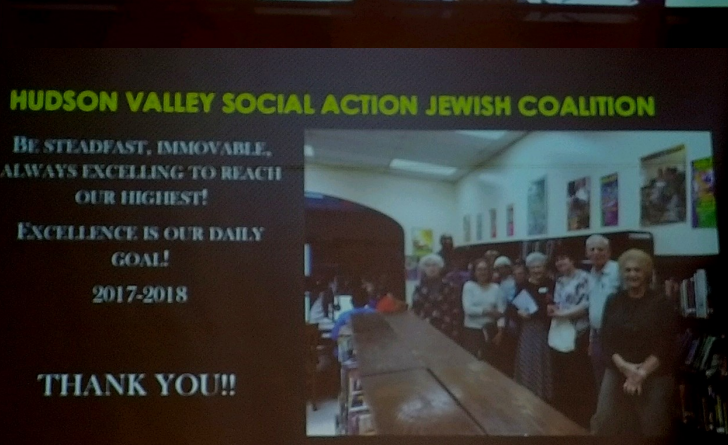
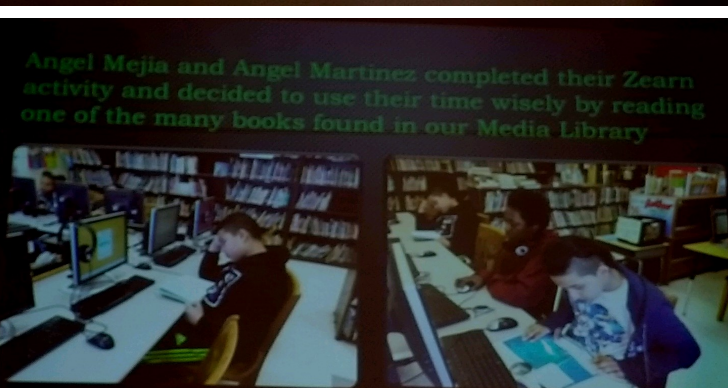
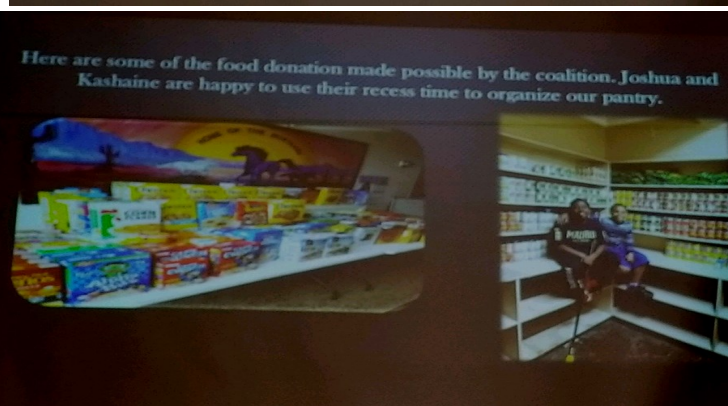
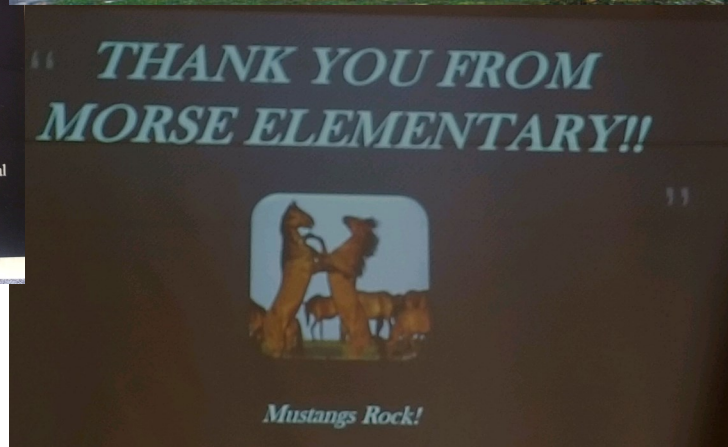


*Big Thank You
from Morse School*



Congregation Shir Chadash

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Cantor Gail Hirschenfang

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June 2018

Services held at the *Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church Route 55 and Stringham Road, LaGrange*

JUNE CALENDAR

Online at www.shir-chadash.org

**1 Kabbalat Shabbat
Honoring Our
Teachers 7:30pm**

**3 TIME TO VOTE
Annual Meeting at
the home of Ron &
Lori Dritz,
3 Cleveland Drive
Poughkeepsie
Dairy Brunch 11am**

**8 Kabbalat Shabbat
7:30pm**

**10 Rosh Chodesh at
the home of Jeff &
Sandy Lash
10:30am**

**11 Board Meeting
7:00pm**

**15 Kabbalat Shabbat
Board Installation
7:30pm**

**22 Kabbalat Shabbat
Lay Led Service**

**Looking Ahead
Watch your email for
summer events!!**

**7/21 Torah Study at the
home of Robbie Schiff
9/7 Kabbalat Shabbat
9/8 Sharing Shabbat
9/9 Erev Rosh Hashanah
9/10 Rosh Hashanah
9/18 Kol Nidre
9/19 Yom Kippur**



From the Desk of Rabbi Daniel Polish

Can Summer Really be Almost Here?

Can it be a whole program year since the High Holy Days? Before we ask the “last one to leave please turn out the lights” I invite each of you to think back on the year that was to reflect on what Shir Chadash moments left an impression on you. No I will not offer a list, there were too many of those moments, and I do not want to run the risk of leaving one out.

Nor do I want to impose my priorities on you. So take a moment and look back for yourself over the year and see what was important to you.

Still it is amazing to me that this year has zipped by. Can we really be heading into the slower summer months? By the time they are over I will be chomping at the bit for us to reconvene. I confess that I will have been at many Shabbat services before the summer is over. Yet I will miss praying with my community. But I hope I come back having learned new things and experienced new things and, yes, growing in some way. And I hope that is true for you as well. When we come back together on September 7th for our first Kabbalat Shabbat of the new season, I hope we have many new experiences and perspectives to share with one another. Of course I hope I have some fun too. And I hope you do as well. And all of us need the summer months for relaxation and refreshment. I hope your summer offers you that.

Still before that hiatus, we can look forward to our version of June. June is Shir Chadash’s month of thanksgiving. (And you thought that was November). Shir Chadash could not exist without the dedication, devotion and just plain hard work of so many people. Again I will not give a list, for the same reason—if I forgot anyone I would be chagrined, mortified, and just plain unhappy with myself. So, no lists. But I can tell you that no school has more devoted and creative folks teaching our children than we do. We will be thanking our school administrator, teachers and teachers’ helpers at Kabbalat Shabbat services on June 1. Appropriately our Junior Choir will be participating in that service. And some of our students will be making presentations. How could you miss a service like that?

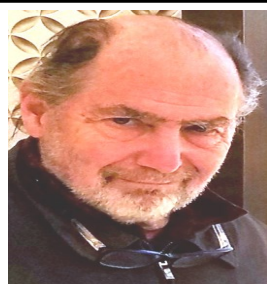
And it is also true that the congregation runs as it does because of the hard work and dedication of committee members and chairs, board members and officers of the congregation. It is time consuming and demanding. But it should not be thankless. So we will thank the leadership of the congregation at Kabbalat Shabbat services on June 15. Whatever was on your list of special moments, that moment was the result of the hard work of these leaders. I can’t help myself. I have to make special mention of Lindsey Turner and Nicky Turner who heroically stepped into the breach at a very difficult time. They gave their hearts, minds and souls to keeping Shir Chadash, Shir Chadash. They did more for all of us than anyone will ever know. Please be with us when we, as a community, give voice to our appreciation to them and all the leaders of the congregation

And so, I look forward to seeing you before the year ends. I hope you will be with us at our two services of celebrating the people who have done so much for all of us. I hope your summer is a restful, relaxing and “growing” one and that you will take every opportunity to participate in any Shir Chadash activities and stay in touch with your Shir Chadash friends over the summer. And I look forward to seeing you when the summer turns to fall and we reconstitute ourselves again as a community. My warmest wishes for each of you.

B'Shalom, Rabbi Daniel Polish

A Message from President Lindsey Turner

Spring Highlights



Dearest Friends,

Tonight - the eve of Tikkun Leil Shavuot - I write to you to tell you what we have accomplished together this spring.

Since Shavuot is about receiving Torah, studying Torah and sharing its meaning together, this festival is an almost perfect time for this reflection.

Here are some of the highlights:

We had a wonderful Seder with the children with a very funny play they performed but with an important ecological story.

We had a very enjoyable literary brunch with Anita Diamant who celebrates women in the bible.

A week later, we had our concert with Asefa at Vassar College. Their mix of Semitic, Islamic and Sephardic music took us back to times long ago with swaying and haunting rhythms.

Once again we are the little temple that could ...
Mitzvah Day saw us working together.

The Morse school saw our combined efforts recognized publicly by the mayor of Poughkeepsie who read to the children from the recently reopened library.

On to summer.

Teachers first! June 1st we need to honor them as our mitzvot, from Generation – To Generation, cannot go forward without their great help.

HEAR YEA – HEAR YEA -

Come all to your Congregational meeting on June 3rd at the home of Lori and Ron Dritz. It will be a pot luck dairy feast where we want to hear all your thoughts and dreams for the next year! Bring the kids for fun in the sun.

*Affectionately,
B 'Shalom
Lindsey Turner*

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ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, June 3

11:00am

Pot Luck Dairy Brunch

At home of

Lori and Ron Dritz

3 Cleveland Drive

Poughkeepsie, NY

Save
the
date



Member's Corner

Introduction to Gesher

By Heidi Krueger

Sadie and I attended the Gesher presentation on Wednesday night at Temple Beth El and I want to share our experience with you. We were welcomed with smiles as soon as we arrived. The students were very friendly and inclusive with Sadie. Sadie immediately went off with kids her age. Dinner is served every week before classes, and we were impressed with what was served.

We learned about the class selection for next year. Some of the possible options will include: art; cooking for the holidays; current events (what is happening in Israel and around the world); what does the Bible say about(love, same sex marriage, abortion); debating—for example, what if the Bible was told by the women; world religions; a history of Jews in sports; and how Jews redesigned the fashion industry. We were impressed with the students' confidence in expressing their ideas and comfort level with the teachers. The students absolutely have a say in their education.

Sadie is looking forward to attending in September!





A Message from Sue Marcove Education Enrichment Coordinator

It's June, and we just finished another successful year of Religious School, loaded with discussions, hands-on activities, a trip to Ellis Island, an Ellis Island simulation, a Tu B'Shevat play, a Passover Seder, and the addition of a laptop computer for the Religious School. Our students studied why our ancestors immigrated to the US, how they got here, and what life was like here. Then they switched their focus to Bible stories, finding a message in each story. They ended the year with artistic portrayals of their favorite Bible stories, in essence giving mini D'var Torahs.

During the 2017-2018 school year, our students had learned about Israel, simulating a trip to various cities, and studying Israeli life and history on the computer. They also studied the Jewish life cycle, even having older students come in to talk about their experiences becoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah, and acting out some life cycle events.

Watch for details in our summer communications about the new curriculum for the 2018-2019 school year, which will be the third year in a three year rotation. There will also be another Religious School family dinner meeting over the summer to share ideas and get ready for another exciting year of Sharing Shabbats at Shir Chadash.

I want to thank our Religious School teachers and substitute teachers: Grace Bass, Rochelle Bellach, Leah Polish, Ian Freedman, Dana Zivica, and Robbie Schiff, for all the devotion, time, and energy they put into making this a meaningful year for our children. I would also like to thank Rabbi Polish for spending some time up in the classrooms having discussion with our students, and Cantor Hirschenfang for her beautiful work with our Jr. Choir.

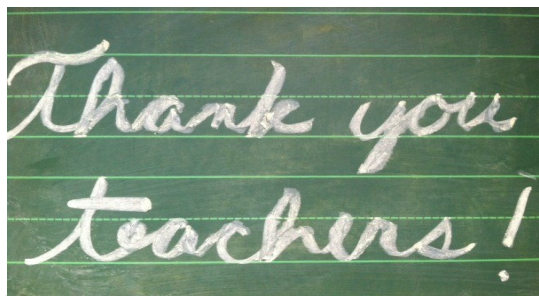
Finally, I would like to invite all congregants, and especially Religious School families, to join us on Friday night, June 1st, when we will honor these wonderful Religious School teachers.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer,

B'Shalom, Sue Marcove sfmarcoe@gmail.com; (home) 845-723-4045



**Kabbalat
Shabbat
Friday, June 1st
7:30pm
Honoring our
Teachers**



**Kabbalat Shabbat
Friday, June 15th
7:30pm
Honoring Our Leaders
Board Installation**

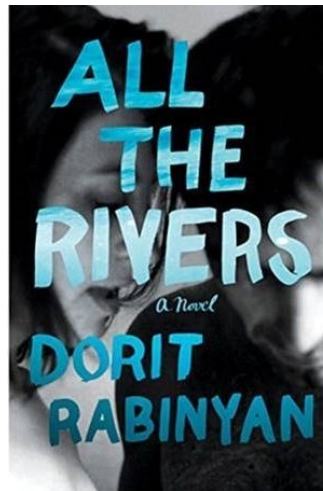


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Calling All Readers— Pot Luck Brunch & Discussion Sunday June 10th 10:30am—12:30pm

At the home of Sandy and Jeff Lash
53 Rymph Rd. LaGrangeville, NY 12540
splash@optonline.net 845.227.4650

The next selection is “All the Rivers” by Dorit Rabinyan.
This is a chance to read a contemporary Israeli novel that has
been met with both praise and condemnation in Israel—
and that means we will have a great discussion!



A controversial, award-winning story about the passionate but untenable affair between an Israeli woman and a Palestinian man, from one of Israel's most acclaimed novelists.

When Liat meets Hilmi on a blustery autumn afternoon in Greenwich Village, she finds herself unwillingly drawn to him. Charismatic and handsome, Hilmi is a talented young artist from Palestine. Liat, an aspiring translation student, plans to return to Israel the following summer. Despite knowing that their love can be only temporary, that it can exist only away from their conflicted homeland, Liat lets herself be enraptured by Hilmi - by his lively imagination, by his beautiful hands and wise eyes, by his sweetness and devotion.

Together they explore the city, sharing laughs and fantasies and pangs of homesickness. But the unfettered joy they awaken in each other cannot overcome the guilt Liat feels for hiding him from her family in Israel and her Jewish friends in New York. As her departure date looms and her love for Hilmi deepens, Liat must decide whether she is willing to risk alienating her family, her community, and her sense of self for the love of one man.

Banned from classrooms by Israel's Ministry of Education, Dorit Rabinyan's remarkable novel contains multitudes. A bold portrayal of the strains - and delights - of a forbidden relationship, *All the Rivers* (published in Israel as *Borderlife*) is a love story and a war story, a New York story and a Middle East story, an unflinching foray into the forces that bind us and divide us. "The land is the same land," Hilmi reminds Liat. "In the end all the rivers flow into the same sea." **Publisher's Summary**

"A fine, subtle, and disturbing study of the ways in which public events encroach upon the private lives of those who attempt to live and love in peace with each other, and, impossibly, with a riven and irreconcilable world." (John Banville, Man Booker Prize-winning author of *The Sea*)

"I'm with Dorit Rabinyan. Love, not hate, will save us. Hatred sows hatred, but love can break down barriers." (Svetlana Alexievich, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature)

"Rabinyan's writing reflects the honesty and modesty of a true artisan." (*Haaretz*) **Critic Reviews**

June Torah Readings



June 1 and 2 Beha'alotekha
Numbers 8:1 – 12:16

June 22 and 23 Chukat
Numbers 19:1 – 22:1

June 8 and 9 Shelach Lekha
Numbers 13:1 – 15:41

June 29 and 30 Balak
Numbers 22:2 – 25:9

June Yahrzeits*

Friday, June 1, 2018	Elizabeth Flapan	Mother	Jerry Scheck
Friday, June 1, 2018	Anna Satkowitz	Grandmother	Wendy Bill
Friday, June 1, 2018	Lawrence Krell	Father	Lisa Kerchman
Friday, June 1, 2018	Donald Putnam	Father	Beth Brofman
Friday, June 1, 2018	Laurie Gettleman Wallach	Mother	John Wallach
Friday, June 8, 2018	Gertrude Ferbel	Mother	Mara Goldstone
Friday, June 8, 2018	Rhoda Haber Krell	Mother	Lisa Kerchman
Friday, June 15, 2018	William Barry Postal	Brother	Roberta Weiner
Friday, June 15, 2018	Patricia Herschorin	Cousin	Roberta Schiff
Friday, June 15, 2018	Sally Geller	Mother	Iris Turkenkopf
Friday, June 22, 2018	Sophie Nadelbach	Aunt	Harold Weber
Friday, June 22, 2018	Eileen Rubenstein	Mother	Adam Rubenstein
Friday, June 22, 2018	Will " Uncle Max" Turner	Uncle	Nicky & Lindsey Turner
Friday, June 22, 2018	Helene Altman	Mother	Susan Feit

*To update your Yahrzeit list, please complete the on-line form on our website www.shir-chadash.org

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Women's Cheyra Kadisha of Poughkeepsie in appreciation of Shir Chadash's contribution to the Jewish Community

Oneg and Bagel Break Hosts

Friday, June 1 John Wallach
Friday, June 8 The Shir Chadash Freezer
Friday June 15 Board of Trustees
Friday, June 22 Bring a Dessert to Share



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suzanneneil@mac.com

845-559-3123

Wendy Bill

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Sharing Shabbat Bagel Organizers :

Sara Rothman 845-223-5925

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Women's Chevra Kadisha of Poughkeepsie

The Women's Jewish Burial Society

April 29, 2018

President
Congregation Shir Chadash
1168 Rt 55
LaGrangeville, NY 12540

This letter accompanies a check in the amount of \$500 being made to Congregation Shir Chadash. You are undoubtedly familiar with the work of the Women's Chevra Kadisha, but if not allow me to explain..

We are the Women's Jewish Burial Society, an organization responsible for fulfilling the ancient tradition of spiritually and respectfully preparing the remains of a deceased individual, in order to ready it for burial. Those who engage in this holy work are volunteers and follow the commandment to show honor to a person, even in death.

In return for performing the ritual service we provide, a small monetary contribution is typically made by the family, when it is financially within their means to do so.

Contributions collected are ultimately redistributed to other organizations whose actions are in keeping with the Jewish concept of *tikkun olam*: the idea that Jews are not only responsible for their own moral, spiritual, and material welfare, but also for the welfare of society at large.

The leadership of the Women's Chevra has decided to donate a portion of our proceeds this year to your organization in recognition of your efforts on behalf of the Jewish community. We sincerely hope that this donation will assist you in the furtherance of those efforts, that you may continue to have success in these endeavors.

Thank you for the work you do.

Membership, Women's Chevra Kadisha of Poughkeepsie

Sandra Mamis, Co-chair
6 Hornbeck Ridge
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

A Request from Morse School

The first-grade teachers want to give their students a special experience—a field trip to the Maritime Aquarium in Norwalk, Connecticut. This will truly be an amazing ending to their first-grade year and an experience unlike what many of these children have experienced before.

Because of the distance and the health concerns for many of the children, they need to hire air-conditioned buses. These are very expensive. Each bus costs \$890 and they need several buses. They have asked us for our help. Several people have already offered to help so we are on our way to sponsoring at least one bus for these great kids. Please, if you would like to help support the Morse first graders in this way, let me know ASAP!

With many thanks for all you do-- Sandy Lash



Congregation Shir Chadash

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Calendar 5778 (2017-2018)

Kabbalat Shabbat Services start Friday evening September 8th at 7:30pm

Family Services begin at 6:30pm

Sharing Shabbat starts Saturday morning, September 9th at 9:00am

All are welcome!

SATURDAY MORNING SHARING SHABBAT 9:00 AM

September 9 and 23

October 7 and 21

November 4 and 18

December 2 and 9

January 6 and 20

February 3 and 10

March 3 and 17

April 7 and 21

May 5 and 19

Saturday, September 16th Selichot Joint Celebration at Temple Beth-El 8:00pm

Wednesday, September 20th Erev Rosh Hashanah 8:00pm

Thursday, September 21st Rosh Hashanah 10:00am

Family Rosh Hashanah Celebration Service 3:00pm

Friday, September 29th Kol Nidre 8:00pm

Saturday, September 30th Yom Kippur 10:00am

Torah Study and Discussion 12:30pm

Yom Kippur Family Service 2:00pm

Yom Kippur Afternoon/Yizkor/Concluding Services from 3:00pm to BreakFast

Sunday, October 1st Sukkah Building and Family Pot Luck Dinner 3:00pm

Friday, October 6th Sukkot Family Shabbat 6:30pm

Friday, October 13th Simchat Torah Family Shabbat 6:30pm

Sunday, November 19th Interfaith Thanksgiving Service 5:00pm

Friday, December 15th “Light Up the Night” Family Chanukah Service 6:30pm

Saturday, February 3rd Tu B'Shevat Seder 11:30am

FRIDAY, MARCH 2ND PURIM CELEBRATION 6:30PM

Friday, March 23rd Joint Service with Temple Beth-El at FPUPC 7:30pm

Friday, March 30th No Services – Pesach – First Seder

Friday, April 13th 7:30pm at Vassar Temple with Anita Diamont

Friday, April 20th Yom Haastmaut Shabbat 7:30pm

Friday, April 27th Joint Service at Temple Beth-El 7:30pm

Saturday, May 19th Tikkun Leyl Shavuot – Time TBA

Friday, June 1st Honoring Our Teachers at 7:30pm

Friday, June 15th Board Installation at 7:30pm

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June 2018

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