



Get Lost in Literature

November is
Jewish Book Month
and we have
classes, services,
and programs
for everyone!

This issue was printed in the beginning of October and we are always adjusting, evaluating, and adapting our programming to the rapidly-changing times and new COVID-19 guidelines to keep you safe.

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Jamie Mushlin
President

Hello MLRT family! Some of you may not know this but Neil (my husband) is often my ghost writer each month. He may give me a topic or some sage wise words or he may edit my writing. So naturally this month I asked him what he thought I should write about and he responded, "I have a great topic; you should write about how you can be a better wife to me." I laughed and told him he was fired as my ghost writer and assistant. A short while later, I shared this story with Amy Krulik and we laughed together and she said "Well, you could take a spin Neil's idea and tweak it a bit." At this point in this month's tale, I will give credit to my other ghost writer: our ever-talented Executive

Director, Amy Krulik. So how could I be better to not only my husband, but my kids, my friends, coworkers and patients. I'm sure my husband and all the others would answer this in a different way than me and thus how do we find our balance. When you try so hard to please but miss the mark...does it count? Is it noticed? Is it appreciated?

My answer is sometimes yes and sometimes no. The most important part of all of it is that we try. We try to think of others. We try to help and do better. At times we may hit the nail right on the head and succeed in meeting someone's needs and our own. This leaves everyone with good feelings all around. Sometimes we may give a little too much of ourselves and be left feeling upset and spent. The consolation is that the other person feels better which ultimately should give us some peace and warm feelings. At times we may miss the mark altogether and both parties may leave the experience sad and off. Hopefully these times are few and far between and hopefully the recipients of our efforts understand and see that our intention was heartfelt.

Our MLRT groups like Tikkun Olam Network, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, and others work toward the goal of trying to make a difference in the lives of others. In my daily life, I often try to do better and take care of others to the best of my abilities. Yet, am I able to take care of others effectively without taking care of myself first? Many scholars have considered this question and many have come to the conclusion that no, we aren't effective care takers when we forget to care for ourselves. Knowing that I must care about and for myself first gives me some solace. When it comes to Neil, I can just let him know that when I go for a walk, garden or let our flock free range, I'm really taking care of him because I'm taking care of me. We'll see how Neil likes that response...

We are often pulled in such different directions in trying to keep up with our busy lives and schedules. Is it possible to find balance and peace? For me, I feel that the answer is yes. Sometimes we find a moment of peace and happiness and sometimes it's a day or a week or even longer. For this month of November, I hope that you have many moments of peace and happiness. I hope that you find time to care for yourself and your loved ones. I give thanks for all of you and hope that our MLRT community brings you many moments of happiness in the days, months and years to come.



Racial Justice

CREATING A COMMON VOCABULARY: WATCH AND DISCUSS 'CHERRY DOCS'
NOVEMBER 6 AT 8:00 PM AND NOVEMBER 7 AT 7:00 PM

On November 6 and November 7, Theatre Ariel will offer virtual viewings of "Cherry Docs" by David Gow. This play portrays a Jewish lawyer defending a Skinhead accused of a vicious murder. Both are forced to confront the hatred in their hearts, discovering the price of forgiveness, and the cost of redemption. This relevant and timely play challenges our professed moralities, and the implications of truly loving all our neighbors.

To purchase tickets to attend in person, visit theatreariel.org/current-season

Our MLRT Racial Justice Task Force has arranged for us to view the play virtually at no charge to you.

To sign up, contact Rabbi David Straus at dstrauss@mlrt.org.



Before Thanksgiving was fixed as the last Thursday in November, this American holiday and Chanukah coincided in 1888 and 1899. Once it was established on the secular calendar the two converged in the now (in)famous Thanksgiving in 2013.

While we all know and love the American tradition of Thanksgiving, the concept behind it is quite familiar in Judaism. Our morning and evening prayer services always include a prayer of "thanksgiving," in Hebrew Hoda'ah, an expression of gratitude for our blessings. Its roots are in the sacrificial system of our ancestors in the desert and the Temple in Jerusalem. When the Messiah comes and nullifies the sacrificial system and prayers, the one that will continue is the Hoda'ah.

This year Chanukah begins on the Sunday after Thanksgiving, November 28. When the pioneers came to these shores they sought religious freedom, much like our ancestors the Maccabees fought for against the tyrant Antiochus and his army. It is their miraculous victory that enabled our people to rededicate the Temple in Jerusalem and live freely as Jews. Of course this was not the last occasion when our ancestors faced enormous odds, and it is important we remember our ancestors' trials over the millennia. Our thanksgiving takes on new meaning when we acknowledge the strife, and survival of our people.

Please mark your calendars to join us on Friday, November 12, when we welcome award winning journalist Louis Schmidt at Friday night services. He will speak about his experiences interviewing Holocaust survivors for the USC Shoah Foundation, commemorating Kristallnacht, "the Night of Broken Glass," November 9, 1938, when violent anti-Jewish demonstrations broke out across Germany, Austria, and parts of Czechoslovakia. Mr. Schmidt will share his extraordinary personal journey with the Foundation and survivors.

On Friday, November 19, our Jewish saga moves to Iran, when acclaimed author Mikhal Dekel speaks about the Jews of Iran during the Holocaust. Her engaging account of Jewish refugees during this time tells a little known history.

Anti-semitism has been on the rise the last several years. It is important to tell the stories of our people, and it is equally important to celebrate our freedom to worship and live freely as we do.

Please consider using the prayer below at your Thanksgiving table and at any moment when you wish to express gratitude for the blessings in life. And, be sure to read Rabbi Kleinman's article on page 10 for more ways to include blessings at your Thanksgiving celebration.

We gratefully acknowledge that You are Adonai our God, the God of our people, the God of all generations. You are the Rock of our life, the Power that shields us in every age. We thank You and sing Your praises for our lives which are in Your hand, for our souls which are in Your keeping, for the signs of Your presence we encounter every day and for Your wondrous gifts at all times: morning, noon and night. You are Goodness Your mercies never end You are Compassion. Your love will never fail. You have always been our hope. (Mishkan T'filah)



Keeping It Reel: Get your popcorn ready to discuss these Netflix movies on Zoom with Rabbi Newburge!

Monday, November 1 at 8:00 pm - *Maktub*

Two criminals are the sole survivors of a terrorist attack at a restaurant in Jerusalem and decide to become flesh and blood angels. They go on a journey of wish fulfillment for people who put requests between the sacred stones of the Wailing Wall.

Monday, November 22 at 8:00 pm - *Inception*

A thief who steals corporate secrets through the use of dream-sharing technology is given the inverse task of planting an idea into the mind of a C.E.O., but his tragic past may doom the project and his team to disaster.



Beer Club - Sunday, November 14 at 7:00 pm

La Cabra Brewing 810 Glenbrook Ave, Bryn Mawr

Join your MLRT family in-person for a beer or two at La Cabra Brewing. Beer Club is open to all MLRT members who enjoy trying and sharing beer.



Shabbat Morning Walk - Saturday, November 20 at 9:00 am

Richie Ashburn Field 1799 Youngs Ford Rd, Gladwyne

Celebrate Shabbat in nature with your MLRT community. Meet Rabbi Geri Newburge (with your masks!) at Richie Ashburn Field for a beautiful and invigorating walk.

Conquering Challenges



"Nothing is impossible. The word itself says I'M POSSIBLE." - Audrey Hepburn

I am yeast-challenged.

I dream about punching down perfectly risen dough and filling my house with the delicious aroma of fresh baked bread. I own cookbooks dedicated to the art of baking bread and have logged countless hours on YouTube watching people make magic with just yeast, water and flour. I have also lost track of the number of flat batches of dough that never made it out of the mixing bowl.

I decided that 5782 is the year that I conquer yeast. And here we are, two months into the New Year and I have made exactly zero loaves of chewy deliciousness. From challah to focaccia, I have bookmarked a number of inspiring recipes, but just can't seem to get from bookmark to baking sheet. I even read a book called Bubbie's Challah to the Singing Sparrows class in our ECE at Shabbat one week. This charming book makes baking challah seem so simple and fun and includes an easy-to-follow recipe on the last page. I copied the recipe and posted it on my fridge. I know that reading the same recipe every day isn't the same as actually making it, but I am calling this progress...at least for now.

My goal is to try a new yeast-based recipe each month for the rest of the year. Challah seems like the perfect place to start my yeast-focused journey. I have hosted many Challah for Hunger events – making challah to fight hunger on college campuses and around our community - and can teach anyone how to braid a round challah or embrace the culinary potential of a challah filled with sprinkles and chocolate chips (you have to trust me on this one!) A friend made a turkey-shaped challah for Thanksgiving 2020, which is definitely on my to-do list. I will report back and let you know how my challahs turn out this month.

If you have a favorite recipe that includes yeast that you would be willing to share, please send it my way. And, if you have an interest in joining me for some baking with yeast in the MLRT kitchen, please email me at akrulik@mlrt.org. I would love to start a regular group. We could even mix it up with cookie baking and I will happily share my secrets for fabulous triple chocolate chip cookies.

And if yeast isn't your thing? Then I would love to connect you with Elliott Schulman or Lori Robbins of MLRT Connects! for information on how you can join or even start a group that focuses on your special interest or talent.

Whether we are meeting in-person or on Zoom, our MLRT community is rich with opportunities to create lasting and meaningful connections with one another. Working together, anything and everything, is possible. Wishing you all a delicious Thanksgiving!

Note: please join me in welcoming David Greim, our new Facilities Director to MLRT. Dave bring extensive experience in facilities and contract management, security, and building operations to our Temple community.

Tikkun Olam Network (TON)

The TON is back to work with our community support! If you haven't already, please check out the impressive article in the Philadelphia Inquirer about refugee assistance featuring our very own congregants, Linda Brock and Adele Margulies. Their tireless efforts on behalf of HIAS-PA is a prime example of how our volunteer work is able to affect change in the Philadelphia region. Please stay tuned about how you can help the incoming refugees as more and more are resettled. The Inquirer article can be found directly by going to <https://bit.ly/3DIstrZ>

We will be holding a boys clothing drive to benefit clients of Mitzvah Circle Foundation starting on November 8-22. They are always in need of boys clothes – especially sizes 0-8. Please look for collection bins in the vestibule.

And join us for, (hopefully), for our next in-person meeting on November 14. The one after that will be December 12 during which we will work on our annual MLK Day of Service to be held on January 16. Our COVID restrictions for this big event are unknown at this time, so watch for more information about whether we can do this together in-person or on our own!

Cantor's Corner



Cantor Faryn Rudnick

Rabbi Rebecca Dubowe, Rabbi of Moses Montefiore Congregation outside of Chicago, is a friend and wise colleague. She happens to be deaf, and is someone I have had the pleasure of working with over the years in my inclusion work. A few years ago, when she and I were working together on a program for the 2017 Biennial in Boston, she taught me that some of the choreography of our worship may create a disconnect for people who are deaf. I hadn't thought about it – why would I? I am not deaf and my deaf grandfather had been gone for many years by that time, but once she said it I couldn't stop thinking about it. She shared that when we cover our faces to light the candles or say the Shema, or turn our backs to face the ark in prayer, we exclude from those moments those people who rely on seeing our faces and, specifically, those who rely on lip reading.

I've carried this teaching with me for the past four years, but it has felt particularly relevant when the pandemic added another layer of disconnect from one another when we had to pivot to living in a virtual and now hybrid world. When I turn my back to the congregation to face the ark during those moments in our worship, I am often thinking about those of you at home, those who may find themselves disconnected because they don't yet feel safe coming back to our spiritual home. Our ritual tradition asks us to mark certain moments in prayer by standing or by facing the ark, but we, your clergy team, recognize that the tradition of facing the ark may create an additional obstacle towards connection for those of you at home. We are already covering our faces with masks, so to also turn our backs feels like another form of distancing during this extraordinarily challenging time for our community.

After consideration, the clergy team has decided that while our tradition and ritual are important, so too is doing everything in our power to connect with our community. You may notice that I am no longer turning around during those moments of prayer, but my co-clergy are turning to face the ark. In this way, we honor our traditions while also recognizing those who might feel separate and disconnected while at home. Supporting community is a foundational piece of Judaism. During these uncertain times we hope to do what we can, the smallest gestures to what might seem like a strange change, to help all feel like a part of this beautiful community.

November is Jewish Book Month



Sally Brown,
Librarian

November is Jewish Book Month! At Main Line Reform Temple, we will celebrate with three programs and six authors of books of Jewish interest.

Our short story for November 11 is "Future Emergencies" by Nicole Krauss. The story can be found in her new collection, To Be a Man. The collection is the short story debut of one of America's best young novelists. With strange timing given our current pandemic, the story centers on post 9/11 New York when an impending threat to public health requires every citizen to wear a gas mask. Nicole Krauss has written the award-winning novels The History of Love, Great House, and Forest Dark.

Sharon Dunoff, a congregant of MLRT, is a contributing editor to the new book, Unmute Yourself Girlfriend. Of local interest, the book is a compilation of essays by members of the class at Philadelphia

High School for Girls (Girls' High) who reunited through Zoom during the pandemic. The fifty-three essays were written by the class of 1968. Sharon and other editors will speak by Zoom on November 9 at 7:30 pm.

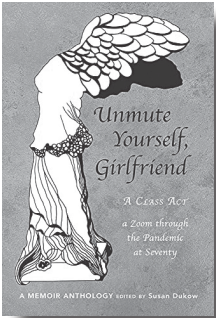
On November 19 at Shabbat services, Mikhal Dekel, author of Tehran Children: A Holocaust Refugee Odyssey, will be our guest speaker. The author is a professor of English at the City College of New York. Her book is a timely addition to the literature of the Holocaust, taking us to geographical areas where many surviving Polish Jews fled. It is the story of the author's father who traveled through the Soviet Union to Iran where he was embraced by the Persian-Jewish community. Join us to hear her captivating tale of survival.

A new addition to our Sunday morning programming will be a panel of local authors who have written provoking books. Join us on Sunday morning, November 21 to hear the following: Sam Apple, Brad Aronson, Mark Bookman, and moderator Becca Kantor.

Details about all of these programs can be found on the following pages or the MLRT website.



Lifelong Learning



"UNMUTE YOURSELF, GIRLFRIEND: A CLASS ACT, A ZOOM THROUGH THE PANDEMIC AT SEVENTY"

Tuesday, November 9 at 7:30 pm on Zoom

In 2020, the Covid-19 pandemic was in the early stages when a group of women who graduated from an all-girls public high school - The Philadelphia High School for Girls - came together via Zoom. As they rekindled old and cultivated new relationships, their conversations became more profound. Discussions regarding politics in and around the presidential election, the racial tensions in the country and fears that stemmed from the pandemic were shared. They were reminded that they had experienced tumultuous times before - the years leading up to and including another fateful time in history - 1968 - the year of their high school graduation.

Unmute Yourself, Girlfriend: A Class Act, A Zoom Through The Pandemic at Seventy is the resulting memoir, comprised of 53 essays that unveil common threads and vastly different experiences and viewpoints. Sharon Dunoff, an MLRT member, was instrumental in this book and we are thrilled to hear from her and other contributors on Tuesday night, November 9.



SHABBAT SPEAKER: MIKHAL DEKEL

Friday, November 19 at 8:00 pm in person and virtually

Celebrate Shabbat with renown author and the Stuart Z. Katz Professor of Humanities and Arts, Mikhal Dekel. Our guest speaker is a professor of English at City College of New York and wrote Tehran Children: a Holocaust Refugee Odyssey, the culmination of Dekel's decade-long journey to understand her father and the odyssey at the core of his childhood.

Mikhal Dekel was born in Haifa, Israel, to a Holocaust refugee father and an Israeli-born mother. Over the course of seven intense years, she completed her mandatory military service, earned an L.L.B. from Tel Aviv University's Buchmann School of Law, interned at the Tel Aviv State Attorney's Office and joined the Israel Bar Association. In Tehran Children: A Holocaust Refugee Odyssey, the extraordinary true story of Polish-Jewish children refugees who escaped the Nazis and found refuge in Iran, Dekel fuses memoir with historical investigation in this account of the all-but unknown Jewish refuge in Muslim lands.

Mikhal Dekel will be speaking to us via Zoom but we hope you will join our Shabbat Service however you are most comfortable - in person at MLRT or via your screen. Details at mlrt.org/zoom.

Every Voice! Every Vote! has been the rallying call for RAC-PA's civic engagement work. Over the summer, we engaged in a listening campaign to hear what your social justice priorities are. Almost 300 Reform Jews across the state participated in these sessions. We learned that gun violence and equitable school funding are both important, but we heard loudly and clearly that voting rights are your number one priority.

Our work this Fall is focused on working for a just, fair, and transparent redistricting process. Creating fair districts and mapping out a fair redistricting process will help reestablish an accountable government that represents the people of Pennsylvania — not partisan politicians or outside interests. It is especially important to us that the redistricting process reflects the changing racial demographics of our state so that all Pennsylvanians can have their voices represented and heard. That's why we are launching a Just Redistricting Campaign, joining together with other grass roots organizations: Real Change Starts Here.

The Legislative Redistricting Commission is meeting now. We need you to learn about what fair redistricting is, attend these hearings, advocate at these hearings either in person or in writing, write letters to the editor, and sign up for action alerts from RAC-PA. To learn more, go to rac.org/take-action/rac-your-state/rac-pa or email Rabbi Straus, dstraus@mlrt.org. And to send a letter to the LRC to hold hearings on racial equity, visit <https://bit.ly/3oF3cnF>

All programs, classes, and services are subject to change.

Visit mlrt.org/zoom for the most up-to-date information, more details, and virtual program links.

Lifelong Learning

"AN UNCOMFORTABLE MOMENT IN TIME: CREATING A GAME PLAN TO FIGHT ANTISEMITISM" WITH DR. STEVEN WINDMUELLER

Monday, November 8 at 7:30 pm on Zoom

This is an uncomfortable moment for American Jews. We are caught up in an American cultural war over identity, race, and politics. As a visible and influential community, Jewish Americans are experiencing its fallout. Anti-Semitism and anti-Israel rhetoric is on the rise in America. Dr. Windmueller will explain and discuss how should we both understand and respond to these attacks against both Israel and American Jewry.

Dr. Steven Windmueller is an Emeritus Professor of Jewish Communal Studies at the Jack H. Skirball Campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles. The author of four books and numerous articles, Professor Windmueller holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Pennsylvania. His research has been primarily focused on Jewish communal trends, anti-Semitism, and Jewish political behavior. His articles have appeared in a number of secular and Jewish publications. During this pandemic crisis, Dr. Windmueller has been devoting his research to examining the impact of the Coronavirus on the American Jewish community.

HASSEL ADULT EDUCATION LECTURE: INTERVIEW WITH LOCAL AUTHORS

Sunday, November 21 at 10:00 am in person and on Zoom

Becca Kantor, editorial director of Paper Brigade, a yearly publication of the Jewish Book Council, will lead a panel discussion between three local authors: Sam Apple, Brad Aronson, and Marc Bookman.

Sam Apple, author of Ravenous: Otto Warburg, the Nazis, and the Search for the Cancer-Diet Connection - Sam Apple is on the faculty of the MA in Science Writing and MA in Writing programs at Johns Hopkins. He is the author of Schlepping Through the Alps and American Parent. His work has appeared in The New York Times Magazine, The New Yorker, The Atlantic, Wired, The Los Angeles Times, The Financial Times Magazine, ESPN The Magazine, The MIT Technology Review, and McSweeney's, among many other publications.

Brad Aronson, author of Humankind: Changing the World One Small Act at a Time - Brad Aronson isn't your ordinary author. He's a successful self-made entrepreneur with multiple exits to his name. The seasoned entrepreneur turned investor is now a family man who volunteers his time on nonprofit boards and teaches entrepreneurship to local non-profits. Aronson was inspired to write this book after the generosity of others helped him and his family through difficult times.

Marc Bookman, author of A Descending Spiral: Exposing the Death Penalty - Marc Bookman is the executive director of the Atlantic Center for Capital Representation, a nonprofit that provides services for those facing possible execution. Before that he spent many years in the Homicide Unit of the Defender Association of Philadelphia. He has published essays in The Atlantic, Mother Jones, VICE, and Slate.

We hope you will join us in person at MLRT or online via Zoom for this interesting panel of local authors celebrating Jewish Book Month!

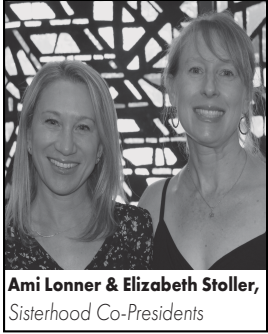
If you have any questions about this program, please contact Sally Brown at sbrown@mlrt.org

MASTER CLASS WITH POLYPHONY, ARTOLERANCE AND THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

We are continuing to develop our relationship and partnership with Polyphony and the Galilee Chamber Orchestra. The Galilee Chamber Orchestra is the first professional orchestra comprising both Arab and Jewish musicians in Israel. As part of Polyphony Education, an Israeli nonprofit that aims to promote peace and shared society between Arab and Jewish communities, the orchestra is led by pianist and conductor Saleem Abboud Ashkar. The Orchestra will be coming to the US and performing at Carnegie Hall in NYC on March 18, 2022. We are hoping to secure a block of tickets. For details: <https://www.carnegiehall.org/Calendar/2022/03/18/Galilee-Chamber-Orchestra-0800PM> They will then be coming to Philadelphia to perform with members of the Philadelphia Orchestra. Stay tuned for details.

And...later this month, members of Polyphony and the Philadelphia Orchestra will perform virtually together in a Master Class Setting. Details will be found on our website, mlrt.org, and in our weekly eblast.

Sisterhood



How did it get to be fall already?! The chilly air reminds us that Chanukah is on the way – but already? While there will be no Thanksgiving this year, Chanukah still begins early: on November 28! As has been our recent tradition, Sisterhood is planning to host our paid-up member event at this time of year. The event, which serves as a thank you to all our members, will take place at 7:00 pm on November 30. We appreciate your flexibility as we navigate the restrictions that COVID places on our programming. Stay tuned for details about this always popular program.

Believe it or not, we have already begun planning for our annual Shalach Manot fundraiser, which will take place right before Purim on March 10. This is currently our biggest fundraiser of the year and is a great way to get involved in Sisterhood. We are always so grateful for our volunteers to come pack the special bags we design and we are SUPER grateful to those who volunteer to deliver our routes, spreading joy to fellow congregants. Last year, money raised by this event enabled Sisterhood to make a large donation to the MLRT COVID Relief Fund and we were proud to be able to do so!! Come join this year's fun!

We are also beginning to think about some new food-themed events involving chocolate and dumpling making (but not at the same time). All this and more awaits you as an MLRT Sisterhood member! If you would like more information about what Sisterhood holds for you and how to join, please email Sue Rhode at rhodefamly@verizon.net or Jill Kleeman at jillkleeman@yahoo.com.

Upcoming dates to remember:

Cook For A Friend: November 3 at 9:30 am

Please email Mary Kamplain at Marykamplain@yahoo.com or Betsy Zeitlin at BetsyZ@Remax.com for more information.

Sisterhood General Meetings: November 9 at 10:00 am
December 14 10:00 am

Brotherhood

Dear reader, November proves that so little will happen with our Brotherhood that it is almost a shame to waste your time as you peruse this page. Nonetheless, we do plan on a monthly "Men's Night Out," yet to be fully thought out, since the covid-19 restrictions make planning quite taxing. We are certain of the date, which is November 18. So look for details in the coming weeks as to where we will gather for chuckles and a decent meal.

Do allow us, now, to briefly say some words of appreciation for those in our Temple who, day in and day out, make Main Line Reform Temple a good and compassionate place. To the office staff who work tirelessly and smoothly to manage all those calls, all those requests, and who provide answers to all our questions, thank you. We tip our hats to each of our maintenance staff, without whom we would all be left holding the proverbial bag as well as wondering how to brew the coffee for all those meetings. We also salute the countless volunteers in our community whose work never seems to end. Of special note are the women who, some for thirteen years, have given their time and expended their energy on working for the refugee programs so graciously allowed to flourish within the Temple walls. The result of this work is to guarantee that newcomers to this land are provided with basic items with which to begin their lives anew. To each of these, office, maintenance, and volunteers, Brotherhood says "Thank you." The next time you visit your Temple, take the time to say "Hello" to these women and men.

Kindly, Gary Brock, Vice-president

BERNIE KLEINMAN BOOK CLUB: EMPIRE OF PAIN Tuesday, November 16 at 7:30 pm on Zoom

Patric Radden Keefe wrote this grand, devastating portrait of three generations of the Sackler family, famed for their philanthropy, whose fortune was built by Valium and whose reputation was destroyed by OxyContin. Download the book for free at Z-lib.org. We welcome anyone interested in reading to join us for friendship, discussion, and review. For more information about this month's meeting, please contact Alan Miller at ammiller@verizon.net.

Teach Our Children: Early Childhood Education



Mihaela Schwartz,
ECE Director

WAYS IN WHICH MLRT SCHOOL FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SUPPORTS THE WHOLE CHILD DEVELOPMENT

The habits we form from childhood make no slight difference, but instead, they make all the difference
-Aristotle

Beyond just teaching academics, schools can foster children's relationships, identities, emotional skills, and overall wellbeing. Children are multi-dimensional "whole" beings whose development is complex and rich. Learning involves far more than merely acquiring knowledge in different subjects. Children need to grow and learn in their relationships, identities, emotional understanding, and overall wellbeing.

Recent research in neuro, developmental & learning sciences, education, sociology, and many other fields confirms that a "whole child" approach is not only desirable but necessary to ensure that children learn well. According to research, brain development is shaped by consistent, supportive relationships, responsive communications, and modeling of productive behaviors. The brain's capacity develops most fully when children feel emotionally and physically safe; and when they feel connected, engaged, and challenged. Learning is social, emotional, and academic. Positive relationships, including trust in the teacher, and positive emotions, such as interest and excitement, open the mind to learning. Children can build skills and awareness to work with emotions in themselves and their relationships.

At the MLRT School for Early Childhood Education, we strive to create a school environment that celebrates the "whole child" and promotes meaningful daily children, staff, and families' interactions. Creating a positive school climate based on solid relationships provides a bedrock for learning. As a result, our students feel a sense of safety and belonging to thrive in school. We promote a sense of community that allows teachers to know their students well by having small class sizes; our teachers check in with students and parents consistently; the whole staff practices cultural awareness, inviting children's experiences into the classroom and communicating that all children are valued.

We see our school as an integrated system that includes extended learning opportunities and community partnerships to provide excellent enrichment programs. For example, we partnered with Yoga@Play and Weeplaylanguage to offer immersion experiences where children learn from professionals to acquire a new language (Hebrew) and regulate emotions through physical activities. Our exciting program also includes special activities in science, building, art, and of course, music with Cantor Faryn Rudnick, Ross M. Levy, and other fabulous local talent.

This school year has already offered some exciting opportunities for our students and teachers and we look forward to continuing to work hard to sustain our guiding tenets so every child here feels loved, cared for, recognized, and actively participates in our school community's wellbeing.

Our teachers and ECE Parent Committee (co-chaired by Carly Unger and Sarah Beth Podell) are working on the following dynamic programs for November.

We hope you will join us for:

- **Welcome Back for Pre-K and Kindergarten families**
November 7 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm
- **Simchat Shabbat featuring Pre-K**
November 19 at 5:30 pm
Please contact the MLRT ECE office at eceoffice@mlrt.org for more information about how to participate.
- **Family Fun Night**
November 21 at 5:30 pm

For more details about these great events and everything we have planned, make sure to join our ECE Facebook group and check your weekly ECE emails. Additional details will be posted on our website as they become available.

Teach Our Children: Religious School



Rabbi Kevin Kleinman
Director of Education

In Hebrew, the word *today* means, "thank you." The same Hebrew root is used in the prayer *Modeh Ani*, "I give thanks," that is part of the morning prayer service. Expressing gratitude and offering appreciation for the blessings, big and small, in our lives is an important Jewish value. Every November, our communities and families gather for the Thanksgiving holiday. Thanksgiving is an opportunity to give thanks. It has become a custom in many Jewish homes to recite the *HaMotzi* prayer at the beginning of the Thanksgiving meal, even though it's not a Jewish holiday.

In fact, Judaism provides us with opportunities to say a blessing every time before we eat or drink. When we pause to recite a blessing, thanking God for the food we are about to eat, we can add a spiritual element to our dining experience. We look at the table, nicely set, and express appreciation to the source of all creation for the bounty we are about to receive. I invite you and your family to try adding blessings of gratitude and appreciation before you dig into that holiday turkey. In doing so, you just might find that

you are more deeply connected to the other guests around the table and the creative process of the natural world. Look for Rabbi Newburge's special blessing on page 3 that is perfect for Thanksgiving, and any moment when you wish to express gratitude for the blessings in life.

We look forward to your family joining us for our monthly family Shabbat services. They take place on the first Friday night each month at 6:30 pm. Every month, a different grade will lead the congregation in song and prayer.

November 2021 Religious School Programs

Family Shabbat Service led by 4th Grade

Friday, November 5 at 6:30 pm

5th Grade Retreat

Saturday, November 6 from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

1st Grade Mishpacha Program

Sunday, November 14 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Chanukah Family Shabbat with Consecration

Friday, December 3 at 6:30 pm

***No Religious School: November 21, 24, 25, and 28**

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Lynne and I have been blessed to travel with you, our MLRT family to Israel, Cuba, Prague, Berlin and to Morocco. We have made lifelong friendships together; had the experiences of a lifetime; learned and made connections with Jewish communities in each of these places.

A trip to Spain will take us back in time to one of the greatest periods of Jewish history, the Spain of the Golden Age, which produced an abundance of Jewish poets, philosophers, kabbalists, and intellectual giants, such as Maimonides and Judah HaLevi. The Golden Age came to a brutal and horrific end in 1478 with the Spanish Inquisition, which forced hundreds of thousands of Jews to either convert to Christianity or die. Our journey will follow the story of the Jews of Spain, those who were expelled, those who stayed behind in secret, hiding (*conversos*) as well as meet those who live in Spain today, creating new, exciting liberal Jewish communities.

You can sign up (fully refundable deposit through 12/20/21) at bit.ly/2YggXOW, or email me at dstrauss@mlrt.org.

ISRAEL MATTERS

In recent weeks, 41 Afghan women and their families have escaped Taliban rule in Afghanistan in a daring rescue mission coordinated by IsraAID, a leading non-governmental organization that provides humanitarian aid around the world for disasters, epidemics, and post-conflict situations, recovery and preparation for communities with earthquakes and hurricanes, and for refugees and force migration situations, and backed by an Israeli entrepreneur named Sylvan Adams. Adams is the head of the Israeli national cycling team, and he worked closely with Aaron Finkel, who helped airlift thousands of Jews out of the Soviet Union in the 1980s.

The women include members of the Afghan girls' cycling team, members of the girls' robotics team and a number of at-risk human rights activists. The rescuers had to collect the Afghan women and their families secretly from hiding, in back alleys around Kabul, and to evacuate them quietly across the border into Tajikistan, where they were flown to the United Arab Emirates. The UAE welcomed these women and their families and have provided high quality accommodations to them. This stunning rescue of Afghan women who were at risk was possible only because of the new spirit of cooperation between Israel and the UAE following the recent accords between the two countries.

We hope you enjoy these "good news" bulletins from Israel. If you would like to contribute to future issues, please email Sherrill Neff at sherrill.neff@gmail.com, Jackie Shulman at jszul@gmail.com, or Renee Margulies at Milren4@yahoo.com.

Chanukah

Chanukah, meaning “dedication” in Hebrew, refers to the joyous eight-day celebration during which Jews commemorate the victory of the Maccabees over the armies of Syria in 165 B.C.E. and the subsequent liberation and “rededication” of the Temple in Jerusalem. Also called the Festival of Lights, the holiday brings light, joy, and warmth to our homes and communities as we celebrate with candles, food, family, and friends. Light comes literally, with the lighting of an additional candle each day, and metaphorically, through a newer emphasis on charitable donations and a commitment to *tikkun olam* during the holiday. The modern home celebration of Chanukah centers around the lighting of the *chanukiah*, a special menorah for Chanukah; unique foods, latkes and jelly doughnuts; and special songs and games.

Lighting the Chanukiah

We begin with one candle on the first night, and add one candle each night for eight nights. In addition, we light the *shamash* each night which we use to light the other candles. The candles should be added to the menorah from the right to the left, but they are lit from left to right so the kindling begins with the newest light. The blessings are recited each night with the lit *shamash* in hand, after which the candles are lit immediately. The first two blessings are sung every night, the third only on the first night.

Blessing 1: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Chanukah.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

Blessing 2: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזִמְנָן הַזֶּה.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu v'imoteinu bayamim hahaeim baz'man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

For first night only: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהִחְיָנוּ וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזִּמְנָן הַזֶּה.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higiyanu laz'man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

Menorah is the Hebrew word for lamp and specifically refers to the seven-branched candelabrum used in the Holy Temples. A **Chanukiah** is a menorah used on Chanukah and has eight branches and a spot for the *shamash*.

When the menorah is facing you, the candle for the first night is placed in the right-most holder of the eight-branched menorah and the shamash is placed in its holder, which is raised or otherwise distinguished from the rest. Since these lights are holy, we aren't supposed to make practical use of them (e.g., using them to see or read by, or lighting other candles with them); therefore, we use the shamash to light the ones that mark each night of the holiday.

Another mitzvah of Chanukah is *pirsum hanes*, the public proclamation of the miraculous events that transpired in the days of the Maccabees. The Chanukah lights are lit at sundown in the window, when passers-by are most likely to see them.

JOIN US FOR A FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS! Connect with your MLRT family to light the *chanukiah* and have some Chanukah fun together every night!

🕒 **Sunday, November 28- Sunday Sufganiyot!** Come one, come all for Covid-safe donut decorating with Amy Krulik. It's a sweet way to start Chanukah!

🕒 **Monday, November 29- Music Monday!** Sing some old family favorites and maybe learn a new Chanukah song.

🕒 **Tuesday, November 30- Tzedakah Tuesday!** Let's count three nights of Chanukah and all our blessings, and drop off donations of boys clothing (especially sizes 0-8)

🕒 **Wednesday, December 1- Winning Wednesday!** Don't miss this epic dreidel contest with brackets, prizes & lots of fun!

🕒 **Thursday, December 2- Sing some old family favorites and maybe learn a new Chanukah song to celebrate with Cantor Rudnick and Andy Heller!**

🕒 **Friday, December 3- Shabbat Chanukah, Family Service, Consecration**

🕒 **Saturday, December 4- Story time!** Join our ECE Director, Mihaela Schwartz, for a heartwarming Chanukah story, a few songs, and a whole lot of smiles!

🕒 **Sunday, December 5- S'mores Sunday!** Gather outside at MLRT to make your own s'mores and celebrate the last night of Chanukah. It's a sweet way to end Chanukah.

More details and links available at mlrt.org/chanukah

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Mother of Mark (Valerie) Dubnoff
Grandmother of Anna, Julia and Micah

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Grandfather of Daniel Schwartz, Amy Schwartz, Michael (Meredith) Schwartz, Carol (Gene) Balbir,
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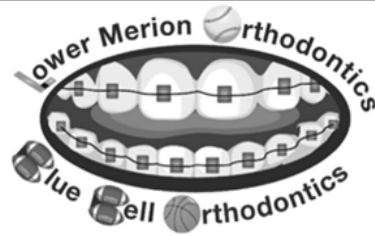
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Louis Schmidt interviewed Holocaust survivors for the USC Shoah Foundation created after Steven Spielberg's Oscar win for Schindler's List. More than 55,000 testimonies bring the lessons of the Holocaust and a message of tolerance for future generations. Schmidt will discuss his intensive training and his profoundly meaningful personal experience as an interviewer for this project.

Louis Schmidt has won three Emmys and four Ace Awards and is the recipient of the silver medal from the International Film and Television Festival of New York. He also reported for Look Magazine and served as a Senior Producer for NFL Films for over thirty years.

On the night of November 9, 1938, violent anti-Jewish demonstrations broke out across Germany, Austria, and the Sudetenland region of Czechoslovakia. Nazi officials depicted the riots as justified reactions to the assassination of German foreign official Ernst vom Rath, who had been shot two days earlier by Herschel Grynszpan, a 17-year old Polish Jew distraught over the deportation of his family from Germany.

Over the next 48 hours, violent mobs, spurred by antisemitic exhortations from Nazi officials, destroyed hundreds of synagogues, burning or desecrating Jewish religious artifacts along the way. Acting on orders from Gestapo headquarters, police officers and firefighters did nothing to prevent the destruction. All told, approximately 7,500 Jewish-owned businesses, homes, and schools were plundered, and 91 Jews were murdered. An additional 30,000 Jewish men were arrested and sent to concentration camps. Kristallnacht was a turning point in the history of the Third Reich, marking the shift from antisemitic rhetoric and legislation to the violent, aggressive anti-Jewish measures that would culminate with the Holocaust.

Information about our other special Shabbat speaker, Mikhal Dekel, can be found on page 6.

MULTI-ACCESS WEEKLY OFFERINGS

THURSDAYS

11:00 am - Bible Study

Our rabbis lead an ongoing discussion of the Mishnah over the year via Zoom. Join the discussion anytime, whether you are an avid Mishnah student or have never looked at the Mishnah before.

FRIDAYS

6:30 pm - Friday Shabbat Service

We invite you to join us on Livestream, Facebook Live, or in the Morganroth Sanctuary for a Shabbat service with songs and prayers, followed by a virtual Oneg Shabbat.

SATURDAYS

9:00 am - Torah Study

Each week our Rabbis lead us in lively discussion as we read from the Parsha, or weekly portion, and learn about its context and history. All are welcome to join us via Zoom, from wherever you are.

10:00 am - Shabbat Morning Service

Immediately following Torah Study, join us on Zoom for a lovely Shabbat Service featuring our clergy.

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Shabbat & Holiday Services

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~Services will be Livestreamed

Friday, November 5

6:30 pm Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 6

5th Grade Retreat

9:00 am Torah Study
10:00 am Saturday Morning Service
10:30 am~ Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Chase Shapiro
Son of Jill & Bruce Shapiro
5:00 pm~ Bar Mitzvah of Isaac Davis Polsky
Son of Tracey & Daniel Polsky
6:30 pm Havdalah

Friday, November 12

6:30 pm Shabbat Service in commemoration of Kristallnacht with special guest speaker, Louis Schmidt

Saturday, November 13

9:00 am Torah Study
10:00 am Saturday Morning Service
10:30 am~ Bat Mitzvah of Belle Rose Stecker
Daughter of Heather & Brett Stecker
3:00 pm~ Bat Mitzvah of Lila Kaplan
Daughter of Amy & Jeremiah Kaplan
5:00 pm~ Bat Mitzvah of Madison Solomon
Daughter of Jennifer & Jordan Solomon
6:30 pm Havdalah

Friday, November 19

5:00 pm ECE Simchat Shabbat
8:00 pm Shabbat Service with special guest speaker, author Mikhal Dekel

Saturday, November 20

9:00 am Torah Study
9:00 am Shabbat Morning Walk
10:00 am Saturday Morning Service
4:30 pm~ Bat Mitzvah of Maggie Remi Mirsky
Daughter of Jennifer & Michael Mirsky
6:30 pm Havdalah

Friday, November 26

6:30 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 27

9:00 am Torah Study
10:00 am Saturday Morning Service
10:30 am~ Bar Mitzvah of Joshua David Ginsberg
Son of Beth & Phillip Ginsberg

Friday, December 3

6:30 pm Family Shabbat Chanukah Service and Consecration

Saturday, December 4

9:00 am Torah Study
10:00 am Saturday Morning Service
10:30 am~ Bat Mitzvah of Henry Eliot Hirsch
Son of Lauren & Brian Hirsch
6:30 pm Havdalah

All services at MLRT are multi-access.

Please join us in person at MLRT or via Livestream or Facebook Live on Friday nights and in person at MLRT or on Zoom on Saturdays. Havdalah is Zoom only.

Masks are required for all in-person programming. Links for our virtual services and study sessions are available via mlrt.org/zoom.

Visit mlrt.org/chanukah for details on all of our nightly Chanukah programs!



November 2021

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8:00 pm Keeping It Reel: <i>Maktub</i> **	2 ELECTION DAY ECE Closed Religious School Closed	3 9:30 am Sisterhood Cook For A Friend *	4 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm ECE Holiday Sip & Shop 7:30 pm Friends of Bill W. *	5 6:30 pm Family Shabbat Service	6 9:00 am Torah Study 9:00 am 5 th Grade Retreat 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Shapiro~ 5:00 pm Bar Mitzvah of Isaac Polsky~ 6:30 pm Havdalah
7 12:30 pm Tribe Jr. Video Game Truck 3:00 pm ECE Pre-K and K New Family Welcome	8 7:30 pm An Uncomfortable Moment in Time with Dr. Windmueller	9 10:00 am Sisterhood General Board Meeting 7:30 pm "Unmute Yourself" Memoir Discussion	10	11 11:00 am Bible Study 12:00 pm Short Story Discussion: <i>Future Emergencies</i> 7:00 pm FTD Caregivers 7:30 pm Friends of Bill W. *	12 6:30 pm Shabbat Service in commemoration of Kristallnacht with Louis Schmidt	13 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bat Mitzvah of Belle Stecker~ 3:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Lila Kaplan~ 5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Madison Solomon~ 6:30 pm Havdalah
14 11:00 am Tribe Social goes to Linvilla Orchards 7:00 pm Beer Club *	15	16 7:30 pm Bernie Kleinman Book Club: <u>Empire of Pain</u>	17	18 11:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Brotherhood MNO 7:30 pm Friends of Bill W. *	19 5:00 pm ECE Simchat Shabbat Service 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with guest speaker, author Mikhal Dekel	20 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Walk * ^ 4:30 pm Bat Mitzvah of Maggie Mirsky~ 6:30 pm Havdalah
21 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED 10:00 am Hassel Adult Education Lecture: Local Authors and Interviewers 5:30 pm ECE Family Fun Night	22 8:00 pm Keeping It Reel: <i>Inception</i> **	23	24 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED THROUGH NOVEMBER 28 12:00 pm ECE Early Dismissal	25 THANKSGIVING MLRT OFFICE AND ECE CLOSED THROUGH NOVEMBER 28	26 6:30 pm Shabbat Service	27 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Ginsberg~
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