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

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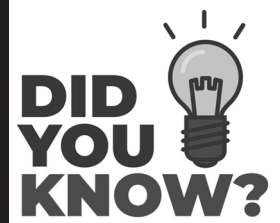
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This is a great time to consider becoming a member. Just use the information at the end of this article to make contact, and we will begin the process of making you a member.

The club usually meets at a local restaurant twice monthly either for lunch or dinner. Social connections are made and continued prior to a good meal. After the meal, to aid digestion, an interesting speaker engages our minds. We have heard experts from a wide range of fields including science, business, medicine, history, politics, and more. Somehow, it is always interesting.

Summer, 2024, has been highlighted by our signature event, Kosher Deli Night and a picnic at Bowdoin Park. Additionally, thanks to the efforts of Lew Sims, our Tzedekah program made a \$400 donation to the Lunch Box, enough to cover an entire meal. Harding Club members also helped with serving the meal and cleaning it up.

We do get involved in a lot of stuff.

If you are interested in membership, please get in touch with one of us listed below. Thanks.

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**Community** By Suzanne Turrisi, PJ Library Assistant Director

What does it mean to be part of a community? According to Oxford Languages, community is defined as, “a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common.” The sense that the community is responsible for the physical and communal needs of its members has manifested itself in different ways throughout Judaism. Community is a mindset where members are there for each other on all levels. It is a familiar thread that helps bring people together. A community provides support, belonging and identity. It gives us a platform where we band together to celebrate life's moments. Communities unify us in our society in challenging times and times of prosperity. Wherever Jews have lived, we have built synagogues, established communal organizations and created systems of communal governance. The Jewish people call ourselves “*Am Yisrael*”—“the people of Israel”— rather than “*Dat Yisrael*,” or “the religion of Israel” because our sense of peoplehood has long been one of our defining characteristics. In order to be a suitable place to live, a community must provide for all of its members’ spiritual and physical needs. Caring for the needs of a community can also be defined as a mitzvah.



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 For information contact Hindy Borenstein, Director (845) 463-5801  
[chabadmidsudsonvly@prodigy.net](mailto:chabadmidsudsonvly@prodigy.net)

### JUDAIC SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Sunday, 10:00am-12:00pm  
 For information [www.mypardess.org/JSA](http://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](mailto:education@tbeny.org)  
 Rabbi Glenn Jacob: Congregation Shir Chadash [rabbigmj@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:rsdirector@vassartemple.org) (845) 454-2570.

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 Balloon Artist Darryl Bielski  
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 Or call 845.454.0570

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*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](http://www.hgf.org)). Thank you!*

# קהילה Kehillah Community

**Crown of Friends** taken from [www.firstpalette.com](http://www.firstpalette.com)

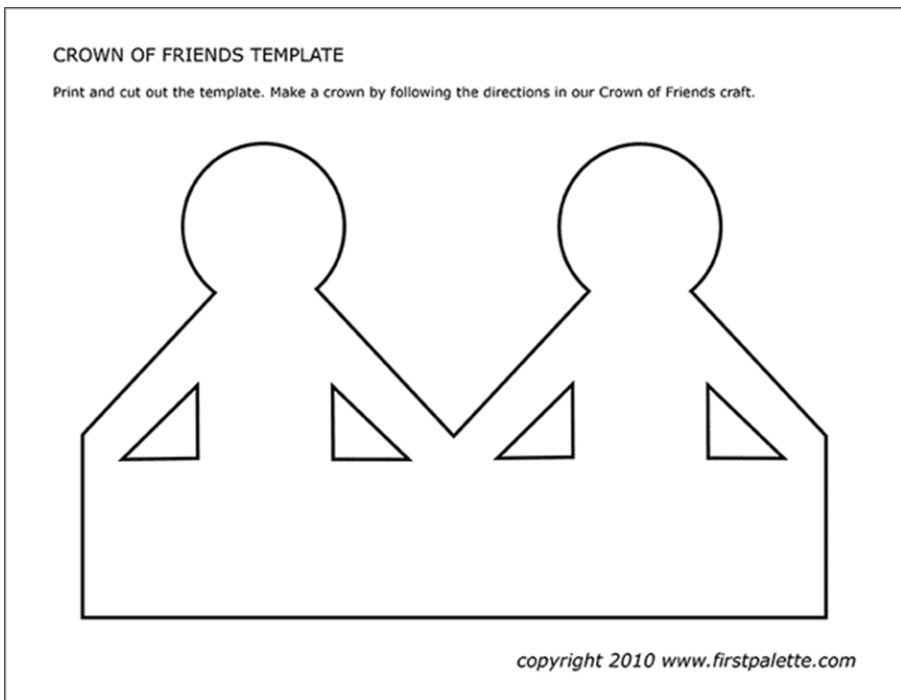
This paper crown made of people holding hands is a fun craft that kids can do while learning themes on friendship, people around that world and community helpers.

**SUPPLIES**

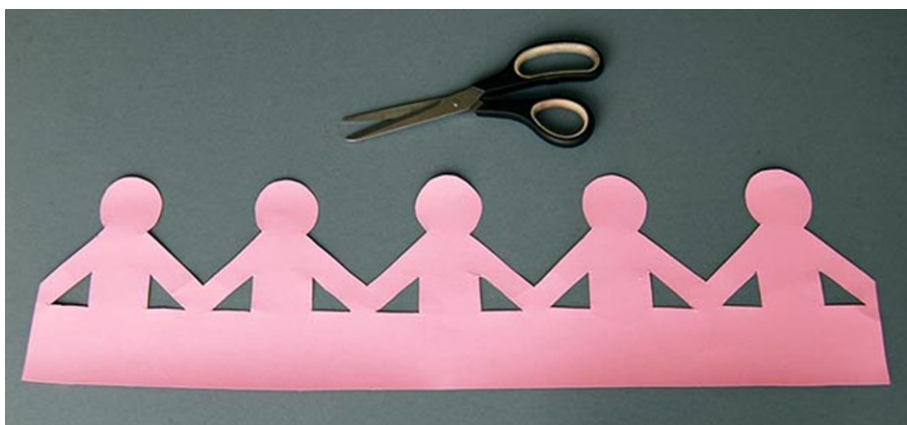
- A4 or Letter size paper
- Construction paper (24" x 36")
- Crayons or colored markers
- Scissors
- Glue
- Glitter glue, stickers, plastic gems (optional)

**DIRECTIONS**

- Cut out the template, including the four small triangles.



- Place the template on a sheet of construction paper. Trace around the outline of the template 2½ times to create a chain of 5 people holding hands on the construction paper.
- Cut out the crown. Cut out the small triangles as well.



- Draw and cut hair from construction paper. Glue the hair onto each person on the crown.
- You can also cut yarn or strips of crepe paper and glue them on as hair.
- Use colored markers or crayons to draw a face and clothes on each person.
- A crown is not complete without some bling. Create gems using glitter glue. You can also glue paper cut-outs or plastic gems, put gem-style stickers, or draw gems using colored markers or crayons. Once the glue dries, glue or tape the ends of the crown together so that the crown fits snugly around your head. Have fun wearing your crown!



# PJ Library

Bring Jewish stories home

Tamatha



Suzanne



**Friends From Afar**

By Tamatha Williams, PJ Library Director

There are times when people enter your life and from the very first encounter you know that they will play a significant role. A few years ago, I met a remarkable woman. She was new to Dutchess County and decided to connect with PJ Library, a familiar entity to her. I can remember scurrying with my little one in order to get to Rhinebeck in time to meet her. My daughter and I hopped out of the car and moved with excited anticipation to welcome her and her young daughter. She was expecting her second child and although in that uncomfortable last trimester, her face beamed as we made our introductions. Our meetup felt so natural and warm, like a friend that you are just catching up with.



Since that first introduction in Rhinebeck years ago, we have shared many more fun family outings, encountering and welcoming other new families along the way. Her second child was born and we celebrated his arrival, my older daughter even becoming one of his first babysitters.

This July, our PJ families and I celebrated together. This celebration, however, was especially heartfelt. An opportunity arose for this beautiful family to relocate and so we celebrated their future endeavors and we quietly mourned the distance that would be between us. While these friends are geographically afar, they will forever be close to my heart and the hearts of our PJ families.

## “Hit Before the Holidays”

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2024  
CONGREGATION SCHOMRE ISRAEL

### Come play for Team PJ in JFedDC’s Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament

Family fun for all ages with no running involved

RSVP [programs@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:programs@jewishdutchess.org)  
to join Team PJ and for more info

Rain Date  
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## The Federation Board's Voice



Azzy Reckess

As a member of the Federation board, I often ask myself in what way I can help the board fulfill its mission. This column is one way in which every board member gets to do that. I take my turn at this responsibility seriously, but deciding which among the many issues I would like to address has turned out to be exceedingly difficult.

We all lead busy lives, juggling between work, family, civic responsibilities, and – hopefully over the summer for many of us – a little vacation and down time. World events change daily, and yet there is one event which hangs over my head like a dark cloud, whatever I do and wherever I go.

It is now a full nine months since over 240 innocent citizens were brutally taken hostage by Hamas, including women, children, elderly, Holocaust survivors and American citizens. As horrendous as the events of October 7 were, it seemed unconscionable at the time that half of them would still be held hostage 9 months into the conflict, including the two Bibas children and their mother, who have connections to our community.

As most of you are aware, I have multiple family members and friends in Israel, all of whom have been impacted by this war in varying ways. The one common thread is worried concern and fear for the hostages still in Hamas' grip. Pro-Hamas demonstrators would like the world to believe that these atrocities did not happen. The propaganda machine is at work, and unfortunately history is repeating itself. World opinion is only too happy to place blame on the victim if the victims are Jews, and antisemitism is on the rise.

What can you do? Educate yourself on the history of the region and the conflict. Stay vigilant. Maintain your center and your morals. **And for heaven's sake, do not forget the hostages!**

If you wear a "Bring Them Home" dog tag, a yellow pin, or a blue ribbon, people will ask what and who they are for, giving you an opportunity to advocate on their behalf. Read the stories of those still in Gaza, released from captivity, or killed on October 7. They each have a life story and a family waiting for them. Write letters to your Congressman and Senator and demand that they work for the release of the hostages. Attend a local rally or head to NYC to participate in the weekly rally every Sunday in Central Park. Join our local Hyde Park, Rhinebeck, and Poughkeepsie chapter of Run4TheirLives on a weekly walk to lend support for the hostages and increase awareness. We need to let the world know that we will not stop until every single body, dead or alive, is returned to us.

We cannot abandon our sisters and brothers in captivity.

Use the links below or contact the Federation office for more information as to how you can help. [admin@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:admin@jewishdutchess.org) or call (845) 471-9811 #DogTags #BringThemHomeNow #Run4TheirLives

## Our Executive Director



"Maybe so, maybe not. We will see."

They say that bad things come in 3...but what about good things? Why can't they come in a series of 3 or 103? It is also interesting how one evaluates whether something is "good" or "bad." Honestly, in my opinion, it is relative. For example, if it rains one day and I get soaked, while that may seem "bad," my garden is also being watered, helping the vegetables grow, which is "good." In a more personal example, the passing of my mother was a tremendously sad experience, and most would say a "bad" thing. However, at the time of her passing, she had basically become a prisoner in her own body. While I miss her every day, some days and times more than others, her passing was a blessing of sorts in that she was no longer in pain and her soul became free.

It reminds me of the fable about a Chinese farmer. The farmer and his son had a horse that they loved and who helped the family earn a living. One day, the horse ran away, and their neighbors exclaimed: "Your horse ran away, what terrible luck!" The farmer replied: "Maybe so, maybe not. We will see."

A few days later, the horse returned home, and arrived with a few more horses. The neighbors roared: "Your horse returned and brought more with him. What great luck!" The farmer replied: "Maybe so, maybe not. We will see."

Later that week, the farmer's son was trying to train one of the horses and was thrown to the ground, breaking his leg. The neighbors yelled: "Your son broke his leg, what terrible luck!" The farmer replied: "Maybe so, maybe not. We will see."

A few weeks later, soldiers from the army marched through town, taking all boys, forcing them to join. They did not take the farmer's son, because he had a broken leg. The neighbors cried out: "Your boy is spared, what tremendous luck!" The farmer replied, "Maybe so, maybe not. We'll see."

Through life, one has the power to determine whether something is good or bad, though initially the outcome may not be clear. Similar to focusing on the positive, as mentioned last month, I try and believe that "everything happens for a reason," which has gotten me by so far. It is also very much aligned with my belief of how things are "bashert" or meant to be.

So while we have no idea what the future holds for any of us and whether things that happen will ultimately be "good" or "bad," I am wishing everyone a fruitful, productive, relaxing, and enjoyable rest of the summer.

Big warm summer hugs,  
Karen Hochhauser, Executive Director

## 7th Federation Celebration Gala! For more photos, go to [www.jewishdutchess.org/gallery](http://www.jewishdutchess.org/gallery)



### Community Security Initiative Submitted by Patrick Regan, Regional Director—Greater Hudson Valley Community Security Initiative

Summer is upon us. It is hard to imagine that we are nearing the one year anniversary of October 7, with the High Holy Days rapidly approaching, and many hostages remaining in captivity. The vulnerability of the Jewish community is not new, but the events of October 7<sup>th</sup>, and the increasing vitriol directed at the Jewish community in the US highlight the need for awareness, security procedures, and emergency planning for Jewish institutions.

International events, historically and tragically, inspire lone actors to take action against individuals or groups that they have convinced themselves are adversaries. What amounts to the denial, and even celebration, of the atrocities committed on October 7 can further inspire individuals. What can you do? The strength of the Jewish community has always been in its unity. It is more important now than ever to establish, open, and reopen lines of communication amongst all elements of the Jewish community. The Federation is very fortunate to have such an energetic and engaged Executive Director, who serves as an excellent hub for those communication lines.

Every institution should have security protocols, and emergency plans. When possible, have security awareness and active threat response training. Weaving security into the fabric of daily life will help keep communities and institutions safe. It doesn't mean living in fear of an imminent attack, but taking daily precautions and paying attention to surroundings in the same manner that you might lock your car doors or secure your valuables.

It is also important that you report anything suspicious. Virtually all attacks are precipitated by pre event indicators. Reporting suspicious people, vehicles, packages, or circumstances is critical. Always call 911 in an emergency, but ensure everything you think is not quite right gets reported. CSI is always willing to field information and offer guidance as to the proper forum to report.

The Community Security initiative is a project of the UJA Federation of NY and the JCRC-NY. We work closely with the Community Security Service, and the Secure Communities Network. CSI is the primary point of contact for all Jewish communal security needs and resources in the Greater Hudson Valley. As CSI's Regional Security Director for the greater Hudson Valley, I can coordinate available resources for any institution. Training, vulnerability assessments, threat analysis, emergency planning, and general connectivity should be near the top of every institution's "to do" list. I encourage all institutions to contact me and establish connection so I can best find ways to help.

**Community Security Initiative**  
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# 2024 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](http://www.jewishdutchess.org)  
**DEADLINE for Rosh Hashanah Greeting is September 8**

# 2024 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		Rosh Hashanah Greetings		Chanukah Greetings	
<b>Small—A</b> Peace to you this Passover!  Your Name	<b>Medium—C</b> Happy Passover  Your Name	<b>Small—A</b>  Your Name	<b>Medium—C</b> May the sounds of the Shofar welcome in a New Year of health and happiness  Your Name	<b>Small—A</b> Peace to all!  Your Name	<b>Medium—C</b> Wishing you peace in this season of miracles!  Your Name
<b>Small—B</b> HAPPY PASSOVER!  Your Name	<b>Medium—D</b> May you be blessed with peace, prosperity, and joy this Passover  Your Name	<b>Small—B</b> Have a Sweet New Year!  Your Name	<b>Medium—D</b> L'Shanah Tovah  Your Name	<b>Small—B</b> Hanukkah Blessings  Your Name	<b>Medium—D</b>  Happy Hanukkah! Your Name
<b>Large—E</b> Passover Blessings  Your Name	<b>Large—F</b> CHAG PESACH  Your Name	<b>Large—E</b> Best Wishes For a Happy & Healthy New Year!  Your Name	<b>Large—F</b> L'Shanah Tovah Have a sweet year!  Happy New Year! Your Name	<b>Large—E</b> HAPPY HANUKKAH  From Our Family to Yours, Your Name	<b>Large—F</b> May your Hanukkah shine bright with happiness!  Your Name

**Mazel Tov Memories**  
 Send us information about what you are celebrating: birthdays, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, and simchas. We at the JFedDC want to celebrate with you and share the nachas. Send your information to: [thevoice@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:thevoice@jewishdutchess.org)



**Congratulations Suzanne Turrisi** for her dedication and generosity to the endeavors of Temple Beth-El

**JEW'S IN THE NEWS.** Highlights, updates, and happenings of our Jewish business members of the community.

Happy 1 year anniversary to **Brooke Youngwirth of Youngwirth Law PLLC.** Congratulations on your new waterfront location at 70 Dutchess Landing Road.

Rosh Hashanah Greeting orders need to be placed by September 8th to be placed in the October edition of *The Voice*.

**ReStore**  
 Habitat for Humanity of Dutchess County  
**SPRING CLEANING**  
 Clean with a Purpose. Spring Clean and Donate to Habitat

Drop off donations Tuesday - Saturday 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM  
 Call us for a pick up at 845-297-7610 option 2

EVERY donation helps build a safe and affordable home in Dutchess County.  
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**Now Accepting Applications**  
 Apply from June 1st - September 30th, 2024 for our 2025 programs  
 Our mission is to provide *no-cost* repairs to ensure homeowners live in safe and healthy homes.  
**Rebuilding Together.** Hudson Valley  
 If you or someone you know needs our assistance, visit [RTHudsonValley.org](http://RTHudsonValley.org) or call 845-454-7310

**Temple Beth-El is hosting a Craft Fair**  
**November 17, 2024**  
**10am-4pm**  
 Your help is needed to make it a successful fundraiser  
**Please volunteer for one of the following. No task is too small!**

<b>Bakers</b>	<b>Helper day of Greeter</b>
<b>Help set up</b>	<b>Work Concessions</b>
<b>Solicit Vendors</b>	<b>Assist Vendors</b>
<b>Publicize the event</b>	<b>set up/break down</b>

**Sponsors are greatly appreciated to help offset our costs!**  
**Contact Karen Jacobs with any questions**  
 email: [educationassist@tbeny.org](mailto:educationassist@tbeny.org)  
 phone: 845-454-0570

## Congregation Schomre Israel

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

Regular classes with Rabbi Krasner are on break during the summer months. Classes will resume in September with the class on the Book of Yona (Jonah) and Hebrew reading class that will focus on reading and understanding the prayers for the High Holidays. Look for additional classes in the Fall.

### Other Events:

Schomre will host an enthusiastic and knowledgeable group of young rabbinic students from July 30 through August 14. These young people are eager to share their knowledge with us in classes, study sessions, and discussions that will enliven and enhance our appreciations for Judaism. We will kick off their visit with a BBQ on August 1.

Tisha B'Av—This solemn fast day and day of remembrance begins on Monday evening, August 12 and concludes on Tuesday evening. Please check the synagogue website for specific information.

### Contact

[rabbishlomok@gmail.com](mailto:rabbishlomok@gmail.com)  
for current information  
or visit the website  
[www.schomreisrael.org](http://www.schomreisrael.org)

## Congregation Shir Chadash

(Reform)  
Interim: Freedom Plains  
Presbyterian Church, Lagrange  
(845) 232-1029  
Rabbi Glenn Jacob  
Website: [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org)  
Email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto: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. Bring an inquisitive mind, a curiosity about our tradition, and willingness to share your thoughts. For info: (845) 232-1029, email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org) or visit [www.shir-chadash.org](http://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](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org)

### Contact :

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or visit the website  
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## Temple Beth-El

(Conservative)  
118 S Grand Ave, Poughkeepsie  
(845) 454-0570  
Rabbi Michael Fessler  
Rosh Tefilah Rabbi Miriam Hyman  
Website: [www.tbeny.org](http://www.tbeny.org)  
Email: [info@tbeny.org](mailto: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  
**Tuesday Book Club** 2:00 pm in the Social hall at TBE. August 6 (*Before the Coffee Gets Cold* by Kawaguchi), October 8 (*Master Slave Husband Wife* by Wood), December 10 (*We Were the Lucky Ones* by Hunter), 2025: February 11 (*An Unfinished Love Story* by Goodwin), April 15 (*Looking for Jane* by Marshall), June 10 (*Cain v Abel: A Jewish Courtroom Drama*). If inclement weather, we meet via Zoom.

### Contact:

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[www.tbeny.org](http://www.tbeny.org)

## Vassar Temple

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

### Weekly Services:

All services are hybrid (both in person and on Zoom). For further information contact [office@vassartemple.org](mailto:office@vassartemple.org)

### Friday

**Shabbat Evening Service** August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:30pm

### Saturday

**New Paths Shabbat Morning Worship** TBD, 10:15am.  
**Shabbat Morning Service** August 10, 24,, 10:15am.

### Adult Education:

**Monday Talmud Study with Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb** alternating weeks, 12:00pm via Zoom. For information, and to be placed on the Talmud Study email list contact [pjgolomb@verizon.net](mailto:pjgolomb@verizon.net).

### Saturday

**Torah Study with Rabbi Renni Altman DD**, Hybrid, 9:00am. Come join our lively discussions! Contact: (845) 454-2570 or [office@vassartemple.org](mailto:office@vassartemple.org) for details and to be placed on the Torah Study email list.

### Other Events:

#### Sunday

**Chai Noon** Vassar Temple Sisterhood luncheon at an area restaurants on the 18th of each month (Chai Noon), as long as the date does not fall on a holiday or the weekend. Everyone orders, gets separate checks, and the restaurant is always wheelchair accessible. For more info about this event contact: [chai@vassartemple.org](mailto:chai@vassartemple.org).



A recent Chai Noon luncheon sponsored by Vassar Temple Sisterhood at a local restaurant.

### Wednesday

#### Save the Date:

#### Alden Solovy to Speak

September 11. Vassar Temple presents the Fannie and Doris Berlin Lecture, this year featuring popular poet, liturgist, author, and educator Alden Solovy.

Alden offers a fresh Jewish voice, challenging the boundaries between poetry, meditation, personal growth, and prayer. He also regularly composes original spiritual selections in response to the latest contemporary events. His published volumes include *The Joyous Soul*, *This Grateful Heart*, *This Precious Life*, *To Bend Light*, and *Jewish Prayers of Hope and Healing*. To learn more about him, visit his website: [tobendlight.com](http://tobendlight.com)

**VTS Book Club** August 21, 2:00pm, at Collegeview Tower meeting room. We will be discussing *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride.

For info contact: [bookclub@vassartemple.org](mailto:bookclub@vassartemple.org)

### Saturday

**Summer Shindig** August 17, 6:00pm. There is still time to sign up for the final "summer shindig" featuring a creative and delicious oriental style dinner at the Fishkill home of Vassar Temple member. Cuisine will include both meat and vegetarian dietary requests, please contact [fundraising@vassartemple.org](mailto:fundraising@vassartemple.org).

### Contact :

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### Founders Award

David and Susan Karnes Hecht were honored with the 2024 Founders Award in recognition of their extraordinary service to Vassar Temple their accomplishments starting back when their children were infants. Susan helped with Cradle Roll, became co-president of the Community Hebrew School Board, later taking on Temple Youth Group liaison and then the College Committee, the Reyut (Caring) Committee, Temple photography, the Social Action Talking Books project, and serving on Rabbi Search Committees. She became an Executive Board member, and ultimately Temple President, where she focused on upgrading administrative operations and the digital records, strengthening the Cemetery Committee, and helping launch the Jewish-Connected Task Force. Currently a member of the Finance Committee, working on fundraising and grant writing, she covers the office one day a week. Susan had become an Adult Bat Mitzvah and acts as a Torah reader on the High Holy Days, serving as a lay singer when needed. She ran hamantaschen baking and Shabbat dinners for the Sisterhood, and is currently their Treasurer. Her most recent involvement and passion is climate-related programming, both with the Temple Dayenu group and for the Town of Poughkeepsie.



David Hecht was a Board Trustee, served on the Rabbi Search Committee, Nominating Committees, Music Committee, and Choir. He was Chairman of the Ritual Committee and the High Holy Day Committee, and has sounded shofar at services for the last 25 years, teaching this skill to aspiring members of the shofar team. He has been involved on the Health and Safety Task Force, the Jewish-Connected Task Force, and the Inclusivity and Accessibility Task Force. David has been a long-time Brotherhood member and a featured actor in many Temple Purim schpiels, helping create and coordinate them for the last five years. As you can see, David and Susan Karnes Hecht have made a tremendous cumulative contribution to the life of Vassar Temple and are deserving many times over of the Founders' Service Award.

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### Weekly Services:

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

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## Chabad of Mid-Hudson Valley

63 Vassar Rd, Poughkeepsie  
 (845) 463-5801  
 Rabbi Yacov Borenstein  
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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

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 (845) 831-2012  
 Rabbi Justin David  
 Rabbi Emeritus Brent Spodek;  
 Email:  
[411@beaconhebrewalliance.org](mailto: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:**  
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 Rabbi Jon Haddon  
 Website: [www.CongBethDavid.org](http://www.CongBethDavid.org)  
 Email: [JonRab33@gmail.com](mailto:JonRab33@gmail.com)

### Weekly Services:

Saturdays 10:30am.

### Contact:

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## 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](mailto: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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### Weekly Services:

**Friday**  
**Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:00pm, held in the sanctuary or chapel..

**Tot Shabbat** May 10, 5:15pm

### Saturday

**Morning Minyan** 10:00am.

### Education:

**Mediation & Torah Study** Tuesday, 8:45am, via Zoom.

**Hebrew Trope** Wednesday, 12:30pm, via Zoom.

**Conversational Hebrew** Wednesday, 4:00pm, via Zoom.

**Coffee Chai with the Rabbi** (Zoom) Thursday, 8:45am.

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## Woodstock Jewish Congregation

241682 Glasco Tpke, Woodstock  
 (845) 679-2218  
 Rachel: [rachel@wjcshul.org](mailto:rachel@wjcshul.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  
 Wednesday, 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.

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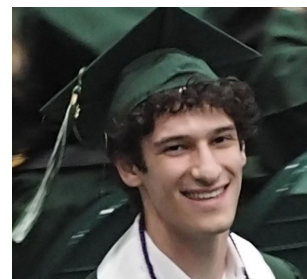

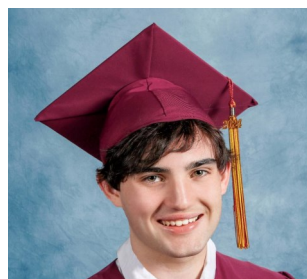


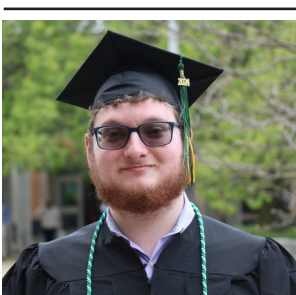
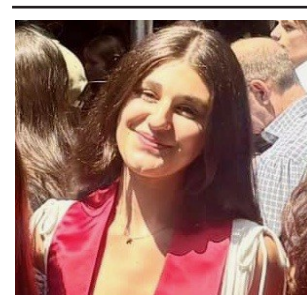
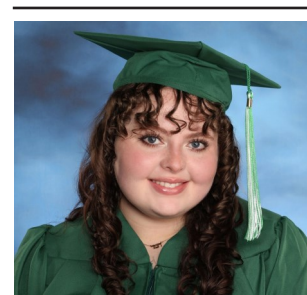
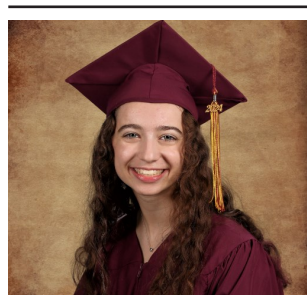

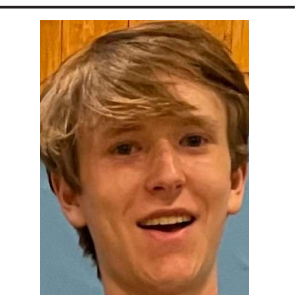
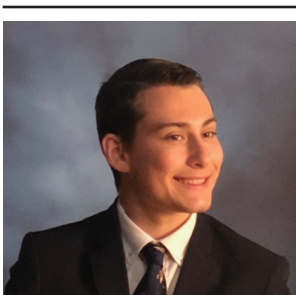
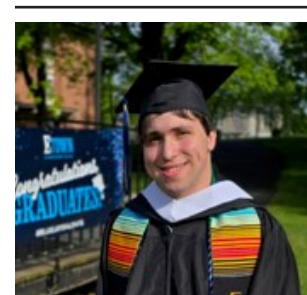
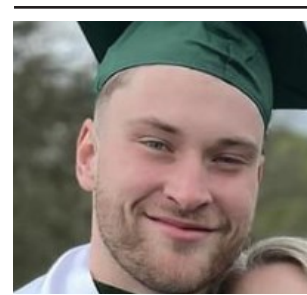
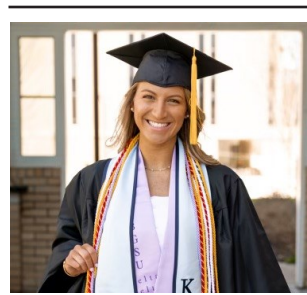


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**Other Graduates:**  
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