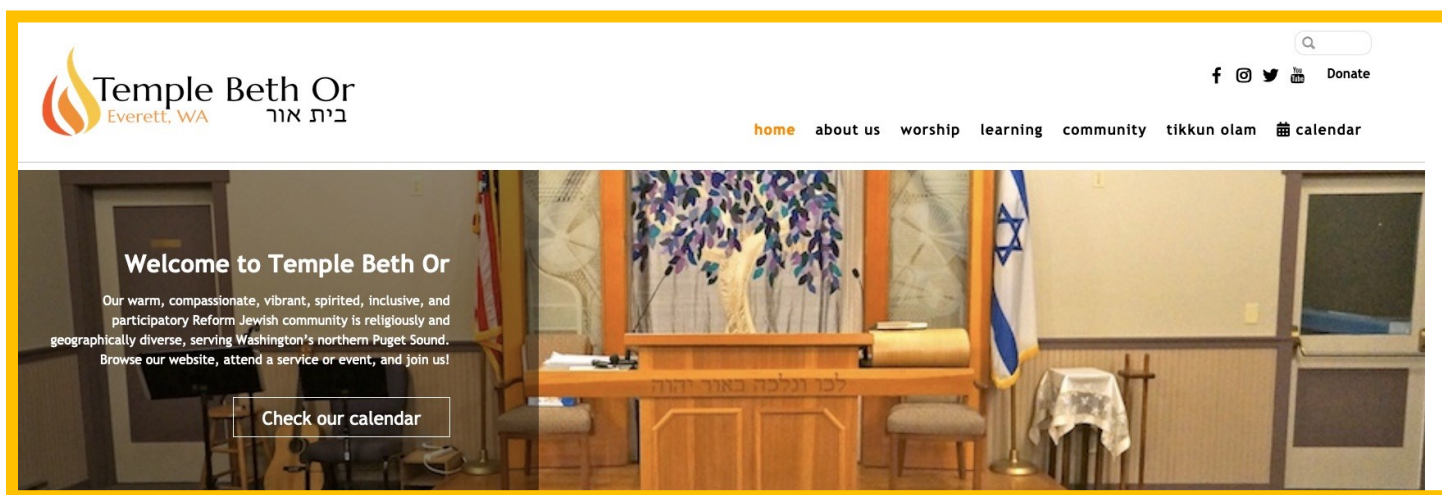


Check Out Our Newly Redesigned Website!



The **Temple Beth Or website** has a brand new look! **JonaRose Feinberg** and the Communications Committee have been busy making the website easy to use, with clear navigation, new photos, and updated content. The goals of the updated website are to help us promote our welcoming community to newcomers and potential members while making it easy for current members to access the calendar, articles, and other resources.

The updated website is structured around the congregational priorities outlined in our Mission Statement: *K'hilah/Mishpachah* (community & family); *Torah* (learning); *Avodah* (worship); and *Tikkun Olam* (social justice). We've restructured the website content to highlight these areas. For example, the menu item for "*Tikkun Olam*" includes links to Social Action, Mitzvah Corps, and the current DEI Challenge. We're continuing to add content to the website. The Member Resources area already has links to some useful resources, but stay tuned for even more information!

You may also notice changes in this month's *ORacle*. As we update our communication tools, we welcome your input. If you prefer to read the *ORacle* **online only**, please contact the TBO office and you will be removed from the postal mailing list.



From Our Rabbi

Universal Prayers in our Particular Jewish Language

In the space of this month's *ORacle*, I would like to share background on a liturgical change I have introduced to the *Oseh Shalom* prayer for peace at our worship services. In addition, we'll share this new version of *Oseh Shalom* in our bulletin each week.

*Oseh shalom bimromav, hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu, v'al kol yisrael, *v'al kol yosh'vei tevel.*

May the one who makes peace in the high heavens, make peace upon us, for all of Israel, ***and for all who inhabit the earth.**

One of the ways we express our core values as a Jewish People is through prayer. Most of our prayers are comprised of samples from biblical texts. The phrase "*oseh shalom bimromav*" is borrowed from the Book of Job, a book with a universal message about the nature of evil. The phrase "*v'al kol yosh'vei tevel*" is from the Book of Isaiah. This prophet's iconic image of peace, "they will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks," was not simply meant to be enjoyed by Israel, but by all those who inhabit the earth.

Oseh Shalom is an important prayer. It ends the longer *Kaddish* and is repeated often. In a traditional worship service, the *Kaddish* is used to conclude different sections of the prayer service and as a memorial prayer. The words and meaning of *Oseh Shalom* punctuate our services and our lives.

I first remember reading the universal addition to *Oseh Shalom* in an Israeli prayerbook in the late 1990s. It became better known after the late Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres' three children used this version of the *Kaddish* to remember their father during his funeral in 2016. Rabbi Rick Jacobs, President of the Union for Reform Judaism, commented on how fitting this addition was: "Shimon Peres' life was so powerfully anchored in Jewish values and this land and state he loved with every fiber of his being. But his life was also intertwined with people all over the world, as exemplified by the scores of world leaders gathered to pay their respects."

This global pandemic invites us to question our relationship within a global society. Our Jewish tradition

does not give simple answers about who should fall in our circle of concern and prayer. Our Jewish tradition does capture an overall desire for not only our people, but all peoples to enjoy peace. I hope you will find it meaningful to join with me in extending the words of *Oseh Shalom* as a particular Jewish prayer for universal peace.

What is Counting the Omer?

The seven weeks between Passover and Shavuot is known as "the Omer period." An omer refers to the barley offering brought to the Temple on the second day of Passover. Starting on that day, the Torah instructs: "you shall count off seven weeks. They must be complete: you must count until the day after the seventh week – 50 days" (Leviticus 23:15-16). The Festival of Shavuot is observed on the 50th day.

We mark each day of the Omer with a blessing. In addition, our Jewish mystical tradition has used the Omer as a type of mindfulness practice since the Middle Ages.

Rabbi Rachel Kort

Rabbi Kort invites you to call upon her for help, support, or just to talk.

Please contact Rabbi Kort directly to make an appointment. She's working remotely and is happy to set up a virtual meeting over Zoom or by phone.

Phone: 425.954.1223; Email: RabbiKort@TempleBethOr.org

Rabbi Kort's sermons and writings can be found on the TBO website under "About Us/Our Rabbi."

From Our President

To Zoom or not to Zoom – Just Be Connected!



Over the past year, due to the COVID virus and the desire to keep our members safe and healthy, all of TBO's services, meetings, programming, etc. have been conducted virtually. And it has been a long year. At this time, we are still operating in this mode with a busy Re-Opening Task Force, spearheaded by **Wanda Bresnick**, helping us to prepare for the happy day when we can safely return to in-person activities.

There have been some unanticipated benefits to this Zoom scenario in that we have seen more of members who previously had not been making it to the building regularly. There are a variety of reasons that had limited their in-person participation such as transportation, mobility, scheduling, health, or childcare challenges. We are so happy to see all these folks on the Zoom screen and are committed to finding ways to continue to engage them going forward into the post-COVID era that lies ahead.

On the flip side, there are some members who have practically disappeared. We have missed them and look forward to seeing them in

person in the not-too-distant future. Some of these folks are simply Zoomed-out, experiencing Zoom fatigue from work and/or schooling Zoom demands. Perhaps some are not comfortable with or don't have access to the equipment/networks needed for successful Zooming. Others maybe just don't like Zoom. Whatever the reason, we are hoping that in-person times are not too far off and that we will fully reconnect with these members soon.

In the meantime, I would like to encourage the non-Zoomers (as well as the Zoomers) to start re-engaging with the community. A great first step would be to check out our new improved website. **JonaRose Feinberg** took on the unbelievably daunting task of overhauling the TBO website (thanks Jona!) and it looks great. Another way to be involved that does not involve Zoom is to read all about our activities and programs on any number of platforms including this great publication, the *ORacle*, or electronically through *ORbits* or FaceBook. If you have any questions about any of the TBO communication tools, you can reach out to our Communications team at communications@templebethor.org or contact Sarah Davis in the office.

Further, if you are up for it, join the Mitzvah Corps in supporting our members in need. This does not involve Zoom at all! The Committee Spot Light section of this *ORacle* issue includes more information about the good work that this team does. For more details, contact **Carolyn Wexler**. Another non-Zoom option would be to join a small group that meets outdoors. For information about this, reach out to **Rebecca Hicks**, our Small Groups coordinator, to learn all about our Small Groups program.

Lastly, I would suggest to all members that a great way to connect is a good old-fashioned telephone call. If there is someone in the congregation you have been thinking of and missing, pick up the phone, give them a call and let them know they were on your mind. Heard a name on the *Mi Shebeirach* list? Consider giving the person a call or email to let them know you care. It could be the highlight of their day, and yours too!

Wishing you all happy connections in the days ahead.

Melanie Field

Sharing Simchahs

During "normal times" we would share *simchahs* (happy news) and milestones during *onegs*. Do you have a *simchah* that occurred during our year+ of COVID? If you would like, we would love to share these with the congregation! Photos happily accepted as JPEG but are not required.



K'hilah/Mishpachah — Family and Community

Spotlight On A Committee

Mitzvah Corps



I am pleased to coordinate Temple Beth Or's Mitzvah Corps again. I led this committee for several years over a decade ago. Temple Beth Or's Mitzvah Corp (Caring Community) has been a hallmark of our congregation. We are the support system during times of need for our Temple members. It takes a village to provide a safety net when something turns your life in an unexpected direction.

We are always looking for more volunteers. Some people volunteer once or twice a year and others more often. Volunteering to support those you know as well as those who are unfamiliar to you will be a mitzvah to them and their families. Sometimes new friendships blossom from offering support to fellow congregants. All participation is greatly appreciated!

Here are a few examples of how the Mitzvah Corps has offered care and support in the past:

- Preparing and delivering meals (home cooking not required)
- Sending cards
- Visitations in homes, hospitals, care facilities, or simply taking a walk with a congregant.
- Phone visits
- Working closely with the Bereavement Committee

We learn about people who might need support from the Mitzvah Corps in various ways. The best ways would be through contact with Rabbi Kort or calling and leaving a message with Sarah Davis in the Temple office at 425-259-7125. Another way would be to reach out directly to me at mitzvah@templebethor.org. Please also contact us if you are in need of assistance. It is also a mitzvah to allow people to help you.

During the last year we have been sending cards of encouragement, condolence, and for happy celebrations within our congregation. The Mitzvah Corps and the Membership Committee teamed up for a Temple wide phone call check-in with our members. We developed a group of about 20 volunteers who made four to five calls each. We tried to create relational connections between the volunteers and the members they were calling. So far, we have had very positive and welcoming conversations.

We have recently developed a small advisory task force for the Mitzvah Corps. Our members include **Judy Wallis, Jonathan Koerber, Michael Tarr, and Jihyun Lee**. Please let me know if you would like to be part of the advisory task force for the Mitzvah Corps. Our meetings will be virtual via Zoom and will start this month.

If you would like to be part of the greater Mitzvah Corps Community through the Lotsa Helping Hands website, <https://www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/635822/>, please write to me at mitzvah@templebethor.org and I will help you get registered. By registering, you will have the wonderful opportunity to do a mitzvah by offering support and care towards our Temple Beth Or community when it works for you. There is no obligation.

Taking care of one another is how Temple Beth Or continues as a warm and welcoming congregation. Please let me or any of our advisory task force members know if you or someone you know is in need of our care and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Wexler

K'hilah/Mishpachah — Family and Community

Spotlight On A Committee

Membership Committee



Your TBO Membership Committee is always looking for ways to build community and create meaningful relationships within our TBO Community. Last year the committee read and discussed the book, *The Spirituality of Welcoming*, by Dr. Ron Wolfson. We are committed to both in-reach, maintaining and sustaining our members, and outreach, welcoming new members to our community.

New members are welcomed with a Do-It-Yourself Shabbat Kit complete with candles, wine, homemade challah and chocolates for a sweet Shabbat, usually at a Shabbat service or delivered to them while we are unable to meet in person.

Our committee has enjoyed reaching out and sharing gift bags at High Holy Days, Hanukkah, remembering members' birthdays and highlighting members in the *ORacle*. During COVID, Membership Committee teamed with Mitzvah Corps to call all our members.

We are looking forward (fingers crossed) to having a TBO BBQ this summer! Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 15, and hope our COVID Task Force tells us it's safe to gather outdoors to celebrate our community.

Our active and busy committee includes **Wanda Bresnick, Michele Goodmark, Debbie Halliday, Marla Phippen, Howard Schoenfeld, Shannon St. George, Leslie Elsemore**, and **Tim Douglass**, VP of Community and Engagement. Please let us know if you'd like to join our committee.

Leslie Elsemore
Membership Committee Chair

Mazel tov to our Move-Your-Tuchus-A-Thon Winners!

Adult winner: **Randy Jergensen**. Next in line for adults: **Wanda Bresnick, Deborah Jergensen, Sonia Siegel Vexler, Harold Dash**

Youth winner: **Alex Goddard**. Next in line for youth: **Colin Lowery, Maggie Feinberg, Laila Lowery, Sam Halle**

We netted over \$1,000 and logged a total of 504.5 hours! That's walking from the top of Israel in Mt. Hermon to the top of Israel in Eilat five times! Yay!!



Legacy Committee News

The goal of the LIFE & LEGACY program is to create a sustainable long-term source of income to support operations at Temple Beth Or. Many of you have committed to LIFE & LEGACY by naming TBO as a partial beneficiary in your wills, IRA's, 401k's, or other retirement vehicles.

Last month, TBO made its first deposit of funds into a LIFE & LEGACY investment account with the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle. The Legacy Committee is excited to report this milestone for our Temple community. As our Endowment grows, we will help ensure TBO's future. For those of you who have yet to commit to LIFE & LEGACY, please consider adding your names to the others who have already done so. *L'dor vador.*

Harold Dash

K'hilah/Mishpachah — Family and Community

New Facilities Task Force Update

A lot has happened during the last month or two at the New Facilities Task Force. It is a very strong group with representation from almost all aspects of our adult membership. The sum of professional and life experience that we have gives me confidence that we are going to be able to deliver on our mission of developing a master plan for our property on Lombard. In addition, we will identify the initial parts of the plan that we might build in the near future to accomplish our goals of accessibility, security, and adequate restrooms. After creating documents which describe how and for what reasons we use the building, we have now identified an architect to help us design a future synagogue for Temple Beth Or. "Help" is the operative word. During our first interview we heard several times that it is our building and that the work ahead is a true collaboration. The architect's job will be to help us visualize the many possibilities and then help us move forward toward the possibilities that make most sense to us aesthetically, financially, and programmatically.

Visualization is an extremely important tool and process. I believe that it is embedded in Judaism when we think what it would be like if truth and justice were the primary motivations for social and economic interactions. My daughter gave me a bumper sticker a few years ago. "Visualize Whirled Peas". I didn't put it on my bumper but rather on my wide belt sander which does go around very quickly. I quite often find myself thinking that if I can think of peas whirling around I can also imagine a world without war and destruction.

The design work group of the task force will soon be visualizing a new facility. We don't know what it will look like but thinking and talking about it has been a very positive experience. It has given us the chance to meet people that we don't normally interact with and a chance to hear points of view that are different from our own.

We have decided one thing. As soon as we have something to actually show other people, we will get it out there for comments and then go back to work making it better and more complete.

Paul Vexler,
Chair New Facilities Task Force

Fence Update

As part of our efforts to improve the security of our campus, we applied for and received a grant last year to fence much of our property. Despite COVID and materials backlogs, the fence is finally in and almost fully operational!



Avodah — Worship

Virtual Shabbat and Worship Service Offerings in May



Please find Zoom invitation links in *ORbits*.

For those who use dial in, the phone number is +1 253-215-8782 US (Tacoma) and meeting IDs and passcodes are included below.

K'hilah--Community Shabbat with Rabbi Kort and Noah Zeichner

Friday, May 7, 5:45 pm

Join us for a multi-generational Shabbat experience. Our evening together will include candle lighting, singing, contemporary and traditional prayers, and time with community. There will be an opportunity to remember loved ones with our *Kaddish*—mourner's prayer. This service is great for all ages and will last about 45 minutes.

Meeting ID: 837 7682 7744 **Passcode:** 311435

Shabbat Candle Lighting with Ron Green and Carolyn Henri

Friday, May 14, 5:45 pm

Join our Temple Beth Or Family as we welcome Shabbat with singing, a healing prayer, candle lighting and *Kiddush*. This service is great for all ages and will last less than 30 minutes.

Meeting ID: 893 2092 3452 **Passcode:** 370076

Shavuot Service with Rabbi Rachel Kort and Shoshana Stombaugh, with special teaching by our member, Dr. Randy Jergensen who recently received his PhD in Jewish Studies

Sunday, May 16, 7:30 pm

The holiday of Shavuot is an opportunity to celebrate Torah, lifelong learning, and the choice to participate actively in Jewish life. We'll gather for a festival worship service that will include the traditional Torah reading of the Ten Commandments. There will be an opportunity to remember loved ones with our *Kaddish*—mourner's prayer.

Meeting ID: 899 2175 5057 **Passcode:** 493563

Shabbat Morning Service and Bat Mitzvah of Andie Elsemore with Rabbi Kort

Saturday, May 22, 10:00 am

Our Shabbat morning service will be led by **Andie Elsemore** and **Rabbi Kort** and will use our prayer book, *Mishkan T'filah*. This Shabbat service will include a Torah reading, Torah teaching, and an opportunity to remember loved ones with our *Kaddish*. While we cannot physically be together, our community will gather and Andie will share her leadership and Torah virtually.

Meeting ID: 895 1129 9761 **Passcode:** 234488

Shabbat Candle Lighting with Al Friedman and Vicki Schwartz

Friday, May 28, 5:45 pm

Join our Temple Beth Or family as we welcome Shabbat with singing, a healing prayer, candle lighting, and *Kiddush*. This service is great for all ages and will last less than 30 minutes.

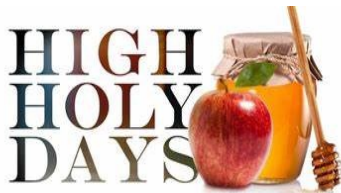
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Avodah — Worship

Bat Mitzvah Profile — Andie Elsemore

Andie Elsemore, daughter of **Eric and Shelley**, and sister of **Erica**, will be called to the Torah on May 22, 2021. She is a 6th grader at Twin Falls Middle School where she enjoys language arts, science, social studies, and choir. Her favorite extra-curricular activities include soccer, skiing, and playing with her chicken and BFF, Molly. Her favorite Temple activity is being with her friends. When asked what studying for her bat mitzvah taught her about herself, she responded, "I am a hard worker and when I work hard, I can do anything." Andie's *Tikkun Olam* project is planting trees. She also asked for donations for her Jujitsu coach to help support his gym during COVID.

Andie would like to thank **Roland Roth**, **Debbie Halliday**, **Phyllis Busch**, **Carolyn Wexler**, her **grandma (Leslie Elsemore)**, and **Rabbi Kort** for their support during her bat mitzvah preparation.



Planning for High Holy Days (HHD) Has Begun!

It may seem a bit early to talk about High Holy Days (HHD) since we just barely finished Passover (who else still has matzah to finish up?), but the Holy Days are early this year, so it is time to get started! We are thrilled to announce that **Jerry and Cheryl Waldbaum** will be spearheading the Rosh Hashanah (RH) - related elements and **Doug Wallis** will be taking the lead on the Yom Kippur (YK) - related components of our HHD efforts. We are working to create a community-oriented, festive, meaningful, and safe High Holy Days season at TBO. Any and all folks who are ready to share their creativity and support and think outside the box to help design hybrid model High Holy Days are encouraged to reach out to our coordinators to join the team. (FYI the dates for HHD are Erev RH-RH September 6 & 7, Kol Nidre-YK September 15 & 16.)

Spirituality and Ritual Committee (SRC) Change in Leadership

We would like to extend gratitude to **Vicki Schwartz** for her great leadership and dedication in chairing the SRC over the last year and getting us over the initial COVID hump. We appreciate her service and the energy and vision she brought to this role, helping us transition to virtual High Holy Days and b'nei mitzvah, distributing prayer books in the drive by events, and all the other adjustments we had to figure out. Thanks **Vicki** for all your hard work!



We would also like to welcome **Randy Jergensen**, past and recently rejoined member, who is taking over leading this critical committee. Randy and his wife, Deborah, live on Camano Island. He was previously a teacher in our religious school (about 2 decades ago) and recently completed his PhD in Judaic Studies. Randy is looking forward to further strengthening this committee and helping to lead us into our hybrid future, combining in person and virtual prayer and learning experiences. Most impressively, **Randy** completely obliterated all others in the Move-Your-Tuchus-A-Thon, logging almost twice the hours of his nearest competitor. See results on page 5.

Tikkun Olam — Tzedakah/Social Justice

Tzedakah Box



The Tzedakah Box Fund recipient for April – June 2021 is Housing Hope.

The mission of Housing Hope is to “promote and provide affordable housing and tailored services to reduce homelessness and poverty for residents of Snohomish County and Camano Island.”

The housing-related support services include life-skills training, childcare and learning (Tomorrow’s Hope Child Development Center), case management, and employment services. 90% of the families who “graduate” from the transitional housing program go on to obtain long-term stable housing. In this difficult time of housing and food insecurity for so many in our community, please consider a donation to Housing Hope for the good work they do.

Donations can be made online at www.housinghope.org or mailed to:

Housing Hope Administrative Offices

5830 Evergreen Way
Everett, WA 98203

Fair Fight Bond Fund

Temple Beth Or is a co-sponsor of the Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice NW’s (virtual) 3rd Annual Fundraiser for the **Fair Fight Bond Fund, Sunday May 2, 2021 at 5:30 pm**. Recognizing the need for a strong regional Jewish voice on immigrant justice, the Jewish Coalition formed in 2017 to build activism within the local Jewish community around immigrant and refugee issues. The purpose of the Fair Fight Bond Fund is to secure the release of immigrants from the NW Detention Center. This work resonates deeply with the Jewish experience. Our long history as immigrants and refugees teaches us that ***we are only as safe as the most vulnerable people in our society***. We must stand together in solidarity as our liberation is connected.

Inspired by the Book of Ruth read on Shavuot, we remember that migration and mutual aid are part of the human experience. Those of us who live in relative safety and prosperity have the opportunity — even the obligation — to *Share Our Harvest*, to contribute to the flourishing of our neighbors, for “your people will be my people.”

Your tax deductible donation to the Jewish Coalition’s 2021 Share Our Harvest Bond Fundraiser would be deeply appreciated. To make your donation and register, visit bit.ly/ShareOurHarvest or write a check payable to WAISN %: Fair Fight Bond Fund and in the memo write Share Our Harvest. Please mail checks to 13838 1st Ave S., Burien, WA 98168. You can be a co-sponsor for \$250 or more. Co-sponsors will be acknowledged during the virtual program.

If you’re in a position to join this effort, we truly appreciate your support. If this isn’t a good time for you to participate at the co-sponsorship level, we hope you will still be able to attend the event. Please let the Social Action Committee know if you have any questions.

Leadership

March & April Governing Board (GB) Meetings Reports

Since the last *ORacle* GB report, there have been three GB meetings so lots has happened!

1. We have had introductory presentations from the Membership, Mitzvah Corps and Bereavement Committees.
2. We have had update presentations from the Hybrid Task Force, the New Facilities Task Force, the Alternative Options Task Force, the Re-Opening Task Force, and the Policies Update Task Force.
3. We have approved four motions from the Finance Committee — Signatories for the Federation Investment Account, creation of the Restricted Endowment Fund, updating the *Oneg* Fee Policy, and establishing Endowment Fund Policies.
4. We have approved two motions (total of five policies) from the Policy Task Force — Sacred Commitment Language and affirmation of Updated Bereavement Policies.
5. We approved a motion from the Campership Committee — Increasing funds for Camperships for this year.
6. We approved a motion to retain the Shuster Group to complete an analysis for the Alternative Options Task Force.
7. We have modified the dates of May and June Governing Board Meetings to work around Mothers Day and Fathers Day. New meeting dates are May 16 and June 6. We also set the meeting date for the General Membership Meeting on June 13. These are all Sundays.
8. We reviewed and discussed the proposed budget. It will be presented at the next meeting for approval.
9. We discussed the new and improved website and fence.
10. We discussed the status of upcoming b'nei mitzvah, the MYTAT Fundraiser, the DEI/SAC Equity Challenge, Small Groups, the results of the DEI TF survey of the Board, the option of using Microsoft Teams for Board meetings (and decided against it), a future capital campaign feasibility study, HHD plans and coordinators, the Educator search, on going site challenges, the status of the Homeland Security Grant, and a thank you gift for Officer Mike Bernardi for his years of service to TBO.
11. We shared reminders about the Communications Survey, recorded meetings, and two sessions of Committee/Task Force Chair Orientation.
12. We noted the signing of contracts with the Shuster Group and the New Facilities TF architect.
13. We noted the opening of our Endowment Fund account at the Federation. We now have an established Endowment account of \$30,000. Thanks to all the generous donors and to the Finance and Legacy Committees for making this happen.

We have been a super busy board! Thanks to the board members for their time, energy, thoughts, and dedication!

Temple Leadership Rabbi

Rachel Kort

Governing Board

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Committees & Task Forces

Adult Education: Vacant

Alternative Options TF: David Fine

Bereavement: Susan Cross

Book Club: Ellie Hochman

Building: Jeff St. George

Calendar: Sarah Davis

Campership: Sonia Siegel Vexler

College and Military Outreach: Sarah Davis

Communications: JonaRose Feinberg

COVID-19: Ron Green

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Sonia Siegel Vexler

Facebook: Deb Henry

Financial Administrator: Norm Black

First Chapter: Michelle Douglass

Fundraising: Michele Goodmark

High Holy Days: Jerry and Cheryl Waldbaum
and Doug Wallis

Hybridization: Glen Pickus

Legacy: Harold Dash

Library: Melissa VonAschen-Cook

Membership: Leslie Elsemore

Mitzvah Corps: Carolyn Vexler

New Facilities TF: Paul Vexler

Next Chapter: Sonia Siegel Vexler

Nominations: Sonia Siegel Vexler

ORacle: Vicky Romero

ORbits: Lori Wolff

Re-Opening TF: Wanda Bresnick

Security: Miriam VonAschen-Cook

Small Groups: Rebecca Hicks

Social Action: Naomi Katsh and

Melissa VonAschen-Cook

Spirituality & Ritual: Randy Jergensen

Website: JonaRose Feinberg

Youth Education: Mila Lowery and Tina Roth

Staff

Office Administrator: Sarah Davis

Youth Group: Eian Snyder

May 2021

Iyar — Sivan 5781

All Activities are virtual at this time. Links are in *ORbits*.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 The Nosh 8:00am Exec. Bd. 9:00am DEI Challenge 4:00pm	3 Finance Committee Mtg 6:30pm	4	5 DEI Task Force 4:00pm	6	7 K'hilah Shabbat Service 5:45pm	8
9	10 Communications Committee Mtg. 6:30pm	11	12 Legacy Committee 10:00am ORacle Submission Deadline	13 Office Closed	14 OfficeClosed Shabbat Candle Lighting 5:45pm	15
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30 The Nosh 8:00am DEI Challenge 4:00pm	31		<div>Save the Date</div> <div>General Membership Meeting June 13</div>			

The Temple building remains completely closed with the exception of our Office Administrator, Sarah, and one weekly cleaning. We will keep you posted regarding reopening.

Check *ORbits*, TBO Facebook page, or the TBO website for the most up-to-date information.



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Temple Beth Or Mission Statement

Temple Beth Or is a warm, compassionate, vibrant, spirited, inclusive, and participatory Reform Jewish community.

We are religiously and geographically diverse,
serving the northern Puget Sound region of Washington State.

As God's covenantal partners in fulfilling mitzvot, our priorities are:

- ***K'hilah*** (community)/***Mishpachah*** (family) — nurturing our interactive, multigenerational extended family;
 - ***Torah*** — lifelong learning, searching for meaning, and seeking comfort and healing;
 - ***Avodah*** — worship and celebration through the observance of meaningful, creative, and traditional rituals;
- ***Tikkun Olam*** — transforming ourselves and our world through *tzedakah* (fairness), social justice, and *g'milut chasadim* (acts of loving kindness).