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May 2022 Nisan / Iyar / Sivan 5782



THE 2022 STOP HATE SYMPOSIUM FOR ORANGE COUNTY TEACHERS AND TEENS IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 Washingtonville High School

We are excited to announce the winners of our annual Stop the Hate Challenge, sponsored by our Zachor Antisemitism Initiative. The contest was open to all 7th-12th grade students in Orange County.



Winning entries this year were poems based on the topic: "Agents of Positive Change". Ms. Susan Notar, Chairperson of the Zachor Antisemitism committee introduced the winners and their entries. Naa Korkoi Areetey, a 10th grader at Warwick Valley High School wrote about Ruby Bridges in her poem: "Billions of Flowers". Mia Lynn Crovetto, an 8th grader at Monroe Woodbury Middle School, wrote about Ida B. Wells in her poem: "Freedom of Speech, at What Cost?" Both students read their winning entries alongside their teachers, Ms. Kristen Carter and Ms. Marilyn Brozyki Smith. The students and their teachers received cash prizes. To read the winning entries, visit: JewishOrangeNY.org/2022StopHateSymposium



← Naa Korkoi Areetey, with her mother, her teacher, Marilyn Brozyki Smith and Kathy Kimball-Wurster, Zachor Director.



→ Mia Lynn Crovetto, with her parents, her teacher, Kristen Carter and Federation Executive Director Wendy Cedar.

Jewish Orange Youth
WORDStoACTION
 Empowering Students to Address Antisemitism

Free Anti-Defamation League Training for teens 13 to 19 years old

How to deal with antisemitism in the School Setting

Sunday, May 22nd, 2022
 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Temple Sinai
 75 Highland Ave.
 Middletown NY 10940

RSVP: Zachor@jewishorangeny.org

Sponsored by the Zachor Antisemitism Initiative of the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County NY

Every registered participant receives a Certificate of Completion and 2 hours of Community Service Training.

FIND YOUR VOICE.
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Words to Action
 is an interactive program for teens that provides resources and tools to strategically respond to antisemitism and anti-Israel bias in any form,

including:

- Stereotypes and Prejudice
- Hate Speech/Free Speech
- Vandalism
- Anti-Israel Incidents

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FROM ZACHOR DIRECTOR KATHY KIMBALL-WURSTER:

In April, Michael Melasky and I held a workshop on Modern Antisemitism to 50 students at Seward High School in Florida, NY. Thanks again, Michael!

We have more programs running in May including:

- A school-wide program on "Resilience" at Monroe-Woodbury Middle School, with a traveling exhibit and speakers from the Holocaust Museum in Rockland.
- Students from Washingtonville High School will visit the Holocaust museum
- Sunday, May 22nd, 2022 - "Words to Action Workshop" from ADL for our Jewish Orange Youth (JOY) teens at Temple Sinai see flyer to the left. There is no cost and a Certificate of Completion with 2 hours of service will be provided at the end of the training.

Please feel free to share any JOY program with the teens in your life!

All of these important events are made possible through the generous support of the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County Zachor Antisemitism Initiative.

**NJCC HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE
COUNTY-WIDE YOM HASHOAH PROGRAM
SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022**

**Fulfilling Our
Promise to
Remember Them**



Honoring the memory of Holocaust survivor Dr. Paula Neyman, in commemoration of Yom HaShoah, we viewed excerpts of Dr. Neyman's testimony from Steven Spielberg's USC Shoah Foundation films, in which she described some of her experiences during the Holocaust. The over 100 in-person participants and nearly 150 online participants heard personal stories from Dr. Neyman's daughters and granddaughter. Deputy Director of the West Point Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Michael Geheren, and Jewish Chaplain Major David Frommer, welcomed the visitors.

With a beautiful intergenerational collaboration, Joyce Mizrachi, another Holocaust survivor, read the poem *Tattoo*, by Michael Brownstein, with her granddaughter Allyson Levin.

In a moving candle-lighting ceremony, family members of Holocaust survivors from all over Orange County lit commemorative candles. Six candles were lit, one for each million Jews lost during the genocide. A 7th candle was lit by Pastor Peter Rustico from St. John's Lutheran Church in Middletown, in memory of the millions of Righteous Gentiles who risked their own lives to help save people they didn't even know and other groups that were deemed less-than-human by the Nazis. An 8th "candle of hope" was lit by Dr. Neyman's daughter. Overall, it was a beautiful commemoration with a message of hope for a better future for us all. [More pictures can be found here.](#)



**Jewish Orange Youth
(JOY)**

potter's party

On April 24th, the Jewish Orange Youth (JOY) group met at Potter's Party, a ceramics studio. There were colorful figurines, bowls, mugs, plaques, jewelry boxes, and more. Everyone created their own ceramic piece, which they take home once fired in the kiln.



This artistic event was funded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County NY and is part of JOY, a Jewish youth engagement group that brings together children and teens from all parts of the county. To see more pictures, visit: jewishorangeny.org/pottery-party-4-24-22



[You can still honor a special woman
in your life here.](#)

HONOR A SPECIAL WOMAN TRIBUTE
Although we had to cancel our "Genius of Women" event, there was still interest in honoring some special women in many people's lives. We present several entry options that will be published in our June, 2022 Newsletter. If the interest continues, we will keep this portal open and publish again in the future.

Pop-Up Art Exhibit



'Kristallnacht' by Dean Goldberg

DEAN GOLDBERG'S "KRISTALLNACHT" PHOTO EXHIBIT LOOKS AT THE SINS OF THE PAST IN HIS "FRAMING HISTORY" SERIES.

Opening Sunday, May 22nd at the Jewish Community Center in Newburgh, "Kristallnacht" tells the story of two lovers who grew up together in a little village outside of Munich who are forced by history to go their separate ways, one to kill and the other to be killed.

Goldberg's installation includes life size photos, props and location shoot, plus a video that brings to the screen those terrible days in that begun in 1938.

The exhibit will be open for three weeks, from May 22nd to June 10th.

On Thursday, May 26th, a panel of experts will be discussing the topic: Is Anti-Semitism in America the new normal? The panel will feature Rabbi Kohn, Rabbi Kliger and Werner Steger. Dean Goldberg will moderate. Registration information coming soon.



While our PJ Play program is wrapping up for this season, we're pleased to share some pictures from the past few months. Off to a slow start due to the pandemic, we hope to continue these successful gatherings in the future.

We are looking for a parent or two who may be interested in coordinating get-togethers with other PJ Library families in your area. If you are interested in doing this, or have any questions about what it might entail, please reach out to Wendy at: director@jewishorangenj.org.



Kol Yisrael

↓ Monroe Temple ↑

Temple Sinai



An older neighbor in your town needs help with grocery shopping or a ride to a medical appointment. Wellness calls and visits are also requested.

Can you help?

VOLUNTEERING IS FLEXIBLE

Training Dates

Tues., 5/10/22 5:30PM

Wed., 5/18/22 10AM



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