



NEWS FROM OJOTC



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It's Less than 2 Months Until Conference....

Have you registered yet?

Have you made your hotel reservations?

Have you signed up for the OJOTC Shabbat Program?

The Conference is scheduled for April 7-10

(that's more than a week and a half before Pesach)

Rooms at the Conference Hotel (the Hilton) are going fast – as are the rooms at the other nearby hotels.

[click here to book your hotel room NOW](#)



Are You Looking for a

Roommate

**For Conference?
Are You Looking to
Share a Room
With Someone For Conference?
Send us an e-mail to
Roommate@OJOTC.org
and we will try to match you up**

Now is also the time to sign up for the OJOTC Shabbat Program



**We are planning another enjoyable and inspirational Shabbat Program with Glatt Kosher Shabbat dinner and lunch – along with a Shabbat afternoon program in our meeting room in the Hilton Hotel
Please sign up now – we need to know how many people to prepare meals for.**

**Click Here and Sign Up
<http://www.ojotc.org/id40.html>**

Here are the Tentative Shabbat Meal Menus

Friday Night Dinner

**Kiddush – Grape Juice – Challah
Gefilte Fish – Red Horseradish Garnish
Chopped Salad – Vinaigrette Dressing
Roasted or Bar-B-Q Chicken
Potato Kugel
Green Beans – Baby Carrots
Fresh Fruit – Cookies
Soda – Seltzer – Water**

Shabbat Lunch

**Kiddush – Grape Juice – Challah
Caesar Salad – Creamy Caesar Dressing
Potato Salad
Deli Platters – Turkey and Corned Beef
Chicken Cutlets
Assorted Soft Rolls and Breads
Cranberry Relish, Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Mustard & Dijon Mustard
Fresh Fruit – Cookies
Soda – Seltzer – Water**

**Catering by Danziger Kosher Caterers
(Under Supervision of Chicago Rabbinical Council)**

Shalosh Seudot

Bring Your Own and Share



We are on the road to having enough men for Shabbat minyanim – and we have arranged for a Sefer Torah for Shabbat.

Men – please respond and let us know if you are able and willing to lein part of the Parsha (Parshat Tazria) and/or if you are able and willing to daven for the Amud

We also need people to share a brief d'var Torah during meals (women as well as men are welcome to share some Torah thoughts)

Please let us know by e-mailing

shabbat@ojotc.org



We Need Sponsors for Shabbat at Conference....

The cost of our Shabbat meal program for Chicago is much higher than in past years – mainly due to the higher cost of dealing with a hotel that has an exclusive contract with the Kosher Caterer (and a separate Kosher kitchen) as well as having to deal with a hotel that is a union shop with all its extra costs.

We have been working hard to keep the costs as low as possible – especially since traditionally so many OT students participate – but we had to raise the cost this year by \$5 a meal and we are still projecting to run short.

So we are looking for sponsors to help us cover the costs.

If you are in a practice and can obtain a “sponsorship” from that practice of any amount - \$50, \$76, \$100 – it would help us greatly.

If you can help with a personal contribution of any amount it would help (even if you are not planning to attend this year)

**Just make a check out to “OJOTC” and mail it to us at:
535 Franklin Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30342-2773**

Thanks so much

We Need Your Help In Another Way To Make Our Shabbat Program Successful

We need help to...

- 1 – Spread the word about our program to OT program directors at college and universities**
- 2 – Contact OT State Associations about our Shabbat program and ask them to let Jewish OT's and OT students know about our program**
- 3 – Help us find a food provider (caterer) in Chicago who we and the hotel can work with to arrange for our Shabbat meals**
- 4 – Lead or co-lead a Shabbat afternoon OJOTC educational session and/or suggest a topic for one of our Shabbat afternoon sessions**
- 5 – Publicize our program to Jewish newspapers in cities around the nation**

... please contact us as ojotc@hotmail.com as soon as possible and let us know how you will be part of the team to make the 2016 OJOTC Shabbat Program the best and most attended year.



**The American
Occupational Therapy
Association, Inc.**

Are you someone who has been Dreaming of Leadership in Geriatrics?

GSIS is currently seeking appointees for the following positions:

- Chairperson
- Forums Coordinator
- Education-Research Coordinator
- Quarterly Editor

Apply by February 29 for GSIS Positions!

For more details please see <http://www.aota.org/AboutAOTA/Get-Involved/Leadership/Leadership/VLDC/appointment.aspx>.

Send your Nomination Form, cover letter, and CV to VLDC@aota.org today!

Are you in Burn Rehab? If so – maybe you can help one of our Israeli OT's.

Here is the e-mail she sent to us:

Someone I know has a burn foundation, she is not an OT and does not have a medical background. She is a survivor of a severe house fire.

From time to time she sends me her newsletters and I am amazed that OT is missing. Here is a recent one, <https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/152df247ff8589b4?projector=1>

I asked her why she does not include the role of and importance of OT intervention. To this she responded that I can write a few lines max. It is 25 years since I worked as a student in a burns unit and the role of the OT was more than just a few lines.

If you wish to respond – please do.

Shoshannah Shear

shoshanah.s@gmail.com

Student Looking to Shadow an OT

We received this e-mail recently. If you can help this student, please e-mail her directly:

I am 21 year old student at Queens College, majoring in psychology and hopefully going into Occupational Therapy. I live in Queens during the school year and am home in West Orange, NJ for the summer. I am looking for somewhere I can shadow/intern for this coming summer, summer 2016. I will be in school as well, taking classes in the area but I am looking for somewhere I can start to gain hours in the occupational therapy field. I am interested in shadowing in a hospital but I am open to other places as well.

Thank you so much,
Ayala Tammam

ayalatammam@gmail.com

Pacific Rim Conference is Calling for Proposals

The 32nd Annual Pacific Rim International Conference on Disability and Diversity will be held on April 25-26, 2016, at the Hawai'i Convention Center in Honolulu. This year we are featuring topic areas such as Inclusive, Caring Communities; and Disability Studies. Our Call for Proposals is NOW OPEN, so be sure to submit your ideas to us early! For more information, please visit us at www.pacrim.hawaii.edu, or feel free to e-mail us at prinfo@hawaii.edu, or call us at 1-808-956-7539.



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New OJOTC Yom Tov Calendar

About 7 years ago, OJOTC published a 10-year Yom Tov Calendar that many members have given to their colleges and/or employers.

We have updated that calendar.

It now runs through 2020.

Send us an e-mail at calendar@ojotoc.org and we will send you a .pdf copy of the calendar.

Or e-mail us and let us know who we should send a copy to.



How Visual Stress Affects Learning and Behavior

(And What Can Be Done About It)

with Shoshana Shamberg, OTR/L, MS

Accessibility Consultation and Home Modification Internet and Onsite Trainings

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Personal Mentoring Programs via the Internet

Shomer Shabbat seminars - attend Baltimore for shabbat and a training - we will help connect you to a host for shabbat

Contact: Abilities at info@aotss.com or visit our website at www.aotss.com and www.irlevlcmd.com

Shoshana Shamberg, OTR/L, MS, FAOTA

Coast to Coast...

..and border to border.

We now have OJOTC members all across the United States, in 26 different states, from New York to California, from Florida to Oregon.

That's in addition to Israel and Canada.

And we are still growing.

If you are not a member, sign up today.

Just follow this link: <http://www.ojotc.org/id2.html>

Membership is free, and the larger we grow, the more influence we have in representing our religious needs.



E-Mail Addresses

Are you changing your e-mail address? Make sure to let us know. Most e-mail servers don't forward mail (like the U.S. Postal Service does.

Send us your new address to members@ojotc.org

(And, of course, if you know of OT's or OT Students who should be on our list, tell them to send us their names and e-mail addresses.)