



Vassar Temple

Where You Belong

Congregation Brethren of Israel, Founded 1848—Bulletin Volume 170 No. 10 May 2022

Friday, May 6 ~ 7:30pm

Special Guest: Jude Roberts

Jude Roberts, local singer and songwriter, and son of Gail D'Alessio, will share his experiences as one of four songwriters who were part of a unique effort of the Sage Arts Project where they were each paired with a Holocaust survivor and wrote an original song that captured their experience.

A PBS documentary about this project, *"We Remember: Songs of Survivors"* premiered on April 26 and is streaming on [PBS.org](https://www.pbs.org). Jude will talk about this powerful project and his work with the survivor and will then perform their song. The service will be hybrid and Zoom links will be posted in the weekly newsletter.



SAVE THE DATES BELOW:

⇒ **Vassar Temple Sisterhood Chai Noon**

*Wednesday, May 18 at 12pm ~ further information TBD
so watch your temple email for details (see you there!)*

⇒ **The return of the Flexible Feast!**

Gathering in Gratitude, June 2022

*Small, safe home gatherings...a variety of menus,
dates, hosts...something for everyone!*

Watch your snail mail in early May for the invitation.

All are welcome to dine—invite a friend!

All proceeds benefit Vassar Temple!



KEEP AN EYE OUT: 10 Photos from the Vassar Temple Family Passover Program are on display throughout this issue!



From the Rabbi's Desk:

We are in the midst of *Sephirat HaOmer* when we count the days between Passover and Shavuot. This counting tradition heightens our awareness of the passage of time as we mark each day that passes in anticipation of the moment of revelation. Marking the passage of time is not limited to traditions such as *Sephirat HaOmer*, however; it seems to be built into our psyche. Beyond celebrating birthdays and anniversaries annually, we tend to call special attention to "milestone" years.

It is not only individuals who celebrate milestone anniversaries; institutions and nations do as well. This year we are marking two significant milestone anniversaries that literally changed the course of Jewish history: the 100th anniversary of the first Bat Mitzvah and the 50th anniversary of the first woman to be ordained by a seminary.

Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, the father of Reconstructionist Judaism, decided that his daughters should not be excluded from the privilege of bar mitzvah. Thus, on March 18, 1922, his eldest daughter, Judith, read Torah publicly at services. While she didn't read from a scroll or even ascend the bema, she did chant from a *chumash* in front of the congregation. By the 1950s, Bat Mitzvah had taken hold in liberal congregations, though the nature of that experience varied across the denominations. Today girls and boys are treated equally in this coming-of-age rite in all but Orthodox synagogues (and in the more liberal end of Orthodoxy, new opportunities are being created for girls).

Fifty years after Judith Kaplan became a Bat Mitzvah, Sally Priesand became the first woman ordained by a seminary. For nearly two thousand years, women were

not allowed to be full participants in Jewish life. Limited to presiding over the home, with rare exception, women were closed off from the true places of power and leadership in the Jewish community: study and prayer.

When Judith Kaplan became Bat Mitzvah, she opened the doorway to Torah for women. When Sally Priesand was ordained by HUC-JIR, she opened the doorway to professional Jewish leadership for women. Thanks to their courage and that of other trailblazers, women have sought to reclaim their voices within Jewish tradition: reading our stories back into sacred texts; creating new rituals, such as welcoming our daughters into the covenant; reclaiming our heritage and language through study and adult Bat Mitzvah; reshaping the language of prayer to be more inclusive; assuming positions of leadership in the congregation at large, in addition to that of Sisterhood.

The dramatic changes that have taken place over the past 100 years are truly astounding. In liberal Judaism today it is unthinkable that girls should be treated any differently from boys. And since Sally Priesand was ordained, more than 1,500 women have been ordained across the Jewish world, including at a liberal Orthodox seminary. To be sure, the rabbinate is not so different from other professions in terms of advancement for women, wage gap and other forms of discrimination; there are mountains yet to climb, but there is so much to celebrate as we approach this milestone on June 3.

It is so exciting that we will have the opportunity to celebrate with and learn from Rabbi Priesand herself at the 2022 Fannie and Doris Berlin Lecture on Sunday, May 15. I hope that women AND men will attend. Participation in the adult education series leading up to her talk is absolutely NOT a pre-requisite! You are sure to be inspired by this remarkable woman, who simply wanted to be a rabbi and had the courage and determination to pursue her passion – and changed the course of Jewish history. (See page 10 for more details.)

Rabbi Renni Altman



President's Message

The New Vassar Temple Endowment: If Not Now, When?

At its March meeting, our Board formally established a new Vassar Temple Endowment. Simultaneously, it established a new Endowment

Committee which will be chaired by Martin Charwat, a long-time member who—among many other roles—served as congregational president. Martin's enthusiastic partner in this new initiative is Lou Lewis, also a long-time member with a great deal of fundraising experience. I interviewed Martin to capture essential information about this work.

What is the new endowment?

Our mission is to promote fundraising goals to members, and others, to achieve short- and long-term financial stability by the creation of a reserve fund for such purposes as the Board may direct. The endowment differs from fundraising, which manages one-time and cyclical events to support our current budget. It isn't a discrete event or temporary campaign; it is a permanent, sustained effort which begins with educating our members about its importance to our future. The fund will be invested, with the income managed carefully to support operations, including the opportunity to assist members who have difficulty paying dues in a way that retains their dignity.

Why is it important?

Vassar Temple has been a spiritual home for Reform Jews in the Hudson Valley for nearly 175 years. It has nourished generations of residents for whom Judaism was important or essential in their lives. As we look forward to what lies in store for Jewish life in America and our community, we should ask ourselves: "What if our founders had decided that they had more important things to do with their time and money?

What if those who followed them had not supported the Temple and made it a home for themselves, their families, and us?" It is up to us to rise to the challenge and build on this legacy. If not us, who?

When will the campaign start?

We'll begin one-on-one conversations this spring. We've been planning for some time, but our desire to speak with potential donors face-to-face was stymied by the pandemic. We've also decided that the Temple's approaching 175th anniversary celebration could not be a more perfect time for this effort.

How will it be structured?

We'll suggest giving levels honoring the 175th anniversary. Of course, donations of other amounts will be welcome. We hope that everyone will support this effort at whatever level they are able. Pledges will occur over a five-year period. The fund will be invested in accordance with the Temple's new Investment Policy for long-term growth, but kept separate from existing monies in order to track financial milestones that will allow proceeds to be used.

What else is important to know?

The Committee and Temple leadership recognize that we make multiple asks of our members, and that they need the opportunity to consider a range of giving opportunities in order to decide what is the best fit. We also support efforts to extend fundraising to new avenues outside of the membership.

We are infinitely grateful for Martin, Lou, and the Committee's willingness to take on this crucially important endeavor. Thank you to all of them for saying "Hineni", "Here I am."

Susan Karnes Hecht



Religious School Update

As our school year comes to a close, the children are focusing their studies of their final unit in the ShalomLearning curriculum on that all-important value of *shalom*; peace. Serendipitously, this was the theme for our Paint-a-Prayer mural which we painted at the end of April. The artist, Jennifer Levine, is now putting on the final touches; hopefully we will get it back before our religious school year ends! We will celebrate the completion of another year of studies on Sunday, May 15 when parents will be invited to join their children for our concluding ceremonies.

We will honor our teachers and *madrichot* at our annual **Teacher Appreciation Shabbat: Friday, May 13 at 6:00pm, a Simchat Shabbat Service**. We have a truly amazing team:

Our teachers:

-  Fern Greenberg-Wolf (Kitah Aleph)
-  Chloe Mengden (Kitah Gimmel)
-  Paige Kowalski (Kitah Dalet)
-  Shira Teich and Tova Gelb (Kitah Zayin)
-  Shira Teich and Marcia Tanzman (Hebrew)
-  Olivia Diloiro (music)



My sincere appreciation to our religious school chairs, Beth Plotsky and Betsy Poole-DiSalvo for their incredible support throughout the year. My thanks to our parents for their partnership in the education of their children. Above all, thanks to our amazing students who continually bring their best selves, enthusiasm and curiosity to our school. We have come through a year of changes and transition, back to the classroom and back to Zoom, masking and unmasking, and we have maintained everyone's health and safety, always acting with respect and consideration of others. You have all made it a fantastic year!

and our teen madrichot:

-  Isabelle Hartman (Kitah Aleph)
-  Hadami Gendron (Kitah Gimmel)
-  Amanda Moore (Kitah Dalet)
-  Lana Lieberman (Kitah Zayin)

Rabbi Renni Altman



Scriptural Readings

May 7

K'doshim

Lev. 19:1-20:27; Amos 7-15

May 14

Emor

Lev. 21:1-24:33; Ezekiel 44:15-31

May 21

B'har

Lev. 25:1-26:2; Jeremiah 32:6-27

May 28

B'chukotai

Lev. 26:3-27:34; Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Study Groups at Vassar Temple

"History of Women Rabbis" (virtual). Explore the challenges faced by the first generation of women in the rabbinate and how women's leadership has changed both the rabbinate and the Jewish community. Final session of series is open to all. Wednesday, May 4, 7:30pm. Facilitator: Rabbi Renni Altman. Contact office@vassartemple.org for Zoom link.

"Torah Study" examines passages from the week's torah portion or haftarah. Led by the Temple's Rabbi Renni Altman, on Saturdays from 9-10am (no class 5/14 & 5/28). Class is planned to be hybrid. Contact office@vassartemple.org to confirm that, and to be placed on the class email list.

"The Talmud: Modern Ideas from an Ancient Text" taught by Senior Scholar Rabbi Paul Golomb, Thursdays, May 12 and May 26, noon to 1:30pm. Information and updates: pigolomb@verizon.net.

All are welcome

No previous training required—No charge to attend

New Paths Service ~ May 7 & 21, 10:15am

Join us for New Paths Sabbath morning services Saturdays, May 7 & May 21 at 10:15am.

The moving liturgy 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. We expect to be meeting "hybrid," both inside Vassar Temple and on Zoom, but contact office@vassartemple.org or 845-454-2570 to be sure if there will be an in-person option, and to get a Zoom link.

Bimah Flowers Donations

Just as Shabbat Services help brighten our weeks, so do the Bimah flowers which brighten our Sanctuary. If anyone would like to make a donation to sponsor our flower arrangements, please let the office know.

May 2022 Bimah Flowers Sponsors:

- May 6: Donated by Martin Noble in memory of Samuel Blaine and in memory of Gayle Margolin from the Quackenbush family
- May 13: Donated by Betsy and Tim Poole-DiSalvo in honor of their son Jack's Bar Mitzvah
- May 20: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)
- May 27: Donated by Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)



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Contributions



May 6

Paul Plansky
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Nathan Lescher
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Gayle Margolin

May 13

Reuben Lewis
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Samuel Cederbaum
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Charlotte Miller
Kurt Lemberger
Susan Patricia Messing
Bernard "Paul" Buchalter
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May 20

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Martin Cohen

May 27

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Samuel Lampell



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The family of
Svetlana Beckerman,
Aunt of Elena Collins

Sisterhood News

I want to thank all of the women of Sisterhood who participated in the Sisterhood Shabbat service. It demonstrated the connection, pride and power our members have within our community. A highlight of the evening was standing together on the Bimah after the long hiatus caused by Covid.

I hope you will be encouraged to take on a role in Sisterhood, whether you chair an event, or step up to the executive board. By doing so, you will learn, as I did, the amazing support you will get from everyone who has held a position, or run an event.

Join us on May 15 for the Doris and Fannie Berlin Lecture sponsored by Sisterhood. Rabbi Sally Priesand will discuss the rewards and challenges of her ordination as a rabbi fifty years ago.



Without you we are one woman short!

Marcia Tanzman

Brotherhood News

The last event before the Pandemic was the Purim Pasta Dinner and the Megillah reading in March of 2020. How fitting that we were able to hold the Purim Pasta Dinner before the Megillah reading this year as the first dinner event of our return to the Temple. Attendance was good and the meal a success, thanks to our chef cook, Kurt Quackenbush. I also want to thank David Hecht for the salad and Gil and Arlene Seligman for helping set up. Thanks to Mark Metzger and Gil for helping serve the food.

The Brotherhood has officially joined the Men of Reform Judaism and began to share links to their programming in April. I have also started to network with other Brotherhood groups in the MRJ to share ideas for programs and membership initiatives. More to come, stay tuned.

Hopefully, the coming of Spring and the progress that has been made towards limiting the spread of the virus will give us the opportunity to have more events together. Therefore, I am requesting your feedback as to the types of events you would like us to plan. In the past we have held hikes or bike rides, gone to Renegades games, and gathered for a cookout. Please feel free to suggest new ideas as well.

Please respond to brotherhood@vassartemple.org. I look forward to seeing you at our next event.

Together we are stronger. Be safe and be well.

Glenn Tanzman

“Torah Gems: Rabbis Sharing Their Favorite Torah Texts”

Tikkun Leil Shavuot, Saturday, June 4, Hosted at Temple Beth-El at 7:30pm

The Festival of Shavuot celebrates the giving of Torah at Mt. Sinai. The Kabbalists of 16th century Tzefat created what is known as the *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*, an all-night program of study to prepare to celebrate that moment of revelation. Congregation Shir Chadash, Temple Beth-El and Vassar Temple will join together once again for a *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*. Though not all night, we will follow many of the traditions of this holiday that celebrates Torah. Temple Beth-El will host the program, beginning at 7:30pm, hopefully with the Shavuot tradition of cheesecake. Rabbis Daniel Polish, Michael Fessler and Renni Altman will lead a program teaching their favorite Torah texts. Participants will also be invited to share their favorite texts with the group. The evening will conclude with the Festival *Ma'ariv* service, beginning at approximately 9:15pm. This program is planned to be held in person with an online option; if circumstances change, we will move to an all online program. Watch for details in the weekly newsletter.

HUDSON VALLEY GIVES ~ Wednesday, May 18

A 24-hour online event that unites hundreds of non-profits across seven counties in a common goal: ***Give Where You Live!***

Hudson Valley Gives is an opportunity to fundraise for Vassar Temple **outside of our membership. We need your help** to increase our success over last year's initial participation.

Express your support for Vassar Temple by:

- Sharing our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter posts about this campaign.
- Taking a peer-to-peer fundraising page on our campaign site to share in your own network.
- Providing a match or challenge to promote outside donations (matches are dollar-for-dollar gifts up to a stated limit, and challenges require us to meet a stated goal). Matches and challenges can be provided by both individuals and businesses, and these donors will be showcased on our online profile.



To get involved, please contact Susan at president@vassartemple.org. **Thank you!**

Fiddling For Food



For his recent bar mitzvah project, Jack Poole-DiSalvo gave a violin concert, to which the price of admission was a donation of food or funds to help support Dutchess Outreach's food pantry. He performed a variety of Jewish, pop, and folk tunes, including his original composition *Electrica V*. Jack plays violin in the Union Vale Middle School orchestra, the Stringendo Orchestra, and Strawberry Hill Fiddlers, and enjoys musical composition as well as playing tennis in his free time.



JOIN US!

DORIS & FANNIE BERLIN LECTURE

WHEN & WHERE

**Sunday, May 15th at 4 pm
Vassar Temple (or Zoom)**

SPEAKER

On the 50th anniversary of her ordination, Sally Priesand, 1st ordained woman rabbi in the USA, will discuss the challenges & rewards she encountered as a pioneer along this career path

**OPEN TO THE
COMMUNITY—
JOIN US!**

RSVP

**For both in-person &
remote attendance at:
priesand@vassarlemole.org**



**Watch Rabbi Priesand's
talk on Zoom either on the
big screen at the Temple,
or from home, including a
Q&A moderated by
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CROP WALK REPORT

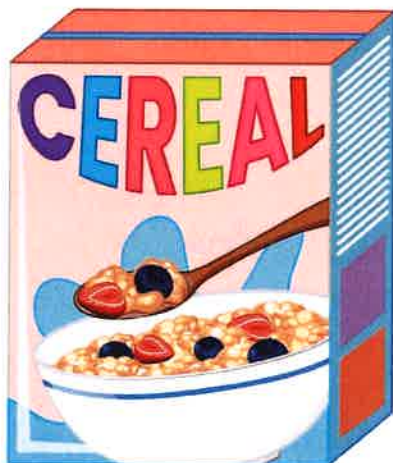
YAY, US! Thanks to your support, our 2021 Dutchess Interfaith CROPWalk had 39 teams of walkers and raised approximately \$57,100 to combat hunger locally and globally. We came in 13th in the nation, third in the Northeast, and second in NYS (only behind Albany, which we all know is much bigger than us!) 25% of the proceeds from the walk help support seven meal sites or food pantries located throughout Dutchess County. Globally the funds help farmers access resources, dig wells, and learn new ideas to improve their yields. CWS is also involved in disaster relief. And in an unprecedented decision, proceeds from all the walks held this spring will be dedicated to assist the people of Ukraine.



Our next local walk will be held in October, 2022, and while we plan to return to having a big community walk, we'll encourage satellite walks as well. The local planning committee is made up of a wonderful group of dedicated volunteers from various houses of worship, and they are in desperate need of more volunteers to join them, especially (but certainly not limited to) the tech savvy. Please help the U.N., CROP, and other major NGOs fulfill their pledge to end world hunger by 2030! It has been my privilege and pleasure to have been a member of the Dutchess Interfaith CROPWalk Committee for quite a few years, and if you are interested, I would love to hear from you and answer any questions about the work we do.

Marian Schwartz ~ socialaction@vassartemple.org

Coming this month, our Annual Boxed Cereal Collection...



CEREAL COUNTS

Bring in your boxes of breakfast goodness for children and grownups in need! Watch temple emails for further details or contact
socialaction@vassartemple.org

Shabbat Yeladim (Children's Sabbath)

All children, from birth to first grade, are invited to bring their parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles and/or friends to Vassar Temple on Saturday, May 21 at 10:30am, to join with Rabbi Altman and our music teacher, Olivia Dilorio, for a Shabbat celebration. We will meet outdoors in front of the Temple, weather permitting, otherwise we'll be inside the Temple. Rabbi Altman's stuffed bear friends Kachol v'Lavan will be there, too, to take part in the singing and stories. Tell your friends and neighbors—this event is free and open to the whole community. For questions about this program and to RSVP, please contact office@vassartemple.org.



Jewish War Veterans

WE ARE GOING LIVE!

Our JWV Post meeting of Sunday, May 15 will be held live. It will be held at Schomre Israel. The meeting format will follow that we used before the pandemic.

The meeting will be at 9:30am and there will be a half hour schmooze at 9:00am. As we used to, the Post will supply nosh stuff and coffee and it will be strictly kosher.

The use of masks is optional. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ralph Schwartz

Senior Post Commander

rschwa9881@aol.com



Jewish War Veterans
of the United States of America

Thank you Vassar Temple

Mail call: *"Thank you for your contribution to Hudson River Housing (Wind Chill Fund), designated to the PODs overnight shelter. Your donation of \$1,000 is greatly appreciated and will assist us in continuing our mission to improve lives and communities in Dutchess County and surrounding communities."*

Thanks also for your support of the "Purim Pasta Plus" drive for nonperishable foods and hygiene items to benefit the food pantry at Dutchess Outreach, which is now set up like a regular supermarket, enabling clients to personally select items to suit their own individual tastes. Any cash donations were applied toward providing much-needed baby formula. And special thanks to Ralph Schwartz for delivering all your donated items to the pantry.

To help with future projects such as this, please contact Marian at socialaction@vassartemple.org.

Calendar of Events—May 2022*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am Religious School 10am / K-1 10:30am Lunch Box 	2	3	4 Yom HaZikaron Hebrew School 7:30pm Adult Ed Session 4: <i>"Scouts, Trailblazers, Pathfinders, Explorers: A History of Women Rabbis"</i>	5 Yom Haatzmaut 12pm Talmud Study 7pm Ritual CMTE	6 7:30pm Shabbat Service Special Guest: Jude Roberts 	7 9am Torah Study 10:15am New Paths
8  NO Religious School	9	10	11 Last Day of Hebrew School 7:30pm Racism Reading Group	12	13 6pm Teacher Appreciation Simchat Shabbat Service 	14 NO Torah Study 10am Jack Poole-Di Salvo Bar Mitzvah 
15 9am Last Day of Religious School 4pm Doris & Fannie Berlin Lecture with Rabbi Sally J. Priesand	16	17	18 Hudson Valley Gives 12pm Chai Noon Sisterhood	19 Lag B'omer 12pm Talmud Study	20 7:30pm Shabbat Service	21 9am Torah Study 10:15am New Paths 10:30pm Shabbat Y'ladim
22	23	24	25 Annual Calendar Meeting 	26 6:30pm Shelter Meal 7pm Board Meeting	27 7:30pm Shabbat Service	28 NO Torah Study
29	30 OFFICE CLOSED 	31				

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Mazal Tov!

On the birth of Ryder Izzy Camac on March 24,
2022, son of Jesse Camac and Alisha Albinder
Camac, and grandson of Daniel and Susan
Albinder



On the birth of Benjamin Spencer Mamis on
March 25, 2022, son of Steven and Michelle
Mamis, brother to Hannah, and grandson of
Sandra Mamis and Harry Mamis, z"l

