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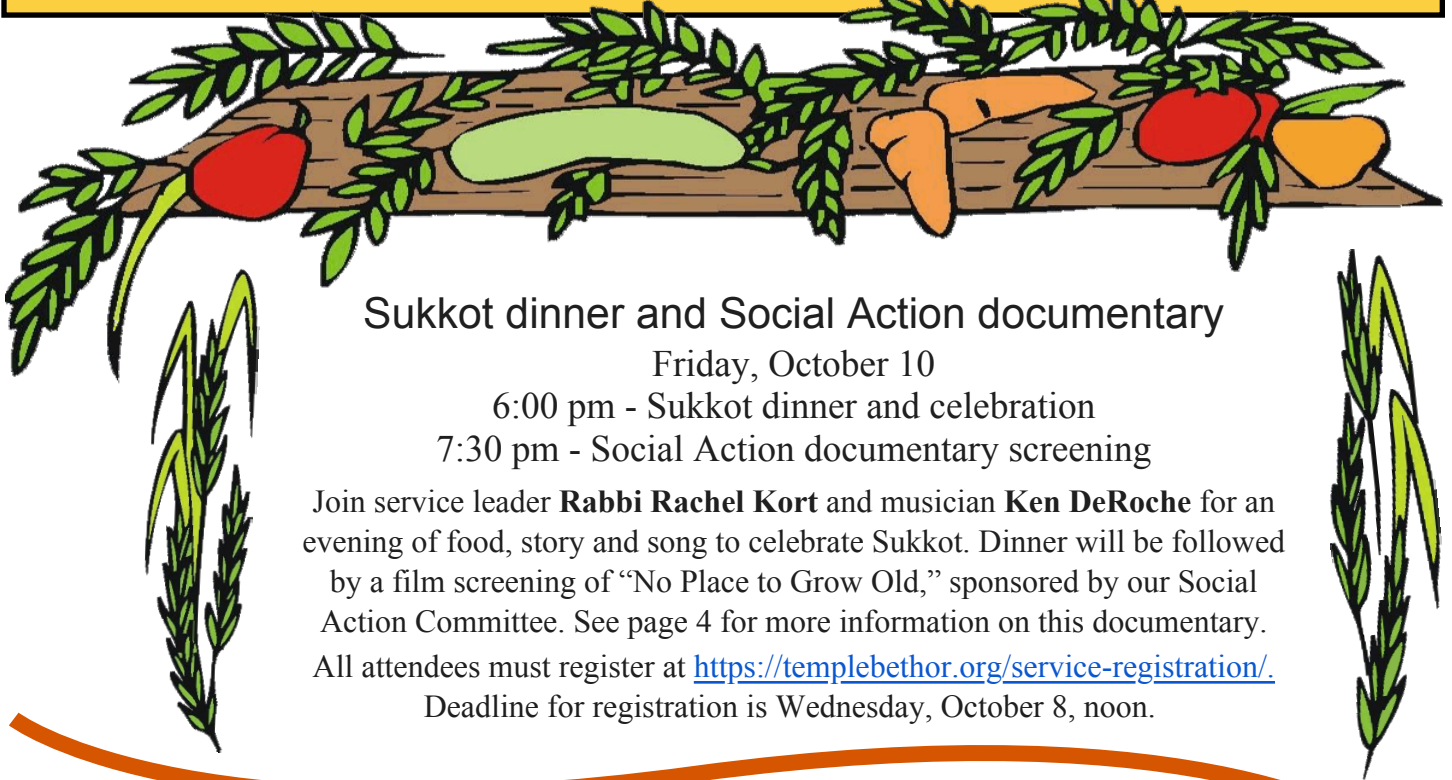


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Sukkot dinner and Social Action documentary

Friday, October 10

6:00 pm - Sukkot dinner and celebration

7:30 pm - Social Action documentary screening

Join service leader **Rabbi Rachel Kort** and musician **Ken DeRoche** for an evening of food, story and song to celebrate Sukkot. Dinner will be followed by a film screening of "No Place to Grow Old," sponsored by our Social Action Committee. See page 4 for more information on this documentary.

All attendees must register at <https://templebethor.org/service-registration/>.

Deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 8, noon.



All-ages Simchat Torah celebration

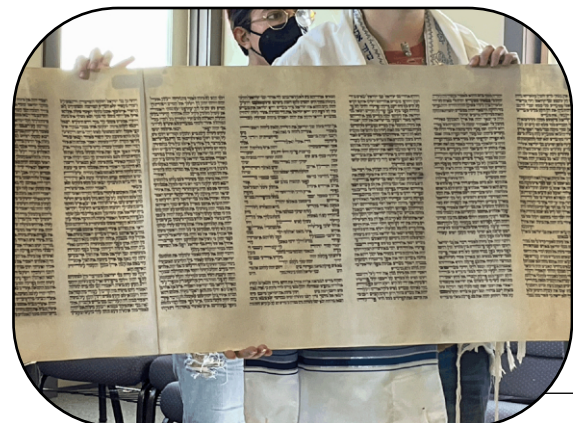
Tuesday, October 14, 7:00-8:00 pm

With service leader **Rabbi Rachel Kort** and musician **Noah Zeichner**

Both at Unity
in Lynnwood.
In-person only.

Our Simchat Torah celebration will include dancing and a musical tour of the five books of the Torah. Hear Rabbi Kort read the concluding section of *D'varim* (Deuteronomy) and the first verses of *B'reishit* (Genesis).

Registration: Members do not need to register to attend. Guests, please register at templebethor.org/service-registration. Registration ends Tuesday, October 14, 11:00 am.





Rabbi's Corner

Jewish Joy campaign

We are nearing the end of our High Holy Day season, which began with the Hebrew month of Elul back in August. In just a few days, we will begin to wind down this sacred time with the week-long holiday of Sukkot, which starts on the evening of Monday, October 6. Another name for Sukkot is *Z'man Simchateinu*, or "the season of our joy." Sukkot acts as a bridge, helping us transition from this special and distinct time of year back to our regular routines. Ultimately, the joy we find during the High Holy Days is meant to be infused into the year to come.

During our Rosh HaShanah service, I spoke about Jewish Joy as an act of resistance. These are difficult times to be Jewish. There are extremist voices - both Jewish and non-Jewish - that seek to define Judaism with hate and grief. One way for us to resist is by amplifying Jewish acts of joy.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks believed that joy has helped sustain the Jewish people throughout our difficult history. As he wrote, "I think of Judaism as an ode to joy. Like Beethoven, Jews have known suffering, isolation, hardship and rejection, yet they never lacked the religious courage to rejoice. A people that can know insecurity and still feel joy is one that can never be defeated, for its spirit can never be broken nor its hope destroyed. As individuals we may aspire to the goodness that leads to happiness, but as part of a moral and spiritual community, even in hard times we find ourselves lifted on the wings of joy" (Essays on Ethics, 2016).

While we don't typically have a High Holy Day fundraising campaign at TBO, this year, I want to invite you to join me in a Jewish Joy campaign. Here's how it works:

1. We'll have a one-on-one discussion to brainstorm what brings you Jewish Joy.
2. Over the course of the year, I will infuse those ideas into a service, sermon or class.

To "make your pledge," simply email me at rabbikort@templebethor.org with the subject line "Jewish Joy." I will reach out to schedule a phone, Zoom, coffee, or walking date.

As Sukkot encourages, let's infuse more Jewish Joy into the year to come. As we begin this new year, let us choose to sing, to dance, to pray, and to refuse to let the world's darkness diminish our joy. Let us make our *simchah* so powerful, so shared, and so unapologetically Jewish, that it becomes our most potent form of resistance.

Rabbi Rachel Kort
Rabbi Rachel Kort (she/her)

Commemorating October 7

Join us as we remember the events of October 7, 2023, on the second Hebrew anniversary of the attack. Our Simchat Torah service, on Tuesday, October 14, will begin with the lighting of a memorial candle and the recitation of a special memorial prayer.

Please help our college and military youth!

We are chairs for the TBO College and Military Outreach Fund. The purpose of the Fund is to keep these young people feeling connected to the Temple. Last year, we sent holiday packages to five out-of-town students on Rosh HaShanah, Hanukkah and Purim. Cards were mailed on Passover. This year we have eight out-of-town students.

Besides the cost of the gifts, the mailing is minimum \$11 each. The Fund is running low and could really use a boost, so please consider making a donation. We have gotten feedback that the students greatly enjoy receiving these gifts from their Temple family.

Sincerely, **Marilyn and Michael Glosser**



From our President

High Holy Days haiku



We are just about at the end of our fall holiday cycle, and I hope that it has been a meaningful, hopeful, and comforting time for you. From Rosh HaShanah through Simchat Torah, we welcome another year, forgive ourselves and others, and ask for forgiveness for our transgressions, willful and accidental. We're reminded to appreciate "home" with all its comforts, be it ever so humble, and to celebrate receiving our foundational text, the Torah.

All these holidays have a connection to nature, and now we are past the equinox and are heading toward that time of year "when yellow leaves, or none, or few, do hang upon those boughs which shake against the cold, bare ruined choirs, where late the sweet birds sang," as Shakespeare wrote. It's ironic, because our holidays focus so much on the spiritual, but one thing I love about these holidays and the fall season in general is their connection to physical nature. It makes me think of the Japanese poetic form, the haiku. A very short poem, only three lines long, usually made up of five, then seven, then five syllables, a haiku attempts to distill a moment in time with a focus on the natural world. I thought I would try my hand at writing a few Jewish fall season haiku poems. I hope you like them!

Red pomegranate
White pulp holding sweet red seeds
Rosh HaShanah treat

Smell the *etrog's* soul
So yellow so sour
So oddly shaped, not round

Sukkah's scant shelter
Roof through which we see the stars
Shhh! Hear *lulav's* swish

Smell the moldy leaves
Soaked with fall's first rains, hear drops
Land on soil dreaming of spring

Best wishes for a happy and healthy fall. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our upcoming Shabbat services, at Religious School, and at assorted TBO opportunities to get together.

Nancy

Nancy Rosen, President (she/her)

Help wanted: historian



Temple Beth Or has a long history, and we don't want to lose it. As we moved out of the building, we turned up an assortment of newspaper articles and pictures that are part of TBO's history, and we don't know what to do with them. So, we need a TBO historian to gather the information and organize it all so that it's accessible and usable. What better time to initiate this new role than as we get ready to move into our remodeled home? Do you want to be our historian? The pay is great (not) and it could be a lot of fun. If you are interested, please contact **Nancy Rosen**.

What on Earth is a QCD?

Are you 70½ or older and required to make a required minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA? If so, you can make a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable directly to a qualified charity such as Temple Beth Or. This is called a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). Amounts distributed as a QCD count toward satisfying your RMD for the year, up to \$108,000 in 2025 (or \$216,000 for joint filers). The QCD is excluded from your taxable income. This is not the case with a regular withdrawal from an IRA, even if you use the money to make a charitable contribution later on.

Funds must be transferred directly from your IRA custodian to the qualified charity. This is accomplished by requesting your IRA custodian to issue a check from your IRA payable to the charity. You can then request that the check be mailed to the charity or forward the check to the charity yourself. If a distribution check is made payable to you, the distribution would NOT qualify as a QCD and would be treated as taxable income. Many IRA custodians allow QCDs to be initiated on their websites. If you have any questions regarding this topic, please contact your IRA custodian who can assist you in making a QCD. This entire process could take time, so it's best to start early.

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Distribution**



October Shabbat services

Shabbat at home

Friday, October 17, 7:00 pm, with Rabbi Rachel Kort and musician Shoshana Stombaugh



Join us for a musical Shabbat worship experience from the comfort of your own home, lasting about an hour. Light Shabbat candles with us on screen to help transform the Zoom gallery into a sacred space of Shabbat. This service is great for all ages and was designed especially for folks who may not be able to join us in person.

Shabbat service and bat mitzvah of Victoria Cail

Unity in Lynnwood

Saturday, October 25, 10:00 am, with Rabbi Rachel Kort and musician Noah Zeichner



Join us for our morning service led by Rabbi Kort and Victoria Cail. This Shabbat service will include a Torah reading and Torah teaching by Victoria. The service is geared toward our adult and *b'nei mitzvah* student community, and will last about two hours.

Guests - Register at templebethor.org/service-registration/. Registration ends Friday, October 24, 3:00 pm.

Shabbat Zoom: tinyurl.com/tboshabbatzoom
Meeting ID: 837 4187 0594 Passcode: 531760
Dial-in users: 253-215-8782



AT TBO



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ADULT EDUCATION

Victoria Cail is becoming bat mitzvah

Victoria Cail (she/they), daughter of **Matt** and **Jennifer Cail**, sister of **Tommy** and **Megan**, will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on October 25, 2025.

Victoria is in eighth grade at Soundview School, where she enjoys all of her classes. "I really do love every subject at my school!" she says. Outside of school, Victoria sings in the Seattle Youth Opera. And in the summer, she puts that beautiful singing voice to use at Camp Kalsman - singing at camp is one of her favorite Jewish activities.

The pandemic made beginning to learn Hebrew challenging, but studying for her bat mitzvah taught Victoria "that I was actually able to learn Hebrew and know what the prayers mean after a rocky (COVID-times) start."

Victoria's *tikkun olam* project focuses on native growth areas. "I am learning about what that means, why they exist, restoring them to native plants and doing maintenance."

Victoria wishes to extend a HUGE thanks to her tutor, Debbie Massarano, who "gave me the confidence to have my bat mitzvah" and everyone who has supported her throughout the process.

Mazel tov, Victoria!



Dinner and a movie: Sukkot - October 10, 6:00 pm



Join the Membership and Social Action Committees as we celebrate Sukkot with music and dinner and learning. In addition to the Sukkot dinner, we will be hosting the showing of the documentary, "No Place to Grow Old," an intimate portrait of the rising crisis of senior homelessness in Portland, Oregon. The movie is 47 minutes long and suitable for children 10 and older. See also page 1.



From our Director of Youth Education

Tikvah - just what the doctor ordered

Religious School is off to a sweet start! Students were greeted with bubbles and music, happy to reunite with familiar faces and excited to add new friends to the mix. Opening *K'hilah* was filled with joyous song, the sound of the shofar blown by our very own **Rabbi Kort**, and lots of smiles. Adult energy was strong as well, with a well-attended parent orientation led by Youth Education Co-Chair **Rani Linarelli**. Adults and students alike had the opportunity to reflect on this year's theme of *tikvah* (hope). Hearing our community's hopeful prayers, optimism and of course, humor, was a beautiful way to start our journey together and lead into Rosh HaShanah. As Rabbi Jonathan Sacks said so eloquently, "Hope is the belief, that together, we can make the world better." After all, isn't that what we are all about?

Stefanie Somers (she/her) *Stefanie*



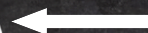
From campers to counselors (and trainees), and even grandparents...TBO mishpachah was strong at Camp Kalsman this summer.



TBO GOES Back to School



5th-7th graders performing mitzvah of cleaning community headstones at TBO cemetery





Remodel news



Construction is moving along at a fast pace. Foundation work continues and framing is underway. If you are in the area, drive by; the progress is amazing! If you can't swing by, be sure to check out the photos on the website at templebethor.org/building.

Construction:

- The concrete subcontractor has been installing forms for the rest of the foundation and retaining wall, and hopefully by the time you read this, they will have poured the slab for the new addition.
- Framers are on site working, and hope to have framing done by late October.
- Shoring required on either side of the building is completed.

TBO team efforts:

- The Design Team has received the first bid for the kitchen cabinet work and the appliances. Additional bids are being prepared. The team is meeting regularly with CPM and making good progress.
- A new workgroup (a small offshoot of the Remodel Task Force) has been formed to develop a draft site plan. The plan addresses the outdoor spaces, and will propose locations for our Religious School play area, a community garden and other outdoor features, as well as the landscaping required by the building construction permit. The Site Plan Workgroup includes representatives from RS, Social Action, Life & Legacy and the Remodel Task Force.

Timing:

- CPM is estimating they will complete their portion of the project by the end of the year, though further delays are possible.
- There is more work to be done after CPM is finished before we can return to using the building, not the least of which is moving all our stuff back in!
- Currently, we remain on track to begin using the facilities in the first quarter of next year.



More underground sewer work



New interior framing and HVAC equipment

Remodel photos - September 17 and 25



More new interior framing



Bottom of the elevator shaft



Retaining wall and area for HVAC (south side)



Base of the exterior stairs (north side)



A good view of the deterioration below the old lobby



The bulletin board is still there! This area will house the lower and upper lobbies.

Social Action Committee news

The *Tzedakah* Box recipient for October-December is Project Girl Mentoring Program. The vision of this local, nonprofit organization is to create change by building the voices of young women of color through mentoring and tutoring. They help girls and young women flourish and reach their goals. After-school tutoring is a crucial part of Project Girl. The girls arrive with their own textbooks and homework instructions in their backpacks, so that the tutor knows just where to begin.

Donations to this worthwhile organization can be made through the physical *Tzedakah* Box at services, on the TBO website, or directly to Project Girl at project-girl.com.



High Holy Days food drive - Please help the hungry in our community by donating to the Volunteers of America of Western Washington Food Bank. Financial donations (check payable to VOAWW or grocery store gift card) are especially helpful. Or you can bring non-perishable food, toiletries or baby supplies to Yom Kippur services at Unity at Lynnwood on Kol Nidre, October 1, or on Yom Kipper morning, October 2. Donations will be collected in the parking lot. Please help make our fast a feast for those whose daily fast is neither symbolic nor voluntary.

Israel/Gaza - Rabbi Kort has mentioned a couple of organizations working toward peace, security and justice in Israel. Consider learning more about J Street at jstreet.org and the New Israel Fund at nif.org.

Membership news

Happy TBO anniversary!
We appreciate your being
a part of our community:



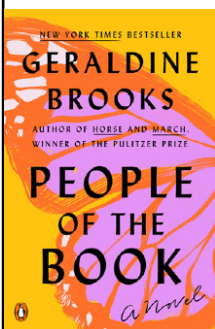
- Michael and Marilyn Glosser - 37 years
- Debbie Halliday - 32 years
- Dru Miller - 32 years
- Mark and Wanda Bresnick - 28 years
- Larry and Pat Azus - 25 years
- Aviva Goodwin - 19 years
- Erin and Alan Jacobson - 11 years
- Jennifer and Matthew Cail - 10 years
- Melissa VonAschen-Cook - 8 years
- Mirs VonAschen-Cook - 8 years
- Koby and Aileen Wexler - 7 years
- Randy and Deborah Jergensen - 5 years
- Nancy Rosen - 4 years
- Phil Webster - 4 years
- Karen Mars - 3 years
- Rani Linarelli and Aaron Brown - 2 years
- Sheila (Batsheva) Decora - 1 year
- Brian and Jessica Rossman - 1 year



Next Chapter "seas" the
Seattle Aquarium



Moadon Kriya Book Club



Please welcome our new member **Linda Chessin** who will be leading Book Club with **Wyndi Russakoff** this year. Our next meeting is Sunday, October 19, 10:00 am. We'll read and discuss *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks. This novel traces the journey of the famed Sarajevo Haggadah, created in fifteenth-century Spain. When it falls to Hanna Heath, a rare-book expert, to conserve this priceless work, a series of tiny artifacts found in its binding begins to unlock its deep mysteries, and plunges Hanna into the intrigues of fine art forgers and ultranationalist fanatics.

Linda is delighted to host Book Club at her place. Please email Linda or Wyndi for the address. We look forward to seeing you!



October *yahrzeits*



10/1	Herbert Green	Father of Ron Green
10/1	Louis Schwartz	Grandfather of Vicki Schwartz
10/2	Andrew Arends	Grandfather of Dale Arends
10/2	William Jeremiah Manigault	Uncle of Melech Gillins
10/3	Stanley M. Lukoff	Temple Beth Or Family
10/3	Toyel D. Niekerk	Temple Beth Or Family
10/3	Fae Oberleder	Grandmother of Sandy Voit
10/6	Louis Klein	Father of Marla Phippen
10/7	Harry Hochman	Grandfather of Ellie Hochman
10/8	Ethelyn Michelson	Temple Beth Or Family
10/8	Deborah Sebel	Cousin of Howard Schoenfeld
10/9	Joseph Kessler	Temple Beth Or Family
10/9	Amy Mackoff	Sister of Julie Mackoff
10/10	Barry Cowick	Uncle of Dan Paquette
10/11	Augusta Bloom Finkelstein	Grandmother of Naomi Katsh Barger
10/12	Charlotte P. Milroy	Mother of Gwendolyn Campbell
10/13	Alex Ash	Friend of Stan Sussman
10/14	Tessie Edlen	Grandmother of JonaRose Feinberg
10/15	Minnie Dash	Grandmother of Harold Dash
10/15	Marian Mae Shapiro	Aunt of Steve Cohn
10/15	Mary Sturman	Temple Beth Or Family
10/17	Lori Donahue	Grandmother of Jake and Matthew Phippen
10/18	Lorraine Barger	Mother-in-law of Naomi Katsh Barger
10/19	Vaughn Blackburn	Father of Cheryl Waldbaum
		Grandfather of Amber Waldbaum
10/19	Thomas Cowick	Uncle of Dan Paquette
10/20	Gussie Ephross	Mother of Mim Edelstein
10/20	Philmore Grossman	Father of Carl Grossman
10/20	Sarah Holmes Kliger	Mother of Leah Kliger
10/21	Lena Halber	Grandmother of Sheryl Shapiro
10/21	Zelda Tatel	Mother of Harvey Tatel
10/21	Fannie Wexler	Grandmother of Eldon Wexler
10/22	Richard Sinclair	Temple Beth Or Family
10/23	Lawrence I. Field	Father of Melanie Field
10/23	Alex Rosen	Temple Beth Or Family
10/25	Sam Hochman	Father of Ellie Hochman
10/25	Al Romero	Father of Vicky Romero
10/27	Fannie Edelstein	Mother-in-law of Mim Edelstein
10/28	Rebecca Eskenazi	Temple Beth Or Family
10/28	Marian Krantz	Grandmother of Eldon Wexler
10/28	Lynn Sanders	Father of Dana Sanders
10/28	George Siegel	Father of Carolyn Wexler
		Grandfather of Koby Wexler
10/29	Betty Arfin	Mother of Julie Maltos
10/29	Frances Field	Aunt of Melanie Field
10/29	John Jergensen	Father of Randy Jergensen
10/29	Christopher Manigault	Uncle of Melech Gillins
10/29	Ruth Quartin Weitz	Mother of Nancy Rosen
		Grandmother of Mirs VonAschen-Cook
10/31	Doreen Sable	Aunt of Debra Henry
10/31	Sylvia "Tzippy" Siegel	Sister of Sonia Siegel Vexler
		Aunt of Jess Burgamy

Introducing Life & Legacy Committee's new logo

Temple Beth Or's Life & Legacy Committee is made up of a small group of members with a vision and passion to foster, grow and support Temple Beth Or's commitment to Jewish life into the future. The committee recently designed a new logo and is excited to share it with everyone. Now, when you see the Life & Legacy tree, you will recognize it for all the potential it represents.

The tree: The central focus of our Life & Legacy logo is a vibrant, healthy tree of life that incorporates the beautiful colors and hues of our Ark curtain. Among the branches, and at the tree's roots, are hearts to represent the many ways we (all members) love, nurture and strengthen our community and the future of Temple Beth Or.

Our tag line: Together, we plant seeds of abundance for joyful Jewish tomorrows. The "seeds" we plant today (sacred commitment, volunteering, shared celebrations and community support) are treasured investments to assure happy and healthy Jewish tomorrows.

Our partners: Our Temple has the support and partnership of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation's Life & Legacy program and the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle to help us grow and sustain Temple Beth Or for the next generation and beyond.

The circle: Our Temple members provide strength to each other, protecting, caring and celebrating the goodness that comes from being part of our community. Life & Legacy Circle Members have taken the extra step to include Temple Beth Or in their after-life plans. By doing so, Circle Members help to assure TBO will be here for future Jewish generations.

For more information about TBO Life & Legacy, contact one of our committee members - **Bob Goodmark, Deb Henry, Debbie Halliday, Eldon Wexler, Sonia Siegel Vexler.**





Leadership news

During the Governing Board meeting on September 7, 2025, the Board did the following:

- **James Feinberg**, VP of Finance, reported that fiscal year 2024-25 ended in the green.
- **Sonia Siegel Vexler** conducted a leadership training that focused on choice as an opportunity. We can choose to be positive or negative.
- **Wanda Bresnick** thanked the Board. Most volunteer opportunities for the High Holy Days have been filled.
- **Nancy Rosen** reported that our policy review update is ongoing.
- **Ron Green**, VP of Jewish Life, reported that the Religious School has grown, especially the TOTS class, and that restricted funds will be used to pay for additional space at Religious School for the parents to visit and have programs. This is a permissible use of these funds.
- The Board agreed that TBO members will receive new TBO membership directories at High Holy Day services upon request.
- **Bob Goodmark** gave the remodel update, highlighting the repair work to the front foundation. Our contractor believes we can receive our occupancy permit by the end of the year.



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Capital Campaign - are you ready?

The Temple's new walls are going up, and we hope to be back in the building some time in the first quarter of 2026. We are doing a final round of fundraising to ensure we have enough funds for any unforeseen construction issues and other important items (kitchen cabinets, appliances, window safety film and an awning). A rough estimate is that we will need to raise another \$200,000 to cover all of this. If we raise more than that or if we have funds remaining, then we may be able to afford new furniture and other needed items. Please give until it feels good.

Note: If you previously pledged funds to be donated in 2026 and can pay them earlier (by the end of 2025), this will help lower the amount of interest we must pay on a planned bridge loan. For every \$1,000 pledged for 2026 but paid in 2025, we can save about \$85 in interest paid to the bank.

Please help close the gap!

Your Capital Campaign Task Force

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Book Club: Wyndi Russakoff & Linda Chessin

Building: Vacant

Calendar: Gwen Campbell

Campership: Sonia Siegel Vexler

Capital Campaign: Jeff Napp

College & Military Outreach: Marilyn & Mike Glosser

Communications: JonaRose Feinberg

Facebook: Deb Henry

Financial Administrator: Norm Black

First Chapter: Vacant

Fundraising: Vacant

High Holy Days Coordinator: Wanda Bresnick

HHD (Rosh HaShanah): Robyn Klarman

HHD (Yom Kippur): Gwen Campbell

Life & Legacy: Sonia Siegel Vexler

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Mitzvah Corps: Carolyn Wexler

Next Chapter: Sonia Siegel Vexler

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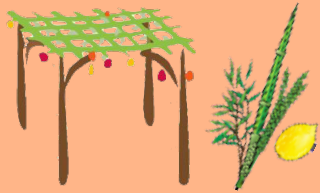
Melissa VonAschen-Cook

Technology: James Feinberg

Website: JonaRose Feinberg

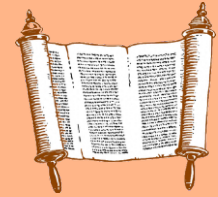
Youth Education: Meghan Lefrancois-Hanson &

Rani Linarelli



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Tishrei / Cheshvan 5786



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Erev Yom Kippur family service 4:30 pm Kol Nidre 7:30 pm	2 Office closed Yom Kippur services beginning 10:00 am	3 Office closed Shabbat on your own - <i>parashah Haazinu</i>	4
5 TBO TOTS Life & Legacy Committee meeting 2:00 pm RS	6 Finance Committee meeting 7:00 pm	7 Office closed First day of Sukkot	8 Executive Board meeting 7:00 pm <i>Ruach</i> & Ritual Committee meeting 7:00 pm	9 Remodel Task Force meeting 7:30 pm	10 Liaison Committee meeting 10:00 am Sukkot dinner and movie 6:00 pm	11
12 Governing Bd meeting 10:00 am Fundraising Committee meeting 6:30 pm RS	13 Communications Committee meeting 7:00 pm	14 Simchat Torah 7:00 pm	15	16	17 Shabbat at home 7:00 pm	18
19 Book club 10:00 am ORacle deadline RS	20 Membership Committee meeting 7:00 pm	21	22 Safety & Security Committee meeting 7:00 pm	23 1 Cheshvan Nominations Committee meeting 7:00 pm	24	25 Shabbat service and bat mitzvah of Victoria Cail 10:00 am
26 RS	27	28	29	30	31	

You can access this or older issues of the *ORacle* at templebethor.org/oracle.

Fill out the Calendar/Event Submission Form to add an item to the calendar and/or set up a Zoom meeting; this includes all committee meetings. Please submit a form even if you are using a private Zoom.

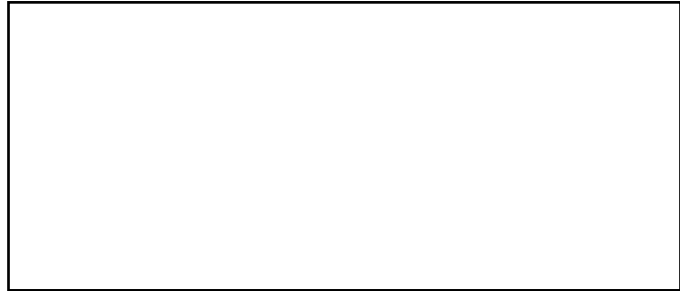
templebethor.org/calendar-submission

The Temple office is now closed for all in-person business. Sarah Davis is working offsite and can assist you Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 am–noon and Friday, 9:00 am–4:30 pm. The Temple mailing address, phone and office email (office@templebethor.org) remain the same. Please do not have packages (UPS/FedEx) or overnight mail sent to the Temple. No one will be on site to accept deliveries. **Check *ORbits*, the 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).