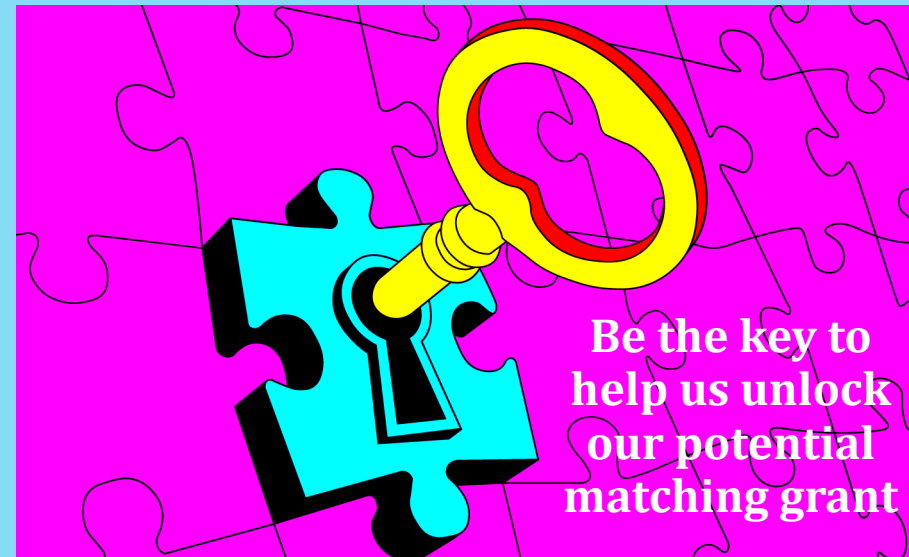


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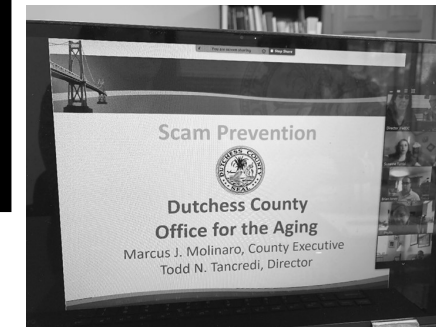
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For information on cancellations and class schedules, visit [www.schomreisrael.org](http://www.schomreisrael.org) or call (845) 454-2890.

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November 18, Rabbi Altman: The Mishnah: The first step in the building blocks of Jewish law

December 2, Rabbi Golomb: The World of Talmud

December 9, Rabbi Altman: An introduction of Codes and Response Literature

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**Torah Study** Saturdays, 9:00-10:00am. Examines passages from the week’s torah portion or haftarah, will be led by the Temple’s Rabbi Renni S. Altman, D.D. New attendees should contact [rabi@vassar temple.org](mailto:rabi@vassar temple.org) to be put on the Torah Study email list.

All are welcome to come and join in all the classes - no previous training required! No charge to attend. *All classes will be conducted on Zoom as long as necessary for public health reasons. Watch the weekly temple emails or contact the temple for updated information at (845) 454-2570 or [office@vassar temple.org](mailto:office@vassar temple.org)*

#### Higher and Higher: Come Grow with Temple Beth-El (Please check website for updated information)

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<b>Monday:</b>	<b>9:00 PM</b>	35—55ish Community Schmooze
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	General Community Schmooze
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Virtual Adult Education with Rabbi Victor

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Congregation Shir Chadash is planning on having interesting and thought-provoking virtual talks on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm. Each talk will be approximately one hour. Some talks will be lectures; others, open to questions and discussion.

**Virtual Torah Study:** Saturday, November 14, 9:15AM. An informal discussion about the Torah portion of the week with Rabbi Polish from the comfort of your own home. Everyone has a chance to participate. No expertise of knowledge of Hebrew is needed. Just an inquisitive mind, a curiosity about our tradition, and a willingness to share your thoughts. All welcome to attend.  
For Zoom meeting id: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/shirchadashhv/posts/>

All talks are FREE of charge and open to the public. With more exciting and engaging talks to come, check out our website [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org), or call (845) 232-1029, or email [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org) for additional talks or more details and for links to the Zoom meetings.

#### Rosh Chodesh Reading Group by Congregation Shir Chadash

Those interested in reading are invited to the Rosh Chodesh reading group (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!

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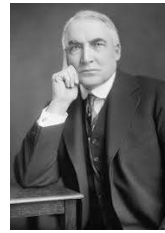
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# The Harding Club



The Harding Club is welcoming four new members this fall and is pleased that a former member is back in the fold. We are excited to add Jerry Quint, Randy Ross, Harvey Lederman, and David Schwartz to our membership roster and to readmit Howie Friedman to our minions.

For the uninitiated, the Harding Club, in Poughkeepsie since 1923, is a Jewish social club for men interested in Camaraderie, Community, Philanthropy, Good Food, and Jewish Culture. The club meets two times most months at a local restaurant for dinner and an interesting speaker. **There are opportunities for you to become a member.** For information, check out our website at: <http://harding.jigsy.com>, look for us on Facebook, or email: [harding1923@gmail.com](mailto:harding1923@gmail.com). We would love to hear from you and to begin the process of having you join our club. Worldwide, this has been a very unusual year. Nevertheless, Harding Club has been able to continue its philanthropic work throughout the pandemic and has been able to continue having meetings, not at our favorite restaurant, but through the magic of ZOOM.

So, what have we been doing? What are our plans for 2020-2021? This fall season Harding Club members have heard from Rabbi Schlomo Krasner of Shomre Israel Synagogue. Later in September, Sally Cross, Executive Director of Dutchess Responds, spoke to us about the support her organization gives to needy organizations in our community. Sam Simon spoke on the future of dairy farming in the Hudson Valley, a very informative and fascinating story. In addition, we are enjoying talks on Internet Security and a special presentation given by Lou Newman's cousin, Al Newman, who has biked on all of the world's continents. As we look ahead to December, we especially are looking forward to a panel discussion by two Vassar College Political Science professors. They will be discussing the implications on Congress and the Presidency of the November election.

This summary should give you an insight into the kinds of programs that are enjoyed by our members. Additionally, we do good works in the community. This past year we have helped to deliver food to needy kids and families at the Morse School in the City of Poughkeepsie. We have made financial donations to various organizations such as PJ Library, Miles of Hope, the Jewish Federation, Gift of Life International, and Dutchess Responds/Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley.

Upcoming, many of the above will be continued, and a new assortment will be added, including the Federation's Mitzvah Now initiative. Our social calendar will be full, and it will recognize the need to be COVID safe. We will start out with ZOOM meetings, and will get back to restaurant dinners ASAP. We are looking forward to hearing from possible new members. If you are interested, please send us an email at [harding1923@gmail.com](mailto:harding1923@gmail.com).

We would love to hear from you. Alan Fox, Harding Club president



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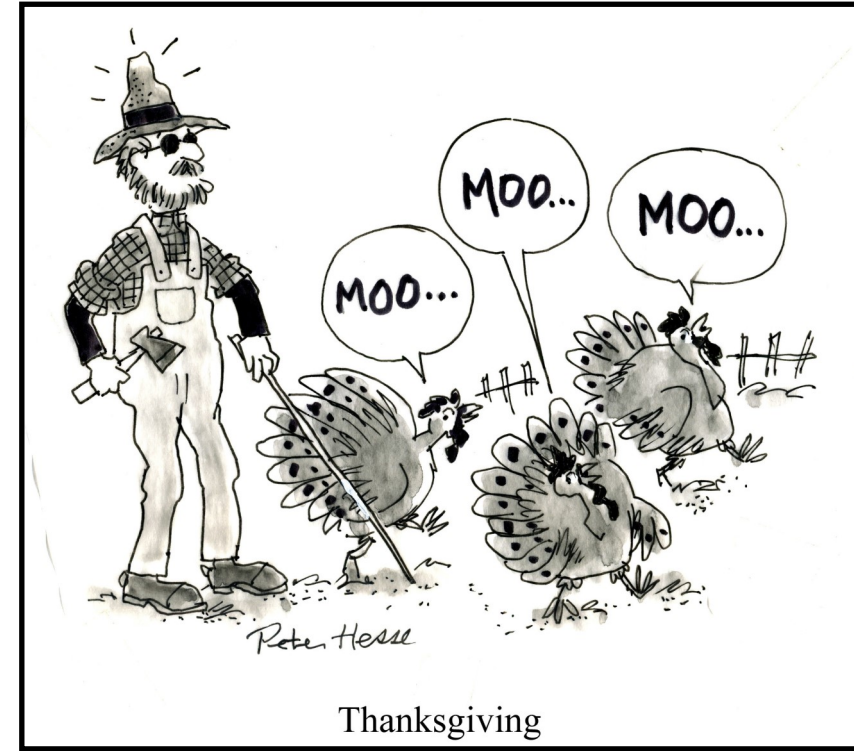
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**“The highest form of wisdom is kindness.”**

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Happy Thanksgiving!

Wishing you all a happy Thanksgiving. We have many things to be thankful for: our family, our health, and a hope that next year we can celebrate all our holiday together.

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**Dear Thankful,**

You bet your kippot they do! They both are harvest based! They both commemorate an “attitude of gratitude!” Rumor has it that the pilgrims based Thanksgiving on the holiday of Sukkot. It’s always a good idea to stop and count your blessings! Giving thanks is a universal ideal!

**Rabbi's Blog** by Rabbi Neal Loevinger

Director of Spiritual Care Department and Ethics Coordinator

**Lessons Learned In a Pandemic**

The Covid pandemic is unlike anything most of us have ever known. Not in my lifetime have I experienced mass business closures, stay-at-home orders, social distancing, and wearing masks when in public. Yet Covid is hardly the first disaster to befall humanity, and our tradition, while not specifically addressing novel viruses, has much to say about how we find resilience and connection in hard times.



Rabbi Neal Loevinger

Near the peak of the Covid spike in Dutchess County, when our medical caregivers were running a full-court press against waves of cases reaching the hospital, I was asked to offer a few words of encouragement at a town hall for employees. I based my thoughts on the story of Moses and the people Israel in their first battle against Amalek, the villainous nation against whom we struggled in Biblical times. In Exodus 17, the image is this: Joshua leads the Israelites in a fierce battle against Amalek, while Moses, his brother Aaron and a fellow named Hur are up on a hillside above the fray. Moses lifts up his hands and when the people see his outstretched arms, they are inspired, and the battle turns in their favor. When he drops his hands, the battle turns against them. Addressing this problem, Aaron and Hur are portrayed as *tachlis* [practical] types:

*But Moses' hands grew heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur, one on each side, supported his hands; thus his hands remained steady until the sun set. (Exodus 17:12)*

The metaphor seemed obvious: we're fighting a battle, the enemy is Covid, we're getting tired, and we're going to have to inspire and encourage each other when the going gets tough.

So far, so good, but some time later I was speaking with a chaplain at another hospital, who told me that she, too, had used this text in her work during the Covid crisis, but had taken it in a different direction. Rabbi Tav pointed out that there are a number of different characters in the story: Moses, Joshua, Aaron, Hur, and even the stone that Moses sat on. During the crisis we might find ourselves playing any one of those roles in the lives of people we encounter. We might inspire someone like Moses, or we might sit next to them and hold them close like Aaron, or we might bear witness and simply be present to another like Hur. (Chaplains call this the "ministry of presence.") Sometimes we might even be the rock that supports a friend or colleague when they can't hold themselves up anymore.

The Covid crisis has been exhausting, not just for clinicians but for all of us whose lives have been disrupted in ways we may not even yet fully understand. The battle is real, but so are the opportunities to support, encourage, exhort, inspire, and comfort one another. The Torah doesn't mention Coronavirus, but it does teach lovingkindness as the essence of Judaism, and in a society wracked by disease, conflict and economic hardship, that lovingkindness is needed more than ever.

End note: This column is a summarized version of a Torah study session offered on Selichot with Rabbi Kara Tav, Manager of Spiritual Care at NY Langone Hospital in Brooklyn.

**Inside the Jewish Studio** By Karen Hochhauser

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

Each month, we ask a MOT\* these questions and feature the answers. This month, our special guest is Bil Ehrlich from Amenia who took time from working on the Beth David Synagogue's entrance remodeling to answer our questions.

- What is your favorite/least favorite word?**  
*Favorite: Mazel Tov. Least Favorite: Disinformation*
- What inspires you creatively, spiritually, or emotionally?**  
*Creatively: Exploration*  
*Spiritually: Peace & Understanding*  
*Emotionally: Understanding - With understanding, you find emotional balance.*
- What is your favorite song?**  
*Anything by Philip Glass, a nice Jewish boy*
- What profession other than your own would you like to attempt?**  
*Being an artist*
- What profession would you not like to attempt?**  
*Being a doctor*
- What is your greatest achievement?**  
*My kids*
- What do you most like and dislike about yourself?**  
*Like: My appreciation of the positive things in the world.*  
*Dislike: I wish I could be smarter.*
- What is one interesting thing that people don't know about you?**  
*I don't eat sugar.*
- If you could choose a superpower, what would it be?**  
*The gift of curing people*
- Do you have a "bucket list" and, if so, what is on it?**  
*I don't really have a bucket list. I have done a lot in my life so I don't feel I've saved it for the end..*
- If there was one thing you would hope others do in the interest of our future, what would that be?**  
*To be knowledgeable of history.*
- What is your most favorite Jewish Memory?**  
*Going to High Holy Day services with my parents as a young child.*
- What is your earlier Jewish Memory?**  
*Seders*
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Wed., November 4, 10:00AM—Learn about the Shema and it's bedtime ritual with Lisa Roth  
 Fri., November 20, 10:00AM—Celebrate Shabbat with Rabbi Krasner  
 Wed., December 9, 10:00AM—Celebrate Chanukah with Lisa Roth  
 Fri., December 18, 10:00AM—Celebrate Shabbat with Rabbi Polish

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## Shir Chadash Religious School Students Continue their Study of Jewish Values

Congregation Shir Chadash's students are learning about Jewish values: our Aleph class through the study of Torah stories and our Bet class through the study of Jewish heroes, Jewish American history, and the Jewish Holidays. The Aleph Class, taught by Rochelle Bellach, meets 9:30-10:15a.m. followed by a Sharing Shabbat Service where they are joined by the Bet class. The Bet class, taught by Cantor Gail Hirschenfang, continues from 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Want to get in on the fun but your child is not registered? New students can try out our school for one month **FREE**. Children will learn about Jewish culture, holidays, history, and Israel while having fun and making friends. To receive the link, ask questions or have concerns, contact Sue Marcoe: [sfmarcoe@gmail.com](mailto:sfmarcoe@gmail.com) or (845) 723-4045.



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**Feeling Gratitude in our Hearts**  
 w/PJ Library and Mindful Yoga with Liz

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 11/12 at 8:00pm  
**Feeling Gratitude in our Hearts: Self Care**  
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**3rd Family Session**  
 11/22 at 10:00am  
**Feeling Gratitude in our Minds**  
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 Intermediate Division (ages 6-10)  
 Bar and Bat Mitzvah (ages 11-13)

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

### CONGREGATION SHIR CHADASH

The programs focus on G-d & Prayer, Jewish History, and the concepts of Tzedakah, G'milut Chasadim and Tikun Olum. No charge for pre-school children. Open registration. Tots classes through b'nai mitzvah classes are offered. Classes meet 2 Saturdays a month at 9:00am.

For information, contact (845) 723-4045,  
[info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org) or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org)

### TEMPLE BETH-EL

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

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

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

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

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

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

### VASSAR TEMPLE

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

Sunday Religious School  
 Sundays, 9:00am - 12:00pm, grades K-7  
 Hebrew Language School  
 Wednesdays, 4:30pm - 6:30pm, grades 4-7  
 Gesher Program  
 Wednesdays, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, grades 8-12

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



## תודה Todah Thank you

Looking for other ways to bring Gratitude Awareness into your home. Let's make a Gratitude Tree:

**Project Overview:** To support Gratitude and Connection with mindfulness as a family. It can also serve as a meaningful Thanksgiving Table Centerpiece/Decoration.



**Supplies:**

- Leaf cut outs from templates online or draw you own
- String or ribbon to hang the leaves on the tree branches
- Scissors
- Twigs or tree branches from outside
- Small rocks to add stability to the tree from outside or Dollar Store/Craft Store
- Vase/Mason jar

**Directions:**

1. Draw leaf shapes on construction paper or cardstock and cut them out. Have your child draw or write about things he is grateful for on the leaf cut-outs. If they are too young, you can write for them. You could also find some old photos and tape/glue them to the leaves to make a visual tree instead of writing things down. You can make a few leaves of your own to model the concept for your child.
2. Punch a hole at the top of each leaf and loop a piece of string through each.
3. Put stones in a vase and stick the tree branch there.
4. Hang the leaves from the branches.

### PJ LIBRARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

**Family Name:**  
Williams-Sambuco

**How many kids are in your family and what are their ages?**

3 Children—Noah, age 20, Avery, 15, and Talia, 21 months

**Where are you from?**  
**Where do you currently live?**  
Poughkeepsie

**How long have you been receiving PJ Library books?**  
Approximately one year

**What is your family's favorite PJ Library book?**  
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**How did you hear about PJ Library?**  
From a dear friend

**Why is PJ Library important in your home?**  
PJ Library reinforces Jewish traditions and holidays in my home.

**How has PJ Library influenced your family's Jewish living and decisions?**  
PJ Library, through their generous book subscription, has allowed me to introduce Jewish culture to my youngest child in a fun and simplified manner.

**Is PJ Library helpful to you as a parent? How?**  
PJ Library has absolutely been helpful to me as a parent. Although growing up in a Jewish home, I did not receive a Jewish education. PJ Library allows me to learn along with the children.

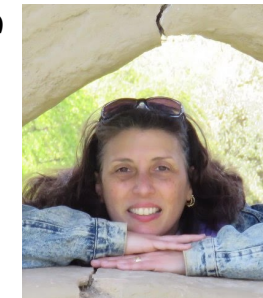
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Thank you!*

Kim



**PJ Library**  
Bring Jewish stories home

Suzanne



In Judaism, the Hebrew word "Todah" or "thank you" derives from the root *hoda'ah* which means *gratitude* or being thankful for what we have. The root of the word Judaism is "Judah" which is an English translation from the name "Yehudah", the son of our matriarch Leah. Leah is teaching us, as our namesake indicates, that our greatest Jewish responsibility is to seek moments of thankfulness ([www.bluedovefoundation.org](http://www.bluedovefoundation.org)).

How do we incorporate intentional gratitude into our days when things around us seem especially challenging and unclear these days? If we dig deeper and look at gratitude with a Jewish lens, we find great insights. What is Jewish about Gratitude?

Many Jewish blessings center on the simple act of saying todah (thank you). For example, Modeh Ani ("I give thanks") is a prayer that gives thanks for the new day that is traditionally said every morning upon waking. Shehekianu ("Who has given us life") is a blessing of gratitude traditionally said when celebrating something new or being thankful for being at the moment of celebrating a new holiday. By intentionally saying thank you for the many blessings in our lives, we are continuing the Jewish tradition which is at the core of our namesake.

Looking to get started right away on bringing mindful gratitude into your home in the new year? It is still not too late to register for the 2nd month of our **Generation Gratitude** seminar! Call or email as soon as possible to reserve your spot in the class and receive your Family Gratitude Kit by emailing [pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org) or calling (845) 475-2704. Suggested donation is \$18 for the seminar.

#### PJ LIBRARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Each month we feature a family of the month from the **PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley Community** in the monthly eNews and in the PJ Library "Mid Hudson Valley PJ Library Families" Facebook group. This month, please meet the Williams-Sambuco Family from Poughkeepsie! Let's give a big "Shalom/Welcome" to Tamatha Williams, our new PJ Library Generation Gratitude Parent Connector!

With Gratitude,

Kimberly Ritz, Director PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley  
Suzanne Turrissi, Assistant Director PJLMHV

Please check out all of our **PJ Library November 2020 Events** on our Facebook Page: "PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley" and in our bi-monthly PJ Library and PJ OurWay E-News and Mid-Month Update emails!

Want to sign up your children or grandchildren for PJ Library or PJ OurWay chapter books? Please fill out a quick form to start receiving engaging, Jewish FREE books in your mailbox every month!

Sign up for PJ Library (ages 0-8 years old): [www.pjlibrary.org](http://www.pjlibrary.org)

Sign up of PJ OurWay (ages 9-12 years old): [www.pjourway.org](http://www.pjourway.org)

Got Questions? New to the community or looking to make connections with other families? Interested in a Grandparent's Circle? Want to start a Parent's night In or a monthly Playgroup? We can help! Email: [pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org)

Join our PJ Library Mom's What's app Group or our Mid-Hudson Valley PJ Library Families FB Group via **email at [pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org)**.

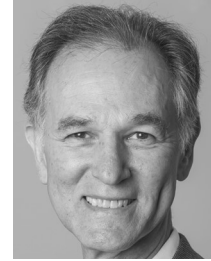
#### Not a part of PJ Library yet?

Receive a FREE children's book each month and become part of the PJ Library family.

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Call (845) 471-9811  
or email [PJLibrary@JewishDutchess.org](mailto:PJLibrary@JewishDutchess.org)

## The Federation Board's Voice



### Where Are the Jews?

One of my goals for the next two years is to expand our Jewish contacts in Dutchess County. In an effort to identify Jews who have been omitted from our data base, I cross referenced a list of property owners against a list of Jewish surnames. The result was 4,752 names of people who might be Jewish.

Steven Wasser As you can see from the data below\* the highest Jewish population density, measured by Jewish population as a percentage of total population, is in the Rhinebeck area, and Poughkeepsie is at the bottom. For what has thus far been a somewhat Poughkeepsie-centric Federation, this is a real shocker. While in terms of sheer numbers the large Poughkeepsie/Wappingers area comes in ahead of the north (Rhinebeck and nearby towns) and the south (Fishkill and nearby towns), we are clearly not nearly focused enough on the Jewish communities north and south of Poughkeepsie.

What are the implications for Federation? Well, let's look at our board. 100% of our Board members are located in Poughkeepsie or north. We do not have a single board member from the Fishkill/Beacon area. In our October issue of *The Voice* we listed businesses who had offered discounts in our September issue (see page 9 in October). There were 42 Poughkeepsie businesses, three in the south, and nine in the north.

The upshot, in my view, is that we need to pay much more attention to the north and south parts of Dutchess County. This represents a huge opportunity to attract new members and participants. It could mean bringing on board members from these areas, engaging with businesses in the south, and broadening the provision of services to the entire Dutchess County area. Stay tuned!

*\* The "Count by Zip" represents residential property owners, i.e., households, not population. To convert to Jewish population I multiplied the households by 2.5 people per household, the average for the United States.*

	Possible Jewish Households	Likely Jewish Population	Total Population	Jewish Population Density
Rhinebeck/Hyde Park+	1,180	2,950	41,598	7.1%
Poughkeepsie/Wappingers+	1,414	3,535	128,414	2.8%
Fishkill/Beacon+	1,180	2,950	68,671	4.3%

## Our Executive Director




"I am tired....soooooo tired" to quote a fun scene in a "classic" movie, *Blazing Saddles*. I think we all have a bit of fatigue, whether it be due to too many Zoom calls, managing a household with young kids, working, worrying about someone getting ill, and the concerns about what we will do once winter arrives and outdoor eating is impossible. So yeah, I think we all are a bit tired.

It is not always easy when there is so much about which to worry. We are all trying to put our best foot forward. This month, however, I prefer to focus on what I am thankful for, especially as Thanksgiving is upon us. To highlight a few items for which I am appreciative, they include: the health of my family and friends, our role in supporting the Jewish community and the greater community on the whole, the fun and successful 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Federation Celebration we had, all the exciting things we are still planning for the rest of the year including an interesting talk from former FBI Agent and current Senior Security Advisor of SCN on December 9th, and the hope of what great things will come about in 2021. None of this could be possible without the amazing support of my team and Board, for which I am grateful each and every day.

My greatest hope is that after November 3<sup>rd</sup>, regardless of the outcome, we will all come together as a community (and dare I say a country) for the good of all. For now though, I am hoping that a good night's sleep will be what the doctor ordered (or a really nice meal with some good wine as a backup).



On behalf of the JFedDC/JFS team, we all wish you and your family a very happy and healthy Thanksgiving!

Gooble Gooble,  
Karen Hochhauser

HAPPY  
*Thanksgiving*

Wishing our Federation community a happy and healthy Thanksgiving!  
Stephanie & Steven Wasser

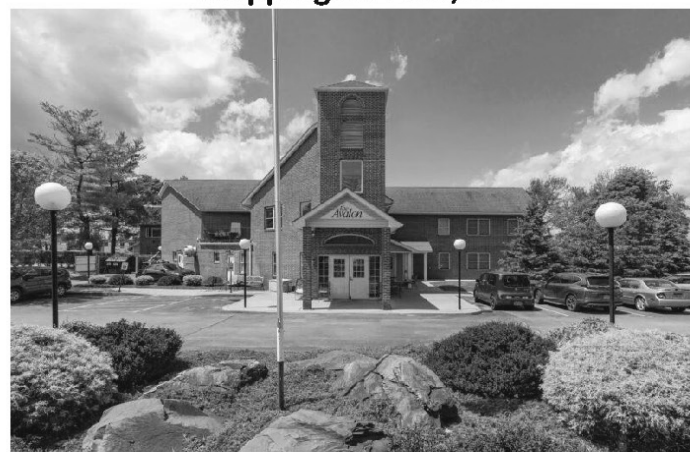
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## Virtual High Holidays *by Irvin Miller*

As the High Holidays approached, I felt that I would not have the religious reverent experience at home that I would in the sanctuary. I would be isolated from my friends and family in sharing that feeling of belonging to a greater community as we would share our warmth and experiences. I would miss the bond between my religious leaders and me. However, thanks to Stew Brenner, Bert Cohen, Eric Goldstone, Andrea Hagan, Gaspare Marturano, John & Renee Weisman, Paula Reckess, and most importantly, my wife Leona: I would have a more complete emotional and reverent feeling than ever before this time of stress and confinement.



Because of my technical background, I was able to set up my computer with a dual screen so that I could watch the services on my large screen TV and simultaneously read the prayer book on the screen of my laptop. Here, you



can see me dressed in my holiday best wearing the multi-colored tallis blowing my shofar accompanying Mordekai Gordon. Later in the service, Eric Goldstone being introduced by his JHU daughter as he blew the shofar in the same wilderness as Mordecai, and Jon Horowitz blowing the shofar in the temple, they brought the shofar service to life in my home.

With Rabbis Miriam Hyman, Daniel Victor and his father Michael live streaming almost life size on my big screen, I felt their presence as if I were personally standing next to them in the temple. With this home atmosphere, I was feeling the same reverence and involvement as I had felt in previous years.



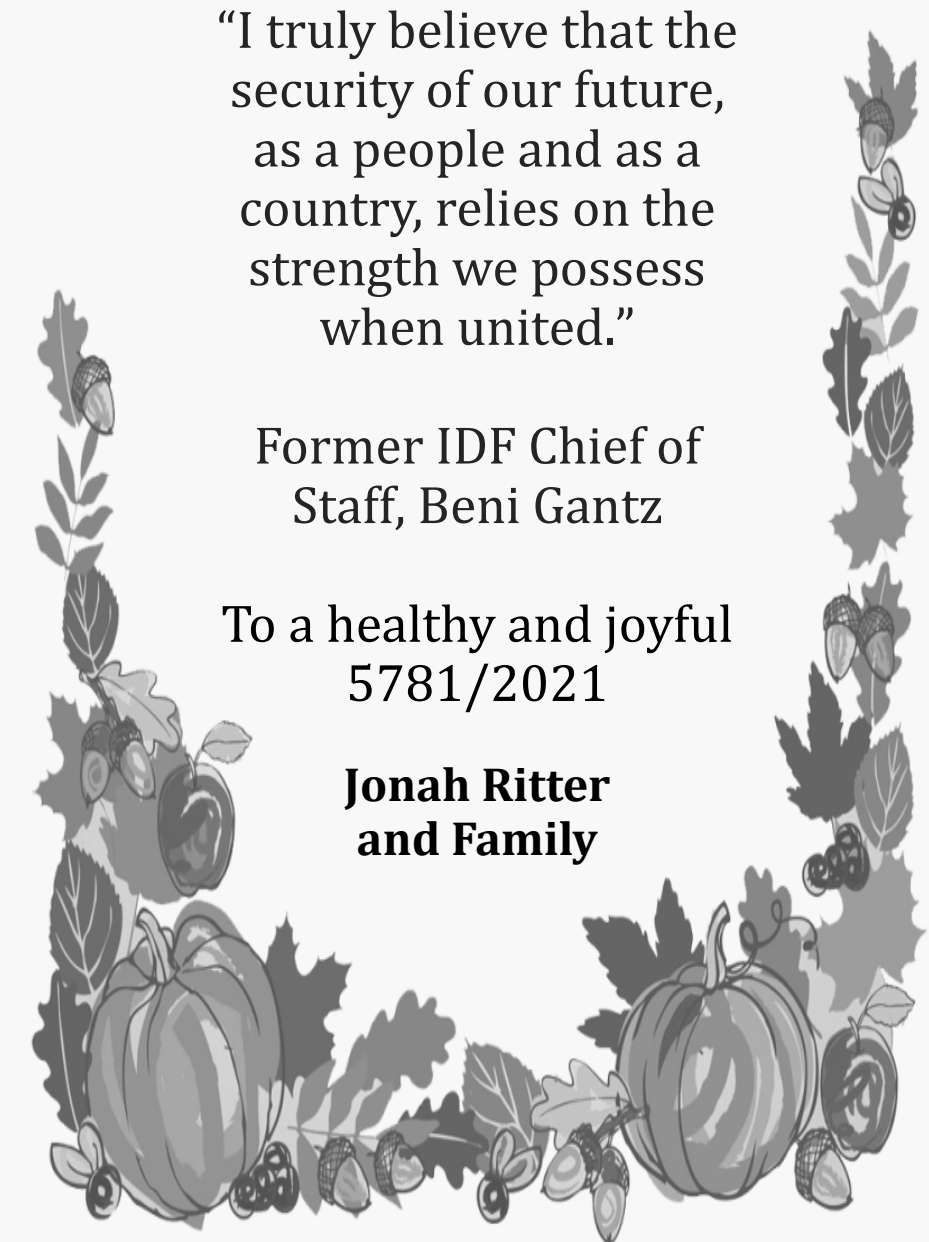
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ERIC, MIRIAM, CALLIE & LIZA

"I truly believe that the security of our future, as a people and as a country, relies on the strength we possess when united."

Former IDF Chief of Staff, Beni Gantz

To a healthy and joyful  
5781/2021

Jonah Ritter  
and Family



**CHECK organizers' WEBSITES for UPDATED STATUS & INFORMATION!!**

**New Member Talks Series**

Congregation Shir Chadash is offering interesting and thought-provoking virtual talks presented by some of our new members who would like to share their knowledge and skills to help others. The talks will take place on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm. Each talk will be about an hour. Some talks will be lectures, others open to questions and discussion. A sample of the upcoming topics are:

- Nov. 11: Coping with COVID-19 with Lori Dritz, LCSW-PC
- Nov. 18: Vegan recipes for Thanksgiving with Roberta Schiff
- TBD: Pitigliano-The Small Jerusalem -Jewish Italian traditions & recipes with Nicoletta Turner

All talks are FREE of charge and open to the public. To attend or for more details, contact Roberta Tracy at (845) 232-1029 or email [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org). More exciting and engaging talks to come, check out our website [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org).

**Holiday Greetings are due no later than November 8**

**New Paths Morning Worship**

Always different, the moving liturgy includes both traditional and contemporary writings, mostly in English. Participants may bring supplemental materials to share. We take the time to let the service get through us, rather than getting through the service. Each New Paths service, whether lay led or rabbi led, provides a unique and thoughtful shabbat morning experience. A brief mini-kiddush follows (BYO wine or grape juice).

**DETAILS**  
November 7, 21 10:15am, via Zoom. For info, contact Vassar Temple: [office@vassartemple.org](mailto:office@vassartemple.org) or (845) 454-2570 or Marian Schwartz: [mschwa9882@aol.com](mailto:mschwa9882@aol.com) or Rabbi Altman: [rabbi@vassartemple.org](mailto:rabbi@vassartemple.org)

**Judaica Shop Ready for Hanukkah**

The Vassar Temple Judaica Shop is open to meet your Hanukkah needs.

We have menorahs, candles, dreidels, children's gifts, and more.

**DETAILS**  
Appointment slots are available. For info or to arrange an appointment to visit us soon, please contact: [sisterhood@vassartemple.org](mailto:sisterhood@vassartemple.org).

**Finding My Father, His Century-Long Journey from WW 1 Warsaw and My Quest to Follow** by Deborah Tannen

Vassar Temple Sisterhood warmly welcomes back Deborah Tannen to discuss her latest book, *Finding My Father*. Joining the conversation will be her sister, Mimi. This memoir is a tribute to her father and the near century he lived.

**DETAILS**  
Tuesday, November 17, 7:00pm, virtual event and registration is required at: [office@vassartemple.org](mailto:office@vassartemple.org)

**Return of Yiddish Club**

We have reestablished a Yiddish club! If you want to speak a bisele, to chap a nosh, to schmooze; then this club is for you. The Yiddish club will be a nostalgic trip to the times and culture of our bubbies and zeydies, mixed with Yiddish music, Yiddish comedy, Yiddish learning, Yiddish Hanae as well as a look at how Yiddish is faring in contemporary times. As with 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.

**DETAILS**  
4th Thursday each month, 10:00am, Schomre Israel. Interested? Contact us at (845) 454-2890 or email: [schomre1@aol.com](mailto:schomre1@aol.com).

**DO YOU PLAY MAH JONGG?**

Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking about ordering your 2021 Mah Jongg Cards. For the first time in about six years, the price has gone up, but by Only \$1. The good news is that we will receive \$2.50 for each card ordered to go to Dutchess County's Outreach Lunchbox Program. Please support this worthy cause and order your cards through us. It doesn't cost you any more money and we do a real mitzvah. Also, please consider asking your friends and family who may not get this notice. We have one former member who lives in Florida and collects at her complex. She consistently gets about 30 names which amounts to \$75 for the Lunchbox Program. The league mails the cards directly to you and even to Canada. This year, with your help, we received a check for \$390 for Lunchbox. Our goal for 2021 is to earn \$500 and with your help, we can do it!

**DETAILS**  
Regular \$9.00 or Large \$10.00. The deadline is January 22, 2021. As the Mah Jongg League accepts only one check for the entire order, please make your check out to: Phyllis Rosenfield, 32 Ferris Lane, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12601.



**2020 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 Chanukah Greeting due November 8

**2020 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> Happy Rosh Hashanah 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 Sameach Your Name	<b>Large—E</b> Best Wishes for a Happy & Healthy New Year! Your Name	<b>Large—F</b> Happy New Year! Your Name	<b>Large—E</b> From Our Family to Yours, Happy Hanukkah! Your Name	<b>Large—F</b> May your Hanukkah shine bright with happiness! Your Name

# Local

## 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.

**Temple Beth-El Serves at Lunchbox** Call Nancy Judson (845) 216-7563 to help in this mitzvah. Contact Temple Beth-El at [info@tbeny.org](mailto:info@tbeny.org) for current information.

**Congregation Schomre Israel 4K (Kvetching, Kvelling, Kibbutzin, Koffee)** Last Sunday of the month, 10:00am. A different topic is presented each month.

## Monday

**Congregation Schomre Israel Chair Yoga** with Toni Farkas 11:00am. \$5 per session. Chair Yoga is a gentle form of yoga that provides participants with a way to exercise and experience the benefits of yoga. No equipment is necessary. Social distancing will be practiced..

**Temple Beth-El Board Meeting** 7:30pm. Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees meeting. Contact Temple Beth-El at [info@tbeny.org](mailto:info@tbeny.org) for current information.

## Wednesday

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

## Thursday

**Return of the Yiddish Club** See page 10 for more information.

## Friday

**Congregation Shir Chadash Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat Service** November 6, 13, 20, 27, 7:30pm. Virtual Evening Service with Rabbi Daniel F. Polish & Cantor Gail Hirschenfang. You are welcome to read a prayer of your choice or write one and read it at the service, if you wish. For Zoom meeting id: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/shirchadashhv/posts/> or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org). All welcome to attend.

**Vassar Temple Shabbat Evening Service** November 20, 27, 6:00pm and November 6, 13, 7:30pm. All service are on Zoom go to [www.vassartemple.org](http://www.vassartemple.org) for link.

**Temple Beth-El Evening Service** each week, 8:00pm, Conservative, egalitarian service. All welcome. Contact Temple Beth-El at [info@tbeny.org](mailto:info@tbeny.org) for current information.

## Saturday

**Congregation Shir Chadash Virtual Sharing Shabbat -Religious School Programs** November 14, 9:30-10:15am. Shir Chadash would like you and your family to experience our virtual religious school for FREE for 1 month. Children learn about Jewish culture, holidays, Israel and history while having fun and making friends. Classes Preschool—Grade 3 9:30-10:15 and Grades 4-7 10:30-11:15. For Zoom meeting id: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/shirchadashhv/posts/> or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org). All welcome to attend.

**Congregation Shir Chadash Virtual Tot Program** November 14, 9:30-10:15am. Children ages 3-5, accompanied by an adult, learn through doing crafts, food, and games. The class is open to all families and free of charge. For Zoom meeting id: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/shirchadashhv/posts/> or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org). All welcome to attend.

**Congregation Shir Chadash Virtual Torah Study** November 14, 9:15-10:30am. While enjoying a light breakfast from the comfort of your own home, engage in an informal discussion about the Torah portion of the week with Rabbi Polish; everyone has a chance to participate. No expertise or knowledge of Hebrew is needed— just an inquisitive mind, a curiosity about our tradition, and a willingness to share your thoughts. For Zoom meeting id: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/shirchadashhv/posts/> or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org), (845) 232-1029. All welcome to attend.

**Congregation Shir Chadash Morning Torah Service** Recessed until the Fall 10:45-11:30am.

**Vassar Temple New Paths Shabbat Morning Worship** November 7, 21, 10:15am. Service via Zoom.

**Vassar Temple Shabbat Services** November, 6, 7:30pm; November, 13, 7:30pm, Brotherhood Shabbat; November 20, 6:00pm, Simchat Shabbat (Family Friendly); November 27, 6:00pm.

**Temple Beth-El Shabbat Morning Service** Every week, 9:30am. Lively, inclusive, Conservative, egalitarian Shabbat. Contact Temple Beth-El at [info@tbeny.org](mailto:info@tbeny.org) for current information.

# Out of Area

## Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley Events

243 Albany Ave, Kingston, NY 12401 (845) 338-4271 [www.templemanuelkingston.org](http://www.templemanuelkingston.org).

All services held in our chapel are available to live stream. Visit our website: [www.cehv.org](http://www.cehv.org) and click on the live stream link on the homepage. You can also view archived services and classes.

Congregation Emanuel of the Hudson Valley follows CDC recommendations in regard to COVID-19 precautions to ensure the health and safety of our community. At the time of submission, all events are being held online. Please visit [www.cehv.org](http://www.cehv.org) or call (845) 338-4271 x 101 for updates and changes to location for events.

**All services are held virtually via Live Stream: [www.cehv.org/livestream/](http://www.cehv.org/livestream/)**

**Early Family Kabbalat Shabbat** Friday, November 6, 6:00pm.

**Kabbalat Shabbat** Friday, November 13, 20, 27, 7:30pm.

**Tot Shabbat** Saturday, November 21, 9:00am. Introduce your tot to Shabbat through music with Rabbi Yael Romer and her guitar.

**Religious School** 2020/2021 Registration is open. Saturdays 9:30am –12:30pm. Now offering Pre-K class from 9:30am to 11:00 am. Call Samara Genee (845) 338-4271 x110 for more info.

**Morning Minyan** Saturday, November 7, 14, 21 (preceded at 9am by Tot Shabbat), 28, 10:00am., Communal prayer, meditation and Torah study.

**Annual Fall Gala** November 7, 7:00pm, This year we are honoring Dave & Evie Rosenthal. A virtual and exceptional affair, with many surprises, save the date to help us honor our long-time dedicated community members.

**Monthly Brotherhood Meeting** November 10. New members are welcome and encouraged to join.

**Monthly Sisterhood Meeting** New members are welcome and encouraged to join. To get on the email list for the next meeting contact the office (845) 338-4271 or [templemanuel@hvc.rr.com](mailto:templemanuel@hvc.rr.com).

**Interfaith Thanksgiving** November 17, 7:00pm.

**All following classes and special events are held via Zoom.** Please call the (845) -338-4271 x101 or email: [templemanuelaa@hvc.rr.com](mailto:templemanuelaa@hvc.rr.com) or [CEHVwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:CEHVwebmaster@gmail.com) for class links and passwords.

**Chai with Rabbi Yael** Every Thursday, November 5, 12, 19, 5:00pm. Rabbi Yael leads special 18-minute sessions via Zoom

**Rhinebeck Meditation & Torah Study** Tuesday, November 3, 10, 17, 8:45am, followed at 9:15am by Torah Study Led by Rabbi Yael Romer, join your fellow seekers to receive the day's blessings and explore Jewish traditions with a progressive, egalitarian approach.

**New Virtual Hebrew course for our Religious School Students**, contact the office to register: [templemanuelaa@hvc.rr.com](mailto:templemanuelaa@hvc.rr.com)

**Beginning Hebrew** Tuesday, November 3, 10, 17, 4:00pm-5:00pm. Good for all students still learning the Aleph Bet

**Intermediate/Advanced Hebrew** Thursday, November 5, 12, 19, 4:00pm-5:00pm. For students who know their Aleph Bet and can decode, we will work on fluency and prayer readiness.

**Ongoing Adult Education with the Rabbi :**

**Hebrew Trope** Wednesday, November 4, 11, 18, 12:30pm. New comers welcome, learn or improve Torah chanting skills!

**Conversational Hebrew (Beginner and Intermediate)** Wednesday, November 4, 11, 18, 4:00pm. This dedicated and entertaining group meets to learn and practice the fundamentals of conversational Hebrew.

# Calendar

## November

### REGULAR SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### Beacon Hebrew Alliance (Conservative)

331 Verplanck Avenue, Beacon (845) 831-2012  
Rabbi Brent Spodek; Cantor Ellen Gersh; Education Director, Ashley Baker

Website: [www.beaconhebrewalliance.org](http://www.beaconhebrewalliance.org)

Email: [411@beaconhebrewalliance.org](mailto:411@beaconhebrewalliance.org)

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

#### Chabad of Mid-Hudson Valley

63 Vassar Road, Poughkeepsie (845) 463-5801

Rabbi Yacov Borenstein

Website: [www.chabadmidhudsonvalley.com](http://www.chabadmidhudsonvalley.com)

Email: [ChabadMidHudsonVlv@prodigy.net](mailto:ChabadMidHudsonVlv@prodigy.net)

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

#### Congregation Beth David (Reform)

East Main Street, Amenia (845) 373-8264

Rabbi Jon Haddon

Website: [www.CongBethDavid.org](http://www.CongBethDavid.org)

Email: [JonRab33@gmail.com](mailto:JonRab33@gmail.com)

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

#### Congregation Schomre Israel (Orthodox)

18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 454-2890

Rabbi Shlomo Krasner

Website: [www.schomreisrael.org](http://www.schomreisrael.org)

Email: [rabbishlomok@gmail.com](mailto:rabbishlomok@gmail.com)

Services: Monday-Thursday, 7:00am, Sunday, 8:00am,

Saturday, 9:00am Sunday-Thursday 7:00pm

Shabbat Services vary depending on sundown

#### Congregation Shir Chadash (Reform)

Interim: Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church, Lagrange

(845) 232-1029

Rabbi Daniel Polish, Cantor Gail Hirschenfang Website:

[www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org)

Email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org)

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

#### Pardess Center for Jewish Life

(845) 440-7592

Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus

Website: [www.MyPardess.org](http://www.MyPardess.org)

Email: [info@MyPardess.org](mailto:info@MyPardess.org)

#### The Rhinebeck Jewish Center

102 Montgomery Street, Rhinebeck (845) 876-7666

Rabbi Hanoch Hecht and Rebbitzin Tzivie Hecht Website:

[www.RhinebeckJewishCenter.com](http://www.RhinebeckJewishCenter.com)

Email: [RSVP@RhinebeckJewishCenter.com](mailto:RSVP@RhinebeckJewishCenter.com)

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

#### Temple Beth El (Conservative)

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

Rabbi Daniel Victor, Rosh Tefilah Rabbi Miriam Hyman

Email: [info@tbeny.org](mailto:info@tbeny.org)

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

Services: Friday, 8:00pm, Saturday Shabbat service at

9:30am, weekdays, 7:30am daily

#### Vassar College Bayit

51 Collegeview Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 451-3920

Liz Aeschlimann, Rose and Irving Rachlin Director of

Jewish Student Life at Vassar College

Email: [eaeschlimann@vassar.edu](mailto:eaeschlimann@vassar.edu)

Services: Friday, 6:00pm service, 7:00pm dinner when

school is in session

#### Vassar Temple (Reform)

140 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie (845) 454-2570

Rabbi Renni Altman Website: [www.vassartemple.org](http://www.vassartemple.org)

Email: [Office@VassarTemple.org](mailto:Office@VassarTemple.org) or

[rabbiv@vassartemple.org](mailto:rabbiv@vassartemple.org)

Services: Friday, 7:30pm unless otherwise noted, Torah study Saturday, 9:00am, New Paths 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

every month, 10:00am unless otherwise noted.

### November Candle Lighting

November 6 ..... 4:25pm

November 13 ..... 4:18pm

November 20 ..... 4:13pm

November 27 ..... 4:09pm

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Rabbi, Cantor, and 3 shofar blowers in the sanctuary during Vassar Temple's virtual High Holy Day Services.



Rabbi Altman reading Sukkot story to tots at Vassar Temple's Tiny Temple



Vassar Temple Brotherhood's annual gathering to erect the succah



JFedDC has a new friend AI from Village Pizza in Rhinebeck



Vassar Temple children celebrate Sukkot.

Elated to be getting together safely on the first day of religious school Vassar Temple.



Vassar Temple Rosh Hashana Family Service and Tashlich at a local park

Thank you for joining our 3rd Annual Virtual Federation Celebration

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If you missed the fun, here are photos of ALL 5 outfits our Executive Director managed to wear throughout the event!



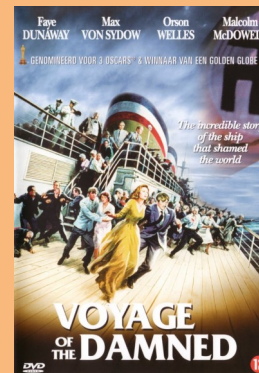
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Movie Night In: Voyage of the Damned



Thursday, November 19 7:00PM

Special Guest: Debbie Sylvester

Her grandfather, the Conservative Rabbi, and mother were passengers and survivors of the Voyage. Join us as she shares her family's St. Louis' story.



Register at: www.jewishdutchess.org/events

Time for memories laughter stories songs life

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