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A TASTE OF VASSAR TEMPLE
(formerly the Movable Feast)

June 13-14
July 11-12

Meals will range from intimate adult gatherings to casual get-togethers appropriate for families. Watch for your invitation in early May and join us for this popular event!

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Annual Spring Donor Dinner

Learn It. Grow It. Eat It.

Did you know you can grow fresh organic vegetables right outside your kitchen door or on your patio? Learn some basics of vegetable gardening and how to grow your own salad! A Master Gardener Volunteer from Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County will share tips to get you started.

Tuesday, May 5, 2020
Hors D'Oeuvres 6:00pm
Dinner 7:00pm

Sisterhood Members
\$40 Donor
\$60 Honor Donor
\$75 Patron Donor
\$45 Non-Members/Guests

RSVP by April 28 to Roni Stein at roniagt99@aol.com
or 845-223-5804

Checks may be sent to Vassar Temple Sisterhood
140 Hooker Avenue, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Spring Bargain Basement Sale – April 19

Start cleaning those closets of gently used items and packing your bric-a-brac; the Bargain Basement Sale is April 19. We start collecting items as of Monday, April 13. If you can unpack what you bring, we would greatly appreciate it.

All items must be brought to the social hall.

No items will be accepted after Friday, April 17.

Two evenings will be available for item drop-off: Wednesday, April 15 and Thursday, April 16 from 6:00-8:00pm.

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 19 runs from 9:30am to 12:30pm; the bag sale starts at 2:00pm and ends at 5:00pm.

Volunteers are always welcome and needed!! To volunteer or for questions or further information, you may contact bargainbasement@vassar-temple.org or the Vassar Temple office.

***Please note:** We CANNOT accept textbooks, old TVs or old computers/monitors, or heavily damaged goods. Clothing must be stain free and in saleable condition (no used underwear). No stuffed animals please.

From the Rabbi's Desk



In a little over a week, Jews all over the world will gather around their Seder tables with family and friends to retell the story of the Exodus, dip their parsley (or lettuce) into salt water, listen to the youngest ask the four questions and take part in a variety of family traditions. If your family is like mine, there is often heated discussion (even if we all agree), the sharing of memories and more food than any group of people could possibly eat!

But it's neither the brisket nor the chicken soup, the *maror* nor the *haroset*, that makes the holiday complete. No, the one absolute requirement for the seder, without which it is simply not a seder, is the matzah. There, in the middle of the table, surrounded by our best china and gastronomic delights is this simple flat bread, called *lechem oni*, "the poor person's bread," that is at the core of this holiday.

We eat matzah to remember the hurried flight of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and how they had

to pack up the dough before it could rise. Many people may not be as familiar with the biblical passage regarding their last night in Egypt and how they ate the roasted lamb "together with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs." (Exodus 12:8) This seeming contradiction is explained by the fact that, at one point in time, there were two separate holidays that ultimately merged into one: *Hag HaMatzot* (Feast of Unleavened Bread), celebrating the beginning of the harvest of new grain; and *Hag HaPesach* (Feast of the Paschal offering) celebrating the exodus from Egypt. Thus, matzah was part of the slavery experience even as it also came to symbolize the Israelites' journey to freedom.

In the course of the seder our simple flatbread is transformed from the bread of affliction to the bread of our freedom. Yet, even as it celebrates freedom, it remains simple, unleavened. Matzah is flour and water whose preparation is timed so carefully that it is not allowed to rise; leavening, that which enables flour to rise into bread, is prohibited during Passover. Eating matzah serves to humble us, reminding us of our roots as slaves, thereby cautioning us against the arrogance that might otherwise puff us up as we glory in our freedom. So, too, does it call upon us to be sensitive to and care for

those who rely on *lechem oni* each and every day.

No doubt this bulletin will arrive when I am in the midst of my Pesach cleaning about which, I admit, I tend to go overboard – cleaning the kitchen thoroughly, changing over dishes and pots to those reserved especially for Pesach, and setting up all of the special Pesach foods. I have come to appreciate this exhausting preparation as part of my spiritual cleansing for this holiday of freedom, making sure that my home and my soul are as free of *hametz* as possible. Once I've gotten rid of all *hametz* to the best of my ability, I recite the following meditation: "Adonai, our God and God of our ancestors, just as I have removed all *hametz* from my home and from my ownership, so may it be Your will that I merit the removal of the evil inclination from my heart." (Michael Strassfeld, *The Jewish Holidays*). May this be the blessing for all of us.

Rick joins me in wishing everyone a joyous Passover. We are so pleased about the renewal of my contract and look forward to the years ahead to deepen our relationships with you and our roots in the Hudson Valley.

Rabbi Renni Altman

President's Message: Social Justice – A Two Committee Approach

Hello everyone, with spring weather in the air as we move forward to a new season, I have the opportunity to share exciting news about Social Justice activities at Vassar Temple. As you know for many years, we have had a productive Social Action Committee and will continue to do so under the leadership of Marian Schwartz. With Marian's support we shaped the Social Action Committees activities around the immediate project work that produces fast results for the community (examples below).

With Marian and Howard's assistance, along with current information about national movements from Rabbi Altman, we set in motion the concept of a newly formed committee, approved by the board, called "Civic Engagement." Under the Civic Engagement Committee that Howard Susser is leading, the work will focus on influencing change through more of an evolutionary process, where

the results of their engagement will come to fruition over time (see activities below).

Both committees will nest under the concept of Social Justice and will provide for more volunteer opportunities in specific areas of focus. There will also be some crossover work which makes perfect sense. If you are interested in getting involved with the activities listed below under each committee please reach out to Marian or Howard to join. Below is just a snapshot and does not include everything each committee has to offer.

Thank you,
Alan Kaflowitz

School Supplies
Social Action Coalition
Dutchess Outreach

- Talking Books
Crop Walk

Howard Susser, Chairperson, Civic Engagement Committee

- Letter writing and phone solicitation
Community Organizing
House Meetings
RAC NY
Immigration and Refugees
HIAS
Grant Applications
Voting supports
- URJ Webinars
Marches/ Organizing groups
Arranging Guest Speakers
Attending to and influencing/
educating social justice and public policy issues
Educating the congregation on issues
Push for Legislative change

April Worship Service Schedule

3	7:30pm	Shabbat Service with Rabbi Altman & Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard
4	9:00am 10:15am	Torah Study New Paths Service
10	7:30pm	Shabbat Service with Cantor Goldmann & Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard
11	9:00am	No Torah Study
15	10:00am	Passover Yizkor Service with Rabbi Altman
17	7:30pm	Shabbat Service with Rabbi Altman & Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard
18	9:00am 10:15am	Torah Study New Paths Service
24	7:30pm	Sisterhood Generations Shabbat Service with Rabbi Altman, Cantor Goldmann & Joseph Bertolozzi, keyboard
25	9:00am 10:30am	Torah Study Healing Service with Rabbi Altman & Cantor Goldmann

New Paths Service

Join us at the New Paths sabbath morning service Saturdays April 4 & April 18 at 10:15am 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 mini-kiddush follows. For more information, please contact Marian Schwartz mschwa9882@aol.com, Rabbi Altman rabbi@vassartemple.org, or the temple office 845-454-2570.

Community Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Monday, April 20 6:30pm
The James and Betty Hall Theatre
Dutchess Community College

Mihai Grunfeld, author and Associate Professor at Vassar College, will speak on "Recovering Our Stories: A Second Generation Perspective." Himself a child of survivors, he has recently organized a local Second Generation Discussion Group for children of Holocaust survivors.

Scriptural Readings

April	4	<i>Tzav</i> Lev. 6:1-8:36; Malachi 3:4-24
	11	<i>Chol HaMoeid Pesach</i> Ex. 33:12-34:26; Ezekiel 37:1-14, Song of Songs is read
	18	<i>Sh'mini</i> Lev. 9:1-11:47; Ezekiel 36:22-36
	25	<i>Tazria/M'tzora</i> Lev. 12:1-15:33; II Kings 7:3-20 or Isaiah 66:1-13, 23

Healing Service April 25

A Healing Service led by Rabbi Altman and Cantor Elizabeth Goldmann will be held Saturday April 25 from 10:30am -- noon. This beautiful service is designed for anyone praying for healing of the body, soul and spirit for themselves or others, for caregivers, and for anyone in need of spiritual strength. The service will be held in the round, and will include prayers, reflections and songs that focus on healing and on Shabbat. There will also be a Torah reading. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend. Please feel free to contact Rabbi Altman with any questions at rabbi@vassartemple.org or 845-454-2570.

Pesach Festival and Yizkor Service Wednesday, April 15

Celebrate the last day of Pesach at our Festival morning service on Wednesday, April 15 at 10am. This will be an informal service in the East Chapel complete with the Festival Torah reading (celebrating the moment of redemption with *Shirat Hayam* at the crossing at the Sea of Reeds) and *Yizkor* (memorial service). At these seasons of joy, we pause to remember our loved ones; no doubt, we will have felt their absence around the seder table. It can be comforting to remember one's loved ones in the context of community.

Jewish War Veterans Meeting: April 5

The Private Herman Siegel Post 625, Poughkeepsie, Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, will be holding its monthly post meeting at Congregation Schomre Israel, 18 Park Avenue, Poughkeepsie at 9:30am on April 5, 2020. All persons of the Jewish faith are cordially invited to attend and participate. At each meeting we host an informal coffee and cake schmooze at 9:00am. Because the congregation is strictly kosher no food or drink may be brought into the facility. Follow our posts on Facebook. *"We have your six."*



Condolences

Alfred Schneider - father of Edward (Sheila) Schneider, grandfather of Betsy Poole DiSalvo (Tim) and great grandfather of Jack & Leah Poole-DiSalvo

Allen Fink - husband of Susan Budson-Fink

Lila Matlin, beloved longtime VT member, mother to Barbara, Elizabeth and Susan and spouses and many grandchildren and great grandchildren;

Gertrude Silverman, mother of Linda Cantor

Brotherhood News

A brief reminder that going forward we will be known by the more commonly used reference of the Brotherhood. Since our companion group is known as Sisterhood, it is consistent that our group should be known as the Brotherhood. We have changed our email address to brotherhood@vassartemple.org.

While the name has changed, we will continue to support the Temple as we have before. We also hope to expand events for our membership like the recent January's football afternoon at Buffalo Wild Wings. Those who attended had a great afternoon of friendship, camaraderie, and football.

Just a quick reminder, our next event is the Sisterhood Shabbat when we provide the greeters for the service and the Oneg that follows. The date is Friday, April 24, 2020 at 7:30pm. If you can help serving or greeting that evening, please contact me at gtr714@yahoo.com or brotherhood@vassartemple.org.

Glenn Tanzman

Bimah Flowers Donations



- April 3: Donated by Gail D'Alessio in memory of Bob DiBennardo
- April 10: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund
- April 17: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund
- April 24: Donated by Kurt & Lisa-Sue Quackenbush in honor of their Anniversary

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 845-454-2570.

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Tikkun Olam Repair the World!

End Hungry Summers—Cereal Counts!

In homes where financial resources are limited, simple items like cereal can be hard to afford. Hunger does not take a vacation, especially for those children and teens who are not able to attend free breakfast and lunch programs when school is out. This is when Cereal Counts! Join in this very special boxed cereal drive that has become an annual tradition! Just bring a package of cereal to the Hudson Valley Community Center (former JCC) any date, day or night, between April 13 - morning of May 3, or to the collection box in the temple between April 17 - May 1. You may still donate cereal at the breakfast at Mitzvah Day headquarters (Congregation Schomre Israel) the morning of Mitzvah Day, May 3. And maybe there is somewhere you could conduct a mini drive to collect some cereal-- your club, office, team, gym, school, community center. The donated cereal will be packed up (you can volunteer!) and distributed to food pantries to alleviate summer hunger throughout the County. Together we can fight summer hunger--every box of Cereal Counts! For more information, or helpful ideas on how to start a mini drive, please contact Marian Schwartz socialaction@vassartemple.org or 845-849-0025.

Sisterhood Generations Shabbat Service and Dinner

Be sure to come to Temple for services at 7:30pm on April 24 when we will both honor long-time members of our Temple and celebrate the contributions of our Sisterhood. Members of Sisterhood will lead the service, during which everyone who has been a member of the congregation for 40 or more years will be recognized.

We invite everyone to join us for a delicious family Shabbat dinner at 6 pm prior to the Sisterhood/Generations Shabbat service. Rather than charge a set amount for the dinner, donations for the cost of the meal are greatly appreciated.

It is important that we know how much food to prepare, so we ask that you please RSVP for the dinner by April 21 to Susan Colodner at sacolodner@gmail.com or 845-896-9502. Those who are being recognized as a "Generations Member" are invited to be our guests at the dinner, but we ask that you let us know that you're coming.

What is the Mitzvah Day Birthday Bag Project?

Let's provide birthday parties for local children in need who otherwise would have none--a tote bag filled with birthday cake fixings, a special toy and book reflecting the child's interests, perhaps a party decoration, and a gift card. Choose from many ways to help:

Bring boxed cake mix, canned icing, boxed birthday candles, birthday decor to the donation box in our temple **between April 16 – April 30.**

Kids & teens, adults & preschoolers, register at www.jewish-dutchess.org to help sort all the birthday fixings, decorate and stuff bags, make birthday cards on Mitzvah Day, Sunday May 3. Donate \$36 to sponsor a bag or adopt a child's bag to shop for.*

*For information on sponsoring or adopting a bag, or if you have any questions, please contact Jas Russo jasmainerusso@gmail.com 845-476-4261. This project benefits children of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Poughkeepsie.

Mitzvah Day Registration Opens April 2

Hudson Valley Mitzvah Day, when the local Jewish community joins together to do a day of service projects, will be held Sunday, May 3, rain or shine. Starting April 2, look on line at www.jewish-dutchess.org for complete info along with links to register for projects, free breakfast and free lunch. This info is also available in the centerfold of the April *Voice*. You'll find community service projects for everyone from tots to seniors, located at sites in Poughkeepsie and other Hudson Valley locales. **REGISTER BY APRIL 15 TO QUALIFY FOR GIFT CARD RAFFLE!** Come with family, come with friends, come on your own. Free kick-off bagel breakfast starts at 9am at Mitzvah Day HQ (Congregation Schomre Israel) -- come eat, celebrate, meet your project captain, get any driving directions, late registration for walk-ins. Then it's off to do your mitzvah. Lunch will be provided for volunteers at HQ from 11am-1pm and at some other project sites. Parents may also pre-register to bring their children age 3-8 to the PJ Library Drop Off Zone, and then go off to do their own project. Mitzvah Day is generously underwritten by a grant from the Ann and Abe Effron Fund and sponsored by Jewish Federations in the Hudson Valley. Questions? E-mail socialaction@vassartemple.org or call the local Federation 845-471-9811.

Sisterhood

Rummage Sale, has a new name. It will now be known as Bargain Basement, still under the very capable leadership of Ronni Jarvis and Ann Lerman, with Roni Stein and me lending a hand. As you all know, with any large project just as this, we cannot do it alone. We hope that each of you can spare one hour or two during our set up week April 13 - 17, or on sale day, April 19. Show us your talent for spotting special treasures, knowing your designers, having a flair for arranging items in an eye-catching manner, unpacking the many bags of items we receive, or sitting at the checkout table collecting money...WE KNOW WE CAN FIND THE RIGHT JOB FOR YOU! Watch your email for a flyer with additional information. Let's make this the best sale yet.

Our Sisterhood Generations Shabbat is scheduled for April 24. Come celebrate this day of peace and rest by participating in the service led by our Sisterhood membership. As the collective voice and strength of Sisterhood, I hope each of you will contact me for an assigned part.

Wishing everyone a happy and sweet Passover.

Without you, we are one woman short!

Marcia Tanzman

Religious School Update

March ended with a wonderful Passover program led by PJ library that included families and children of all ages, pre-K through our fifth graders. It focused on one of the main themes of Passover: the experience of leaving Egypt, of leaving one's home for a new land and what that feels like for immigrants today.

We will soon be celebrating Passover in our homes. The Passover Seder was designed by the rabbis two thousand years ago precisely to teach our children the story of the exodus. The different elements of the seder are there to pique children's interest and questions: dipping foods, not once, but twice; reclining at the table; fun songs – *Had Gadya* (An only kid), *Ehad Mi Yodeah* (Who knows one?) – and newer ones they learn at Vassar Temple -- keep the children involved and awake. Of course, prime among those attention getting activities is the search for the afikomen.

Teaching about Passover begins way before the Seder, however. Engaging your children in the cooking, cleaning and preparations is a great way for them to learn more about this important holiday – and about what it means for your family. You can find helpful suggestions and different ideas to make your seder fun and engage your children at <https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/passover-pesach>.

Coconut Macaroons

1 14 oz. bag flaked sweetened coconut (about 5 cups)
1 14 oz. can sweetened condensed milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
Mix ingredients together in a large bowl.

Using a small cookie scoop, scoop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto well-greased cookie sheets or parchment paper.

Bake 10-15 minutes until lightly golden brown on bottom.

Let macaroons sit on cookie sheets for 5 minutes before removing them to cooling racks to continue cooling.

Courtesy of Lisa-Sue Quackenbush



Story Circle April 1 at The Bayit

The Dutchess County Interfaith Council sponsors Story Circles, where we can all share stories from our own faith community or from our own personal experiences. The next Story Circle will be hosted Wed. April 1 at The Bayit (Vassar College Jewish student house), 51 Collegeview Ave., Poughkeepsie. The theme for the evening's stories will be "Holy Fool," and refreshments will be served. All are warmly invited to come and listen, or maybe even tell a story! Details at Dutchesscountyinterfaith.org

Study Groups at Vassar Temple

"**Torah Study**", which examines passages from the week's torah portion or haftarah, will be led by the Temple's Rabbi Renni S. Altman, D.D., 9-10am every Saturday.

"**The Talmud: Modern Ideas from an Ancient Text**", a monthly class taught by Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb, will be held Thursday April 16 from noon to 1:30. Please call to confirm date.

All are welcome to come and join in all the classes--no previous training required! No charge to attend. Questions? Rabbi Altman: rabbi@vassartemple.org; Rabbi Golomb: pjgolomb@verizon.net; Office 845-454-2570.

HEROES AMONG US: Who is That Couple I See Every Time I Go to the Temple?

This year marks 18 years since this month's Heroes Among Us moved to the Hudson Valley, a fitting milestone as they truly bring so much life to our community. Indeed, they are now the dynamic duo who, between them, head up the pillar organizations within the Temple – the Men's Club (or the "Brotherhood" as it has become known) and the Sisterhood. In the five years they have belonged to Vassar Temple, Marcia and Glenn Tanzman have held more positions than my word limit can list in this article, and in doing that, have brought remarkable energy and spirit to our Congregation. They don't do it for recognition, but with some persistence on my part, this couple, who I see practically every time I go to the Temple, agreed to be my featured Heroes!

Initially lured to the Hudson Valley by a professional move for Glenn, they jumped into their lives here with both feet and then some. Marcia, a nurse by training, took a position as the school nurse at Millbrook High School and held it for more than 16 years. Glenn, who eventually went into business for himself, now serves as the Commander of American Legion Post 1302 and on the Board of Directors of two manufacturing professional as-

sociations. They do all of this while maintaining close relationships with the forty-one members of Marcia's extended family who live reasonably close to Poughkeepsie, babysitting one day a week for two of their three grandchildren, and oh yeah – all of those Temple activities.

Through it all, they insist that they are happy being "workers," gratified by the fulfillment they receive through giving of themselves as they do. To hear them describe the experience of seeing the men of the Temple arm-in-arm on the Bimah at the recent Men's Club Shabbat, that gratification is palpable. Marcia and Glenn, you have clearly flourished through your involvement with Vassar Temple, but really, the Temple is flourishing because of **your** dedication. Thank you for all that you do.

Jennifer Sachs Dahmert

Open Your Hearts and Homes to Fight Anti-Semitism

Vassar Temple is proud to be one of 200+ community partners for the 2 for Seder Project to combat anti-Semitism—and you still have time to participate!

To get started, just sign up online at www.2forseder.org or through the @2ForSeder Facebook page. You will receive a downloadable host kit, which includes an intro for your guests, the Four Questions in five languages, a set of discussion questions, and a background piece describing the goals of the movement. Then reach out to your extended circles and invite two people who have never attended a Seder to join yours. It's that simple. There is no cost to participate, and we encourage you to make this a new part of your Seder traditions!

Hamantaschen Baking Day Was Another Big Success!

After several years of having our earlier hamantaschen baking day either snowed out or with an iffy weather forecast, it was very nice to not have to worry about that this year.

The temple was buzzing with activity on February 23 with so much going on in the kitchen and social hall. It took the efforts of a lot of people to make as many delicious hamantaschen as we did in only four hours! There were people in the kitchen rolling and cutting out dough while others were filling and folding them into hamantaschen so they could be baked in our ovens. Out in the social hall others were making packages

to send to our college students, plates for delivery as outreach and, of course, to serve after our Megillah reading and Purim Spiel. Our *madrachim* Aaron, Alex, Hayley, Jordy, Lana and Max and our Sunday School students are also very talented bakers and terrific at making hamantaschen!

Thank you to the many people whose efforts helped make this year's hamantaschen baking go as well as it did: Susan Avery, Jill Auerbach, Cathy Bokor, Laura Brundage, Andi Ciminello, Elena Collins, Sandra Cornell, Jen Dahmert, Melissa Erlebacher, Maxine Finkelshtein, Eve Gendron, Susan Karnes Hecht, Perla Kaufman, Marilyn Lampell, Keegan Lane, Ann Lerman, Polly Lewis, Rosemary Lewis, Amy

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Judy Rosenfeld

*Sisterhood Hamantaschen
Baking Day Chair*

YAHRZEITS

APRIL 3

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4:30pm Hebrew School 7pm Adult Education	2 10am Senior Exercise Program (SEP) 7pm Ritual Committee meeting	3 6pm Happy Hour 7:30pm Shabbat Services	4 9am Torah Study 10:15am New Paths
5 No Religious School 10:30am Lunch Box No post-B'nei Mitzvah Program	6	7 10am SEP	8 Erev Pesach No Hebrew School 6pm Seder	9 Pesach Office Closed	10 Pesach 7:30 Shabbat Services with Cantor Goldmann	11 Pesach No Torah Study (cancelled)
12 Pesach Bargain Basement Sale Setup No Religious School 12pm Post B'nei Mitzvah program	13 Pesach 10am Bargain Basement Sale Drop Off	14 Pesach 10am Bargain Basement Sale Drop Off 10am SEP	15 Pesach office Closed 10am Yizkor Service No Hebrew School 6pm B. B.. Drop off 7pm Finance Committee	16 Pesach 10am B.B. Sale Drop Off 10am SEP 12pm Talmud Study with Rabbi Golomb 2pm VTS Book Club 6pm B.B. Sale Drop Off	17 10am B.B. Sale Drop Off 7:30pm Shabbat Service	18 9am Torah Study 10:15am New Paths
19 Bargain Basement Sale 9am Religious School 9:30am R/S Cmte Meeting 12pm Post B'nei Mitzvah Program	20 6pm (Tentative) Yom Ha'shoah Community observance	21 10am SEP	22 4:30pm Hebrew School	23 10am SEP 6:30pm Shelter Meal 7pm Board Meeting	24 6pm Generations Shabbat Dinner 7:30pm Sisterhood Generations Shabbat Service with Cantor Goldmann	25 9am Torah Study 10:30am Healing Service with Cantor Goldmann
26 Golden Gelt Drawing 9am Religious School 12pm Post B'nei Mitzvah Program	27	28 10am SEP	29 4:30pm Hebrew School	30 10am SEP		