

Mayim Shalom planted 10 trees in Israel to honor Rabbi Jackie Brodsky on her retirement after 32 years of service to our congregation. Photo: Susan Watkins

President's Message; Schedule of Services

By Jim DeNatale

Summer is slowly slipping away, and with that, days are shorter and here comes the rain.

Along with the changing weather, so are the dynamics of our congregation. At our August monthly meeting, we met with Rabbi Rachel Dorit. Our discussion centered on developing a schedule suitable for Mayim Shalom and Rabbi Rachel. Whatever schedule is agreed upon will begin after January 1, 2026.

Our meeting was very positive and we are all looking forward to working with Rabbi Rachel in the near future.

Additional subjects discussed at our meeting included creating the following schedule of services for the remainder of 2025. All events are at Harmony Methodist Church in Coos Bay.

HIGH HOLIDAYS SERVICE

<u>Saturday, Sept. 27 from 3 to 7</u> High Holidays service with Rabbi Jackie in the big room followed by dinner catered by Jeri Sher.

<u>Friday, October 17 at 3:30 pm</u>
Lay service in our room followed by Oneg in the big room

<u>Friday, November 21 at 3:30 pm</u>
Lay service in our room followed by Oneg in the big room

<u>Saturday, Dec. 20, 3:30 to 7 pm</u> Lay Chanukah service in the big room followed by a catered dinner

As we develop a schedule for January 2026 to September 2026, an email will be sent to all members of Mayim Shalom Congregation.

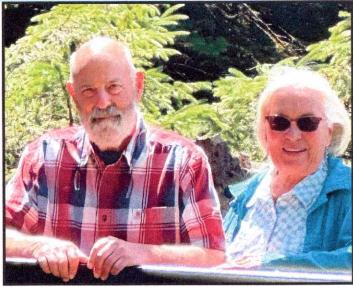
I would like to turn our attention to the current situation in Israel. There are many conflicting reports regarding the distribution of food, clothing and medical supplies in Gaza. Depending on the news outlets, either the Israelis or outside influencing is causing food and other needed supplies to be withheld from local residents..

Regardless of where you stand, the weight of whatever decision is made by the Israelis is tremendous. To consider the wants and needs of those held captive and their families, or the future effect of the wrong decision. Please keep the people of Israel in your hearts and prayers.

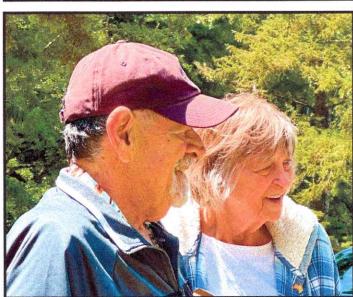
In closing, I would like all of you to consider being more involved in Mayim Shalom. Our congregation is a small and aging group. We need younger families to come forward and lead our group to the future. This is the only way we can ensure our Jewish heritage and Mayim Shalom will thrive and be prosperous in the future.

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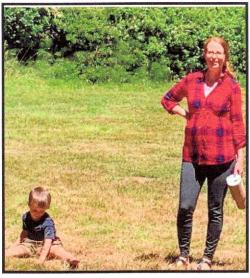














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High holiday services with Rabbi Jackie

Saturday afternoon September 27 at 3 pm

See page 1 for details.



The Little Match Girls, Stacy Rose and Gail Elber, entertained visitors at the Marine Life Center in Charleston on Sat., Aug. 16.

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