

# Vassar Temple Bulletin

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## CONFIRMATION SERVICES

Sunday, June 1, 2014

10:00 a.m.

## **CONFIRMANDS**

2014-5774

Allison Brundage, daughter of Tom and Laura Bundage

Olivia Dilorio, daughter of Sally Rubin

Brianna Miriam Erlebacher, daughter of Melissa Erlebacher and Seth Erlebacher, z''l

Wayne Hartman, son of Andrew and Rose Hartman

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### VT's Annual Picnic June 6th

Sunshiny days are here and it's time once again for Vassar Temple's annual picnic and outdoor service, to be held on the front lawn Friday, June 6th.

- Picnic dinner begins at 6:30pm, featuring wraps and salads, with pizza for the children.
- Bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on
- Casual attire
- A \$5 donation per person would be appreciated at that time to help defray expenses. If you plan to attend the picnic, please **RSVP by Wed. May 28** to <u>picnic@vassartemple.</u>
  org to ensure that we order enough food for everyone!

After the picnic, our graduating high school seniors will participate in a relaxed out-door shabbat service, which will start at 7:30pm We will be honoring our dedicated religious school teachers and teacher aides. In case of inclement weather all events will be held indoors. So rain or shine, plan to join your temple family Friday, June 6th for this very special annual event.

# Combined Bulletin Issue for July and August

Due to very busy summer schedules, the Bulletin staff is making a double issue for July and August. The deadline for this issue is June 1.

Please plan ahead to ensure that your article is submitted in time and included.

## Rabbi's Message: What Should We Learn?



On Tuesday evening, June 10th, 7:00pm, Vassar Temple will hold its annual planning meeting to come up with a program of Adult Education offerings for the coming year. (Actually, I prefer

to characterize the courses, talks, and special events that fit into this category as Lifelong Jewish Learning.) The planning session is wide-ranging. In past years, it has produced classes in, among others: history, poetry, contemporary philosophy, Bible, Talmud, liturgy, world affairs, the Sabbath, life-after-death and contemporary world affairs. Sometimes the class subject has been narrowly Jewish in focus, and sometimes it has been a matter of seeing things through Jewish eyes. An entire universe is open before us.

So, what should we learn in the coming Hebrew year of 5775? Let me put out a few thoughts.

*Nothing is irrelevant.* Franz Rosenzweig, the founder of the first modern school of Adult Jewish Learning, said,

"Nothing Jewish is alien to me." It is an assertion of all-encompassing acceptance of a body of literature and a living experience that reaches back 3,000 years. The statement is also elusive. What is "Jewish?" Is it specifically the nature of the material being regarded, or can it also include the community who comes together to discuss and learn, regardless of the content? I would suggest that what might be included in Vassar Temple's Lifelong Jewish Learning be both.

There is always more. Throw out a topic: Jews in film, the evolving crisis in Ukraine, the biblical book of Jonah, Sephardi cuisine...I could go on and on. But more than that, within each one of these topics is a year's worth of material. To borrow from the prayer book, "all our knowledge is but a handful of bright pebbles picked from the wide shore of the unknown." What we choose to study will be but a brief introduction, a narrow slit opening up on a much larger universe.

You are far less ignorant than you might think. Very few of us are Jewish scholars. Our knowledge is, often at best, spotty.

In the face of what can be known, we can feel quite ignorant. It is true that most Jews do not know much about the contours of their history, theology, ritual or literature, but that hardly makes them ignorant. Indeed, as a rule, Vassar Temple adult members are extraordinarily well informed. It might be in law, medicine, computer technology, business procedures, pedagogy, and numerous other subjects. You are, in reality, quite sophisticated in your knowledge, not only a sure grasp of facts and figures, but also a command of how that information was acquired and what it takes to learn more. Any course on a Jewish subject, however unfamiliar it might seem, is merely a thin application of the massive knowledge you already have. Once you know how to learn, learning more – in whatever field – is relatively easy!

What will Vassar Temple's Lifelong Jewish Learning for 5775 look like? We shall begin to see on June 10th. I am confident that it will be an informative, exciting and inspirational evening!

Rabbi Paul Golomb

## **President's Message**

To misquote Charles Dickens, it's been the best of times, and some challenging times! This is my last President's Message of my term, which will end at the end of June. It's



been a wild ride over the past 2 ½ years, one that I found very rewarding. I couldn't have done it without the many Temple members who volunteer their time to organize activities and other events at the Temple. There are

many passionate, intelligent people who give great counsel and often do so while staying behind the scenes and out of the limelight. Our Temple has more moving parts than anyone may realize, and it's awesome when they interact with each other to provide very meaningful events and services.

We have an incredible Rabbi and are truly blessed to have him. We know that Rabbi Golomb will be retiring in June 2015. Yet, he still has a lot to offer Vassar Temple in the form of advice and counsel, scholarly adult education, Talmud study, Shabbat services and the many things he does on a regular basis.

There is an old saying that if you need to get something done, give the job to a busy person. I've learned how very true that is these past two-plus years. The volume of tasks and responsibilities that many of us juggle on a daily basis would make your head spin.

I've frequently been overwhelmed by the generosity of so many of you who have stepped forward to help when asked, and sometimes even without being asked. Thank you.

There are so many people involved in organizing our Temple life, and I can't possibly include all of them in this Bulletin message. However, the following people have been especially helpful during my tenure as President:

Bob Ritter, President-elect, became the go-to guy for major building repairs and improvements, overseeing the bids and installation of the new boiler, coordinating a Central Hudson lighting evaluation resulting in new lighting in the social hall and classrooms, cleanup after recent flooding, painting, sidewalk repair, and the list goes on. Bob also coordinated two well-attended After Hours

events, with beer and Italian food themes. Thank you, Bob for jumping in and bringing significant improvements to our building and social scene!

Sandra Mamis, in her 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Immediate Past President, is just amazing in the ways she has benefited everyone at the Temple, both behind the scenes and in very visible roles. As our SCRIP Queen, she expanded SCRIP offerings to include many businesses beyond the local supermarkets, and with everyone's efforts, raised significant funds to help balance the operating budget. Sandra also led the Break-Fast, the Passover Seder, and is chairing the upcoming Gala, as well as the Rabbi Search Committee. Thank you, Sandra, for being an amazing role model, for creating and leading events that many Temple members enjoy. and for leading the search to locate our next spiritual leader!

Brian Silverman, Treasurer and Finance Committee chair, also served as unofficial Temple administrator, providing direction to Sherrie in the office and Alvin our custodian ... in addition to overseeing the Temple's financial administration! Whether at the Temple (regularly) or via email,

	June Worship Services	Scriptural Readings			
June 1 June 3	10:00am Confirmation, the celebration of students concluding their formal education at Vassar Temple 8:00pm <i>Tikkun l'eil Shavuot</i> , the annual evening service and study session with Rabbis Golomb, Loevinger	Jun. 7	<b>B'ha'alotkha</b> Num. 8:1-9:14 Zechariah 2:14-4:7		
June 4	and Polish, at Temple Beth-El 10:00am Shavuot Festival Service and Yizkor Memorial Service	Jun. 14	Shelah L'kha Num. 13:1-14:7 Joshua 2:1-24		
June 6	Vassar Temple's Picnic Shabbat: 6:30 pm Picnic dinner on the Temple front lawn; 7:30 Family Service and Teachers' Recognition with Rabbi Golomb, Elisa Dugatkin and Dr. Hoffman	Jun. 21	Korah Num. 16:1-17:15 I Sam 11:14-12:22		
June 7	9:00am Torah Study; 10:00am New Paths Shabbat morning service				
June 13	7:30pm Shabbat evening service honoring those who served in the US Armed Forces, commemorating the 70 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day	Jun. 28	<b>Hukat (Rosh Hodesh)</b> Num. 19:1-20: 21 Isaiah 66:1-24		
June 14	9:00am Torah Study; 10:00am Shabbat morning worship celebrating Molly Gillman becoming a Bat Mitzvah.				
June 20	7:30pm Shabbat evening service with Rabbi Golomb and Elisa Dugatkin. Installation of the new Vassar Temple Board and Officers; special blessing for people with birthdays; oneg to honor new trustees				
June 21	9:00am Torah Study; 10:00am New Paths Shabbat morning service				
June 27 June 28	7:30pm Shabbat evening service with Rabbi Golomb 9:00am Torah Study				

## President (continued from page 2)

Brian provided guidance and direction that resulted in the Temple running like a well-oiled machine! We owe a great deal of gratitude to Brian.

Marge Groten, who met the challenge of chairing the Nominating Committee, did a wonderful job keeping the Committee on track, resulting in a great slate, which was voted in at the recent Congregation meeting.

Doi Cohen, who almost single-handedly managed many aspects of Temple publicity, along with Marian Schwartz, Perla Kaufman and Marianne Abrams. The Board of Trustees offered a Resolution in honor of Doi, having served all of her Temple roles with intelligence, skill and integrity, giving generously of her time and knowledge over many years.

Over the past year, we successfully transitioned Doi's publicity tasks to a team of six Temple members, including Sue Lesser, Donna Loshin, Susan Hecht, Bob Ritter, Muriel Lampell and CJ Kelly, as well as Perla Kaufman, Marian Schwartz and Marianne Abrams

There are so many more members to thank: Marianne Abrams for designing and creating Temple publications, including our current logo; Reyut Committee, which attends to members of our Temple family who are ill, in the hospital, or have recently lost loved ones; the Gala Committee, chaired by Andi Ciminello and Jen Dahnert, which honored the Seth Erlebacher Religious School and created the Hineni Fund; the Religious School Committee, chaired by Alan Kaflowitz; the House Committee, which is now focusing on necessary security and drainage improvements; Sisterhood, Men's Club, the web site committee, the group that brought us another group Purim Spiel; and finally, the Temple office manager, Sherrie Geisler, who handles bookkeeping requirements, congregant and guest calls, and helps us keep the operation running smoothly.

Most of all, I'd like to thank my wife, Marianne, for her support during my term, her patience with my Temple meeting schedule (sometimes taking me away 3-4 weeknights), and her wonderful sense of humor which helped to keep me on course when Temple matters seemed a bit challenging.

Many people assume that the President always knows everything that is going on throughout the synagogue. I can assure you he/she does not. Our Temple is run predominantly by its committees, which is wonderful for those who want to get involved. If you have a concern, please reach out and share it. You may be the first to bring a particular observation to the chairperson's attention.

So thank you, everyone, for all of your support. I am sure that our new leadership, led by Bob Ritter, will steer us down some very exciting paths and will also work to ensure that Vassar Temple maintains its presence in the Dutchess County Jewish community well into the future.

L'Shalom, Bob Abrams

#### **Mazal Tov**

to:

Eric and Barbara Gillman on their daughter Molly's Bat Mitzvah;

Julieta Gruszko who received a Graduate Research Fellowship in Physics from the National Science Foundation. Julieta is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Astrophysics at the University of Washington;

and

Arthur Maserjian who was selected as a member of the Huntington 100, a group of the 100 most influential junior and senior students at Northeastern University.

### Refuah Shelemah

Rabbi Steven Arnold who is having Surgery on May 2<sup>nd</sup>

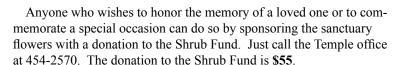


Passover Seder 2014

## **Pulpit Flowers**

June 6: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood
June 13: Donated by The Gillman Family in Honor
of their daughter Molly's Bat Mitzvah

June 20: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood
June 27: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood



## Bertolozzi's *Bridge Music* Celebrates 5<sup>th</sup> Year Eiffel *Tower Music* Next

Bridge Music, an original public sound-art work composed by our very own, Joseph Bertolozzi, and installed on the FDR Mid-Hudson Bridge, re-opened on April 1st. If you've never heard this remarkable composition that incorporates percussive sounds elicited from the bridge structure itself, you should add a visit to Bridge Music to your bucket list. The installation is free to the public and is located at each of the bridge's towers on the north side via the pedestrian sidewalk from Gerald Drive in Poughkeepsie or Johnson-Iorio Park in Highland. It can also be heard on 95.3FM from Waryas Park in Poughkeepsie and Johnson-Iorio Park in Highland.

Now Joe is working on a similar project using the Eiffel Tower as his instrument. *Tower Music* is in the composition stage and will be ready by the end of 2014 in conjunction with the Tower's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Over the last two years, Joe harvested the Eiffel Tower's sounds using microphones placed on its surfaces. He is now writing a work entitled *Tower Music* or *Musique de la Tour* using only the natural sounds of the Tower itself. An album release later this year is anticipated. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.Joseph-Bertolozzi.com">www.Joseph-Bertolozzi.com</a>.

## We Need Your Help!

It's awful to be the last to know that someone has been hospitalized, needs a visit or needs some other kind of help.

We are, once again, asking that you be the eyes and ears in the lives of our congregational family. Federal patient privacy regulations limit the information that hospitals make available to clergy and volunteers.

We are encouraging you to contact the Temple office when a congregant is admitted to a hospital and wishes to have Rabbi visit during the hospital stay. Our goal is to meet the needs of all our congregants, and we can only do this with your help.

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Technical Support: Bob Abrams Articles for the July/Aug Bulletin must be submitted to the Temple office by June 1st. Sorry, we cannot take Bulletin articles over the phone! Articles may be sent via email to publicity@vassartemple.org. The editors reserve the right to edit articles for style, accuracy and length.



## From the Religious School Director "What Will I Do With My Freedom?"



There was nothing subtle about the way God rescued the Jews from slavery in Egypt. Freedom after 400 years of oppressive bondage was a transi-

tion so powerful that we still talk about it today, and God's centrality in liberating the Jews was underscored by 10 highly visible plagues and then the dramatic splitting of the Red Sea. Yet, the Jews who were freed by God's mighty hand celebrated by building an idol to a false god: the Golden Calf.

Each year, we reenact our exodus from Egypt by holding a Passover Seder. Passover is our holiday of freedom. And each year we reenact the day we received Torah from God by celebrating Shavuot seven weeks later: Shavuot is our holiday of Torah. (We place Confirmation around the same time as Shavuot to highlight the connection between Torah and those students who have made the commitment to continue studying it.)

As it happens, each year we also reenact that uncertain period between Passover and Shavuot, between the time we attained freedom and the time we accepted Torah. That period is called the Omer, and it lasts from the second day of Passover right up to Shavuot, from April 16 to June 3 this year. But while the celebrations of freedom and Torah are clear-cut, the Omer is a murky time of confusion.

The very first Omer period was marked by a goof so monumental --- the Golden Calf --- that it remains a potent metaphor for human devotion to unworthy causes. It is a reminder that with freedom comes the possibility and even likelihood of choosing to do the wrong thing.

In this regard, as we walk together once again from Passover to Shavuot through the Omer, we can try to identify our own golden calves, our own misplaced energies and ill-advised endeavors. What have I been doing with my freedom, we might ask, that isn't worthy of me?

Even taken together, the Exodus, the 10 plagues, and the splitting of the sea weren't enough to focus the Israelites' attention properly on God, so we can hardly blame ourselves for directing our

own energies in the wrong direction or for ignoring clues that may, in retrospect, be obvious. Nor can we expect it to be easy to give up our comfortable, if mistaken, patterns. After all, the Israelites' choice of a calf was an homage to the very Egyptian culture that had kept them enslaved.

We can't even expect an unchanging right answer. For 1,000 years, we Jews offered animal sacrifices to God. Then we gave up what has been mocked (by me) as "barbecue" theology and replaced it with worship services. In the smaller time scale of our own lives, we similarly recognize that what worked last year may no longer work now.

Fortunately, the Omer comes around every year. In recognition of the near inevitability of the problem, in spite of the near futility of the mission, and in the context of an ever-changing target, we take several weeks each year to evaluate our decisions. And we try to plot a path that will lead in the direction of the Promised Land.

Chag Samei'ach

Dr. Joel Hoffman

#### From the Finance Committee

It is with deep appreciation that we thank our fellow members for their timeliness and generosity in the financing of our new heating system this past fall/winter. Our new furnace and hot water heater and our gas conversion process have been installed and we are already experiencing significant savings.

To those congregants who have completed their assessment payments and/or donated more than the assessed amounts, please accept our thanks. To those who still have amounts outstanding, please be sure to send in your balance owed as soon as possible.

And to those members and businesses who donated at least \$1,000 (and whose names will be inscribed on a plaque in the Temple) a very special thank you from all.

They are:

Jeff & Nan Genshaft
David & Marilyn Lampell
Matt & Muriel Lampell
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The Finance Committee

Note: All Board and Committee Meetings, except Executive Sessions, are open to all Temple members.

## **Scenes from Mitzvah Day**









## Rabbi Search Committee: Update

April 28, 2014: As of this date the Rabbi Search Committee [RSC] has convened several times. The members have reviewed materials provided by the Central Conference of Rabbis [CCAR] which will help guide our work. In addition we had an opportunity to conference with Rabbi Alan Henkin, the CCAR Director of Rabbi Placement, who will be providing support as the process unfolds.

The Committee is preparing for three open forums, called "Conversations," giving all the congregants an opportunity to provide input. The Committee continues to invite all Vassar Temple members to also contact the chair either by phone 914-456-3524or by email RabbiSearch@vassartemple.org to provide members with a comfortable means of communicating with the RSC. The information collected will be carefully reviewed and referenced as the profile of our next rabbi is developed. Information from outside sources, including other temples which have recently completed a clergy search, is being accessed as well.

Sandra Mamis, Chair Rabbi Search Committee

# **More Mitzvah Day Madness**











# Burgess Boys

#### VT Book Club to Meet on June 18th

Vassar Temple Sisterhood's Book Club will discuss *The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth

Strout, a rare combination of exquisite prose and what critics have described as a deeply illuminating story about the ties that bind us to family and home. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm., in the Community Room of Collegeview Tower, 141 Fulton Avenue, Poughkeepsie.

Haunted by the freak accident that killed their father when they were chil-

dren, Jim and Bob Burgess escaped from their Maine hometown of Shirley Falls for New York City, as soon as they possibly could. Jim, a successful corporate lawyer, has always belittled his bighearted brother, and Bob, a Legal Aid attorney who idolizes Jim, has always taken it in stride. But their longstanding dynamic is upended when their sister Susan, a Burgess sibling who stayed behind, urgently calls them home, where the long-buried tensions that have shaped and shadowed the brothers' relationship begin to surface in unexpected ways that will change them forever.

This book is available in paperback and through the local library system. Irma Jacobs will lead the discussion, to which everyone is welcome. To RSVP or get more information, please contact Linda Babas at 473-7931 or <a href="mailto:linda.babas.41@">linda.babas.41@</a> gmail.com.

## Cereal Counts!!! 2014: An Astounding Success!

Dear Vassar Temple Members,

Thank you for your donations of cereal boxes this year. Your generous donations complemented donations from many other organizations county-wide. A grand total of **714 boxes of cereal** were packed onto a truck for delivery to numerous food pantries around the region.

Every summer, there are students in our community who miss breakfast because free breakfast may not be available when their schools are closed, and they lack other options to have this meal. There are people of all ages who experience breakfast hunger daily because they cannot afford this food.

Thanks to your help, a truckload of good morning health was delivered once again. What a winning success!

Max Samson, Countywide Student Captain

Nancy and Dave Samson, Co-Captains, CEREAL COUNTS!!! 2014

845 235-2860 cerealcounts123@aol.com



## JWV June 1st Meeting

The Private Herman Siegal Post #625 of The Jewish War Veterans of the United States will hold its next monthly meeting on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:30am, at Congregation Schomre Israel, 18 Park Avenue in Poughkeepsie. All persons of the Jewish faith who have served in any branch of the United States armed forces (Active, Reserve, or National Guard) are cordially invited to attend and participate in the activities of this JWV Post.

As Schomre Israel is strictly Kosher, no food or drink may be brought into the Synagogue. If you need a ride or for further information, please contact the Post Commander, Robert L. Morrison, at ROBL56@aol.com. In the event of inclement weather, announcements will be on Cumulus Radio: 101.5 WPDH, 1490 WKNY, 92.7/96.9 WRRV, 94.3/97.3, 1390/1340 OLDIES, 97.7.

# DCIC Potluck and Story Circle June 26

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy great food, friendship and stories, when Dutchess County Interfaith Council culminates its Story Circle season with a potluck dinner and story circle in the beautiful setting of Mariopolis Luminosa in Hyde Park on Thursday, June 26. Dinner will begin at 6:00pm with the story circle at 7:00pm. The fascinating stories shared are drawn from different faiths, cultures, and personal experience. This annual event will be held rain or shine. Please visit www.dutchesscountyinterfaith.org for further details and driving directions.



## From May thru July

Purchase \$500 in SCRIP (shopping) debit cards) and receive a **free card carrier as our gift!** 

Cards are available to supermarkets, Big Box" stores, pharmacies, restaurants.....

## Last year, we raised \$14,000 from SCRIP sales.

We can raise even more if everyone uses SCRIP at least some of the time.

To purchase SCRIP or for more information,

Contact Sandra SCRIP coordinator at 914-456-3524 or <a href="scrip@vassartemple.org">scrip@vassartemple.org</a>



91 Attend Seder at Vassar Temple

On the first night of Passover, the Vassar Temple social hall was the site of a festive musical celebration of the beloved holiday. Eighty-six Temple members and fifteen additional members of the Dutchess County and Orange County Jewish communities gathered for the event, which has been organized by a committee of Vassar Temple congregants for the past three years. The lay-led seder followed the reading of a haggadah which was specially written by the Committee and which encouraged everyone's participation. The homemade foods prepared by seder chairman Sandra Mamis and others on the Committee were delicious, and Joe Bertolozzi's piano accompaniment to the traditional tunes was a delight. The children all participated in a "Pesach Triathlon," with everyone turning out to be a winner. Vassar Temple was very pleased to be able to provide this seder experience to so many and looks forward to hosting a fourth annual seder next year.

## 3 Rabbis Shavuot Study Program

Shavuot is the time of the giving of the Torah. Yet the place of revelation, Mount Sinai, is itself a powerful and complex symbol within Jewish thought. Join a panel of three area rabbis in the discussion of texts, ideas and images of the mountain in the desert on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00pm at Temple Beth El.

A maariv (evening) service will be held at 8pm. After the service, at 8:30pm, refreshments will be served, featuring dairy delights traditional for Shavuot. At 8:45pm, Rabbi Paul Golomb of Vassar Temple, Rabbi Neal Loevinger of Temple Beth El, and Rabbi Daniel Polish of Congregation Shir Chadash, will lead a study session on "Images of Sinai: The Meaning of the Mountain." Traditionally, such a study session (a tikkun leil Shavuot) is held the eve of Shavuot to help assure that we will be awake and prepared to receive the Torah. All are welcome to any or all of the evening's events to prepare for the upcoming festival of Shavuot.



# Wind Chill Fund a Big Success!

Thanks to your generosity, Vassar Temple was able to raise almost \$500 in our tzedakah box to benefit local homeless shelters through Hudson River Housing's Wind Chill Fund. During this long, cold winter, your help was appreciated more than ever!

## **Contributions**

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## **Yahrzeits**

June 6 Samuel Berlin Anna Dunn Evelvn Feinbloom Rabbi Abraham Hasselkorn

Lynn Levy Dorothy Lewis Dr. Arthur Lipschutz Shirley K. Loeb Sandra LoGiudice Irma Manheim

Martha Reifler Myers Lester Petkofsky Jack Quackenbush Irving J. Richman Dr. Albert A. Rosenberg Robert Rosenthal Hyman Sapowitch Moe Scheer Gertrude Tayss

Paul Warner Martin Weiss Else Willner

June 13

Carol Casiero Gilda Charwat Joshua Collen Alfred Geber Miriam Gellert Beatrice Gross Lillian Freda Gross Harry Kaltwasser Paul Kraut Morton B. Lehman Bertie S. Levy Edmond Levy **Edward Plimack** 

Raymond Ross Morris Schwartz Jack Turk Robert Weinberg Joseph B. Weisman Sylvia K. Weisman

Joseph Wrobel

June 20

Priscilla Ackerman Sylvia Arnold Rose Swatlo Budson Albert J. Eisenberg Paul Douglas Fa'gut Gertrude Lashinsky Ginsberg

Joseph Gross Dr. Kurt Holzer Kalmen Izraelewicz Joseph Kofman David Menken Margaret Poston Arthur Richter Rose Rosenthal Joseph Sapowitch Donald Silberman Pauline Rosenson Slote

Nathan Weiss Miriam Worona June 27

Joseph Berlin Annie Blaweiss David Budson Sallie Cohen Isador Dreishpoon

Joseph Dunn Lucille Erdreich Rose Feuerstein Rosalind Gellert Jean Goldman Pearl Goldstein Samuel Haber Irwin Kallman Joseph J. Kleiner

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Sisterhood Co-Presidents: Carolynn Frankel & Jennifer Dahnert

Men's Club Co-Presidents: Jeff Brenner & Dave Wolf

Immediate Past President:Sandra MamisYouth Group President:Rachel Marcus

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## **June Calendar**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Religious School - Grades K-7th/ closing ceremony 10am Confirmation Service	2	3 VT Tikkun Study at TBE (time TBA) 7:30 Meditation	4 VT Office Closed 10am Yizkor Service	5 11:30 Talmud 5pm Calendar meeting	6 Can Jam Weekend 6:30pm Picnic Shabbat 7:30pm Outdoor Shabbat Service	7 9am Torah Study 10am New Paths
8	9 7pm Executive Committee Meeting	10 7pm Finance Meeting	11	12 11:30 Talmud 6pm VTS Closing Dinner	13 7:30 Shabbat Service	14 9am Torah Study 10am Bat Mitzvah—Molly Gillman
15	16 7pm Board of Trustees Meeting	17	18 2pm VTS Book Club	19 11:30 Talmud	20 7:30 Shabbat Service— Installation of Officers & Trustees	9am Torah Study 10am New Paths
22	23	24	25	26 11:30 Talmud	27 7:30 Shabbat Service	28 9am Torah Study
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