



Cast Your Vote for Israel's Future

MARCH 10 – MAY 4, 2025

- ☆ Go to www.zionistelection.org
- ☆ Register to vote (\$5 fee)
- ☆ Get informed:
 - www.reformjudaism.org
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iVvLz_hFFT8
- ☆ VOTE REFORM



American Jews can vote for their vision of the Jewish people in Israel and around the world.

Make sure your point of view is represented in the next World Zionist Congress. By voting you will be able to choose one of the many slates representing diverse political beliefs, religious denominations and cultural traditions. The 152 delegates elected from the United States will join hundreds from Israel and around the world at the 39th World Zionist Congress in October 2025, the international “parliament of the Jewish people”, to make decisions and set policies regarding key institutions that support global Jewish life and which allocate over \$1 billion annually to support Israel and world Jewry (including the World Zionist Organization, Jewish National Fund and the Jewish Agency for Israel). With more slates and candidates than ever before, American Jews have a rare opportunity to make a direct impact on the future direction of Israel and diaspora affairs.



Passover & Spring: A Season of Freedom and Fresh Starts

As spring brings new life to the world around us, we gather to retell one of our most powerful stories — the Exodus from Egypt. Passover reminds us of our ancestors' journey from slavery to freedom, from darkness into light. With matzah in hand and stories on our lips, we remember the courage it took to leave the familiar behind and step into the unknown.

Whether you're continuing cherished traditions or starting new ones, may this season lift your spirit and deepen your connections with others.

This spring, let's celebrate freedom in all its forms — freedom to gather, to reflect, to laugh, and to grow.

Chag Pesach Sameach — may your Passover be meaningful, memorable, and full of fresh beginnings.



Mazel Tov to

Brandy (Strings) and Taylor Pearson

on their recent wedding. The newlyweds exchanged vows in an intimate ceremony on March 10, 2025. Let's all wish them a lifetime of happiness together!



Mazel Tov

Passover Perspectives

A Message From Our Rabbi

Passover is primarily viewed as being about the Israelites being released from captivity in Egypt. Redeeming captives is a significant Jewish value. We refer to God as “Matir Asurim” the one who redeems captives.

Yet there is more to this beautiful and popular holiday. Passover is also about redeeming yourself from yourself. That is, if you’ve been accepting of your faults and weaknesses for a long time, this season encourages you to let go of the old you and focus on ways of growing and going forward.



A new self or a new view of oneself comes from seeing that change is possible. Hope for a brighter future is just over the horizon. Taking it one day at a time and working on improving one character trait at a time bears fruit over time.

Passover is about recalling how bonded the ancient Israelites were and then seeking the same connection now with other Jewish people who you can support and who can support you when you are in need.

Rabbi Len Muroff
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Pick Up Your Name Tags

The Membership committee has printed name tags for all congregants.

The name tags are located in the foyer next to the all-gender restrooms.

Thank you to the Brotherhood for the honor of being named Man of the Year. And to all my family and friends who came out for the dinner and supported me. It means so much!

- Mike Kravitz



The Brotherhood is providing **Yom HaShoah candles**, which will be available for pickup at the Temple or can be delivered or mailed to you.

Mark your calendar:

- Apr. 4—No YouTube broadcast for Shabbat services
- Apr. 16 – Brotherhood General Meeting/Dinner
- Apr. 23 – Light the Yom HaShoah Candles
- May 4 – Yom Ha'atsma'ut Kabob Lunch



Cooking Jewish with Judy Kancigor

Sunday, April 6, 2025 @ 2:00 PM
Judy will provide a cooking demonstration, and our TBO chefs will prepare several of her dishes.

[RSVP by April 1](#)

Judy's book, **Cooking Jewish: 532 Great Recipes from the Rabinowitz Family** will be available.

A Message From TBO Co-Presidents

Thanks to everyone who participated the Friday night of Purim, the dinner and service were great! This month we are having a Klezmer/Rock Concert with Mostly Kosher and our annual 2nd Night Seder. Be sure to RSVP!

To stay informed, keep reading the weekly e-blasts as well as our website TBOLM.org.

We are having a General Membership meeting on April 21 at 7:30pm. During this meeting we will be creating a nominating committee to select the next board of directors.

If you are interested in taking on a board position, please let us know- NO EXPERIENCE necessary!



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TBO Community
2nd Night Seder
Sunday, April 13th @ 6pm
Temple Beth Ohr Social Hall
\$58 adults
\$25 children 4 - 11
FREE for 3 & under
* RSVP by 4/8 *

Spring Into Action: This Month's Events at TBO

APRIL 2025							
Date		Time	Event	OS	Z	YT	Other
4/1	Tue	10:30am	Knotty Ladies		Z		
4/1	Tue	7:30pm	Sisterhood Board		Z		
4/2	Wed	7:00pm	Religious Committee		Z		
4/3	Thu	10:00am	Mah Jong Club	OS			
4/4	Fri	6:00pm	Bring Your Own Shabbat Dinner	OS			
4/4	Fri	7:30pm	Erev Shabbat Worship: TK-4th Grade Class Shabbat	OS			
4/5	Sat	10:00am	Shabbat Prayer, Torah Study & Potluck Lunch	OS	Z		
4/5	Sat	6:30pm	Mostly Kosher Concert	OS			
4/6	Sun	2:00pm	Adult Ed Presents Cooking Jewish	OS			
4/7	Mon	7:00pm	Ways & Means Committee		Z		
4/8	Tue	10:30am	Knotty Ladies	OS	Z		
4/9	Wed	10:30am	Adult Education Committee	OS	Z		
4/9	Wed	12:00pm	Brown Bag & Books		Z		
4/9	Wed	6:30pm	Sisterhood Social & Program	OS	Z		
4/9	Wed	7:00pm	Brotherhood at Anaheim Ducks Game				X
4/10	Thu	10:00am	Mah Jong Club	OS			
4/10	Thu	5:30pm	A&A Finance Meeting		Z		
4/11	Fri	7:30pm	Erev Shabbat Worship	OS		YT	
4/13	Sun	6:00pm	2nd Night Seder at TBO	OS			
4/15	Tue	10:30am	Knotty Ladies		Z		
4/16	Wed	10:30am	ICR/Social Action Committee		Z		
4/16	Wed	6:15pm	Brotherhood Dinner Program & Meeting	OS			
4/17	Thu	10:00am	Mah Jong Club	OS			
4/18	Fri	7:30pm	Erev Shabbat Worship	OS		YT	
4/21	Mon	6:00pm	Board Dinner & Meeting	OS	Z		
4/21	Mon	7:30pm	TBO General Membership Meeting	OS	Z		
4/22	Tue	10:30am	Knotty Ladies	OS	Z		
4/23	Wed	4:00pm	Sisterhood Dineout				X
4/24	Thu	10:00am	Mah Jong Club	OS			
4/25	Fri	7:30pm	Erev Shabbat Worship: Yom HaShoah Candle Service	OS		YT	
4/26	Sat	10:00am	Shabbat Prayer, Torah Study & Potluck Lunch	OS	Z		
4/27	Sun		Brotherhood Bowling & Lunch in La Habra				X
4/28	Mon	7:00pm	Membership Committee		Z		
4/29	Tue	10:30am	Knotty Ladies		Z		
4/30	Wed	5:00pm	Yom HaZikaron/Yom Ha'atmaut Program				X

- 🌸 **Please note that dates are subject to change**, check the website tboim.org for updates.
- 🌸 Event Location: OS (On-Site), Z (Zoom), YT (YouTube), JCC (Alpert JCC, Long Beach), X (other: check website)
- 🌸 If an RSVP is required, go to the TBO website and click on the calendar or event flyer link.

Mitzvah Moments

Our congregation came together in a beautiful act of generosity, donating Judaica to individuals affected by the wildfires. Each item was given with love to help restore both spirit and tradition.

This meaningful effort reminds us that even in times of loss, our community's compassion shines bright. Thank you to all who contributed to this sacred mitzvah of giving and rebuilding.



Rabbi Muroff, pictured delivering the donations to Zev Hurwitz of the Board of Rabbis, shared this:

“Kol hakavod —
way to go, everyone!
It’s an honor to do this
holy work together.”



A message from

Pasadena Jewish Temple & Center:

Since the Eaton fire, we are grateful for all the offers of love, support and uplifting energy to our PJTC family from faith communities, individuals, and organizations.

TBO continues to stand with our neighboring communities as they recover from the devastating wildfires that caused so much destruction. One of the most meaningful and direct ways to help is by purchasing items from Amazon wish lists created by displaced families—**your gift goes straight to someone in need.**

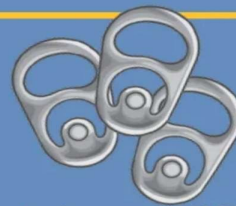
→ → → Click [here](#) to view the wish list. ← ← ←

You can also support PJTC by donating to their general fund at pjtc.net/donate, sponsoring a Shabbat gathering, or spreading the word. Every act of kindness helps rebuild their community, one step at a time.

We’re thrilled to restart our beloved mitzvah project for the Ronald McDonald House in Orange, now reopened after a two-year renovation.

Pull together

POP TABS



Make a difference

Help support families with children at CHOC by collecting pop tabs—the little flips from soda, soup, or beer cans. It’s easy, ongoing, and impactful. Drop them off anytime at the entry table or gift shop counter. Every tab counts!



A new puzzle each month to test your knowledge of Jewish culture, temple life, and Torah trivia. It's all about fun and connection. Grab a pen and join the challenge— maybe even earn some bragging rights!

Match the Passover terms (left column) to the correct meaning (right column)

Passover Terms

Meanings

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|--------------------------|---|
| A. Matzah | 1. Symbolizes the mortar used by Hebrew slaves in Egypt |
| B. Maror | 2. Represents renewal and the cycle of life |
| C. Charoset | 3. A symbol of spring and rebirth; dipped in salt water |
| D. Karpas | 4. Eaten to remember the bitterness of slavery |
| E. Zeroa (shank bone) | 5. Tells the story of the Exodus and guides the Seder |
| F. Beitzah (roasted egg) | 6. Unleavened bread, recalling the Israelites' haste to leave Egypt |
| G. Elijah's Cup | 7. Reserved for a future prophet's return |
| H. Four Cups of Wine | 8. Symbolizes the Passover sacrifice offered in the Temple |
| I. Haggadah | 9. Eaten last to symbolize the end of the meal and freedom |
| J. Afikoman | 10. Represent joy and the four promises of redemption |



Giving Back to our Community

- ✿ Sponsor erev Shabbat flowers (email office@tboldm.org)
- ✿ Sponsor an Oneg (email religion@tboldm.org)
- ✿ Shabbat Greetings (email fundraising@tboldm.org)
- ✿ Tree of life (email office@tboldm.org)
- ✿ Framed Torah portions (email office@tboldm.org)
- ✿ Donation to general or specific fund (<https://tboldm.shulcloud.com/payment.php>)

Check out tboldm.org for more information or contact us at office@tboldm.org for more information on Temple Beth Ohr committees, clubs, and other groups.