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REGIONAL UPDATES
On January 10, 2022, ADL and the Jewish Federation & Foundation of Rockland County commemorated the 2nd anniversary of the stabbing attack of December 28th, 2019 in Monsey, NY. We held a vigil, heard from high-level elected officials, and had a D'var Torah and learning portion in honor of Josef Neumann, Z"L.

In commemoration of the second anniversary of the attack Scott Richman, ADL NY/NJ Regional Director and Ari Rosenblum, CEO of the Jewish Federation and Foundation of Rockland County, also co-authored "Wisdom in the Face of Tragedy, Resolve in the Face of Loss, Pride in the Face of Hate."

CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE RECORDING

NATIONAL UPDATES & RESOURCES
ADL CONDOMNS AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL REPORT

Amnesty International UK's report on Israel released has been analyzed and unequivocally condemned by ADL. This new report goes beyond criticizing Israeli policies and actions to painting Israel's very creation as illegitimate, immoral, and faulted.

ADL reviewed this report and strongly condemn it as an effort to demonize Israel and undermine its legitimacy as a Jewish and democratic state. In an environment of rising anti-Jewish hate, this type of report is not only inaccurate but also irresponsible, and likely will lead to intensified antisemitism around the world.

CLICK HERE TO READ MORE
On February 1st, ADL CEO Jonathan Greenblatt joined *The View* to discuss why Holocaust education, which has a proven record of reducing intolerance, is so critical as antisemitism remains a real and present danger for the Jewish community.

Following her comments made on Monday, Whoopi Goldberg has since apologized, stating “I stand corrected and I stand with the Jewish people.” In Jonathan's words, Whoopi has been a long-time ally of the Jewish community and ADL, and her apology is very much welcome.
JONATHAN GREENBLATT TESTIFIES BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY

Last week, ADL CEO and National Director Jonathan Greenblatt testified about the rise in domestic terrorism before the House Committee on Homeland Security and included recommendations on how to respond.

In his testimony, Jonathan said: “The crisis in Colleyville was a painful reminder that the threat to the Jewish community in America remains significant and lethal. In fact, ADL has recorded a 115 percent increase in antisemitic incidents from 2015 to 2020.”

READ AND WATCH HIS TESTIMONY HERE

EXTREMISM ON THE BALLOT IN 2022

The American political landscape one year after the January 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol reflects the divides highlighted on that violent day and
reveals the extent to which extremist beliefs have become part of the mainstream.

As the 2022 midterm election campaigns kick into high gear, ADL’s Center on Extremism is tracking more than 100 problematic political candidates who claim to be running for political office this year.

For more information, we encourage you to listen to and share Regional Director Scott Richman’s "From the Frontlines" podcast, which featured insights from Carla Hill, Associate Director of ADL’s Center on Extremism.

CLICK HERE TO READ THE FULL REPORT

COMMEMORATING INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Since 2005, the United Nations General Assembly designated January 27, the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau camps, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day. To commemorate this day each year, ADL urges everyone to honor the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust, and the millions of others who were killed at the hands of the Nazis, by pledging to fight hate for good. You can find resources below to learn more about this
history and why we continue to teach about the Holocaust more than 75 years later.

1. Listen to this episode of the From the Frontlines Podcast, featuring a conversation with Rachelle Goldstein, Co-Director of The Hidden Child Foundation and Scott Richman, ADL NY/NJ Regional Director.
2. Visit ADL’s Echoes & Reflections website for powerful survivor testimony and essential educational materials.
3. Read "Taking stock of Holocaust awareness for International Holocaust Remembrance Day" by ADL Deputy National Director Kenneth Jacobson
4. Contact Congress and urge them to confirm Professor Deborah Lipstadt to serve as the US Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism.

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**ADL EDUCATION**

Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month, which is an annual celebration of achievements by Black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of Black people in U.S. history.

As we reflect this month, check out the following ADL resources to learn even more about this significant, historic annual observance.

- **ADL Black History Month Resources**: Take a deeper dive into the significance of Black History Month, and check out various ADL resources including lesson plans covering historical, current, and race & racism related issues, children & young adult literature recommendations, and teaching tools.
13 Exceptional Kid Lit Books to Read for Black History Month:
Using children’s literature to teach about Black history and the Black experience is a great way to open the door to discussions about these experiences and milestones. With a variety of relevant topics to choose from, each book comes with two discussion guides: one for educators and one for families.

The ABCs of Black History: ADL’s February Book of the Month honors and commemorates a story that spans continents and centuries, triumph and heartbreak, creativity and joy.

Changing the World One Word at a Time
Read Aloud and Conversation with Jacqueline Woodson
Wednesday, February 9
4:00–5:00pm ET
Register for a chance to win a signed copy of her book.

Join best-selling author Jacqueline Woodson at our next Read Aloud “Changing the World One Word at a Time” event on February 9 at 4pm. Jacqueline Woodson is the recipient of several awards including most recently the 2020 MacArthur Fellowship and the 2020 Hans Christian Andersen Award. Her New York Times best-selling memoir Brown Girl Dreaming won the National Book Award.
Join ADL for an “Allies Coming Together” online event with filmmaker Matthew A. Cherry to celebrate his Oscar-winning short film Hair Love on February 24th at 12:00pm.

This virtual event is designed for 4th-12th graders wanting to build more inclusive space and will feature the viewing of Hair Love and a dialogue between students from ADL’s No Place for Hate® coalition and Cherry.

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UPCOMING EVENTS
Join ADL NY/NJ, the Museum of Jewish Heritage, the New York Board of Rabbis, and 92Y on February 15th at 5:30pm for a powerful conversation with Dr. Georgette Bennett whose new book, *Thou Shalt Not Stand Idly By,* is the story of her efforts to get aid to Syrians during their Civil War. Remarkably, the massive $175 million humanitarian effort that she sparked was largely carried out by unprecedented partnerships between Syrians and Israelis. Learn this fascinating story about the impact that one person can have and hear why Bennett was recently cited in Forbes’ first “50 Over 50” Impact list.

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**ADL NY/NJ ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

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- **On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, ADL NY/NJ and the NJ NAACP called on Congress to protect our fundamental right to vote. Voting rights are key to protecting safety & freedom for all.**

- **ADL NY/NJ is heartbroken a 8-year-old child was allegedly spat on because of his Jewish identity.**
• ADL NY/NJ is grateful to Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer for calling on Congress to double the proposed funding for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program.

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• Follow ADL NY/NJ Regional Director Scott Richman on Twitter
• Listen to amd share ADL NY/NJ Regional Director Scott Richman's "From the Frontlines" Podcast
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