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The publisher of our Bulletin experienced a catastrophic hardware and software crash of her computer right at the 11th hour of the Bulletin publishing process. In an effort to take what we already had ready-to-go, we decided to send you a simple version of the newsletter...without formatting that makes reading easier and looking nice...just so you have access to all the great things that are happening in and around Vassar Temple. We hope to resume our normal format for the June Bulletin. And, by the way, the content of the May Bulletin, as you see it, is NOT fake news!!!

Reminder: Deadline for submitting articles for June Bulletin is April 27th. No exceptions.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT, MARK METZGER: Be a Hero; the Cost to You is Zero

The Temple is always in need of financial contributions. You can greatly help with our finances, and the cost to you will be zero. How is that possible? The answer is... SCRIP/GIFT CARDS. Vassar Temple sells gift cards. If you purchase a card for \$100, it is good for \$100 at that merchant. Vassar Temple may earn 12% from that card purchase. It is like you just contributed \$12 to the Temple at no cost to you.

Examples:

Week 1

Adams Fairacre Farms	\$100	10%
CVS	50	7%
Starbucks	20	9%
Staples.	25	5%
Bonefish Grill	50	8%

Week 1 contribution to Temple is \$20.55

Week 2

Stop & Shop	\$100	5%
Lands' End	50	16%
Home Depot	100	5%
Hyatt Hotels	200	9%
Chili's Grill	50	11%

Week 2 contribution to Temple is \$41.50.

In two weeks, using the gift cards that you purchased from the Temple, you contributed more than \$62. The amazing thing is that it did not cost you anything at all, other than purchasing the gift cards. If you purchase gift cards weekly, you will help the Temple's bottom line by over \$1,600 annually. And imagine just 50 families doing the same thing...

\$80,000 would be raised! If all of our members bought script/ gift cards weekly, about a quarter million dollars would be earned for the Temple each year. No one would be spending a penny more from their family budget, and our Temple's financial well-being would be ensured.

Just about any business or merchant locally or nationally offers gift cards. Most of their cards are in stock in the Temple office. If we do not have them, we will get them for you. All you have to do is ask. We will even deliver the cards to your home!

It's easy to purchase scrip/gift cards from the Temple. Order online. Go to the Vassar Temple homepage and type in "script." Stop by the Temple during office hours or Sunday mornings or call for an appointment. Remember, script/gift cards will even be delivered to your home. Can it get it any easier? If you can think of a way to make it easier for congregants to participate in the SCRIPT /GIFT CARD program, please let us know and we will give it a try.

[PLEASE BUY SCRIPT/GIFT CARDS. Keep Vassar Temple financially healthy. Be a hero. The cost to you is zero. Thank you.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

May	2,9,16,23	Dueling Rabbis
	7	Mitzvah Day
	30, 31	Community Tikkun Leil Shavuot
June	4	Lunch Box

MESSAGE FROM RABBI BERKOWITZ: Reading the Book of Ruth

There are many customs associated with the holiday of Shavuot. We eat dairy delicacies such as blintzes and cheesecake. We reenact the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. On the years where we are blessed to have confirmands—like this year—we celebrate their commitment to Judaism through confirmation. We also read the Book of Ruth.

Ruth is one of the five megillot (scrolls), each of which is associated with a different Jewish festival: Esther on Purim, Song of Songs on Passover, Lamentations on Tisha B'Av, and Ecclesiastes on Sukkot. Each book correlates both to the mood of the holiday and the agricultural events of the season.

So what is the connection between the Book of Ruth and the holiday of Shavuot?

Ruth is a seasonal story. It takes place during the barley harvest, which was likely the original reason for the festival. However, as the Jewish community drifted away from its agricultural roots, other connections between Ruth and Shavuot came into focus.

Ruth is a story about covenant. While the Shavuot Torah reading shows the entire Israelite community receiving the Ten Commandments and making a covenant with God, the Book of Ruth shows one non-Israelite committing to the Israelite way of life. Ruth pledges her loyalty to her mother-in-law with these now-famous words: "Wherever you go, I will go. Wherever you lodge, I will lodge. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. Where you die, I will die, and there I will be buried. Thus and more may God do to me if anything but death parts me from you" (Ruth 1:16). Ruth's words have become a statement of faith for Jews—and Jews by Choice—throughout the generations.

Ruth is a story about kindness. While many stories in the TaNaKh show people doing the exact opposite of what the Torah commands, the Book of Ruth shows an entire community adhering to the laws of the Torah in a way that protects the vulnerable, and ultimately benefits everyone. Ruth and her mother-in-law—both widowed—are sustained by gleaning from Boaz's fields. Ruth meets Boaz when he provides her with extra food. And while Ruth and Boaz share a beautiful

love story, their marriage also fulfills a more obscure biblical commandment to marry your kinsman's widow to prevent her from being sent out on her own.

Ruth is a story about redemption. While Ruth herself is redeemed from widowhood and poverty by Naomi's cunning and Boaz's generosity, the end of the story hints at a future redemption. The son Ruth gives birth to at the end of the book is the grandfather of King David, who is thought to be the ancestor of the Messiah.

Finally, Ruth is a subversive story. While in modern times, we see Ruth's pledge to Naomi as a joyful conversion to Judaism, in ancient times, such a conversion would not have been possible. Ruth was a Moabite, one of the peoples prohibited from entering the Israelite community through conversion or marriage. By establishing Ruth, a Moabite, as an ancestor of King David, the Book of Ruth rejects previous prohibitions against intermarriage in general, and Moabites in particular. The story reminds us that even the most vulnerable of outsiders—a woman, a childless widow, a Moabite—is worthy of being a part of our community, and can even play a part in our story of redemption!

Ruth is just one of the megillot we will be studying as part of our 2nd Annual Dueling Rabbis course during the *omer* period, the seven weeks between Pesach and Shavuot. Join us on Tuesdays, each at 7:00pm.

At the Boardman Library:

Apr. 25 Song of Songs (Pesach) with Rabbis Eliezer Langer and Dan Victor

May 2 Lamentations (Tisha b'Av) with Rabbis Paul Golomb and Michael Fessler

May 9 Ecclesiastes (Sukkot) with Rabbis Neal Loevinger and Dan Polish

At the Vassar College Bayit (end of Collegeview Ave.)

May 16 *Esther* (Purim) with Rabbis Miriam Hyman and Brent Spodek

May 23 *Ruth* (Shavuot) with Joey Glick and Rabbi Leah Berkowitz

Chag Sameach!

FROM OUR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DIRECTOR, JULIE MAKOWSKY

As I write this on the Vernal Equinox, I am reminded of how important the changing seasons are to our Jewish practice and ritual. When reading the text of Torah, Mishnah or Talmud, we see how agricultural life was governed by weather and the seasons. This concept may seem a bit foreign to the way we live our lives today. The strong local farm movement in the Hudson Valley has helped raise my awareness of how the weather affects the growing season, and, as a result, the harvests.

Our Jewish tradition follows a yearly cycle, guided by three festival holidays called the *Shalosh Regalim*. Pesach (Passover) which we celebrated a few weeks ago marks the beginning of the barley harvest and the planting season; Shavuot, which falls this year on May 30-31, celebrates the wheat harvest; and Sukkot marks the last harvest of the season.

The following are the biblical references where we learn about the **Shalosh Regalim**:

- Pesach - "*From such time as you begin to put the sickle to the corn*" (beginning of barley harvest) (Deuteronomy, 16:9)
- Shavuot - "*And you shall observe the Feast of Weeks, of the first fruits of wheat harvest.*" (beginning of wheat harvest) (Exodus, 34:22)
- Sukkot - Feast of Ingathering - "*When you have gathered in your labors from the field*" [Exodus, 23: 16]

Each of these holidays followed the practice of bringing an offering to the Temple in Jerusalem to share the bounty and to give thanks. This practice was common to many ancient cultures.

Most contemporary Jews live in city centers, and I suspect that it is rare that our children make any connection between where our food comes from and our Jewish practices and rituals. Most Religious Schools that I know of teach about the Sukkah being a temporary dwelling during the harvest and for those making the pilgrimage to Jerusalem. However, we are so far from the practices of making an offering to God as a way to share the blessing in our bounty, that it means little when we try to describe these practices to our students.

Many of our practices in Judaism are based on an agricultural model. We see this in not only the celebration of the harvests but also in our daily prayers. Our daily recitation of the Amidah prayer reflects this by including a prayer for either rain or dew, depending on the season.

I believe it is a blessing and a curse that we live in a world that provides for many of us such easy access to foods. I believe that this is what our **Shalosh Regalim** are meant to do: to help our children learn and understand this connection between their lives and the harvest.

Because Shavuot, coming at the end of this month, tends to fall after the end of the Religious School year, many of our students do not have the opportunity to learn about or experience it. I encourage you as parents, as well as community members, to find ways to bring the celebration of Shavuot into your homes and join with the Vassar Temple congregation to celebrate this festival. Talk and discuss with each other and with your children about how we are still affected by agriculture and the seasons that affect our harvests. Investigate what it means for a harvest to fail and come up with ways as a family to bring a meaningful offering to bless and be thankful for our bounty each year on the **Shalosh Regalim**.

WORSHIP

May Worship Services

5 th	7:30pm	Special Shabbat Evening Service with Rabbi Berkowitz and organist Joseph Bertolozzi honoring soloist Elisa Dugatkin
6 th	9:00am 10:00am	Torah Study New Paths Service
12 th	7:30pm	Family Shabbat Evening Service with Rabbi Berkowitz and organist Joseph Bertolozzi
13 th	9:00am 10:00am	Torah Study Amanda Moore Bat Mitzvah
19 th	7:30pm	Shabbat Evening Service with Rabbi Berkowitz, organist Joseph Bertolozzi and soloist Elisa Dugatkin
20 th	9:00am 10:00am	Torah Study New Paths Service
26 th	7:30pm	Shabbat Evening Service with Rabbi Berkowitz and organist Joseph Bertolozzi

27 th	9:00am	Torah Study
30 th	7:30pm	Community Tikkun Leil Shavuot at Beth El
31 st	10:00am	Shavuot Morning Service

Scriptural Readings

May 6 *Acharei Mot-Kedoshim* Lev. 16:1-17:7, Amos 9:7-15

13 *Emor* Lev. 21:1-22:16; Ezekiel 44:15-31

20 *B'har-Behukotai* Lev. 25:1-38; Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

27 *Bamidbar* Num. 1:1-54; Hosea 2:1-22

Community Shavuot Event: What is Your Torah?

A Community Tikkun Leil Shavuot will be held Tuesday night, May 30th, presented jointly by Congregation Shir Chadash, Temple Beth El, and Vassar Temple to provide us all an opportunity to prepare for the receiving of the Torah on Mt. Sinai. Held at Temple Beth El, the program will open with a musical celebration at 7:30pm, followed by a Shavuot evening service at 8:05pm, and refreshments and the opportunity to socialize at 8:45pm.

At 9:00pm, a learning session will begin, as three rabbis (and you!) share the Jewish wisdom that guides our lives from Sinai to today. With "What is Your Torah?" as the theme. Each rabbi will speak on a favorite source of Jewish wisdom: Rabbi Daniel Polish---The Pesach Haggadah; Rabbi Daniel Victor---Wisdom and Literature in the Book of Psalms; Rabbi Leah Berkowitz---the Poetry of Yehuda Amichai. You are invited to bring a piece of Jewish wisdom that inspires you (from any source) to share with the community! The program will end by 11:00pm, and everyone is warmly invited to come celebrate and learn together at any or all of the activities of the evening.

New Paths Services

Join us at the New Paths Sabbath morning service Saturdays, May 6th & May 20th at 10:00am in the informal, intimate setting of Vassar Temple's East Chapel. The moving liturgy of the New Paths prayer book includes both traditional and contemporary writings, mostly in English, and participants may bring supplemental materials to share. Each New Paths service, whether lay led or rabbi led, provides a unique and thoughtful Shabbat morning experience. A brief mini-kiddush follows. For more information, please contact Marian Schwartz mschwa9882@aol.com, Rabbi Berkowitz rabbi@vassartemple.org, or the Temple office 845-454-2570.

May Pulpit Flower Donations

May 5: Donated by the Quackenbush's in memory of Gayle Margolin

May 12: Donated by Jeremy & Danah Moore in honor of Amanda's Bat Mitzvah

May 19: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund

May 26: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund

April Pulpit Flower Donations Update

April 21: Donated by Jim and Maryanne Robinowitz in honor of their grandson, Lucas Sterling Pena's baby naming

Anyone who wishes to honor the memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion can do so by sponsoring the sanctuary flowers with a donation to the Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund. The donation to the Fund is \$55. Just call the Vassar Temple Office at 454-2570.

Weekly Study Groups

Torah Study, which examines passages from the week's Torah portion or Haftarah, will be held every Saturday at 9:00am with the Temple's Rabbi Leah Berkowitz.

"*The Talmud: Modern Ideas from an Ancient Text*," taught by Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb, will be held every Tuesday at 12:00 noon. All are welcome to come, learn and join in the lively discussions at both classes--no previous training required! No charge to attend. Questions? Contact rabbi@vassar temple.org or (845)454-2570.

SOCIAL ACTION

Lunch Box: June 4th

Looking ahead, our 5th and 6th graders and their families will be sponsoring the Lunch Box on Sunday, June 4th. Come help them prepare and serve a hot, wholesome and tasty meal for our neighbors in need between 10:30am-1:15 pm, and/or help by donating the following:

- 3 lb. all beef franks, or
- 1 to 2 dozen bananas/ pieces of fresh fruit/ or sandwich baggies of washed grapes

Please contact Michele Sinn (mishsinn41@gmail.com) to let her know if you can come and help that day or what you can contribute. Non-perishables may be dropped off beforehand during regular Temple hours in the bin on the counter just inside the kitchen door. Please leave perishables in the fridge and label everything prominently "For Lunch Box." Tax deductible checks made out to "Vassar Temple" with "Community Tzedakah Fund" on the memo line also help. This is Vassar Temple's final Lunch Box of the school year, so take this opportunity to support this life sustaining project however you can!

Mitzvah Day: May 7th

A Day of Community Service

- Free kick-off bagel breakfast
- Sign-In: 9:00am at Temple Beth El
- Preregister at jewishdutchess.org for your project
- Free lunch

Most service projects begin by 10:00a.m. at community sites or TBE, rain or shine. Sign up for projects right for you, whatever your age/interest/singles/families/kids. Project & registration info are on that website, or see the *April Voice*.

Projects of special interest to:

- Torah Study Group: Lunch Box
- Sisterhood &, Men's Club: Grace Smith House
- Outdoor folks: Appalachian Trail with Ron Rosen
- Families: Children's Home & Briggs Farm, Age 2-7 w/parent; PJ Library
- Everyone: Historic Pershing Avenue Cemetery cleanup with Rabbi Golomb

Questions? Jewish Federation 471-9811 or socialaction@vassar temple.org

Mitzvah Day Collections

- **Help Veterans-in-Need:** New underwear/socks for male and female veterans; Bring to VT collection box, or bring to Mitzvah Day
- **Cereal Counts:** Un-opened boxes of breakfast cereal; Bring to Temple Beth El for local food pantries by 9:00am May 7
- **Birthday Bag Collection:** cake mix, canned icing, birthday candles, birthday décor; Bring to VT collection box by May 5

Birthday Bag GoFundMe- <https://www.gofundme.com/mitzvah-day-birthday-bags>

Cereal Counts!!! 2017

Every summer, there are underprivileged children and teenagers who may lack breakfast food at home. They may not be able to get to sites that serve free breakfast or go hungry on the weekends. Every summer, right here in Dutchess County, there are children, teenagers and adults of all ages who need breakfast food.

- Until Sunday morning, May 7th, please drop off a box to our central drop site for the drive: Temple Beth El, 118 South Grand Avenue in Poughkeepsie. Hours: Sunday 9:00am-12noon, Mon-Thurs 9:00am-4:00pm, Fridays 9:00am-12noon.
- If possible, please host a "mini-drive" to collect cereal boxes in your office, business, school, with your teams, groups and more. Invite people to bring in a box of cereal, then drop them off at Temple Beth during the drive. Easy and rewarding!

On Sunday morning May 7th, all donated boxes will be counted and packed up. The load will then be delivered to the pantries of Dutchess Outreach, Zion Episcopal Church in Wappingers, Community Action Partnership for their pantries in Poughkeepsie, Beacon, Red Hook and Dover, Reach Out to Family Worship Center in Hyde Park, Beulah Baptist Church, Hudson River Housing/Gannett House, Morse Magnet Elementary School, Interfaith Senior Housing and Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Church.

Every box counts. Every box makes breakfast meals. Every box makes breakfast real. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Nancy and David Samson, Cereal Counts!!! Founders, at 845 235-2860 or cerealcounts123@gmail.com .

Recent B'nai Mitzvah Projects

Our B'nai Mitzvah students are hard at work making a difference in the community!

Twins Dakota and Cameron Jarvis were born three days apart, weighing 1 pound 13 ounces each, and they spent their first three months in the NICU at Vassar Hospital. So it's no surprise that they did a Mitzvah project to support the NICU and other micro preemies like themselves. Dakota has made each preemie its first stuffed animal, and Cameron created a brochure containing important information for the parents.

Amanda Moore loves animals, so it's only natural that she is volunteering at the Hudson Valley Animal and Rescue Shelter (HVARs) for her Mitzvah project. She helps new arrivals at the shelter to become socialized with humans and other animals for future adoption. She also cares for the animals' more basic needs of cleaning and feeding, explaining that "These animals have gone through so much, and all the love and care they get at the shelter is just amazing!"

Be sure to thank these generous youth members for their good work and support their projects!

Thanks to VT Social Action

Your Tzedakah box donations in recent months enabled us to support Hudson River Housing's *Wind Chill Fund, Meals on Wheels*, and to purchase notebooks for students in need at the Morse Elementary School. And, once again, the incomparable Nancy Samson coordinated *Purim Pasta*, a social action project which has now spread to many area temples. The Samson family also led the *Souper Sale*, which raised \$1,034 from a record number of donors, resulting in the purchase of 517 cans of chunky deluxe soups to be delivered to local food distribution sites by our stalwart team of Temple volunteers. Special thanks to our Men's Club, our 7th grade families under the leadership of Rose Hartman and Danah Moore, our Temple teens under the leadership of Shira Teich, our Temple Board, the Seligman and Russo families, and everyone else who contributed to making our recent Lunch Box meals successful.. Each and every contribution matters, and together we can truly make a difference!

THIS N' THAT

Mazel Tov

to...

Kristen Judd on her engagement to Justin Horowitz;
Jim & Maryann Robinowitz on the naming of their grandson, Lucas Sterling Pena;
Danah & Jeremy Moore on the daughter Amanda's Bat Mitvah;
Dave & Fern Wolf on the marriage of their daughter, Jennifer, to Robert Parish;
Jennifer Wolf, soon to be Wolf-Parish, who will be starting her Medical Family residence in Lawrence, Mass. in June;
Our organist, Joe Bertolozzi, on the engagement of his daughter, Sarah.

New Members

Please welcome the following new members to our Vassar Temple family:

Phyllis Ritter
Paula Schwartz

Refuah Shelemah

Vivian Garber recuperating from a broken ankle

Tree of Life

There is one tree that never drops its leaves! It is our Tree of Life! Vassar Temple Sisterhood donated the Tree of Life to give root to our endowment fund and add to our Sustaining Fund.

Right now you'll notice pink and blue ribbons on the tree. They were purchased in honor of the births of the newest grandchildren of Brian and Helen Silverman and Jim and MaryAnn Robinowitz.

Honor your family and friends' joyous events by purchasing a rock or a leaf for the Tree. The event, name and date will be engraved on each item as a permanent remembrance of the occasion.

To honor the living and to commemorate joyous events, please fill out a Tree of Life form, available on the table at the entrance to Temple or in the East Chapel.

VTS Thanks Heritage Carpet

Vassar Temple Sisterhood thanks Mark & Elaine Plansky of Heritage Carpet for their generous gift of new flooring in the Ladies Room entryway. It is now a more welcoming spot for the women of Vassar Temple. The Plansky's also expressed their happiness to support the Temple in their unique way! VTS President Judy Rosenfeld was most appreciative of the Plansky's gift, and Secretary Roni Stein noted that Heritage was a pleasure to work with. Thanks again, Mark and Elaine!

Jewish War Veterans Meet May 7th

The Private Herman Siegel Post 625, Poughkeepsie, of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, will hold a regular monthly meeting at 9:30am on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at Congregation Schomre Israel, 18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York.

All persons of the Jewish faith who have served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces (Active, Reserve or National Guard) are invited to attend and participate in the activities of this J.W.V. Post. All persons of the Jewish faith who have family members who served in the armed forces of the United States are also invited to attend and participate.

As Congregation Schomre Israel is strictly kosher, no food or drink may be brought into the synagogue. For further information, please contact the Presiding Officer, Rob Rubin, at qbee5@optonline.net.

Condolences to...

Lila Matlin on the passing of her sister, June Heiser

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	22	23 10am SEP 12pm Talmud Study 7pm Dueling Rabbis	24 6:30pm Geshher program @ TBE 7pm VTS Exec Cmte	25 10am SEP 7pm Board Meeting	26 7:30pm Shabbat Service	27 9am Torah Study
	29	30 10am SEP 12pm Talmud Study 7:30pm Community wide Tikkun Leil Shavuot	31 10am Shavuot Morning Service			
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