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Office for the Aging

submitted by Brian Jones, Outreach Coordinator Dutchess County Office for the Aging

Many older adults have ideas about doing more volunteering once they retire, but not necessarily anything specific. We at the Office for the Aging can help you explore your options. We spend considerable time recruiting the recently retired to join us in our mission of helping Dutchess County's older adults continue to live safely and independently.

We want to help you clarify your ideas about what you'd like to do as a volunteer. Maybe you have looked around your community and said to yourself, "Somebody really ought to do something about..." Now you have the chance to complete that sentence; although, with your retirement, that sentence changes somewhat to "I really ought to do something about..." If figuring out the end of that sentence has you stumped a bit, get in touch with OFA. Ask yourself whether you are looking to share the skills you acquired during your career, or whether you are looking to volunteer in a field that is new to you.

OFA has opportunities for volunteer drivers in our Home Delivered Meals program. Areas in immediate need for drivers include the Wappinger/East Fishkill area along with much of rural Dutchess County, but we will be glad to hear from you if you can drive elsewhere in the county. If being outdoors and staying active is a goal, there are still several Office for the Aging Picnics left on this year's schedule. Check out www.dutchessny.gov/OFA picnics, where we keep the schedule, a map to each picnic location, and pictures of past picnics. You will have fun helping seniors enjoy a special day with their friends and neighbors.

Our newest volunteering opportunity, the "Friendly Calls" program, is tremendously popular with older adults at risk of loneliness and social isolation. That means demand is high for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering but are pressed for time, being a "Friendly Calls" volunteer can be done in just a half-hour, once a week - from home, on your lunch break, or even your summer vacation. It is open to all volunteers 18 and up.

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Veterans One Stop Location Offers Multiple Providers Under One Roof *Submitted by Sean McMann*

Did you know the Dutchess County Division of Veterans' Services has relocated its offices to Mental Health of America (MHA) of Dutchess County's Veterans One Stop at 1335 Route 44 in Pleasant Valley?

The Veterans One Stop houses MHA's various veterans programs, the County Division of Veterans' Services, and several other veteran-related outreach groups which work to offer a variety of services to local vets. Veterans' Services, for example, helps vets with claims applications, referrals, receiving burial benefits, filing discharge papers, applying for medals, obtaining New York State property tax exemptions and much more. MHA offers housing and employment assistance, suicide prevention services, multiple artistic therapy programs, a Vet2Vet peer support program and many other services.

The facility's opening has generated a three-fold increase in the number of veterans visiting Veterans' Services alone. MHA's 10,000-sq. ft. structure has ample parking, giving easy access to veterans who stop in and easy access to several providers under one roof, making it simpler for veterans to obtain the services they need. The campus also has a dedicated bus stop on Dutchess County Transit's Route D for those who prefer to take the bus.

The new building also features several large rooms for movie nights and wellness classes, spacious wheelchair-accessible bathrooms for those who need the space to maneuver, a fully stocked food pantry, and a clothing and supplies closet to help veterans who are looking for assistance in those areas. These conveniences, along with the fact that the staff no longer works out of cubicles but now have personal offices with doors that close for privacy, has created a relaxed and safe environment for those visiting the center.

Veterans' Services is always exploring new options and implementing new techniques as they listen to, and communicate with, those who come to the Veterans One Stop. Veterans reading this article who have not visited yet are encouraged to drop by. If you have friends or family members who might benefit from these services, please encourage them to stop in. One thing to know: You must apply to receive these benefits; they are not automatic. Call Veterans' Services (845) 486-2060 for an appt., or get more info at dutchessny.gov/veterans.



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The Harding Club



Harding Club Celebrates 100 Years in Poughkeepsie

POUGHKEEPSIE, NY (June 16, 2023) – The Harding Club, a social club for men interested in camaraderie, community, philanthropy, good food, and Jewish culture, celebrated its 100th anniversary on Wednesday, June 14, with a gala at the Grandview.

The event was attended by over 100 members and guests, including the club’s oldest member, 103-year-old Jack Gruberg. Judge Albert Rosenblatt served as master of ceremonies, and Ms. Sherry Hall, the Site Manager of the WG Harding Presidential Sites in Ohio, spoke about the club’s namesake, President Warren G. Harding.

The club was founded in 1923 by a group of young Jewish men who were not able to join many clubs due to antisemitism. Over the past 100 years, the club has grown to over 100 members and has become a fixture in the Poughkeepsie community. The club hosts a variety of events throughout the year, including social gatherings and educational programs. Their philanthropic activities span a wide variety of institutions.

In his speech, Judge Rosenblatt praised the club for its commitment to its mission and its contributions to the community. He shared that the Harding Club is a place where men can come together to build relationships, learn from each other, and give back to the community. It is a testament to the club’s strength and resilience that it has thrived for 100 years.

Ms. Hall spoke about President Harding’s legacy and his term in office. She explained President Harding was a man of great integrity and compassion. He was a strong advocate for veterans and he was committed to helping those in need.

The gala was a festive event that celebrated the club’s rich history and bright future. The event featured a dinner, music, and dancing as well as the installation of officers for the upcoming year. The club’s members look forward to continuing to build on the club’s success in the years to come.



Photo shows the installation of officers by Judge Albert Rosenblatt. From left to right: Alan Fox - Secretary, Bernie Cohen - Treasurer, Irv Miller - Vice President, Gene Fleishman - President, Martin Hochhauser - Sergeant-at-Arms, Judge Albert Rosenblatt - Master of Ceremonies. (Photo credit - Eli Sloves)



Mike Elkin President of the Harding Club (L), presents grant to JWV Post 625. Accepting the check are Chief of Staff Martin Hochhauser and Commander Marty Korfman. The grant will benefit the veterans’ food pantry at Castle Point.



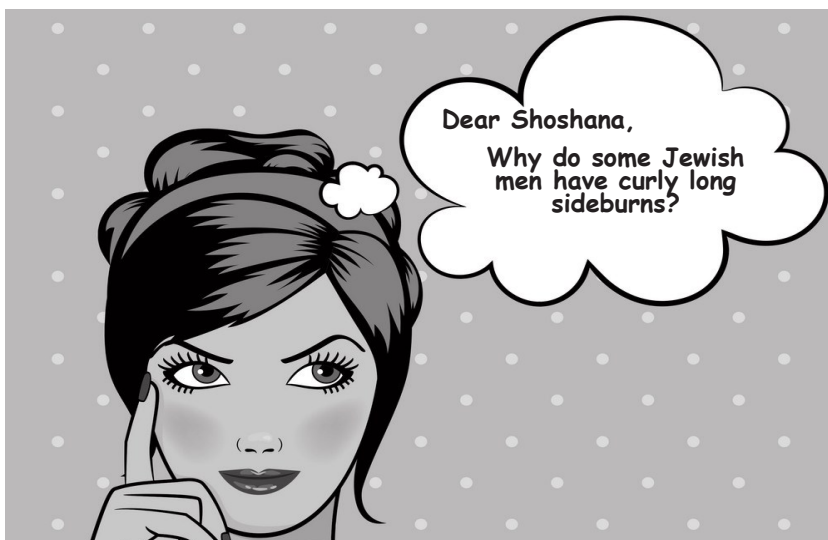
“Don’t forget to use the sunblock, Roger. You know how easily you burn.”



Tai Chi with Miriam Rubin at Temple Beth-El



Community Memorial Day Ceremony sponsored by JWV Post 625, held at Schomre Hadath Cemetery, Poughkeepsie. Participating were Rabbi Shlomo Krasner of Congregation Schomre Israel, the Poughkeepsie HS JROTC Color Guard, and a bugler from Wappingers Central School District. The local JWV Post is also responsible for placement of flags on graves of Jewish Veterans in Dutchess County cemeteries.



Dear Side curls,

Some religious men wear side curls because the original basis is a Biblical scripture that states that a man should not "round the corner of his head" meaning for men not to shave off the sideburns. As this was important to Hashem it became cherished by individuals and they became accustomed to growing it extra long. The way in which the individual chose to keep this longer hair became a cultural statement dependent upon the individual’s community. There are different styles of this hair (or ‘payot’) among Haredi or Hasidic, Yemenite, and Chardal Jews. Did you think it was a fashion statement??

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Rabbi's Blog *by Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus*

When we think of the month of Av, the first thing that comes to mind is Tisha B'av the day of the destruction of the Beit Hamikdash.

A lesser-known significant day, the 20th of Av (this year August 7), marks the passing of Rabbi Levi Yitzchak Schneerson, the Lubavitcher Rebbe's father (1878-1944). Reb Levik, as he was fondly called, was one of the greatest Kabbalists and Talmudic scholars of his generation. He was a giant. He left us with mind-blowing Torah interpretations using a Kabbalistic approach, and a legacy of strength and commitment to Torah in the face of opposition.

When I was a young boy in overnight camp, the 20th of Av was regarded as a very significant day. Every year, we commemorated the yortzeit as a day of unity and resolutions to strengthen our commitment to Jewish life and observance. (We also looked forward to the special treats including our all-time favorite Canadian Humpty Dumpty ketchup flavored chips).

Since it would be impossible for me to encapsulate Rabbi Levi Yitzchak's greatness in the scope of this article, I would like to share some details about his life and a few stories that have been a source of inspiration to the subsequent generations.

In 1909 Reb Levik assumed the position as rabbi—and eventually chief rabbi—of the city of Dnipropetrovsk, Ukraine. Despite the Bolshevik revolution and Communist oppression specifically aimed towards the Jewish people, Reb Levik remained fearlessly defiant in strengthening Jewish learning and practice in his city and throughout the Soviet Union.

At that time, Dnipropetrovsk was the breadbasket of the Soviet Union, and each year, when Passover came around, people would come from all over the country to buy flour for baking their Passover Shmurah matzah.

After the Soviet government nationalized the mill and the baking of Matzah for Passover, they knew very well that the Jews would not buy Matzah without the supervision of Reb Levik, as he was the most well-known and respected Rabbi in Ukraine at the time.

"I'll give the certification," Rabbi Levi Yitzchak told them, "but on condition that the Russian government will fulfill the requirements dictated by Jewish law to ensure that the wheat and Matzah baking process are kosher for Passover. This includes making sure the wheat won't come into contact with water, and would require hiring Kosher supervisors."

"These demands are completely unacceptable!" the officials responded in anger. Water was commonly added to the wheat while grinding for more efficient production. In addition, the cost of full-time supervisors was certainly not in the budget. Rabbi Levi Yitzchak's demands would cost the government a substantial amount of money.

Rabbi Levi Yitzchak replied firmly, "According to the Constitution and my own conscience, I won't be able to tell anyone that the Matzah is kosher for Passover if these guidelines are not followed."

He traveled to Moscow, where he met with senior officials and explained his stance to them. Unbelievably, they agreed and told all the mill supervisors in Ukraine to comply with Reb Levik's kashrut supervisors, in spite of the high cost it would entail.

Because Rabbi Levi Yitzchak held firmly to the principles of Torah and Judaism, the Soviet government guaranteed that the Jews of Ukraine were able to buy Matzah that was kosher for Passover.

In 1939, Rabbi Levi Yitzchak got news that an enormous shipment containing several tons of flour had been exposed to rainwater during transport. Upon learning this, Reb Levik, contacted the owners and demanded the flour be rerouted to be used for non-Matzah purposes.

The bakery owners were extremely unhappy, and did not want to hear of this. Only when Reb Levik, threatened to withdraw his seal of approval, did they carry out his instructions.



Rabbi Sandhaus

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Meet Your Neighbor *By Karen Hochhauser*

Each month, we ask a Member of the Tribe* (MOT) the following questions and feature their answers for a fun and insightful way to meet your neighbors. This month, we are excited to introduce Susan Karnes Hecht, who took time from her numerous responsibilities as Vassar Temple's Immediate Past President to answer our questions.




Susan Karnes Hecht

1. **What is your favorite/least favorite word?**
Favorite: *Tenacity*
Least Favorite: *Stereotyping*
2. **What inspires you creatively, spiritually, or emotionally?**
Saving the planet—that's what I'm trying to do.
3. **What is your favorite song?**
"My Sweet Lord" by George Harrison.
4. **What profession other than your own would you like to attempt?**
Perpetual college student.
5. **What profession would you not like to attempt?**
A doctor.
6. **What is your favorite Jewish food/dessert?**
Real, authentic, Lower East Side pickles.
7. **What do you most like and dislike about yourself?**
Like: *I have created an entirely new identity for myself following retirement.*
Dislike: *My difficulty taking time for my own health.*
8. **What is one interesting thing that people don't know about you?**
I am the Chair of the Town of Poughkeepsie Climate Smart Task Force and a member of the Town's Conservation Advisory Commission.
9. **If you could choose a superpower, what would it be?**
Not needing to sleep.
10. **What is your greatest achievement/something you are most proud of?**
My amazing and incredible children.
11. **Do you have a "bucket list" and, if so, what is on it?**
I'd like to go to all the national parks.
12. **If there were one thing you would hope others do in the interest of our future, what would that be?**
Everybody needs to get out and advocate for climate legislation and vote accordingly.
13. **What is your earliest Jewish memory?**
Being a young child in religious school at Temple Beth Hillel in Los Angeles, CA. It was a lot of glitter and grape juice.
14. **What is your most favorite Jewish memory?**
The first time I was invited to be in physical contact with the torah scroll with Rabbi Arnold.
15. **In what ways does or can JFedDC impact our Jewish Community?**
I think the most helpful role the Jewish Federation can play right now is to facilitate good relations and collaborations among the synagogues and to help us address as a group some of the bigger challenges such as security.
16. **If Heaven exists, what would you like to hear God say when you arrive at the Pearly Gates?**
I know you gave it your all.
17. **What is one question you wished we ask and the answer?**
Q: *How do you feel about Vassar Temple?*
A: *I am incredibly proud of my congregation, the role it has played in this community for 175 years, and its progressive environment.*

*Member of the Tribe

If you are interesting in being interviewed for Meet Your Neighbor, let us know. Email: thevoice@jewishdutchess.org and we will make it happen. We welcome you!



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KULANU SCHOOL GOES TO ELLIS ISLAND AND THE STATUE OF LIBERTY!

By Rabbi Miriam Hyman, Education Director

Thanks to the generosity of the Diane Tinkelman Fund, Kulanu students in grades 5 and up and their families went on a field trip to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. This is our first trip since the beginning of the pandemic. Everyone had a great time. We look forward to our next adventure in the spring of 2025.



ISRAEL SCOUTS FRIENDSHIP CARAVAN VISITS POUGHKEEPSIE JEWISH COMMUNITY

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

The last time the Caravan was in town, was May of 2019, before the pandemic, so we were very excited to bring them to the community once again. This year's event took place on May 30th, 2023, and was made possible by a partnership between local Poughkeepsie Jewish community synagogues and organizations. We received support from the Harding Club, the Rabbi Erwin Zimet Memorial Institute, and Ma'a lot (funded by the Jewish National Fund and Nefesh b'Nefesh). The scouts engaged children in interactive, educational activities and presented an amazing concert during a community dinner. We are grateful to all the wonderful volunteers who made this event happen.



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It's a Mitzvah!

(Rabbi's Blog Continued from page 5)

Once the matzah production was complete, the communists wasted no time in taking revenge over this incident and Reb Levik's rigorous work on behalf of Judaism overall. Rabbi Levi Yitzchak was arrested, tortured, and subsequently banished to exile in the remote village Chile in Kazakhstan. His spirit, however, was not extinguished, even while his body was broken and eventually gave way to his early passing.

Beyond the physical torment of living in a primitive town with limited food and medicine, the spiritual anguish of separation from his community and his library was excruciating. His courageous wife, Rebbetzin Chana, brought him a few Torah books, and with the home-made ink she managed to produce from wild berries, he annotated the margins of those books with his innovative teachings. Out of all his writings over the years, the only ones to survive were those written in exile in Kazakhstan and smuggled out by Rebbetzin Chana to New York.

Rabbi Levi Yitzchok sacrificed everything dear to him to enable the Jews of the USSR to remain connected to their heritage of Torah and Mitzvahs.

His life story serves as an inspiration for us to strengthen our commitment to Jewish practice. Thank G-d we don't face the type of opposition that Reb Levik confronted in Ukraine under the USSR. Today the struggle of being a Jew mostly comes from within. We may feel uncomfortable celebrating a heritage that is foreign to our neighbors and friends. Or at times the mitzvahs may not fit in with our schedule or lifestyle.

To take lesson from Rabbi Levi Yitzchak would be to transcend the internal opposition, the voices in our mind. In this month of Av, let's go out of our comfort zone to do a mitzvah, join a Torah class, or open a prayer book to connect with G-d.

Be like Reb Levik!

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

BEACON HEBREW ALLIANCE

Friday afternoons, ages 9-13 years
Sunday mornings, ages 5-13 years
331 Verplanck Ave, Beacon
Contact celia@beaconhebrewalliance.org
Led by Education Director, Celia Baczkowski -Masa is filled with joyful Jewish experiences, including song, dance, art, food, field trips, and more!

CHABAD MID-HUDSON VALLEY

Sunday, 10:00am-12:15pm, ages 5-12 years
63 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie
For information contact Hindy Borenstein, Director (845) 463-5801
chabadmidhudsonvly@prodigy.net

JUDAIC SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Sunday, 10:00am-12:00pm
For information www.mypardess.org/JSA

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 Tzivie Hecht, Director (845) 876-7666 or [tizviehecht@gmail.com](mailto:tziviehecht@gmail.com)

CONGREGATION SHIR CHADASH and TEMPLE BETH-EL

Kulanu: All of Us A School of Jewish Learning
A joint religious school program with Shir Chadash and Temple Beth-El

Our collaborative school models the true meaning of *Klal Yisrael* (Jewish peoplehood) by increasing the sense of Jewish community and partnership for our students and families. It allows students to get to know their Jewish peers and to receive a broader Jewish education. Students explore Jewish tradition, history, and culture through art, music, movement, and text. For grades Pre-K through Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

Classes meet:
Pre-K through grade 6, 10:00am-12:30pm on Sundays*
January-Mid March we meet on Saturdays and explore Shabbat.
Grades 3-7 also meet Tuesdays 4:45pm-6:15pm.
B'Nai Mitzvah class (grade 7 meets Saturday mornings).

For more info contact:
Rabbi Miriam Hyman: Education Director Temple Beth-El at education@tbeny.org
Rabbi Glenn Jacob: Congregation Shir Chadash rabbigmj@gmail.com

VASSAR TEMPLE

Vassar Temple provides a program of education within the guidelines of the Reform Movement, which deepens a student's Jewish experience and knowledge within an accepting, stimulating, and creative 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."

The Seth A. Erlebacher Religious School for grades K-7 meets Sunday mornings under the administration of Rabbi Shoshana Hantman, our Religious School Director. The Hebrew School, under the direction of Temple Rabbi Renni Altman D.D., meets Wednesday afternoons, offers Hebrew language instruction and bar/bat mitzvah preparation for grades 4-7. Teens may work as madrachim (teachers aides) in the Sunday School. New enrollments are welcome throughout the year. For more information, rsdirector@vassartemple.org (845) 454-2570.

*PJ Library, a flagship program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation (HGF), was launched with a humble beginning in 2005 in Western Massachusetts, sending children's books about Jewish holidays, culture, and values. Today, PJ Library has grown into an internationally recognized, \$40M global cultural literacy venture that partners with philanthropists and Jewish communities around the world to provide families raising Jewish children ages 0-12 with the gift of free, high-quality children's books and other resources that foster a deeper connection with Jewish life (www.hgf.org).
Thank you!*

מצוה

Mitzvah

Here is a checklist from PJ Library to do a mitzvah a day for a month!
Print or cut out and hang somewhere visible!

A Mitzvah a Day

Enjoy a month of mitzvot with your family. Just print this checklist and try a new activity each day. There are 30 activities total – that's one for each day of the month – to inspire your family to do a mitzvah each day.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Invite someone new to Shabbat
welcoming guests <input type="checkbox"/> Clean out the closet and donate clothes you don't wear
clothing the needy, tzedakah <input type="checkbox"/> Make a "Get Well Card" for a friend who doesn't feel well
visiting the sick <input type="checkbox"/> Help a bug find its way outside
kindness to animals <input type="checkbox"/> Help a parent with a chore
respecting parents <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at a soup kitchen
respecting the poor <input type="checkbox"/> High five someone from the other team and say "good game," even if you lose.
honoring friends, cooperation <input type="checkbox"/> Share your favorite toy with a friend or sibling
not coveting <input type="checkbox"/> Compliment someone
respect, joy <input type="checkbox"/> Sit with a lonely kid at lunch
friendship, tikkun olam <input type="checkbox"/> Collect canned goods for a food bank
feeding the hungry <input type="checkbox"/> Sort the recycling
not wasting needlessly <input type="checkbox"/> Help a friend find something they've misplaced
returning lost objects <input type="checkbox"/> Invite a new classmate to sit with you at lunch
welcoming guests <input type="checkbox"/> Make a bird feeder
kindness to animals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Visit residents at a nursing home and read stories together
honoring the elderly <input type="checkbox"/> Interview a grandparent, aunt, or uncle, and write down their story
passing on traditions, honoring elders <input type="checkbox"/> Settle an argument between siblings or friends
peace, respect <input type="checkbox"/> Plant a tree
caaring for the environment <input type="checkbox"/> Pay for someone else's lunch
loving others <input type="checkbox"/> Write "thank you" notes
geatitude <input type="checkbox"/> Make no-sew blankets and donate them to a shelter
tikkun olam <input type="checkbox"/> Send care packages to deployed soldiers
tikkun olam <input type="checkbox"/> Count your blessings
geatitude <input type="checkbox"/> Introduce yourself to a new neighbor
welcoming guests <input type="checkbox"/> Put toys away
peace in the home, honoring parents <input type="checkbox"/> Decorate "no-slip" socks to donate to hospitals or nursing homes
tikkun olam, visiting the sick <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in a local park or beach cleanup
caaring for the environment, tikkun olam <input type="checkbox"/> Turn old tshirts into something new, like a grocery bag or pillow
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feeding the hungry |
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PJ Library

Bring Jewish stories home

Tamatha



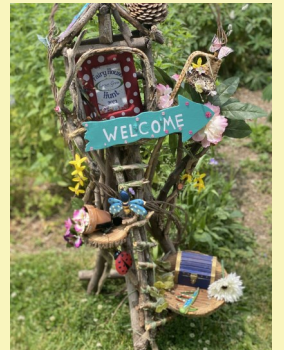
Suzanne



A Very Special Fairy Name

By Tamatha Williams PJ Library Program Director

When PJ Library children have the opportunity to become magical fairies for an afternoon, they take their fairy house hunting very seriously. Equipped with magnificent wings in an array of pastel colors and glitter galore, our little fairies fluttered around the beautiful grounds of Locust Grove. They examined the various fairy houses, in awe over the creativity, each house mirroring the similarities of the massive trees that they hid beneath. It was such a wonderful outing and we had the pleasure of welcoming a new PJ family, the Abramoffs. Looking so forward to fluttering around town on our upcoming adventures.



Mitzvah

By Suzanne Turrisi, PJ Library Assistant Director

The literal meaning of the Hebrew word mitzvah is commandment. In its primary meaning, the Hebrew word mitzvah refers to a commandment commanded by G-d to be performed as a religious duty. In its secondary meaning, the word mitzvah refers to a deed performed in order to fulfill such a commandment. It is commonly also referred to as a good or righteous deed. A bar/bat mitzvah is a son/daughter of the commandments. To "do a mitzvah" generally means to do a righteous deed. What a better word it could be if we all went around doing good deeds and helping out!



PJ LIBRARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

Family Name:
The Morin-Brown Family

How many kids are in your family and what are their ages?
Two Children—Ari 13 and Helen 2.5

How long have you been receiving PJ Library books?
3 years

What is your family's favorite PJ Library book?
What a Wonderful World

How did you hear about PJ Library?
Arlington Street Fair



Why is PJ Library important in your home?
It's a fun and cozy way to learn about Judaism and the holidays. We also love the art in the books.

How has PJ Library influenced your family's Jewish living and decisions?
It has helped engage our kids with holidays, traditions and values. Last night (it's July), Helen brought out the Passover memory card game that came with a PJ Library book and we talked about our Passover memories.

Is PJ Library helpful to you as a parent? How?
As a convert, I'm happy to have another source to help me learn about Jewish traditions and values while sharing books with my kids.

PREPARING FOR BACK TO SCHOOL : A FAMILY WORKSHOP SERIES

Join special guest Dr. Stephanie Phekoo, executive functioning coach, for a workshop series focused on supporting executive functioning skill building.

August 20th
9:00-10:30 early childhood
11:00-12:30 elementary

August 27th
10:30-12:00 middle and high school

MORE DETAILS TO COME

The Federation Board's Voice



Adam Belok

Paid Forward 32 Years Ago by Adam Belok

I was at the Temple Beth-El Shabbaton last month and someone came up to me saying this, "I have been hoping to meet you for 32 years..." leaving me at a loss of words!

She continued, "We were the last of six families in 1991 who came to New York from Moldova, a small town in Eastern Europe bordering Ukraine. We were relocated for our safety to (the) United States, exiled because we were/are Jewish." I was speechless, since antisemitism had not crossed my path before, although it may have with-

out my realizing it.

She continued, "My name is Galina Paneyev, (Just then it all started coming back, remembering how our Jewish Federation had asked for local volunteers to help incoming refugees.) The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) resettled me, my husband Yevgeni (Eugene) and our two young children in Poughkeepsie and you volunteered to help find him work. And since we had no green card you paid him cash to do small jobs around your home, gave him some clothes and shoes that fit, then referred him to Arnoff Movers when you found out he was a diesel mechanic. There he worked for 15 years so we could take care of our family. Later I became a Visiting Nurse and am now planning to retire soon. So thank you!" I responded "Ne-daleko" Translated: "It's nothing...."

Wow... I had remembered a 'nickles worth of Russian' from Stuyvesant HS and that was enough to provide them with a foothold in our town. Imagine that?

So when our Executive Director Karen Hochhauser asks for Volunteers to make Care Packages, or deliver something to needy folks lonely in their assisted living environment, Rehab Center, or to someone who is just alone at home, don't hesitate. Please volunteer if you can, because it can change someone's life or a whole family's world!

If possible, donate MORE than you did before, so that Jewish Federation of Dutchess County can accomplish more than last year! Remember, for some there is no such thing as a family vacation, perhaps only an afternoon at a local park?



Our Executive Director



Little things can really make a big impact

The other day, I was having an off day. Too many big, impactful, stressful things were all happening at once and demanding my attention simultaneously. That's life or at least par for the course in my life. At the time, I took my own advice and decided to "Karen-UP" and methodically took care of everything, as I do.

However, I also tried something new. I decided to attempt a little self-care, which is not my strength.

I visited a small spa that has great staff and services. The owner and I started chatting, as I am known to do. When I finished, she said that she wanted to do something small for me and gifted me a treatment. I was so caught off guard by the generosity from someone I barely knew that my eyes literally started tearing up. The value of this offering was not only dear in cost but the thoughtfulness emotionally overwhelmed me.

On the opposite side, I have also been on the receiving end from some who are quite nasty and hurtful in their communications. To this day, I still cannot determine whether these individuals were intentionally being cruel or not. In my attempt to be judiciously understanding, I contemplated whether they were aware of how negatively impactful their words were, cutting me like a knife.

Both these incidents had me contemplate whether people apprehend their impact on others. The smallest acts of kindness can positively change someone's week as much as caustic communication can negatively hurt someone. Does each of us as individuals grasp and appreciate how much positive or negative change we can make for others?

I challenge you. Make an effort to say something nice to those who help you, show some gratitude regardless of where you are. Practice random acts of kindness. And when you are upset or frustrated, take a moment to rethink what and how you communicate before inflicting pain on others.

Together, a lot of little efforts will make a big difference - at least it has to me.

Karen Hochhauser
JFedDC Executive Director

Save the Date:

Hudson Valley Renegades—September 8

Hit After the Holidays—October 15

2023 Holiday Greetings

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

This year we will once again be offering a 3-pack of Holiday Greetings which includes: Passover, Rosh Hashanah, and Chanukah.

Please look at the designs and choose an individual greeting or the 3-pack. If you choose the 3-pack, please choose the same size ad for all holidays.

The cost: Small ad: \$30 each or 3 for \$80
Medium ad: \$40 each or 3 for \$110
Large ad: \$70 each or 3 for \$190

Sm Ads—2" by 1.4"
Md Ads—1.5" by 2.9"
Lg Ads—3.2" by 2.7"
Approximate sizes

Please fill out the form and mail it back to us with your payments to:
THE VOICE, PO Box 2525, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
Or complete online: www.jewishdutchess.org
DEADLINE for Rosh Hashanah Greeting is August 8

2023 Holiday Greetings

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Holiday	Small	Medium	Large
Passover (circle one)	A B	C D	E F
Rosh Hashanah (circle one)	A B	C D	E F
Chanukah (circle one)	A B	C D	E F

Your name(s) on the Greeting: _____

Checks should be made out to:
Jewish Federation of Dutchess County

Passover Greetings

Small—A



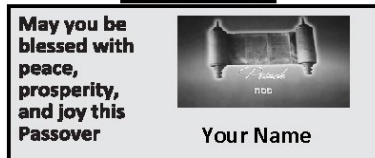
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Small—B



Medium—D



Large—E

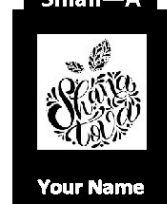


Large—F



Rosh Hashanah Greetings

Small—A



Medium—C



Small—B



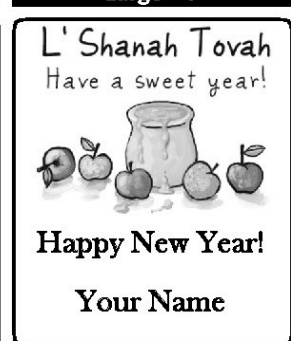
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Large—E



Large—F



Chanukah Greetings

Small—A



Medium—C



Small—B



Medium—D



Large—E



Large—F



JEWISH FOOD

Connecting our Community through Food

Send us your favorite Kosher recipe so we can share it.

Please email to: TheVoice@jewishdutchess.org.

Creamy Israeli Gazpacho taken from [Creamy Israeli Gazpacho - Jamie Geller](#)

Gazpacho is like summer in a bowl. Such a simple dish requires the ripest ingredients and most delicious olive oil. Bonus: gazpacho actually tastes better the day after it is made. The flavors meld and become even more savory and satisfying. For best results, use a great quality extra virgin olive oil. We love Colavita!

Ingredients:

Shawarma Spiced Chickpeas

- 15 ounce can chickpeas, drained and dried with a paper towel
- Extra virgin olive oil, such as Colavita extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tbsp shawarma spice mix
- Sea of kosher salt

Gazpacho

- 1.5—2 lbs. ripe tomatoes
- 2 thick slices day-old bread or challah, crusts trimmed off soaked in water and wrung out
- 1 medium cucumber
- 1 shallot
- 2 garlic cloves
- 2 tbsp rice wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil, such as Colavita
- Kosher or sea salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

Garnish: shawarma chickpeas, tahini



Directions:

Shawarma Spiced Chickpeas:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper
2. In a small bowl, toss to coat chickpeas with 2 tbsp. of oil then toss with spices.
3. Spread chickpeas on lined baking sheet and roast for 40-50 minutes, stirring occasionally, until dry and crispy.

Gazpacho:

1. Blend tomatoes, bread, cucumber, shallot, garlic, vinegar, and oil in a blender or food processor until smooth and creamy. Season with salt and pepper.
2. To serve ladle gazpacho into small glasses, bowls, or favorite vessel. Drizzle with tahini and garnish with chickpeas.

Vassar Temple Celebrates 175 Years

By Susan Karnes Hecht, Immediate Past President

The year was 1848: James Polk was President. Construction of the Washington Monument began. Frederic Chopin made his last public concert appearance. Wisconsin was admitted to the Union as the 30th State. Marx and Engels published The Communist Manifesto. The Gold Rush began. The Mexican-American War ended. The first Women's Rights Convention took place in Seneca Falls.

And right here in Poughkeepsie, Congregation Brethren of Israel, the oldest continuously functioning Jewish congregation between New York City and Albany, was established by 16 families. Twenty years later worship services moved from the upper floor of a building on Main Street to a former church on Vassar Street, the location which inspired the congregation's better-known nickname, Vassar Temple.

Starting as an Orthodox congregation, Vassar Temple journeyed through a Conservative period and in 1923 adopted the Reform liturgy, joining the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (now the Union for Reform Judaism) in 1951. The present building on Hooker Avenue was dedicated in 1953.

Vassar Temple has reached its venerable 175th anniversary! It remains a welcoming, forward-thinking community that evolves and adapts to an ever-changing cultural and demographic landscape and emphasizes *tikkun olam*. While celebrating this milestone and looking ahead, with the concurrent launch of our Endowment Campaign to secure our future, we also honor and preserve our remarkable history.

We invite the community to join us in the year of festivities ahead including special Shabbat programs, a cemetery tour, a dedication concert for our newly refurbished 100-year-old grand piano (a gift from the Lemberger family) featuring Jewish musical themes, educational events in partnership with the community, a spring gala, and more. Watch future issues of the Voice for more information, visit vassartemple.org, or contact office@vassartemple.org to be on our event mailing list.

Poughkeepsie Eagle 1848 Advertisement

Jewish Synagogue—"Sons of Israel,"
 Library Building. Organized, 1848. Size of room, 30 feet by 50 feet: will seat 150 persons; has 16 members. Public worship—Friday evening and Saturday morning.
 Officers.—A. Morris, President; J. Benjamin, Treasurer; S. Shultz, S. Levy, and J. Frieberg, Trustees.



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18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY - 845.454.2890

Website: www.schomreIsrael.org

E-mail: schomre1@aol.com

MARIST COLLEGE CENTER FOR LIFETIME STUDY SEEKING NEW MEMBERS



The Marist College Center for Lifetime Study (CLS), having just completed its thirtieth year of service to seniors, has embarked on a campaign to attract new members.

CLS is a volunteer organization operating under the auspices of Marist College. Its primary purpose is to provide opportunities for the educational, intellectual and cultural growth for persons age 55 and older. CLS does this by offering classes to its members at the Locust Grove Estate on Route 9 in Poughkeepsie.

There is a wide range of courses offered in eight-week sessions in the spring and fall. Classes in the past have included such topics as art, computers, current events, economics, gardening, history, healthcare, law, literature, music, poetry, politics, religion, science and travel. Classes are taught by knowledgeable individuals including college faculty, CLS members, community leaders and professional experts.

CLS not only offers classes but also plans trips to places of interest, social activities and events as well as access to various Marist College events and programs. Anyone interested in learning more about CLS are invited to browse our website at <https://www.marist.edu/professional-programs/cls> or by calling the CLS office at (845) 575-3902.

JEWIS IN THE NEWS.

Highlights, updates, and happenings of our Jewish business members of the community.

Fishkill, NY-based law firm, Feldman, Kleidman, Collins & Sappe LLP (FKC&S) recently teamed with Workers' Compensation Attorney Peter M. Cordovano, P.C. to obtain life insurance and workers compensation settlements for the family of a volunteer ambulance driver from Orange County, NY, who died after battling COVID-19 for more than one month in the spring of 2020. FKC&S, which is largely focused in the areas of medical malpractice and personal injury law, was referred the case by another law firm and agreed to provide counsel to the plaintiff's family free of charge.

A book reading and author signing August 13, 1pm, at the Kingston Barnes and Noble Store. If you miss the book signing go to The Matchbox Café in Rhinebeck to meet the author.



Congregation Schomre Israel

(Orthodox)
18 Park Ave, Poughkeepsie
(845) 454-2890
Rabbi Shlomo Krasner
Website: www.schomreisrael.org
Email: rabbishlomok@gmail.com

Weekly Services:

Shacharis 7:00am (weekdays)
Shacharis 8:30am (Sunday & holidays)
Maariv: 6:40pm (winter weekdays)
Friday Kabbalat Shabbat: around candle lighting times.

Adult Education:

Preview of upcoming Fall Classes Thursday

Rabbi Krasner will be presenting a series of classes on Thursday evenings in which the rabbi and those present will examine what it was like being Jewish during different eras and in various land with a focus on the leaders of that era and locale. The community is welcome to attend each individual stand alone class or entire series. The title of the classes is—"A Window into Yesteryear: the Lives They Lived, the Torah They Taught."

On the last Thursday of every month the "Window into Yesteryear" calls will be replaced by another exciting class. This class is called Hands on Judaism for the Foodie. We will take an inside look at the mitzvot and practices of kosher food. This class will involve food sampling (and maybe even more than a sample!) Look in the coming issues of *The Voice* and the synagogue bulletin for specific topics for both these classes.

Other Events:

Thursday

Yiddish Club August 31, 11:00am. This is your chance to hear and maybe even speak a *bisele mame lushun* and to learn about Yiddish culture. As will all events and programs spearheaded by Schomre Israel, this is intended to be open to all in the community. You don't need to be fluent in the language.

Friday

Rosh Chodesh Breakfast August 18, after morning services. Celebrate the beginning of the month of Elul by joining us for services and breakfast.

Contact:

rabbishlomok@gmail.com
for current information
or visit the website
www.schomreisrael.org

Congregation Shir Chadash

(Reform)
Interim: Freedom Plains
Presbyterian Church, Lagrange
(845) 232-1029
Rabbi Glenn Jacob
Website: www.shir-chadash.org
Email: info@shir-chadash.org

Weekly Services:

Fridays: 7:30pm In-Person & Zoom
Saturday: 9:15am In-person,
Bi-monthly Torah Study with Rabbi Jacob, all welcome to attend.

Adult Education:

Saturday

Torah Study 9:15am. An informal discussion about the Torah portion of the week with Shir Chadash's new spiritual leader, Rabbi Jacob. Everyone has a chance to participate. Just bring an inquisitive mind, a curiosity about our tradition, and a willingness to share your thoughts.

For dates and info call (845) 232-1029, email: info@shir-chadash.org or visit www.shir-chadash.org.

Other Events:

Sunday

Rosh Chodesh Reading Group

Those interested in reading are invited, (now done virtually)-- interesting and provocative discussions. Dates & times TBD. 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. Have a topic suggestion, please let us know! For more info, contact Sandy Lash at (845) 232-1029, via email: info@shir-chadash.org

Contact :

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for current information
or visit the website
www.shir-chadash.org



Community
Shabbaton
Concert with Noah
Anderson

Temple Beth-El

(Conservative)
118 S Grand Ave, Poughkeepsie
(845) 454-0570
Rabbi Michael Fessler
Rosh Tefilah Rabbi Miriam Hyman
Website: www.tbeny.org
Email: info@tbeny.org

Weekly Services:

Friday & Saturday Shabbat Services alternate between in-person and Zoom. Monday— Friday Minyan 8:00 am. Monday & Thursday in person & Zoom, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday only on Zoom. Call the Temple Beth-El office for the current schedule.

Adult Education:

For information about ongoing Adult Education at Temple Beth-El, please contact the synagogue office : (845) 454-0570.

Other Events:

Sunday

Temple Beth-El Serves at Lunchbox 2nd Sunday, volunteers are needed to help serve a meal at Lunchbox at Dutchess Outreach. You can also help by making a donation to help cover the cost. Contact Nancy Judson & volunteer (845) 216-7563
Shofar Over the Hudson September 10, 1:00pm, Waryas Park, Poughkeepsie. Usher is the High Holiday season by hearing the sounds of the Shofar along the banks of the Hudson River. This event is open to the public, free of charge. For more info contact the office (845) 489-6500 or email: saksteve@optonline.net

Tuesday

Book Club 2:00 pm in the Social hall at TBE, if inclement weather we meet via Zoom.

Upcoming dates and book selections are: 10/10/23—*The Personal Librarian*; 12/12/23—*The Hare with Amber Eyes*; 2/13/24—*The Most Beautiful Girl in Cuba*; 4/9/24 and 6/11/24—Selections TBD.

Contact:

info@tbeny.org
for current information
or visit the website
www.tbeny.org

Vassar Temple

(Reform)
140 Hooker Ave, Poughkeepsie
(845) 454-2570
Rabbi Renni S. Altman D.D.
Website: www.vassartemple.org
Email: Office@VassarTemple.org or rabbi@vassartemple.org

Weekly Services:

All services are hybrid. For Zoom link contact office@vassartemple.org For current in-person health protocols visit: www.vassartemple.org

Friday

Shabbat Evening Service August 4, 11, 18 (led by cantor), 25 Sabbath evening services 7:30pm (Hybrid)

Saturday

New Paths Shabbat Morning Worship contact the office for information.

Shabbat Morning Service August 12, 26, 10:15am.

Adult Education:

Monday

Talmud Study with Rabbi Paul Golomb, is on summer break for questions email pjgolomb@verizon.net.

Saturday

Torah Study Hybrid or Zoom only at 9:00am. For info and to be placed on the class list, contact: (845) 454-2570 or office@vassartemple.org.

Other Events:

Wednesday

Sisterhood Book Club August 16, 2:00pm, College View Tower meeting room, 141 Fulton Ave, Poughkeepsie. We will discuss *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Kentucky, 1850: An enslaved groom named Jarret and a bay foal forge a bond of understanding that will carry the horse to record-setting victories across the South. New York City, 1954: Martha Jackson, a gallery owner celebrated for taking risks on edgy contemporary painters, becomes obsessed with a nineteenth-century equestrian oil painting of mysterious provenance. Washington DC, 2019: Jess, a Smithsonian scientist from Australia, and Theo, a Nigerian American art historian, find themselves unexpectedly connected through their shared interest in the horse. For more information email: bookclub@vassartemple.org

Contact :

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Ron Rosen Receives Founders Award

Ron Rosen was presented the Founder's Award by the Vassar Temple Executive Board in appreciation of his many contributions to the life of the Temple. Ron grew up in St. Petersburg, FL, received his degrees at MIT, and came to Poughkeepsie in 1974 to work at the new Marist College Computer Center. He has held major offices at the Temple, being elected to the Board in 1999, followed by becoming First Vice President in 2001, and then Temple President. But there probably is no area of Temple life where Ron has not contributed his vision, energy, and expertise.

One of his first leadership roles was as Chairman of the Social Action Committee, where he spearheaded projects at the overnight homeless shelter and at Habitat for Humanity builds, and there were several trips to help repair burned-out Black churches. In conjunction with the DCIC, Ron has helped lead the Temple's CROPWalk team for many years. He has transmitted the spirit of Tikkun Olam to our temple teens through a class he taught on Mitzvot and Social Action, and he can still be found behind the wheel of the delivery truck for our annual Yom Kippur food drive every Fall.

Closer to home, Ron also utilized his construction and handyman skills over the years as Co-Chairman of the House Committee, and as a principal in the annual Brotherhood succah build. He is a regular at Torah Study, serves on the Ritual Committee, has created memorable outdoor services (often combined with nature hikes), and is a ready volunteer to lead traditional services when the Rabbi is away. But these days Ron is more commonly found in the Temple balcony, where he is part of the team that broadcasts all our services live on Zoom. As Technology Chairman he also oversees the Temple's computer and phone systems.

Ron has two grown sons and four granddaughters, is a longtime active volunteer with the Girl Scouts of America, and has helped with the Appalachian Trail Conservancy for almost 50 years. In fact, a frequent feature of Dutchess County Mitzvah Days has been the challenging and rewarding service project Ron leads to clear a section of the Trail. Whether seated behind a keyboard or trekking with a knapsack on his back, Ron Rosen is a great leader and role model, showing us that we all have special skills and passions we can contribute to make not only our temple, but the world, a better place.

(Pictured above: Ron Rosen is presented the Founders Award by last years recipients, Marcia and Glenn Tanzman)



Polly Lewis was honored with the 2023 Evelyn Kahn Spirit of Sisterhood Award, in recognition of her commitment to and unfailing support of the Vassar Temple Sisterhood. Polly has developed and worked on a wide variety of Sisterhood programs and fundraisers, and is currently chairing a project whereby knitters can create hats and scarves which will be presented to those in need this Fall.

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Weekly Services:

Fridays: Call for time.
 Saturdays: 9:30am

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Chabad of Mid-Hudson Valley

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Weekly Services:

Fridays: Call for times.
 Saturdays: 10:00am Chabad Hebrew School

Adult Education:

Wednesday

Torah Class: Discover the World of Prayer 11:00am, 36 Pleasant Ridge Drive. Class led by Hindy Borenstein. Indulge your body with thought-provoking insights from the weekly Torah portion and other contemporary issues, and indulge your body with a light and healthy lunch.

Special Events:

Sunday

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.

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Beacon Hebrew Alliance

(Conservative)
 331 Verplanck Ave, Beacon
 (845) 831-2012
 Rabbi Brent Spodek;
 Email:
411@beaconhebrewalliance.org

Weekly Services:

Friday Shabbat, 5:30pm Mini Minyan with Luke Wygodny & 6:00pm Potluck Shabbat Dinner and Kabbalat Shabbat

Check our Community Calendar for services times, generally every Friday & one Saturday per month:
www.beaconhebrewalliance.org/calendar

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Congregation Beth David

(Reform)
 East Main St, Amenia
 (845) 373-8264
 Rabbi Jon Haddon
 Website: www.CongBethDavid.org
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Weekly Services:

Saturdays 10:30am, December 17, 24

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www.CongBethDavid.org

Vassar College Bayit

51 Collegeview Ave, Poughkeepsie
 (845) 728-4792
 Rabbi Bryan Mann
 Rachlin Director of Jewish Student Life at Vassar College
 Email: bryanmann@vassar.edu

Weekly Services:

Fridays: 6:00pm
 7:00pm dinner when school is in session

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Bard College

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Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley

243 Albany Ave, Kingston
 (845) 338-4271 ext 101
 Rabbi's Study: (845) 338-4384 ext 102
 Rabbi Yael Romer: rabiromer@hvc.rr.com

Weekly Services:

Friday

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00pm, August will be outdoor, whether permitting.

Childcare Activity for First Fridays 6:00pm

Tot Shabbat August 11, September 8, 5:30pm

Saturday

Morning Minyan 10:00am resumes Sept.

Tot Shabbat 9:00am email: assistant@cehv.org to get on the list.

Education:

Rhinebeck Mediation & Torah Study (Zoom) Tues., August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 8:45am.

Hebrew Trope Wednesday, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, September 6, 13, 12:00pm

Conversational Hebrew (Zoom) Wed., August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 4:00pm.

Coffee Chai with the Rabbi (Zoom) Thurs., August 3, 10, 8:45am.

Contact: info@cehv.org

for all events and current info
or visit the website www.CEHV.org

Woodstock Jewish Congregation

241682 Glasco Tpk, Woodstock
 (845) 679-2218
 Rachel: rachel@wjcsul.org

Weekly Services:

Friday

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:30pm,

Kid Friendly Intergenerational Shabbat

First Fridays 6:00pm

Saturday

Shabbat Service 10:00am

Education:

Family School Registration Family School resumes Wednesday, September 2, 4:00-6:30pm

Other Events:

WJC Men's Group Thursday, 7:30pm,
 WJC Women's Group First Monday at 5:00pm, includes potluck dinner

"A Shtickle Toyrah" (a bit of Torah) Monday 9:00am. Members of the community take turns offering a short teaching on the weekly Torah portion.

Contact: Rachel@wjcsul.org
for all events and current info
or visit the website
www.wjcsul.org



August

Candle Lighting Schedule

August 4	7:52pm
August 11	7:43pm
August 18	7:33pm
August 25	7:22pm



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Jewish Trivia

Q: How many Jewish women were in the top 5 at the 2002 Olympics for figure skating?

A: There were three. Sarah Hughes (US) was the gold medalist. Irina Slutskaya (Russia), earned the silver medal. Finally, Sasha Cohen (US) came in 4th place, just out of medal contention.

Sneak Preview August 23 with an special interview with Helen Mirren

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 2001 South Road, Poughkeepsie
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www.JewishDutchess.org/events



The Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Post 625

All persons of the Jewish faith who have served in any branch of the U.S. Military (active, Reserves, or National Guard) or any person who wishes to support veterans are invited to attend Post meetings.

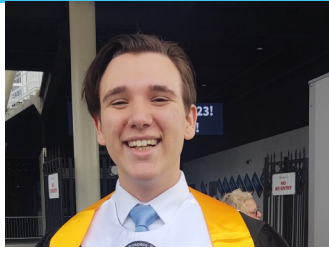
We will be in person at Schomre Israel. The next meeting will be August 13, October 8, November 12, and December 13 at 9:30am (9:00am schmooze). The Post will supply nosh stuff and coffee, and refreshments will be strictly kosher. Masks are optional. We look forward to seeing you there.

For more info, please contact Post Commander Schwartz at (845) 849-0025 or Rschwa9881@aol.com

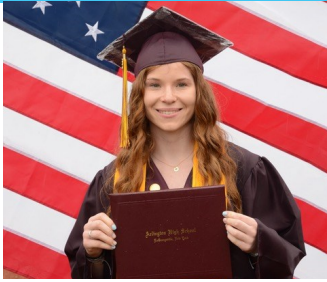
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Emily Bubel
Marywood University



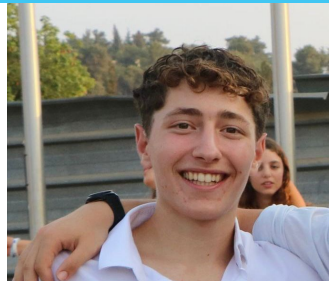
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Aerospace/Engineering
Fairchild Wheeler STEM



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Arlington HS



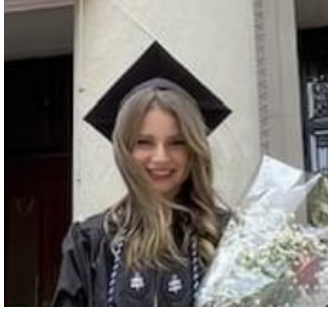
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Eitan Garr
HS in Modi'in Israel



Bethanie R. Gartner
Roger Williams University



Sabrina Goldfischer
Harvard College



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School of Sci. & Tech. HS



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Hunter College



Ariella Hyman-Fessler
NYU School of Art & Sci./
Tisch School of the Arts



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FDR HS



Lana Lieberman
Rhinebeck HS



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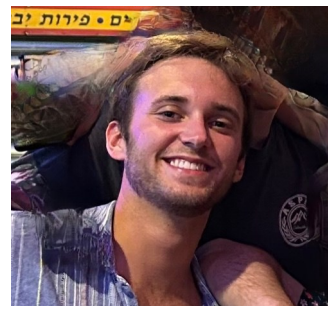
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Binghamton University



Aaron Perlman
Buford HS



Ben Pistiner
Newton HS



Wilson Sprague
Northwestern University



Aaron Swartz
Skidmore College



Eliza Tabachnick
St. Paul's Girls School



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Congratulations Class of 2023!
If you didn't get your High School or College Graduate in this months edition of *The Voice*, please submit a picture and the name of the school from which the student graduated. We will put them in the September edition of *The Voice*.
All submissions are due by August 8th.

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