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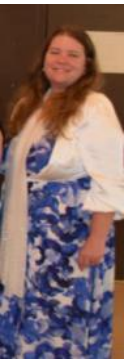
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newest Team member!



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The Jewish Federation welcomes, our newest team member; Elizabeth Frederick, PJ Library Coordinator.

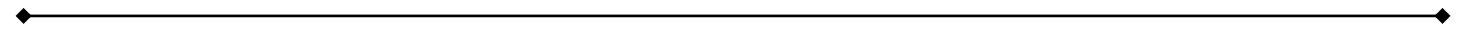


I am Elizabeth Frederick, JD, and I am thrilled to announce that I am your new PJ Library Coordinator for Orange County, NY! I am excited to embark on this journey, bringing our community closer together through engaging and educational events for our children. Our mission is to foster a love for Jewish traditions and create lasting memories.

To kick things off, join us on July 21st at 10:30 am at the top of Bear Mountain for our first event! We'll marvel at the stunning views of Orange County, enjoy a short hike, and get creative by painting parts of nature. Don't forget to bring water and a snack!

Additionally, I encourage all children aged 9-12 to sign up for PJ Our Way. This program allows them to choose their own books each month, providing a personalized and enriching experience. Whether your child is new to PJ Library or has been a part of it before, now is the perfect time to renew or sign up for the first time. The books are still free for those who sign-up.

I look forward to seeing you and your families at our events and building a strong, vibrant community together!



In case you missed our annual meeting last month here are some excerpts from Rissa Cutler, our board president's words. She shared some of the work we did in 2023 and some of the challenges we face.

It is appropriate to take a moment to acknowledge the ongoing war and tragedy that has become the reality of 2024. Israel continues to fight for survival and peace, Ukraine and its citizens deal with the reality of war each day, and here in the United States, we are facing regular and increasing incidents of antisemitism and other hate. Now, more than ever, we must dedicate ourselves to continuing the mission of our Federation to support a strong Jewish community and open our hearts to our fellow citizens in need. May we continue to heal, educate, recover, and grow stronger together. **The** important work of our Federation has continued to flourish, and the impact of this effort can be seen all over Orange County. This work would be impossible to do without the dedication of our staff.



**Rissa Cutler,
Board President**

Georgia Mason, our bookkeeper, is starting her 38th year with us. If you have ever met Georgia, I am sure you will agree that she does much more than our bookkeeping. She talks to our donors, keeps up to date records and has served as counsel to me, always having the information I need at her fingertips.

Pam Mason is completing her second year with Federation as our administrative assistant and communications and web administrator. Pam has jumped into the operations of our office and has worked to give our weekly emails a new look, put together our newsletter, oversee our event registration pages and so much more. She is dedicated to the Federation and has a strong commitment to the work we do. Working alongside her mom, Georgia, the Mason Legacy continues to be a valuable part of our operations.

Wendy Cedar, our executive director, is completing her third year with us. Since joining our organization, Wendy has become a member of the Orange County Human Rights Commission and has represented our Federation at the Orange County Chamber of Commerce. She has worked to participate in the work of our committees and has been closely involved in our responses to antisemitism in partnership with our Community Relations Council. A quick response is always required on the part of the Federation, and Wendy is right there each time, coordinating with our Council members, reaching out to the community and writing press releases. This important work would not happen without her dedication.

Under the direction of Director Judy Ronay, our Zachor Antisemitism initiative reached more than 4,500 students and adults in 2023 and is already impacting more than 1800 this year. Judy has worked with the Newburgh, Washingtonville, Monroe-Woodbury, Goshen, Warwick,

Valley Central, Florida, Highland Falls, Middletown and Pine Bush schools. Thanks to our strong partnership with Orange County schools, our Stop Hate Essay Contest, under Judy's direction, had 140 submissions this year. These important programs will continue to be strong in the coming year as we work to educate and partner with our community against antisemitism.

Staff: L to R: **Judy Ronay:** Director, **Zachor antisemitism Initiative,** **Georgia Mason:** Office Manager, **Pamela Mason:** Administrative Assistant, **Loretta Trinco,** JOY Teen Coordinator, **Wendy Cedar:** Executive Director, **Elizabeth Frederick,** PJ Library Coordinator.

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Teaching our young people about our history and connecting them to our Jewish community is an important responsibility for us. This year, we have sponsored and participated in many important events for our families. Some highlights include our community wide Purim Carnival, a teen program for Israel at 75, and Jewish Jubilation Day at the Hudson Valley Renegades. And thanks to the support of our donors, we are able to welcome Loretta Trinco to Federation as our new teen coordinator. Loretta is already planning exciting events for our local teens to connect them to each other and our community.

For our youngest children and their families, we continue our PJ Library work and welcome Liz Frederick as our new PJ Library Coordinator. Liz will be working to expand our PJ Library programming and add to the wonderful events we have sponsored this year. After receiving a grant, we partnered and collaborated with the Newburgh JCC for 5 Choose Your Own Adventure Shabbat experiences in 2023. We have requested this grant for a second year so that we can expand this program to other areas of the county. We also participated in a 3-county collaborative PJ Library program at Kedem Winery to broaden our family connection throughout our area.

The commitment of these professionals and our Federation Board, has enabled our work to touch thousands of community members, making a positive impact along the way.

We were able to fund scholarships for 5 children to attend Jewish summer camp, and another 2 for teens who went on Israel trips. Our ongoing support of Jewish Family Service helps to fund the wonderful work they do throughout Orange County.

Our microgrant program, chaired by Steve Rubinsky, continues to receive increased requests for funding. It started in 2019 with a budget of \$2,000 and had 4 program requests. We have already funded 5 programs in 2024, with a budget of \$10,000. Many of the programs in our local synagogues and partner organizations can only happen because of the hard work of Steve and his committee.

Thanks to the generosity of many donors, we were also able to sponsor many community events last year. Included in this long, successful list are the Israel @ 75 event, 4 programs through our Jewish Book Council, our first annual Federation Fun Day (save the date for our second one on August 18!), our Standing with Israel and Prayers for Israel events in conjunction with our Klei Kodesh, our major donors thank you event shortly after the October 7 attacks, a community-wide Shabbat service and dinner, and SUNY Orange Jewish Club's holiday table at a college event.

The increase in Jewish hate and bias is an ongoing problem and our Jewish community is in need of much support. Congressman Pat Ryan has been a staunch supporter and Federation thanked him with a letter delivered to his Kingston office earlier this year. In addition, in collaboration with AIPAC, we held a conversation with the Congressman. We partnered with several organizations to educate our community and bring a greater layer of security to our partner organizations. Among them are the NYS Hate and Bias Prevention Unit, where we were able to bring an MLK movie and discussion to Kol Yisrael and a virtual Bystander Intervention training to the community. Recently, we also sponsored a Faces of October 7 program at Temple Beth Shalom.

Security is a concern for all of us so last year we began a collaboration with LiveSecure, a security program supported by JFNA, to bring a Security Director to the community. To be able to continue this initiative, we will need sponsors to help keep this going in the years ahead. Please let us know if you are able to help support this effort.



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Bios of all of The Volunteers of the
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2023-2024 Volunteers of the Year

Congregation Agudas Israel: Sharon Kelson: Congregation Agudas Israel is pleased to nominate Sharon Kelson as our Volunteer of the Year. Sharon is a long time member of Congregation Agudas Israel. She has served in many leadership positions over the years including President, Treasurer, Ritual Committee, and Rabbi Search Committee Chair. Sharon also volunteers her time for local and national Jewish organizations. She is currently Vice President of Kol Yisrael and National Annual Planning & Revenue Share Chair for Hadassah. Sharon is always one of the first people at CAI to step up and take on whatever needs to be done. You can find her cooking in our kitchen for a Friday night dinner, handing out aliyot during High Holiday services and actively directing Board discussions. She has been a major presence in our building and our congregation life.

Sharon - congratulations and thank you for all that you do for our CAI community!



Congregation Beth Hillel/Walden Jewish Community Center: Marilyn Nelson: Marilyn is a long time member who works behind the scenes to keep our shul and pantry supplied with all the items we need for every event we hold--for decades. Marilyn does not ask for thanks or attention, but quietly and humbly does the work that every shul needs to function. Marilyn is also a baker. Again, quietly and behind the scenes Marilyn comes to our kitchen and bakes for the holidays, especially Chanukah. Congregation Beth Hillel/ Walden Jewish Community Center is proud to honor Marilyn-- Eshet Hayil and Woman of Valor.

Congregation Eitz Chaim & Sisterhood

Congregation Eitz Chaim and our Sisterhood nominate Bonnie Brunner, Vicky Morales, and Ellen McNally for our Volunteers of the Year. They have dedicated countless hours cleaning out and organizing our basement. Through their efforts, our basement now looks fantastic, many people and organizations were able to benefit from items we were no longer using, and whatever was unusable was responsibly recycled.

Bonnie Brunner: When Bonnie Brunner married David in January 1988, he was already a member of Eitz Chaim. She became a member as well, and has been volunteering with the synagogue ever since. From Education Committee Chairperson to Sisterhood Membership Co-Chair, to Trustee, to her most recent project of cleaning out/recycling the Eitz Chaim basement and the library, she is being honored today for her on going dedication to Eitz Chaim.



Vicky Morales: Vicky Morales joined Eitz Chaim sisterhood through her friend Shelley Goldbaum. When she joined she became sisterhood secretary. Most recently she was involved in finding homes for books & gift shop items. Eitz Chaim has inspired her

to look deeper into her journey with Judaism.

Ellen McNally: Ellen McNally has been a member of Eitz Chaim since 2017

and has served as a trustee since 2020. She joined the Eitz Chaim Sisterhood in 2013. As a Sisterhood member, she serves as co-chair of the membership committee. Over the years she has helped to organize Sisterhood dinners, as well as trips to Jewish Museums and exhibitions in the city. These past few months she has worked alongside Bonnie and Vicky to clear out the Eitz Chaim basement by recycling a room full of books, educational materials and gift shop items. She is being honored for the time she has put into this project and for her dedication to Eitz Chaim.



Jewish Federation: Allen Nakagawa: Allen Nakagawa helps prepare our mailings in the office whenever his wife tells him to! He is always ready with a smile, a more efficient way to get the job done and to show up when needed - including helping at our first annual Federation Funday - Allen, our 2nd Funday is on August 18th - we hope you're available that day too! helping hands and positive attitudes!



Thank you to Gail Conklin for taking all of the photos for the 48th Annual Meeting.

Right: Cantor Nava Herzog Singing The Star-Spangled Banner & Hatikvah



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Jewish Federation: Lorraine Wernow: Lorraine Wernow finds time to squeeze us in to her busy volunteering schedule! She not only helps prepare our mailings, but is available to help with other office support including; filing, shredding, and bringing lunch when it's needed! She was honored by her synagogue as volunteer of the year last year, so it's our turn to honor her this year.

Both Allen and Lorraine regularly make time to help us, and without the work that they do for Federation we would not be able to get

everything done. We are extremely grateful for their help!

Jewish Family Services: John Mattera: (Accepting for John, Nickie Ronsini, JFS):

Jewish Family Service of Orange County is a not-for-profit organization that provides transportation, case management, shopping assistance, counseling, and various other services to seniors and individuals with disabilities in the Orange County community.

John Mattera is an active volunteer with Jewish Family Service of Orange County. He is a member of the Warwick Knights of Columbus, St. Stevens Parish Council, is a St. Stevens Usher, and is involved in the Rotary Club. He believes that volunteering has changed his life tremendously, saying that he is "Getting more out of it than he is giving", when talking about how volunteering has impacted his life.

John has volunteered for over 900 events, equaling to a total of 1,459 volunteer hours with Jewish Family Service. John began his volunteer journey with JFS 5 years ago in May of 2019, and volunteers 3-5 days a week. He assists several seniors in our Orange County Community with transportation to medical appointments and also provides rides to our neighbors so they may attend daily mass at their local Church. John provided care to a blind man who needed help in completing tasks such as shopping or getting transportation for medical appointments. John's most inspirational and influential volunteer experience with JFS was when he was taking a man to dialysis every week for two years, and toward the end of his life they had grown so close that he had asked John to look after his wife and family after he has passed. The man also asked John to make sure that the Knights of Columbus' were at his wake, and that the service would go as he planned. He is now best friends with the man's wife and regularly checks in with her. John does not just bring neighbors to and from their appointments; he bonds with them and becomes their friend and confidant in a time of need.

John would like everyone to consider volunteering because of how much it has changed his life, believing that it added a quality to his life he didn't know he was missing. He mentioned that when his kids left the house as they got older, he felt a void growing, and volunteering has helped fill that void. John stated, "Volunteering adds love to your life".

We believe that John is an ideal candidate for the Volunteer of the Year award due to his continuous dedication to volunteering and helping our Orange County community.

Kol Yisrael: Debbie Metzner: Debbie Metzner was born and raised in Orange County. She is a lifelong member of Temple Beth Jacob where she currently serves as a board member and sits on the cemetery committee. An integral part of the Kol Yisrael community, Debbie regularly dedicates her time to events, fundraisers, and gatherings for all of our organizations. This year, Debbie was a core volunteer for a major Tikkun Olam project and multiple major fundraisers, among many other events and projects. She recently retired from the Orange County Department of Social Services after 30+ years of working with children and families in need. We are grateful to have her positive energy and helpful attitude during all of our events.

Monroe Hadassah: Maria Rabinowitz: It is with great honor and privilege that Monroe Hadassah nominates Maria Rabinowitz as our Volunteer of the Year. Maria became a Hadassah member and a Monroe Hadassah board member just 8 years ago. She started out as our hospitality chair, and then became at-large for a period to take care of her ailing husband Marty. Her Hadassah membership is Silver Chai Society, and she is a Monroe Hadassah Heroine donor. She recently became our social secretary and our Cards & Certificates chair, increasing sales exponentially. We look forward to her input at our monthly board meetings and her kosher recipes at our monthly membership meetings. She is especially appreciative of the support of her Hadassah "sisters" since Marty's passing just over a year ago. In his memory, she

often wears her Endless Beginnings necklace, which has the quote from Hadassah's founder, Henrietta Szold, "There is no ending that is not a beginning." Maria decided to convert to Judaism in 1978 after she met and married Marty Rabinowitz. Marty considered himself a "holiday Jew" then, but he encouraged her desire to have a kosher home, declaring, "a contented wife makes a happy life." The two of them became staunch supporters of Jewish culture and religion. They lived for a time in Brooklyn NY, where she worked as an elementary school teacher, before moving to Monroe. Maria is proud to support Chabad of Orange County, Monroe Temple Beth El, and Eitz Chaim, as well as Jewish Federation.



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Monroe Temple of Liberal Judaism: Robin Rosenberg: Monroe Temple of Liberal Judaism is proud to nominate Robin Rosenberg as our Volunteer of the Year. A former Sisterhood President and the current 1st Vice President of the Temple, Robin is a committed member of our Temple family. A little over our year ago Robin volunteered revamp the way our Religious School Committee worked by leading monthly parent discussions. Unbeknownst to Robin, or anyone, her role quickly changed as the Monroe Temple and Temple Beth Shalom in Florida began discussions of merging our two religious schools.



In addition to her other Board responsibilities, Robin worked tirelessly helping combine our two religious schools, not just through our Beit Sefer Committee and Executive Committee, but also by being present every Sunday to ensure that there was leadership continually present when parents from the different synagogues would attend. She made sure to not only comfort their souls with her presence, but also their bellies with the bagels she brought in every Sunday! Robin is one of the primary reasons for Beit Sefer's successful inaugural year. As there was no principal or director, she served as an important community and Temple voice during what could have been a difficult transitional period.

We would be remiss not to mention Robin's favorite story regarding Beit Sefer, "Beit Sefer is Hebrew for House of the Book. We literally named our school, 'school.'"

Michael Isseks: Monroe Temple of Liberal Judaism proudly nominates Michael Isseks as our Volunteer of the Year. A history and social studies teacher with over thirty years of experience, Michael has always been passionate about Israel, Israeli current events, and Israeli politics. Over the years, Michael has hosted a variety of discussion groups regarding all things Israel.

However, within 48 hours of the October 7th tragedy, Michael sprang into action to lead a discussion for the congregation and community, who were struggling to come to terms with what had just happened. This initial gathering turned out to be the first of an ongoing series of discussions dealing with the aftermath of October 7th.

Attendees quickly found these gatherings to be safe places where we could not only discuss the issues facing Israel but where we could openly share our feelings and emotions. Many attendees have commented that Michael's groups have not only been eye-opening and educational but they have proven to be a therapeutic outlet as well.

Michael's passion and love of Israel and Judaism are abundantly apparent as is his willingness to gather, educate and invigorate his community. Most importantly, Michael Isseks has worked tirelessly to inspire future generations of proud and informed Jews.

Monroe Temple Beth-El Sisterhood: Leslye Joseph: Leslye is extremely honored and privileged to be nominated as "Volunteer of the Year". Leslye is heading in to the third year as President of the Sisterhood for Monroe Temple. She loves what she does and is proud to lead such a fantastic group of women on a spiritual, social and meaningful journey if Jewish life.

Newburgh Jewish Community Center: Alyson Mehr:

Alyson Mehr has a professional background in social work, social policy and youth education. She is currently the lead in the curriculum development & design of the most recent iteration of the Tot Shabbat Program at the Newburgh JCC. Her dedication to helping create and lead this program has made a significant impact on the JCC's community outreach in getting new people to the Center. She is a JCC board member and a current Temple Beth Jacob community member. She enjoys being a mom, working with young people in non-traditional learning environments, and furthering her own study of Judaism.

Temple Beth Jacob: Susan Notar (Accepting for Sue, Stacey Yerger): Temple Beth Jacob is very proud to nominate Susan Notar as our volunteer of the year. Susan is the president of our sisterhood and ensures that there is a robust slate of activities - from monthly Rosh Chodesh gatherings to

bi-monthly book clubs to seasonal favorites - Susan is the chief planner and the brain behind the operation ensuring that we are kept busy, entertained and thinking. She is very knowledgeable and able to lead us in a wide myriad of historical and current topics and ensures everyone is included. From trips to local theatre to holiday specific events, such as women's Seder and Hanukkah proneg, she ensures that the modern Jewish women's voice is heard. Susan works to ensure we have a platform to discuss, support and even commiserate when needed. She fosters an environment of friendship, and bonding. For the thousands of small things she attends to, which make events seamless and everyone feel included, we are proud to have her as our volunteer of the year.



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Temple Beth Jacob Sisterhood: Estelle Brown: Estelle is one of the founding members of the TBJ sisterhood and currently serves as our Treasurer. In her duties she makes sure events are priced fairly and that all funds are disbursed and collected. She carries out these duties with fairness, professionalism and decorum. Estelle always has a smile on her face and always volunteers to help - whether it is planning, setting up or cleaning up. You don't need to ask Estelle - she sees a need and immediately pitches in. She gets along with all and her presence and actions help make events run smoothly and successfully. Her spirit and sense of ruach is contagious. For these reasons, the TBJ sisterhood is very proud to nominate Estelle Brown as our volunteer of the year.

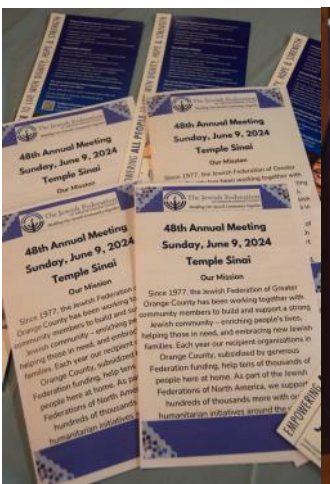


Temple Beth Shalom: Catherine Greenblatt and Gail Conklin: Catherine Greenblatt and Gail Conklin are Temple Beth Shalom's Volunteers of the Year. They are both long-time members of TBS. Catherine is just completing her term as Co-President and will become our Board Treasurer. Gail has been our Corresponding Secretary and pictorial documentarian for many years. For the past few years, Catherine and Gail have teamed up to "cater" many of our in house events. We have given them the nickname of **Green-Lin Caterers**. From homemade lentil soup to homemade rugalach and more, whatever they prepare tastes better than store-bought. We thank them for their dedication to Temple Beth Shalom.

Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood: Wendy Wayman: Our sisterhood at Temple Beth Shalom may be small in number, but we play an essential role in helping to make TBS a warm and welcoming community throughout the year. We have the help of our Jewish Federation Volunteer of the Year Wendy Wayman, and her devotion to sisterhood and Temple Beth Shalom. She is instrumental in organizing our successful fundraising event and being in the forefront of everything sisterhood. I personally would like to thank Wendy and the Sisterhood board for their continued support of me and all our events and fundraising.



Temple Sinai : Jay Karisak: Jay Karasik has been a member of Temple Sinai for 10 years. Born and raised in Monticello, NY, and had a successful 30 year career at Mid- Hudson Psych. Jay has been very active member during his time here with Temple, he is an active participant on Sabbath mornings, bringing the torahs out, leading in the procession. When called upon he also helps out with misc. projects that are needed by our office staff, and lastly Jay is also an active member of our Men's Club. Jay embodies the culture of what it is to be an active member of Temple Sinai.



The Harold Levine Named Endowment Fund Program

The Harold Levine Endowment Program of the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County currently has 61 Endowments with a principle of over \$4,500,000. These funds can be established with any amount of money. The interest is reinvested in the funds until they reach a corpus of \$5,000, at which time distributions can be made to named charities.

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- A contribution has been made to the Jewish Federation by Karen Levin in memory of Allison Druyanoff's beloved father, Dr. Sidney Cole.
- A contribution has been made to the Jewish Federation by Jane Friedland in honor of Marilyn Nelson, Volunteer of the Year 5784 for Congregation Beth Hillel/Walden Jewish Community Center.
- A contribution has been made to the Jewish Federation by Karen Levin in honor of Dr. Barry Pariser's 90th Birthday. Mazel Tov!



My Tree In Israel

- * All orders of wine place by July 31st, will be received in September 2024
 - * Adopt an olive tree by 11/15/24 for December '24 delivery of your olive oil
 - * For adoptions after these dates, expect delivery of your gift in the 2025 season
- Use The QR Code To Order.
They Are Now Offering Whiskey Too, Visit The Website To Learn More!
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**GIFT OF LIFE MARROW REGISTRY -
TOGETHER WE ARE HELPING TO SAVE LIVES...**



WOO HOO!! Match #81!! It's time for another happy dance!!

Gift of Life Marrow Registry believes every person battling blood cancers, and a hundred other diseases, deserves a second chance at life – and we are determined to help make it happen. Many of our donors have been found as a result of the swabbing drives we have held on local college campuses, in fitness centers, and at festivals and events.

Visitors to our swabbing tables are able to join the registry on the spot with a quick swipe inside their cheeks with a cotton swab. Every donor who joins the registry has the potential to save someone's life. If you are available to help out at a donor recruitment drive, even for a couple of hours, please contact Sherrill Lazarus smlazarus@yahoo.com or Gail Oliver gailao777@aol.com

You can request a swabbing kit at home, www.giftolife.org.

Sharing Some Good News:

"Dear Gail, On Sep 07, 2022 you helped facilitate a donor drive in Newburgh at Mount Saint Mary College. We are thrilled to inform you that a donor recruited at that drive, which was funded by the Valencia Palms Donor Circle, has matched for a 41 year old woman battling leukemia (AML). We are truly grateful for all you have done to help grow the Gift of Life Marrow Registry, and we thank you for being a part of our family of dedicated volunteers."

Thanks go to Sherrill Lazarus, Lorraine Wernow, Mona Rieger, Joan Gittelsohn, Barbara Rubin and Jane Idell for all of their efforts that day to help find someone's miracle match!!! **TWO MATCHES IN ONE WEEK FROM THE SAME DRIVE!! WOW!**



Our upcoming drives are:

- ◆ Saturday, July 13th 5-9pm "Soul Under the Stars: Prince vs. Michael Jackson" Safe Harbors Green, 111 Broadway, Newburgh
- ◆ Sunday, August 18th: 12-4pm Federation Funday at Thomas Bull Memorial Park, 211 NY-416, Montgomery

Contact The JFS Friendly Visitor Program at 845-341-1173 or email volunteer@jfsorange.org to register for the training or for more information about services available for older neighbors throughout Orange County.

Our training prepares volunteers to provide specific support to older adults, including local transportation for essential appointments, grocery shopping, friendly visits, and phone check-in calls. Volunteering is rewarding and flexible. Pre-registration is required. Background checks and Insurance while volunteering is provided. Jewish Family Service partners with the Office for the Aging to support older neighbors throughout Orange County. JFS is a recipient agency of Jewish Federation of Orange County and a member of National Volunteer Caregiving Network.

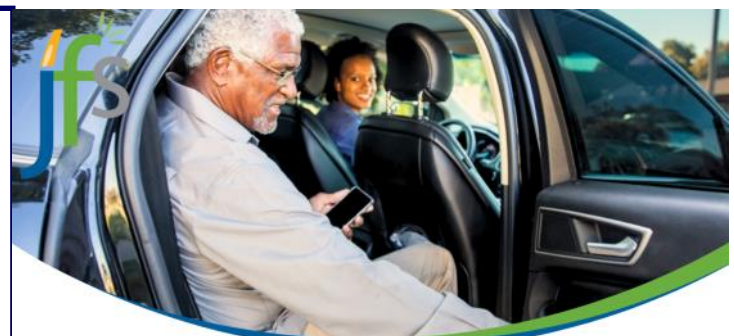
Upcoming Training Dates (Each Session is 2-hours):

- ◆ Wednesday, July 17th 10am: Cornwall
- ◆ Tuesday, July 23rd 10am: Middletown/Virtual
- ◆ Tuesday, July 30th 10am: Warwick

To Register Call 845-314-1173 ext. 305 or Email: volunteer@jfsorange.org

Jewish Family Service-Support for Holocaust Survivors is collecting the following items, below.

- ◆ Toilet Paper
- ◆ Paper Towel
- ◆ Garbage Bags
- ◆ Storage bags/new containers of all sizes
- ◆ Paper goods; plates, napkins, cups
- ◆ Cleaning supplies
- ◆ Laundry detergent/softener
- ◆ Bleach
- ◆ Sponges



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OUR DOORS ARE OPEN TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

**Be the Change.
Volunteer Today!**

Who are we?

Jewish Family Service of Orange County is a nonprofit organization that offers several volunteer opportunities to work with older adults aged 60+ and adults/children with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Provide transportation for seniors to/from medical appointments
- Assist seniors with grocery shopping
- Provide wellness calls to seniors
- Visits to seniors in-home
- Volunteer with children with intellectual or developmental disabilities through our KidsConnect program
- Assist with our Roots program to do recreational activities with adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Connect with us:

- ☎ (845) 341-1173 x305
- 🏠 720 Route 17M Middletown, NY 10940
- 🌐 jfsorange.org

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These household items can be dropped off at JFS: 720 Route 17M Middletown, NY 10940 or pick-up can be arranged by calling 845-341-1173 ext. 306 If you would like to make a monetary donation, please go jfsorange.org/donate/donate-online

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jfs SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED

August 26, 2024 - August 30, 2024, from 9am-3pm

KidsConnect Summer Camp

KidsConnect is looking for camp counselors that are energetic, attentive, reliable, and work well with children with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

Staff 18+ and Volunteers 13+
Pay ranges from \$15.50-\$17.00 depending on education and experience.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Ashley Meza, Case Manager
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Support Services Are Available!

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Services Provided

- Transportation for older adults to/from medical appointments
- Assistance with grocery shopping
- Wellness calls to older adults
- Friendly visits for socialization
- Summer camp for children with intellectual/developmental disabilities
- Seasonal recreational programming for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities

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Office for the Aging

SAVE THE DATE

Upcoming Events

- Sunday, September 22nd: Major Gifts
- Sunday, September 29th: The Levine Speaker Series Welcomes Michael Soberman at Temple Sinai, Middletown.
- Sunday, November 3rd: The Levine Speaker Series Welcomes Yonah Jeremy Bob
- WATCH FOR DETAILS On Our Upcoming Jewish Book Council Authors

More Details Coming Soon!

Have an idea?

Jewish in OC Micro Grant

Applications Open Today!
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A Micro-Grant can foster new ideas in the Orange County Jewish community bringing us together, connecting us with a positive impact and helping the community learn and grow together.

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Togethering: This new program brings groups of young (25-40) couples together to explore, through immersive travel experiences, what Jewish wisdom, traditions, and culture can bring to their lives. Our **next Togethering trip** will send Seattle-based couples to Santa Fe, New Mexico from **September 25 to 29**. Other Fall trips will be to Paradise Valley, Montana and to the Catskills Mountain region of New York State. For additional information, contact **Sumiko Zayon**, Togethering Program Manager in Community and Jewish Life.

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Learn More: <https://togethering.org/>

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