

JEWISH FEDERATION AIMS TO STOP HATE WITH SYMPOSIUM AND ESSAY CONTEST

On April 11th, over 50 middle schoolers and high schoolers, along with faculty from across the county met at Washingtonville High School for an incredible evening of learning. Educators from Jews for Racial and Economic Justice and the Holocaust Museum and Center for Tolerance led sessions at this year's symposium on the topics of white supremacy, anti-Semitism, and the history and culture of the Hasidic community. Thanks to everyone who participated for their eagerness to learn and their passion for making our community and our world a place where we can say "Hate is Not Welcome Here." A special thank you to our Stop Hate Essay Contest and Symposium chair, Susan Notar, for all of her hard work to make this program a success.

Our Essay Contest winners, who were awarded iPads, are 8th grader, Zandrah Bonnick from Washingtonville Middle School and 11th grader, John Torpey from Pine Bush High School. Their essays can be read on the Federation website, www.jewishorangeny.org/2019-stop-hate-essay-contest.



Above: enthusiastic students during one of the presentations, students showing posters from the Holocaust Museum Center for Tolerance.

Above, l-r: Federation President Carla Wise, Washingtonville Middle School teacher Courtney Kaufmann, 8th Grade Essay Contest winner, Zandrah Bonnick, David Rabbitts, Constituent Services Specialist from Senator James Skoufis's office and Jewish Federation Executive Director, Rabbi Rachel Rubenstein.

PJ Play

Little ones will love rocking out to our Music and Movement Jam, reveling in PJ Library Story Time and crafting their own creations in Magical Craft time. Connect with other families with young children in your neighborhood at this one-of-a-kind Jewish parent/tot experience. You'll want it to become a regular part of your Sunday morning routine! Best suited for children 18mo-5yrs and their grown-ups.



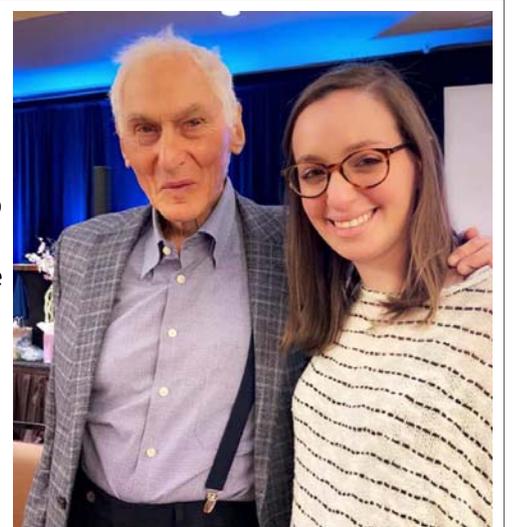
Above: At Temple Sinai, following the Passover theme, the little ones made Elijah's Cups and Miriam's Cups for their Seder tables. Rabbi Marcus Rubenstein led the group in song and a fun time was had by all!



Above and left: Passover Puppet Show at Kol Yisrael. Adorable craft of challah covers and Kiddush cups. Entertainment by Talking Heads Theater.



Rabbi Rachel Rubenstein with Harold Grinspoon at the PJ Library conference in April, getting inspired to bring even more great programming to Orange County. Mr. Grinspoon makes everything we do possible! *Thank you Harold!!*



FINAL PJ PLAY SESSION OF THE SEASON:

Monroe: May 19th
9:30-10:30



43RD FEDERATION ANNUAL MEETING AND BRUNCH
SUNDAY, MAY 19TH 10AM
TEMPLE SINAI, 75 HIGHLAND AVE., MIDDLETOWN



We recognize outgoing President Carla Wise and welcome incoming President Harvey Kallus. Orange County synagogues and Jewish organizations will honor special individuals who have shown outstanding service as their *Volunteers of the Year*, names below.

Election of Officers and Trustees will be held, only members in good standing may vote. Membership requires a minimum gift of \$36 to the 2018 Campaign. Brunch will be served, dietary laws observed. No solicitation.

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YOUR FEDERATION DOLLARS AT WORK...Sandra Lamb as Golda Meir in “Golda’s Balcony - Educational Edition,” presented at Temple Beth Shalom, funded by a Federation Family Education Grant. Pictured here are students of the Religious School and Rabbi Rebecca Shinder with Ms. Lamb.



Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler spoke on March 28th at Orange Ulster BOCES to criminal justice students about hate crimes and the “Stand Up to Speak Up Against Hate” program. Mr. Hoovler gave special thanks to the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County for our help in starting this program.



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