



HILLELFEST

2025

Celebrating The Ameer Era

*Nourishing Today,
Flourishing Tomorrow*

Celebrating The Amee Era

Thursday, March 6, 2025

- 6 p.m.** Cocktail Reception & Smorgasbord of Leah's Best Cuisine
- 7:30 p.m.** Theatre-Style Program & Sparkling Toast
- 8:15 p.m.** Dessert Celebration

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**Jconnect

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GOLDEN GIVERS

We have known you for almost 40 years.
Our family met you in your capacity as the energetic and
compassionate Morah Ameer working at the JDS, then as
the creative Jewish educator at SCJS, and now as the
strong, empathetic community advocate who has steered
Hillel UW through tumultuous times.

Always, you have been a beacon of light and hope.

Hillel UW is a better place because of you.

Leadership matters.

**Thank You,
Stan and Michele Rosen**

MAZEL TOV!

**Thank you for your impactful leadership
and for bringing such immense joy to the students,
volunteers and staff at Hillel UW.**

**Program after program, year after year,
your legacy serves as an inspiration for the future.**

The Loeb Family

Frankie & Dick

Dianne & Steve

JoEllen & Don

Sponsorships

PURPLE PATRONS



Dear Amee,

Words cannot express how proud I am of your remarkable journey and dedication over the past ten years at Hillel.

Your dad and I always spoke with pride of the ways that you touched countless lives and strengthened our community in profound ways.

As you retire from this chapter, your impact will be cherished and remembered.

I know your legacy will continue to inspire many future generations.

I also know that you will find joy and fulfillment in all that lies ahead.

Gene z"l and Gerry Hupp

*Her mouth is full of wisdom, her tongue
with kindly teaching. [Proverbs 31:26]*

**Thank you, Amee, for your many years
of leadership at Hillel UW!**

Jon and Naomi Newman and Family



Amee,

Congratulations on your
extraordinary contributions to Hillel.

We feel so lucky to have known you since your early
days in Spokane and are confident you'll continue to
do wonderful things.

Wishing you happiness, health,
and a big Mazel Tov!



**Love,
Lee & Jim Keller**

Morah Amee,

You embody the definition of the word “teacher”.

As a newly minted teacher yourself, you taught us at JDS.

You have supported us in hard times and
have been there to celebrate the good times.

You have shown us leadership as Hillel’s Executive Director.

You pushed us to step up and do more for our community.

Each of us is lucky to call you Morah Amee!

**Love,
Mimi, Leslie and Jack**

Mazel Tov, Amee!

Thanks for doing a superb job representing and supporting our UW Jewish community, especially now, during such an important and difficult moment.

With so much respect and appreciation,

Judy and Joe Schocken

Good luck, Amee.

You have done such a great job and should be so proud of your years of hard work, leadership and accomplishments.

With respect and gratitude,

Sheri and Howard Schultz

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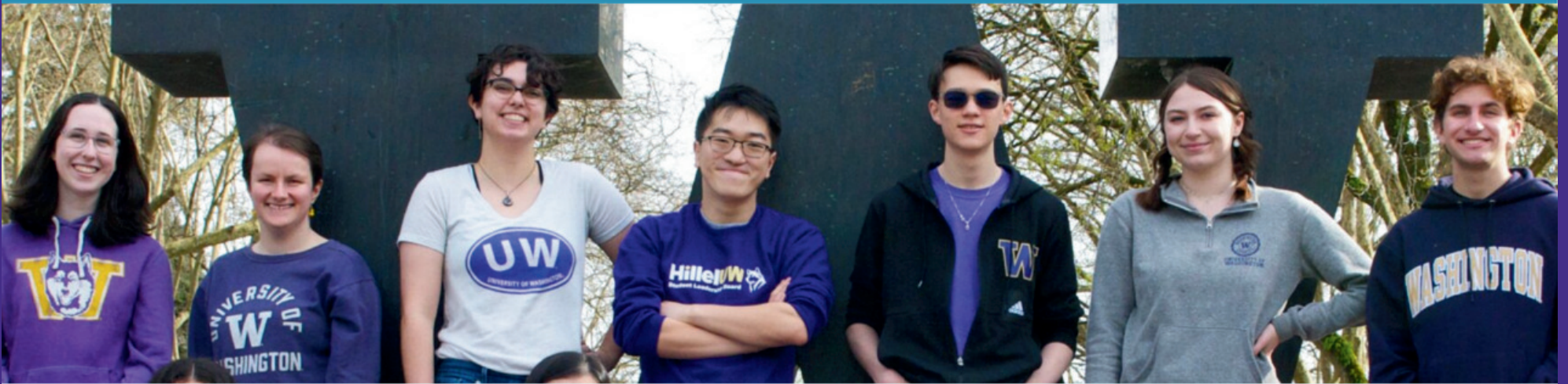
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HUSKY HEROES

חנוך לנער על-פי דרכו, גם כי יזקין לא יסור ממנה

Teach the youth according to their path; even when old, they will not depart from it.

(Proverbs 22:6)



With gratitude to Ameer, the consummate educator, who knows how to meet and teach her students . . . exactly where they are.

Dan Bridge & Simcha Shtull

**Mazel Tov, Amee,
on your huge impact here at Hillel UW.**

This evening is such a testament to you,
and we are so grateful for your
leadership and vision.

*We feel so lucky to have had you
as a partner in this journey.*

With love and gratitude,

**Karen Mayers Gamoran and Henry Liebman
Erin and Eric Haber
Joel and Angiolina Gamoran
Alex and Andrea Gamoran**

Dear Amee,

We were privileged to have you lead so gracefully at Hillel...time and again, you have shown students, staff, board members and all lucky enough in your orbit how to gently coax the best out of us.

I was delighted to witness that in a curly-haired version of you back-in-the-day as Yael's 2nd grade teacher at JDS. When the arc of your Jewish career led you to Hillel, we had no idea that you possessed the stamina needed to overcome the unplanned hurdles of your long-tenured marathon: Covid, campus anti-Semitism protests, October 7th, cancer treatment/ recovery and family life-cycle events.

Each time you demonstrated who you are: **A Jewish talisman.**

Mazal Tov, in your "retirement"!

- Joel Erlitz

Celebrating The Amee Era

**Mazel Tov, Amee, and the entire Hillel UW organization
for an amazing decade!**

Amee, you have been an inspiration to Hillel and all of us in the Jewish community. You always lead by example. Your leadership, creativity and commitment have enhanced generations of students at Hillel at the University of Washington.

Your energy and focus have set the standard for all who follow you in your path. And your caring and selfless approach empowers others to carry forward the legacy you have created.

**In Honor & With Love,
The Sidell, Sandorffy and Walton Families**



We are SO proud of you!!
We've loved being a part of Hillel UW with you!

We love you!



“It is not up to you to complete the task, but neither are you free from beginning it.” Pirke Avot

To our beloved sister, Amee:

You did much more than “begin the task” of leading Hillel through the past ten challenging years.

You’ve created an environment in which Hillel has flourished.

You’ve led with grace, dignity, and passion.

You’ve treated others with respect, kindness, and love.

You’ve nurtured young people, your staff, and countless others in the Seattle community.

You’re a sought-after leader within the national Hillel world and beyond.

**We are so proud of you.
May you go from strength to strength.**

**We love you,
Beth Huppín and David Bennett
Lisa and Bob Low
Joel and Chris Huppín
Mark Huppín**



Dearest Amee,

**Thank you for playing such an
important role in so many lives as the face of Hillel.**

It has been our pleasure knowing you over the years.

**You are a true inspiration and
a community treasure.**

The Lott Family

We Celebrate Amee Huppin Sherer's
10 Years of Leadership as
Hillel's Executive Director!

Jon & Bobbe Bridge

"Who is wise? One who learns from everyone." - Pirkei Avot

**Mazel Tov, Ameer, for 10 years of dedicated,
thoughtful learning, leadership and love —**

AND FOR YOUR LASTING IMPACT!



**Marilyn Corets & Jennifer Fisch
Co-Chairs, HillelFEST 2025**

**The Corets-Mihlstin Family
Marilyn, Adam & Brooke**

**The Fisch-Blumenzweig Family
Jennifer, Joe & Jacques**

**MAZEL TOV ON YOUR RETIREMENT,
AMEE. YASHER KOACH ON YOUR
TREMENDOUS WORK AS HILLEL
DIRECTOR THESE PAST TEN YEARS.
WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL.**

Debby Kerdeman and Dave Tarshes

THANK YOU, AMEE!

Your exceptional stewardship of Hillel has been equally remarkable as it has been historic.

Jewish campus life, and our community as a whole, are forever changed for the better because of you.

You will be so sorely missed, but your legacy is eternally a part of this place...now and always!

Kol HaKavod!

With love and appreciation,

Jacob Fenton & Phil Kastel

Garrett & Jessica Fenton

Jani Goldberg

Amee,

You have been a devoted, tireless and fearless leader of
Hillel at the University of Washington for 10 years!

**We are so grateful for your dedication and relentless pursuit to make the
experience of being Jewish on the campus of UDub a joyous and meaningful one.**

We look forward to hearing where you next make your mark.
We know you will leave it more beautiful for having been there
as you have done here at Hillel.

Your shoes will be hard to fill.

With gratitude, appreciation and admiration,
Jeff and Judy Greenstein
Joshua, Aaron, Gailen and Gabriel

Sponsorships

STUDENT SUPPORTERS

Amee, your warmth and care for Ace mean so much to us. Thank you for always looking out for him over the past three years, as well as for the Jewish students at UW Hillel throughout your tenure. The vibrant community and lasting values you've nurtured are a true testament to your dedication and will continue to shape lives, including Ace's, for years to come.

- Richard and Yoshiko

Amee,
Thank you for your many years of amazing leadership! We will always remember your warm welcoming smile as we walked through the doors of Hillel.

You will be missed!

- Lucy and Herb Pruzan

Amee,

We are all so grateful for your 10 years of selfless dedication and commitment in leading HillelUW students and young adults in the community through education and programs to enhance and continue Jewish life.

Thank you for your service and your friendship!

**Shelley and Larry
Bensussen**

Amee,

Thank you for enriching the lives of so many and for your unwavering commitment to inspiring Seattle's Jewish young adults to embrace and explore Jewish life at the University of Washington.

What an important role you have played in our community over the past decade.

Thank you for your leadership.
You will be dearly missed.

Judy and Krijn de Jonge

MAZEL TOV!

Your leadership, particularly through the last challenging 18 months, has been steadfast.

You have moved Hillel to a new era with grace, humility and compassion for the entire UW environment.

As a family who has been students, faculty, and community participants during your tenure, we will miss you, but we wish you the best of luck as you seek your next path.

Hillel was so lucky to have you!

The Covner Family

Audrey, Dianne, Claire and Michaela

Dear Amee,

Congratulations on what we know will be an exciting journey for you and your family ahead!

THANK YOU so much for your amazing and tireless work. You navigated the impossible and unexpected at every turn — from the COVID pandemic, October 7th, the ensuing campus protests, and so much more. There has been no executive director in the history of Hillel UW who has been asked to lead Hillel and our UW Jewish community through harder times. But you overcame all obstacles with so much success, positivity, skill, grace, creativity, and always a heart-warming smile.

Because of you, Hillel UW is on a solid foundation, with a strong strategy, skilled staff and a growing community base.

Congratulations and thank you for everything!

Fondly,

Alan and Kim Waldbaum

Amee,

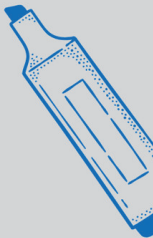
The first time I came to Hillel UW was the fall of '90 for HHD Services. Even though you were new to Hillel, I remember you as a smiling, welcoming presence.

A “few” years later, I was thrilled when you accepted the job as interim ED (for the second time) and even happier when you agreed to stay.

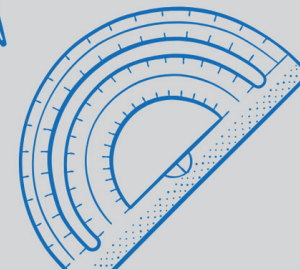
The community has been incredibly lucky to have you at the helm of Hillel UW for the last 10 years.

Thank you for all the work that you have done.

Julia Bacharach & Dan Cory



Amee,
We have been so fortunate, as a family and as a community, to benefit from your wisdom, teaching skills, love of Torah and kindness. Thank you for your leadership and your love. We are forever grateful.
Noah and Daphne



**We are delighted to honor our dear
childhood friend, Ameer Sherer.**

Your lifetime of work is an inspiration!

Thank you for your years of
leadership, vision and dedication to
Hillel UW and our entire community.

Your unwavering commitment to
nurturing future generations of Jewish
leaders has made a meaningful
difference in shaping the future of our
community and the Jewish people.

**Cheers to you and a lifetime of
friendship!**

*With Love,
Melissa and Zane Brown*

**In honor of Ameer Sherer's
dedication and leadership to
Hillel UW, its Jewish students and
the broader Seattle community.**

She has left an indelible mark
on the organization and the
community it serves that will
no doubt last generations.

We are all grateful for her tireless
commitment to enhancing the
Hillel UW experience and building a
legacy of inclusivity, advocacy
and education.

Wishing you all the best in
your next chapter -
you will be missed!

Mitchell Alhadeff and Jessica Wald

Amee,

As you did for so many other young adults, you sparked the creation of our Jewish family.

Your smile, warmth, and intelligence gently coaxed Serena into the Hillel building, and your lovely singing, witty banter, warmth and kind heart brought her back at just the right time to meet Neal.

Ten years ago, Neal returned the favor by coaxing you back into the Hillel fold to serve as the Executive Director.

Now, more than three decades have passed and Hillel is still part of our family.

We will always be grateful for your contribution to our blessed union, and for your dedicated work at Hillel.



**Thank you,
from both of us.
Best wishes on
your future
adventures.**

**Neal and Serena
Friedman**

Amee,

Look what a great job you did with David and Daniella back in JDS Grade 3! Now they are raising their own kids with the Jewish values you taught them.

And I know you have sent many Hillel UW students safely on their way because of the home you created at Hillel.

May you go from strength to strength on your next venture and share your talents with many more.

**Love from the
Bayley Family**



Your leadership has been truly inspiring, providing Hillel with years of wisdom, integrity and vision.

Through the easy years and the most difficult of times, your dedication and impact to the University and its Jewish students will be felt long for years to come.

Ray and I are grateful for all you have done. Wishing you all the best in the future!

Beth Silverstein

Dear Ameer,

What an enormous impact you have had on so many lives during such a critical stage of development.

Thank you for so lovingly shaping the identities of our Jewish Huskies and for your myriad contributions so Seattle's Jewish community.

With Love,

**Amy Schottenstein &
Justin Magaram**

Amee,

We have lived a lot of life with you these past 10 years as Hillel Board members! From Co-Chairing virtual events to bringing our families to serve for Shabbat dinners and holidays. And don't forget the many, many meetings we have spent together tackling a problem or celebrating and achievement.

Your wisdom and grace have created the space for us to grow as leaders and volunteers. Amee, your work at Hillel UW has made a profound impact on our community. We are grateful for having you as our leader and partner during our Hillel Board journeys.

**We cannot wait to see what
you will do next!**

Warmly,
Joe Brown & Elizabeth Siegel

Sponsorships

YOUNG ADULT ADVOCATES



Olam Chesed Yibaneh

The world is built with loving kindness.

Amee, this is your song. 

Thank you for building Hillel with chesed.

With Love,

Mindy, Dave & Sam Landsman

thank you

Amee, you have checked all the boxes in your years at Hillel at the University of Washington:

- Ultimate professional
- Teacher
- Friend
- Leader
- And so much more

You have prepared our organization for the future.
We fondly and lovingly wish you well as you
and Hillel move forward!

Marilyn and Dick Brody



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MITZVAH MAKERS

Dear Amee,

Since the day we pledged Phi Sig as young freshman at UW, I knew you would lead the Jewish community in some form or another and a few years later, it happened to be at our very own UW Hillel. For the past 10 years, your dedication, passion, and leadership have made a profound difference in so many lives. You have fostered a welcoming, supportive, and inclusive environment where students, young adults, and community members can learn, grow, and connect. You have touched the hearts of so many, inspiring them to embrace their identities, nurture their spiritual growth, and build lasting connections. You have created **Jewish Joy** and I know that your legacy of leading will live on in the years to come. Mazel Tov to you and best wishes on your next adventure.

*Love always,
Janice & Marshall
Megan, Jessica and Kayla Brumer*



Thank you Amee, for bringing your talents and gifts, including your ability to cultivate the gifts of the UW Hillel community.

With love and gratitude,
Stef, Dan, Gabi and Eli Robbins

עֲשֵׂה לְךָ רֵב, וְקִנְיָה לְךָ חֵבֵר...



*Thank you, Amee, for being
a teacher and a friend.*

*It has been a joy to learn,
travel, and laugh with you.*

- Lauren

Never
underestimate how
much one person
can touch the lives
of others.

Congratulations
Amee Huppín Sherer

Doreen & Joseph Alhadeff

Amee,
**THANK YOU for all of your contributions
to the UW Jewish community!**

*"Whatever you choose to do, leave tracks.
That means don't do it just for yourself. You will
want to leave the world a little better for your
having lived." - Ruth Bader Ginsberg*

**With Love,
Murray, Leslie, Kaitlin,
Melissa, Matthew, Simon & Noah**

**Mazel Tov on 10 remarkable years
of leadership at Hillel UW!**

Your dedication, passion, and unwavering commitment have made a profound impact on the students, the community, and all who have had the privilege of working with you.

We are especially grateful to you for bringing me into the UW Board—it's been an honor to work alongside you and see firsthand the incredible work you do.

Your warmth, wisdom, and vision continue to inspire us all.

With admiration and appreciation,
Rebecca & Jason Okrent

Amee -



For the past 10 years, Hillel has overflowed with your warm and loving spirit. You re-established Hillel as a home for Jewish students on campus, and all the work you've done will ensure the Seattle Jewish community continues to prosper. I loved dropping in to sit in your office and chat about anything, both during my time as an undergrad and beyond. We'll have to work a little harder to schedule catch up time now (for many reasons) but I am so grateful Hillel brought you into my life to stay!

**Much love,
Jessica Peskin**

*Hillel UW and our Seattle Jewish
community have been fortunate to have
10 years of your outstanding leadership,
Kol Hakavod!*

**Julie and David
Ellenhorn**

Honoring Amee Huppin Sherer,
**a great leader and
a great friend to all.**



*With respect and love,
Sonny and Gena Gorasht
Brett and Sabrina Endres*

Todah Rabah to the board
for its unwavering
commitment to Hillel UW!

**Michael Adler and
Michelle Goldberg**

Thank you, Amee,

for all of the ways you have positively impacted
our lives: as a loving teacher, dear and loyal
friend, and most especially as a fearless,
energetic, and compassionate leader during
these past (tumultuous!) years at our beloved
Hillel UW. What a marvelous example of the
kind of leadership our UW Jewish students -
and all of us- can admire and emulate!

- Marcy Porus-Gottlieb

Thank you
Amee

*Your leadership and dedication has
made Hillel such a special place.
Your commitment has enriched our
community, inspiring countless students
that will have a lasting impact.*

With Gratitude,
Ari Lackman, Rebecca & Fred Kaplan

Glazer's
www.glazerscamera.com

Mazel Tov, Amee, for all your years of Tikkun Olam at Hillel, and everywhere else, too!

Wherever you went, whatever you did, you've made things better, and helped and inspired others. You met (and excelled in) some of the scariest of moments both professionally and personally.

And you showed cancer, "Don't mess with The Hup!". Wishing you the utmost of happiness, and well-deserved time with family and friends, and the best of everything else that comes next, too.

Jay Holzman

**Wishing you all the best, Amee,
on your next adventure!**

We can hardly express how much we love, care, respect and appreciate everything you've brought to Hillel.

Your unwavering support, collaborative spirit, unique insights and clear thinking have been so important in Hillel's remarkable growth.

We hope you and Michael write many exciting chapters on your next journey!

**Best Wishes,
Dave and Terry Azose**

A decorative floral illustration in the bottom right corner of the card, featuring several stylized flowers and leaves in a light purple color.

Dear Amee,

Thank you, Amee, for your years helping our college age young adults navigate most challenging times.

They were lucky to have your guiding hand.

Good luck on the next step in your journey!

**With love,
Wendy and Michael**



Sponsorships

COMMUNITY CONNECTORS

Thank you,
Amee, for your
years of
dedicated
service to the
Jewish people.

Love,
**Barry and
Suzanne Goren**

Amee,

Mazel Tov and thanks for your leadership
and many successes as Hillel's Executive
Director. You have faced many
challenges and met them all with skill,
warmth, and dedication.

It has been wonderful working with you,
learning, and collaborating while on the
Board and now as Past President.

As you leave Hillel, "go from strength to
strength", enjoy good health and
continued success.

**B' Shalom,
Janet Lackman**

Amee,

We are so proud of you!
Mazel Tov on 10 years of
bringing love, life,
and community to our
young people.

Your work, commitment,
and success will live on
for years to come!

**With Love,
The Carlyle Family**

**Congratulations,
Amee,**
on 10 years of great
work for the
community!

The Ringold Family
Peter, Katie,
Jessi, David,
Merrill and Francie

Thanks for being one of
our very first Seattle
friends 20 yr ago and
for encouraging our
kids to attend SJCS,
which set us all on an
extraordinary path.

Love,
**Julie, Shira,
Isaac and Aviva**

For all the years,
from JDS to Hillel,
you have enriched
the lives of our
children and of the
entire community.

Thank you,
Rochelle and Ben Goffe

Thank you,
Amee, for being
our teacher.

**Mitchell, Nava,
Elie and Deena
Hymowitz**

Kudos to Amee for
providing a safe haven for
Jewish students, and a
setting in which they
could create community
and learn to assert
themselves as Jews.

**Florence Katz Burstein
and Paul Burstein**

Mazel Tov,
Amee!

You're the best.

May you go from
strength to strength!

Maria and Marc
Erlitz



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Tributes

Celebrating The Amee Era

**Mazal tov to Amee Huppin Sherer
on 10 years of inspiring leadership!**

Congratulations to the Hillel UW team on HillelFEST 2025 for their leadership in providing a safe and inclusive community that enables undergraduates and Jconnectors to thrive!!

Adam Lehman, President and CEO

Lee Dranikoff, Board Chair

Hillel International

Hillel
International

Dearest Amee,

You brought creativity and vitality to Hillel UW and to the Jewish community writ large. You are an exceptional example of how to not only remain undaunted by unexpected challenges, but to courageously engage them head on.

Those of us who have witnessed your strength, kindness, and grace applaud you for your years of leadership.

*Much Love,
Carolyn Cohen and Scott Cline*

*"We should learn to do our best for the sake of our communities
and for the sake of those for whom we pave the way."*

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Auntie Amee -

We deeply admire your quiet strength and endless kindness. We've watched with pride as you've poured your heart into your local and global communities - all while remaining the same gentle soul who has this magical way of making anyone who crosses your path feel seen and valued. We have learned from you about the power of leading joyfully and that sometimes less is more. We can't wait to see what is next and we know that you will never give up the purple!

Mazel Tov!

With love from your nieces and nephews

Helen & Matt

Anna & Josh

Naomi

Adam

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The Samis Foundation Board of Directors
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Amee Huppin Sherer

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The Samis Foundation supports access for Jewish youth in Washington State to high-quality intensive and immersive Jewish educational experiences and fulfills Samuel Israel's philanthropic goals of supporting the State of Israel and worldwide disaster relief.

Amee,

Thank you, and Kol ha'kavod
for your leadership and
guidance of Hillel UW.

Best wishes for your next chapter.

Diane and Jean-Loup Baer

MAZEL TOV!



From all of us at Camp Solomon Schechter, *Mazel Tov* on your many years of service to the Jewish Community! Your leadership and unwavering commitment have made a lasting impact on so many lives.

May the next chapter be filled with joy, adventure, and fulfillment.

For a decade, Amee Huppin Sherer has been the heart and soul of Hillel UW, enriching Jewish life on campus with her wisdom, warmth, and dedication. Her leadership created a welcoming, vibrant space where every student, staff, and community member felt seen and valued.

Amee's impact extends far beyond Hillel—her decades as a Jewish educator and leader in Seattle have shaped generations. Her passion, knowledge, and unwavering commitment have strengthened our community in lasting ways.

As she embarks on this next chapter, we offer our deepest gratitude. Mazal tov, Amee! Your legacy will continue to shine.



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**A BIG thank you to Ameer for all of her
time, passion and leadership.**

She has made Hillel UW a safe and comforting
Jewish home for our young adults and
our Jewish community.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT!

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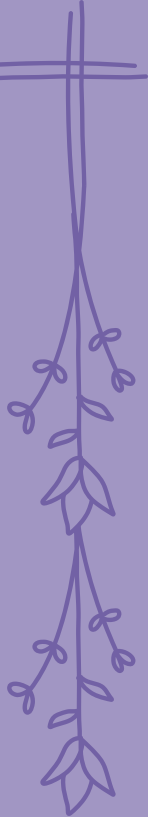


SCAN ME



**Congratulations, Amee,
on your remarkable tenure at Hillel UW.**

Thank you for always supporting the communities that you serve: the fortunate students and faculty of UW and the greater Seattle Jewish community.



*You are an amazing leader, mentor and friend,
one we have cherished for over 36 years!*

We love you dearly!

Marlyn Friedlander, Gilbert Scherer and Family



Dear Amee,

You are THE best!

Our Jewish community owes you an enormous debt for your warm and outstanding service.

We are excited about your well-deserved retirement.

Thank you for tirelessly committing your heart and soul to shaping the lives and identities of Seattle's Jewish students.

**With love and respect,
Laura and Irv Karl**

Thank you,
Amee,
for all your years of tireless
work on behalf of the
Jewish community, at
Hillel UW and beyond!
We wish you all the best
in this next chapter.

Mazal tov!

*-The CBS rabbis,
board, and staff*



Thank you, Amee!

Jewish Family Service honors Amee Huppin Sherer for her transformative contributions to the Jewish community. Through her passion and dedication, she has cultivated a new generation of leaders who turn their Jewish values into action and make the world a better place.



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CONGRATULATIONS
ON YOUR RETIREMENT, AMEE!

*Thank you for your 10 years of
dedication and leadership.*



Thank You, Amee!

**We're grateful for your vision
of Hillel UW being a center
for learning and playing
Mah Jongg.**

We're saving a seat for you!

Aimee, Beth, Brooke, Debora, Debra,
Ellie, Erin, Gail, Heidi, Jennifer, Karen F,
Karen M, Marilyn, Nancy & Wendy
on behalf of the students,
Jconnectors & community members
who love to mahj at Hillel.



Amee, you have been an amazing friend and partner during my eight years at StandWithUs. You have shown warmth and caring that has helped so many Jewish students deepen their connection to our people. May you go from strength to strength.

- Randy Kessler and the Team at StandWithUs Northwest

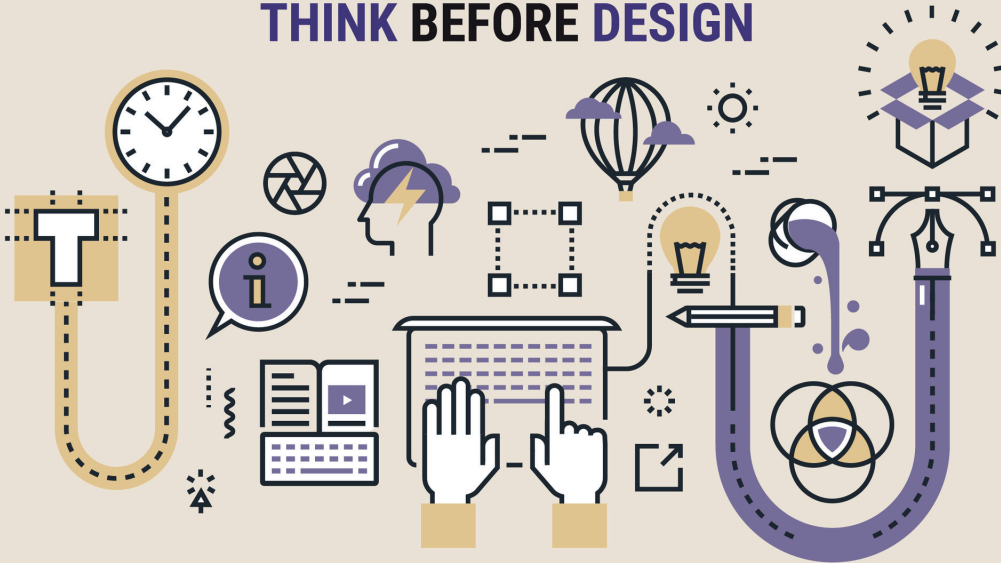
Celebrating 10 years of Amee Huppin Sherer's incredible leadership at Hillel UW! But even more than that, celebrating over 25 years of dedication, wisdom, and heart that she has poured into this community.

From the moment I met Amee in her early days as staff, it was clear she was a force for good—thoughtful, passionate, and deeply committed to enriching Jewish life. Her impact is immeasurable, and we are all better for it.

Mazel Tov, Amee, on this well-earned milestone!

**With love and admiration from all the way in Oslo, Norway,
Larry Nicholas, Tom Underhill & Family**

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As both a student and a leader, Amee, you are the poster child for the notion of, "What goes in early, goes in deep."

Congratulations on 10 incredible years.



**STEPHEN SADIS
AND KYLE KEGLEY**

“The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.” – Coretta Scott King

Amee, thank you for your outstanding leadership and for always guiding Hillel UW with heartfelt compassion.

Mazel Tov!
Eva Corets and Josh Beloff



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**Amee
Huppin Sherer**

We celebrate you for your extensive community impact.

Thank you for your leadership and for filling the world with meaning and *ahava* (love).

Mazel Tov!

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*...a time to laugh,
a time to heal,
a time to plant,
and a time to uproot.*

**Amee, you bring
your everything
to every season!**

**With Love,
Terri**

Thank you for your unwavering friendship, leadership and support.

Amee,

Thank you for all you have done for Hillel UW, the Seattle Jewish community, and me personally. As an undergrad student Hillel was my second home, and you were an integral part of creating a warm and welcoming environment. I am so grateful for your long-standing dedication to making Hillel UW what it is and for supporting students through all sorts of challenges and celebrations.

Hillel UW will not be the same without you, but I know the legacy you created will live on forever.

– Michaela Covner

Dear Ameen,

I wanted to thank you for all your continued support, generosity, and mentorship. Your warm welcome to the board was so encouraging and appreciated.

I have personally witnessed the significant impact you've had on Hillel UW and greater Seattle community.

You are truly an inspiration.

I will miss your professionalism, humor, and grace that you demonstrated in leading this institution. You are truly one of a kind and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

**Warm regards,
Ana Rosen**



Kol HaKavod/כל הכבוד
(Congratulations/"All the Honor"),

Ameen Huppin Sherer!

Your SJCS community is proud of you and grateful to you for your years of dedication to Jewish students in Seattle - from their starts at SJCS to their graduations from the UW.

Congratulations, "Morah" Ameen!

We thank you from the bottom of our collective hearts for all you have accomplished for, and all you have contributed to, Hillel UW.

You have meant so much to so many children and students in the greater Seattle area, including our sons, Jacob and Benjamin, whom you taught at the the Jewish Day School.

Carol and Allen Gown

Amee,

Words can never express our full gratitude.

You radiate love and compassion to everyone around you. You are truly one of a kind and we are grateful for our friendship that has grown over the past 6 years.

We walked into Hillel in April 2019 as complete strangers and walked out feeling an instant connection with you. Wishing you all the best in your next chapter.



With love,
Marlo, Bernard and Cayla Surovsky

"Teachers teach us to ask questions. They connect us to our past and future. They're the guardians of our social heritage. The influence of good teachers stays with us. They are the people who really shape our life."

Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

Amee,
you have been a model for leadership and education in our community. Not only the Hillel UW but our entire community has benefited from your stewardship. Thank you.

Lorna and David Isenberg

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We are so very grateful for the initiative Ameem took to bring Mah Jongg to Hillel UW!

Looking forward to having her join us at the tables once she starts her next chapter.

Nancy Greer

TO OUR DEAR
FRIEND

Amee,
CONGRATS!
We love you!



xo, Alison + Tom

We are incredibly grateful for the passion, dedication, and leadership Amee has shown as the Executive Director of Hillel UW.

Her unwavering commitment and tireless efforts have created a thriving and inclusive community that we are all proud to be a part of.

Amee's genuine warmth and friendship have made a lasting impact on all of us.

*Thank you, Amee,
for everything you do.*

*With heartfelt appreciation,
Jerry & Michelle Kavesh*

***Mazel Tov, Amee,
on a job well done!***

*Ten wonderful
years at Hillel!*

*May you go from
strength to strength.*

***Much Love,
Jason Kintzer, Jane Becker
and Family***

Mazel Tov, Amee!

We are in awe of all your amazing accomplishments over the last 10 years!

*Can't wait to see what
the future brings!*

**Love,
Julie and Lyle Margulies**

**Todah Rabah
to all the hard-
working Hillel
volunteers!**

*Leadership is not about being the one
who knows the most, but about being
the one who empowers others
to learn and grow.*

- BLU GREENBERG

Amee embodies this profound wisdom through her tireless dedication to the Hillel community. Her work strengthens the bonds between generations, upholds our sacred traditions, and nurtures the seeds of tomorrow's leadership.

SENDING LOTS OF LOVE!

*Michelle Blumenberg
and Jackie Tolley*

I have so much gratitude for all you've done for 10 years with grace, smarts, and fortitude.

Profound thanks for the imprint you have made on the lives of students and our entire community.

**Mazel Tov!
Barb Maduell**

Congrats.
AMEE!

**On 10 years of leadership in
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**Thank you for playing such a
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Mazal Tov Amee

We'll miss
seeing
you on
our walks!

Dennis, Evette,
and Poppy



Thank you, Amea, for
inspiring the next generation
of Jewish leaders!
We appreciate all that you do
for Hillel UW.

With love,
Liz Kent, Bryan Wilcox, and Leo

With love and
admiration, we join
many others who
appreciate all
that you have
done to secure a
vibrant home for
our students, staff,
and professors.



Roz and Alan Bornstein

**Congratulations,
Amee!**

Thank you
for all you have done
for Hillel and for
our community!

Love,
Ellen and Brad Spear

Amea -

Congratulations on
10 hugely impactful
years when your
leadership was so
needed. Our community
is so much better for
your presence and role
in it. May you go from
strength to strength!

*Rebecca Finkel and
Eli Pristoop*

We are immensely grateful to
Amea for her unwavering
leadership and dedication to
creating and nurturing
a modern and vibrant Jewish
community for UW students
and their families.

**We wish Amea much happiness
and success in all her
future endeavors.**

Stacey and Andrew Ellison

Amea,
We have not
known you for
long, but your
impact on
our lives will
last forever.

**Talia and Tami
Adelman**

**Mazel Tov Amea on
this milestone!**

Thank you for your
impact on Jewish
life on campus.

May this next
chapter be filled with
blessings for you
and your family.

**Rabbi Mendel and
Miriam Weingarten**
Chabad UW

Amee,

Wishing you all the
best in your retirement.

Mazel Tov!

Love,
Carol, Joe,
Shira and Amital

**Thank you
Amee for
your
incredible
work!**

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Dearest Amee,

Mazel Tov and thank you for
your extraordinary work at
Hillel UW! You have been a
pillar and rock force in our
Jewish community through
some very challenging times.

We are grateful for your
leadership and strength as
well as your warmth,
enthusiasm and unifying
character.

*We are so grateful for your
countless contributions.*

**With love,
Etana and Alan Kunovsky**

Amee,

Thank you for your
amazing leadership,
not only at Hillel UW,
but as a wonderful
community partner.

Best wishes on your
next adventure!

**Love,
Lisa and Marv Brashem**

**Congratulations,
Amee!**

**Julie and David
Chivo**

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*Thank you, Amee,
for 10 amazing years
creating a welcoming space
for UW students and the
Jewish community
to call home.*

AMEE SHERER,

**YOU HAVE A
HEART OF GOLD.**

WE LOVE YOU.

CATHY AND HOWARD SIMON

Amee,

You have been steadfast in your
commitment to the Hillel community
under extremely challenging times.

You have served with so much strength,
grace and diplomacy, and have led
Hillel UW with distinction.

Mazel Tov!

Wishing you all the best in your next
chapter, wherever your heart takes you.

Susan Monas

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