

# **Vassar Temple**Where You Belong

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#### **BAKERS NEEDED!**

Please join us for Sisterhood's annual Hamantaschen Baking Day!
Make friends while making Hamantaschen for our Purim service and for outreach to congregants and our out-oftown college students.

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> (snow date: 3/10/19)

9:00am to 1:00pm in the Temple kitchen

RSVP to Judy Rosenfeld 635-2414 or

hamantaschen@vassartemple.org

Please bring a batch of dough (and your favorite rolling pin if you like). Remaining ingredients will be provided. The recipe is available from Judy, the Temple office or VT website, and the Sisterhood Facebook page.

Not able to come and help? Please make a batch of dough and leave it in the Temple freezer in a Ziploc bag - just let Judy know.





#### Golden Gelt Raffle: Vassar Temple Fundraiser April 14<sup>th</sup> Drawing!

Only 200 tickets will be sold, thus dramatically increasing the odds of winning an all-cash prize.

First prize: \$5,000.00 cash
Second prize: \$1,000.00 cash
Third prize: \$500.00 cash
(4) Fourth prizes: \$250.00 cash each

The cost of each ticket is \$100.00 (all purchases are tax deductible).

#### Rock n' Roll Purim: March 20th



Celebrate the joyous holiday of Purim on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm with a lively Megillah reading interspersed with hilarious parodies based on songs of the 60s (to which

everyone will be able to sing along!). Adults, children, everyone---come in your favorite costume or in one evoking the 60s era! Tie-dye apparel is encouraged! Join in the Great Costume Parade!

And don't forget to bring unopened boxes of pasta to shake as noisemakers to drown out the name of Haman during the Megillah reading. After Purim, the boxes of pasta will be delivered to a local food pantry by the Social Action Committee.

Prior to the Megillah reading, at 5:30pm, Men's Club will be serving a pasta dinner in the social hall. Cost for the meal is \$5 per adult, children under 12 free. Please RSVP for the dinner to mensclub@vassartemple.org by March 15th.

#### **Upcoming Events**

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#### What is Purim Pasta?

Purim Pasta, a simple food drive we

have held each Purim for a number of years now, is a special tradition at Vassar Temple and you are invited to participate! On March 20<sup>th</sup> please bring in boxes of



pasta to Temple and shake them when wicked Haman's name is mentioned during the Megillah reading (the boxes are the groggers!) Drown out evil and prevail with the noise of victory! After services, the boxes will be collected and delivered to a local food pantry. Macaroni, ziti, bowties, too -- any will do! Get ready to shake, shake, shake! The opportunity to fight hunger with our Jewish brothers and sisters is just boxes away. Questions? Contact Marian & Ralph at socialaction@vassartemple.org or 845-849-0025.

#### From the Rabbi's Desk



On the Shabbat immediately preceding Purim, known as Shabbat Zachor (Remember), we read an additional Torah passage from Deuteronomy (26:17-19):

Remember what Amalek did to you on your journey, after you left Egypt—how, undeterred by fear of God, he surprised you on the march, when you were famished and weary, and cut down all the stragglers in your rear. Therefore, when the Eternal your God grants you safety from all your enemies around vou, in the land that the Eternal your God is giving you as a hereditary portion, you shall blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven. Do not forget!

On Purim we fulfill this seemingly contradictory obligation by drowning out the name of Haman, a descendant of Amalek. Once each year, it is guaranteed that good will vanquish evil. Haman is the quintessential anti-Semite and, in trying to convince King Ahasuerus to let him annihilate the Jews, he espouses a classic anti-Semite trope:

With the arrival of the month Adar II on March 8th, our joy increases as we plan for Purim on March 20th (14th Adar II). Students will be learning all about Purim in their classrooms and then religious school families will join Sisterhood in baking Hamantaschen on March 3rd.

On Sunday, March 17th, Vassar Temple will join with our neighboring synagogues and Federation for the annual community Purim Carnival, to take place at Temple Beth El, 118 S. Grand Ave. from 10:00am. - 12:30pm. Our teens will be running one of the booths and there will be live entertainment, games, bounce houses - fun for all ages!

Our celebration of Purim will take place at Vassar Temple on Wednesday,

There is a certain people, scattered and dispersed among the other peoples in all the provinces of your realm, whose laws are different from those of any other people and who do not obey the king's laws; and it is not in Your Majesty's interest to tolerate them. (Esther 3:8)

Through Mordecai's initiative and Esther's heroism, the Jews are saved and actually given permission to wreak vengeance upon their foes. This fantastical story and the topsy-turvy holiday it spawned are an expression of our fervent hope, the ultimate fantasy dream, that we can actually wipe out our enemies — forever!

Purim feels a little bit different this year in the shadows of Pittsburgh and Charlottesville. Neo-Nazi protests and a depraved gunman are just two examples where festering anti-Semitism has been brought from the shadows into the open. Even as anti-Semitic incidents have increased in the past two years, so, too, have we seen charges of anti-Semitism where we have least expected it, such as among the organizers of a march that should have united women across races, religions, and socio-economic classes. Unlike Haman who wore his anti-Semitism proudly, it has become more much difficult to identify anti-Semitism today. Can we partner with individuals or organizations in a common cause if they do not disassociate from someone who preaches anti-Semitism, even if they themselves do not? The challenges become even more complex when it comes to geo-political issues around Israel where questions of anti-Semitism encircle lawmakers in Washington.

Yes, we must be vigilant and call out anti-Semitism whenever and wherever we see it; at the same time, we must be discerning, avoid jumping to conclusions, and careful in judgment. We will have the opportunity to discuss this great challenge during our Community Shabbaton at the end of the month when our scholar-inresidence will be Jane Eisner. As the editor-in-chief of The Forward for the past decade, Eisner has had a unique vantage point on this and other important issues of Jewish life. (See p.3 for more details).

I look forward to putting such concerns aside for our 'Rock n' Roll Purim' as we follow this age old tradition of being silly and irreverent – because we can! In truth, it is a sign of strength. And when we shake our pasta boxes to 'blot out' the name Haman, let us remember that it is not by attacking our enemies that we blot them out; rather, it is by joining hands with all who support the persecuted, who speak up for those who are singled out because 'they are different' and who work together to educate against hate.

Rabbi Renni Altman

#### **Religious School Update**

March 20th beginning with the annual pasta dinner sponsored by the Men's Club followed by the Purim service and Megillah reading at 7:00pm. All (adults and children) are encouraged to come in costume and participate in the annual Costume Parade. Our musical parody theme this year will be the 60s (you are welcome to plan costumes accordingly - of course Purim characters are always welcome, or any kind of costume!).

Hebrew School is cancelled on March 20th to enable families to attend the Purim festivities.

When the holiday of Purim was established, three observances were codified: feasting and merry making in celebration of our people's survival; giving gifts to one another (known

as *Shelach manot*); and giving presents to the poor. While we give tzedakah at all times, it is most appropriate to give tzedakah on this day of celebration and joy. We express our gratitude best for the blessings in our lives by giving to those who are less fortunate. While we collect tzedakah each week in religious school, I would encourage parents to fulfill this mitzvah of giving tzedakah on (or around) Purim and model it for their children by involving them in this act as well. As its tzedakah project for March, Vassar Temple is collecting funds for The Emergency Fund for Jewish Families.

Rabbi Renni Altman

March Worship Services							
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16 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am 10:00am	Torah Study New Paths Service					
20 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm 7:00pm	Purim Pasta Dinner Megillah Reading with Rabbi Altman and Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard					
22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30pm	Shabbat Evening Service with Rabbi Altman and Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard					
23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00am	Torah Study					
29 <sup>th</sup>	7:30pm	Shabbat Evening Service at Temple Shir Chadash (Community Shabbaton)					
30 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	Shabbat Morning Service at Temple Beth El; luncheon to follow (Community Shabbaton)					

#### **New Paths Services**

Join us at the New Paths sabbath morning service, Saturdays, March 2<sup>nd</sup> & March 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the informal 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. We take the time to let the service get through us, rather than getting through the service. Each New Paths service, whether lay led or rabbi led, provides a unique and thoughtful shabbat morning experience. A brief minikiddush follows. For more information, please contact Marian Schwartz mschwa9882@aol.com, Rabbi Altman rabbi@vassartemple.org, or the Temple office 845-454-2570.

#### **Scriptural Readings**

March	2	<b>Shabbat Shekalim</b> <i>Vayakhel</i> Ex. 35:1-36:19; Ex. 30:11-16; II Kings 12:1-17
	9	Pekudei Ex.39:22-40: 38, I Kings 7:51-8:21
	16	<b>Shabbat Zachor</b> <i>Vayikra</i> Lev. 4:27-5:26; Deut. 25:17-19; I Samuel 15:2-34
	23	<i>Tzav</i> Lev. 8:1-36; Jeremiah 7:21-8:3; 9:22-23
	30	<b>Shabbat Parah</b> <i>Sh'mini</i> Lev. 11:1-47; Numbers 19:1 - 19:22, Ezekiel 36:16 - 36:38

# Journalist Jane Eisner at Community Shabbaton: March 29-31

Noted journalist Jane Eisner will be our distinguished, guest speaker at the annual Community Shabbaton, March 29-31, 2019. Eisner will be speaking on the following dates on a variety of current issues of importance to us as members of today's Jewish community:

**Friday, March 29** at Congregation Shir Chadash, 7:30pm sabbath evening service; "*The Relationship between American Jews & Israel*"

**Saturday, March 30** at Temple Beth El, sabbath services that start at 9:30am and at a kiddush lunch to follow, "*Responses to the New Anti-Semitism*"

**Sunday, March 31** at Vassar Temple during a 10:00a.m. brunch, "*A Lifetime As a Journalist*" and Q&A

Everyone in the community is warmly invited to attend any or all of the events of the weekend.

Eisner, truly a pioneer in journalism, served as editor-inchief of the Forward for ten years starting in 2008, the first woman to hold the position at the influential Jewish national news organization. Before joining the Forward, she held executive editorial and news positions at the Philadelphia Inquirer for 25 years. Eisner's editorials have won numerous national and regional awards, she is a frequent commentator on radio and television, and she served for six years as the host of "The Salon," the first-ever women's program produced by The Jewish Channel. Eisner also has deep roots in academia, and is author of the book, *Taking Back the Vote: Getting American Youth Involved in our Democracy*.

The other congregations where the programs will be held are Congregation Shir Chadash, interim location 1168 NY-55, Lagrangeville, and Temple Beth El, 118 S. Grand Ave., Poughkeepsie. Be sure to mark your calendar for this special annual event, and watch for more details to come.

#### VTS Friendship Calendars

Vassar Temple Sisterhood Friendship Calendar Committee is thankful again for your continued support. We were successful in bringing new businesses to help our yearly goal of helping our congregation via our Sisterhood. Please don't forget to mention our calendar when you patronize our supporters. They will be thrilled! Additional advertising is always welcome! Thank you.

#### **New Members**

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

David Steinberg & Katherine Moloney



#### Tot Shabbat: March 9th

**Condolences** 

Rabbi Paul (& Debbie Golomb & fam-

ily) on the passing of his mother, Betty

Linda Babas on the passing of her

To:

Golomb;

husband, Joel Babas.

All in the community are invited

to Vassar Temple's next Tot Shabbat on Saturday, March 9th at 10:30am for singing, a story, healthy snacks, and engaging with other families with young children. Tot Shabbat is a new 30- minute, monthly introductory worship experience specially designed for toddlers and their families, and is led by Rabbi Altman along with our music teacher, Olivia DiIorio, RSVPs appreciated 845-454-2570; Walk-ins are always welcome!

#### **Shabbat Happy Hour:** March 1st

Please join us in the Social Hall for an evening of food, wine and good company hosted by Melissa Erlebacher and Fern Wolf! Non-alcoholic beverages will also be available. Please note that starting in March, Happy Hours return to the 6:00pm time slot, preceding services. Guests are always invited.

#### **Judaica Shoppe**

Looking for a special gift? Look no further...come to the Vassar Temple East Chapel to see our display of unique and beautiful items to enhance your seder table. We will be open on March 31st, April 7th, and April 14th, from 9:30am -11:30am. We will be waiting for you!

> Thank you, Perla Kaufman

#### **Jewish War Veterans Meeting:** March 3rd

The Private Herman Siegel Post 625, Poughkeepsie, Jewish War Veterans of The United States of America, is scheduled to hold their monthly meeting on Sunday, March 3rd at 9:30am (with coffee/cake schmooze at 9:00) at Congregation Schomre Israel, 18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York. If you are Jewish and have served in any branch of the Regular Military, Guard or Reserve, in wartime or peace, you are welcome to come and attend. Non-veterans are also welcome to attend. Ouestions may be directed to Rob Rubin, Presiding Officer at gbee5@optonline.net.



#### **March Bimah Flowers Donations:**

March 1: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund March 8: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund March 15: Donated by Sandra Mamis in memory of Harry Mamis March 22: Donated by Martin Noble in memory of Erica Robbins March 29: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund

Please consider commemorating a special occasion or honoring the memory of a loved one by sponsoring the Sanctuary Flowers. The cost is \$55. Checks should be made payable to Vassar Temple Sisterhood with 'Bimah Flower Fund' in the memo line. For more information call the Temple Office at (845) 454-2570.

#### Vassar Temple Bulletin

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Articles for the April 2019 Bulletin must be submitted by March 1st sent via email to publicity@vassartemple.org. The editors reserve the right to edit articles for style, accuracy and length.

#### LunchBox: March 3rd

Our thanks to Danah Moore and Michele Sinn, our temple teens and their families, and everyone who donated hot dogs, fruit and funds for last month's LunchBox.

On **Sunday, March 3**rd, our Men's Club will be making and serving a hot, nutritious lunch featuring chili to our neighbors in need at LunchBox in the Family Partnership Center in Poughkeepsie between 10:30am-about 1:15pm. We are also asking for donations of:

• one dozen pieces fruit or bananas

• 3 lb. ground beef or ground turkey, browned w/ half cup chopped onion.

Food may be dropped off in the Temple kitchen before hand, any time the building is open. Please label your food donation 'For LunchBox." If you plan to make a food donation, please contact Dave Wolf at DaveWolf@optonline.net or 229-8038. Financial donations to support this project may also be made by a check to Vassar Temple, with 'Community Tzedakah Fund' on the memo line.

#### Men's Club News

As winter is drawing to an end, planning is underway for our temple's Purim dinner and Megillah reading, where Men's Club has traditionally cooked and served at our annual Purim Pasta Dinner, and we need your help.

Purim falls on Wednesday, March 20th. Preparation and cooking begin at 1:00pm and serving is at 6:00pm. Even if you think you are all thumbs in the kitchen, there are plenty of jobs you can do. Extra hands make for easier work. Please try to provide a few hours to help us out, in order to ensure this tradition continues at Vassar Temple. Please respond to Glenn Tanzman at gtr714@yahoo.com.

If you have not yet renewed your Men's Club dues, it is not too late! Dues are \$36 for the year. Please make your check out to 'Vassar Temple Men's Club.' Your dues support a myriad of temple activities throughout the year.

# Tiny Temple Purim Party: March 31st

Please join us for Tiny Temple's *free* Purim Party at Vassar Temple on Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> from 10:30am-11:30am. The tots, along with the Religious School children, will learn about Purim through crafts, story, and song in a relaxed and friendly setting, and a special holiday snack will be served.

Parents, grandparents, families and children ages infant to 5 are warmly invited to join in the fun. Tiny Temple is open to all regardless of temple affiliation, is always free of charge, and is sponsored by Sisterhood.

To assist in our planning, please RSVP to Emma Arnoff and Jas Russo at tinytemple@vassartemple.org. They will also be happy to answer any questions you may have about this wonderful, free, monthly program, and to put you on the Tiny Temple e-mail list. Vassar Temple is a member of the Union for Reform Judaism, and additional information is available at www.vassartemple.org or by calling the Temple Office at 845-454-2570.

Please come in costume!!

# Make Your Shekel Count March Tzedakah: Emergency Fund for Jewish Families

Traditionally, on behalf of one's self and one's children, just before Purim a Jew gave three coins to those in need. This was done in remembrance of the half shekel that was donated at the temple in ancient times. As Purim approaches, in the spirit of this tradition, we invite you to donate your 'half shekel' to the Emergency Fund for Jewish Families. This Fund constitutes a last resort lifeline for local Jewish families who have absolutely no where else to turn when they are unable to pay for rent, utilities, medicine, job search expenses, or other necessities in times of temporary financial hardship. Recipients are often desperately struggling with long term illness or unemployment and are not expected to repay the grant they receive from this fund.

The Emergency Fund was established by Jewish Family Services of Dutchess County and depends solely on public donations made specifically to this fund. Money collected in our tzedakah box during March will benefit the Emergency Fund, or you can make a donation by check made out to Vassar Temple with 'Emergency Fund' on the memo line. Many choose to donate \$18 'Chai.' Donations of any amount, great or small, are all welcomed and very much appreciated. For further information about the Fund, or for information on how to apply for assistance, contact Jewish Federation at director@jewishdutchess.org or socialaction@vassartemple.org. We also have brochures available in the Temple.

#### **Study Groups**

All are invited to come, learn and join in the lively discussions at both classes--no previous training required! No charge to attend.

*Torah Study:* with the Temple's Rabbi Renni Altman, examines passages from the week's torah portion or haftorah; 9:00am every Saturday except 3/30; Questions? rabbi@vassartemple.org or 845 454-2570.

The Talmud: Modern Ideas from an Ancient Text: taught by Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb, once a month at noon, generally on the third Thursday. For this month's schedule, or for questions, please contact Rabbi Golomb at pjgolomb@verizon.net or call the Temple office 845-454-2570.

#### **HEROES AMONG US: Values at the Core**

To provide me with background for this month's article, my featured Hero shared a copy of the High Holy Day remarks she delivered to the congregation in 2013. In all the best ways, those remarks could be sub-titled, "How to Engage with Vassar Temple in a Meaningful Way." Indeed, the steady involvement our Hero has pursued with the Temple and the community for decades is a text-book example! I am talking about the mercifully omnipresent, Susan Karnes Hecht!

Thirty years ago, Susan and her husband, David, were seeking a congregation they might join to meet people and engage with the community. Rabbi Arnold's beautiful naming ceremony for Susan and David's first child, even though they hadn't yet joined the Temple, sealed their happy fate, and they have been "hooked" on the Temple ever since.

As their family grew up, Susan assumed various roles at the Temple that paralleled their progressive involvements – Cradle Roll, Community Hebrew School Board, family dinner organizer, Hamantaschen Baking Day organizer, Youth Group Liaison – and then after the kids were up and out, Torah study, adult B'nai Mitzvah, Sisterhood, Social Action, Temple publicity, Reyut, and increasing responsibilities on the Temple Board, ultimately now serving as First Vice President. Lucky for VT, Susan is blessed with uncommon energy!

The core Jewish values that drive Susan's commitment to the Temple also drive her simi-

larly meaningful ties to the wider community. Whether it is the Citizens' Climate Lobby focused on carbon reduction legislation, the Town of Poughkeepsie Conservation Advisory Commission and Climate Smart Task Force, or her 32-year career working with hundreds of special needs children through St. Francis Hospital (now MidHudson Regional), Susan's life is one of great impact and care for her community. Oh, and did I mention that her family is now planning two weddings (Samantha in 2019 and Max in 2020)? If ever there was a Hero Among Us, it is Susan Karnes Hecht. Susan, we value you to our core, a core that is stronger because of you! Thank you for all you do.

Jennifer Sachs Dahnert

#### Adult Ed. with Rabbi Altman, DD

"Reform Judaism: Why We Do What We Do"

Three Thursdays, 7:30pm-9:00pm March 14 & 21, April 11

This March marks the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of Rabbi Isaac Meyer Wise, the founder of Reform Judaism. Along with many other Reform congregations, we will mark this occasion through study, tracing the development of the movement known as Reform Judaism that Wise initiated in the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Rabbi Altman will lead this 3-part se-

ries whose primary focus will be an exploration of the movement's platforms and its prayer books. Each, in different ways, serves as a reflection of how Reform Judaism was practiced in its time and will provide the background to understanding how the movement got to where it is today and why we "do what we do." All are welcome and there is no charge to attend.

### Spring Rummage Sale Is Coming: April 7th



Start cleaning those closets of gently used items and packing your bric-a-brac; the Rummage Sale is coming very soon! We start collecting rummage items as of Sunday, March 31st. All Rummage must be brought to the lounge on Sunday, and after that to the social hall. No rummage will be accepted after April 5th Two evenings will be available for rummage drop-off: Wednesday, April 3rd and Thursday, April 4th from 6:00-8:00 pm.

When you bring your items to the social hall, please make sure you place items on the left side of the room and

keep the area in front of the stage clear, as well as the rest of the building! The sale on April 7<sup>th</sup> runs from 9:30am to 12:30pm; the bag sale starts at 2:00pm and ends at 5:00pm.

For questions or further information, you may contact rummage@vassartemple.org, or the Vassar Temple office at 845-454-2570. Volunteers are always welcome and needed!!

\*Please note: We <u>CANNOT</u> accept textbooks, old TVs or old computers, or heavily damaged goods. For large items, please contact us before you bring them!

# **YAHRZEITS**

#### MARCH 1

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#### MARCH 8

Louis D. Dampf Sidney Greenman Rose Landau Gilbert Feinman Geraldine N. Leeds Howard Perry Rae Jacobs Rauh Brown Miriam Genshaft Tessie Turk Ruth Parry Morris Lessin Gertrude M. Plimack A. Alfred Podell, MD Bee Plimack

Ralph Partridge

#### MARCH 15

Simon Reichman, MD Morris Abraskin Silvia Domes Meyer Harold Bagun Louis Shub (Shoob), MD Kaye Roth Lewis Acker Anna Frankel Howard Smith Ethel Graves Bettina DelVescovo Belle Weiss Fred Lehman Reuben Temlock Sara Leslie Goldman Fite Joseph Feuer Meyer A. Wolfson Judith Newman Esther Temlock Leonard Nectow Lillian Schwarz Lena Baskin

#### MARCH 22

Victor Fein Ann R. Margolin Bruce Weber Pearl Bettigole Goldberg Eli Gellert Sol G. Lipschutz Sarah Singer Gary Feder Michael Feder Gary Schischa Erwin Schischa Claire Sherwin Gwendolyn Harlam Ruth Kovacs Rita Chuney Mae Miller Klampert Sarah Benton Childs Annemarie Teutsch

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Charles Frankel Martin Lowenthal Harold Rosen David Jordan

Lee Rosenthal

#### MARCH 29

Samuel Karnes Isaac Mendel Harvey Kaflowitz William M. Rothstein Erica Robbins Chris Brown Patricia Adler Esta Feder Ann Solomon Howard Judd Zoey Rachel Gillman Rose Baum Kraut Pearl Teperman Martin Turk Cora Frances Solomon Dorothy Esner Hil Cutler Morris Domes Jeanette Ada Cohen

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