

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Happy spring! This season feels like it's brought hope along with the more pleasant weather. I hope you have had a chance to enjoy the sun when it's been out. We have a little way to go but being back in the building is on the horizon. With the nicer weather, we will begin to gather outdoors and I hope to see many of you at upcoming events in person! As our reopening group begins to make more decisions about this process, we will be certain to keep you informed. Please continue to reach out as you have questions about the process.

Things in the office at OZ have been busy this season. I have been spending my time working on transitioning some of our older technology, which is long overdue, to updated versions. We are in the process of updating our CRM (the tool that stores all our data about membership, billing, yahrzeits and more) and you will be involved in this process come summer. Here's a bit of a preview into some of the exciting new features that will soon be available to our community:

- You will be able to login to a member portal online and edit and update your personal information. If you move and have a new address, phone number or anything changes, you can edit this information yourself.
- You will be able to login and see your transaction history and billing information via the secure member portal and update your billing information if you wish.
- You will be able to update yahrzeit information, and select how you'd like to be notified.
- You will be able to sign up for events, see our calendar of upcoming events and donate all in one location.
- A member directory will be available so you can arrange carpools or access the phone number or email address for a friend.

This process has been months in the making and we are certain there will be a lot of learning along the way. We're here to help and when it is finally released, we'll be able to assist anyone with questions. This new technology may sound like a small change but it will really bring our community into better connection and provide a platform for growth.

A few additional updates from the building: Last month we completed long overdue roof work which will solve a persistent leak that was impacting our lounge and classrooms. This is great news for the longevity of our building. We owe many thanks to Raul who led this effort and was on site to manage the process.

In other exciting building news, restoration work has begun on the Lost Mural. This is a very exciting time for the mural as well as for the OZ community as we get a front row seat to this piece of living history. As we begin to re-open the building we will be in touch about new traffic patterns that will be necessary so as to not disrupt the restoration process.

Hope you are having a wonderful spring!

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