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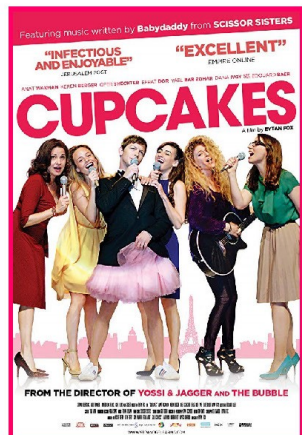
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LEARN & LUNCH BUNCH

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Menu: pizza, salad, dessert, coffee/tea.
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Torah Study every Saturday, 9:00am, with Rabbi Renni Altman. Examine passages from the week's Torah portion or haftorah.

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People of the Book with Rabbi Daniel Victor, Every Thursday, 12:30pm, at The Crafted Kup, Raymond Avenue. Jews often refer to themselves the people of the book. Although the "Book" originally referred solely to the Tanach, Jews expanded the phrase to encompass post-biblical literature. The Mishnah, which is comprised of six tractates of study is the most basic book of the post-biblical literature (The Oral Torah) and considered the key to the rest. This ongoing class is studying Mishnah Sukkah (from the tractate of Shabbat and Holidays). There is no charge for the class and everyone is welcome.

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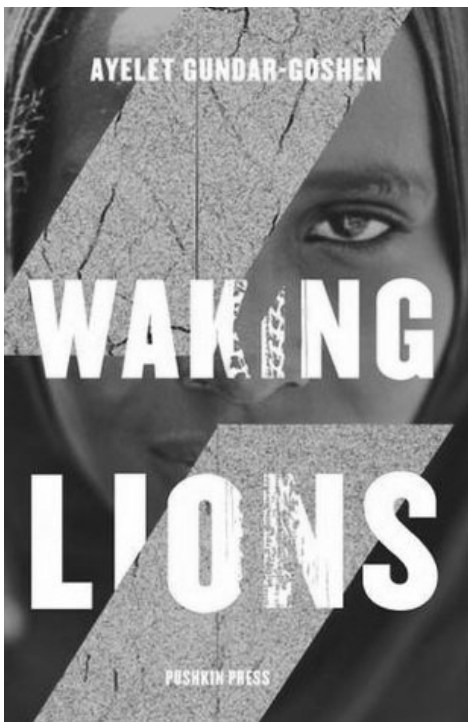
Rosh Chodesh Reading Group presented by Congregation Shir Chadash

Those interested in reading have been invited to a potluck brunch and discussion held every month. Participants meet to discuss memoirs, fiction, poetry and drama in a variety of works that offer Jewish themes and a variety of perspectives of interest.

The Next Rosh Chodesh reading group meeting will be held on TBD. The selection is *Walking Lions* by Israeli author Avelet Gundar-Goshen.

Have a topic suggestion, please let us know! Location to be decided.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Sandy Lash at (845) 232-1029, email: info@shir-chadash.org or website: www.shir-chadash.org.



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Please visit our website www.chabadmidhudsonvalley.com

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For more information call (845) 232-1029, email info@shir-chadash.org or www.shir-chadash.org.

Rosh Hashanah Greeting Deadline extended to August 8.
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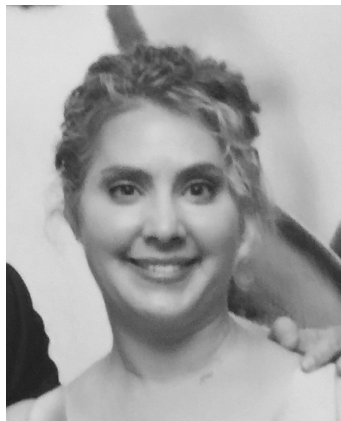
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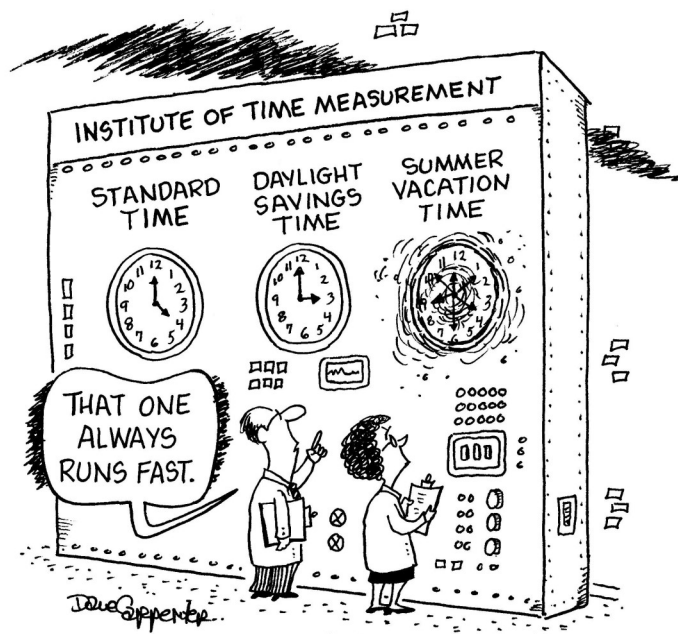
A couple of weeks ago, we had a very sudden death in our family. My Uncle Kenny passed away. Kenny never stood on ceremony and felt no need to be referred to as 'Uncle Kenny,' so he was simply Kenny to our family. We had just spent a wonderful afternoon with him and his immediate family helping them clear out their house because they were moving fulltime to their Massachusetts beach house. The following week, my aunt officially retired on Thursday, they left for Massachusetts on Friday and he passed away on Wednesday. Shock doesn't even begin to cover what our family is feeling.

This is the first time my husband and I have had to explain to our children that a loved one had passed away. My husband's family have been incredibly blessed: he still has two grandmothers, both of sound mind and body while in their 90's. My family has not been nearly as fortunate. The last of my grandparents died 26 years ago. I've lost lots of relatives over the years, none of them unexpectedly - all of them dying from either illness or old age. So, Kenny's passing was a first in many respects.

The evening we told our boys about Kenny's sudden death was a perfectly calm and relaxed summer evening. It didn't seem fair that such a sad conversation needed to occur during such a peaceful evening. Nevertheless, my husband and I sat outside with our boys, explained that we had something very sad to tell them and then proceeded to explain that Kenny had passed away. My 9-year old, Colby, reacted like most children; he got visible upset and then wanted to go play baseball to "distract me from crying." My older son Zach (who is a child with autism) reacted as a child with autism typically would react; he wondered "who was going to get me something to drink during Break Fast because that's what Kenny always does."

Zach's reaction made me realize that death has many similarities to autism... neither discriminate, care how much money you have, who your family is or how old you are. As the days wore on, I realized I was grieving not only for the loss of a wonderful man who'd warmly welcomed me into his family more than 20 years ago, but I was also grieving for Zach's inability to grieve. His complete lack of any emotional connection to Kenny's death stood out so starkly at the memorial service filled with more than a hundred people, the majority whom were openly sobbing.

The Rabbi at the memorial service read several moving poems and one had a line, which I'll paraphrase, about how when the body is gone and all that remains is love, you need to take that love and give it away too. I realized that Zach's inability to have sympathy or empathy isn't something I should mourn but instead I could celebrate the many wonderful abilities he does possess, including his ability to love. Kenny's sudden death taught our family all something: my husband and I learned that life is entirely too short, Colby learned a coping mechanism and Zach recognized that Kenny's death caused a void in his life.



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Young Jewish Professionals in Dutchess

This month meet: Erik Sims

Reporter's Note: Feel free to contact me with any youngish and Jewish professionals you'd like to read about---

Written by Amanda Hudes, founder of Smiling Through Chaos Event Planning

He cares. This is a simple summary of Erik Sims. As a doctor of podiatry, he cares about his patients. As a family man, he cares about his loved ones, and as someone of the Jewish faith, he cares about making sure the religion lives on.



But let's start with the first point. Erik works for the family business alongside his father, Dr. Lew Sims, at Sims & Associates Podiatry. He thoroughly enjoys his daily interactions with patients, appreciating their unique differences and backgrounds. When asked if he expects his own children to follow in his footsteps someday, as he has done, he stated, "Similar to my dad, he had a very laid-back approach and said if it's something you would enjoy it's here for you." If he had an interest to join him, it would be there for him, but without pressure. He added, "I have loved working with my dad. We heard some horror stories about going into business with your family, but we get along so great...it's amazing." They work in the same office about twice a week and are often just passing each other in the hall, but the appreciation is there.

And the office is really growing. "It started out as a little family business but we are now up to 3 offices with a 4th one about to open in a few months." The offices are located in Poughkeepsie, Pleasant Valley, Fishkill, and soon Highland. He attributes the growth to their reputation of treating people like family. "I just enjoy trying to help people get better, and it's rewarding to help people with their problems."

Erik's family business was a great opportunity for staying in the area, but he thoroughly enjoys living in the Hudson Valley. He enjoys taking the kids bike riding and staying outside of the city traffic. For Erik, even though he works long hours, family comes first. He is very close to both his immediate and extended family.

Erik grew up going to the Mid Hudson Hebrew Day School, so he was involved early on. There, he attended full day schooling where he learned Hebrew and Jewish traditions at an early age. It's important to him that his children, Alex, 8, Zoe, 6, and Sidney, 3, also learn the meaning of being Jewish, with the focus more on the traditions and their heritage rather than the language and biblical way of life. They are members of Temple Beth El, and they attend services there for the high holidays. They also celebrate major holidays such as Hanukkah and Passover.

Erik and his family would love to attend social events for young families again. A few years ago, they partook in temple activities held for young families, such as days out to the farm and movie night at the temple, and they would love to be involved in such social events if they became present once again. "I am proud to be Jewish and want to pass that onto my kids and future generations."

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Rabbi's Blog

A Way to Compromise - Eating Together

By Rabbi Jon Haddon, Congregation Beth David, Amenia, NY

I recently read an article by a fellow rabbi, Steven Moscovitz, who inspired me to write this column. In this article he, too, is troubled and deeply disturbed by the lack of civility in our country, especially between those who are on "the left" and those on "the right."



Rabbi Jon Haddon

Disagreements between people is nothing new. It goes back to dawn of history. But we, as Jews, are so fortunate, that we can always return to Jewish sources in times of trouble and confusion. All we have to do is look at the "machloket," the life and death disputes, between Rabbis Hillel and Shammai two thousand years ago. We can examine not just the wisdom of their texts, but, even more importantly, the relationship between them.

They stood on opposite sides of virtually every issue they faced. They led competing schools of Jewish thought.

The Talmud reports that their disciples argued for years. In fact, they never resolved the debate about whether it was good or bad that God made human beings. Given that their arguments were for the sake of heaven, a divine voice weighed in and determined that both of their opinions were valid and were apt reflections of God's living words. Still, Jewish law almost always follows the opinions of Hillel.

Why? It is because, the Talmud reports, Hillel would not only share his own interpretations, but first the opposing opinions of Shammai. The lesson is clear. One's opponents must always be given honor and respect. Perhaps, it was also because Hillel was known to be a nicer, and a more open, rabbi. Shammai, in contrast, is described as sterner and given to rebuke.

But I often wonder, did they speak ill of each other in the quiet of their own homes? Was Shammai sometimes given to fits of rage over Hillel's liberal interpretations? as his strict mindset unnerved by his opponent's openness? Was Hillel equally perplexed by Shammai's propensity to turn people away who wanted to learn? Did he worry that his fellow rabbi might end up leading a congregation of one? Did they ever sit down at the same table together? Did they ever share a meal?

I do not know. And so, I wonder if the Talmud has softened the tensions between these leading, intellectual giants. I wish I could ask them how they got along. I wish I could seek their guidance for how to maintain a sense of collegiality and friendship with those whom I vehemently disagree.

I worry that if we cannot sit down at the same table, if we cannot discuss the issues and ideas that divide us, then the threads that bind together our community and country, will be forever broken. I have literally lost friends, with whom I can no longer speak. Perhaps we can start with meals! The most basic of human needs is eating. The most basic of human activities is eating meals together. This is what binds families together. This is what draws friends together.

This is what creates community. Sarah Huckabee Sanders is my fellow American. No matter how distasteful I find her politics might be, she must be allowed to eat in the same restaurant as I do. It may be emotionally satisfying to throw her out, but I do not want, and you do not want, to be party to such incivility. Protests, yes. And more to come, I am sure. But breaking bread together—even if at a table's length—must always continue.

If not, we run the risk of living in a country riven with heart-breaking sectarian divisions. A recent study of millennials indicated that an increasing number would refuse to marry someone from the opposing political party. If a Democrat will not marry a Republican and a Republican will not marry a Democrat, then we have become little better than cults.

It is a tragic thing that our political leaders have forgotten that compromise is what serves us best. Democrats are not meant to be winners. Republicans are not supposed to be victors. Americans are to be the only champions. Compromise heals a country.

For that we require the table. For that we require some good wine and some good food. For that we require some laughter and even shared tears. And then can we can begin the arguments for the sake of heaven.

I would like to imagine that Hillel and Shammai shared many such meals. Most of us have no problem eating. Let's hope most of us can also learn to compromise.

Inside the Jewish Studio

By Debbie Silbergleit

This questionnaire originated in the French series, *Bouillon de Culture*, better known as the closing questions asked by James Lipton on the celebrity interview TV show, *Inside the Actor's Studio*. The questions are re-adapted for this column.

Each month, I ask a MOT* these questions and feature their answers.

This month, a special thank you to Mark O'Leary who kindly answered my questions...

- 1. What is your favorite word?**
I love the word impeccable. I don't know why...I never use it but it's fun to say!
- 2. What is your least favorite word?**
The "N" word. I never say that word even if I'm repeating something someone else said. I've thought about starting a worldwide movement to have everyone agree to never use it because what's the point.
- 3. What turns you on creatively, spiritually or emotionally?**
I'm a painter also. I get inspired by music and scents. When they combine together it triggers something creative.
- 4. What turns you off?**
Humidity. I hate humidity and I don't like crowds.
- 5. What is your favorite curse word?**
Darn (laughing) I'm part Irish and they say the Irish soul is too big for the English language. I have several that we don't need to write, so let's leave it at darn!
- 6. What sound or noise do you love?**
That's a hard question. I lived inn Hawaii for 21 years and the ocean sounded nice and the breeze.
- 7. What sound or noise do you hate?**
Traffic noise. Machines and construction
- 8. What profession other than your own would you like to attempt?**
Acting
- 9. What profession other than your own would you not like to attempt?**
Anything to do with heights—like sky diving or mountain climbing. I don't like heights
- 10. If Heaven exists, what would you like to hear God say when you arrive at the Pearly Gates?**
Welcome



Mark O'Leary

* Member of the Tribe

On Sunday, August 5 at 11:00am the Private Herman Siegel Post 625, Poughkeepsie, Jewish War Veterans of The United States of America will have a sign dedication in the City of Poughkeepsie on May Street at the corner with Forbus (behind Poughkeepsie High School). Parking is in the Poughkeepsie High School Parking Lot. The sign honors the life, memory and sacrifice of Private Herman Siegel. He lived on May Street and was a Poughkeepsie High School graduate in 1943 who was KIA in May, 1944 in Anzio, Italy.

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Hello Ladies,

The Leahs (Ladies Eating at Hadassah) first luncheon was well attended (23 ladies) and was an enjoyable experience of good food and wonderful companionship. At that time, we had a request to have an Asian luncheon.



So, the next meeting of the Leahs will be...

Monday, August 6, at 12:00pm, at Formosa Restaurant located at 825 Main Street, Poughkeepsie.

For those with a time constraint, Formosa has offered the option to pre-order your lunch. This would help cut down on the time needed to prepare and serve what we hope will be another meeting of a great group of ladies.

As you will note from the attached lunch menu, there is a choice of hot & sour soup, egg drop soup, or a vegetable spring roll. You also have a choice of white rice, brown rice or vegetable fried rice with your entrée.

Drum Roll please....."The Survey said" that the majority of the ladies would be willing to make a voluntary donation of \$3 to Hadassah from the Leahs. Thank you all for your kind generosity.

Please RSVP by August 2, to Grete (845) 297-0775 (Grete15@optonline.net) or Judy (845) 462-6310. When you RSVP Please let us know:

1. If you would like to preorder your lunch choice
2. If you would like a ride
3. If you are able to give a ride
4. Please let us know if you have a July or August birthday

We're looking forward to seeing you on the August 6.



“THE HIT AFTER THE HOLIDAYS”
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(JFedDC)
Wiffle Ball Tournament 2018

Date: Sunday, **October 7, 2018** (Columbus Day Weekend)
 Start Time: **12:00 pm**
 Place: **Schomre Israel Side Lawn, 18 Park Ave**

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 Office #845-896-4803
 Cell #914-204-1190

Vassar Temple Welcomes New Rabbi

Vassar Temple is delighted to welcome Rabbi Reni S. Altman, D.D. as the 30th spiritual leader of this historic congregation and Director of the Seth A. Erlebacher Religious School.

Rabbi Altman, who is coincidentally celebrating 30 years since her ordination, brings a wealth of experience in the pulpit as well as organizational work. She has served for the past ten years as Associate Dean and Director of the Rabbinical Program at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion's New York campus. She also feels "blessed to bring to this phase of my rabbinate rich and diverse experiences gleaned from having served in two dynamic and innovative congregations (Congregation Emanu-El of Houston, TX and Temple Beth-El of Great Neck, NY)."

In the past Rabbi Altman worked with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (forerunner of the Union for Reform Judaism) as Director of Programs for the Unaffiliated. She is an active member of Concerned Clergy for Choice, the Women's Rabbinic Network and the Central Conference of American Rabbis. Rabbi Altman has authored a variety of publications for the Reform movement and was one of the first interns at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism.

Rabbi Altman's lifetime passion for Judaism has its roots in youth group and camp experiences. Dedicated to the ideals of Reform Judaism, she believes "deeply in the centrality and mission of the synagogue" in Jewish life; she is excited by the challenges ahead and eager to return to the sacred work at the heart of the pulpit. She shares her love for "the diversity of each and every day and the opportunities to lead worship, to preach, to teach, and to engage in acts of Tikkun Olam as part of a sacred community." As a congregational rabbi, she is "humbled by moments of interface with people at the most vulnerable times of their lives and uplifted to rejoice with them in times of gladness." She looks forward to her involvement in the Poughkeepsie Jewish community and to participating in interfaith efforts on behalf of the larger community.

Along with her husband, Rick Wender, Rabbi Altman looks forward to establishing a home in Poughkeepsie where they will welcome their three adult children, getting acquainted with the local community, and partnering with Vassar Temple's lay leaders to envision meaningful worship experiences, support members' needs, and pursue social justice. She is "honored to build upon the rabbinic legacy of the past and to join beloved Rabbis Emerita, Steve Arnold and Paul Golomb."

The community is warmly invited to Rabbi Altman's formal installation during the Shabbat evening service on Friday, October 19, 7:30pm.



R.Jonah Ritter Receives Founders Award

The Officers and Board of Trustees of Vassar Temple have chosen Robert Jonah Ritter as the 2018 recipient of the Founders Award, which is presented annually to recognize exemplary temple leadership. Most are aware of his accomplishments during his Presidency at the Temple, but the story begins long before that. "Bobby" Ritter grew up at Vassar Temple, from Tiny Temple to Bar Mitzvah to Confirmation, serving as a teacher aide in the religious school and continuing to be involved as a teen in NFTY. When "Bob" married Mary, they attended the Temple's Introduction to Judaism class together so Mary could grow to understand the Jewish heritage. At that time Mary, a dancer, could never have imagined that she would be teaching the hora to Vassar Temple members one day! The Ritters' son and daughter also grew up in Vassar Temple, and have recently made Bob and Mary proud grandparents.



Several years ago Bob switched to using his middle name, "Jonah". Jonah's many years of service reflect both his varied talents and his unwavering dedication to the Temple. He has worked on many projects with the Men's Club, such as the annual Purim Pasta Dinner, erecting the sukkah every year, and landscaping the temple grounds. As a member of the Publicity Committee, he helped formulate and manage the Temple's Face Book page, website, and blog, and helped develop marketing campaigns. Jonah has also served on the House Committee, Religious School Committee, Finance Committee, Education Committee, and Nominating Committee, and is a regular volunteer with the temple at Lunch Box. And all along the way, he has made a special effort to encourage others to assume greater leadership roles.

Jonah rose to serve VT as a Trustee, an Officer, and ultimately as Temple President. During his presidency, Jonah helped VT meet difficult challenges ranging from replacing the failing boiler, to dealing with flooding problems, to asbestos abatement. Jonah made other improvements to the temple building a priority, such as restoring the beautiful stained glass windows, pursuing his vision for the addition of a patio, refurbishing the classrooms and offices, painting the front pillars, getting security cameras installed, and working with Sisterhood to renovate the kitchen. And most recently Jonah gave a gift permitting us to paint the bimah wall.

During his term of office, Jonah made the recommendation that Rabbi Golomb, upon his retirement, be designated as Senior Scholar, and also helped the temple find and hire a new rabbi (Rabbi Berkowitz). He was also proactive in bringing an improved structure and curriculum to the temple's Religious and Hebrew Schools, while at the same time reducing costs. And in the realm of programming, Jonah was instrumental in establishing a fruitful relationship between the Temple and the Mid Hudson Library System. He personally helped plan a major special event to remember the Saint Louis, and another on the history of Yiddish theater. On the lighter side, he organized two Broadway show trips, one to *Fiddler on the Roof* and the other to *Beautiful*, and produced some wonderful "Vassar Temple After Hours" social events. Today Jonah continues to serve the Jewish community as a Board Member of the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County. But wherever you look, you will always see the positive results of Jonah's years of leadership inside and outside of Vassar Temple, his spiritual home.

Notes from Jewish Social Action Coalition Important request from the Social Action Committee-

The Jewish Social Action Coalition has received the following request from Judy Harkavy who along with TBE member Linda Doughty has been coordinating the Jewish Community volunteer nights at Hudson River Homeless Shelter for many years.


supporting Morse Elementary school students and their families. If you would like to help or have questions, contact Muriel at socialaction@tbeny.org. Watch your emails for the many ways you can get involved this fall.

She wrote in part- "I want to bring you up to date on recent developments so you will understand the crisis we as a community are facing. The current shelter has gone from housing 12 people to being re-fitted to accommodate 60. This past winter, with the governor's "Code Blue" rule, under which all NY shelters had to accept everyone who showed up when the temperature was below freezing, we were faced with numbers in the 80's and 90's. Needless to say the strain on everyone was enormous, from volunteers to staff, to the shelter guests. I (Judy) personally feel an even stronger commitment to see to it that people without a place to live in our county be fed and safely housed. To that end I'm asking current volunteers and soliciting more folks who might be willing to help. In addition to food, I'm looking to have 3 people once each month to bring food and serve it."

If you would like to join the steering committee of the Jewish Social Action Coalition, contact Muriel at socialaction@tbeny.org or the social action chairperson at any of the synagogues. The quantify and quality of the program we can support depends on the involvement of our community members.

So if you are willing to help with this or have questions, please respond directly to Judy at Harkavyjudy@gmail.com or to Muriel at socialaction@tbeny.org.

The Jewish Social Action Coalition has had a very busy year



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**Thursday, Aug 16
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Join JFedDC for a drink, friends, & billiards

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Notes from DCIC

The Dutchess County Interfaith Council with its new executive director, Karen Dipnarine-Saroop, MA, APR, is reaching out to make an ever expanding footprint in our community. The council is dedicated to reach inward to bring knowledge, support and fellowship among our members and outward to be an interfaith voice for morality and social justice to our wider community. You will hear more from DCIC in the coming months.

Note that Rev. Dr. Kennon Moody and Mary Moody have given selflessly and powerfully to the annual CROP walk or many years. Ken has chaired the committee and Mary has year after year raised an enormous amount of money to help alleviate hunger worldwide and in our Dutchess County Community.

The DCIC is very excited to initiate

the Rabbi Erwin Zimet Humanitarian Award which will be awarded to the Moody's on Oct. 24.

Rabbi Zimet was instrumental in the founding of Dutchess County Interfaith Council and a strong supporter in its mission and in humanitarian causes throughout his life.

Please call (845) 471-7333 or email: office@dutchesscountyinterfaith.org for more information.

Also, mark your calendar for the annual CROP walk, Oct. 14 and the Annual DCIC Music Festival on Nov. 4. To participate in the CROP walk for hunger, contact Miriam Zimet Aaron and to join the interfaith choir for the music festival, contact Donna Gallagher.

Beat The Heat With Back To School Cool

By Rabbi Miriam Hyman, Education Director & Cantor Devorah Gartner, Youth & B'nai Mitzvah Director

We have been amazingly busy since school let out, planning for an awesome new year. There's something for everyone from the smallest to the tallest.

We will be kicking off the 5778-5779 school year with our second annual Meet & Greet at **Peachwave Frozen Yogurt** in Lagrangeville on Tuesday, September 4 from 4:30pm-6:30pm. Families of our combined Temple Beth-El/Congregation Shir Chadash Ivrit Program, Temple Beth-El Religious School, Geshher Hebrew High School, and our wonderful teaching staff are invited to stop by, eat & *schmooze*. You don't have to be a student or a parent to drop in, cool off and support this important **fundraiser**. A portion of the proceeds from every cup and cone helps support our school. We'd love to see you.

On the Sunday between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, we will gather in beautiful Waryas Park for **Shofar Over the Hudson**. There will be a Fall Festival with stories, songs, games, arts, and crafts in the Pavilion prior to the sounding of the shofar. Bring your shofar, and a picnic lunch and join us on Sunday, September 16 beginning at 10:00am.

We are thrilled to announce **Club Katan** - our FREE, one day a week Early Childhood program for ages 2-8. Students are introduced to joyful Judaism in age-appropriate classes through songs, games, holiday celebrations, stories, arts, crafts, and more. Families of young children are also invited to a monthly Saturday morning interactive musical program, as well as to our popular, Community Friday Night Dinners.

We are especially proud of our award-winning Youth Group. In May 2018, they won the United Synagogue Youth Award for Most Unique Program for their work on the Dutchess County Community Holocaust Service, and the Award for Most Effective Tikkun Olam/Tzedakah Program, for their work on the **Bright Nights Winter Clothing Drive**. Youth Group meets every Wednesday before Geshher Hebrew High School, and it is open to all Jewish high school students in the greater Dutchess County area. The Youth Group takes on several worthwhile tzedakah projects every year. Youth Group members also come together for fun activities, such as bowling and laser tag, and attend USY Regional weekends throughout the year.

We had a wonderful time at our outdoor barbecue Community Dinner on July 20. And we are looking forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, August 12 at Dutchess Stadium for Jewish Heritage Day. Summer flies. Stay cool!

THE FARM AT EDEN VILLAGE

Putnam Valley, NY

In 2010, Eden Village Camp and the Jewish Farm School collaborated to establish the Farm at Eden Village. An organic educational farm for campers attending [Eden Village Camp](#), the Jewish Farm School runs a variety of programs at Eden Village when camp is not in session including a Home School Program.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

CHABAD MID-HUDSON VALLEY

Sunday, 10:00am-12:15pm, ages 5-12 years at 63 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie

For information about preschool, new pre-bar/bat mitzvah class, contact Hindy Borenstein, Director (845) 463-5801 or chabadmidsouthvalley@prodigy.net

RHINEBECK JEWISH CENTER

Monday, 4:00-5:30pm

Tiny Tots Division ages 1-5
Intermediate Division ages 6-10
Bar and Bat Mitzvah ages 11-13

For information, contact Rebbitzin Tzivia Hecht, Director (845) 876-7666 or tziviehecht@gmail.com

SHIR CHADASH

Congregation Shir-Chadash religious school will be entering the third trimester of their new curriculum, *G-d and Prayer*. Member families' children from Kindergarten to 2nd grades are welcome to attend at no charge for a full year. New enrollments always welcome.

Classes meet two Saturdays a month at 9:00am. See website for dates and special new member rate.

For information, contact Sue Marcoe (845) 723-4045, info@shir-chadash.org or www.shir-chadash.org

TEMPLE BETH-EL

At Temple Beth-El, education is something truly celebrated! From kindergarten through the last year of high school, Temple Beth-El instills a love of Judaism and a lifelong hunger for Jewish learning.

Tuesday,
Ivrit (Hebrew) School
4:30-6:30pm, grades 3-7

Wednesday,
Geshher Youth Program 6:30-8:30pm,
grades 8-12

Saturday, B'Nai Mitzvah Class
9:30am-12:30pm, grade 7

Sunday, Judaic Studies
9:30am-12:30pm, grades PreK-6

For information, contact (845) 454-0570 or education@tbeny.org

VASSAR TEMPLE

Vassar Temple provides a program of Jewish education within the Reform Movement's guidelines, which deepens a student's Jewish experience and knowledge in an accepting and stimulating learning environment. Our philosophy of Jewish learning is based on the quotation from Pirke Avot, "The world depends on three things: on Torah, on worship and on deeds of loving kindness." Temple membership not required.

Sunday Religious School
Sundays,
9:00am-12:00pm, grades K-7

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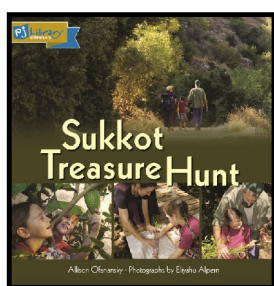
For info contact Rabbi Renni Altman, Director (845) 454-2570 or rsdirector@vassartemple.org



PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley and Congregation Shir Chadash

Invite you to

A Booth-Day Party For Sukkot!



Sunday, September 23 from 2-5 pm

Congregation Shir Chadash | 68 NY 55, Lagrangeville, NY 12540

2:00 PJ Library Family Program with songs, stories, and crafts

3:00-5:00 Build and decorate the Sukkah and BBQ

All are invited to stay for an Erev Sukkot Service at 5:00

Please RSVP for this free event to pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org by 9/19/18



The Harding Club



פירות peyrot, fruit

Chocolate Dipped Fruit Cones

Taken from : <https://www.myfussy eater.com/chocolate-dipped-fruit-cones/>

Our kitchens are full of local fruit in the summer. Here is a fun serving idea!

Ingredients:

- fruit,
- a box of waffle cones
- dark chocolate chips
- fun toppings like sprinkles or coconut.

Directions:

- Cut up the fruit you have on hand in a chunky fruit salad.
- Melt the chocolate chips in a glass dish in the microwave, begin with one minute, stir, then add 20 second intervals until the chips are melted.
- Dip the cones at the open end in the chocolate and then immediately dip in the topping of your choice.
- Let dry a few minutes, fill with fruit, and serve!
- Enjoy the yummy treat!



JEWISH BEDTIME STORIES and SONGS



Melinda

Kim

Emily

Bekah

PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley and Eden Village Camp in Putnam County have been lucky to be the recipients of a Spark Engagement Grant for Jewish Family Farm Education. The program series began with two off site family programs hosted at BHA in Beacon and Huguenot Street Farm in New Paltz. For six weeks in July and August the staff at Eden Village created Roots and Shoots, Shabbat on The Farm, giving local PJ Library families the opportunity to spend three hours on six consecutive Friday mornings engaging with camp staff right on the Eden Village Farm. Families created flour from wheat they harvested on the farm, learned about the role of bees in farming and made candles from beeswax, created herb bundles for Havdalah, sang wonderful shabbat songs together and explored the themes in favorite PJ Library books. The best part of the Shabbat program each week was being set free on the farm to pick vegetables, herbs, and flowers to take home for their own Shabbat tables. There will be two more programs this fall as PJ Library families are invited back to the farm for a Sukkot program and more!

Our focus on Farm education has also led us to create Shabbat Bags for CSA's giving CSA families an opportunity to take home a shabbat bag with Challah, juice, candles, a PJ Library book and more. If you would like to see this program in your CSA, let us know.

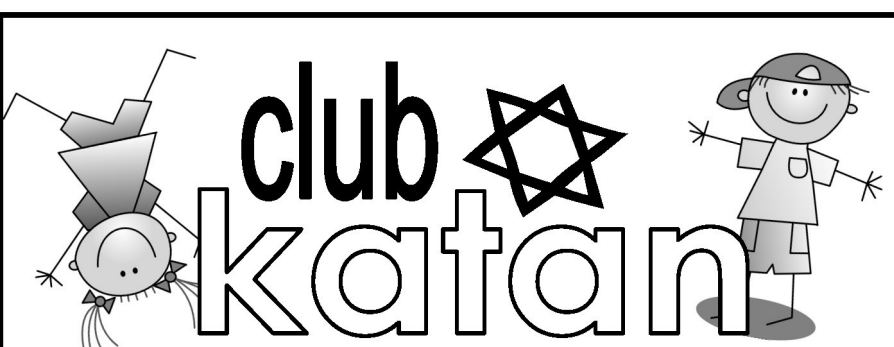
Several books that can help your family begin the conversation about food production and our responsibilities and roles within it may already be on your book shelf. With a "moo moo" here and there, *Old MacNoah Had an Ark*, by Sally Lloyd-Jones, piques an interest in children to learn more about animals, livestock, and the hard-working life of a farmer. *The Candlewick* written by Jennifer Rosner, illustrated by Kristina Swarner, while exploring acts of friendship also highlights candle production. *The Forever Garden*, by Laurel Snyder, illustrated by Samantha Cotterill, also explores friendship while illustrating care for the earth and leaving something for others.

Be sure to visit our Facebook Page, PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley, to learn about programming near you!

Your PJ Library Team

Melinda Margulies, Kimberly Ritz, Emily Soltanoff, and Bekah Starr

Have questions? Need help finding resources? Contact us.
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Jewish War Veterans Sponsor Memorial Day Ceremony

Ron Markowitz, Sr Vice Commander of Jewish War Veterans Post 625, officiated at a Memorial Day Ceremony sponsored by the Post and attended by about two dozen members of the local community. The event was held at Schomre Hadath Cemetery in Poughkeepsie, which has a special section dedicated to veterans.

Members of the Post took turns reading the names of each of the approximately 50 Jewish American troops killed in action since "September 11th." Rabbi Eliezer Langer of Congregation Schomre Israel, which maintains the cemetery, spoke movingly to the occasion and led us in prayer. The flag was then lowered to half staff and re-raised. The ceremony concluded with the traditional playing of Taps by a Boy Scout and student at Roy C. Ketcham High School.



Saving the world one bottle at a time

by Suzanne Turrisi

Growing up in Brooklyn, you could smell Starrett City a mile away. This is largely because it was built on a landfill near a garbage dump. It's a comfort to know that landfills are much less now than they were then. It will however, take approximately 500 years for one single ,plastic ,water bottle to sit in a landfill.



To eliminate this problem, we now recycle. We separate trash from things we can reuse. My Learn & Lunch Bunch speaker Kerry Russell, recently taught us the right way to recycle, about what goes where. For example: you can put glass jars and bottles; metals like aluminum cans and foil; empty aerosol cans; plastic food and beverage containers; jars; juice cartons; and all paper including magazines; mail; newspapers; and corrugated cardboard all in your recycling bin!! Who knew??? Styrofoam is a big recycling no-no, toss it, better yet, don't even use it! Not only is recycling beneficial to everyone, it's the law! We are required to recycle in Dutchess County. Electronic and hazardous waste can be brought to a collection event, which Dutchess County has throughout the year. You know those plastic recycling bins at the market? You can dispose plastic grocery bags; dry cleaning bags; plastic bread bags; plastic wrap from paper towels and toilet paper there!!

I'm also getting a compost bin from Kerry as well. Organics like food scraps and yard trimmings comprise 24% of the waste stream. Composting reduces methane emissions and lowers your carbon footprint! Call (845) 463-6020 or go online to solidwastemgmt@dutchessny.gov to find out how to recycle hazardous or electronic materials, or to learn more.

We each need to do our part to leave the world better than we found it! Recycling is a great and easy way to repair our world, or do Tikun Olam.

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PJ Library at Eden Village Program



The Torah Dedication Ceremony and Parade on Rt 9. (Photos courtesy of Elissa Davidson of EID Photography)

Big Winners at Schomre Israel

A joyful celebration and raffle drawing were held at Schomre Israel on Sunday afternoon, June 24, 2018.

Ten winning tickets were selected resulting in one \$5000 winner, one \$1000 winner and eight \$250 winners.

Additionally, there was a delicious complimentary hot buffet luncheon for everyone who purchased a ticket for the raffle. Everyone in attendance enjoyed spending the afternoon with old and new friends.

Next year in June Schomre Israel will hold a special 50th anniversary raffle drawing and cocktail celebration.

Plan on being there!



Schomre Israel as the staging ground for a group of bikers from Nation Council of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) who participated in the June 24 Bike NY event in the Hudson Valley.



Congregation Shir Chadash's congregants enjoying their end of the year Kabbalat outdoor service



Mana Watsky and Amy Thrasher leading the lay led outdoor service.



Leaders on the Vassar Temple Board set a great example by performing the mitzvah of feeding the hungry at Lunch Box. They were assisted by their family members and led by co-captains Jonah Ritter and Alan Kflowitz.

Selichot Program

Vassar Temple will hold a Selichot program to help us all spiritually prepare for the coming High Holy Days. We will view some brief film clips, leading into discussion on how we can become our better selves in the New Year. Then the lovely ritual of havdalah will usher out the Sabbath, and at approximately 9:00pm the moving Selichot service (penitential prayers), led by Rabbi Altman, will begin in the main sanctuary. We will be using the newest prayer book for Selichot, *Mishkan HaLev* (Sanctuary of the Heart). The unique approach of this prayer book focuses upon compassion and forgiveness, rather than upon sin, judgement and despair. The liturgy contains a variety of meditations, songs, prayers, and poetry, to help us move along the path of return. The lateness of the hour adds to the mood of quiet and introspection that is central to this observance. Please join us for dessert, discussion, havdalah, and for the powerful Selichot service to follow.

DETAILS

Saturday, September 1, 7:30pm, potluck dessert buffet and time of connecting with friends old and new after the long summer, in the social hall. Followed by brief film clips and discussion. 9:00pm Selichot service. If you would like to contribute a dessert, please contact ritual@vassartemple.org.

Events for Elul at Schomre Israel

The Hebrew month of Elul will begin on Saturday, August 11 and Sunday, August 12 when Rosh Chodesh (head of the month/new moon) is observed.

The month of Elul is a particularly important month on our Jewish calendar because it is the month right before the High Holidays. It is a time for introspection and an opportunity to take account of one's behaviors and motivations. It is a time for mindfulness.

On Sunday, August 12, following the 8:30am morning services there will be a breakfast and discussion program as an introduction to this holiday season. Rabbi Langer will lead the program entitled "What page are we on in the synagogue blues?"

From the beginning of Elul and on every non-Shabbat day thereafter until the day before Rosh HaShana, Hal Warren will be blowing the shofar at the conclusion of morning services.

On Saturday night, September 1 at midnight, Selichot prayers will be recited at a service at the synagogue. This service will be preceded by a video entitled "Hidden" which presents the dramatic and very moving story of Jewish children who were helped by righteous gentiles during the World War II era.

All programs are free and open to the public.

Vassar Temple Invites all to High Holiday Services

Vassar Temple, a welcoming inclusive Reform congregation, opens all its High Holy Day services to the community at no charge.

However, since seating is limited, reservations will be taken on a "first come-first served" basis. Rosh Hashana starts Sept. 9, so please RSVP the temple office at (845) 454-2570 or email office@vassartemple.org.

Reservations for free babysitting during Rosh Hashana first day morning services, and Yom Kippur morning services, should also be made at that time. Let us know in advance if you need a large print prayer book or other special accommodations. Donations from non-members who attend services are suggested, and will be greatly appreciated in order to help defray expenses and support the work of the temple.

All services will be led by Rabbi Reni Altman. The High Holy Day service schedule and further info is available www.vassartemple.org.

Following light refreshments after the conclusion of Yom Kippur services Sept. 19, a traditional homemade dairy break-the-fast meal, for which there is a nominal fee, will be held. Paid reservations from those wishing to attend the meal would be appreciated by Sept. 12.

Come to share our holy space for prayer and community, and please consider making a donation to maintain our house of worship which is open to all.

BABYSITTERS WANTED

Temple Beth-El in Poughkeepsie is seeking a few local babysitters for Saturday Morning Shabbat Services starting September 1, 2018.

Sitters would care for children ages 1-5

Must be 18 years old, interview with the Temple-Beth-El Personnel Committee and pass a background check.

9:30 am – 12:30 pm

\$12 per hour.

If interested, please contact the office at (845) 454-0570.



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3 pm: Family Celebration Service *

YOM KIPPUR

Tue., Sept. 18th, 8 pm: Kol Nidre Service with cello
Wed., Sept. 19th, 10 am: Yom Kippur Morning Service;
12:30 pm: Panel Discussion;
2 pm: Family Service *
3 pm: Memorial/Concluding Service *

** Free Admission to our afternoon services, including Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Family Services and Yom Kippur Memorial / Concluding Service*

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The Federation Board's Voice



Fact, Conflict, Respect and Empathy By Paul and Kathy Colbert

Two women who lived in the same house, each of whom had recently had a baby but one of the baby's tragically died, came to Solomon and asked to keep the surviving baby. The women, of course, knew the facts, they knew to whom the surviving baby was born. They chose to be in conflict, one to raise a child that was not hers and the other to raise her child. Solomon did not know the facts but he empathized with the women. He knew the woman who lost her child was grieving and the woman who gave birth was desperate to raise her child. Solomon knew the woman who gave birth would do anything to save her child, even giving her up. Solomon threatened to cut the baby in half and give each woman part of the child. One woman offered to give up the child and the other said to cut the baby in half. Solomon awarded the baby to the woman who offered to give up the child deducing that she must be the mother because she wanted only to protect the child. Solomon sought to determine the facts, avoid conflict, respect each woman and empathize with a horrible situation, all in an effort to do the right thing for all involved; the child and both women.

Today, our society is in conflict. Many people, organizations and institutions ignore facts in an effort to win conflicts that need not exist. Those people, organizations and institution believe that respect and empathy are unnecessary weaknesses that allow failure instead of success. Fortunately, it is less often true when resolving issues in smaller units like our families and places of employment. Personal relationships foster respect and empathy and the desire to understand the factual situation where conflict remains detrimental. Winning becomes less important where it is necessary for people to work together.

Our society needs to be more like our family and work places. We need to stop providing and listening to uninformed opinions in an effort to win. Instead we need to recall universal lessons from our childhood and perform original research, demand the facts instead of opinion. We need to respect and empathize with those with whom we disagree and use facts to find common ground and narrow issues. No one is entitled to their own set of facts. Two plus two equals four for all of us and we should be able to agree on that fact; and all facts.

Agreement on facts, avoiding conflict, and maintaining respect and empathy are difficult things to do. It means demanding more from our news organizations than discussing the opinions of others. We need to listen, and provide a voice, to our teachers, scientists, engineers and other subject matter experts. We need to remember how we learned in school and apply learning techniques to our everyday life. Sometimes it is necessary to lose personally so that we can all win. We need to be wise like Solomon and discover the facts so that we can get to the right outcome instead of the outcome that we think we want.

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Our mission is to preserve, protect, enrich and enhance Jewish communal life and the wellbeing of Jews locally, in Israel and worldwide while supporting the greater local community.

You have probably had occasion to appreciate the legacy of the people, many of whom you never met, who cared enough about the future to ensure that the organizations dear to your heart are here for you today.

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For further information, please contact the JFedDC office at (845) 471-9811.

Our Executive Director



When we lived in Thailand, life was different in many ways. Aside from living in a cosmopolitan city, we also had help. We had two wonderful women, who ensured that I did not need to cook, clean, do laundry, dust, take out the garbage – you get the picture. I was able to work full time and come home and be a mom full time helping with homework, bath time, reading stories, and bedtime rituals. It was a life one could get used to.

However, one thing that I never quite got used to was the lack of seasons – real seasons. In Thailand, we used to say we had 3 seasons: Hot, Hotter & Wet. There was no autumn, no winter, no spring – and with that came a strange lack of awareness of time passing. It was hard to tell when the new school year was about the begin because it was still extremely hot. It was hard to tell when spring had sprung since there was no difference outside. It was hard to tell that ten years flew by so quickly because it all felt like one time continuum – one long season. It was hard to tell that everyone – was aging and getting older (just not me) because there was no sense of time passage. I often said that living in Thailand was a suspended state of reality.

For some, they love only the hot weather... others prefer the cold... My mom, being the special person she was, loved each and every season and appreciated what it offered. I have to agree with her. With a change in season, you can feel life evolving and time passing. It is a reminder that life doesn't stop, that we should appreciate all that we have in the moment. She often warned us, "Don't wish your life away." So as summer is still here, enjoy each warm day...for soon enough, this too shall pass.

With Kind Words,
Karen Hochhauser

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Break the Fast Menu

Hand sliced Nova Scotia Salmon

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Smoked Sable Plate

Herring in Cream Sauce

White Fish Salad

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12.00 per person

All of the above plus

Whole Smoked Whitefish stuffed
surrounded with Herring in cream sauce
(includes bagels and cream cheese)

18.00/per person

(10 Person Minimum)

Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur

Specialty Desserts

Fresh Baked Rugalach

Chocolate Chip Cookies/Apple Strudel

Tuna * Egg Salad Platters

Crudités (vegetable) Platter

Tea Sandwich Platter * Fresh Fruit Platter

Marinated Eggplant Salad

Tabouille Salad * Israeli Cucumber Salad

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Participants may also bring supplemental materials to share.

Each New Paths service, whether lay-led or rabbi-led, provides a unique and thoughtful Shabbat morning experience. A brief mini Kiddush follows.

DETAILS

Saturday, August 11, 10:00am. For info, contact: Marian Schwartz: mschwa9882@aol.com or call the Temple office (845) 454-2570.

Temple Beth El Hadassah Card, Game & Dessert Party

DETAILS

October, 4, 1:00-4:00pm, \$18 must be received by Sept. 25. For more info or to sign up contact Barbara Cohen (845) 454-1259

Save the Date:

Dutchess County Interfaith Music Festival.

November 4, 3:00pm, at Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church on Rt. 55 in Lagrangeville will host this event.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS POST 625

Private Herman Siegel Post 625 of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States holds regular monthly meetings.

All persons of the Jewish faith who have served in the armed forces and others of the Jewish faith are cordially invited to attend and participate. At 9:00am an informal coffee and cake "schmooze."

Congregation Schomre Israel is strictly kosher, so no outside food may be brought in. We look forward to seeing you there.

DETAILS

Sunday: August 5, September 16 at 9:30am. 18 Park Ave. Questions? Contact Rob Rubin, Presiding Officer qbee5@optonline.net

Jewish Heritage Day at Renegades Stadium

Come celebrate Jewish Heritage Day at Renegades Stadium on Sunday August 19.

Enjoy the game, great snacks and some special programming. Stacey Gamberg is coordinating this event. More info email smg7474@gmail.com.



Shofar Over the Hudson

All members of the community are invited to attend Temple Beth-El's annual *Shofar Over the Hudson* event.

Most Jews typically experience the sounding of the Shofar within the four walls of a synagogue. Combining the sound of the Shofar with the beauty of the Hudson Valley provides for a unique spiritual experience.

The event will include music and dancing. Everyone is encouraged to bring a kosher dairy lunch to enjoy following the conclusion of the program. Temple Beth-El will provide honey cake muffins, made by Blanche Bergman. Bring lawn chairs or folding chairs.

Additionally, the annual the bicycle ride to *Shofar Over the Hudson* will depart from the Dutchess Rail Trail entrance behind Gold's Gym, on Titusville Road at 9:45am.

Please join us - and bring your friends - for what has become a meaningful annual event.

DETAILS

Sunday, September 16, 11:00am outside the Children's Museum at the North end of Waryas Park. For more info contact the Temple Beth-El office (845) 454-0570 or Steven Koch (845) 489-6500 (saksteve@optonline.net).



Art on the Vine Painting Party

Congregation Shir Chadash is hosting an "Art on the Vine" paint party and fundraiser.

There will be a 50/50 raffle and complimentary food and drinks.

All welcome!

DETAILS

Sunday, August 5, 2:00pm, to be held in the old social hall at 1168 Rt 55 across from Arlington High School. \$50 per painter, which includes 2 hours of painting instruction plus all materials. For more info, call (845) 232-1029 or to RSVP email: barbarastapholz@gmail.com

Save the Dates:

Film Festival

September 27
October 11
October 18

Wiffle Ball Tournament

October 7

If you had a greeting for Passover then you do not need to send the form below as your Rosh Hashanah greeting will be in our September issue unless you want to change your greeting's style. Thank you for your support of the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County.

2018 Holiday Greetings

It's almost that time of the year when The Voice invites you to wish you friends and neighbors a Happy Holidays.

This year we will once again be offering a three pack of Holiday Greetings which includes Passover, Rosh Hashanah, and Chanukah. If you like, you can still purchase the individual holiday greetings.

Please look at the designs and choose one, two or three greetings. If you choose the three pack, please choose the same style for all three greetings.

The cost: Small ad: \$25/each or 3 for \$60
Medium ad: \$36/each or 3 for \$90
Large ad: \$64/each or 3 for \$170

Deadline Extended to August 8

Please fill in the form below and mail it back to us with your payment to: THE VOICE, P.O. Box 2525, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 THE DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1.

2018 Holiday Greetings

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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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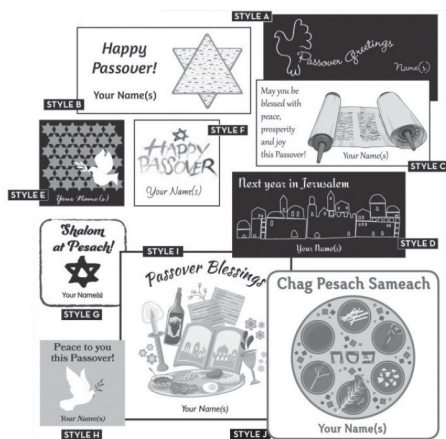
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Chanukah: (circle one) A B C D E F G H I J

Your name(s) on Greeting: _____

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Passover Greetings



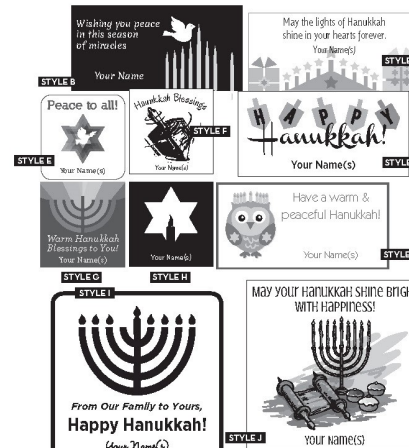
- STYLE A: Passover Greetings
- STYLE B: Happy Passover!
- STYLE C: May you be blessed with peace, prosperity and joy this Passover!
- STYLE D: Next year in Jerusalem
- STYLE E: No text, just your name
- STYLE F: Happy Passover!
- STYLE G: Shalom at Pesach!
- STYLE H: Peace to you this Passover!
- STYLE I: Passover Blessings!
- STYLE J: Chag Pesach Sameach!

Rosh Hashanah Greetings



- STYLE A: Happy New Year
- STYLE B: Have a Happy and Peaceful New Year!
- STYLE C: May the sounds of the Shofar welcome in a new year of health and happiness
- STYLE D: L'Shanah Jovah
- STYLE E: Happy Rosh Hashanah
- STYLE F: Have a sweet new year!
- STYLE G: Best wishes for a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Chanukah Greetings



- STYLE A: May the lights of Hanukkah shine in your hearts forever.
- STYLE B: Wishing you peace in this season of miracles
- STYLE C: Happy Hanukkah!
- STYLE D: Have a warm & peaceful Hanukkah!
- STYLE E: Peace to all!
- STYLE F: Hanukkah Blessings!
- STYLE G: Warm Hanukkah Blessings to You!
- STYLE H: No text, just your name
- STYLE I: From our Family to Yours, Happy Hanukkah!
- STYLE J: May your Hanukkah shine bright with happiness!

Local

Sunday

Congregation Schomre Israel Rosh Chodesh Elul August 12, 8:30am service followed by breakfast and program. All welcome.

Jewish Heritage Night with the Renegades August 19, 5:00pm. Enjoy the game, great snacks and special programming. Committee headed by Stacey of Schomre Israel. For more info contact smg7474@gmail.com.

Bagels, Lox, Torah (Tefillin too!) 9:00am led by Rabbi Yacov Borenstein. Morning minyan will follow Torah discussion on the coming week's Torah portion, upcoming holiday or topic of Jewish interest.

Temple Beth-El serves at Lunchbox Volunteers always needed to keep this program running. Please call (845) 454-0570 if you can help.

Monday

Congregation Schomre Israel Chair Yoga with Toni Farkas, 11:30am. \$5 per session, all welcome. and Rabbi Miriam Hyman. All are welcome. For more info contact (845) 454-0570 or info@tbeny.org.

Wednesday

Learn & Lunch Bunch every Wednesday, 11:00am-1:30pm. 118 So. Grand Ave, Poughkeepsie. Please RSVP each week by Monday so we can prepare appropriate amount of food. For information, menu and program schedule, see page 2 of *The Voice* or contact (845) 471-9811.

Friday

Congregation Shir Chadash Kabbalat Shabbat Service resumes September 7, 7:30pm, evening service with Rabbi Daniel Polish and Cantor Gail Hirschenfang. Followed by community Oneg. All welcome.

Vassar Temple Kabbalat Shabbat Happy Hour August 6, 6:00pm.

Vassar Temple Shabbat August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 7:30pm. Shabbat evening service with Rabbi Altman

Temple Beth-El Evening Service each week, 8:00pm, Conservative, egalitarian Shabbat Service. All welcome.

Saturday

Congregation Shir Chadash Sharing Shabbat and Religious School Programs Resumes September 8, 9:00-10:30am. Come early at 8:45am and have breakfast on us! It is not too early to register for religious school for the Fall. New parents are encouraged to have their children try a class for a month with no obligation. Children learn about Jewish culture, holidays and history while having fun and making friends. All are welcome.

Congregation Shir Chadash Tot Program Resumes September 8, 9:00-10:30am. Children ages 3-5, accompanied by an adult, learn through doing crafts, food and games. The class is open to all families and free of charge

Congregation Shir Chadash Morning Torah Service Resumes September 8, 10:45-11:30am. Led by Rabbi Daniel F. Polish & Cantor Gail Hirschenfang. Bagels, coffee, etc. prior to service. All welcome!

Vassar Temple New Paths Shabbat Morning Worship August 11, 10:00am.

Temple Beth-Shabbat Morning Service every week, 9:30am, Lively, inclusive, Conservative, egalitarian Shabbat.

Out of Area

Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley Events

23 Albany Ave, Kingston NY 12401 (845) 338-4271 www.templeemanuelkingston.org.

All Services held in our Chapel are available to live stream. Visit our website: www.cehv.org and click on the live stream link on the homepage. You can also view archived services and classes.

Kabbalat Shabbat evening service First Friday evening, 6:00pm, with a symbolic Oneg following. All other Friday's 7:30pm with an Oneg following.

Musical Kabbalat Shabbat is the second Friday of the month.

Shabbat Service with Zemer Choir Participation is the fourth Friday of the month.

Tot Shabbat A select Saturday each month September—June, 9:00am, A wonderful way to introduce your tot to Shabbat through interactive music with Rabbi Romer and her guitar.

Religious School Saturday, 9:30am—12:30pm, September—May. Contact our Religious School Director Samara Genee for more info (845) 338-4271 x 110

Saturday Morning Service September through June, 10:00am, Join us for uplifting morning communal prayer, meditation and Torah study.

Ongoing Adult Education with the Rabbi Call (845) 338-4271(x101) for class dates/time: Hebrew Trope, Torah Study, Introduction to Judaism, Beginner and Intermediate Conversational Modern Hebrew, Meditation and Parashat Shuvah, Kabbalah and Private Conversion Tutorials.

Rhinebeck Meditation & Torah Study Tuesday's September through June, 8:45am; 9:15am weekly Torah study, Led by Rabbi Yael Romer.

Confirmation Class with Rabbi Romer Meeting first Wednesday, Shabbat Dinner the second Friday, Community service TBD monthly on third Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning. Religious School registration required.

Lunch with Rabbi Romer and Guests 1st Tuesday of the month beginning October 2nd, 12:00pm, hot lunch with discussion following.

Outdoor Services Friday, 6:00pm, August 3, 6:00pm, Starr Library in Rhinebeck;; August 10, Congregation Emanuel; August 17, Senate House in Kingston . Geared for all ages, share a BYO picnic at 5:00pm. In case of inclement weather services will move to Synagogue.

Following a unanimous vote by the Vassar Temple Board of Trustees, and in accordance with the synagogue Constitution's statement that Vassar Temple welcomes people of all genders, races, and sexual orientations, a Star of David rainbow emblem will be displayed to identify Vassar Temple as an LGBTQ Safe Space. Vassar Temple is a proud member of the Union for Reform Judaism, which fights tirelessly for equality of all individuals.



Calendar

August

REGULAR SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Beacon Hebrew Alliance (Conservative)

331 Veplanck Avenue, Beacon (845) 831-2012
Rabbi Brent Spodek; Cantor Ellen Gersh; Education Director, Ashley Baker
Website: www.beaconhebrewalliance.org

Email: 411@beaconhebrewalliance.org

Services: Fridays, 7:30pm and alternating Saturdays at 9:30am. Visit website for information about services, religious school, and community events

Chabad of Mid-Hudson Valley

63 Vassar Road, Poughkeepsie (845) 463-5801

Rabbi Yacov Borenstein

Website: www.chabadmidhudsonvalley.com

Email: ChabadMidhudsonVly@prodigy.net

Services: Fridays, call for time and Saturdays at 10:00am

Congregation Beth David (Reform)

East Main Street, Amenia (845) 373-8264

Rabbi Jon Haddon

Website: www.CongBethDavid.org

Email: JonRab33@gmail.com

Services: usually Saturdays, 10:00am twice monthly except January and February; call for schedules

Congregation Schomre Israel (Orthodox)

18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 454-2890

Rabbi Eliezer Langer

Website: www.schomreIsrael.org

Email: SchomreI@aol.com

Services: Monday-Thursday, 7:00am, Sunday, 8:00am, Saturday, 9:00am Sunday-Thursday 7:00pm

Shabbat Services vary depending on sundown

Congregation Shir Chadash (Reform)

Interim: Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church, Lagrange

(845) 232-1029

Rabbi Daniel Polish, Cantor Gail Hirschenfang

Website: www.shir-chadash.org

Email: info@shir-chadash.org

Services: Friday, 7:30pm; bimonthly Saturday children's religious school, 9:00am, Torah study, 9:15

Pardess Center for Jewish Life

(845) 440-7592

Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus

Website: www.MyPardess.org

Email: info@MyPardess.org

The Rhinebeck Jewish Center

102 Montgomery Street, Rhinebeck (845) 876-7666

Rabbi Hanoch Hecht and Rebbitzin Tzivie Hecht

Website: www.RhinebeckJewishCenter.com

Email: RSVP@RhinebeckJewishCenter.com

Friday services call for time; Saturday services, 9:30am

Temple Beth El (Conservative)

118 So Grand Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 454-0570

Rabbi Daniel Victor, Rosh Tefilah Rabbi Miriam Hyman

Email: info@tbeny.org

Website: www.tbeny.org

Services: Friday, 8:00pm, Saturday Shabbat service at 9:30am, weekdays, 7:30am daily

Vassar College Bayit

51 Collegeview Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 451-3920

Liz Aeschlimann, Rose and Irving Rachlin Director of Jewish Student Life at Vassar College

Email: eaeschlimann@vassar.edu

Services: Friday, 6:00pm service, 7:00pm dinner when school is in session

Vassar Temple (Reform)

140 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 454-2570

Rabbi Renni Altman Website: www.vassar temple.org

Email: Office@VassarTemple.org or rabi@vassar temple.org

Services: Friday, 7:30pm unless otherwise noted, Torah study Saturday, 9:00am. New Paths 1st and 3rd Saturday every month, 10:00am unless otherwise noted

August Candle Lighting

August 3 7:53pm

August 10..... 7:44pm

August 17..... 7:34pm

August 24..... 7:24pm

August 31..... 7:12pm

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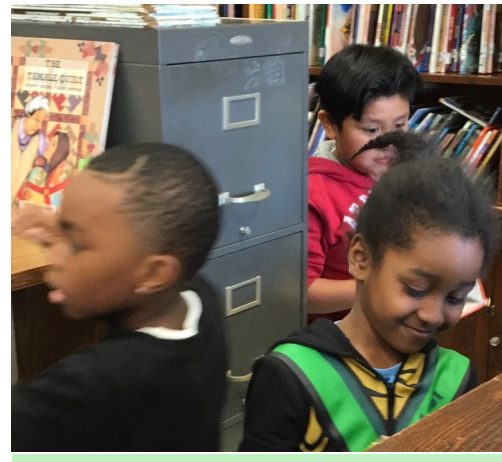
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Jon Baisley, Town of Poughkeepsie Supervisor and Martin Hochhauser (right), Chief of Staff, JWV Post 625, participated in Memorial Day ceremony at the Dutchess County War Memorial



Judy Rosenfeld, Vassar Temple Sisterhood President, presents the Evelyn Kahn Award for commitment to, and unfailing support of, Sisterhood, to long-time member Melissa Erlebacher.



Kids taking out books at the Morse School Library



Congregation Shir Chadash religious school children showing off their end of the year certificates



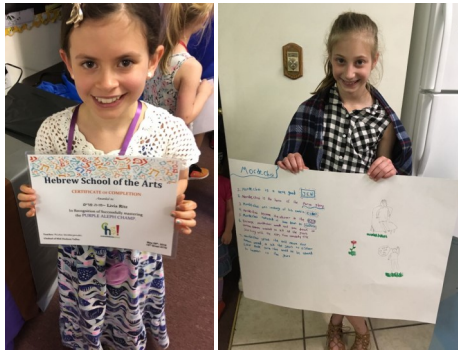
Blessing Seeds Ceremony



Vassar Temple honored its long time members of 40 years or more at its annual Generations Shabbat dinner and service.



Congregation Shir Chadash religious school honors their volunteer teachers and assistants with some of the children



Chabad Hebrew School Graduation



School Coordinator Sue Marcoe with one of the younger students displaying their project



Singing at the Community Shabbat Dinner at Temple Beth-El



Vassar Temple religious school had fun learning about Shavuot (followed by an ice cream social!)



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The launch of the first LEAH Ladies Eating at Hadassah

