survey: [nevehshalom.org/member-interest](https://nevehshalom.org/member-interest) (or scan the QR code below). If you need help logging into your account, do not hesitate to call the office.

We are so looking forward to seeing you throughout what we hope will be a sweet new year for all!

*B'Shalom,*

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "Lisa Richmond".

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*Scan this QR Code to fill out the member interest form online.*

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# YOUTH AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT



The **Youth and Family Engagement Committee (YAFE)** of **CNS** will facilitate relationship building, social engagement, informal family learning opportunities and youth groups for CNS families with children ages 0 through 12<sup>th</sup> grade to enrich and expand upon the experience of being a part of CNS *kehillah*.



## Shoreshim

**Programming for families with kids ages 0-5 years old.**

Shoreshim means "roots." The Shoreshim committee at Neveh Shalom is dedicated to creating meaningful and fun educational, religious, and social events for young families that have children ages 0-5. We invite you to join us! We host vibrant and well attended Tot Shabbats twice a month. Throughout the year, our committee also hosts special Shabbat dinners and havdallah, organizes age-appropriate activities at congregational events, and plans fun outings.

Contact: Rabbi Eve Posen, [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org)



## Anafim

**Programming for families with kids in K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

Anafim means "branches." Anafim at Neveh Shalom is a program dedicated to engaging families with children in Kindergarten through second grade through social, religious, meaningful and fun activities with built in time for parents to connect as well. With Kiddush Club on Shabbat mornings, Havdallah game nights and summer swimming parties, Anafim is a community for families to grow and connect with one another.

Contact: Rabbi Eve Posen, [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org)

### Meal Train

Join us in supporting families who have just had a baby by providing a nourishing meal. For more information and to get involved in this mitzvah, contact: Rabbi Eve Posen, [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org).

### Fourth Fridays with Rabbi Eve

**4th Friday of each month, 5:15pm, Offsite  
Families with children 0-2nd grade**

Rabbi Eve Posen leads this interactive service that welcomes Shabbat through song and stories.



# YOUTH AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

## Young Families & Youth Shabbat Morning Services

**Tot Shabbat - Families with children 5 and under  
1st & 3rd Saturdays, 10:30am, Zidell Chapel**

Experience the joy of Shabbat! A fun and engaging service for families with babies, toddlers, and children up to age 5. Join our skilled early childhood educators and their good friend Shabbos Mouse for Neveh Shalom's liveliest Shabbat service. Enjoy singing, dancing, scarf waving, parachutes, storytelling, and more! Stay for a yummy kiddush lunch and become a part of our welcoming community of young families.

**Kiddush Club for K-3rd graders**

**1st & 3rd Saturdays: 10:30am, Room 102**

Families with kids 5 and up: Looking to continue the fun and warmth of Tot Shabbat? Do you love to sing, hear a Torah story, maybe even dance on Shabbat morning? If the answer is YES, then join us on the 1st & 3rd Shabbat of each month for Kiddush Club! 1st Shabbat of the month with Sarah Rohr, 3rd Shabbat of the month with Gershon Liberman. Followed by Kiddush lunch and play.

**Anafim Shabbat Shmooze:** Join us on select Saturdays after lunch for games, connection, and snacks.

## PJ Havdallah



**Saturdays: November 19 (EJC), December 17 (CNS),  
February 25 (CNS) - 5:30pm**

Join us as we say goodbye to Shabbat in our PJs. For families with children ages 0-6th grade. We'll have dinner, stories, art, and a whole lot of fun. There will be a per person charge. Co-sponsored by PJ Library. Contact Rabbi Eve for more information: [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org).

## Join us for the 7th Annual CNS Family Shabbat Experience at Camp Solomon Schechter April 28-30, 2023

*"Family Camp affords us the opportunity to spend time with our YAFE kehillah in a unique and natural setting. Our family loves building memories at Camp; we look forward to camp year-round."-Mia Osherow*



Join together with families with children ages 0-5th grade for a fantastic weekend at Camp Solomon Schechter. Together we'll celebrate Shabbat with family friendly services, activities and games. Adults will have time to relax as well. Located on the beautiful grounds of Camp Solomon Schechter in Olympia, WA we'll enjoy the natural surroundings throughout Shabbat.

Pricing includes: shared cabin, Friday dinner, three meals and two snacks on Saturday and a Sunday brunch.

To help plan our incredible weekend, please be in touch with Rabbi Eve, [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org)



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# YOUTH GROUPS

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## What is Chaverim? Gesher? CNS Teens?

Our youth groups offer an opportunity for playful connections and meaningful relationships. Youth in 3rd grade through high school foster a sense of community and build strong leadership skills through activities and retreats.

### Chaverim (grades 3-5)

Chaverim participants are our rising leaders! We meet regularly for fun and exciting events that explore the greater Portland area.

### Gesher (grades 6-8)

Gesher meets locally for social, religious and community service-based activities, with a regional convention each year. Gesherniks begin to take leadership in planning their own events.

### CNS Teens (grades 9-12)

CNS Teens meets for social, religious and community service-based activities, in partnership with USY. Active teens become leaders here in Portland, around the Northwest, and even on an international level.

For more information about these youth groups and how to join, please contact Youth and Family Engagement (YAFE) Associate, Sarah Rohr: [srohr@nevehshalom.org](mailto:srohr@nevehshalom.org)



# — PRESCHOOL EDUCATION —



## Foundation School (Ages 12 months - 5 years)

All are welcome! | Joyful Jewish learning | Strong parent community | Small class size and low student-to-teacher ratio | Experienced and loving teachers | Inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach

Now Enrolling, 8am-5pm options (plus 8:30-4:30 summer camp)  
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### Our Values

Foundation School is based on the ideals and traditions of the Jewish faith and is dedicated to providing exceptional early childhood education. While our curriculum is centered on the foundations of Jewish learning, our program is open to all.

We value play as every child's natural way of learning and view each child as a competent and unique learner. Our qualified and experienced staff encourages the growth of the whole child; intellectual, social, emotional, physical and spiritual. We encourage the development of each child's creativity, curiosity and character through respectful and age-appropriate practices alongside an emergent curriculum.

For over 60 years, we have embraced our youngest learners – sparking imaginations, instilling a sense of wonder, and providing the building blocks for the next generation of creative and confident problem-solvers. The children who are part of the Foundation School legacy embrace an “anything is possible” approach to life where they are asked to wonder, encouraged to inquire, and participate in the process of bringing young families together for a lifetime of friendship.

### Educational Approach

Foundation School is inspired by the Reggio Emilia educational philosophy. We see our students as infinitely capable, and as such, our teachers collaborate with students to create meaningful and relevant curriculum that inspires the particular group of learners in each classroom community. We believe it is our task to teach our students to be able citizens of our community who have the skills to be independent learners, kind friends, and advocates for themselves as they gain readiness for kindergarten and the world beyond.

Our teachers take time to document each child's process of learning. As we take photos of the children engaged in activity, write down their words, and display them for the community to see, they begin to understand that their learning has power. Teachers structure the environment to help children expand their academic and social potential, encouraging discovery and meaningful learning in developmentally appropriate ways.



# — YOUTH EDUCATION —



**(Grades K-12)**

[www.nevehshalom.org/aliyah-k-6](http://www.nevehshalom.org/aliyah-k-6)  
[www.nevehshalom.org/aliyah-7-12](http://www.nevehshalom.org/aliyah-7-12)

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## ALiyAH K-6

The warm community of ALiyAH Jewish learning provides engaging, high-level learning opportunities for every student. Our students experience Jewish holidays and traditions, gain strong Hebrew language skills, and grow from the many opportunities for meaningful leadership within the congregational community. Our teachers are dynamic and nurturing, and our kids enjoy their experience of Jewish education. Our highest goal is for our children to feel at home in Judaism, by gaining literacy about our traditions, and experiences that ignite curiosity and connection.

### Our Innovative Program

We are proud to have the most thorough and innovative supplementary Jewish education program in Portland. Students have many opportunities to “live” their Judaism, whether leading services, celebrating holidays, putting on a Jewish wedding celebration, cooking Jewish foods, and participating in *tzedakah* projects that support others in our community.

On Sunday mornings, all K-6 children attend an experiential, social, content-rich Judaics program. Each grade has its own curricular topic of exploration, a specific mitzvah or Jewish value to practice, and various *chugim* (electives) such as music, art, cooking, book-lovers, and super-hero comic-writing. Parents and grandparents are invited to family programs to share in their child’s learning and connect with our community.

Our students learn Hebrew at their own pace with an individual Hebrew teacher, 30 minutes per week, in



person or on zoom. They participate in setting goals for their own learning, and parents are invited to conferences twice per year to celebrate their child’s progress.

### Israeli Pathways (אפיק ישראלי)

Israeli families are invited to join ALiyAH through a new, special program called Israeli Pathways (אפיק ישראלי) in which Hebrew-speaking children have a culturally specific, social elective taught in Hebrew. Contact us for more information!

## Inclusion

ALiyAH is an inclusive community that welcomes students across the spectrum of learning styles and needs. We work closely with families to create individualized learning plans as necessary and celebrate the achievements of each of our students based on their own abilities. We learn throughout our program that every individual has strengths and challenges and the beauty of a community is that we all gain from supporting each other.

## Excellent Teachers & Leaders

Our excellent ALiyAH teachers are dedicated to Jewish life and learning. They care about the success of each student and focus on creating a learning environment that supports every child in his/her learning as well as in building a strong community of friends. Mel Berwin has led our education programs since 2011, bringing wisdom, warmth, and creativity to her role in our congregation and championing inclusion, educational innovation, and professional development for Jewish educators throughout the Portland area.



# YOUTH EDUCATION

## B'nai Mitzvah

The bar/bat/brit mitzvah year is an amazing milestone for our youth and their families. We offer support throughout the planning stages for families approaching this celebration. Our ALIYAH program prepares students for leading prayers with confidence and comprehension. Parent learning opportunities and meetings in 5th and 6th grades offer families connection with each other and logistical support. Our year-long b'nai mitzvah tutoring program (separate from the ALIYAH Hebrew tutoring) provides each child the chance to work one-on-one with a qualified tutor to achieve personal goals according to his/her own learning style. And our clergy works with students and families throughout the year to create a ceremony that is personally and communally meaningful.



## Tichon (High School)

7th-12th graders at Neveh Shalom stay engaged in Jewish learning and social life through our ALIYAH Tichon program on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:30pm. Our classes range from high-level conversation about important topics of their choice (Being Jewish in a Multi-cultural World, Judaism and the Environment, Comparative Judaism, Interfaith Connections), to fun and active electives such as Jewish cooking, art, improv, and ethical debate.

7<sup>th</sup> graders make new friends, young and old, in a much-loved intergenerational program called Mensches & Mavens, and 12th graders engage in a senior seminar with Rabbi Kosak to prepare them for launching into Jewish adulthood.



An optional family-friendly kosher buffet dinner on Wednesday evenings allows teens an important time to see friends and socialize over burritos or stir-fry.

## Teen Madrichim

Teens in 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to apply for positions as Madrichim, a paid internship program assisting teachers and students on Sunday mornings. Madrichim gain great leadership skills while participating in practical leadership development training throughout the year and are valued members of our teaching team!

## Hebrew for Teens

We encourage continued Hebrew learning for our teens! With enough interest, we offer a Hebrew class on Weds evening during Tichon or at another mutually convenient time during the week.



# LIFELONG LEARNING



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You can register for these classes at:  
[www.nevehshalom.org/adult-ed](http://www.nevehshalom.org/adult-ed)

We welcome all learners to join us for an exciting array of Adult Education programs this year! All programs are in person unless otherwise noted.

## September Classes

### **Conservative Judaism Explained** **Thursday, Sept 8, 7pm with Mel Berwin**

Whether you're a new member or simply seeking greater clarity, you're invited to attend this engaging opportunity to learn about our movement's name, values, and distinguishing features. Free and open to all.

### **Q&A for Beginning Hebrew and Machon Ivrit** **Tues, Sept 13, 7:00pm w/ Teachers**

Orientation to our Hebrew classes and levels. Meet the teachers, explore the syllabus, and get help with registration.

**Intro to Siddur Basics & Hebrew for Prayer**  
**Wednesday, Sept 21, 7:00 pm**  
**With teachers Patty Magid-Volk and Sami Oberlander**  
Interested in joining one of our Synagogue Skills courses this year? Come meet the teachers and hear more about these offerings.

## Judaism In Our Lives

### **Women's Torah Study**

**Saturdays, 12:30pm with Mel Berwin**

An uplifting hour of study on Shabbat! Delve into biblical and midrashic text, (Hebrew and English text available) with a group of other women to find meaning from our traditions that relate to our lives. All levels of experience welcome. Free. Email [mberwin@nevehshalom.org](mailto:mberwin@nevehshalom.org) for specific dates and topics.

### **Couples and Conversation**

**Four Sundays Oct 9, 16, 30, Nov 6 with Rabbi Eve Posen**

Join Rabbi Eve for a unique workshop series for parents raising children in interfaith families. Together we'll delve into the blessings and challenges of being an Interfaith Family, reflection on your past and path as an interfaith couple, kids and God talk, holidays and lifecycles and communicating with grandparents and other extended family. Over these four Sundays, two hours each Sunday, we'll engage in meaningful reflection and learning. Geared towards interfaith families and newly converted parents and their partners. Space is limited. Open to the entire Portland Jewish community. Questions, email Rabbi Eve at [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org). Presented in partnership with 18Doors.

### **Torah Flora!**

**Sunday, Oct 23, 1-3pm with Jeanell Innerarity**

The Torah makes frequent references to plants, especially those with herbal and agricultural uses. Join environmental educator Jeanell Innerarity for an exploration into some of the most botanically and culturally relevant plants of the Torah. We'll explore their uses and their history. Be prepared to touch, smell, and taste!

### **Learn the Art of Jewish Storytelling** **January-March, 2023**

You are invited on a three-month journey with professional Jewish Storyteller Brian Rohr, who will teach the art and skill of performative storytelling. Explore the ancient stories, personal narrative, and techniques on how to discover your own unique storytelling voice. We will end with a public performance for the *kehillah*. For more information, contact: [brohr@nevehshalom.org](mailto:brohr@nevehshalom.org).

**Second Day Rosh Hashanah Learning - See HHD Special Events Section on page 16**

# — HEBREW & SYNAGOGUE — SKILLS

## Beginning Hebrew



*This course, or its equivalent level of mastery, is a prerequisite for all other Hebrew and synagogue skills classes.* Ease into Hebrew beginning with Alef-Bet letter recognition, vowels, and decoding skills, and move on to build a basic vocabulary.

**Tuesdays, 7-9pm, beginning October 25**

**Teacher: Hani Yovel**

24 sessions. \$560 CNS members/ \$610 non-members.

## Machon Ivrit - Modern Hebrew



Year-long classes to learn Modern Hebrew, with engaging teachers and supportive peers. This once-a-week program brings learners to higher levels of speaking, reading, and understanding.

**Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00pm | Beginning October 25**

24 sessions. \$720 for CNS members / \$800 for non-members. Financial aid available.

### Level One: Ready to Read & Speak

**Teacher: Etti Segal**

For those with a working knowledge of the Alef-Bet and some basic Hebrew vocabulary. Focus on practical vocabulary and grammar. *Prerequisite: Beginning Hebrew, or its equivalent level of mastery.*

### Level Two: Advanced Hebrew

**Teacher: Meital Weckslar**

Pick up where you left off in Level One. Use engaging reading material to improve reading, speaking, and

comprehension skills. Broaden vocabulary and grammar to include focus on past, present, and future tense and additional verb forms. *Prerequisite: Ready to Read & Speak, or its equivalent level of mastery.*

### Level Three: Conversational

**Teacher: Maya Varon**

Continue practicing Hebrew with a focus on real life situations and stories. Discuss Israeli news articles and other modern media as well as experiences from your week. *Prerequisite: Advanced Hebrew, or its equivalent level of mastery.*

## Synagogue Skills

*Beginning Hebrew, or its equivalent level of mastery, is a prerequisite for these classes.*

### Siddur Basics

**Wednesdays, 6:30-7:25pm beginning November 9**

**Teacher: Sami Oberlander**

Join us to learn the Shabbat morning service. We will systematically go through different parts of the service slowly enough so that each class member can learn to recite the words of common prayers and understand basic meanings. We will also explore different tunes to common prayers. No more mumbling through services or getting lost! 15 sessions. \$80/CNS members, \$95 non-members

### Hebrew for Prayer

**Wednesdays, 7:35-8:30pm beginning November 9**

**Teacher: Patty Magid-Volk**

Increase your understanding of what we say when we pray. Together we will learn the most common Hebrew words, including shoshim (roots) and grammar that are used throughout our *siddur* (prayerbook). Each week we will unpack and translate prayers from Shabbat services. 15 sessions. \$80/CNS members, \$95 non-members

*For a deeper dive into the history, theology, and poetry of our prayers, see Rabbi Kosak's class under "Learn with our Rabbis."*



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# LEARN WITH OUR RABBIS

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## Rabbi Eve Posen



Have you ever wondered what happens **AFTER** the Israelites enter the Land of Israel?

**Mondays, beginning Oct 24 with Rabbi Eve Posen  
12:00-1:00pm, On Zoom**

*Continuing from last year, new participants welcome*

Join Rabbi Posen every Monday at 12pm as we delve into the works of the Prophets and continue the narrative. Each week we'll discuss 3-5 chapters of text and discover the rich and interesting continuation of our core story. No Hebrew language required.

### **Couples and Conversation**

**Four Sundays Oct 9, 16, 30, Nov 6**

*See description on page 10*

## Emeritus Rabbi Daniel Isaak



**The New Jewish Canon: Ideas & Debates with Rabbi Daniel Isaak  
Thursdays, 10-11am, Starts Sep 15**  
Weekly learning on the book "The New Jewish Canon" by Kurtzer and Sufrin about what it means to be Jewish and live a Jewish life in 2022. \$35, book not included.

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*For more information, or to register for classes on this page, contact Lisa Marie: 503.246.8891 or [receptionist@nevehshalom.org](mailto:receptionist@nevehshalom.org).*

## Rabbi David Kosak



### **History, Theology and Poetry of the Prayerbook**

**Sundays, Nov-Mar, 12:15-1:15pm w/ Rabbi David Kosak**

In this accessible, intermediate level course, we will examine the history and literary meaning of our central prayers. This will allow us to understand the background in which these prayers arose as well as how their structure and imagery convey their central message. Understanding these two components will help us grasp the purpose and ideas of the prayers as well as deepening our knowledge of how a given prayer makes its point. Finally, we will allow time in class to discuss how we can relate to these messages as contemporary Jews. No Hebrew required.

### **Legacy: Meaningful Family Conversations**

**Sunday, 2:00-4:00pm | Three dates to choose from:  
Nov 13, Feb 12, or Apr 16, With Rabbi David Kosak**

In my years working in the rabbinate, I have observed how some, but not all, families instinctually prepare in advance for an inevitable loss by engaging in open conversations about values, love, and even regrets. These profound talks positively enrich a family. This year, I will be offering three stand-alone opportunities for you and your loved ones to gather and do this work in a facilitated setting. It is my hope that doing this work consciously, before death is at hand, will deepen your bonds, reduce your fear to have honest conversations, and make the eventual loss easier to navigate.

# — THE FELDSTEIN LIBRARY —



The Feldstein Library houses over 12,000 volumes to meet the diverse needs of Portland's Jewish community. We strive to provide a wide range of materials to enrich patrons' knowledge and experience of Judaism. Our librarian is committed to excellence and service that brings about a positive experience for every library user. Programming begins with our youngest patrons who join for scheduled Foundation School story times to discover the joy of reading and continues with explorations of literature for community members of all ages.

## Connect with the Feldstein Library

Use of the library is free for synagogue members and those enrolled in classes at Neveh Shalom. Non-members who would like to use the library can contact our librarian. Find current library hours, our catalog, and a growing selection of book lists at **library.nevehshalom.org**.

## Explore our collection

Collection highlights include music, picture books, philosophy, genealogy, Holocaust, fiction, graphic novels, Hebrew language novels, and the Bible. Our collection is always growing, so if you're looking for a specific book, don't hesitate to contact Leora.

## Contact Our Librarian

For more information, please contact our librarian, Leora Troper, at: **ltroper@nevehshalom.org**; **503.293.7311 ext. 118**.



## Donations to the Library

Do you need a unique way to commemorate a life cycle event? Making a financial or book donation to the Feldstein Library in honor or in memory of a loved one helps our collection grow. This is a meaningful way to commemorate the birthday, B'nai Mitzvah, or Yahrzeit of a book lover in your life. If you do donate a book from our Amazon wish list, a bookplate recognizing the honoree will be placed in the book.

Follow this link to visit to find our Amazon wish list: **<https://a.co/awJsQ5O>**. You choose your gift and make a wish come true!

*Please note that as of printing we are currently not accepting donations of books from a private or home collection. If you have books that you want to donate, please call first with an understanding that we may not be able to take them.*



# RELIGIOUS SERVICES



We offer many different prayer experiences each month... Come and find your place! There is something for everyone.

## Daily Minyan

### Daily Minyan: Sunday-Friday

Dedicated congregants ensure this service is available to the community. Weekday services, 7:15am. Rosh Chodesh and intermediate days of festivals, 7:00am. Sundays, major Jewish and secular American holidays, 9:00am.

## Friday and Saturday Shabbat Services

### Kabbalat Shabbat, every Friday, 6:15pm

Join our clergy for a traditional Kabbalat Shabbat service weaving together ancient and modern melodies as we celebrate Shabbat.

### Special Fridays with Ilene Safyan, 6:15pm

Bring your spirit and your voice for a special Kabbalat Shabbat. Accompanied by Ilene Safyan on guitar, this service is filled with beautiful music, singing and lots of participation.

### Kol Shabbat, 2nd Fridays, 7:15pm

Join Naomi Leavitt and Eva Novick to welcome Shabbat with a lay-led, voices-only Erev Shabbat Service. All ages and stages welcome.

### SHIR! Shabbat: A Musical Experience, Select Fri, 6:15pm

Immerse yourself in the musical *ruach*/spirit of Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat and make it an uplifting and musically-enhanced experience - with Cantor Eyal Bitton, the Koleinu Choir, and band.

### Shabbat Morning Service, every Saturday, 9:30am

Traditional weekly Shabbat morning service. All are welcome to our services. We are a welcoming *kehillah* that strives to create an inclusive space for prayer. Fidgets and puzzles are available for those who might benefit from them. New themes beginning this fall:

- **Meditation Shabbat**, 1st Saturdays – a special time of meditation will replace the d'var Torah
- **Learner's Shabbat**, 4th Saturdays – extra explanation to the why and how of prayer will punctuate the service

### Downstairs Minyan

#### 2nd, 4th, and 5th Saturdays, 9:30am

A lay-led Shabbat service followed by a Kiddush lunch and singing of *z'mirot* (Shabbat songs). Interested in leading a part of the service or reading Torah? Contact: [downstairsminyan@gmail.com](mailto:downstairsminyan@gmail.com)

## Young Family & Youth Shabbat Services

### Fourth Fridays w/ Rabbi Eve - Families with children 0-10

#### Fourth Friday of each month, 5:30pm

Rabbi Eve Posen leads this interactive home service that welcomes Shabbat through song and stories. RSVP: [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org).

### Tot Shabbat - Families with children 5 and under 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 10:30am

Experience the joy of Shabbat! A fun and engaging service for families with kids 5 and under led by early childhood educators. Join Shabbes Mouse and friends for our liveliest Shabbat service. Enjoy singing, dancing, storytelling, and more! Followed by Kiddush lunch with the congregation.

### Kiddush Club, K-3rd graders 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 10:30am

Continue the fun and warmth of Tot Shabbat with Kiddush Club. We sing, dance, hear a Torah story and more! 1st Shabbat of the month with Morah Sarah Rohr; 3rd Shabbat with Gershon Liberman. Followed by Kiddush lunch with the congregation.

*If you are unable to attend Shabbat Services, you can stream them live at: [nevehshalom.org/live-streaming](https://nevehshalom.org/live-streaming)*



# LIFE CYCLE EVENTS



## Bris/Baby Naming

Jewish tradition has beautiful ways to commemorate life cycle events, starting from the very beginning of life. Our clergy and staff are here to help with the details to create a beautiful ceremony for you and your (newly expanded) family.

**Brit Milah/Bris:** A brit milah, often called a bris, is the traditional 8th-day circumcision for boys. The bris can be held at a home or in the synagogue. The professional who performs the circumcision is called a *mohel*, and Oregon Jewish Life has a list of some of the *mohels* in Portland.

**Simchat Bat/Baby Naming:** Usually called a *simchat bat* ("rejoicing in the daughter"), a baby naming for a girl can take on the form and timing that's best for the family. Talk with our clergy and staff to determine the details.

## Bar/Bat/Brit Mitzvah

The bar/bat/brit mitzvah year is an amazing milestone for our youth and their families. We offer planning support and prepare students to lead prayers with confidence and comprehension.

Our year-long b'nai mitzvah tutoring program provides each child with the chance to work one-on-one with a professional tutor. Our clergy work with students and families throughout the year to create a ceremony that is personally and communally meaningful.

## Conversion

Congregation Neveh Shalom has long been at the forefront of fashioning an inclusive, engaged, and educated community. We welcome many individuals and families into our diverse congregational *kehillah*/community.

Our enhanced conversion curriculum, combined with Portland's Introduction to Judaism course, aims to provide the tools to live a joyous Jewish life. Contact our clergy team for more information. We are excited to help our conversion students on their path to becoming Jewish!

## Weddings

The Jewish wedding is a supremely joyous occasion. The rituals we will share together during the ceremony are part of over 2,000 years of Jewish tradition. If you'll soon be celebrating an upcoming wedding with friends or family members, or you're interested in learning more about how Neveh Shalom can help you prepare for your own wedding, please contact JoAnn Bezodis, Clergy Assistant at 503-293-7317 or at [jbezodis@nevehshalom.org](mailto:jbezodis@nevehshalom.org).

## Funerals

Your CNS clergy and community are here to comfort you in life's most difficult moments. From walking with you as your loved one reaches the end of their life by supporting you through a year of mourning, we're here to help you grieve and move forward.

For burial, plot and cemetery information please contact Marg Everett: [meverett@nevehshalom.org](mailto:meverett@nevehshalom.org). When a death occurs, please call the synagogue office at 503-246-8831 so that we may inform the rabbis and assist you directly. After business hours, on weekends or holidays, contact Fred Rothstein at 503-475-2934.

If you're requesting *tahara* for your loved one (respectful preparation for burial according to ancient Jewish tradition) you may request it from either Holman's Funeral Home at 503-232-5131; Riverview Funeral Service at 503-246-6488; or the funeral home of your choice. The funeral home will then notify the *chevra kadisha* (individuals who help with the burial process).

# HHD SPECIAL EVENTS

## Two Worlds: A Rock and Soul Selichot Experience Saturday, September 17, 8:00pm: Wine & Cheese | 8:30pm: Service | Free



Our *selichot* (prayers of repentance) experience this year brings two worlds of music together. Rabbi Kosak and Cantor Bitton will capture the best part of tradition with beloved High Holiday melodies and offer up themes of Seli-

chot through traditional melodies and contemporary rock and pop music. Prepare for the High Holy Days in a moving, meaningful way through music connecting us to the ways we are striving, forgiving, and seeking.

## Shanah: A Whole Family 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Exploration Tuesday, Sept 27, 10:15-11:30am (Shofar and short service at 9:30am) | FREE



For families with kids ages 0-12. Join us on the 2nd Day of Rosh HaShanah as we celebrate the *Birthday of the World!* Hear the Shofar, make and taste fresh-pressed apple cider, experience Tashlich through a hike or meditation (symbolic reflection on our

missteps over the past year), and more! Come dressed to explore and bring your own container for cider if you'd like to take some home! Questions: [eposen@nevehshalom.org](mailto:eposen@nevehshalom.org).

## Special 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Learning Experiences with Rabbi David Kosak, Mel Berwin, and Amy Katz Tuesday, September 27, 9:00am-12:00pm | Free



Rosh Hashanah is an opportunity to learn and reflect as well as pray. Drop in to a 2nd Day RH learning session to deepen your connection to the holidays.

## Kever Avot Graveside Visit Sun, Oct 2, Neveh Zedek: 9:30am | Ahavai Shalom: 10:30am



The Jewish embrace of life is intertwined with respect for those who came before. In between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, there is a beautiful custom for families to

gather at our cemeteries to recite special readings and hear the memorial prayers graveside. Depending on weather and health concerns, we will gather outdoors or in the chapels.

## High Holy Days Food Drive September 26-October 5

CNS is proud to once again hold our High Holy Day food drive to support Neighborhood House. Please bring your donations of non-perishable foods to the collection bins located inside the front gate. Collection will start at Rosh Hashanah and continue through Yom Kippur.



## Two Special Yom Kippur Storytelling Experiences Wednesday, October 5

Jewish storyteller Brian Rohr will share two different stories during Yom Kippur. Suitable for teens and adults.

- **10:00am:** *Entering the Holy of Holies: Storytelling and the High Priest*
- **4:00pm:** *The Blessing in Our Grief: Martyrology and Relating to the Divine*



## Sukkah Build and Decoration

**Sunday, October 9 - Build: 7:30-10:30am | Decorate: 10:30am-12pm**

Join the Men's Club and the Sisterhood for our annual Sukkah build and decoration following Yom Kippur in the Holzman Plaza. *The tear-down will be on Sunday, October 23, 8-11am.*



## Our Sukkah Is Your Sukkah: Drop-in

We welcome you to pack a brown bag/picnic-style lunch and gather with your family and friends in our sukkah on the Holzman Plaza. No registration needed. For times, please visit: [nevehshalom.org/sukkot5783](http://nevehshalom.org/sukkot5783). *More Sukkot-specific programming on page 18.*



## Erev Simchat Torah: A Celebration Monday, October 17, 6:00pm Dinner | 7:00pm Service

Celebrate the renewal of the Torah at Simchat Torah with Cantor Bitton and a live band. Dinner at 6pm. Ma'ariv service & Hakafoth with a live band at 7pm. The service and band are free and open to the community.



Please visit the [nevehshalom.org/hhd5783](http://nevehshalom.org/hhd5783) and check your emails for the latest information.

# 5783 JEWISH HOLIDAYS

	Neveh Shalom Holiday Services	
<b>Rosh Hashanah</b> Sept 25-27, 2022	Sunday 9/25 5:00pm Monday 9/26* 8:30am Tuesday 9/27* 9:00am Full schedule at: <a href="https://nevehshalom.org/hhd5783">https://nevehshalom.org/hhd5783</a>	Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 1st Day Rosh Hashanah Service 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Service
<b>Yom Kippur</b> October 4-5, 2022	Tuesday 10/4 6:00pm Wednesday 10/5* 8:30am Full schedule at: <a href="https://nevehshalom.org/hhd5783">https://nevehshalom.org/hhd5783</a>	Kol Nidre Service Yom Kippur Service
<b>Sukkot</b> October 9-16, 2022	Sunday 10/9 Monday 10/10* 9:30am Tuesday 10/11* 9:30am Wed-Fri 10/12-14 7:00am Saturday 10/15 9:30am Sunday 10/16 9:00am	Erev Sukkot (no service) First Day Sukkot Service Second Day Sukkot Service Morning Minyan Chol haMoed Sukkot Shabbat Chol haMoed Sukkot Service Hoshanah Rabbah Service
<b>Shemini Atzeret Simchat Torah</b> October 17-18, 2022	Monday 10/17* 9:30am 6:00pm Tuesday 10/18* 9:30am	Shemini Atzeret Service with Yizkor Erev Simchat Torah: A Celebration Simchat Torah Service
<b>Chanukah</b> December 18-26, 2022	Sunday 12/18 Mon-Fri 12/19-23 7:00am Saturday 12/24 9:30am Sunday 12/25 9:00am Monday 12/26 7:00am	Light first Chanukah candle tonight Weekday Morning Minyan Shabbat Chanukah Service Morning Minyan Chanukah Service Weekday Morning Minyan
<b>Tu biShvat</b> February 6, 2023	Monday 2/6	Tu biShvat Observed
<b>Purim</b> March 6-7, 2023	Monday 3/6 6:00pm Tuesday 3/7 7:00am	Megillah Reading & Purim Celebration Morning Minyan with Megillah Reading
<b>Passover</b> April 5-13, 2023	Wednesday 4/5 Thursday 4/6* 9:30am Friday 4/7* 9:30am Saturday 4/8 9:30am Sunday 4/9* 9:00am Mon-Tue 4/10-11 7:00am Wednesday 4/12* 9:30am Thursday 4/13* 9:30am	First Night Seder Pesach Day 1 Morning Service Pesach Day 2 Morning Service Shabbat Pesach Service Morning Minyan Chol haMoed Pesach Morning Minyan Chol haMoed Pesach Pesach Day 7 Morning Service Pesach Day 8 Service with Yizkor
<b>Yom haShoah Yom haZikaron Yom haAtzma'ut</b>	Tuesday 4/18 Tuesday 4/25 Wednesday 4/26	Holocaust Remembrance Day Israel Memorial Day Observed Israel Independence Day Observed
<b>Lag ba'Omer</b>	Tuesday 5/9	Lag ba'Omer Observed
<b>Shavuot</b> May 25-27, 2023	Thursday 5/25 TBA Friday 5/26* 9:30am Saturday 5/27 9:30am	Erev Shavuot Service & Tikkun Leil Shavuot Day 1 Shavuot Service Shabbat Shavuot Day 2 Service with Yizkor
<b>Tisha b'Av</b> July 26-27, 2023	Wednesday 7/26 TBA Thursday 7/27 7:00am	Erev Tisha b'Av, chanting of Eicha Morning Service & chanting of Eicha

\*Denotes dates when synagogue offices are closed | *Chol haMoed means an intermediate day*



# SPECIAL EVENTS

## **CNS Young Adults Happy Hour in the Sukkah** **Erev Sukkot, Sunday, October 9, 5:00pm**



Connect with CNS clergy and other CNS Young Adults (ages 21-35) as we welcome Sukkot with appetizers and drinks.

## **Wondering Jews Presents: Thoughts on Home** **During Sukkot - Tuesday, October 11, 12:30pm**



Congregants of all ages are invited to join CNS Wondering Jews as Rabbi Kosak reflects on what he did and learned during Sabbatical. This presentation will follow Sukkot Day 2 services and oneg in the sukkah.

## **Men's Club and Sisterhood Evening in the Sukkah** **Tuesday, October 11, 6:00pm**



Join Men's Club and Sisterhood in celebrating Sukkot. We will be having a themed potluck dairy meal. Contact [elovitzclan@comcast.net](mailto:elovitzclan@comcast.net).

## **Wise Women Brown Bag Lunch in the Sukkah** **Thursday, October 13, 12:15pm**



Wise Women is a friendly group that provides an opportunity for women to come together, socialize, and empower one another in a casual environment, in this case, in the CNS Sukkah! Open to all ages and stages—this is a great chance to foster friendship within our kehillah. Pack a lunch and join us!

## **Men's Club 11th Annual Poker Tournament** **November 20, 4:00pm**



Neveh Shalom Men's Club presents our 11th annual charity Texas Hold 'Em tournament. This is a charity event with the profits going to youth education scholarships. Check-in begins at 4:00pm and dinner is provided.

The tournament begins at 5:00pm and ends when there is a winner. Prizes go to the top 6 finishers. Snack, beer, and other beverages are provided in registration fee. Please contact Bruce for location details at [bruce@thesternfamily.net](mailto:bruce@thesternfamily.net).

## **New Member Brunch** **Fall 2022**

Our newest members are invited to a special brunch with the clergy and Board. Share food, meet your new community, and enjoy activities to help us learn more about each other. Sponsored by the Membership Committee.



## **CNS Community Chanukah Party** **Sunday, December 18, 5:00-7:30pm**

Celebrate the festival of lights with your Neveh Shalom family. Remember to bring your own chanukiah to light with the community. Organized by the Membership Committee.



## **CNS Young Adults Chanukah Party** **December 2022**

Back from college and looking to reconnect with old friends from Hebrew school, camp, or youth group? Or are you new to PDX and want to meet some new people? Neveh Shalom will open its doors to the young professionals of Portland's Jewish community this Chanukah season. Drinks and music will greet our congregants and community members. Ages 21-30s.



## **CNS Sisterhood Latkes and Vodka Event** **Sunday, December 25, 5:30-9:30pm**

Please join us for a celebration of Chanukah and the legacy of Sisterhood past.



## **CNS Annual Fundraiser** **Spring 2023**

Join us for a fun-filled, festive celebration as Neveh Shalom comes together to support our Kehillah. We are always looking for volunteers to be part of the event team. Please contact: [cnsauction@nevehshalom.org](mailto:cnsauction@nevehshalom.org).



*Get the latest information from our e-blasts or at [nevehshalom.org](http://nevehshalom.org). For questions, please contact Lisa Richmond, Program Director, at [Lrichmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Lrichmond@nevehshalom.org).*

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## Purim Celebration

Monday, March 6, 2023



Please join the CNS community for our annual dinner and Purim celebration with Megillah reading, music, and fun. Everyone is welcome. Costumes are welcomed and encouraged!

## Shavuot Happenings

May 25-27, 2023



Stay tuned for exciting program information, including our Tikkun Leil Shavuot, young family programming, a food demo, community-wide

dinner, services, and more. And of course, there will be cheesecake!



## Mah Jongg Tournament Sunday, June 4, 2023

Please join us for a fun-filled day of Mah Jongg and friendship. Experienced and new players welcome (no

teaching). Enjoy brunch and several hours of play time. Lots of prizes and fun to be had by all! Contact: Jackie Lesch at [leschlive@comcast.net](mailto:leschlive@comcast.net).



## CNS Annual Meeting Thursday, June 15, 2023

Please join the whole CNS community at our annual meeting. Snacks and drinks will be provided. There will be

a dinner for CNS volunteers at 6:00pm preceding the meeting.



## Israel360 Happenings



### Israel: One American Immigrant's Experience with Fred Rothstein - Thursday, October 27, 7:00pm

Fred Rothstein shares his family's experience in moving to Israel as a new immigrant in 1995.



### Making Sense of the Israeli Election Monday, November 14, 12:00pm (Zoom)

New elections for Israel's government will take place on November 1. Join us for an in-depth analysis of that election's results and the prospects for an incoming government coalition to be formed with Lahav Harkov of *The Jerusalem Post*.



### Foods from the Bible and Talmud: An Experiential Lecture - Sunday, December 4, 12:30pm

The Bible speaks of Israel being the Land of Milk and Honey and celebrates the seven species native to Israel. In this cooking demonstration with Rabbi David Kosak and Lani Raider, we will gain a better understanding of legacy dishes. Demo to be followed by a wonderful meal and conversation.



### Estee's Kitchen: Mediterranean Vegan Cooking Sunday, January 22, 3:30pm

Join Estee Raviv, author of *Oy Vey Vegan*, in Neveh Shalom's kitchen for a hands-on, laugh-filled vegan Mediterranean cooking extravaganza! You will get many new ideas for healthy, plant-based meals, new techniques, and Estee's secrets.



More about Israel360 programs at: [nevehshalom.org/israel360](http://nevehshalom.org/israel360)





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## Helping the Neveh Shalom Kehillah

### Avraham's Closet

Avraham's Closet, a program of the CNS Hesed Committee, is a medical equipment lending library that provides free equipment for those with medical needs to borrow. Thanks to the congregation's generosity, we have lots of walkers, crutches, canes, commodes, shower chairs, and more to loan. If you have items to donate, particularly wheelchairs, you can drop them off at the synagogue or arrange for pick-up. Please use the contact information below for more information about how to donate or borrow items. **Cantor Linda Shivers** [cantor.shivers@gmail.com](mailto:cantor.shivers@gmail.com); 515-954-5221

### Birthday Calls to Members

Help members feel special on their birthdays by making a phone call and wishing them well. The recipients love hearing from us and being acknowledged. It is a true mitzvah! **Lisa Marie Lynch**, [receptionist@nevehshalom.org](mailto:receptionist@nevehshalom.org)

### Chevra Kavod haMet / Shroud Crowd

Chevra Kavod haMet (Society for Honoring the Deceased) provides traditional end-of-life ritual services for the non-Orthodox Jewish community of the Portland metropolitan area. We lovingly and carefully perform *tahara* (purifying and dressing the deceased) and *shmira* (reciting psalms and being with the deceased from the time of tahara until

the funeral). Our membership is composed of volunteers from many congregations. **Shroud Crowd** is dedicated to creating the traditional shrouds, *tachrichim*, used by Chevra Kavod haMet. (There is plenty of work for those who sew and those who do not.) For more extensive information about Jewish end of life and how to get involved in Chevra Kavod haMet, please visit our website or email. **Website:** [www.chevrakavodhamet.org](http://www.chevrakavodhamet.org) **Email:** [chevra-kavodhamet@gmail.com](mailto:chevra-kavodhamet@gmail.com)

### College Outreach

Our College Outreach committee is a dedicated group of parents and members who keep our college students and military connected to our Neveh Shalom family through regular care packages. If your child is away, College Outreach is the perfect way to ensure they receive a bit of "Jewish comfort from home." **Contact:** **Michelle Caplan**, [mcaplan@nevehshalom.org](mailto:mcaplan@nevehshalom.org)

### Hesed Committee

Help your fellow congregants at their time of greatest need by providing a meal, a ride, or just friendship. The Hesed Committee invites you to be an active part of our kehillah by being available to help out other CNS members when a life event impedes their daily activities. Congregants experiencing a medical situation or other family emergency can be supported and comforted through delivery of meals, assistance in grocery shopping or other errands, or transportation to a medical appointment or to Shabbat Services. The *mitzvah* of a friendly visit, the gift of your time and companionship, is always most appreciated. Needing a hand? Lending a hand? That's what *Hesed* is all about! **Barb Schwartz**, [barbschw@gmail.com](mailto:barbschw@gmail.com)  
**Sheri Cordova**, [nonasher43@gmail.com](mailto:nonasher43@gmail.com)

### Shabbat Greeters

At every one of our Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services, we strive to have at least two greeters to welcome and schmooze. A friendly smile with the greeting "Shabbat Shalom" means a lot to our members and guests.

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Shabbat Greeters distribute order of service handouts, *siddurim*, and *chumashim*, as well as *tallitot* and *kippot* as needed. They answer questions about service participation and help direct attendees to restrooms and drinking fountains. Congregants feel confident that our greeters are keeping eyes and ears open, and communicating with our clergy, staff, and security officers as needed. They allow both new and returning participants to feel at home and welcome in their sacred space. Shabbat Greeters build community! **Contact: Lisa Marie Lynch, [receptionist@nevehshalom.org](mailto:receptionist@nevehshalom.org) (503) 246-8831**

## Helping the Larger Community: CNS Programs and Partners

### Cascadia Clusters Tiny Home Project

Cascadia Clusters is a non-profit organization newly relocated to outer NE Portland. We hire and train Portlanders living in a houseless village or sober living community. Our trainees gain valuable life and construction skills geared towards helping them transition themselves into a more permanent living situation. We are currently building platforms with garage tents on top to store building materials and provide covered project space during the rainy months, while earning revenue by refurbishing very low-income apartments. Soon, our new build site will be ready for volunteers to help us build THOWs (tiny homes on wheels) and infrastructure buildings for use in very low-income housing situations. For questions about how you can help one of our trainees, to learn more about us, or to donate, please visit our website or email. **Website: [cascadiaclusters.org](http://cascadiaclusters.org); Contact: [andrew.olshin@comcast.net](mailto:andrew.olshin@comcast.net)**

### Charity Drives for Food, Clothing, Household Goods

The need in our greater Portland community for basic items is enormous and constant. We at Neveh Shalom respond by doing what we can to help make a difference. Throughout the year, we ask congregants to help with numerous charity drives. If you would like to start your own charity drive, we are here to help facilitate! **Contact: [Irichmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Irichmond@nevehshalom.org)**



### Community Warehouse: General Support

Community Warehouse is a nonprofit agency in Portland that provides furniture and household items to people in need. We are always looking for donations of essential furniture, linens, and household goods! **Website: [www.communitywarehouse.org](http://www.communitywarehouse.org); Contact: Roz Babener, [roz755@aol.com](mailto:roz755@aol.com)**

### Community Warehouse: Ukrainian Support

Community Warehouse is assisting Ukrainian refugee families and the agencies with whom they are working. Most needed items are mattresses, dressers, kitchen tables, and pots & pans. Community Warehouse has two locations – Portland: 3961 NE MLK Jr Blvd, 97212 and Tualatin: 8380 SW Nyberg St, 97062. Pick-up may be available for larger items. If you have items to donate or would like to volunteer, please refer to the contact information below: **Website: [communitywarehouse.org](http://communitywarehouse.org); Contact: Roz Babener, [roz755@aol.com](mailto:roz755@aol.com)**

### Cooking for Outside In

One Sunday a month, CNS members gather in the Neveh Shalom kitchen from 12-2pm to prepare a full meal for homeless youth at Outside In, whose mission is to help homeless youth move toward improved health and self-sufficiency. **Website: [www.outsidein.org](http://www.outsidein.org); Contact: Rick Botney, [8888octopus8888@gmail.com](mailto:8888octopus8888@gmail.com)**

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## Soup to the Streets

During the winter months, when the need for food and shelter amongst the homeless community is the greatest, congregants come together at Rabbi Kosak's house, prepare a hot meal, and go to the streets directly to feed those that need it the most. **Contact: JoAnn Bezodis, [jbezodis@nevehshalom.org](mailto:jbezodis@nevehshalom.org)**

## Men's Club Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity believes that every person should have a decent, safe and affordable place to live. They build and repair houses using volunteers and donations. Volunteers from CNS work three to four times a year and frequently collaborate with members of Bilal Mosque. **Contact: Steve Sirkin 503.454.0610, [stevejew18@comcast.net](mailto:stevejew18@comcast.net); Dick Cohon 503.644.3862, [dcohon@frontier.com](mailto:dcohon@frontier.com)**

**Sisterhood's Hygiene Kit & Clothing Collection Drive**  
Transitions Project is an organization that supports and provides a variety of services to adults transitioning from homelessness to housing. We have been collecting and donating items for them, including hygiene items, clothing, and linens. There is a collection bin in the admin hallway as well as a sack outside that is labeled for TP. All items should be new and unopened. **Contact: [www.tprojects.org](http://www.tprojects.org) Dana Sirkin [otrbanana@comcast.net](mailto:otrbanana@comcast.net)**

## Shomrei Teva

Shomrei Teva is Neveh Shalom's environmental group - our "green team." We aim to provide fun and inspiring opportunities for congregants to learn about Jewish teachings on nature and to apply them at home, outdoors, and at the shul. Our activities include elimination of food waste at synagogue events, learning opportunities, and Jewish-flavored nature hikes. **Contact: Zia Wiles, [wilezia@gmail.com](mailto:wilezia@gmail.com)**

## Ukrainian Welcome Circle—ShalomPortland

A group of CNS members are working along with HIAS (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society) and the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland to welcome a Ukrainian refugee family to Portland. We are coordinating housing, furnishings, food, etc. and will provide updates in the future when the family arrives about what help is needed in supporting them. **Contact: Lisa Richmond, [Irichmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Irichmond@nevehshalom.org); Chair: Sara Safdie, Co-Chair: Rebecca Smetana**

*Not seeing a cause you think CNS should support? Contact Lisa Richmond, CNS Program Director: [Irichmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Irichmond@nevehshalom.org).*





# CULTURAL & INTEREST GROUPS

## CNS Keshet



We welcome our LGBTQ community! Join our Facebook group (find us at CNSKeshet) or watch the CNS eblast for updated information about Pride dinners, Pride parade participation, and other educational or social events for throughout the year! Want to get involved? **Contact: Lisa Richmond, lrichmond@nevehshalom.org**

## CNS Men's Club



Neveh Shalom's Men's Club is a group in which many of our members forge long-lasting friendships. We offer volunteer opportunities, community activities, social events, and interesting speakers. In addition, we construct the congregational Sukkah, sponsor Yom HaShoah programming and volunteer with organizations such as the Oregon Food Bank and Habitat for Humanity. While our programs primarily target our male congregants, all others are welcome to attend our programming, and we periodically co-sponsor events with Sisterhood and other organizations. Annual dues are \$36 and new CNS members receive a one-year complimentary membership. **Men's Club President: Zachary Horowitz, zachary-horowitz@hotmail.com**

## CNS Sisterhood



Sisterhood is an integral part of synagogue life, serving alongside other congregation committees to provide meaningful programming and opportunities for women to come together, develop leadership skills, engage in Tikkun Olam and create friendships. We welcome all who identify as women as well as those who identify as transgender, gender-queer, non-conforming, or non-binary. There are many ways to get involved such as helping in our Judaica Gift Shop, decorating the sukkah, break-the-fast activities, and tikkun olam, just to name a few. Sisterhood is affiliated with the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, and supports their Torah Fund campaign which raises funds for seminaries that educate our Conservative rabbis, cantors, educators and caregivers. Membership dues are \$36 and new synagogue members receive a complimentary membership, along with discounts in the gift shop. **Contact: Michelle limori-Goldenberg, Sisterhood President, smallfryeterp@icloud.com**





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## Intergenerational Activities



Intergenerational relationships are one of the many blessings of participating in a congregation! CNS seniors (by any definition) are invited to join an intergenerational program from one day to one year long with our ALIYAH youth. **Contact: Mel Berwin, mberwin@nevehshalom.org**

## Israel360



Israel360 is a series of regularly occurring programs that considers many aspects of Israel—modern and ancient—from diverse viewpoints and approaches. Some sessions have a cultural, political or military focus, while other events will examine Israeli history, sociology or the peace process for events throughout the year. **nevehshalom.org/israel360; Staff Contact: Lisa Richmond, lrichmond@nevehshalom.org.**

## CNS Young Adults



Back from college and looking to reconnect with old friends from Hebrew school, camp or youth group? Or are you new to PDX and want to meet some new people? CNS Young Adults is an intimate space to build lifelong learning and community for young professionals ages 21 to early 30's. Let's share a drink and have some fun! **Contact: Alex Menashe, alex.s.menashe@gmail.com**

## ORA - Northwest Jewish Artists



ORA is a group of Jewish artists in the Portland area who have come together to support, share, inspire and showcase our art. In the process of forming this collective, we have created opportunities to exhibit members' art and support each other's artistic development. We welcome new members. Art purchases benefit the synagogue as well as the artist! Shows rotate every few months. Discover a new artist every time you come to shul! **Contact: oraartists@gmail.com; northwestjewishartists.org**

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## Wise Women



Wise Women is a friendly group that provides an opportunity for women to come together, socialize, and empower one another in a casual environment. Meetings are monthly, please check our e-blast for upcoming gatherings; open to all ages and stages, this is a great chance to foster friendship within our kehillah.

**Contact:** Lisa Richmond, [Irishmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Irishmond@nevehshalom.org); Jennifer Kalenscher, [jenkal@comcast.net](mailto:jenkal@comcast.net)

## Wondering Jews (60+)



Join the tribe - to laugh, learn, share, and schmooze. "Wondering Jews," Neveh Shalom's lively senior and empty-nester group invites your active participation. Our free/cost-only programming is designed to meet the needs of our community from engaging speakers to day trips to social events. Please keep an eye on our weekly e-blasts for information about upcoming events and email for more information or if you need assistance with cost/transportation. **Contact:** Lisa Richmond, Program Director, [Irishmond@nevehshalom.org](mailto:Irishmond@nevehshalom.org).

## The Gloria Bacharach Judaica Shop



Your place to find unique items for holidays, B'nai Mitzvah, or weddings. We carry tallitot, kiddush cups, challah boards and covers, candlesticks and candles, children's items, jewelry, mezuzah cases, kosher klaffs, and more. We can help you order invitations and personalized kip-pot for your simcha. Can't find what you're looking for?

We are happy to special order for you from our catalogues.

The shop is managed and staffed by volunteer members of Neveh Shalom Sisterhood, and we always need more help. Volunteers get an additional discount. Please join us!

### Hours:

Monday - Friday 11:00am - 1:00pm  
Wednesday 4:15-6:00pm (when school is in session)  
Sundays 9:00am-12:00pm (when school is in session)  
*During the summer, hours are M-W 11-1, and F 10-12.  
Please call the office to confirm hours*

### Visit our online store at:

[nevehshalom.org/giftshop](http://nevehshalom.org/giftshop)

### Contact:

Jennifer Kalenscher: (503) 893-0822, [jenkal@comcast.net](mailto:jenkal@comcast.net) or Dana Sirkin: [otrbanana@comcast.net](mailto:otrbanana@comcast.net)



# — COMMITTEE CONTACTS —



## **Birthday Calls to Members**

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## Find Your Place

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**“אל תפרוש מן הציבור” Do Not Separate Yourself From The Community**  
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## Membership Committee ("MemCom")

Want to connect with super fun and friendly people and do good at the same time? MemCom is the place! Our passion is building connection and community with every one of you and our mission is to help you find your place, to connect the dots, and help facilitate a positive, meaningful, and fun experience here at all stages of life, whatever that looks like for you.

The MemCom hosts new member programming and events (brunches, happy hours, annual Back-to-Shul) and we reach out to the community to share our enthusiasm for CNS, whether to welcome new members or wish you a happy birthday! If you love connecting with people and engaging them more deeply with CNS...we would love to have you as part of our Committee!



## CNS Shabbat Greeters

Who we are, and why you should become one:

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# — VISION, MISSION, AND — VALUES



## Our Vision

A more humane world cultivated through Jewish living, learning, and celebration

## Our Mission

To foster and preserve an inclusive, authentic, and engaging experience of Conservative Judaism in the Pacific Northwest.

Through meaningful lifecycle events, spiritual, educational, and social experiences, we become our best selves, strengthen connections to each other, and forge positive change in the world

## Our Defining Values

### **Community – *Kehillah***

Acting with courage, honesty, and integrity, we share meaningful moments where new relationships are forged, and old ones live on that shape our lives with connections to each other

### **Innovation – *Chidush***

Bringing the best of our creative Jewish wisdom, we encourage and develop new and innovative solutions to close the gap in our vision between what is and what can be

### **Jewish Life – *L'Dor V'Dor***

Embracing tradition and change, we engage in Jewish ritual, celebration and prayer, becoming an enduring family within our synagogue, keeping a vibrant relationship with Israel and the greater Jewish world, now and for generations to come

### **Inclusivity – *K'lal***

With acknowledgment of the divine spark in each of us, we create a culture of belonging where people of all diverse backgrounds and identities—such as religious observance, race, ethnicity, ability, gender, or sexuality—are all embraced

### **Transformative Learning – *Talmud Torah***

We strive to deepen our understanding of Judaism on the lifelong path to becoming our best selves and creating a more humane world



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