



*Orangetown Jewish Center*

*The Dr. Richard and Jana Adelson  
Campus*

*Shaliach*

*September 2011*

*Elul -- Tishrei 5772*



### *The Rabbi's Desk: Time for an Accounting*

That time approaches once again. Our high holy days arrive a little later than usual, perhaps, but the accompanying effect is no less impactful, awe inspiring, humbling and urgent. As the summer ends, it would be so easy to fall back into the same routines that we relied upon to get us through the prior fall, winter and spring. The sound of the shofar calls upon us to overcome the inertia. It asks us to examine our ways, to assess our successes and failures, to revisit our relationships and to reprioritize our values and goals. If we can answer the call, our lives will most certainly attain a higher sense of purpose and a deeper sense of meaning.

The same can be said about institutions in general, and our synagogue in particular. In the fall of 1997, our synagogue undertook a strategic planning process under the guidance of Nohra Leff and a group of committed lay leaders. Together, we drafted a set of values that would serve as the underpinning of a plan to reinvent ourselves and to chart a new course for the OJC. These values informed our decisions about programming, staffing, infrastructure, ritual and other areas of synagogue life. The energy that the process generated, in conjunction with the hard work of so many volunteers to put these ideas into action, ushered the community through a period of unprecedented growth and change. Ultimately, our dreaming led to the expansion of the synagogue and a near doubling of its membership.

Growth is about far more than increasing membership or adding rooms to a building. These things may be realized as a result of the process, but they are not necessarily goals of growth. First and foremost, growth is about taking stock of ourselves honestly and learning how to serve our values, meet our goals and bring greater meaning to what we do. If we are to take such an accounting effectively as a community—thereby improving ourselves for our membership and further distinguishing ourselves for those who might consider us as a potential home—we need your participation.

As we embark upon a new strategic planning process this fall, we will consider many crucial issues, such as the use of new technology and social media as tools for marketing and addressing demographic changes. But we can't carry out this process effectively without your input. Please answer the call. If you receive a questionnaire, please take the time to answer it; if you receive an invitation to attend a focus group, please accept. All our efforts will be for naught if your input hasn't been considered as we chart a course for the OJC's next 20 years.

The shofar sounds. Perhaps we are awakened to those aspects of our lives in need of repair; perhaps we are reminded of the many reasons for gratitude and appreciation. If we engage in the honest act of reflection, we will, in all likelihood, discover that there is room for growth and learning. Engaging individually, we may draw closer to being our best and truest selves; engaging as a synagogue community, we may draw each other closer to God.

May we be written and sealed in the Book of Life and Blessings for many years to come.

*Rabbi Craig Scheff*

## How to Reach Us

Synagogue Office.....	Phone # 845-359-5920.....	Fax # 845-398-1646
		Office@theojc.org
Administrator.....	Krista Bohn.....	845-359-5920 ext. 2
Bookkeeper.....	Helen Barnett.....	845-359-5920 ext. 107
Office Assistant/Donations.....	Maureen Scollo.....	845-359-5920 ext. 108
Rabbi.....	Craig Scheff.....	845-359-5920 ext. 3
Associate Rabbi.....	Paula Mack Drill.....	845-359-5920 ext. 8
Cantor.....	Noam Ohring.....	845-359-5920 ext. 105
School/Educational Director.....	Sandra Borowsky.....	845-398-3982 ext. 110
Youth Director.....	Sharon Rappaport.....	845-623-2990
President.....	Kim Lori Sokol.....	845-398-2910
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President.....	Amy Nelson.....	201-784-0968
Vice President.....	Jeffry Horowitz.....	845-353-8996
Vice President.....	Fran Mintzer-Dolber.....	201-307-8776
Treasurer.....	Bob Kleinberger.....	845-624-1410
Financial Secretary.....	Adele Garber.....	845-358-9121
Recording Secretary.....	Hara Hartman.....	845-634-6093
Corresponding Secretary.....	Marc Levine.....	845-398-3645
Book of Life Donations.....	Renee Price.....	845-634-7244
Book of Remembrance.....	Helen Atlas.....	845-359-4030
Bulletin Editor.....	Judy Cohen.....	845-359-5923
Calendar.....	Krista Bohn.....	845-359-5920 ext. 2
Catering/Kiddushim.....	Krista Bohn.....	845-359-5920 ext. 2
Cemetery Co-Chair.....	Abe Barbash.....	845-735-7226
Cemetery Co-Chair.....	Arthur Sanders.....	845-638-0473
Facility Chair.....	Eli Josephs.....	845-365-1563
Associate Facility Chair.....	Dave Kalan.....	845-359-6314
Food Pantry Co-Chair.....	Cedine Issman.....	845-359-5207
Food Pantry Co-Chair.....	Susan Klein.....	845-354-3653
Holocaust Committee.....	Larry Suchoff.....	845-362-1515
Israeli Affairs.....	Jeffry Horowitz.....	845-353-8996
Israeli Affairs.....	Allen Levinson.....	201-934-9254
Legal Co-Chair.....	Arthur Sanders.....	845-638-0473
Legal Co Chair.....	Irwin Portnoy.....	845-562-1028
Membership Recruitment Co-Chair.....	Esther Berkowitz.....	845-517-4904
Membership Recruitment Co-Chair.....	Evelyn Winikoff.....	845-358-2564
Men's Club President.....	Phil Mosner.....	845-624-3707
OJC Directory.....	Janet Miller.....	845-359-7647
OJC Directory.....	Andrea Sherman.....	845-634-2256
Publicity/Advertising.....	Andrea Weinberger.....	201-666-1691
Publicity/Advertising.....	Marc Levine.....	845-398-3645
Ritual Co-Chair.....	Ken Leff.....	845-353-8668
Ritual Co-Chair.....	Jonathan Cohen.....	201-767-6001
Ritual Committee/ Bar/Bat Aliyah Lists.....	Lloyd Fishman.....	201-476-9668
School Board President.....	Staci Gelb.....	845-708-2312
Sisterhood President.....	Cedine Issman.....	845-359-5207
Sisterhood Contacts.....	Gail Sanders.....	845-634-6643
	Rhonda Plawner.....	845-638.2558
Sisterhood Gift Shop.....	Frieda Seidner.....	845-359-6366
Social Action/Good & Welfare.....	Madeline Roimisher.....	845-359-4846
Special Dues.....	Faye Dinowitz.....	845-353-1934
Web Site – www.TheOJC.org:.....	Marc Levine.....	845-398-3645

Orangetown Jewish Center *Shaliach*

Vol. 52, #1 September 2011

The Orangetown Jewish Center *Shaliach* is published monthly except for July and August.

This institution is a grant recipient of the Center for Jewish Education of the Jewish Federation of Rockland County. *The Orangetown Jewish Center, The Dr. Richard and Jana Adelson Campus, is a full-service egalitarian congregation affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism.*

## *From the President's Pen*



Shalom Chaverim!

I hope that you all had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. Last year, as I wrote the September article I was only the president for one week. Now, after serving for one year, I find that the role of president has been all I had anticipated and perhaps even more. In preparation for the High Holiday season, I have spent time reflecting on my past year. For me it was a year of learning, juggling schedules, lots of meetings, countless emails, new relationships, bumps in the road, decision making and compromise, and personal growth. It was also a year of true appreciation for our congregants who continue to help create what the OJC is for us all.

This season is also a good time to reflect on the OJC as a community. What did we accomplish in the past year that made us proud? Where have we fallen short? What can we do differently in the year ahead? What was successful and should be continued? Although the summer months tend to be a bit quieter at the OJC, I assure you that these questions have been the focal point of the summer months. Rabbi Scheff, Rabbi Drill and many volunteers have worked on new and exciting programs to bring to our community this year.

We are very excited about a new strategic planning committee that will begin its work later this month. The goal of this committee is to create a strategic plan that incorporates all the elements of the OJC in a unified approach moving forward. It is important for us to look beyond the year-to-year activities and budgets and to have a more long-term strategy in place. I am excited about the opportunities this will hold for the OJC.

Our fundraising efforts have also been a priority for the coming year. Our fundraising goal this year is to provide different opportunities for giving, based on what is most important to each of us and within our individual means. This Rosh Hashanah I encourage all of us to participate in the annual Kol Nidre appeal. The funds raised in this campaign essentially provide for the operating expenses of our synagogue. I thank you in advance for your participation.

Additionally, the fundraising committee is very busy organizing our November Dinner Dance, "Dor v'Dor," Generation to Generation. This will be a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate our past, our present and our future as a community. I look forward to seeing you all on November 19, 2011. Save the date!

Another exciting program that we will be introducing this fall is a new Scrips program. This is a great win-win situation for our congregants and for the OJC. It is a program of buying "gift" cards from a multitude of establishments. By spending the same money you spend already at your favorite places, but purchasing the cards through this program, the OJC receives a percentage of the amount we spend. We will outline the details and how to purchase the cards as we roll out the program in the coming months.

This summer as well, our clergy have created a new Holiday Council, which has already begun working at creating new and diverse spiritual programs for each of the holidays during the year. Our Jewish rituals and holiday celebrations are truly what bind us together as a community and a people.

These are just some of the new ideas and programs for the coming year. I think it is a very exciting time for the OJC. As always, *it is the volunteers* who make the OJC such a vibrant community. If you are interested in volunteering for any of the above committees or have interests in other areas, please let me know. We will be conducting the volunteer appeal once again this year, so please send back your volunteer card after the holidays.

There are some changes to the High Holiday services this year, so please be sure to read the High Holiday material you will be receiving in the mail.

I would like to wish all of you a happy, healthy, reflective and peaceful New Year! L'Shana Tova,

*Kim Lori Sokol*

## *From the Educational Director's Desk*



Shalom Chaverim,

I hope you all had a wonderful, reflective, refreshing and restful summer! Education directors always wonder how to reply when well-meaning people ask, “Are enjoying your time off over the summer?” Yes, I did get to ride my bicycle, swim in our pool, go to the beach, read a pile of books I’ve been saving and dinner was on the table before 7:30 p.m., unlike on school nights. But educational directors do work all summer. Summer is a wonderful short respite for assessment, enrichment, planning and preparation so that the school year starts with energy and innovation. These two months gave me the opportunity to develop new teaching resources, evaluate our curriculum’s goals and effectiveness, do some professional development with new teachers and create new, exciting programs. I got to recruit and meet our many new Religious School families and share the joys of being a part of our synagogue’s schools and community.

One of the greatest gifts of the summer was seeing our adorable preschoolers at our terrific Kiddie Kamp. Nothing is cuter than watching our kiddies splashing in the pools in the front yard at the OJC, sharing *Shabbat* on a picnic table outdoors, joining them on a bug hunt and watching their little legs run on the soccer field!

Summer also means that sleep-away camp was in session. Although both my daughters had the amazing opportunity to attend Jewish overnight camps, I spent my summers in beach a community on the Long Island Sound. At 50 plus years old, I went to sleep-away camp for the first time, for a week, at Camp Poyntelle Lewis Village. At camp, I was able to experience first-hand the extraordinary influence that Jewish camps have on creating strong Jewish identities and instilling Jewish values. The week at camp confirmed my belief that these camps are breeding grounds for our future Jewish thinkers and leaders. I verified that Jewish camps are a great investment in a child’s future and in the future of the Jewish community. Also, I realized that Jewish camping is not only good for the future of Judaism, it’s great for the children who will have lasting impressions of the smiling faces of other Jewish children as they create lifelong friendships, experience new activities and develop emotional and social skills while learning and growing. These children develop a love for Judaism that stays with them into adulthood. The grant I was awarded from the Foundation of Jewish Camps provided my wonderful camping experience as well as some funds to bring some informal “campy” education to our students at the OJC.

Included in my busy summer, I attended *Moreh L' Morim*, a 4-day institute devoted to Judaic and educational growth for Jewish educators. The conference was an opportunity to learn, network, explore, dialogue, create and engage with some of the best and brightest scholars in the field of Jewish education, *Torah* study and Hebrew. From intensive tracks of study to individual workshops with well-known national educators, to small group work, dialogues and team building, this conference was an intense and worthwhile professional development opportunity.

Nursery School begins on Monday September 12th and Religious School begins on Tuesday, September 13th. *Rosh HaShanah* comes during a time when we are adjusting to our new routines—school, sports, lessons, clubs and activities. But during this hectic time of new beginnings, we as Jews are fortunate to come together as families and a community to celebrate the new year of 5772. *Rosh HaShanah* allows us a chance to truly reflect on the last year and begin the New Year with a clear outlook. As parents and educators, whether our children are 2 or 22, let’s teach them to be grateful for the sweetness of our lives. *Rosh HaShanah* is a great time to ask, “How am I doing?” Parents can ask their children, children can ask their parents. *Rosh Ha Shanah* gives us a chance to wrestle with that question. Once we ask this of our loved ones and ourselves, then we can and should pose this question to God.

*Shana Tova u' Metuka*. I wish you all a happy, healthy sweet New Year filled with good health, lots of happiness, and wonderful memories

Please let me know “how are we doing.” Parents are our Partners!

*Lehitraot, see you soon,  
Sandy Borowsky*

THE ORANGETOWN JEWISH CENTER  
**NURSERY SCHOOL**  
is registering for Fall 2011



**Fun, Creative, Developmental  
Secular and Jewish Curriculum**

Literacy, Art, Music, Science, Math, Shabbat, Holidays and more...

**The personal attention each child deserves!**

**Loving and Nurturing Staff- Small Class Sizes**

**Affordable Tuition/ Flexible Schedules/ Extended Days**

**Member Discount/ Free Memberships for New Enrollees**

**TERRIFIC TWOS, THRILLING THREES**

**FABULOUS FOURS and AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT**

**BABY N' ME: MONDAYS- 9:45-10:45 am**

**3 mornings a week- \$280.00/month**

**3 afternoon extended days - \$210.00/month**

**5 mornings a week- \$430.00/month**

**5 afternoon extended days-\$250.00/month**

\*based on 10 month billing cycle and does not include one-time registration fee of \$200.00.  
Member and multiple siblings discount apply.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME! TELL YOUR FRIENDS!  
JOIN US FOR A FREE CLASS AND TOUR OF OUR SCHOOL!**

Please call Sandra Borowsky, MS.Ed, Educational Director, at  
(845) 398-3982, ext. 110 to register or for more information.

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [www.theojc.org](http://www.theojc.org)**

# OJC ONGOING LEARNING AT A GLANCE

## September 2011 and beyond

### *Text and Context*

Thursdays: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m., September 1, 8, 15 and 22  
*Parashat hashavua (the weekly Torah portion) with Rabbi Scheff*

### *Torah n' Treats*

Wednesdays, September 7 and 21 at 12:30 p.m.  
*Studies in the Bible's Book of Proverbs with Rabbi Scheff*

### *A Reintroduction to Judaism*

Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., September 15 and 22, resuming in November  
*A weekly lecture series ranging in topics from Jewish life cycle to ethics and history*  
Led by Rabbi Scheff, Rabbi Drill and Rabbinic Intern Dahlia Bernstein

### *Heshbon haNefesh - An Accounting of the Soul*

Monday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m. or Tuesday, September 20 at 10:00 a.m.  
*Preparation for the High Holy Days includes repairing our relationships*  
Explore the meaning and practice of repentance with Rabbi Drill

### *Tough Questions Jews Ask*

Mondays, October 31, November 28 and December 19 at 7:30 p.m.  
*Everything you always wanted to ask...but thought you couldn't...Now you can!*  
*Three sessions with Rabbi Drill*

### *Iyyun Tefillah*

Monthly, resumes Saturday, November 5 at 8:45 a.m.  
*An in-depth exploration of the Shabbat liturgy with Rabbi Drill*

### *Journey Group*

Begins Monday, November 7 at 11:00 a.m.  
*A year-long Jewish journey using text as our guide*  
*Monthly with Rabbi Drill*

### *Monday Morning Midrash*

Mondays, beginning November 14 at 11:00 a.m.  
*Explore stories of the rabbis from between the lines of Torah,*  
*monthly with Rabbi Drill*

## *Sisterhood*

The summer of 2011 was a busy and fun one for our Sisterhood. On July 13th, several members of our board, along with our rabbis, attended the Women's League Annual Conference to witness the installation of **Cindy Levine** as Administrative Secretary, **Cedine Issman** as Communications Secretary, and **Carolyn Wodar** as Affiliation and Retention Chairperson.

Next was the New Synagogue Member event, which also took place in July. **Rhonda Plawner** spoke about fundraisers and programs offered by the Sisterhood. She described how the Sisterhood is such a vital part of our synagogue, as well as the camaraderie and spiritual enlightenment it offers.

The annual Summer Pool Party, held on August 10th, was a great success. A big thank you to **Betsy Brenner** for opening her house to the Sisterhood once again. Our new board members were installed and Jeff Sherer led a wonderful program that took us down a musical memory lane. Our thanks to Jeff.

There are many great events in the works for the upcoming months. On September 19th, there will be a Military Bridge Program, which will begin at 7:30 PM following minyan. (See the flyer in this issue of the *Shaliach*.) November 14th is the date for the Paid-Up Membership Dinner. It promises to be an exciting program with a delicious meal. This event is one of the highlights of our year and is complimentary for anyone who is a paid-up Sisterhood member. Plans are underway for a spring 2012 fashion show to be held in March. More information will follow.

Sisterhood Ways and Means would like to acknowledge all those who gave their support through birthday greetings, High Holiday greetings and the Bima Flower Fund. Also thank you to everyone who purchased honey for the New Year. You helped make our second honey sale a sweet success.

### **SISTERHOOD SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2011-2012**

VP Membership: Rhonda Plawner, Gail Sanders      VP Programming: Lydia Katz, Gabi Lewy  
VP Ways and Means: Carol Baker, Pam Berg, Mimi Rosenstock

Corresponding Secretary: Sharon Klein

Recording Secretary: Carmel Rosenthal

Birthday Cards: Carolyn Wodar

Book of Life: Renee Price

Bulletin Publication: Gail Brady

Flyers: Rhoda Pochter

Judaica Shop: Frieda Seidner, Barbara Rosen, Faye Dinowitz

Mishloach Manot: Ina Filip

Purim Cards: Adele Garber, Diane Goldstein

Ritual Liaison: Helen Kuttner

Tikkun Olam: Sharona Levine

Trips: Barbara Brumer

Financial Secretary: Michelle Kleinberger

Treasurer: Rosina Hirsh

Book Chat: Barbara Levinson, Rhoda Pochter

Branch Liaison: Cindy Levine

Flower Fund: Janet Miller

Hospitality: Barbara Rosen

Koach: Dawn Kitz

Programming: Judy Bensimhon

Presidential Liaison to Board: Cedine Issman

Shiva Meals: Helene Levinson

Torah Fund: Lorraine Brown, Nancy Scheff

Youth and School: Rebecca Rosenzwaig



## Men's Club



Welcome back to our monthly *Shaliach*! Welcome back to the beginning of the school year and the end of the summer vacation season. Welcome back to the OJC, to sharing Shabbat together and to our normal routines. Welcome back to the holiday season where we get together with our families and friends . . . where we break bread together and share in festival meals.

There's always plenty for everybody, so bring a guest if you want . . . if only that were true! Unfortunately, there isn't always plenty for everybody with extra for guests. Sometimes there's barely enough . . . and sometimes there isn't enough at all. Sometimes there isn't enough for dinner tonight, much less a festival meal.

Many of us are there to help out. Week after week, month after month, we make donations to the food pantry, and that's a beautiful mitzvah. This month, however, we have an opportunity to make an even greater impact. We can join together as our OJC community to participate in the "Walk 4 Change," which will take place on September 25th.

The Walk 4 Change event is being held by the JCC of Rockland to raise money to help feed the hungry. All proceeds will be used to benefit the hungry in Rockland County and in Israel. You can help by walking, by sponsoring other walkers, or by making a direct donation. There is an 11K course, a 5K course, and a 1K children's course—so the whole family can participate. Registration is \$18 (\$25 on the day of the event) and you can ask others (family, friends, local businesses) to sponsor you to help raise money for the hungry.

For more information, contact our OJC liaison, Robin Brill, at (845) 304-3674 or [4mbrill@optonline.net](mailto:4mbrill@optonline.net) or Carrie Sakin at (845) 362-4400, ext. 172, or [carries@jccrockland.org](mailto:carries@jccrockland.org). You can register at [jccrockland.org/walk](http://jccrockland.org/walk), or in person at the JCC.

Hope to see you there!

*Phil Mosner,*  
President





The story of the exodus from Egypt is central to Jewish consciousness. During the Passover Seder and at other times during the course of the year, we are reminded over and over again that we were slaves in Egypt and that under the leadership of Moses and with a direct, massive intervention by God, we left Egypt to head back to Canaan, the land of the Patriarchs and the Matriarchs.

Archaeology and other scientific discoveries over the past 150 years have more or less verified the overall authenticity of the biblical accounts of the latter kings of Israel and Judah. Furthermore, the findings of just the past 20 years have increasingly strengthened the traditional view that the earlier king, David, was indeed a powerful ruler who established (albeit for a short period of time) a wide-flung empire, just as reported in the Bible. But what about the slavery in Egypt and the Exodus? Are these crucial episodes in our history to be taken literally or not?

For the next few months I will be exploring this question in some detail and will share with you where I stand on this matter after many years of considerable thought.

First, let us examine the known history of Egypt from about the time of Abraham (ca. 1900) to Moses (ca. 1300). (All years in these articles will be BCE.)

In the year 1900, Egypt was ruled by a dynasty which, similar to most of its history, was composed of native Egyptians. During this period, the Egyptians, who are not Semites, were scornful of and hostile to their Semitic neighbors to the east. Semites, who were mostly shepherds moving around in small clans, were considered inferior. If they did come into Egypt, perhaps to escape a famine in their own lands, they did not enjoy the same rights and protection as Egyptians. It is during this period of time that Abraham's clan, to escape a famine in Canaan, descends into Egypt, where Sarah is grabbed by the Pharaoh for his own harem. (Though the Bible indicates that this was because Sarah was beautiful, it is probably more likely that Sarah, known at that time as Sarai [e.g., "Princess"] was of some royal or priestly descent and thus lent prestige to Pharaoh. After all, Sarah was almost 90 years old and had been a member of AARP for many decades.) Abraham, fearing for this life if it became known that Sarah was his wife, claims that she is his sister – which, by the way, is partly true because she was his half-sister. But the main point here is that Abraham and his people were treated exactly the way we would expect non-Egyptians, and especially the despised Semites, to be treated at this point in Egyptian history.

Some time after this, Egypt was invaded and conquered by Semitic armies from the east. A new, non-Egyptian dynasty was established that lasted for several centuries (ca. 1750-1500). The rulers were called "Hyksos," which means Shepherd kings. They achieved their conquest by the use of a new offensive weapon, the war chariot, which the Egyptians did not yet have. It is to be expected that the new rulers would be favorable to fellow Semites and, in fact, even invite them to stay in Egypt to strengthen the Hyksos position. These Semites were mostly shepherds, and so the land known as Goshen, between the Nile and the Sinai, a land known to have excellent pastureland, would be the ideal place for them to settle. Some of these fellow Semites might well have risen to positions of power and authority in the new government. All this background perfectly matches the arrival in Egypt of Joseph and his rise to power and the moving of Jacob and his entire clan into Goshen. So far, so good.

(to be continued)

## From the Editor:

The beginning of the new year calls for new ideas. At OJC, we're always looking for innovative fundraising schemes. It's time to think outside the box and come up with some unusual and creative fundraisers that will appeal to our membership and provide us with needed cash. Having nothing at all to do this summer, I spent a great deal of time mulling over this very question and I think I've come up with some remarkable, if not downright amazing, fundraisers that will guarantee OJC a very profitable year.

1. **RENT-A-KID:** This idea is aimed primarily at you grandparents among us whose grandkids live a considerable distance away, like California, Israel, or the less developed parts of Rockland. **RENT-A-KID** will supply you with one or more certified demanding children (ages 1 to pre-Bar/Bat mitzvah because after that their demands become too pricey) who will be 100% willing to be spoiled rotten for anywhere from 1-4 weeks. But wait! There's more! You don't have to travel to retrieve these kids. In our very own congregation, there are countless young families who will be more than delighted to part with their children even *beyond* the 4-week limit and will deliver them to your doorstep with remarkable speed. Parents and prospective renters will pay a fee to be determined by the coordinators of this program who are childless by choice, thus insuring their unbiased opinions. Renters have little to lose except perhaps their life savings, depending on exactly how demanding these little ones turn out to be. But hey, every contract has its risks. Take a chance and enjoy some worthwhile grandparenting time. Call the OJC office for price range and availability.
2. **THIEVERY:** This is not a new concept. Stealing has been around since Jacob stole Esau's birthright and probably even earlier than that. It may come as no surprise to you that stolen merchandise often brings a nice price when properly fenced. Our Fencing Committee here at OJC (not to be confused with those people who wield swords and politely decapitate each other while cackling under their face masks) will be happy to examine whatever you've managed to steal from whatever source and find a buyer—no questions asked. You and the OJC will share the profits equally, provided the Fencing Committee remains true to its avowed purpose of raising funds for the shul rather than for the Fencing Committee. (This little glitch remains to be ironed out.) We hope to have this fundraiser operating before the school year begins so you can start in with the purchase of diamond-encrusted school supplies and take it from there.
3. **HEBREW FOR FUN AND PROFIT:** This one is for people who want to learn Hebrew or increase their vocabulary. Log on to this nifty little program and for 50 cents a word (charged to your bill each time you access a word) you can learn the word, its pronunciation, usage, spelling, and the appropriate hand gestures Israelis apply when using these words. There is an extra charge for words that you don't want your children (even your borrowed children) to learn. The Words and Gestures Committee is in formation and will be ready to receive your requests as soon as they quit making insulting hand motions at each other. Stay tuned.
4. And finally, **PICK-A-PROPHET:** Each week, we will email you a quotation from one of the Prophets. Your job is to identify the speaker; give a minimum of 3 interpretations for the quotation, citing all relevant sources; translate back into the original Hebrew or Aramaic; write a 2000-word essay on the influence of the times on that prophet; attach an entrance fee of \$3600 per entry; provide your Social Security number and all passwords from your checking accounts and leave the rest to us. Challenging, isn't it? Winners will be selected from the best essays received each week. Prizes will be awarded based on the contents of the aforementioned checking accounts and how well the Fencing Committee is able to forge your signature. If you need to ask how much the prizes will be, then you'd better go back and study your Prophets more carefully, especially the ones who prophesy against greed.

Judy Cohen

## **Unilateralism at the U.N.**

It has already been a year since Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas sat down to speak directly with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu about a peace deal. For the past several months, in place of negotiations, the Palestinians have been trying to win support for recognition of a Palestinian state at the United Nations in late September.

This effort signals the PLO's rejection of the principle of solving the conflict through direct negotiations with Israel. Moreover, as Abbas clearly stated in a May 16<sup>th</sup> *New York Times* op-ed, the admission of a Palestinian state into the United Nations is not part of a strategy to solve the conflict, but rather a way to perpetuate it.

According to Abbas, recognition of a Palestinian state by the United Nations "would pave the way for the internationalization of the conflict as a legal matter, not only a political one. It would also pave the way for us to pursue claims against Israel at the United Nations, human rights treaty bodies and the International Court of Justice."

Such steps by the Palestinians could destroy prior agreements and cause a breakdown in relations between the parties. Under the Oslo Accords, Israelis and Palestinians developed protocols for security cooperation that could be jeopardized by Palestinian legal and diplomatic efforts to pursue charges against the Israeli army.

Furthermore, the Palestinian actions increase the potential for violence by raising unrealistic expectations. "A symbolic achievement in New York that is not matched by gains toward statehood on the ground may bring Palestinian frustration to the point of violent outburst," writes Tal Becker, a former Israeli negotiator. "On the other hand, were the Palestinian U.N. initiative to be thwarted, this might also produce a sense that violence is the only alternative."

The Obama administration has publicly criticized the Palestinian approach. President Obama has called the campaign at the U.N. a "mistake" and said that "no vote at the United Nations will ever create an independent Palestinian state." The administration has also been working to convince the Palestinians to abandon their campaign in favor of direct talks with Israel.

The United States should continue to lead the efforts to get the peace process back on track. After all, progress towards a comprehensive resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict will only be possible once the Palestinians realize the futility of unilateral stunts, and return to the negotiating table without preconditions.

## Looking for a Place to Talk?

Following our August Healing Service, many congregants asked for short-term support groups organized around a variety of topics. Please contact Rabbi Drill [Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org](mailto:Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org) or 845-359-5920 x8 by September 9 if you are interested in participating in any of these groups. Please list your best phone contact and whether you would attend a daytime or evening group. Suggested groups include:

- \* Caregivers Support Group
- \* Post-Divorce Rebuilding Support Group
- \* Bereavement of Spouse Support Group
- \* Coping with Mental Illness of Family or Friend
- \* Chronic Illness Support Group

---

## IYYUN TEFILA

**How do we pray on Shabbat morning?**

**What do we say when we pray?**

**Why do we pray?**

**Gain confidence and a sense of connection!**

**Join Rabbi Paula Mack Drill and a welcoming circle of learners for a year of discussion and learning.**

**No prior knowledge required; all prior knowledge welcome!**

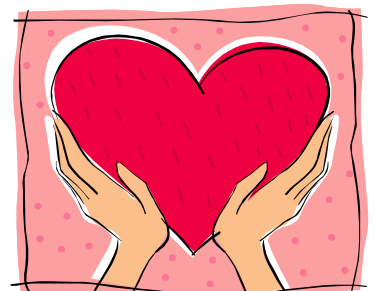
**Drop in to class anytime!**

**November 5, December 3, 2011, January 7, February 4, 2012**

Learning Center, 8:45 - 9:30 am

After class, we will go together into the Sanctuary for services.

Mark your calendars today for a year of learning with your heart and soul.



# WHAT? NOBODY TOLD YOU? OF COURSE WE HAVE A BREAK FAST MEAL AT OJC!

“YOU MEAN, ON OCTOBER 8, 2011, WHEN YOM KIPPUR IS OVER, I DON’T HAVE TO FIRST GO HOME AND FEED MY FAMILY AND CLEAN UP? YOU MEAN, WE CAN JUST GO INTO THE DAILY CHAPEL AT OJC AND BREAK OUR FAST TOGETHER THERE? AND ALL FOR JUST \$18 FOR A MOM OR A DAD, \$7 FOR A CHILD AND A MAXIMUM OF \$50 FOR A FAMILY, NO MATTER HOW MANY CHILDREN WE HAVE? WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?”

“JUST FILL OUT THE COUPON AND SEND IT WITH A CHECK, PAYABLE TO ORANGETOWN JEWISH CENTER, TO ARLENE NATHAN – 13 MONTEBELLO COMMONS DRIVE, SUFFERN, NY 10901”

If you have any questions, or would like to help shop for the Break Fast, call Arlene at (845) 533-4346.  
*(Note: The family maximum applies to Mom, Dad and all their children high school age or under. We regret the limit can't apply to other adults or the college age kids.)*

---

WE’D LOVE TO COME TO THE BREAK FAST! We are the \_\_\_\_\_ family.

Mom, Dad \$18 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Children \$7 each (max. \$14) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ More adult(s) (HS Grad or older) \$8 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*(Remember, the family maximum applies to Mom, Dad and all their children high school age or under.)*

---

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PLEASE SIGN UP NOW TO BE A GREETER FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS!



**The High Holidays bring many visitors to the OJC. As a result, we need many volunteers.**

This is a wonderful MITZVAH and a wonderful start to the New Year.  
No experience necessary. We will guide you.

There are various greeter positions available in the lobby as well as inside and outside the Sanctuary doors.  
There are even “seated” locations by the entrance to greet congregants and guests upon their arrival.

If you would like to Volunteer to be a greeter for the High Holidays or if you would like to be a part of the Welcoming Committee, please contact Phil Mosner at 845-624-3707, [platmos@aol.com](mailto:platmos@aol.com) OR Madeline Roimisher at (845) 359-4846.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**

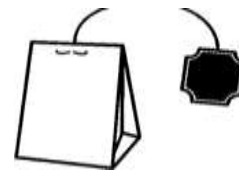
On behalf of the OJC Welcoming Committee, we’d like to wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

**The Sisterhood of the Orangetown Jewish Center  
Requests the Pleasure of Your Company for**



Wednesday Evening  
September 21st, 2011  
7:30 pm

**HIGH TEA  
& MILITARY BRIDGE**



Orangetown Jewish Center  
8 Independence Avenue  
Orangeburg, New York 10962

**Come join your Sisterhood friends and make new friends too.**

**No previous knowledge of bridge needed.....WE PROMISE !!!**

**RSVP by September 14, 2011 Judy Bensimhon [judyben@optonline.net](mailto:judyben@optonline.net) 845-598-0416**



---

**OJC SISTERHOOD BOOK CHAT 2011-2012**  
Suggested List for New Season: Dates to be Announced

*The Arrogant Years* by Lucette Lagnado

*Almost Home* by Pam Jenoff

*Al Jaffee's Mad Life* by Mary Lou Weisman

*This Burning Land* by Jennifer Griffin and Greg Myre

*This is a Soul* by Marilyn Berger

*The Honored Dead* by Joseph Braude

*Hiding in the Spotlight* by Craig Dawson

Rhoda Pochter: (845) 359-4748 [roleero@aol.com](mailto:roleero@aol.com)  
Barbara Levinson (845) 359-8694 [BKL34FL@aol.com](mailto:BKL34FL@aol.com)



OJC PACT  
Parents and Children Together!

GETTING READY  
FOR A NEW YEAR

**Who?**

*Families with children in Grades 4 and 5*

**When?**

Sunday, September 18, 2011, 4:00 - 5:30 pm

**What?**

Play! Celebrate! Create! Learn! Fun for your entire family!

RSVP by **September 13** to [Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org](mailto:Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org) or call (845) 359-5920 x8

For effective planning, please let me know how many of you are coming and your children's ages!

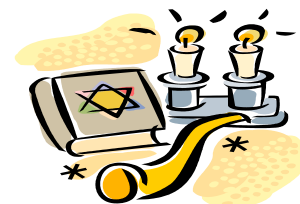
PARENTS, AFTER PACT,  
LEAVE THE KIDS  
AT THE RUACH PROGRAM  
(More info will follow)  
AND GO OUT TO DINNER!



*BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND:*



*A Reintroduction to Judaism*



**Thursdays, 7:30pm**  
**Led by Rabbi Craig Scheff, Rabbi Paula Mack Drill**  
**and Rabbinic Intern Dahlia Bernstein**

A weekly lecture series ranging in topics from Jewish life cycle to literature, ethics and history. Those who complete both years of the course celebrate with our congregation as "Adult B'nai Mitzvah" in the spring of 2013. Individual lectures are open to the congregation, unless otherwise noted.

Thursdays, September 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, and resuming weekly in November

IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO GIVE YOURSELF THE GIFT OF LEARNING!

MAKE THE COMMITMENT NOW TO GAIN A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF  
OUR SHARED HERITAGE, OUR CONNECTION TO GOD, AND THE WAYS  
IN WHICH JUDAISM IMBUES OUR LIVES WITH MEANING!

# Heshbon haNefesh

## An Accounting of the Soul



Preparation for the High Holy Days includes getting straight with family, friends, God ... and ourselves.

## *Teshuvah: the Meaning and Practice of Repentance*

An inspiring way to reclaim our integrity and renew our sense of moral purpose.

Don't show up unprepared  
for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur!

The same class will be offered at two times.  
Choose one time that fits your schedule:

Monday evening, September 19, 7:30 – 9:15 pm

OR

Tuesday morning, September 20, 10:00 – 11:15 am

An opportunity for OJC families  
and an ongoing commitment  
to reach out to  
unaffiliated Jewish families  
in our community:



We welcome all of you to the OJC  
on Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur

Join Rabbi Craig Scheff & Rabbi Paula Mack Drill

## Public Family Services

**Thursday, September 29th at 3:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, October 8th at 3:00 p.m.**

Orangetown Jewish Center, 8 Independence Ave, Orangeburg, NY

Services for families with children,  
pre-school to middle school,  
to share the meaning and messages  
of the High Holidays.

Do you know a family without a place to go these High Holy  
Days?

Invite them home for the holidays!

Questions? Contact [Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org](mailto:Rabbi.Drill@theojc.org).

\*\*\*\*\*

# SPECIAL REQUEST TO ALL CONGREGANTS

The OJC provides babysitting services during the High Holidays for all children 9 months to 8 years of age. This gives moms, dads, grandmas and grandpas an opportunity to participate in services without concern for the young ones in the family.

Our babysitters work very hard to care for and entertain our children. In the past however, this has been difficult as some of our older children distract the sitters, either by going downstairs to the babysitting area or remaining outside the classroom windows. As our sitters attempt to deal with the older children, it then becomes difficult for them to simultaneously supervise the youngster for whom they are responsible.

This is a request on behalf of the sitters, asking adults to please be certain that all older children remain away from the babysitting area during the entire High Holiday period. Please help us by allowing the young women responsible for our youngest children to do their job properly.

Thank you, Kim Lori Sokol, President

\*\*\*\*\*

## *High Holiday* Babysitting Services ***WE'VE GOT SERVICES FOR EVERYONE!***

Babysitters will be available for children 9 months to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Rosh Hashanah	Thursday, September 29 <sup>th</sup>	from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
	Friday, September 30 <sup>th</sup>	from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Kol Nidre	Friday, October 7 <sup>th</sup>	from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Yom Kippur	Saturday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There is no charge for this service, BUT, because we love your children and insist that their safety and security be our #1 priority, ALL CHILDREN MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED for babysitting. Please fill out the \*form below and send it to the

OJC Office, Attention: **BABYSITTING**

**No later than Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> !**

\*\*\*\*\*

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST YOUR CHILD(REN) or GRANDCHILD(REN) USING BABYSITTING SERVICES:**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>WHICH DAYS YOU WILL NEED</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

# ORANGETOWN JEWISH CENTER BIMA FLOWER FUND



Sisterhood is proud to enhance all of our holiday celebrations with lovely flowers that adorn the OJC Bima. Donations in any amount are welcome!

Contributions for High Holiday Bima Flowers are requested by September 23.

A note of appreciation to contributors will be included in the OJC *Shaliach*.

-----  
Please complete this form and mail with a check payable to *Sisterhood/Bima Flower Fund*, to:

Janet Miller, Sisterhood Flower Fund, 16 Helaine Court, Orangeburg NY 10962

I have enclosed a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a donation to the OJC Sisterhood Bima Flower Fund.

Name as you would like it to appear in the *Shaliach*

---

# September 2011 2 Elul 5771 - 2 Tishre 5772

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Bedell Brns early Sept	<b>1</b> 2 ELUL Minyan 6:45AM Text/Content 10AM Minyan 7:30PM  <i>Bulletin/3rd Class Flyers Due!</i>	<b>2</b> 3 ELUL <b>7:08</b> Family Service 6PM	<b>3</b> 4 ELUL Shabbat Ends: 8:16 Shabbat Service 9AM Mincha Maariv 6:30PM Sarah Stein B/M
<b>4</b> 5 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>5</b> 6 ELUL Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED Brooke Basch B/M 10AM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>6</b> 7 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Minyan 7:30PM Exec Bd Mtg 7:30PM	<b>7</b> 8 ELUL Nursery Sch Faculty Mtg 10AM Torah/Treats 12:30PM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>8</b> 9 ELUL Minyan 6:45AM Text/Content 10AM Rel School Faculty Meeting 4PM Nursery Sch Meet the Teachers 7PM Minyan 7:30PM Ritual Mtg 7:30PM	<b>9</b> 10 ELUL <b>6:56</b> Shabbat Service 7PM Nursery School Set-up	<b>10</b> 11 ELUL Shabbat Ends: 8:05 Shabbat Service 9AM Welcome Dahlia Bernstein, JT'S Intern Mincha Maariv 6:30PM
<b>11</b> 12 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>12</b> 13 ELUL Nursery Sch 9:30AM Sisterhood Bd 7PM Minyan 7:30PM HAZAK Intrepid trip	<b>13</b> 14 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Nursery Sch 9:30AM Rel School 4:15PM Minyan 7:30PM  <i>High Holiday Tickets To Be Mailed!</i>	<b>14</b> 15 ELUL Nursery Sch 9:30AM Rel School 4:15PM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>15</b> 16 ELUL Minyan 6:45AM Nursery Sch 9:30AM Text/Content 10AM Rel School 4:15PM Minyan 7:30PM Intro to Judaism 7:30PM	<b>16</b> 17 ELUL <b>6:44</b> Nursery Sch 9:30AM Shabbat Service 7PM	<b>17</b> 18 ELUL Shabbat Ends: 7:53 Shabbat Service 9AM Mincha Maariv 6:30PM Charles Gordon B/M
<b>18</b> 19 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Minyan 7:30PM School Bd Mtg 7:30PM FACT 4, 5 4PM Ruach Event 5:30PM	<b>19</b> 20 ELUL Nursery Sch 9:30AM Minyan 7:30PM Heshbon haNefesh 7:30PM  <i>1st Class Flyers Due!</i>	<b>20</b> 21 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Nursery Sch 9:30AM Heshbon haNefesh 10AM Rel School 4:15PM Minyan 7:30PM Trustee Mtg 7:30PM	<b>21</b> 22 ELUL Nursery Sch 9:30AM Rel School 4:15PM Torah/Treats 12:30PM Minyan 7:30PM Sisterhood/Military Bridge 7:30PM	<b>22</b> 23 ELUL Minyan 6:45AM Nursery Sch 9:30AM Text/Content 10AM Rel School 4:15PM Minyan 7:30PM Intro to Judaism 7:30PM	<b>23</b> 24 ELUL <b>6:32</b> Nursery Sch 9:30AM Shabbat Service 7PM	<b>24</b> 25 ELUL Shabbat Ends: 7:41 Shabbat Service 9AM Brian Clements B/M Mincha Maariv 6PM Selichot Program 10PM Selichot Service 12AM
<b>25</b> 26 ELUL Selichot Begin Minyan 8:45AM Minyan 7:30PM <i>JCC Walk for Change 2PM</i>	<b>26</b> 27 ELUL Nursery Sch 9:30AM Minyan 7:30PM	<b>27</b> 28 ELUL Minyan 8:45AM Nursery Sch 9:30AM <b>NO REL SCHOOL</b> Minyan 7:30PM	<b>28</b> 29 ELUL Erev Rosh Hasharah <b>6:24</b> <b>NO SCHOOL:</b> Nursery School 9-12 Holiday Service 6:30PM SEE HIGH HOLIDAY BROCHURE FOR LISTING OF ALL SERVICE TIMES	<b>29</b> 1 TISHRE Rosh Hasharah - Day 1 <b>1</b> First Day Yom Tov Ends 7:32 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> <b>NO REL SCHOOL</b> Nursery School 9-12PM Holiday Service 8:30AM and 6:45PM SEE HIGH HOLIDAY BROCHURE FOR LISTING OF ALL SERVICE TIMES	<b>30</b> 2 TISHRE Rosh Hasharah - Day 2 <b>2</b> <b>6:20</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Holiday Service 8:30AM and 6:15PM SEE HIGH HOLIDAY BROCHURE FOR LISTING OF ALL SERVICE TIMES	

# Let the Lulav Move You!

Join in a moving experience as you shake your very own *lulav* and *etrog* this Sukkot.



To order a *lulav* and *etrog* complete the form below and return along with your donation of \$36.00 for each set.

All orders must be received by the OJC Office,  
Attn: Krista, no later than

**Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> !**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
"ORANGETOWN JEWISH CENTER"**

.....  
*Please Mail To:*

*OJC, Attn: Krista, 8 Independence Avenue, Orangeburg, NY 10962*

**Lulav & Etrog Order**

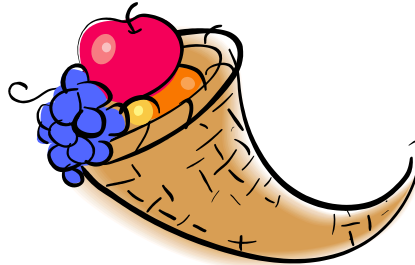
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

USY OJC Proudly Presents  
**SUKKOT BASKETS**

Filled with Fresh and Dried Fruit, Treats, and Sweets to  
Celebrate our Harvest and New Year!



Give Them as Gifts or Decorate Your Own Sukkah!

**YOU MAY PURCHASE TWO DIFFERENT SIZES**  
**MEDIUM BASKET..... \$18.00    LARGE BASKET.....    \$25.00**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO LEKET ISRAEL**  
**(formerly known as Table to Table)**

PLEASE USE THE ORDER FORM BELOW, MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO OJC USY, AND RETURN BY  
October 2nd,

MAIL TO:  
SHARON RAPPAPORT, 10 CARRIAGE LANE, NANUET, NY 10954

*BASKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT OJC AS OF October 10th.*

---

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

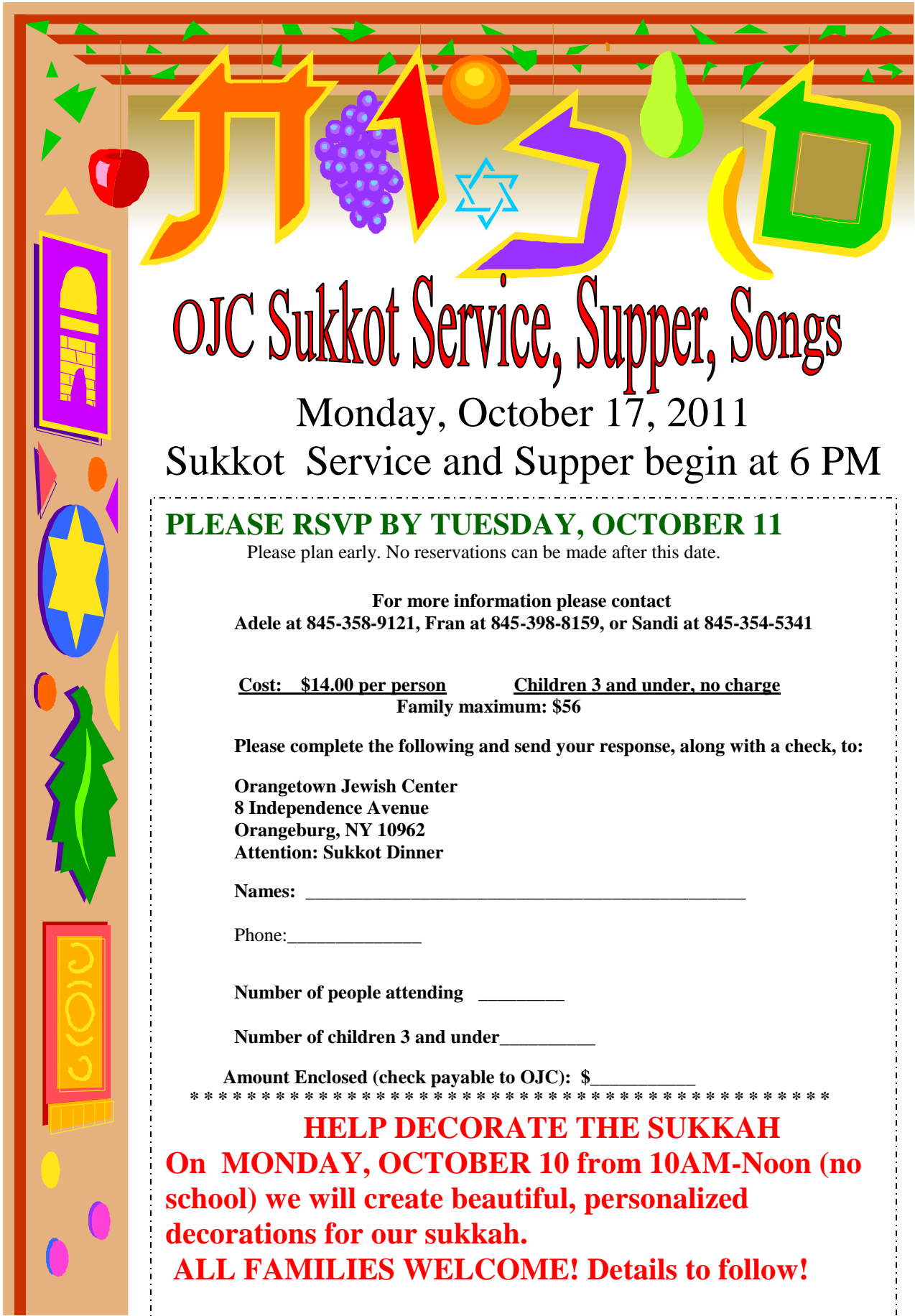
NUMBER OF MEDIUM BASKETS: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00= \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF LARGE BASKETS: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00= \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO OJC USY, & RETURN BY October 2nd, MAIL TO:  
SHARON RAPPAPORT, 10 CARRIAGE LANE, NANUET, NY 10954

OJC USY THANKS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.....SHANA TOVA



# OJC Sukkot Service, Supper, Songs

Monday, October 17, 2011

Sukkot Service and Supper begin at 6 PM

**PLEASE RSVP BY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11**

Please plan early. No reservations can be made after this date.

For more information please contact

Adele at 845-358-9121, Fran at 845-398-8159, or Sandi at 845-354-5341

Cost: \$14.00 per person      Children 3 and under, no charge  
Family maximum: \$56

Please complete the following and send your response, along with a check, to:

Orangetown Jewish Center  
8 Independence Avenue  
Orangeburg, NY 10962  
Attention: Sukkot Dinner

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children 3 and under \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed (check payable to OJC): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*

**HELP DECORATE THE SUKKAH**

**On MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 from 10AM-Noon (no school) we will create beautiful, personalized decorations for our sukkah.**

**ALL FAMILIES WELCOME! Details to follow!**

## *Chesed 5772*

Chesed is loving kindness. Chesed is tzedaka in action.

During this time in our year we take stock, looking within, evaluating where we are and preparing to move forward. Introspection can lead to the aspiration and commitment to do more, to do better individually and as a community. Chesed and tzedaka are integral to this intrinsic process.

Please consider becoming a CHESED volunteer who can be called when there is a need. You may not be called often, but we do need to have a group of volunteers ready when needs are brought to us. And please consider contacting a CHESED member if you are in need of some assistance or are unable to get out and about.

Many OJC CHESED members provide mostly unheralded service to fellow congregants. During the past year we have visited congregants in hospitals and nursing homes, made weekly visits to shut ins, made regular phone calls, cooked and delivered meals, driven to doctors and therapy appointments, visited a group home, and offered support and the comfort of knowing that there is someone who can help when needed.

Although OJC has a CHESED committee and defined activities that we offer to community members who may need some assistance, this form of tzedaka is not limited to our formal group. We recognize that not all acts of loving-kindness must be known to the CHESED community. Many individuals work quietly and lovingly outside any formal group. They phone regularly and offer meals and drive and visit when they see a need. They feel the basic satisfaction of chesed and a commitment that needs to be fulfilled.

### **CHESED COMMITTEE**

**כל ישראל ערבים זה בזה.**



ALL OF ISRAEL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ONE ANOTHER

*The OJC Chesed Committee is ready to...*

- Visit people in hospitals
- Make meals for those in need
- Drive to doctor/treatment appointments
- Do errands/shopping
- Visit the homebound
- Provide resource information
- Talk with families of ill members
- Visit people in nursing homes
- Be available to talk after shiva
- Welcome new babies



**Let us be there for you.**

If you would like to volunteer for the OJC Chesed Committee or need assistance, please call... Adele Garber (845) 358-9121 [ahg19@optonline.net](mailto:ahg19@optonline.net) or Maddie Roimisher (845) 359- 4846.

## *Tough Questions Jews Ask*

Everything you always wanted to ask . . .  
but thought you couldn't...Now you can!

**If I pray for something, will I get it?**

**Why does religion need so many rules?**

**Does God care if I eat a cheeseburger?**

**Why be Jewish?**

Lively interactive study with Rabbi Paula Mack Drill  
Three Monday nights at 7:30 pm

Mark your calendar now!

Oct 31, Nov 28, Dec 19, 2011



---

## *Monday Morning Midrash*

Stories of the Rabbis from between the lines of Torah texts...  
from Ancient to Medieval to Modern . . . to us!

**Study, Discuss, Create**

Mondays (of course!) 11:00 – 12:30

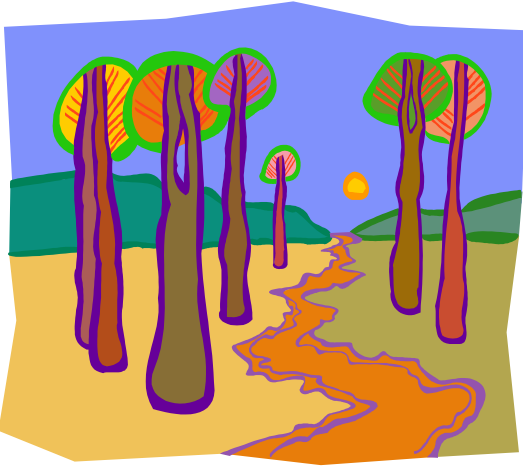
***Nov 14, Dec 12, 2011***

Jan 16, Feb 13, March 12, April 16, May 14, June 11, 2012

# Journey Group

## *A unique learning experience at the OJC*

Living meaningfully  
Cultivating gratitude  
Practicing ethics



*Each of us is on our own Jewish journey.  
Learning together can assist us on the way.*

Do you see this announcement each year and pass it by after a moment of consideration? The idea of growing Jewishly is intriguing but probably not for you. Maybe, this year, you are wrong. Is this is your year to join the Journey Group?

**Study text: God in All Moments: Mystical and Practical Spiritual Wisdom from Hasidic Masters, by Or Rose**

**Commit now to this journey and we will all be the richer and wiser for your participation.**

**Study with us for the first session of the year – decide then if you would like to join us. If you have questions or are ready to RSVP, email [rabbi.drill@theojc.org](mailto:rabbi.drill@theojc.org) or call 359-5920 ext. 8.**

Monday mornings, 11:00 – 12:30

**November 7, December 5, 2011**

January 9, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, 2012

---

## **ANNOUNCING THE MEN'S CLUB BRUCE COWEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

This program provides a \$1000 scholarship to a student about to enter college for the first time. The goal of the program is to encourage and reward students actively involved in community.

If you wish to apply for the scholarship, please submit an essay describing your ideas about community and how you have contributed to it personally. If you know of others who might qualify please inform them.

Essays should be submitted to Dr. Marty Cohen either to the OJC office or via email at [genesisx@optonline.net](mailto:genesisx@optonline.net). The deadline for submission is December 31, 2011.



**IN MEMORY OF:**

**REMEMBERED BY:**

Sol Bernstein.....Lilyan Berlant  
 .....Scott Berlant  
 Bunin.....Sheila Bunin  
 Irving Diamond.....Ellen Diamond  
 Aaron Epstein.....Charlene Kaplan  
 Nate Epstein.....Charlene Kaplan  
 Fran Kass.....Steven Kass  
 Bernard Leviant.....Elaine Leviant Seiler  
 Irving Gittelman.....Roberta Hirsch  
 Dorothy Goldman.....Mitchell Brill  
 Esther Greenbaum.....Marc Greenbaum  
 Edith Malden.....Charlene Kaplan  
 Jacob Putterman.....Bea Tarendash  
 Sol Stulberg.....Jerome Stulberg  
 Stephen Yager.....Jeffrey Yager

Dale & Howie Fox upon the birth of their grandson,  
 Benjamin  
 Michele & Michael Mosner (SMF)  
 Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

Naomi & Jeffrey Steinberg upon the birth of their  
 granddaughter, Keira Sadie  
 Alma Brown (WSF)

Adele Garber upon her grandson, Harrison,  
 becoming a Bar Mitzvah  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)

Gabi & Maty Lewy upon the birth of their grandson,  
 Colin Michael  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)  
 Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

**IN MEMORY OF**

Lawrence Weinstein, beloved brother of Dale Fox  
 Andrea & Alan Sherman (RDF)

Martin Salzman, beloved husband of Andrea Salzman  
 Mimi & Mel Rosenstock (RDF)  
 Judy & Marty Cohen (RDF)

Scott Faerber, beloved son of Marri & Richard Faerber  
 Barbara Rubin (R)

Evelyn Marks, beloved mother of Martin Marks  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)

The beloved grandmother of Jake, Ben & Sia Laddis  
 The OJC Religious School (S)

Rosalie Greene, beloved sister of Shelly Sirotowitz  
 Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

The beloved father of Marsha Murphy  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)

I.J. Striker, beloved father of Janet Lavin  
 Eileen & Barry Rogers (WSF)

Arnold Novick, beloved husband, father & grandfather  
 Sylvia & Norman Schaumberger (R)

Sam Spivak, beloved husband of Lorraine Spivak  
 Helen & Gary Barnett (WSF)  
 Judy & Marty Cohen (RDF)

**IN HONOR OF**

Maddie & Herb Roimisher upon the birth of their  
 grandson,  
Chance Ryan  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)

Carol & Sherman Baker upon the B'nai Mitzvah of their  
 grandchildren, Harry & Tess Fruchtman  
 Vera Amins (R)

Rabbi Paula & Jon Drill upon their son Noah's  
 graduation  
 Carol & Andy Blau (R)

Barbara & Jack Rosen upon the marriage of their  
 daughter, Michelle  
 Judy & Marty Cohen (RDF)

Grace & Marty Marks upon the marriage of their son  
 Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

Alma Brown upon the marriages of her grandchildren  
 Evelyn & Donald Winikoff (NS)

Alma Brown upon the marriage of her granddaughter,  
 Rachel  
 Maddie & Herb Roimisher (S)

Miriam Neuren upon the marriage of her granddaughter,  
 Julie, to Michael  
 Alma Brown (R)  
 Marie & Martin Getzler (RDF)  
 Adele Garber (RDF)  
 Evelyn Altman (RDF)  
 Maddie & Herb Roimisher (S)

The marriage of Carol Richmond & David Rothenberg

The Overbay Family (ARDF)

Janet & Jack Miller upon their 50th anniversary  
Vera Amins (R)

Mel Rosenstock upon his 85th birthday  
Evelyn & Donald Winikoff (NS)  
Vera Amins (R)

Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

Tova Adesnik's special birthday  
Gail & Jeff Sanders (RDF)

Sheila Wasserman upon her special birthday  
Janet & Jack Miller (S)

Bonnie Light upon her special birthday  
Mimi & Mel Rosenstock (RDF)

Elyse Richter upon her high school graduation  
Vera Amins (R)

Ethan Richter upon his graduation from RGHDS  
Vera Amins (R)

Frieda Seidner upon the graduations of her grandchildren  
Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

Barbara & Hank Rosen upon the graduation of their grandson  
Nina & Peter Tarley (WSF)

Marc Levine upon being honored as the Hudson Valley Region of Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs 2011 Man of the Year  
Carol & Andy Blau (R)

Ina Filip upon being honored by Torah Fund and receiving the Kehilla Kedosha Award  
Carol & Andy Blau (R)

#### **IN APPRECIATION OF**

Rabbi Craig Scheff  
Carol & Andy Blau (RDF)

Rabbi Paula Mack Drill  
Carol & Andy Blau (ARDF)

#### **R'FUA SHLEMA**

Lita Mustacchi  
Estelle Sollish (MMF)  
Naomi Cowen (MMF)

Tammi Fox  
Miriam Neuren (NS)  
Steve & Ronna Goldberg (R)  
Lydia & Lou Katz (S)

Adele Garber (WSF)  
Judy & Marty Cohen (NS)  
Philip & Penny Grossman (R)  
Tova & Barry Adesnik (R)  
Vera Amins (R)  
Nancy & George Bereznick (RDF)

Rebecca Rosenzwaig  
Janet & Jack Miller (NS)  
Tammi & Gabriel Fox (NS)

Ken Berkowitz  
Vera Amins (R)

Joshua Berg, grandson of Gloria & Melvin  
Evelyn & Donald Winikoff (NS)  
The Singer Family (R)  
Rosalie Eckstein (WSF)  
Janet & Jack Miller (S)  
Charlene Kaplan (WSF)  
Lita Mustacchi (MMF)

Jared Umlas  
Eileen & Barry Rogers (WSF)  
Estelle Sollish (WSF)

Andrea Wasserman  
Janet & Jack Miller (S)

#### **KEY TO DONATIONS:**

R = Ritual  
NBF = New Building Fund  
CC = Cheshed Committee  
S = School  
KF = Kiddush Fund  
LF = Library Fund  
RH = Ruach Hakodesh  
NS = Nursery School  
OCF= Office Computer Equipment Fund  
SCF = Seymour Cohen Fund  
RDF = Rabbi's Discretionary Fund  
ARDF = Associate Rabbi's Discretionary Fund  
BCMF = Bruce Cowen Memorial Fund  
MMF = Stanley Mustacchi Memorial Fund  
SMF = Shirley Mosner Memorial Fund  
PIMF = Pascaner / Itzkowitz Memorial Fund  
GSF = Greenwald Scholarship Fund  
ISF = Israel Scholarship Fund  
WSF = Walerstein Education / Scholarship Fund  
HSMF - Herman Seidner Memorial Fund

#### **Bernard Schiffmiller Sacred Text Collection:**

Donation (BSST-DN)  
Chumash/Etz Hayim (BSST-EH)  
High Holiday Mahzor (BSST-HHM)  
Youth Siddur (BSST-YS)  
Weekday Siddur (BSST-WS)

**THE CHESED COMMITTEE a/k/a GOOD & WELFARE COMMITTEE**, Kim Lori Sokol, on behalf of the OJC Board of Trustees, and Madeline Roimisher & Adele Garber, on behalf of the Chesed Committee, would like to extend their

**CONDOLENCES TO:**

Andrea Salzman upon the loss of her beloved husband, Martin Salzman  
Karen Goldstein upon the loss of her beloved father, Nathan Schwartzberg  
Sylvia Schaumberger upon the loss of her beloved sister, Phyllis Lutzka  
Tammy Nussbaum upon the loss of her beloved father, Gilbert Wolff

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Jeffrey & Naomi Steinberg upon the birth of their granddaughter, Keira Sadie  
Bea & Harold Birnbaum upon the birth of their great-granddaughter, Keira Sadie  
Stefanie & Jared Cohen upon the birth of their daughter, Ava  
Susan & Steven Danow upon the birth of their granddaughter, Talia Juliet Camhi, and grandson, Mason Bryce Danow  
Dale & Howie Fox upon the birth of their grandson, Benjamin  
Mimi & Stephen Nemeroff upon the birth of their grandchildren  
Chaya & Dovid Weissberg upon the birth of their daughter, Annie  
Barbara & Hank Rosen upon their grandson, Max, graduating from the University of Miami  
Frieda Seidner upon the graduations of her grandchildren, Emily & Jacob  
Dr. Gideon Panter upon the marriage of his daughter, Michaela, to Yevgeny Gelfand  
Miriam Neuren upon the marriage of her granddaughter, Julie, to Michael  
Barbara & Jack Rosen upon the marriage of their daughter, Michelle  
Grace & Marty Marks upon the marriage of their son  
George & Nancy Bereznick upon the marriage of their granddaughter  
Carol Blau upon 3 years of outstanding service to Jewish Federation  
Cedine Issman upon her installation to the Women's League Board  
Cindy Levine upon her installation to the Women's League Board  
Carolyn Wodar upon her installation to the Women's League Board

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Leslie & Scott Cooper and Lindsay (20) and Rachel (17): Suffern  
Joseph Katz: (Nanuet)  
Pamela Raines and Tessa (6) and Ian (4½): Tappan

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:**

Janet & Jack Miller (50th)      Lydia & Lou Katz (55th)      Leah & Morris Waitz (60th)

**GET WELL WISHES TO:**

Kenneth Berkowitz	Stacy Fox	Rose Berendt	Joan Cooperman	Sid Singer
Esther Berkowitz	Helen Sharon	Joan Frank	Scott Strauss	Bruce Bass
Baruch Amins	Kenneth Leff	Jerry Stulberg	Lilyan Berlant	Milton Gittelman
Avi Yassky	Barry Rogers	Stephanie Mathes	Harold Birnbaum	Dave Kalan
Abe Barbash	Bennett Silver	Ruth Barbash	Myra Rosen	Joshua Berg
Harry Friedler	Zachary Latteri	Marc Levine	Tammi Fox	

*Kindly let us know if you have an event/occasion you will be celebrating and we'll be most happy to print it in our next Shaliach.*

**Madeline Roimisher (845) 359-4846 and Adele Garber (845) 358-9121**

## *September Yahrzeits*

1 Abraham Berg	8 Emanuel Browner	16 Alexander Brunwasser	22 Elsie Siegel
1 Pearl Fener	8 Sydell Friedman	16 Jack J. Faerber	22 Abraham Weiner
1 David Goldenberg	8 Sylvia Weissman	16 Minnie Gardenberg	23 Bruce Day
1 L. Eric Matises	9 Bruce Cowen	17 Daniel Solomon Alevy	23 Rose Stulberg
1 Howard Shapiro	9 Charles Doberman	17 David Drogin	24 Sadie Novich
2 Robert Bensimhon	9 Sylvia Frank	17 Lois Pontell	25 David Charmak
2 Joseph Bonn	10 Sally Cooperman	17 Sylvia Schulsinger	25 Seymour Cohen
2 Martin Lyons Suchoff	10 Irving Margolin	17 Dinah Wallach	25 Herbert Irwin Klein
3 Daniel Bertram Gersten	10 Max Snow	19 Harry Frank	25 Abraham Isaac Rosen
3 Harry Gillman	10 William Sporn	19 Harry Haspel	25 David Solomon
3 Diana Renee Hoffman	10 Fanny Weinstein	19 Joseph Kaplan	26 Jacob Joseph Balban
3 Beatrice Kurzner	11 Ethel Sophia Krebs	19 Albert Mustacchi	26 Sheila Fox
3 Murray Rindler	11 Thea Sanders	19 Max Sebold	26 Lucille Greenberg
4 Etta Ginsberg	11 Rose Wertman	19 Mary Weiner	27 Samuel Appel
4 Aura Nelson	12 Reuben Moskowitz	20 Freda Basbaum	27 Frank P. Kaplan
4 Leonora Perlin-Margolin	12 Samuel Retzkin	20 Avraham Dutka	27 Jack Mann
4 Charles Shargorod	13 Fred Altman	20 Ida Glick	27 Irving Rosenberg
5 Sonia Bass	14 Frieda Eisenberg	20 Morris Light	27 Bruce Sipper
6 Esser Kantrowitz	14 Beverly Jacobs	20 Fannie Rosen	27 Bernard Weinstein
6 Fannie Sirotowitz	14 Harry Kremin	20 Jacob Schulman	28 Bessie Breslow
6 David Zangwill	15 Ted Block	20 Rose Weiss	29 Isadore Lesserson
7 William Doberman	15 Sarah Gottlieb	21 Dave Cohen	29 Nathan Ruderman
7 Irene Hirschler	15 Irving Silver	22 Resi Bauer	30 Seymour Cohen
7 Leonard Nussbaum	15 Hilda Weiner		

The family of Martin J. Salzman thanks the congregation for all your prayers and condolences during this time of illness and loss. You have been a great comfort.

Andrea Salzman

**For cemetery information, call  
Abe Barbash (845) 735-7226 or Arthur Sanders  
(845) 638-0473.**



Ads page 1

Ads p. 2



Ads p. 4



ads p. 6

Ads p. 7

Ads p. 8

Orangetown Jewish Center  
8 Independence Avenue  
Orangeburg, New York 10962-2405  
(845) 359-5920

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
Permit # 85  
Orangeburg, NY 10962

Return Service Requested