

WE ARE ONE

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY DAVID HOOVLER ADDRESSES JEWISH COMMUNITY AT MAJOR GIFTS RECEPTION COMMEMORATING ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF TREE OF LIFE SYNAGOGUE SHOOTING

Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler spoke at the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County's Major Gifts Campaign Kick-Off on Sunday, October 27th. The date was auspicious for the Jewish community as it marked one year since a gunman entered the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA and murdered eleven Jewish individuals who had gathered for prayer, the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in United States history.



DA Hoovler spoke about the rising dangers of internet-fueled hatred among our youth and the need to be vigilant in our efforts to fight back against this hate. The District Attorney's office has partnered with the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County on the Speak Up to Stand Up Against Hate initiative, a campaign working to educate the public about the rising tide of hate speech and hate crimes and to provide resources to students and the public on how to stand up against these growing dangers.

At Sunday's event, which was co-chaired by Federation Past Presidents Raena Korenman and Carla Wise, the Jewish Federation honored three individuals for their efforts to strengthen and secure the Jewish community in Orange County; Elise Gold, the former Executive Director of Jewish Family Service, Stefanie Kostenblatt the Executive Director of the Newburgh Jewish Community Center and Kol Yisrael, and Ronald S. Kossar, the founder



of the Zachor Anti-Semitism Initiative, a program of the Jewish Federation which works to fight and prevent anti-Semitism and bigotry in Orange County. The honorees are pictured, left to right, flanked by Federation President Harvey Kallus and Executive Director Rabbi Rachel Rubenstein.

According to the Anti-Defamation League, anti-Semitic incidents in the United States are at "near-historic levels." Sunday's event provided an opportunity for the Jewish community in Orange County to come together in mourning and remembrance of the victims of last year's shooting, as well as to re-commit their efforts to fighting anti-Semitism and bigotry in Orange County.

We wish to thank Stony Ford Golf Course for their hospitality and The Eagle's Nest for their delicious catering. And of course, no Federation event is documented better than when our photographer, Gail Conklin takes the pictures. Visit our website jewishorangency.org/photo-gallery/federation-2020-major-gifts-reception to view all the pictures.

If you were not able to join us, you can still be part of the important work we are doing together. Make your 2020 pledge today!



The ***Chesed in the Kitchen*** program is spearheaded by Yasmine Kalkstein, based on an idea from her 11 year old daughter, Sivan, who said, "I feel like this is a win-win because we get to enjoy cooking and also get to do something for others." Successfully implemented with a Microgrant from the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County and delivered to the homebound by Chabad Cares. We're proud to bring you continuing coverage of these young ladies and their wonderful work.



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November 3	November 24	November 3	November 3
December 8	December 15	December 15	December 8
January 12	January 26	January 12	January 12
February 2	February 23	February 9	February 2
March 1	March 22	March 8	March 1
April 19	April 26	April 19	April 19
May 3	-	May 3	May 3

Little ones will love rocking out to our Music and Movement Jam, reveling in PJ Library Story Time and making 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!



For more information and to sign up:
rachel@jewishorangenyc.org or (845)562-7860

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Below: Sukkot decorations at Temple Beth Jacob, Newburgh.



Below: Sukkot decorations at Monroe Temple Beth-El, Monroe



Right: Sukkot decorations at Temple Beth Shalom, Florida, NY

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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD
2:00PM AT TEMPLE SINAI
RABBI JOSEPH TELUSHKIN**

Spiritual leader, scholar, ethicist and the acclaimed author of more than 15 books, including volumes about Jewish ethics, Jewish literacy, and "Rebbe", a New York Times bestseller. Rabbi Telushkin was ordained at Yeshiva University and studied Jewish history at Columbia University. He lives with his wife Dvorah in New York.



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH
2:00PM AT TEMPLE SINAI
SARA HURWITZ**

From 2009 to 2017, Sarah Hurwitz served as a White House speechwriter for President Obama and as the chief speechwriter for Michelle Obama. During the 2008 primary, she was the chief speechwriter for Senator Hillary Clinton. She is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, and is a fellow at the Institute of Politics at Harvard Kennedy School.



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH
7PM AT TEMPLE BETH SHALOM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH
2PM AT TEMPLE SINAI
RABBI SALLY J. PRIESAND**

Rabbi Priesand, America's first female rabbi, ordained in 1972. She is now President of Interfaith Neighbors, an organization whose primary purpose is to provide rental assistance and support services for the working poor. **Join us for Havdalah at TBS and reflections of Rabbi Priesand's life as a rabbi at Temple Sinai.**



ORANGE COUNTY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

THE OTHER STORY

Two rebellious young women, one fleeing the chaos of secular hedonism for the disciplined comforts of faith, the other desperate to transcend her oppressive religious upbringing for sexual and spiritual freedom, cross paths unexpectedly in Jerusalem, to startling consequences.

112 minutes, Hebrew with English Subtitles

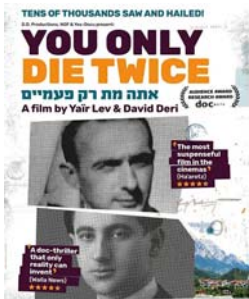


SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH

FIG TREE

16 year old Jewish Mina, is trying to navigate between the civil war in Ethiopia and her last days of youth with her Christian boyfriend Eli. When she discovers her family is immigrating to Israel and escape the war, she weaves an alternate plan in order to save Eli. But, in times of war, plans tend to go wrong.

93 minutes, Amharic with English subtitles



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

YOU ONLY DIE TWICE

Yair Lev, an Israeli documentary filmmaker turns detective and sets on a journey to uncover the true identity behind the man who stole his grandfather's identity and later on became the president of a Jewish community in Austria.

88 minutes, in Hebrew, English, German and Serbo-Croatian with English subtitles

All films shown at 8PM at Flagship Premium Cinema, Monroe
Suggested donation \$10/adult, children 14 and under **FREE**.

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THE 2020 STOP HATE STUDENT/TEACHER CHALLENGE

THIS YEAR'S THEME: MORAL COURAGE

Student Competition - In addition to our traditional essay contest we are offering prizes this year for creative student responses to our challenge, these include: Posters, Podcasts, Electronic Public Service Announcements (PSAs), Other creative videos, Children's books, Graphic Novellas, Songs, Poems, and Plays.

Teacher Mini Grant Proposal - In addition to the Student Moral Courage Competition, Jewish Federation is offering a mini grant for any teacher working with a student or group of students who puts together a proposal on how to Stop Hate in their school community. The mini grant is intended to assist teachers/students with implementing their idea. Teachers overseeing students will receive a stipend for their efforts.

More information is available on the Federation website, jewishorangenj.org/jewish-life/2020-stop-hate-teacher-student-challenge. You may call the Federation office at 845-562-7860 or email sharon@jewishorangenj.org with any questions.

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