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**Shabbat Shalom!**

**Torah portion:** Parashat Yitro

**Candle lighting:** Friday 4:45 p.m.

### This Week's Calendar



**Friday, January 25**

7:00 p.m. Shabbat Service

**Saturday, January 26**

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

9:00 a.m. Morning service

4:10 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv

**Sunday, January 27**

10:30 a.m. Purimspiel rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Children's Choir

**Monday, January 28**

7:30 p.m. ["Holy Day Meanings" with Rabbi Drill](#)

**Tuesday, January 29**

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

7:30 p.m. ["Our Sacred Texts" with Rabbinic Intern Leana Morrit](#)

**Wednesday, January 30**

12:00 p.m. Torah and Treats

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7:30 p.m. Hebrew Literacy class (Intermediate)  
7:30 p.m. Adult B'nai Mitzvah class

**Thursday, January 31**

10:00 a.m. Text and Context

8:00 p.m. [Cantor's Torah Tropes 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.

**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.

**Enroll in SendWordNow**

SendWordNow (SWN) is our new emergency mass-messaging system that will allow our clergy, officers and professional staff to contact you via voice and e-mail devices anywhere, at anytime. The process of enrolling is simple. Address an e-mail to [swn@TheOJC.org](mailto:swn@TheOJC.org), and in the subject line, type SWN ENROLLMENT. In the body of your message, include your first and last name, your home phone number and your home e-mail address.

If you have questions about SendWordNow, or how we'll use it, 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.

### **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.

### **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**

**1:30 - 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. For effective planning, please let us know how many of you are coming and your children's ages!

**Sunday, February 10**

**7:00 p.m. [OJC USY ROCKS THE HOUSE](#)** - Come Jam with Us! 8-12<sup>th</sup> Graders Welcome! Compete for cool prizes. We guarantee you an awesome night with music, and games like **Guitar Hero, Rock Band, and Dance Dance Revolution!** \$10 minimum donation if you want to ROCK OUT with your friends! 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. Saturday morning services begin at 9:00 a.m. and programming continues throughout the day until Havdallah. 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.

**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.

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