

## Serving New York State, Northern & Central New Jersey



Dear Friends,

ADL New York/New Jersey extends our best wishes to you and your loved ones for a continued happy and healthy Passover to those who celebrate, and a happy Easter this weekend to those who observe that holiday.

For all, we thank you for being an important part of the ADL community and for your commitment to fighting hate for good and securing justice and fair treatment for all.

With deep appreciation,
ADL New York/New Jersey

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- 2020 White Supremacist Propaganda Report
- Regional Day of Action: Speaking Up Against Anti-Asian Hate
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# **ADL NATIONAL UPDATES**





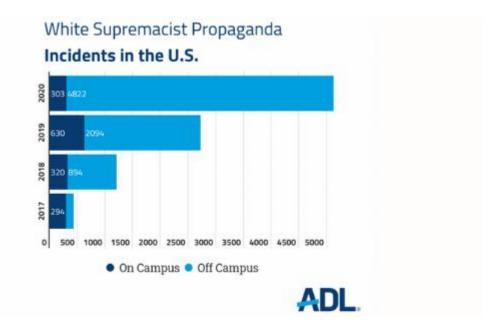
#### **ADL'S ISRAEL SOCIAL COHESION SUMMIT**

For the past four years, ADL's Israel Social Cohesion Summit has provided a high-level platform for a national conversation about Israeli society and Israel-Diaspora relations. This conversation encompasses all of Israeli society, which is why the Summit is the only major national conference in Israel that is fully translated into Arabic.

The Summit is part of ADL Israel's commitment to building bridges and creating a constructive dialogue by convening all parts and giving voice to all communities in Israel. The Summit is the only major national conference in Israel that is fully translated into Arabic.

To watch the recording, please click here.

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#### WHITE SUPREMACIST PROPAGANDA SPIKES IN 2020

ADL's Center on Extremism (COE) tracked a near-doubling of white supremacist propaganda efforts in 2020, which included the distribution of racist, antisemitic and anti-LGBTQ fliers, stickers, banners and posters.

The new report on white supremacist propaganda revealed a national average of **14 incidents per day**, reaching an all-time high in our tracking data and nearly double the cases recorded in 2019. **This included an alarming 68% increase in propaganda targeting Jews or Jewish institutions**.

New York/New Jersey Region:

- In New York, ADL recorded 308 incidents of white supremacist propaganda, which is a 72% increase from the 172 documented incidents in 2019. To read more regarding our New York findings, please click here.
- In New Jersey, incidents drastically increased from 12 in 2017 to a record 323 incidents in 2020, which is truly shocking and far outpaces almost any other region. To read more regarding our New Jersey findings, please <u>click here</u>.

"This exponential rise in hate serves to spread fear and to recruit even more people to the cause," said ADL NY/NJ Regional Director Scott Richman. "We must act quickly to push back against this tide with a whole-of-society approach." To read the full interview, please click here.

If you witness extremist propaganda, you should immediately report it to local law enforcement and alert ADL using our <u>incident reporting platform</u>. You

can also show solidarity with those targeted and encourage public officials in your area to condemn the propaganda as an act of hate.

<u>Click here</u> to read ADL's report on the surge in white supremacist propaganda and join ADL as a vigilant champion against hate in your community.

### **REGIONAL DAY OF ACTION**



#### TRACK HATE AND SPEAK UP AGAINST ANTI-ASIAN HATE

# Why should I share my story?

By sharing what you experienced or witnessed, you can educate the public, empower others, show service providers where help is needed, and strengthen advocacy efforts for hate crimes response and prevention.

#### What should I include?

Capture evidence: video, physical descriptions (tattoos, what they were wearing, etc.), write down what happened and include as much as you can remember

#### Where can I submit testimonials?

- StandAgainstHatred.org
- saalt.org/tracking-hate/
- AAPIHateCrimes.org
- StopAAPIHate.org
- 1-844-9-NO-HATE (1-844-966-4283)
- adl.org/reportincident



#### SPEAK UP AGAINST ANTI-ASIAN HATE

Hate crimes, anti-immigrant bias, and discriminatory acts against Asians and Asian Americans have significantly increased in the U.S. since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Congress can take action by passing two resolutions that condemn this rising tide of hatred and aim to curb the damaging effects of hate, bias and violence to society.

# **CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVE TODAY**

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# **ADL NY/NJ REGIONAL UPDATES**



# ONE BROOKLYN - BROOKLYN RALLY AGAINST HATE AND ASIAN HATE CRIMES

On March 21st, Scott Richman, ADL NY/NJ's Regional Director, was honored to join Eric Adams, Brooklyn Borough President, and Eric Gonzalez, Brooklyn District Attorney, in joining a wide array of elected officials, faith leaders and community advocates for a rally against hate.

The rally united communities to help send a message to local politicians that anti-Asian hate is an immediate issue and the importance of reporting crimes of racism and hate: online and in-person.

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# JOIN THE FIGHT: A CONVERSATION FEATURING ATTORNEY GENERAL GURBIR GREWAL

On March 15th, ADL NY/NJ and Glen Rock Jewish Center hosted a conversation with New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewal.

Regional Director Scott Richman spoke with Attorney General Grewal on the continuing rise in bias incidents and the efforts the state of New Jersey has taken in the fight against hate and extremism.

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# **EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**



#### TEACHING WOMEN'S HISTORY IN MARCH AND BEYOND

In schools and classrooms, Women's History Month provides an opening to talk with students about the lived experiences of ordinary and extraordinary women; what women have accomplished and achieved and milestones they have reached in different fields and professions. It is also an opportunity to highlight the ways in which women have been excluded, marginalized and oppressed and how women and others have struggled to achieve equity and justice.

A <u>recent study</u> illustrates that women's history and perspective have taken a back seat in many classrooms nationwide. While March is an important time to focus attention on women's history and achievements, it should not be isolated into one month of the year. Women's history is U.S. history and should be integrated into curriculum throughout the school year.

## **READ MORE**

For resources to bring Women's History Month to your classroom and schools, **click here**.



## **CHALLENGING ANTI-ASIAN BIAS AND ACTING AS AN ALLY**

Amidst the increase in anti-Asian rhetoric, bullying in schools, racist incidents, scapegoating and hate crimes impacting Asian and Asian American people, this is an important opportunity to have conversations with young people about the history of violence and injustice. In addition, this time also provides an opening to engage students in learning more about the history and background of the AAPI community and how to act as an ally when you see, witness or experience bias and injustice.

ADL has provided resources for students, schools, classrooms and families to help open these conversations.

## **CLICK HERE FOR RESOURCES**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**











AJC Long Island

Co-sponsored by:

Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County Jewish Community Relations Council of Long Island
Nassau County Commission on Human Rights United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

In collaboration with:



# יום השואה - Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 7:00PM – Zoom based

Please plan to join our extended Nassau County community as we remember & learn.

To ensure security for this program please register on this link:

https://tinyurl.com/YomHaShoah21

Once you register you will receive the sign in link by email.

# Arthur Spielman Holocaust Survivor



Mr. Spielman, in a pre-recorded video, will recount his story of survival, choosing to go to the Ghetto to stay with family and the eventual fate of his extended family.

# Fighting Anti-Semitism & Hate Israel Nitzan

Acting Consul General of Israel in New York



Acting Consul General Israel Nitzan coordinates the political work at the Israeli Consulate in New York. He develops and maintains relations with national, state, and local elected officials as well as community leaders within the Consulate's five-state jurisdiction as a representative of the State of Israel.

Wagner College Holocaust Center

Welcome remarks by: Laura Curran - Nassau County Executive

Congregation Shaaray Shalom Temple B'Nai Israel of Elmont

Elmont Jewish Center Valley St<u>r</u>eam Jewish Center

Malverne Jewish Center Valley Stream Hadassah

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JCC of Staten Island

HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION

Please join us on **Sunday, April 11th at 7:00 PM EST** for a special program remembering the Holocaust and highlighting ongoing efforts to combat hate and antisemitism. Participants will hear from **Israel Nitzan**, Acting Consul General of Israel in New York, and **Arthur Spielman**, a Holocaust survivor.

ADL is pleased to partner with the Long Island Holocaust Museum and

Tolerance Center and many other organizations to bring this important commemoration to the community.

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# The State of Extremism

Aryeh Tuchman, Associate Director, ADL Center on Extremism



April 28th, 2021 7:00 - 8:00 PM Click here to register

\*this event is part of Temple Sharey-Tefilo Israel's partnership with ADL NY/NJ through the Signature Synagogue Program Join ADL's Center on Extremism for an exclusive briefing on the state of extremism in New Jersey and the United States. From white supremacist activity to election disinformation, Associate Director, Aryeh Tuchman, will present on current trends and incidents perpetrated by extremists across the ideological spectrum.

Aryeh Tuchman monitors and responds to antisemitism and extremism across the country. Aryeh is a specialist on Holocaust denial, antisemitic conspiracy theories, anti-Zionism, and attacks on the history and theology of Judaism. He has an M.A. in medieval Jewish history from Yeshiva University and is an ordained rabbi.

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#### **ADL NY/NJ SPEAKS OUT**



#### Social Media

- ADL NY/NJ speaks out about anti-Asian rhetoric and shares key events of anti-Asian sentiments in the U.S.
- ADL NY/NJ & ADL's Westchester Interest Group met with White Plains <u>Mayor Tom Roach to discuss common goals in the joint fight against</u> hate and antisemitism.
- ADL NY/NJ Regional Director, Scott Richman, joined Brooklyn Borough President, Eric Adams, and Brooklyn DA, Eric Gonazalez, in support of the AAPI community.
- Scott Richman, ADL NY/NJ Regional Director, met with Montclair Mayor Sean Spiller for a panel discussion with the Essex County Board of Commissioners on Confronting Hate in Our Communities.

#### **Press**

- ADL NY/NJ's Regional Director put out a statement regarding the NY
   Post's Op-ed article "Why are Manhattan's COVID rates so low compared with the rest of NYC?".
- ADL NY/NJ Regional Director makes statement about an offensive and misogynistic caption to a picture showing a Jewish nurse at a vaccination facility that was released by the Asbury Park Press.
- "New Jersey and National Leaders Support Nomination of Rachel Wainer Apter to the New Jersey Supreme Court" (State of New Jersey).

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