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Shabbat Shalom!

Torah portion: Parashat Mishpatim

Candle lighting: Friday 4:54 p.m.

This Week's Calendar



Friday, February 1

6:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service

7:00 p.m. Kitah Gimmel Shabbat Dinner

Saturday, February 2

[Schedule of Shabbat children's services](#)

8:45 a.m. Iyyun Tefila

9:00 a.m. Morning service / Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Pavolic

4:15 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Seudah Study

Sunday, February 3

10:30 a.m. Purimspiel rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Children's Choir

Monday, February 4

11:00 a.m. [Caregivers Journey with Rabbi Drill](#)

Tuesday, February 5

5:00 p.m. Hebrew Literacy Class (Beginners)

Wednesday, February 6

Rosh Chodesh Adar I - Day I

7:30 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah class - "Learning to chant

Haftarah"

Thursday, February 7

Rosh Chodesh Adar I - Day II

10:00 a.m. Text and Context

8:00 p.m. [Cantor's Torah Tropes Part II with Cantor Yucht](#)

Reminders



Fulfill the Mitzvah of Purim Mishloach Manot
Participate in the Annual OJC Sisterhood Fundraiser.

Responses are due no later than February 27.

Hudson Energy Mid Winter Promotion

Over the last 12 months OJC members have saved over \$10,000 on gas alone with [Hudson Energy](#). What are you waiting for? Sign up now and let the savings begin while helping the OJC as well!

OJC Sisterhood Scholarship Grant Program

OJC Sisterhood annually provides scholarship money for children participating in an organized first time trip to Israel. For questions and more information please contact [Lydia Katz](#) at: 845-352-2406.

Volunteer Opportunity

If you are a teen or an adult interested in a once a week mitzvah, an elderly congregant living at the Jewish Home of Rockleigh needs help eating dinner. Contact [Rabbi Drill](#) at 359-5920 x8.

Dedication Opportunities available

We have:

130 of the 5 Megillot available for dedication at \$18.00 each or 10 for \$150.00.

50 of the Tisha B'Av prayer book available for dedication at \$18.00 each or 10 for \$150.00.

Please contact [Krista](#) in the OJC office at 845-359-5920 x2.

Congratulations to Cantor Yucht

The United Synagogue and the Cantor's Assembly are pleased to inform the OJC Community that the musical submission of Cantor Vadim Yucht has been selected for inclusion in their upcoming CD, "The Spirit of Israel: II", to be released in May. Please stop by the [Cantor's web page](#) to hear a few of his wonderful selections.

OJC Family Shabbaton

Although [The OJC Family Shabbaton](#) will take place May 23-24, the time is now to reserve your place. 25 families will gather at Camp Ramah in Nyack for a full Shabbat of spirit, community and fun. See [Nanci Goldman](#) or [Rabbi Drill](#) for more information.

OJC 60-60 - 60 Days and 60 Ways

The Orangetown Jewish Center will celebrate Israel for sixty days from March 8th to May 8th in an extravaganza event 60-60: [60 Days and 60 Ways to Celebrate Israel](#). Stay tuned for more information!

Enroll in SendWordNow- there is still time

By now everybody has heard about SendWordNow (SWN), our new emergency mass-messaging system. There is still time to enroll. Send an e-mail to swn@TheOJC.org. Include your first and last name, your home phone number and your home e-mail address and you are good to go. Any questions? Please email [Howard Price](#) or call him any evening at 845-634-7244.

Jewish Time in Jewish Space

In celebration of [Israel's 60th birthday](#), please join [Rabbi Scheff](#) and your OJC family in Israel this summer for OJC's 2008 Israel family experience!

We will depart on Sunday, June 29, for a 12-day exploration of Jewish time and space. [Click here](#) for all the information that you will need to join the adventure that will take us from the desert to the ancient cities to the modern wonders of Israel!

OJC Author, Judith Umlas

Judith Umlas, the author of *Power of Acknowledgement*, will have her book available for purchase at the Sisterhood Israeli Brunch on February 10 and at the Sisterhood Pesach Seder on March 30.

The cost of the book is \$15. Judith will donate \$5 of the purchase price to the [North American Conference of Ethiopian Jewry](#). For additional information please call Beth Fishman at 201-476-9668.

The OJC Library is Ready!

We are in need of "volunteer librarians" during Religious School hours and some morning hours to start. Library hours and the need for additional "volunteer librarians" for the entire OJC community to come. Please contact [Lydia Katz](#) or [Sandy Borowsky](#) if you have the time to give.

Please Attend the OJC Evening Minyan

Please help out if you are able to attend minyan at

7:30 p.m. any evening throughout the winter. Prior experience not required. It's a satisfying and meaningful way to participate in our community and you'll be fulfilling an important mitzvah by assisting those congregants who need to say kaddish.

Save the Dates



Friday, February 8 - Saturday, February 9

Scholar in Residence - Rabbi Daniel Nevins, dean of the Rabbinical School of The Jewish Theological Seminary. The **Dr. Seymour Cohen Memorial Torah Project** *ruach* (spirit) continues with an exciting, stimulating and informative Shabbat. Contact: [Tova Adesnik](#) at 845-638-3615.

Friday February 8

7:45p.m. [Share a Shabbat with your Scout friends](#) from all over Rockland County! Join us at Beth Am Temple.

Saturday, February 9

7:30 p.m. [Comedy Central Comes to OJC](#)

Come and see comedians Jon Fisch, Sherry Davey, & Eric McMahon. Reserve your spot in advance - \$35.00 donation per person / \$45.00 at the door. Contact: [Shari Cooperman](#) at 845-365-0567 or [Lisa Zwerling](#) at 845-359-4485.

Sunday, February 10

11:30 a.m. The OJC Sisterhood invites you to come

[Enjoy the Best of Israel - Israeli Food](#)

Dina Yucht will prepare her delicious Israeli dishes: soups, pastas and more. Please R.S.V.P. to Nina Tarley at 845-357-0645 or Dina Yucht at 845-613-7092.

Sunday, February 10

1:00 p.m. [OJC Ruach Bowling @ Lucky Strike Lanes](#)

Have a great time with your friends while helping to raise money for the New OJC Torah!

Sunday, February 10

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. OJC PACT - Parents and Children Together!

[Shutafut - God's Partners](#)

Calling all families with children in Kindergarten and 1st Grade - Please join our Rabbinic Intern, Rabbi Leana. It will be something special for kids and parents! Fun for your entire family! Please RSVP by February 7 to [Rabbi Drill](#), 845-359-5920 x 8.

Sunday, February 10

7:00 p.m. [OJC USY ROCKS THE HOUSE](#) - Come Jam with Us! 8-12th Graders Welcome! RSVP to [Sharon Rappaport](#). All proceeds will go to The **[Dr. Seymour Cohen Memorial Torah Project](#)** and help Na'aseh to write part of OJC's new torah!

Wednesday, February 20

2:00 p.m. [Sisterhood Book Chat - *The Book Thief*](#)

"Markus Zusak has not really written "Harry Potter and the Holocaust." It just feels that way. It deplores human misery. It celebrates the power of language. It has an element of the fanciful. And it's a book that bestows a self-congratulatory glow upon anyone willing to grapple with it".

Janet Maslin, NYT Book Review

Saturday, March 1

[OJC Youth Shabbat](#) - The entire OJC Congregation is invited to services led completely by the OJC Youth, Saturday morning March 1. All youth at OJC in grades 4th-12th are invited to participate. To volunteer to lead a part of the service, contact [Scott Scheff](#), USY Religious VP, at 845-596-7746.

RSVP: For all other questions, please contact [Sharon Rappaport](#), Youth Director, at 845-623-2990.

Thursday, March 20

5:00 p.m. [Annual OJC Purim Carnival](#)

Please join us. There will be food and games for children of all ages.

Sunday, March 30

6:30 p.m. [4th Annual Sisterhood Seder](#)

Please join us and Rabbi Drill for this very special intergenerational evening for women and children of all ages.

Remember to check out [the OJC website](#), the monthly Shaliach newsletter, and your mailings for more information on all of the goings on!

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