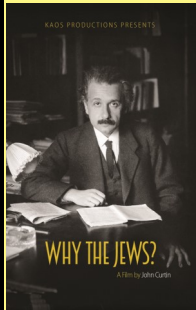


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## Grand Opening of New Nursery School

By Lisa Arnoff

For more than five years a very dedicated group of volunteers, including representatives from the Federation, local synagogues, and clergy, have been working to bring a Jewish early childhood program back to our local area. This group is so excited to announce that the **Jewish Community Preschool** (JCP) will open its doors September 13, 2021! The JCP is inclusive, open to children of all faiths and backgrounds.

The mission of the Jewish Community Preschool is “to provide high-quality, nurturing, play-based experiential learning emphasizing Jewish culture, traditions, and values. We welcome all children regardless of religious affiliation.”

For many years our local JCC had a thriving Jewish early childhood program. There were classes for 2-, 3- and 4-year-old children in both nursery and daycare settings as well as a full day kindergarten. Additionally, there was a thriving after school enrichment program with a diverse array of classes. More than 70 students were enrolled representing more than 60 families.

Thousands of hours have been dedicated to this new venture including volunteer accountants, attorneys, teachers, school administrators, graphic artists, and more – to help us create our new independent not-for-profit school. Our new school – better known as the JCP – will have its initial home at Vassar Temple. Thanks to their incredible generosity we will be there rent free!



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JFedDC Strategic Planning Meeting

## A Very Israeli Rosh Hashanah

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If you missed getting your High School or College graduate information in, send in a picture and from which school they graduated. We will happily include it in the September Voice.

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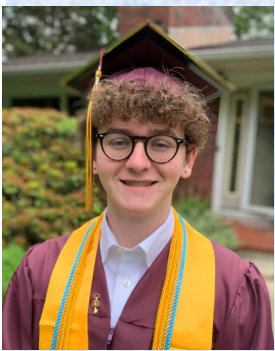
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# The Harding Club

The New Year is nearly upon us. Harding Club is closing in on its 99<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. And – no surprise – plans for an outstanding upcoming year are being made.

This might be the year that you decide to check us out and to join. Harding Club is a men’s social and philanthropic organization that has been in Poughkeepsie since 1923. Almost 100 years young, the club continues to provide not only social connections for its members, but also positive contributions to various worthy organizations in the greater Poughkeepsie community.

The club intends to return to in-person meetings this year. Twice monthly we will meet at a local restaurant for dinner and an interesting speaker. That, in addition to lasting friendships that are made, is the socialization aspect of the club. Additionally, financial contributions are made to selected local organizations. And we schlep. Hundreds of pounds of food from the Hudson Valley Food Bank are delivered each month by our members to the needy children at the Morse School in the City of Poughkeepsie.

Harding Club is a major financial supporter of PJ Library and the Jewish Federation of Dutchess County. We will continue our commitment to these worthy organizations and the work that they do. Our relationship is so good, in fact, that the Federation has decided to honor us at its Gala in October. We couldn’t be more proud.

You will feel fulfilled and happy being a part of the club and its philanthropy. Below is information for you to use as you investigate membership opportunities. Check us out. We look forward to telling you more about our club.

### The Harding Club:

Since 1923, a social club for men interested in camaraderie, community, philanthropy, good food, and Jewish culture.

Harding Club wishes all of our friends and associates a happy, healthy, and philanthropic New Year.

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## How and Why the Jewish Community Must Take an Active Role in Security and Safety Pt. 1

By Secure Community Network



The Jewish community is under constant threat of violence, driven primarily by rising antisemitism. Three years ago, 11 Jewish Americans were killed in the attack on the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Two years ago, a woman lost her life in the shooting at the Chabad of Poway. And this past year, while COVID-19 closed many houses of worship and faith-based institutions, hate crimes against the Jewish Community still increased by 14% over the past year.

Now, as COVID restrictions ease and gatherings resume, the Jewish community must remain on high alert. In the past months, a group of diners outside a Los Angeles restaurant were violently attacked for being Jewish. A 23-year-old man in New York City was beaten by a group of people for being Jewish. A brick shattered a window at a kosher pizzeria in Manhattan. Synagogues across the country have been vandalized. Jewish communities need to protect themselves and be as prepared as possible for attacks.

As the official security arm of The Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, the Secure Community Network’s (SCN) mission is to ensure the safety, security, and resiliency of the North American Jewish community.

We are current and former military, law enforcement, intelligence, and homeland security experts dedicated to the safety and security of the Jewish community. To combat the ongoing rise in antisemitism, the Jewish community needs to take an active role in safety and security.

**To be continued in the September issue of *The Voice***

Have a question for Dear Shoshana?: Letters can be submitted to: [TheVoice@JewishDutchess.org](mailto:TheVoice@JewishDutchess.org)



Dear Speaker

Of course they do! Although it is not spoken as it was, it is alive and well. You’d be surprised at how many words in the vernacular are actually from Yiddish. Reviving Yiddish has become a thing! Yiddish is the new “buzzword”. Young Jews have been finding a Yiddish “Renaissance” and a way of keeping the language alive! Our grandparents would be kvelling. Go online and see how many Yiddish videos exist. Even the app Duolingo, now has Yiddish. As a matter of fact, Congregation Schomre Israel even has a Yiddish Club that meets monthly. Zei Gezunt!



Rabbi’s Blog by Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus

Not by accident

Last week we took the family on a trip two hours away. Unbeknownst to me, one of my kids decided to drink thirty ounces of water at the start of the ride coming home. Naturally, we had to make a lot of stops. I was not pleased to say the least, but as we got back on the road for the third time, we witnessed a car up ahead spin out of control and hit the highway divider.



Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus

When we reached the site of the accident, the couple was out of the car and seemed physically ok but were completely shaken up. I pulled over and called 911. After ensuring the scene was safe, I turned off their car motor and got them their phones, asthma inhaler, and other essentials from their vehicle and waited with them until help arrived.

After twenty minutes we were back on the road, but this leg of the journey was more meaningful and with renewed perspective. The Baal Shem Tov emphasized that everything that happens in our world is *hashgacha protis* – divinely planned. At every step we take, G-d wants us to be in that spot at that very moment to complete the puzzle of His master plan. We all have a mission to fulfill in whatever circumstance we find ourselves. In our above story, my family was privileged to be chosen to make a difference in the lives of these two individuals. I may never know why, but I do know that our trip had to be delayed so that we could be at the site of the accident at that moment.

In most cases, however, we are not privy to the whys of life occurrences, but we can be sure that G-d knows what He is doing and can trust that everything is exactly the way it needs to be. Where we do have control, however, is how we react.

Interestingly, as I write this, I am actually waiting at the mechanic shop (for our own car, not related to above story). The wait for assistance is longer than the time I allotted for the whole job, and I find myself feeling annoyed and impatient. But as I am sitting here trying to be productive, I hear a “Hi, Rabbi Sandhaus!” I look up to see a Jewish guy from Fishkill that I met last year. We haven’t been in touch recently and now have the lovely opportunity to catch up.

And then it hits me – I should not have been impatient. I should have trusted that this wait is for a reason, **whether or not** I ended up meeting this acquaintance.

I may know in my head that every step we take is directed by G-d, but to feel it and allow it to control our emotions is work. In fact, the word ChaBaD stands for *Chachma, Bina, Daat* – Knowledge, Wisdom, and Understanding to the extent of application. The founding philosophy of Chabad is to meditate enough on G-d and the Torah’s teachings that our minds should be able to control our emotions.

So when we run late, miss a flight, or even break a plate; we *know* that G-d is choosing for us to be at that place at that time. But to *internalize* it means to remain calm, collected, and—dare I say—happy even when all goes wrong. It takes work, but ultimately to internalize this message means to achieve inner peace.

Wishing you a safe summer. ~

Meet Your Neighbor By Karen Hochhauser

Each month, we ask a Member of the Tribe (MOT) these questions and feature their answers for a fun and insightful way to meet your neighbors. This month, our special guest is Mark O’Leary who took time from his paintings to meet with us.

1. **What is your favorite/least favorite word?**  
**Favorite:** *Impeccable*  
**Least Favorite:** *Can’t*

2. **What inspires you creatively, spiritually, or emotionally?**  
*I don’t think it is just one thing. Sometimes it could be a certain color or scent/aroma. Sometimes it is my mood.*

3. **What is your favorite song?**  
*Strawberry Fields Forever by The Beatles*

4. **What profession other than your own would you like to attempt?**  
*Rock Climbing/Mountaineer*

5. **What profession would you not like to attempt?**  
*I don’t like flying so I would not like to be a pilot.*

6. **What is your favorite Jewish food?**  
*Corned beef on rye with some nice spicy mustard*

7. **What do you most like and dislike about yourself?**  
**Like:** *I’m pretty compassionate and understanding.*  
**Dislike:** *I don’t know where the line is between being compassionate and an enabler.*

8. **What is one interesting thing that people don’t know about you?**  
*I collect money—paper money from all over the world and even from countries that don’t exist anymore.*

9. **If you could choose a superpower, what would it be?**  
*Make myself invisible.*

10. **What is your greatest achievement/something you are most proud of?**  
*I have lived all over the world and took advantage of each opportunity.*

11. **Do you have a “bucket list” and, if so, what is on it?**  
*I have a short bucket list. I am getting ready to go on a biking adventure. I’d also like to live in multiple countries for six months at a time.*

12. **If there were one thing you would hope others do in the interest of our future, what would that be?**  
*I think the world is spiritually unwell and that people need to be more kind towards each other.*

13. **What is your most favorite Jewish Memory?**  
*I had an amazing experience when I visited The Rebbe’s Ohel.*

14. **What is your earliest Jewish Memory?**  
*Sitting in my house in Ireland and talking with my aunt who converted to Judaism.*

15. **In what ways does or can JFedDC impact our Jewish Community?**  
*Staying connected. Promoting things of Jewish interest.*

16. **If Heaven exists, what would you like to hear God say when you arrive at the Pearly Gates?**  
*Welcome!*

Mark O’Leary
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**In The Good Old Summertime**  
*By Rabbi Miriam Hyman, Education Director & Cantor Devorah Gartner, Youth & B’nai Mitzvah Director*

The Temple Beth-El Religious School and the Temple Beth-El/Congregation Shir Chadash Joint Ivrit (Hebrew) Program closed out the 2020-2021 school year with a light-hearted and fun End of Year “At The Beach” Drive Thru.



As we do every summer, we are hard at work planning for Fall. We continue cautiously to move out of our pandemic restrictions. Using a hybrid learning model, we anticipate an exciting year of Jewish education, programs, and celebrations. Some of our programs will return to in-person sessions while others will continue online. And, of course, we remain committed to providing the highest quality of Jewish education in a warm, nurturing, and safe environment.

Many of our tweens and teens are back at Jewish summer camps, such as Sprout Lake, Tel Yehuda, Eden Village, and Camp Ramah Sports. We are also thrilled that several of the mazkirut (leadership council) of Young Judaea are from Temple Beth-El. Temple Beth-El’s Youth Group looks forward to partnering on several social action projects and events in the coming year.

It is hard to believe, but the High Holy Days are just around the corner (Rosh HaShanah begins on Labor Day). As always, our traditional services will be supplemented with interactive programs for all ages. Stay tuned for more information. We look forward to sharing these dynamic, family and child-oriented services, activities, holiday celebrations, and programs with you.

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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

Innovative individualized Hebrew language instruction and bar/bat mitzvah preparation.

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

*PJ Library is a program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and made possible through gifts from the Jewish Federations of Dutchess, The Harding Club, and the generous support of PJ Library donors. To make a donation online go to: [www.JewishDutchess.org](http://www.JewishDutchess.org)*

*Thank you!*

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Tzedakah  
*learning to give*

PJ Library Helps Jewish Federation of Dutchess County Connect Jewish Families and Celebrate Jewish Life

**Dutchess County, NY** – PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley-area families raising Jewish children will now have more opportunities to participate in Jewish life, thanks to a grant recently awarded by PJ Library®, the flagship program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation that provides free books to families raising Jewish children all over the world.

**The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County** received \$10,000 to launch **Year 2 of the Project: Generation Gratitude** which is designed to be an immersive experience for PJ Library families (with children ages 0 to 5) intentionally to develop ways to cultivate gratitude as a family, and a cohort. In year two we are very excited to cultivate gratitude with small groups of PJ Library families living in Northern and Southern Dutchess via Pop Up programs in their neighborhoods in order to share four “Gratitude Moments” together. These shared outdoor-only experiences will include: Family Yoga, PJ Library Storytime at local parks, zoos, farms, etc.

Tracy Newman, Director of Community Engagement for PJ Library, said “these grants reflect incredible creativity and flexibility in how our implementing partners are approaching our work during this unprecedented time. All funded grants showcase PJ Library’s best practices on engaging families in Jewish life while adapting to the current realities of virtual and social-distancing modalities.”

**PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley** is honored to receive this grant and “We are thrilled to be part of the global PJ Library community reaching more than 675,000 children and their families across 23 countries,” said Kimberly Ritz, Director of PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley. “We are also beyond excited to be co-launching this program again with Mindful Yoga with Liz and our PJ Library Parent Connector Tamatha Williams.”

“PJ Library’s impact goes well beyond the more than 230,000 books we send out each month across the United States and Canada,” said Debbi Cooper, Director of Engagement for PJ Library. “We have worked closely with our local partners for over a decade to help advance Jewish family engagement, and now we are grateful to be able to add financial support to help ensure the success of great initiatives.”

**Contact:** Kimberly Ritz, Director PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley, (845) 475-2704, [pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org) to register for the Fall Semester.

PJ LIBRARY FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

**Family Name:**  
The Kabalkin-Bunnenberg Family

**How many kids are in your family and what are their ages?**  
2 children: 4 year old and a 20 year old.

**How long have you been receiving PJ Library books?**  
Just over two years.

**What is your family’s favorite PJ Library book?**  
*This is the Challah*

**How did you hear about PJ Library?**  
Our education director at Temple Beth-El, Rabbi Miriam Hyman.

**Why is PJ Library important in your home?**  
PJ Library allows us to bring in Jewish beliefs, values, and culture in a casual way. We don’t have to wait for high holidays to instill the importance of these values in our lives.

**How has PJ Library influenced your family’s Jewish living and decisions?**  
While it hasn’t really influenced our living or decisions, it has allowed us to use the books to entice the little ones further into the fold in a fun way.

**Is PJ Library helpful to you as a parent? How?**  
PJ Library helps explain holidays as well as culture and values to the little one. Rather than having to figure out how to explain the importance of these things PJ sets it up for us to expand on.

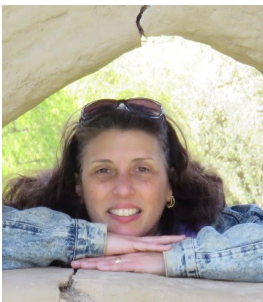


Family of the Month

Kim



Suzanne



It is a righteous obligation to do that which is right. Tzedakah is a religious obligation that is part of a spiritual life. Tzedakah means Righteousness. The Hebrew word for “charity” is “tzedakah”, which actually means “justice” or “righteousness.” What are different ways to say “give”?

According to the thesaurus: bestow, contribute, donate, give away, present, volunteer.

We all have something to contribute. Our money, time, knowledge. We can give money, we can volunteer, we can teach someone something new! Any time we give, we contribute to making the world a better place! When G-d created the world, it was left incomplete. It is up to us to be his partner and help him finish.

Here is a simple yet great idea from PJ Library ([www.pjlibrary.org](http://www.pjlibrary.org)):

All you need is a box! Label it a donation box, fill it with gently used clothes (or new stuff), collect it, and bring it to your local shelter or donation place.

By Suzanne Turrisi-PJ Library Mid-Hudson Valley Assistant Director



PJ Library Generation Gratitude Picnic! Falafel and Farm Fun!

Please check out all of our **PJ Library August 2021 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: [pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishdutchess.org)**

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The JCP is thrilled to welcome Maile Pikul as the Director/Head Teacher. She comes to the JCP from Millbrook Early Childhood Center where she was a head teacher. She has her master’s degree in early childhood education and is New York State certified to teach birth through second grade. Maile has a diverse background having been a camp counselor at Camp Hillcroft, is a USA Gymnastics Instructor with Safe Sport Certification, and teaches dance at Cherilyn’s School of Dance. We can’t wait for you all to meet her.

For our first year we are limiting enrollment to ten students ages two and three. The program will be three mornings per week. By offering quality, affordable early childhood programming, we look forward to tremendous growth in the JCP.

For more information, to register, or to donate (we also have a wish list of items on Amazon) please go to our website, [jcphv.net](http://jcphv.net). Follow all the news about the school, including open houses and other programs, on Facebook – Jewish Community Preschool of the Hudson Valley – or on Instagram @JewishCommunityPreschoolHV. Please feel free to email us questions to [jewishcommunitypreschool@gmail.com](mailto:jewishcommunitypreschool@gmail.com).

Jewish Community  
PRESCHOOL  
of the Hudson Valley

Now Enrolling!

For children ages 2 and 3  
(must be 2 by September 1, 2021)  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings  
9 am - 11:30 am

Our mission:  
To provide high-quality, nurturing, play-based experiential learning emphasizing Jewish culture, traditions and values. We welcome all children regardless of religious affiliation.

Register today!

Opening September 13, 2021  
140 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie  
(at Vassar Temple)  
More information at [jcphv.net](http://jcphv.net)  
or email us at:  
[jewishcommunitypreschool@gmail.com](mailto:jewishcommunitypreschool@gmail.com)





The Federation Board’s Voice



Your Money  
By Adam Belok

Most investment accounts are at all-time highs - and the tax man awaits. This is a good opportunity to consider making a significant contribution to our Jewish Federation of Dutchess County (JFedDC). Minimize your taxes and help address community needs.

What needs? Due to the pandemic there are many families in our area whose breadwinners’ jobs in the service sector have disappeared! Hundreds in Dutchess County are worried when their eviction waivers will be gone, and their families may soon be homeless. Our volunteers report that local food banks and soup kitchens are deluged with new faces. State and County social support systems are already stretched to their limit. Our Jewish Federation not only provides information and referral networks to State and County agencies, but it also coordinates volunteers, donates meals, and provides emergency cash in some cases.

Anti-Semitism is rising everywhere, and Israel is being demonized for defending its people. Federation’s Never Again Is Now committee is working with the FDR Library to improve Holocaust education in our schools. An educated population is our best defense against anti-Semitism.

Meanwhile, “more money has flowed into stocks in five months than in the past 12 years,” said Citibank chief strategist Tobias Levkovich recently. The long-term capital gains tax rate is at least 15%, and if you sell a stock you have held for less than one year, the tax rate will be the same as your ordinary income. By donating appreciated stock to Federation, you avoid the capital gains tax, and you get 100% credit against your income for the appreciated value of the investment.

If your accounts are "up", think about those less fortunate and please help us make a difference in their lives! Donating appreciated investments can help both the JFDC support more needs in the community, as well as save you from paying taxes on those gains. Contact the Federation office and we can get you the information you will need. The stock transfer is easy.

Our Executive Director



Here is a fun fact, as soon as one month’s Voice is done, I start thinking about article topics for the next month’s paper. But then things happen – in the world, in our community, in my life – and the subject content changes and changes. One topic that I started writing about was my interpretation of the concept of “bashert” or “meant to be”. For me, it is not necessarily the Jewish cultural meaning of “soulmate” but more towards the Yiddish meaning of “destiny”. The article was brilliant and poignant...and then I read this month’s Rabbi’s Blog and realized we had written very similar articles (great minds think alike...). So, I put that article to the side and decided to share some thoughts on gratitude and appreciation. Sadly, these often get sidelined as we often take things for granted, until it is too late.

In my opinion, health and life are often the top two subjects most of us typically taken for granted. We never realize how blessed we are to have a fully functional and working body until something starts aching or having medical problems. The conversation with the doctor who shares bad news, makes time stop and makes one wonder how we didn’t appreciate the health we used to have. Regarding life, many of us take for granted that when we or a loved one walk out the door in the morning, we assume that we will all return at the end of the day. This past month, our family has had to deal with a series of unexpected loss, of friends and family of various ages. While loss is loss, somehow when someone younger suddenly passes, the hurt is a unique level of deepness; the knowledge that this young person will never grow old or have experiences like graduation or starting a family leaves one almost breathless in grief.

Each pain is a reminder of how fragile life is and can be. Hopefully, the learning lesson is to appreciate each day. Each morning we awake with the knowledge that we are blessed for being able to experience another day, another chance to tell our family and friends how much we value and love them...an opportunity to prevent taking things for granted.

Wishing you all health, gratitude and appreciation.  
Karen Hochhauser, Executive Director

# Join Us To Ring In The Jewish New Year

NEW NEIGHBORS + NEW BEGINNINGS

Thursday, September 2nd  
Doors Open at 7pm  
Revel32 in Poughkeepsie  
Tickets: \$45

Come dressed to impress. Enjoy live music.  
We'll nosh, booze, and schmooze over delicious Israeli favorites and a complimentary signature drink.  
Cash bar open throughout the evening.

We have some special guests and a few surprises in store.

## The Jewish Federation Wants You!

Make a difference in your community!

The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County is actively seeking to expand our Board of Trustees. Please contact us at (845) 471-9811 to explore this wonderful way to enrich the Jewish Community, Dutchess County and your personal life.

### A Very Israeli Rosh Hashanah

featuring Chef Michael Solomonov  
& Cookbook Author Adeena Sussman

**DATE/TIME**

- Wednesday, September 1, 2021
- 8pm ET/5pm PT

**THE EXPERIENCE**

- 1-hour live virtual cooking class with 5-time James Beard Foundation Award-Winning Chef Michael Solomonov and New York Times Best-Selling cookbook author Adeena Sussman
- Interactive experience with recipes shared in advance and audience ability to ask questions that will be answered live

**HOW TO WATCH**

- Viewing link and password to be provided in advance of the event

To register go to: [jewishdutchess.org/events](https://jewishdutchess.org/events)

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# JEWISH FOOD

Check out our new column:

**Connecting our Community through food**

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

Please email to: *TheVoice@jewishdutchess.org*.



**RADISH AND ZUCCHINI SALAD WITH MINT AND NIGELLA SEEDS**  
By Michael Solomonov

*Serves 4*

- Ingredients:
- 1 bunch radishes, sliced
  - 2 medium zucchini, grated
  - Fresh mint
  - 1 tablespoon nigella seeds
  - Olive oil
  - Lemon juice
  - Kosher salt

To Prepare:

Mix together the sliced radishes, grated zucchini and add a handful of chopped fresh mint leaves. Add the nigella seeds and combine. Taste and add a pinch of kosher salt, a squeeze of lemon juice, and a few drops of olive oil.

**TURKISH SALAD**  
By Michael Solomonov

*Serves 4*

- Ingredients:
- 3 red bell peppers, cored, seeded and chopped
  - 2 yellow onions, chopped
  - 4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
  - 1 bunch scallions, sliced on the bias
  - 1 tablespoon kosher salt
  - ¼ cup canola oil
  - 1 pint cherry tomatoes, halved
  - 2 teaspoons smoked paprika
  - 2 teaspoons ground coriander
  - Lemon juice to taste
  - Olive oil

To Prepare:

Sauté the peppers with 1 tablespoon kosher salt in ¼ cup canola oil in a large skillet until soft, about 4 minutes. Add the onions and garlic. Cook until the onions are translucent, about 10 minutes.

Fold in the cherry tomatoes. Add the smoked paprika and ground coriander and toast the spices for about 2 minutes. Transfer to a bowl, add the scallions, taste, and add a pinch of salt, a squeeze of lemon juice, and a drizzle of olive oil.

**SKILLET CHICKEN WITH DATE SYRUP, SUMAC & TAHINI**  
By Adeena Sussman

Ingredients:

- For the sauce
- 1/2 cup pure tahini paste (I use Soom)
  - ½ cup silan (date syrup)
  - 1 tablespoon dried sumac, plus more for sprinkling
  - 4 cloves garlic, very finely minced
  - 1 teaspoon kosher salt
  - 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

- For the chicken:
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
  - Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
  - 4 skin-in, bone in chicken thighs (about 1 ½ pounds), trimmed of excess fat
  - 1 jumbo or 2 medium onions, (1 pound total), very thinly sliced
  - 20 whole garlic cloves, pierced with the tip of a small paring knife
  - ½ cup hot low-sodium chicken stock
  - Fresh chopped cilantro or parsley for garnish
  - 2 chopped pitted medjool dates, for garnish

To Prepare:

Make the sauce: In a medium bowl whisk together the tahini paste, silan, sumac, garlic, salt, and pepper; reserve.

To Prepare cont'd:

- Make the chicken:
- Preheat the oven to 400°F.
  - Season the chicken generously on both sides with salt and pepper (Don't skimp! This is your chance to build flavor).
  - Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a heavy 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat. Add the chicken, skin side down, and brown, resisting the urge to move the chicken and check the underside, until the skin is golden and the fat is rendered, 4-5 minutes. Flip the chicken and brown an additional 3 minutes. Transfer the chicken to a plate and cover with foil to keep warm.
  - Drain and discard all but 2 tablespoons of the fat, then add the onion and garlic cloves and cook, stirring, until the onions are golden and the garlic begins to soften, 8-9 minutes.
  - Return the chicken to the pan, then pour the reserved sauce on top and transfer the skillet to the oven. Bake until the chicken is cooked through, the skin is caramelized, and the garlic cloves are roasted and golden, 20-25 minutes. Remove from the oven, then temporarily remove the chicken to a plate and keep warm.
  - Add the stock to the onions and tahini in the pan, bring to a boil, reduce the heat and cook the mixture, stirring, until it becomes saucy. Season with salt and pepper.
  - Spoon some of the onion sauce among 4 plates, top each sauce with a piece of chicken, then spoon the rest of the sauce over the chicken. Sprinkle with additional sumac and garnish with cilantro and chopped dates.

**HALVAH GAZOZ**  
By Adeena Sussman

Tahini Syrup  
*Makes 2*

- ¾ cup tahini
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup boiling water

In a large bowl, whisk together the tahini, sugar, and boiling water until the sugar has dissolved and the mixture is smooth. Let cool to room temperature, then transfer to an airtight bottle or jar and refrigerate until ready to use. It will keep for up to 3 months in the fridge.

Halvah Milkshake Gazoz

- 2 tablespoons Tahini Syrup
- ¼ small persimmon (or red apple), thinly sliced
- 8 red or green grapes, halved
- 8-10 ounces seltzer
- Assorted herb sprigs, such as mint, basil, lemongrass, thyme, or sage
- 1 dinosaur kale leaf
- Edible flower petals, such as roses

Place 4 or 5 ice cubes in a 12- to 16-ounce glass. Add the persimmon and grapes to the glass, fill with seltzer, then garnish with herbs and rose petals.

**NEW YEAR—NEW GREETINGS Get Yours Today!**

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

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Approximate sizes

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Or complete online: [www.jewishdutchess.org](http://www.jewishdutchess.org)  
**DEADLINE for Rosh Hashanah Greeting is August 8**

*2021 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



Medium—C



Small—B



Medium—D



Large—E



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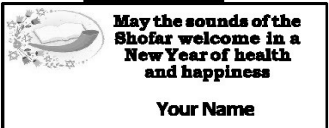


*Rosh Hashanah Greetings*

Small—A



Medium—C



Small—B



Medium—D



Large—E



Large—F



*Chanukah Greetings*

Small—A



Medium—C



Small—B



Medium—D



Large—E



Large—F





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(Orthodox)

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Rabbi Shlomo Krasner

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Weekly Services:

Shacharis 7:30am (weekdays)

Shacharis 8:30am (Sunday & holidays)

Maariv: 6:40pm (winter weekdays)

Friday Kabbalat Shabbat: around candle lighting times

Shabbat Shacharis: 9:00am

Adult Education:

Sunday

**Talmud Studies with Rabbi Krasner**

Sunday Morning after Shacharis. This study session is live and in-person.

Monday

**Hebrew through the Vision of the Siddur.** 10:00am. We will learn to read and understand various prayers. Time will also be spent on some aspects of conversational Hebrew. Class will be outdoors in person, weather permitting. We will be social distancing, and masks must be worn at all times.

Other Events:

Sunday

**4K Club** (Kvetching, Kibitzing, Kvelling and Koffee) August 29, 5:00pm live and on Zoom. Speakers TBD.

Rosh Chodesh Breakfast

August 8 following morning services. Enjoy breakfast in the synagogue.

Monday

**Yiddish Club** August 26 10:00am, indoors with social distancing and masks. A chance to share and enjoy the Yiddish language and culture you know (and don't know) and to learn more. Open to the entire community.

Rosh Chodesh Breakfast

August 9 following morning services. Enjoy breakfast in the synagogue.

Thursday

**Hands on Judaism Mitzvah Workshop** with Rabbi Krasner August 26, 6:00pm. Rosh HaShanah is quickly approaching so this is the perfect time to start learning how to blow shofar as well as what this instrument symbolizes.

Saturday

**Selichot Service** August 28 beginning at 10:30pm. The congregation will screen an inspirational video (details forthcoming). Following the video, refreshments will be served. Rabbi Krasner will conduct services and lead the chanting of the Selichot prayers introducing the solemn period of introspection and renewal at midnight.

Flowers for the New Year

Sisterhood of Schomre Israel will be offering for sale beautiful flower arrangements from Hudson Valley Gardens and Florists to enhance your celebration of the High Holiday. Cost will be \$25. Orders must be prepaid by August 27. Pick up will be on Monday, September 6 from 9:00-10:00am

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 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)

Weekly Services:

Fridays: 7:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am (bimonthly children's religious school)

Friday,

**Service in the Park** Enjoy summer evenings in the park under the open sky. The service will take place by the gazebo at Freedom Plains on Skidmore Road in LaGrange. Date and Time TBD. Community Oneg to follow. All are welcome. For info call (845) 232-1029, email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org) or [www.shir-chadash.org](http://www.shir-chadash.org)

Adult Education:

All classes will resume in the Fall. For future dates and info please email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org) or call (845) 232-1029.

Other Events:

Rosh Chodesh Reading Group

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!

DETAILS:

For more info, contact Sandy Lash: (845) 232-1029 or email: [info@shir-chadash.org](mailto:info@shir-chadash.org).

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Due to space limitations in the August Voice, we were not able to include all of the upcoming High Holiday Services details. For a complete listing of congregational services, please see the September Voice and check our website: [www.JewishDutchess.org](http://www.JewishDutchess.org).

Congregation Schomre Israel Days of Awe, High Holidays:

Monday Sept. 6 Rosh HaShanah Eve

6:40pm Mincha/Maariv, 7:01pm: Candlelighting

Tuesday Sept. 7 Rosh HaShanah, First Day

8:30am Shacharit

10:45am Torah Reading, 11:30am: Sermon, 11:45am: Shofar

5:15pm Sharp—Second Shofar, 5:40pm: Tashlich

6:20pm Mincha/Maariv

8:01pm or after Candlelighting & Havdallah

Wednesday Sept. 8 Rosh HaShanah, Second Day

8:30am Shacharit

10:30am Torah Reading, 11:15am: Sermon, 11:30am: Shofar

5:15pm Sharp—Second Shofar,

6:20pm Mincha/Maariv

7:59pm Havdallah/Yom Tov Ends

Temple Beth El

(Conservative)

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(845) 454-0570

Rosh Tefilah Rabbi Miriam Hyman

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Weekly Services:

Fridays: 8:00pm

Saturday Shabbat Service: 9:30am

Weekdays: 7:30am

Evening Service

Friday, 8:00pm. Conservative, egalitarian service. All welcome.

Shabbat Morning Service

Saturday, 930am. Lively, inclusive, Conservative, egalitarian Shabbat.

Other Events:

Sunday

**Temple Beth-El Serves at Lunchbox**

Call Nancy Judson (845) 216-7563 to help in this mitzvah.

Shofar Over the Hudson

September 21, 11:30am at Waryas Park.

Monday

**Board Meeting** 7:30pm.

Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees meeting.

General Community Schmooze

11:00am.

35-55ish Community Schmooze

9:00pm.

Wednesday

**General Community Schmooze**

1:00pm.

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Weekly Services:

Friday

**Shabbat Evening Service** Friday, August 6, 13, 20, 27, 7:30pm. In person and Zoom options available. Contact temple for attendance rules and Zoom link.

Saturday

**New Paths Shabbat Morning Worship**

Saturday, August 7, 21, 10:15am, via Zoom.

Adult Education:

Thursday

**The Talmud: Modern Ideas from an Ancient Text** Every other week resumes September 9, 12:00pm-1:30pm. Taught by Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb. For information contact [pjgolomb@verizon.net](mailto:pjgolomb@verizon.net).

Saturday

**Torah Study** 9:00-10:00am. Examine passages from the week's Torah portion or haftarah. Led by Rabbi Renni S Altman, D.D.. New attendees should contact [rabbi@vassartemple.org](mailto:rabbi@vassartemple.org) to be placed on the class email and to receive study sheets.

New Adult Beginners Hebrew Course

An adult Hebrew course for beginners will be held at Vassar Temple for 15 weeks, beginning in September. The reading of Hebrew as well as some basic comprehension will be taught. We hope this will be an in-person class, but input will determine that, as well as day and time. Cost is \$75 plus materials. If interested, please contact Marcia Tanzman at [Hebrew@vassartemple.org](mailto:Hebrew@vassartemple.org)

Other Events:

Wednesday

**Sisterhood Book Club** August 18, 2:00pm. We will discuss *The Assignment*, by Liza Wiemer. Inspired by a real-life incident, *The Assignment* explores discrimination and antisemitism from the perspective of high school students. The meeting will take place through Zoom. As an exciting bonus, the author, Liza Wiemer, will be joining our discussion. To RSVP or get more information, please contact Linda Babas [bookclub@vassartemple.org](mailto:bookclub@vassartemple.org) .

Saturday

**Celebrate Nature at Outdoor Shabbat Experience** August 14, 10:30am. Join us for a spiritual outdoor Shabbat morning experience, followed by an optional hike in bucolic Peach Hill Park. You are invited to bring a reading related to a nature theme or some appropriate music to enhance the experience. There are picnic tables, but bring a folding chair just in case, along with any refreshments and beverages you'd like. Afterwards there will be an optional hike to the highest spot in Poughkeepsie. For more info contact Ron Rosen: [nature@vassartemple.org](mailto:nature@vassartemple.org) to RSVP or if you have a reading to share.

Selichot Program

August 21, 7:30pm followed by 9:00pm service.

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

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Weekly Services:  
Fridays: Call for times.  
Saturdays: 10:00am

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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Weekly Services:  
Fridays, 7:30pm  
Saturdays: 9:30am alternating weeks

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

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August Candle

Lighting Schedule

August 6	7:49pm
August 13	7:40pm
August 20	7:29pm
August 27	7:18pm



Rosh Hashanah Greetings are due August 8.  
Check our newly designed greetings on page 8



Gil and Arlene Seligman were honored with the 2021 Founders' Award in recognition of their many years of service to Vassar Temple, including leading or working on Ritual and Social Action Committee projects, as constant supporters of Brotherhood and Sisterhood activities, and through educating students in the temple's religious school.

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)

Rita and Barry Rothfeld became grandparents for the 2nd time. Remy Juliette is the 2nd daughter of Jason Rothfeld and Stevey Weiss.



Michael Rothman, son of Nina and Russell Rothman, and his bride Elizabeth Stroud, were married on Father’s Day.



Congratulations to Schneur Zalmen Borenstein, Rabbi Yacov and Hindy Borenstein’s son, and Claudia (Fruma) Gindic on their recent engagement.



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During a Time of Uncertainty

Last year's High Holy Days services were unique, moving and captured how we were all feeling in isolation. This year, with some uncertainty lingering, Rabbi Polish and Cantor Sager will again bring us together virtually for an interactive

**Rosh Hashanah (Sept. 6 & 7) and Yom Kippur Services (Sept. 15 & 16).**

**RABBI DANIEL POLISH**  
Shir Chadash's Rabbi Daniel Polish has had a long brilliant career after earning his Ph.D. in the History of Religion from Harvard University. A highly celebrated author, teacher and spiritual leader, he has been involved in lifelong global interfaith dialogue at the highest levels on behalf of the Jewish community.



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Calling All Jewish Artists, Craft People and Business Owners...

**Shalom Dutchess**

A community fair to showcase Jewish artists, craft people, and business owners.

REVISED DATE: Sunday, September 19

To be involved and for more information  
Email: [Admin@jewishdutchess.org](mailto:Admin@jewishdutchess.org) or call (845) 471-9811

Rosh Hashanah begins  
September 6 at sundown

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Help Morse School Kids start the new school year right!  
**August 1-31, 2021**

Join our community in raising funds so we can provide sweatpants, socks and underwear for kids 6 -11 who need our help. We'll shop for you and maximize every shekel!

\$18 outfits 1 Morse School student.

All donation amounts welcome!

Send Morse School donations to:  
The Jewish Federation of Dutchess County  
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Poughkeepsie, NY 12603  
(Please write "Morse Mitzvah Project" in the memo)

**For questions:** Suzanne Turrisi  
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**Warm New Year Greetings from Vassar Temple**



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