

# WE ARE ONE

October 2021 Tishrei / Cheshvan 5782



**DO NOT MISS OUR  
2021 Jewish Film Festival  
Sunday, October 24th  
Fair Oaks Drive In, Middletown  
\$25 per carload  
Doors open 5:45 1st film 6:30 SHARP  
Register here:  
[Jewishorangeny.org/2021FilmFestival](http://Jewishorangeny.org/2021FilmFestival)**



### "Masel Tov Cocktail"

A Russian-Jewish teen living in Germany offers a fierce, darkly comic take on modern Jewish life in a country still not fully at ease with the Jews residing amongst them. **30 min**

### "Here We Are"

Aharon has devoted his life to raising his son Uri. They live together in a gentle routine, away from the real world. But Uri is autistic, and now as a young adult it might be time for him to live in a specialized home. While on their way to the institution, Aharon decides to run away with his son and hits the road, knowing that Uri is not ready for this separation. Or is it, in fact, his father who is not ready?



**92 minutes**



You will have the opportunity to order and pay for dinner from Kosher To Go, which will be delivered to the drive-in. There will be a brief intermission between the short and feature films.

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**Join us for a double bill of one short and one feature film. One \$25 ticket per carload grants you and your passengers admission to both films.**

**REGISTER AND ORDER FOOD HERE: [jewishorangeny.org/2021FilmFestival](http://jewishorangeny.org/2021FilmFestival)  
Please consider sponsoring our Film Festival. There are several opportunities on the registration form, some offering free admission.**



### The Zachor Antisemitism Initiative Update

The Zachor Antisemitism Initiative program continues to work hard to stop hate in Orange County. If you experience antisemitism, please contact us at the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County. Phone 845-562-7860 or reach out to Kathy Kimball-Wurster, Director of the Initiative, Zachor@jewishorangeny.org, or Wendy Cedar, Federation Executive Director, director@jewishorangeny.org.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH 2PM at KOL YISRAEL 290 NORTH ST., NEWBURGH



Are you a history buff and/or simply want to learn more about the importance of diversity in our nation? The Zachor Antisemitism Initiative proudly sponsors a special community event featuring guest speaker **Dr. David Frey**, Professor of History and the Director of the Genocide Studies Center at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was recently seen on 60 Minutes as the primary expert concerning the story of the Ritchie Boys, the secret U.S. unit that helped the Allies defeat the Nazis. This will be a hybrid event and there is no charge. Zoom link will be in your confirmation email. **Register here: [jewishorangeny.org/MeetDrDavidFrey](https://www.jewishorangeny.org/MeetDrDavidFrey)**. In-person attendees will be contacted for proof of vaccination and must wear a mask in the building.

You are cordially invited to the

**Grand OPENING**

of the

**Holocaust Museum & Center for Tolerance and Education**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 10, 2021**

4PM  
Keynote Speakers  
Cultural Arts Center  
Rockland Community College

4:45PM  
Tour of the Museum & Mezuzah Hanging

Kindly RSVP to [holocaustree@gmail.com](mailto:holocaustree@gmail.com) or 845-574-4099 by October 5th

CDC GUIDELINES WIL BE FOLLOWED

Save the Date for A Special Event Sponsored by  
The Harold Levine Endowment Fund of the  
Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County  
Sunday, October 3, 2021 2:30PM 11 Balmville Rd., Newburgh

Featured speaker, Alan Levine, has represented individuals and companies in complex civil, criminal and regulatory matters as lead trial counsel. He successfully tried numerous civil and criminal cases and appeared in federal and state courts throughout the country.



11 BALMVILLE ROAD

Built in the 1930s, The Johnes Holden Home for Aged Couples, closed over five years ago and was purchased by Phil DeAngelo in mid 2018. "It was a gorgeous building," said DeAngelo. He knew right away that he wanted to purchase the property and also have other tenants. Renovations began in 2019 and the building reopened in September, 2020. Direct questions for this hybrid event or RSVP to [director@jewishorangeny.org](mailto:director@jewishorangeny.org).

## SPOTLIGHT ON BLINKOFF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

My name is Jacob Teshome and I am the 2021 Blinkoff Scholarship recipient. I have recently returned from my trip and I'm writing to express my gratitude for being given this opportunity and to tell you about some of my experiences while I was in Israel.

One of my greatest experiences while I was away was a four-day excursion, of my choosing, called Sea to Sea or in Hebrew *Yam I'Yam*. We started out near the Sea of Galilee and finished at the Mediterranean Sea. We hiked on several beautiful mountains, hills, and fields. We also learned about the nature of Israel along the way. When we arrived at the Mediterranean Sea we had a nice picnic and then went swimming. It was a hard journey, but the end was very nice and satisfying.

Another amazing experience I had was going to Jerusalem. We saw two different sides of Jerusalem, the Old City and the New City. The New City was filled with technology, innovation and many open-air markets (shuks). I loved experiencing everything that the New City had to offer. The Old City looked like a painting of ancient architecture. The entrance to the Western Wall was beautiful and standing next to the Wall made me feel very close to God and connected to Judaism. Another event from Jerusalem that I'd like to mention was our visit to Yad Vashem. This was a sad but very meaningful time where I reflected a lot on Judaism and what it means to be Jewish.

The third experience that was very important to me was meeting Israeli peers. When they joined our group, they fit right in. It was very interesting to talk to them and share stories about ourselves. Life as a teenager in Israel is not very different than in the United States.

As you can see my trip to Israel was packed full of education and excitement. I had the time of my life and I can't wait to one day return. Thank you so much for making this once in a lifetime opportunity available to me.

Gratefully, Jacob Teshome

*Jacob and his family live in Chester and are active members of Temple Beth Shalom.*



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