From the Rabbi:

**THE FOCUS ON ONE**

The High Holidays are over. We begin the run-of-the-mill Jewish life with the three Parshiyot: Bereshit, Noach and Lech Lecha.

The highlights of these texts are creation, the ark and Avraham. There is a similarity between these three major events, and a lesson for our Shevet Achim family.

Our holy sages teach that creation only took place on the first day. The heavens and the earth and all their contents were created ex-nihilo on the first day and evolved by Hashem during the next five days.

The Torah text refers to that first day as “Yom Echad”, one day, instead of “Yom Rishon”, the first day. This teaches us that on that day the focus of reality was on the One G-d, the source of existence.

The miracle of the ark was that all the animals lived together for a year in the ark in peace and harmony. This teaches us that in that place the focus of reality was on the One G-d, the source of peace and harmony.

Avraham was unique: one man in a world of idolaters. Yet, he introduces monotheism to tens of thousands of former pagans and changed the world. This teaches that in that man the focus of reality was on the One G-d, the source of humanity.

The synagogue, a mini-sanctuary, is the source of spirituality for all its participants. Peace and harmony is the atmosphere and a purposeful life is the goal.

Let us commit to enhancing Shevet Achim with concentrating on tefillah, consideration for our fellow congregants, setting examples for our youth and solidifying our unity with each other. In short, let the focus of our reality be on the One G-d, the source of all that is good in existence.

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**KIDDUSH SPONSORS**

We acknowledge and thank the following for sponsoring a kiddush on:

**Aug. 11:** Talby & Bob Gelb in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary & Bob’s father’s yarzheit.

**Aug. 18:** Ilan Zawadski & Patricia Blount in honor of Ayala Cohen, our guest from Kiryat Malachi, Israel.

**Aug. 25:** The Shul

**Sept. 1:** Rich Gilmore, Marty Rabin & Dan Kershaw in memory of Rich’s father, Gerald Gilmore z”l, Marty’s mother, Ethel Rabinowitz z”l, Dan’s father, Stanley Kershaw z”l.

**Sept. 8:** The Shul

**Sept. 15:** Lyne Johnston in memory of her parents, Mark z”l and Frances z”l.

**Sept. 22:** Giselle & Harvey Greisman in honor of Noah Greisman’s birthday.

**Sept. 29:** Ervin Peretz in honor of Jonah Peretz’s birthday.

**Oct. 1:** Francis Buttnick Family in memory of Morris Buttnick z”l.

**Oct. 6:** Henrika & Michael Sandorffy on the yahrzeit of Henrika’s mother, Bronia Wiederkehr z”l.

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**27 TISHREI—13 OCT.**

**BLESSING THE NEW MONTH**

**EREV 30 TISHREI—16 OCT.**

**1 CHES HVAN—17 OCT.**

**ROSH CHODESH CHES HVAN**

**25 CHES HVAN—10 NOV.**

**BLESSING THE NEW MONTH**

**1 KISLEV—15 OCT.**

**ROSH CHODESH KISLEV**

**24 KISLEV—8 DEC.**

**1ST NIGHT OF CHANUKAH**

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**SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES START AT 9:00 AM**

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**NEW MEMBERS**

We would like to welcome the following new members: KIM & ALAN WALDBAUM & FAMILY

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**SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES**

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CONTACT THE RABBI

Congregants should know that Rabbi Kornfeld, as our full-time Rabbi, is available for them 24/6. For Shabbat and holidays he can be contacted, in person, at the synagogue or at his home. The following contact number is for congregant use only. If you would like to meet with the Rabbi in person, at a mutually convenient location, the Rabbi is available on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:00 to 5:00 pm and on a limited basis on Sunday evening. Email to y_kornfeld@yahoo.com or call 206-679-9117.

LEARNING ON & AROUND THE ISLAND

Mondays: Parsha HaShavua Rabbi Kornfeld teaches on the weekly Parsha at the NW Yeshiva, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, except when he is giving a lecture series. Check your emails for subject matter, time and place for these special lecture series.

Tuesday: Mishna Berurah. An in depth study of halacha from the text emphasizing practical applications. From 11:30 am to 12:30 pm, ending with a Parsha insight. For location and more information contact Mike Ekshtut at sgteks1374@yahoo.com.

Wednesday: Prophets: Book of Kings II, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, at Bob Kahn’s office, in Seattle. Contact Bob at rkahn@rdkco.com.

Wednesday: Mishna Class: Tractate Sukka, 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm at the Rabbi’s home, on Mercer Island.

Thursdays: Talmud class at noon to 1:00 pm, at Irv Sonkin’s office, in Bellevue. Classes are in English, no prior knowledge of Talmud is needed, just a will to learn. Check with Rabbi for the address.

Thursdays: Pirket Avos class for women, from 3:00 to 3:45 pm at the home of Stacy Gilmore on Mercer Island. Contact Sharon at 206-725-9763.

Shabbat: Talmud: Tractate Taanit, 45

SEUDAH SHLISHI

The compulsory third meal of Shabbat is eaten after Mincha, which starts 10 minutes before Shabbat candle lighting time followed by Maariv and Havdalah. All are welcome to attend to enjoy the singing, learning and camaraderie.

WEEKDAY MORNING SERVICES

Morning services start at 6:50 am on Monday through Friday. On Sundays services start at 8:00 am. Tanya classes start a half hour before services. We urge your participation.

TODAH RABAH

A big thank you goes to Marc Silverman for taking on the task of ordering and dispensing our Arbah Minim for Sukkot. This year was a banner year with 69 sets being sold and with a small profit for the shul.

~WITHIN THE FAMILY~

ANNIVERSARIES

Date  OCTOBER  Years
2  Chanala & Mendy Kornfeld  10
11  Ruth & David Peckarsky  37
18  Lauren & Russel Goldman  25
18  Bev & Eddie Horwitz  25
29  Bluma & Mikhail Ekshtut  6

NOVEMBER
1  Shirley Korman/David Sinclair  28
5  Victoria & Lev Korsunskaya  15
10  Edith & Jim Bloomfield  55
25  Laurie & Ze’ev Young  30
26  Saralyn & Marvin Negrin  45
29  Babette & Irwin Schiller  55

MAZEL TOV

Devorah & Rabbi Kornfeld on the birth of a grandson to Rochel & Eli Kornfeld, in Clinton, New Jersey.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Consider honoring your loved ones with a yahrzeit/meldatos plaque placed on our Memorial Boards. Each is priced at $250.00. Contact Ed Epstein to place your order at 206-232-1919.
**SHABBAT CHILDREN’S PROGRAM**
10:30 AM TO 11:45 AM
Babies & children under 4 yrs. old - room 104 with parents
4-9 year old boys & girls - in room 101
10-12 year old boys in Kiddush room during Haftorah
9-12 year old girls in shul or assisting in the classrooms

**SHABBAT MINCHA-MAARIV**
Friday evening services start 5 mins after candle lighting.
Saturday evening services begin 10 mins before Shabbat candle lighting time.

**SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING FUNDS**
- Eruv Fund
- Book Fund
- Kiddush fund
- Building Fund
- Children's Fund
- Seudat Shlishi Fund
- Religious Articles Fund
- General Donations Fund
- Scholar in Residence Fund
- Buttnick Adult & Childrens Education Fund

**REFUAH SHLEMAH EDO ZIRING**

**RESPECT!**
Out of respect for the sanctuary and for the daveners, please refrain from entering the sanctuary and walking about when congregants are standing for prayer or when the Rabbi is speaking.

**TODAH RABAH**
Asher koach goes to Vivian Blum for her effort in getting CSA publicized in the local newsmedia and the Jewish press for the High Holidays and for being a committee of one producing the memorial booklets for Yizkor this year again, as she has done over the past several years.

**FROM PRESIDENT GREGG BERRETTA**
Dear Members:

This year, Shevet Achim had an amazing Tishrei. Everything went smoothly and we were able to welcome a great many guests to our shul for the High Holidays. Our chantor, Ari Goldwag, did an excellent job on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur (as always) and the Sukkah hop had a great turn out and the weather was the best in recent memory. This may have been the first year in the past five that nobody got sloppy drunk on Simchas Torah and it wasn't for lack of available libations.

As we leave behind the Yamim Noraim, we have an excellent opportunity to push the shul a bit further. Perhaps a Mikvah committee for those who want to broaden our shul's offerings. Perhaps a Shabbaton away from NYHS since we seem to have an excellent time learning/praying/celebrating together. Or, perhaps it's time for us to honor one of our members as we haven't done that in a while and there are numerous worthy honorees.

If you have some ideas on how we can make 5773 a better year for Congregation Shevet Achim, please let me or any of the board members know. We're excited about what lies ahead in this year.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR NEW WEBSITE IS UP & CAN BE ACCESSED THROUGH ITS NEW ADDRESS:**
WWW.SHEVETACHIM.SHULCLOUD.COM

All the information about your shul is there. You may check your personal & family’s profile and edit it.

Should you need assistance contact Jim Bloomfield at jimbloom@comcast.net

**TRIBUTES**

Susan Lapin on the loss of her sister:
Henrika & Michael Sandorffy
Jennifer & Randy Kessler

Brown Family on the loss of Shelly’s father:
Henrika & Michael Sandorffy
Janice & Ellis Cohen
Jennifer & Randy Kessler

Devorah & Rabbi Kornfeld in honor of the latest addition to their family– a grandchild to Eli & Rochel Kornfeld:
Ketzi & James Toney

**6TH ANNUAL SCOTCH TASTING**

On Sunday, August 19th, Congregation Shevet Achim had its 6th Annual Morris Frimer Scotch Tasting and Auction. The event was held at the wonderful Rabin residence and was co-hosted by Mendy Kornfeld, Steve Simon and Avi Freedman. Over forty people attended the event, which raised over $8,000.00. We auctioned in excess of ten fine Scotch bottles, sold 170 raffle tickets that went towards the four grand prize gift baskets; thanks to Rachel Freedman for putting them together.

This wonderful event is named after Morris Frimer z”l and raises funds for CSA’s Morris Buttnick Adult & Youth Education Fund. We would like to thank the following event sponsors: Mary Frimer, Stacy and Rich Gilmore, Henrika and Michael Sandorffy, Kitzi and James Toney and Jacob Engelstein and everyone else who attended, purchased raffle tickets and participated in the Scotch auction.

We are very fortunate to have a community dedicated to Jewish education. Thank you all for your support.

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