

WE ARE ONE

January 2021 Tevet / Shevat 5781



#LIGHT UP ORANGE COUNTY

On December 16th, the 7th night of Chanukah 2020, over 45 devices Zoomed in for our community candle lighting, hosted by the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County. We were joined by our Klei Kodesh; Rabbi Roger Lerner from Monroe Temple Beth El, Rabbi Douglas Kohn from Temple Beth Jacob-Newburgh, Cantor Nava Herzog from Congregation Beth Hillel-Walden, Rabbi Rebecca Shinder from Temple Beth Shalom- Florida, Rabbi Marcus Rubenstein from Temple Sinai- Middletown and Federation Executive Director Rabbi Rachel Rubenstein. We shared songs, trumpets, a D'var Torah and lighting our chanukiot, bringing together friends from all over the county in virtual reality. We all hope that we will return to in-person gatherings next year. Meanwhile here are some screenshots taken by Sharon Ball.



January 18th 2021 7 to 9PM

For all CIS and Trans women, as well as non-binary folks who are comfortable in spaces that center the experiences of women!

Sponsored by WRJ and Monroe Temple Sisterhood

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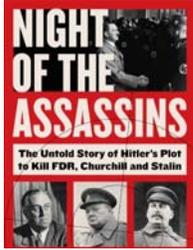
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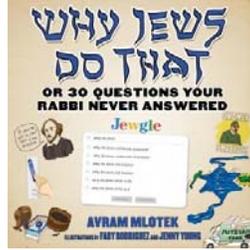
Register:
jewishorangeny.org/JBC-2020-2021

Sunday, 1/17/21 4PM
Howard Blum
"Night of the Assassins"



The Untold Story of Hitler's Plot to Kill FDR, Churchill, and Stalin

Sunday, 1/24/21 4PM
Avram Mlotek
"Why Jews Do That"



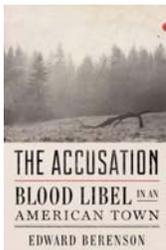
A fun take on "Judaism for Dummies" that will answer all questions wondered by the Goyim and Jewish people alike!

Sunday, 4/18/21 4PM
Thelma Adams
"Bittersweet Brooklyn"



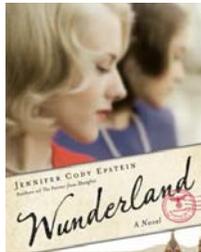
A vivid, female driven immigrant family saga set against the birth of the Jewish mob in Brooklyn at the turn of the 20th Century

Sunday, 5/2/21 12PM
at Temple Sinai
Edward Berenson
"The Accusation"



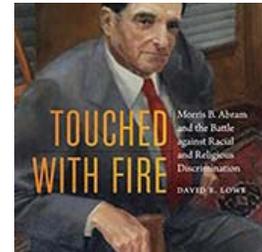
A chilling investigation of America's only alleged case of blood libel, and what it reveals about antisemitism in the United States and Europe.

Sunday, 6/6/21 4PM
Jennifer Cody Epstein
"Wunderland"



Traces the lives of three women across two generations and the repercussions of choices made in the dark days of wartime Germany.

Sunday, 7/11/21 4PM
David E. Lowe
"Touched with Fire"



Morris B. Abram and the Battle against Racial and Religious Discrimination

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SPOTLIGHT ON A PARTNER AGENCY: JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE OF ORANGE COUNTY

New York is home to just under 40,000 Holocaust survivors, a community that continues to decrease each year. Jewish Family Service of Orange County is proud to be able to offer services to a small fraction of survivors and we hope to be able to continue this work in the future. This past year has been a challenge for so many, including an aging population that has already faced many obstacles and challenges. However, if there is one thing we have learned over the years, it is that survivors of the Holocaust are one of the most resilient groups of people we have ever had the pleasure of meeting.

For the past four years, JFS has been honored to be able to provide services to Holocaust survivors and their caregivers. With a grant received from the Jewish Federation of North America we have been able to meet and serve so many wonderful people. During this time JFS has learned so much from those who experienced so much. One of our recent programs has turned out to be very successful and a program we hope to be able to continue. Our **Soup's On** program has allowed us to share not only soup with survivors, but also recipes and nutritional tips that can be used by survivors or their caregivers regularly to enhance their wellbeing. The program has also allowed us to listen and learn

about a journey of perseverance. The Soup's On program has grown to over 20 participants and over 15 family caregivers. Food insecurities of so many has not been lost on Holocaust survivors during the past year. Overall, the program has been met with much success and JFS is glad to be a bridge to many who have and are going through so much. Below is a brief synopsis of some of the feedback JFS has received.

Rae is the wife of Joe, an 84-year-old Holocaust survivor. During a wellness phone call Rae shared, how appreciative she was of our Soup's On Program. "We look forward to our new soup recipes. My husband loves soup, all different kinds of soup, and if we do not have soup, it's just not a meal. We look forward to hearing from Lynne (nutritional educator) regularly with useful follow up suggestions and help. We are very thankful for this program."

Soup's On, is one of four programs offered to Holocaust Survivors and their family caregivers through JFS. Our participants also benefit from Holistic self-care and creative arts – through Songwriting and fine Arts creations. All programs are offered using social distancing guidelines. For more information about this and other programs, please call JFS 845-341-1173.

We are happy to share this delicious parve recipe that was provided by one of our program participants, who asked to remain anonymous. You can substitute fresh or frozen vegetables for canned; add them to the cooked onions in the skillet and continue cooking until all are golden—but in this recipe, using canned green beans, mushrooms and peas will produce a better mock liver. Serve this anytime you want a festive start to a vegetarian, dairy or meat meal.

Mock (Vegetarian) Chopped Liver (Makes about 3 cups)

Ingredients

2 Tablespoons vegetable oil
1/2 cup walnut pieces, toasted, optional
1 (15-ounce) can cut green beans, rinsed and well drained
1 (8-oz) can mushrooms, rinsed and well drained
1/2 of a (15-ounce) can sweet peas, rinsed and well drained

2 large onions, cut in small pieces
3 hard boiled eggs
Salt & pepper to taste
Crackers for serving

Directions:

1. Heat the oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add the onions and cook, stirring often, until medium brown, about 7-8 minutes. Transfer to a bowl and set aside to cool for 5 minutes.
2. In a food processor, pulse the walnuts, if using, just for a few seconds to begin to break them up. Add the sautéed onions, drained string beans, mushrooms and sweet peas, and process, using quick pulses, for about 15 seconds.
3. Add the hard-boiled eggs one at a time, and briefly process until the mixture looks like chopped liver—not too chunky, but not a smooth puree, either. If the mixture looks too dry, add a teaspoon or so of vegetable oil.
4. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
5. Transfer to a serving dish. Cover well and chill at least one hour before serving. Store, tightly covered, up to seven days at 41 degrees F or below in the refrigerator.
6. Enjoy with crackers.



Soup's On

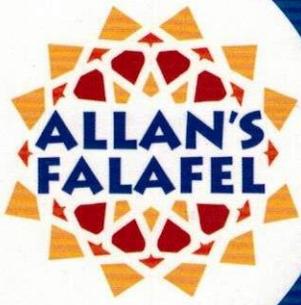
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