



MLRT Presents

## *Thank You For Being A Friend*

### A GOLDEN GIRLS PURIM 5782/2022

### Wednesday, March 16

7:00 pm 🕯 MLRT 🕯 Livestream

*All the fun details are on page 5*



COVID-19 regulations and guidelines are rapidly changing due to new variants and case numbers, and our main priority is keeping our MLRT family safe and healthy. This issue was printed in the beginning of February, so please visit [mlrt.org](http://mlrt.org) or call the Temple office at 610-649-7800 for the most up-to-date information.

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Jamie Mushlin

March is here, which means it is time for Purim and spring is around the corner. In addition to our Purim Celebration on March 16, you are also all invited to attend our Annual Congregational Meeting on March 20.

When I think of Purim, several things come to mind. I remember Purim carnivals from my childhood and the goldfish I would win, even if that memory is bittersweet because the goldfish never lasted long. Purim also reminds me of my first steps in Temple leadership at MLRT years ago. It all started when I casually mentioned that I had run Purim Carnivals in the past to our Religious School Committee chairs... That was it; their eyes grew wide, they exchanged looks, and as one, asked "would you run our Purim Carnival??" I said yes, and the rest is history.

While I have many fond memories associated with Purim, my favorite part of the holiday has to be making hamantashen!!! I put hamentashen as one of my all-time favorite cookies, and strongly believe that cherry filling is the only way to go. My kids like chocolate and my husband, Neil, likes apricot, so we need to double or triple the dough recipe each year to accommodate everyone.

By happy accident this year, Purim falls just a few days before our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 20 at 11:00 am. While brainstorming ideas of what we could do at the meeting, taking into account the current COVID landscape, we thought of the highly successful Let's Cook Knishes program a few weeks prior. Between virtual participants and in-person chefs, we had over 75 people participate on a cold Sunday afternoon. ***I welcome you to come on March 20 and join us in person from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm for the business part of the Annual Congregational Meeting, immediately followed by a cooking program where we will once again make some dough, add fillings, and bake a delicious Jewish treat together.*** If you are uncomfortable or unable to join us at MLRT, both the Annual Congregational Meeting and this optional, but highly recommended, Hands-Up for Hamentashen will be available on Zoom. The Annual Congregational Meeting is for members only, but I hope to see everyone for the cooking fun happening immediately after.

Lastly, I just want to take a moment to thank Amy Krulik, who joined our MLRT family right after the Annual Congregational Meeting last year. She has guided us with grace, leadership, and kindness and we are so very lucky to have Amy leading our MLRT family. It's been an amazing year and I look forward to sharing our updates, Board of Trustee nominations, and financials with you all! I hope to see you ALL on Sunday, March 20 for both the meeting and eating!

## YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Sunday, March 20 | 11:00 am in person at MLRT and via Zoom**

Please join us for MLRT's Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 20 at 11:00 am. Our lay leaders, clergy and senior staff will review MLRT's programs and operations during the past year, lay out plans for our multi-access future, and give you the opportunity to elect the slate of Officers and Trustees nominated to service in the coming year.

RSVP at [mlrt.org/annualmeeting22](http://mlrt.org/annualmeeting22) to ensure we have enough space and brunch boxes for all attendees.

### 2022-23 Slate of Officers

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# Mishenichnas Adar, Marbim B'Simcha



Rabbi Geri Newburge

Knock knock.  
Who's there?  
Vashti!  
Vashti who?  
Vashti dishes and I'll give you a Hamantashen!

Who doesn't love a hamantashen? I think we'd all happily do the dishes for this culinary favorite. Apricot, cherry, even pizza- they're all delicious, though the story of how the hamantashen came to be remains murky. While hamantashen may be the tastiest part of Purim, it is hardly the most important.

Purim is a lesson about a good deed that really all began on the eve of Esther becoming queen. Of course, becoming queen wasn't exactly on her radar, but since Esther wasn't a nun or a kook, Mordechai knew she'd make an excellent bride for King Ahashverosh, and he wanted to refer her to the beauty contest being held. She was worried that the king would not see her as on the same level, but soon enough Esther was the apple of the king's eye and she could do no wrong. Of all the Jewish sagas, this one has a happy ending! *(How many palindromes can you find in this paragraph?)*

According to the rabbis in the Talmud, "Once Adar begins, happiness increases." The Hebrew month of Adar is marked with the joys of Purim, including tzedakah, shalach manot (gift baskets shared with friends and family), and the festivities of the holiday- a shpiel (a play telling the story of the Scroll of Esther), reading the *Megillah*, dressing up in costumes, abundant silliness, and a little schnapps. Given the ever present challenges of the world we live in, Purim may be the most welcome holiday of the year!

Come celebrate with us on Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm for our family-friendly Golden Girls shpiel! Everyone needs a time to laugh, dance, and sing with the community. We can't wait to see you in person and online via Livestream and look forward to celebrating Purim together!

**Look for details on our Purim Celebrations on pages 5 and 11.**

## Cantor's Corner



Cantor Faryn Rudnick

It's Adar, and you know what that means - it's time for Purim! Many of us probably have memories of Purim - costumes, carnivals, and merriment. We might recall hearing the Megillah read, and we definitely remember booing loudly whenever we hear Haman's name.

But what else do you know about Purim? Test your Purim knowledge below. Email your answers to Cantor Rudnick at [frudnick@mlrt.org](mailto:frudnick@mlrt.org) before noon on March 16 and anyone who submits the right answers will be entered into a raffle for a Shabbat challah baked by Cantor. The raffle winner will be notified on Thursday, March 17.

1. What does the word "Purim" mean?
2. What day and month on the Hebrew calendar is Purim celebrated?
3. Why do we eat Hamatashen?
4. What is the full name of the book we read on Purim?
5. What is the name of the gift we give on Purim?
6. Where does the story of Purim take place?
7. Whose name is missing from the story of Purim?
8. Who are the main characters in Purim (name all 5)?
9. Why do we fast on the day before Purim?
10. What is one way to greet people on Purim?

Again, make sure to turn in your completed answers to Cantor Rudnick via email before noon on Purim (March 16.)

*Bonus silly question submitted by the Rudnick family: Why did the cow cross the road? To get to the moooooooooovies!*



# What Does Your Hamantashen Say About You?



**Amy Krulik,**  
Executive Director

Did you know that the Monell Center, the world's only independent, non-profit scientific institute dedicated to research on the senses of taste and smell, is located at 35<sup>th</sup> & Market Streets in Philadelphia? Researchers at Monell are working on ways that the science of taste shapes our food choices, affects our metabolism and helps develop products that will best meet our personal preferences and nutritional needs. While the Monell Center has not specifically studied why we like one flavor of hamantashen over another, some of their recent research has examined why we favor sweet foods and the importance of savory and bitter foods in our diet.

Thanks to inspiration from the great work happening at the Monell Center (check them out at [monell.org](http://monell.org)) and the ridiculous practice of Food Astrology (yes, this is a thing), I have culled the Googleverse to determine the personality traits of the most popular flavors of hamantashen. Before you see if you and your hamantashen are a match, a few disclaimers: This information has not been peer reviewed and nothing that follows is based on a single scientific fact.

## What's Your Hamantashen Personality?

- Strawberry: Tolerant, devoted, energetic, and fiercely loyal.
- Chocolate: Dramatic, lively, charming, and flirtatious.
- Cherry: Kind, imaginative, creative, loyal, and sincere.
- Apricot: Generous, cultured, fearless, focused, and good sense of humor.
- Prune: Quiet, reserved, mature, and great organizational skills.
- Poppy (Mun): Traditionalist, honest, engaging and a good listener.

Although making hamantashen will not satisfy my year-long commitment to baking with yeast (my recent whole wheat challah was a hit), Purim at the Krulik's is not complete without batches of strawberry, apricot, and chocolate hamantashen. Here is the recipe I have been using since my kids were in preschool – happy baking and HAPPY PURIM!

### INGREDIENTS

*1/4 pound softened butter or margarine*  
*3/4 cup of sugar*  
*2 eggs*  
*1 teaspoon vanilla extract*  
*1/4 cup orange juice*  
*2 teaspoons baking powder*  
*3-4 cups of flour*  
*Variety of fillings – fruit preserves, pie fillings, chocolate chips, Nutella...*  
*it's Purim, go wild!*

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Mix together butter/margarine, sugar, eggs, vanilla and orange juice.
- Add baking powder and flour. Start with 3 cups of flour and then add additional flour as needed to create a dough that is not sticky.
- Roll the dough to 1/4 inch thickness (using the remaining flour to help with rolling) and cut into circles (about 3" diameter) using a cookie cutter or a glass.
- Place about a teaspoon of filling in the middle of each circle and pinch edges together to form a triangle (some filling will be visible).
- Bake on a greased or parchment paper covered cookie sheet for 12-25 minutes until cookies are light golden brown. Be sure to check the cookies – baking time varies based on thickness of dough.
- Cool and enjoy.

*Yields approximately 4 dozen hamantashen*

P.S. I am 100% Team Apricot.

## Have you been to Israel? Would you like to go again?

We would love to offer a **MLRT mission to Israel in December 2022** over winter break.

Our trip will inspire a greater appreciation and connection to Israel, the Jewish people and to our own Judaism. This is a perfect opportunity to celebrate a child's or grandchild's becoming a bar/t mitzvah and to see Israel with your MLRT family. There is always something new and wonderful to see in our homeland.

Please contact Rabbi Newburge if you are interested at [gnewburge@mlrt.org](mailto:gnewburge@mlrt.org) or 610-649-7800

# Purim 5782/2022

With celebrations including costumes, skits and songs, noisemakers, and gifts of food, Purim is definitely full of fun!

The main communal celebration involves a public reading—usually in the synagogue—of the Book of Esther (Megillat Esther), which tells the story of the holiday: Under the rule of King Ahashverosh, Haman, the king's adviser, plots to exterminate all of the Jews of Persia. His plan is foiled by Queen Esther and her cousin, Mordechai, who ultimately save the Jews of Persia from destruction. The significance of Purim lies not so much in how it began, but in what it has become: a thankful and joyous affirmation of Jewish survival.

**Thursday, March 3**  
Shalach Manot Order Deadline

**Thursday, March 10**  
Shalach Manot Packing

**Sunday, March 13**  
Purim Carnival

**Wednesday, March 16**  
Golden Girls Megillah Reading/Shpiel

## PURIM CARNIVAL

Sunday, March 13 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at MLRT

*Rain or shine; in case of inclement weather, program will be moved indoors*

Enjoy games, bounce-houses, obstacles courses, and more at our annual Purim Carnival! Admission is free but donations are suggested to help support our Religious School programs. You must register for a specific time-slot.

## THANK YOU FOR BEING A FRIEND: GOLDEN GIRLS PURIM

Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm at MLRT and via Livestream

Bring your friends for a fun night celebrating Purim and our favorite Golden Girl, Betty White. Prizes awarded to the best costumes, so dust off your floral dresses and pull out your shoulder pads for this multi-access Megillah Reading and Purim Shpiel! All are welcome!

**Up-to-date information on Purim 5782 can be found at [mlrt.org/purim22](http://mlrt.org/purim22)**

## SHALACH MANOT DEADLINE REMINDER

**All orders are due by midnight on March 3**

**No exceptions and no extensions**

MLRT Sisterhood is making it easy to show people you are missing them and thinking about them by assembling and delivering packages for you for \$7/recipient! Each recipient will get one package which will include traditional Purim goodies and a letter with the names of everyone who sent them Purim greetings.

*Special bundled pricing is available to send to MLRT clergy and staff, and additional packages for non-member family or friends will be available for \$10.*

By now, you should have received emails from Sisterhood at [shalachmanot@mlrt.org](mailto:shalachmanot@mlrt.org) explaining our Shalach Manot fundraiser and how you can participate. Just click on your personal link and it will log you directly into your account. *If you have difficulty accessing your account, need assistance with your order, or have any questions, please contact Lisa Greenblatt at [greenblatt5@comcast.net](mailto:greenblatt5@comcast.net).*

**All orders are due by midnight on March 3, no extensions.**

Purim begins at sundown on March 16. The Shalach Manot packages will be delivered to those in our delivery area between March 10 and March 16. If you live outside our delivery area, you will be notified to pick up your Shalach Manot at MLRT between Friday, March 11 and Friday, March 18.

**You can still volunteer to pack or deliver by logging in with your personalized code or contacting Lisa Greenblatt at [greenblatt5@comcast.net](mailto:greenblatt5@comcast.net) or Jackie Bobrin at [jackiebobrin@gmail.com](mailto:jackiebobrin@gmail.com).**

*The funds raised from Sisterhood's Shalach Manot project are donated directly to MLRT for special projects or needs. Your support of this fundraiser fulfills one of the mitzvot of Purim and helps support MLRT in the future.*

**Thank you and Chag Purim Sameach!**

# Tikkun Olam Network (TON)

Our next TON meeting is March 6 at 10:30 am in person and on Zoom. We need your participation to discuss the structure of our committee! Please contact Liz Stoller at [ljstoller@gmail.com](mailto:ljstoller@gmail.com) if you would like the link to join.

The TON is also offering the opportunity to volunteer as an MLRT group at our long-time community partner, Mitzvah Circle Foundation. Mitzvah Circle was created to fill the gaps and provide items that are not covered by government assistance. Clothing, toothpaste, diapers, and deodorant are items that people need every single day, but not all can afford to buy. Join us on April 3 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at MCF to pack boxes for families. All ages are welcome with guardians. Please contact Rabbi Newburge at [gnewburge@mlrt.org](mailto:gnewburge@mlrt.org) if you are interested in joining us.

## STAY CONNECTED!



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

 **Monday, March 7 at 8:00 pm - Christine**

*In a film based on true events, an awkward but ambitious TV reporter struggles to adapt when she's ordered to focus on violent and salacious stories.*

 **Monday, March 14 at 8:00 pm - The Edge of Seventeen**

*A troubled teenager finds high school life even less bearable after she catches her childhood best friend hooking up with her popular older brother.*



**Shabbat Morning Walk**

**Saturday, March 12 at 9:00 am Haverford College Trail**

Celebrate Shabbat in nature with your MLRT community. Meet Rabbi Geri Newburge (with your masks!) at the Haverford College Condominium, 700 Ardmore Avenue, for a beautiful and invigorating winter walk. *Park in the 300/400 sections- all the way in the back (where grey and beige buildings meet); visitor parking is along the wall.*



**Beer Club - Sunday, March 20 at 7:00 pm**

**Tired Hands Fermentaria, 35 Cricket Terrace, Ardmore**

Take a seat and take a sip, together! Beer Club is open to all MLRT members who enjoy trying and sharing beer.

Congregants are responsible for their own tabs.



**Lunch and Learn - Monday, March 21 at 12:00 pm**

Lunch with the Rabbi is back! Take a break for lunch while Rabbi Newburge leads a thoughtful conversation on Zoom.

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

*Visit [mlrt.org/zoom](http://mlrt.org/zoom) for the most up-to-date information, more details, and virtual program links.*

## Israel Matters

If you are hoping to travel to Israel in the next year, consider spending time at Mount Hermon in the Golan Heights. You may not think of Israel as a ski destination, but 50,000 skiers and snowboarders make their way each year to the Mount Hermon Ski Resort, the highest point and only ski area in Israel. Celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the now 600 acre site offers 28 miles of trails, 11 chair lifts and T-bars, a ski school, alpine coaster, cable car ride, and sledding during its 50 day season.

However, there is so much more to do at Mount Hermon than just ski, which explains why it hosts 450,000 visitors throughout the year. Mount Hermon has walking, hiking, and biking trails galore, the alpine coaster, dry tubing, go-karting, and distinctive flora and fauna for ornithology fans. As one travel agent said; "I love the quiet and the nature... and it makes me feel at peace. The mountains and the viewpoints...the wine and vineyards, the waterfall, the unique and tasty Druze food in Majdal Shams at the base of the mountain and the Jewish, Christian and Islamic history that lies in the area, just provides the perfect opportunity for an adventure that leaves you satisfied and happy at the end of the day."

*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](mailto:sherrill.neff@gmail.com), Jackie Shulman at [jjshul@gmail.com](mailto:jjshul@gmail.com), or Renee Margulies at [Milren4@yahoo.com](mailto:Milren4@yahoo.com).*

# Lifelong Learning



Sally Brown,  
Librarian

As winter turns into spring, we are continuing to offer provocative literary programs. Our short story for March 17 (note date change) will be "The Library of Moloch" by Melvin Jules Bukiet from the collection, While the Messiah Tarries. We will read about a university library that catalogs human evil. The son of Holocaust survivors, Melvin Bukiet has written extensively about the experience of the Holocaust, as well as the world of Polish Jews before World War II. Join us on Thursday, March 17 at noon on Zoom to discuss this compelling story.

Our Brotherhood will host Suzanne Nossel at their annual Brotherhood Shabbat on March 11. Ms. Nossel is the CEO of PEN America, the leading human rights organization. She will speak about her book Dare to Speak: Defending Free Speech for All which centers on twenty principles to navigate today's diverse, digitized, and divided society without curbing free expression.

On Tuesday, March 15 at 11:00 am, Sisterhood will bring back popular author Pam Jenoff. She will speak about her newest novel, The Woman with the Blue Star, a spellbinding tale of the horrors of the Krakow Ghetto during World War II when people were forced to seek refuge in the perilous sewers beneath the city. The story is inspired by harrowing true stories. We are at the time in history when the untold tales of the Holocaust are coming to our attention. It is important for us to hear these stories as we continue to acquire a complete picture of that terrible time.

Pam is the author of several books of historical fiction, many of which can be found in our Temple library. Pam's novels are inspired by her experiences as a diplomat for the State Department handling Holocaust issues in Poland. Paperback copies of The Woman with the Blue Star will be available for purchase at the program, as well as back copies of Pam's other books. Please join us, either in person at MLRT or virtually, for this beloved annual Sisterhood event.

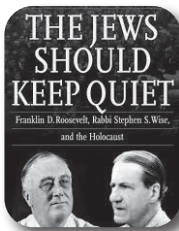
I am looking forward to seeing you at MLRT's March literary madness!



## **HASSEL ADULT EDUCATION LECTURE: The Life and Poetry of Amanda Gorman** *Sunday, March 6 at 10:00 am on Zoom*

In this lecture, Diane Steinbrink will discuss Amanda Gorman's role in President Biden's inauguration as the youngest poet ever to participate. Diane will touch on Amanda's family background, relationships, and education. She will read the inaugural poem, *The Hill We Climb*, Amanda's 2021 Super Bowl reading, and her most recent poem written for the new year 2022. The lecture will also talk about all that has happened to Amanda after her inaugural debut.

Questions and comments will be welcome at the conclusion of the program. Please join us on Zoom!

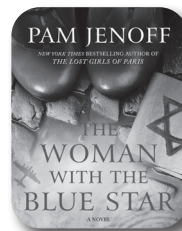


## **BERNIE KLEINMAN BOOK CLUB: THE JEWS SHOULD KEEP QUIET - FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT, RABBI STEPHEN S. WISE, AND THE HOLOCAUST**

*Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30 pm  
on Zoom*

Rafael Medoff delves into difficult truths and reassesses the hows and whys behind the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration's fateful policies during the Holocaust. Medoff explores the sensitive question of the president's private sentiments and the administration's realistic options for rescue action, which, if taken, would have saved many lives. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Norman Fienman at [nfienman@gmail.com](mailto:nfienman@gmail.com).



## **SISTERHOOD AUTHOR TALK: The Woman with the Blue Star with Pam Jenoff**

*Tuesday, March 15 at 11:00 am  
in person at MLRT and on Zoom*

Hear from a best-selling author as she returns to MLRT for Sisterhood's annual

Author Talk either in person or via Zoom. Pam Jenoff will talk to us about her new book, The Woman with the Blue Star. Inspired by harrowing true stories, it is an emotional testament to the power of friendship and the extraordinary strength of the human will to survive.

There is no charge for this program, but we ask that you RSVP to Sue Rubin Plick at 610-715-0484 or [sbrubin@plickandassociates.com](mailto:sbrubin@plickandassociates.com) so we can plan the proper amounts of desserts.

*All programs, classes, and services are subject to change.  
Visit [mlrt.org/zoom](http://mlrt.org/zoom) for the most up-to-date information, more details, and virtual program links.*



# Brotherhood

Alfred Lord Tennyson, in *In Memoriam* insists that "There lives more faith in honest doubt, / Believe me, than in half the creeds." But doubt not, Brothers and Sisters, a creed steadfastly held by Brotherhood is the giving of service to our congregation; which is what we will fulfill, once again, when we lead the multi-access Friday Night Shabbat Service on March 11. Be on the look-out for additional information in the weekly emails.

We will gather on March 13 to assist in whatever way we can at the Purim Carnival. This is the event at which Glenn Brooks displays all of his years of chemistry teacher training to boil those hot dogs to perfection. Look for more information about how to participate soon.

You may be familiar with the Women of the Wall (WOW), the leading organization to rid the Kotel of exclusionary actions against women. The Men of Reform Judaism (MRJ) in mid-January presented yet another timely webinar to Reform movement congregations; you all were invited to take advantage of the event, an event made possible because our Brotherhood participates with financial sponsorship of our national organization; and this is but one way we all benefit from MRJ. Two truly astounding women whose work is crucial to bringing about a more equitable society in Israel, Anat Hoffman, Executive Director, and Orly Erez-Likhovski, Director of Israel Religious Action Center (IRAC), each spoke of their work with the WOW movement, now 34 years young. They cited innumerable instances of the monopoly the Orthodox leaders and communities continue to have on the daily lives of ordinary Israeli citizens, especially women. Consider that, at the Kotel, women are searched by "ushers" and Kotel police for Torahs; that women are excluded from radio station participation alongside Orthodox men; that land acquisition from the State by Reform synagogues gets clogged in the court system; that some Orthodox rabbis consider Arabs less than human. Both Hoffman and Erez-Likhovski implored North American Jews to relinquish their role as silent bystanders and insist that we, too, have a voice in creating a more just and equitable Israeli society. "Speaking perfect Hebrew does not a Jew make," Hoffman said; to our peril, we should not deny the truth of that observation.

Kindly,  
Gary Brock, MLRT Brotherhood Vice-President

## **BUILDING BRIDGES THROUGH MUSIC: An Evening of Common Ground Through Common Sounds**

**Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30 pm at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church**

625 Montgomery Ave, Bryn Mawr

MLRT, ARTolerance, and other local interfaith organizations are thrilled to welcome the Polyphony String Quartet to showcase the unique power of classical music to transcend cultural and social boundaries between Arab and Jewish communities to build a rich, diverse, and vibrant civil society in Israel. The Polyphony String Quartet will be joined in this performance by members of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra and the Chamber Ensemble from the Sanctuary Choir at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church.

Masks are required for in-person attendance; donations and registration requested.  
[https://building\\_bridges\\_through\\_music.eventbrite.com/](https://building_bridges_through_music.eventbrite.com/)

## **TRANSGENDER DAY OF AWARENESS: March 31**

One of our many human qualities is the desire to be seen and valued for who we are. We live in a diverse world; people come in all shapes and sizes, but all people have one very important thing in common: we are all created *B'tzelem Elohim*, created in God's image. On March 31, we will commemorate the 13<sup>th</sup> Transgender Day of Visibility (TDoV), an International day whose mission is to raise awareness about the discrimination that transgender people face in all settings. Founded by Rachel Crandall in 2009, TDoV brings to the surface not just the challenges that transgender people face day in and day out, but also their successes, their contributions to the world around us, and their resiliency and activism in helping to make the world a more accepting, kind and loving place for all people to live. TDoV is a reminder to combat hate and, in the words of Psalm 89, *work together to build a world of love*.



# Sisterhood



**Ami Lonner & Elizabeth Stoller,**  
Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Everybody knows that Esther is the hero of Purim. In searching for other stories about Jewish female heroes, we came across a d'var torah written by a WRJ committee member that suggests we consider all the "Esthers" in our own Sisterhoods. She states, "These are the women who work tirelessly for sisterhood but never crave honor." Even though we MLRT Sisterhood leaders find ourselves in a time where we need to restructure our leadership model, we need to pause and truly reflect on what amazing women we have in our Sisterhood family. Of course, in being part of the MLRT Sisterhood, we get to have fun with our friends, meet new people, make meaningful connections, and we are also given a ready-made platform to do good. But we also have the chance to create, develop, and implement initiatives that we as women feel passionate about and we are able to inspire future leaders within our community. Without our own Esthers who spend countless hours emailing, planning, discussing, and meeting, the MLRT Sisterhood would not exist and would never be able to accomplish any of the lofty goals that we set for ourselves each year.

So thank you to our Executive Committee members who keep us going and help keep us an integral part of the Main Line Reform Temple community! No matter what form our future Sisterhood takes, we know that with the commitment of so many of our women, we will stay a vibrant institution within MLRT.

We hope you enjoy receiving your Shalach Manot bags this Purim. It takes many months of planning and lots of love to make this project a success! There is still time to place your orders, volunteer to help pack, or assist with deliveries. Look for more information on page five.

And... get ready to donate all the wonderful housewares you have been collecting in your attic and basement. The all new Sisterhood Home and Garden Bargains sale will be accepting your donations starting on March 27. Please see below to find out what items we are accepting and when.

You must drop off at a designated time and have your items checked in when you donate. We are excited to resume one of our biggest fundraisers of the year, albeit in a new form, which also benefits the surrounding community by providing affordable high-quality goods!

## **FIRST ANNUAL BETTER HOMES AND GARDEN BARGAIN**

### **COLLECTION DAYS:**

Sunday, March 27  
9:15 am - 3:15 pm

Monday, March 28  
9:15 am - 3:15 pm

Tuesday, March 29  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm/ 5:00 - 7:30 pm

### **WHAT WE WILL ACCEPT:**

Art/Ceramics/Decorative Items  
Baskets  
Cutlery  
Dishes  
Fitness/Sports Equipment  
Furniture (small occasional pieces)

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Holiday Decorations  
Kitchen Appliances (small)  
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Lamps

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Sewing and Knitting Supplies  
Tools - Garden & Home

### **WHAT WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:**

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Furniture (large)  
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**PILLOWS OF ANY KIND**

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Toys  
Vases - Florist

*All donations should be in decent usable condition.  
We cannot accept items that are damaged or non-working.*

We will need all hands on deck to make this program a success, so to help us with this endeavor during collection in March or the sale the first week of April, please email Liz Stoller at [ljstoller@gmail.com](mailto:ljstoller@gmail.com).

# Teach Our Children: ECE



## An extraordinary Childhood Purim Experience and the Joy of Capturing Our Imagination

Purim was always a big deal growing up (mainly) in Romania (Transylvania). Everything was magic and very meaningful to us as children, from choosing your costume to fussing over a mischloach manot. Working on the little Purim gifts baskets containing treats that we exchanged and shared with neighbors, friends, family, and the needy on Purim marked a beautiful moment from my childhood. The fun events that were often staged in our little shul yard with games and activities made for a festive and spirited day.

I'm still disappointed with my childhood self for always wanting to be a princess and proud of my mom for trying to push me in different directions when we would start working on my costume or my brothers' costumes. But that was when I learned about the joy of having us create our costumes and one of my favorite ways to make "art" using recycled materials or reusing things for new purposes. So, one year, we created these Royal Crowns, a craft you can do at home with your children, using felt made from recycled pieces of fabrics easy to find in any house. Then, after lots of love and use, you can recycle your creations again.

If you are looking into other ideas to help your child create their costumes, visit the link below for some costume ideas promoted by PJ Library. You're invited to get creative and create a special parent-child bond over crafting a costume for Purim. [pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/february-2017/how-to-diy-purim-costume](http://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/february-2017/how-to-diy-purim-costume)

When it comes to Purim, the thing that stands out to me most, and has since as long as I can remember, is the imagination involved. It's an opportunity for people to be creative, plan, and create a costume that will genuinely express who you are.

Purim feels exuberant and joyful in an extraordinary way. Purim is about dancing, letting loose, and being yourself (even hidden behind a costume). And all right — eating a few hamantashen.

## PAPER PLATE PURIM CRAFTS

We can't wait to see your family's creativity!

*You need: paper plates, markers or paints, popsicle sticks, glue, and beans/macaroni/beads*



### GROGGERS

1. Decorate two paper plates with whatever craft supplies you have around the house - markers, crayons, paint, feathers, jewels, etc
2. Put beans, rice, beads, or macaroni in one plate
3. Glue the popsicle stick to the inside of the filled plate
4. Seal both plates together with glue all around the rims and let dry completely before shaking at Haman (can also use staples)



### ANIMAL MASKS

1. Cut your paper plate in half
2. Color or paint as your favorite animal
3. Using the other half of the paper plate, cut out your animal ears, paint them to match your mask, and glue onto the back of the plate
4. Cut out holes for your eyes
5. Glue a popsicle stick or straw to the back

The ECE is excited to present our annual Spring Event!

## SCHMOOZE, BREWS, AND BARBEQUES

**Saturday, April 30**

We look forward to gathering for a "Backyard BBQ" themed fundraiser with delicious food & beverage, lawn games, local vendors, auction & raffles, and much more!

Details will be added to [mlrt.org/ecfund22](http://mlrt.org/ecfund22) over the next few weeks, so make sure to check our website for registration, information about food, auction items, and more!

Currently recruiting volunteers to join the event planning committee. Email [ecoffice@mlrt.org](mailto:ecoffice@mlrt.org) for more information.

# Teach Our Children: Religious School



**Rabbi Kevin Kleinman**  
Director of Education

Once there was a wicked, wicked man and Haman was his name-O  
H-A-M-A-N, H-A-M-A-N, H-A-M-A-N, and Haman was his name-O

When we hear the name, "Haman" read in the Purim Megillah, our tradition teaches us to yell out, "Boo!" A newer tradition celebrates Queen Vashti as a feminist hero who stood up to King Ahashverosh, so we yell out, "YAY", each time her name is read. The story of Vashti, Esther, Mordechai, King Ahashverosh, and Haman (Boo!) reminds us of the fortitude of the Jewish people throughout history to survive in the face of forces that sought our destruction. And so, we are commanded by the Talmud, "Mishenichnas Adar, Marbim B'Simcha – To be joyous through the month of Adar (the month of Purim)."

## Our Purim Carnival is Back!

On Sunday, March 13, we will joyfully gather in the MLRT parking lot for our annual Purim Carnival.

In the event of frigid or inclement weather, we will move the carnival indoors. This fundraiser for the Religious School will include bounce houses, obstacle courses, gaga, games, prizes, and of course, hamantashen. We are dividing the entrance times between ECE and Religious School to limit the number of families attending at the same time. You can register your family to attend and make a voluntary contribution to the Religious Fund by following the link listed below. And yes, children and adults are welcome and encouraged to arrive in costume!

### Family Shabbat Service with 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade participation

Friday, March 4 - 6:30 pm

\*Family art project at 5:30 pm

\*\*We will be participating in HIAS Shabbat, honoring the Jewish community's commitment to help resettle refugees seeking refuge in the United States.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Mishpacha (family) program

Sunday, March 6 – 9:00 - 11:00 am

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Mishpacha (family) program

Sunday, March 20 – 9:00 - 11:00 am

### K and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Challah for Hunger program

Sunday, March 27 – 9:00 - 11:00 am

### Family Shabbat Service with 6<sup>th</sup> Grade participation

Friday, April 1 - 6:30 pm

\*Family art project at 5:30 pm

Sunday, March 13 – Purim Carnival!

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# PURIM CARNIVAL

## Sunday, March 13

9:00 am - 11:00 am

ECE Families

Ages 2-5

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

RS Families

All Ages

Bounce Houses 🎪 Obstacle Course 🏃 Games 🎮 Prizes 🎁

Space is limited; you must register for a specific time-slot to be admitted

No cost to attend but a donation to MLRT Religious School is encouraged

[mlrt.org/purimcarnival](http://mlrt.org/purimcarnival)



# Contributions

(As of February 7)

## Annual Fund

Albert Bensoussan  
*In memory of Fiby Bensoussan*

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*In honor of Kyle Stoller's Bar Mitzvah*

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*In honor of Sophia Juliette being called to Torah*

Charlotte & Marvin Garber  
*Yahrzeit of Lawrence Garber*

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*In honor of Joshua Ginsberg's Bar Mitzvah*

Judiith Grenen  
*Yahrzeit of Judge Albert A. Sann*  
*Speedy Recovery of Sandy McKenna, Sara and Patti Witkin, and Debbie Liebreich*

Annette Kazdan  
*In honor of granddaughter Morgan Greenbaum's engagement to Sam Kendall*  
*In memory of Lewis Jay Rosenblatt*  
*In memory of Jordon Fogel*  
*In memory of Lisa Adoni*

Deborah & Howard Lucker  
*In honor of B'nai Mitzvah of Haley Rose Ferst and Tyler Ethan Ferst*

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*In memory of Stuart Young*

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Beth Frezel  
*In memory of Zelda Greenspun*

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*In memory of Herman Gallner*

Bonnie Tuft  
*In honor of Rabbi David Straus*

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# Sharing Our Lives

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In memory of Lisa Adoni

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Yahrzeit of Harriet Tobe

*Mazal Tov!*

## **Annette Kazdan**

on the engagement of her granddaughter,  
Morgan Greenbaum, to Sam Kendall

## **Lori & Ray Levin**

on the engagement of their daughter,  
Danielle Levin, to Jon Cohen

*We extend condolences to members of our community on the loss of their loved ones*

## **David Goldstein**

Nephew of Sydelles Salkind  
Cousin of Nancy (Robert) Hayes

## **Zelda Greenspun**

Wife of Leonard Greenspun Z"L  
Mother of Andrea (Alexander) Ehrlich, Beth (Jerry) Frezel,  
Peter (Katherine) Greenspun, Eric (Jane Z"L) Greenspun,  
and Susie (Steve) Schwartz  
Grandmother of Michael (Andrea Brothman) Frezel,  
Adam Ehrlich, Ron (Stacey) Frezel, Liza (Peter) Yang,  
Samantha (Josh) Schoop, Jake Greenspun,  
Dan Greenspun, Annie (Rory) Berger, Lenny Schwartz,  
Andrew Schwartz, and Jack Schwartz  
Great-grandmother of Tess Frezel and Winnie Frezel,  
Maddie, Sam, and Lily Frezel, Ace Greenspun,  
Isabel Schoop, Lucy Berger, and Abby Berger  
Sister of Beverly Rivkees and Si Ettinger Z"L

## **Jordan A. Katz**

Husband of Cynthia Katz  
Father of Bruce (Jade) Katz and Melissa (Paolo) Pepe  
Grandfather of Claudia (fiancé Charles), Gabriel,  
and Olivia  
Brother of Warren (Ellen) Katz  
Uncle of Jamie (Harris) Cohen, Heidi (Jon) DuBois,  
and Craig (Danielle) Katz

## **Lora Beth Ritchie**

Sister of Jaime (James) Meltzer  
Aunt of Sydney Meltzer  
Wife of Dwayne Ritchie  
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Daughter of Gloria & James LaBriola  
Daughter-in-law of Marilyn & Dave Ritchie

## **Lewis Jay Rosenblatt**

Father of Mindi (Phil) Schwartz, Lisa (Lee) Kaplan,  
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## **Shirley M. Venitsky**

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Sister of Rae Bruder, Nathaniel Miller Z"L,  
and Herbert Miller Z"L  
Grandmother of Sarah (Joseph), Blair (David),  
Molly (Chad), Natalie (Joshua), and Evan  
Great-grandmother of Nathan, Brayden, and Oliver

## **Stuart Young**

Brother-in-law of Cindy & Jeffrey Ruben  
Husband of Ellen Lapidus-Young  
Father of Evan Young

Please consider a contribution to Main Line Reform Temple Beth Elohim in memory of these beloved people.  
Visit [mlrt.org](http://mlrt.org) to make a donation in their names.

## CELEBRATION HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF RABBI STRAUS

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May 17 and May 20

Look out for more information coming soon!

**Break out your instruments because we are looking for adult congregants to join the MLRT Bimah Band!**

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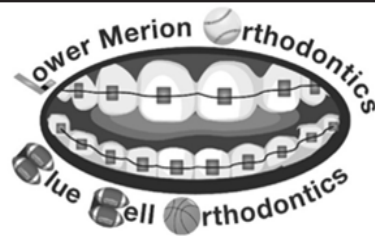
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# Start Your Shabbat with MLRT

## **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

*Friday, March 4 at 6:30 pm*

For all those celebrating birthdays in March, join us for a special birthday blessing during Friday Night Family Shabbat Services to start the year off right.

## **HIAS SHABBAT**

*Friday, March 4 at 6:30 pm*

MLRT will be participating in Refugee Shabbat on March 4. Our service will include reflections from students and clergy on the importance of United States continuing to be a welcoming home to refugees and asylum seekers. The service will highlight MLRT's role in working with HIAS PA to resettle Afghan refugees this year.

## **BROTHERHOOD SHABBAT WITH SUZANNE NOSSEL**

*Friday, March 11 at 8:00 pm*

Join Brotherhood for their annual Brotherhood Shabbat, as they lead our Multi-Access Friday Night Services.

This year's service will feature Suzanne Nossel, author of Dare to Speak: Defending Free Speech for All, as she provides a pathway for promoting free expression while also cultivating a more inclusive public culture.

## **SHABBAT MORNING WALK**

*Saturday, March 12 at 9:00 am Haverford College Trail*

Celebrate Shabbat in nature with your MLRT community. Meet Rabbi Geri Newburge (with your masks!) at the Haverford College Condominium, 700 Ardmore Avenue, for a beautiful and invigorating winter walk.

**ALL FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES AT MLRT ARE MULTI-ACCESS. PLEASE JOIN US IN PERSON (MASKS REQUIRED REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS) OR VIA YOUTUBE, FACEBOOK LIVE, OR LIVESTREAM.**

## **MULTI-ACCESS WEEKLY CLASSES & SERVICES**

### **THURSDAYS**

**11:00 am - Bible Study**

Our clergy lead an ongoing discussion of the Mishnah. Join the discussion anytime throughout the year, 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 via YouTube, Livestream, or Facebook Live, or in the Morganroth Sanctuary for a Shabbat service with songs and prayers. Please see the calendar for special service times.

### **SATURDAYS**

**9:00 am - Torah Study**

Each week, our clergy 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 in person or via Zoom.

**10:00 am - Shabbat Morning Service**

Immediately following Torah Study, join us in person at MLRT or on Zoom for a lovely Shabbat Service featuring our clergy.

## **ZOOM-ONLY WEEKLY SERVICES & CLASSES**

### **SATURDAYS**

**6:30 pm - Havdalah with the Rudnicks**

Join Cantor Rudnick and her family for songs & Havdalah on Zoom, as we look towards a week of peace and of good health.

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# Shabbat & Holiday Services

## Friday, March 4

6:30 pm Family Shabbat Service with March Birthday Blessings & HIAS Refugee Shabbat

## Saturday, March 5

9:00 am Torah Study  
10:00 am Shabbat Morning Service  
6:30 pm Havdalah with the Rudnicks

## Friday, March 11

8:00 pm Brotherhood Shabbat with author Suzanne Nossel

## Saturday, March 12

9:00 am Shabbat Morning Walk^ \*  
9:00 am Torah Study  
10:00 am Shabbat Morning Service  
6:30 pm Havdalah with the Rudnicks

## Friday, March 18

6:30 pm Friday Night Service

## Saturday, March 19

9:00 am Torah Study  
10:00 am Shabbat Morning Service  
10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Jackson Samuel Murland ~  
*Son of Jodi & Brian Murland*  
6:30 pm Havdalah with the Rudnicks

## Friday, March 25

6:30 pm Friday Night Service

## Saturday, March 26

9:00 am Torah Study  
10:00 am Shabbat Morning Service  
10:30 am B'nai Mitzvah of Molly E. Mack and Simone Jessica Mack ~  
*Daughters of Hallie Lightdale and Avram Mack*  
5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Hannah A. Wilf~  
*Daughter of Hallie Lightdale and Adam Wilf Z"L*  
6:30 pm Havdalah with the Rudnicks

## Friday, April 1

6:30 pm Family Shabbat Service with April Birthday Blessings

## Saturday, April 2

9:00 am Shabbat Morning Walk^ \*  
9:00 am Torah Study  
10:00 am Shabbat Morning Service  
5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Ella DeMarco~  
*Daughter of Lauren & Joe DeMarco*  
6:30 pm Havdalah with the Rudnicks

*In order to provide a safer environment for our Temple family, backpacks and large bags are prohibited at our services or programs. Medically necessary items will be allowed in after an inspection by a member of our security team.*

**All times and access options, including B'nai Mitzvah services, are subject to change.**

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## PLOTS AVAILABLE IN THE MLRT SECTION AT WEST LAUREL HILL CEMETERY

A limited number of cemetery plots are still available in the MLRT section of West Laurel Hill Cemetery. The cost of a single grave is \$6,500, which is less than what the cemetery charges the public if bought directly, and includes perpetual care.

If you or your family members are interested in purchasing plots, please contact Amy Krulik, Executive Director, at (610) 649-7800 or [akrulik@mlrt.org](mailto:akrulik@mlrt.org) for more information or to arrange for selection and purchase of plots.

# March 2022

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> ECE/CAMP ECE REGISTRATION OPENS FOR NEW FAMILIES <b>9:30 am</b> Cook For A Friend*	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> SHALACH MANOT ORDERS DUE <b>11:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>7:30 pm</b> BoT Meeting* <b>7:30 pm</b> Friends of Bill W.*	<b>4</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Family Shabbat with March Birthday Blessings & HIAS Service	<b>5</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Torah Study <b>10:00 am</b> Shabbat Service <b>6:30 pm</b> Havdalah**
<b>6</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Hassel Adult Education: Diane Steinbrink** <b>10:30 am</b> TON Meeting <b>10:45 am</b> Interfaith Dialogue with Rabbi Hirsh^	<b>7</b> <b>8:00 pm</b> Keeping It Reel: Christine**	<b>8</b> <b>7:30 pm</b> Bernie Kleinman Book Club: <u>The Jews Should Keep Quiet</u>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>11:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>12:00 pm</b> Du Siach <b>7:00 pm</b> FTD Caregivers <b>7:30 pm</b> Friends of Bill W.*	<b>11</b> <b>8:00 pm</b> Brotherhood Shabbat with Suzanne Nossel	<b>12</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Torah Study <b>9:00 am</b> Shabbat Morning Walk*^ <b>10:00 am</b> Shabbat Service <b>6:30 pm</b> Havdalah**
<b>13</b> RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLOSED <b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> Purim Carnival*	<b>14</b> <b>8:00 pm</b> Keeping It Reel: <i>The Edge of Seventeen</i> **	<b>15</b> <b>11:00 am</b> Sisterhood Author Talk with Pam Jenoff	<b>16</b> EREV PURIM <b>8:00 pm</b> Golden Girls Megillah Reading and Purim Shpiel	<b>17</b> PURIM <b>11:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>12:00 pm</b> Short Story Discussion: <i>The Library of Moloch</i> <b>7:30 pm</b> Friends of Bill W.*	<b>18</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Friday Night Shabbat Service	<b>19</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Torah Study <b>10:00 am</b> Shabbat Service <b>10:30 am</b> Bar Mitzvah of Jackson Murland ~ <b>6:30 pm</b> Havdalah**
<b>20</b> <b>10:45 am</b> Interfaith Dialogue with Rabbi Hirsh^ <b>11:00 am</b> Annual Congregational Meeting <b>12:15 pm</b> Hands-Up for Hamentashen Baking <b>7:00 pm</b> Beer Club at Tired Hands*^	<b>21</b> <b>12:00 pm</b> Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Newburge**	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> Polyphony Building Bridges Through Music^	<b>24</b> <b>11:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>12:00 pm</b> Du Siach <b>7:30 pm</b> Friends of Bill W.*	<b>25</b> ECE CLOSED <b>6:30 pm</b> Friday Night Shabbat Service	<b>26</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Torah Study <b>10:00 am</b> Shabbat Service <b>10:30 am</b> B'not Mitzvah of Molly and Simone Mack ~ <b>5:00 pm</b> Bat Mitzvah of Hannah Wilf ~ <b>6:30 pm</b> Havdalah**
<b>27</b> <b>9:15 am - 3:15 pm</b> Sisterhood Housewares Sale Collection* <b>10:45 am</b> Interfaith Dialogue with Rabbi Hirsh^	<b>28</b> <b>9:15 am - 3:15 pm</b> Sisterhood Housewares Sale Collection*	<b>29</b> <b>10:00 am - 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm -7:30 pm</b> Sisterhood Housewares Sale Collection*	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY <b>11:00 am</b> Bible Study <b>7:30 pm</b> Friends of Bill W.*	<b>APRIL 1</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Family Shabbat Service with April Birthday Blessings	<b>APRIL 2</b> <b>9:00 am</b> Torah Study <b>9:00 am</b> Shabbat Morning Walk*^ <b>10:00 am</b> Shabbat Service <b>5:00 pm</b> Bat Mitzvah of Ella DeMarco ~ <b>6:30 pm</b> Havdalah**

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