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The High Holy Days 5784

Book & Movie Discussions

An Evening with Al Franken

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We look forward to celebrating this new year with you!

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*This issue was printed in the beginning of August and we are still working on the best programs for you!
Please understand that events and times might change and invite you to visit mlrt.org for the most
up-to-date information as we head into fall.*

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Rabbi Geri Newburge

Shimon Peres, Prime Minister and President of Israel, said, "I have earned the title of expert, it is only on what was. There is no expert on what will be. And yet, without knowing the future, I remain a man full of hope."

Peres embodied this idea- learning from the past and working hard to ensure a better future. He immigrated with his family from Belarus to Palestine when he was eleven, and fought for Israel's independence, serving the nascent country in many capacities over decades. As the country faced challenges and opportunities, he always seemed to find a way forward, to make the situation better for his people and for the world, perhaps that stemmed from his abiding sense of hope.

Like Peres, we can look back at the Jewish year 5783 with understanding and perspective, our own personal expertise. As we begin a new year, we cannot know what the future holds (wouldn't that be nice!), but there is always an opportunity for optimism. Our prayers on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur express both communal and personal responsibility for when we failed to live up to the best in ourselves, and for which we must make *teshuvah*, repentance. Yet with that *teshuvah* comes the possibility of doing better in 5784, with the chance for achieving our individual and communal dreams.

We very much look forward to sharing the joys and joys of life with you (hopefully more of the latter for everyone) not only at the High Holy Days, but throughout the year. Your presence and participation is always appreciated and celebrated. Would you like an honor at Shabbat or festival services to celebrate a special birthday or anniversary or to commemorate the *yahrzeit* of a loved one? What interests you at the congregation that you would like to be more involved with in the coming year?

With high hopes for the new year, I share with you a prayer composed by my colleague Rabbi John L. Rosove which I hope will be inspirational and aspirational.

May we hold lovingly in our thoughts
those who suffer from tyranny, subjection, cruelty, and injustice,
and work every day toward the alleviation of their suffering.
May we recognize our solidarity
with the stranger, outcast, downtrodden, abused, and deprived,
that no human being be treated as "other,"
that our common humanity weaves us together
in one fabric of mutuality,
one garment of destiny.
May we pursue the Biblical prophet's vision of peace,
that we might live harmoniously with each other
and side by side,
respecting differences,
cherishing diversity,
with no one exploiting the weak,
each living without fear of the other,
each revering Divinity in every human soul.
May we struggle against institutional injustice,
free those from oppression and contempt,
act with purity of heart and mind,
despising none, defrauding none, hating none,
cherishing all, honoring every child of God, every creature of the earth.
May the Jewish people, the state of Israel, and all peoples know peace in this New Year,
and may we nurture kindness and love everywhere.

May 5784 bring you and yours good health, abundant joy, never-ending love, and an abiding sense of peace.

Two-In-One Celebration of Torah



Cantor Faryn Rudnick

This was a particularly challenging bulletin article to write. Not because I couldn't think of what I wanted to write about, but because I had too much that I wanted to write about. Should I write about something Israel related? Should I write about American politics? Climate change after this excruciatingly hot summer? My process for getting ready for the holidays? Something liturgical or text based or spiritual? My list went on and on. And though I could write endlessly about any of those, it also occurred to me that my favorite Jewish holiday, Simchat Torah, comes right after the heavy hitters of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and that it would be a perfect topic for a bulletin article.

The Torah teaches us that a day called Shemini Atzeret occurs at the end of Sukkot. The purpose of this day remains unclear, but seems to have been a day for ritual cleansing of the altar in the Temple. Shemini Atzeret begins the cycle in which we pray for rain, changing the one line in the *Gevurot* from *morid hatal* (You rain dew upon us) to *mashiv haruach u'morid hagashem* (You cause the wind to shift and rain to fall.) Simchat Torah, which most likely originated in the medieval period, celebrates the conclusion of one cycle and the beginning of another. In modern times and in liberal communities, the celebration of Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah has become one. Both mark the passage of time and, more specifically, the changing of religious and calendar cycles, making it easy to combine the two into one fabulous celebration of Torah and our people.

As a kid, my family would go to Simchat Torah at our small Conservative congregation, where we would dance, do seven hakafot only stopping when the giant stop light turned red, hear the Torah chanted, receive Hershey bars, and turn back to the beginning of the Torah to start it all over again. Since my ordination, I have dreamed of recreating a Simchat Torah similar to what lives in my memory, something that creates memories for the congregation and is truly festive.

This year, Simchat Torah is on Friday night, October 6. Since it coincides with Shabbat, we are going to do it up right. There will be food trucks, live music, a camp-style Shabbat Service, Torah chanting, more food and music, a display of our beautiful Illustrated Torah, and did I mention food and music? All MLRT family and friends are welcome to enjoy our Simchat Torah celebration is open to all and good for all ages and stages. Mark your calendars now, bring a few friends, and get ready to have a special Simchat Torah experience.

Wishing everyone a sweet and healthy 5784. May you all be inscribed for goodness in the year to come.

SAVE THE DATE!

Please mark your calendars for a fantastic musical opportunity on Sunday, November 12 at 3:00 pm, right here at MLRT. This concert celebrates the critical work of the American Cancer Society, and will feature the voices of local Philadelphia Cantors, including our own Cantors Rudnick and Portnoy, as well as soloist Julie Simon, and the MLRT volunteer choirs. This concert is free to the public, but donations are welcome, and will benefit the American Cancer Society and MLRT. Please contact Cantor Rudnick with any questions.

Junior Jammers

Junior Jammers MLRT's Youth Choir for Grades K-6

Junior Jammers meets to bring music to our MLRT-BE community, the Lower Merion community, and, most importantly, to have fun while learning new music and musical skills.

The Junior Jammers enjoy singing music that is spirited, familiar and new, and enjoy special musical events throughout the year, including the making of a music video. A calendar of musical performances will be shared on the first day of rehearsal, Sunday, October 1. We end the year with a special breakfast celebration on the last day of Religious School. The Jammers rehearse Sunday mornings at 8:30 am.

If you are interested in participating or have questions, please contact Cantor Rudnick at frudnick@mlrt.org.

Life, Legacy, and the Pursuit of Happiness



Amy Krulik,
Executive Director

Pursuing happiness is a personal journey and now, as we begin a new year, is the perfect time to reflect on what genuinely brings you joy. Researchers at Cornell University have found that we experience greater happiness, not by acquiring more material possessions, but by investing in experiences, engaging in prosocial spending and focusing on those things that foster relationships.

Ready for some great news? This bulletin is chock full of opportunities to begin your happiness journey. Here's a guide to help get you started:

Experiences lead to increased happiness before, during and even after the event. How about trying a different service for Rosh Hashanah (page 6) or joining us for our congregational break-fast on Yom Kippur (page 6)? And this is definitely the year to attend our Simchat Torah celebration – think food trucks and Israeli dancing (page 7)! Looking for more great experiences? Come to Beer Club (page 8), Walk with the Rabbi (page 8) or Torah Study (page 23).

- Sneak peak: Our Main Line Speaker Series is back on November 9 with an Evening with Al Franken! Tickets go on sale September 1. See the back cover for details.

Prosocial spending – donating to charity and buying things for other people - promotes feelings of social connection, kindness, and gratitude. Your MLRT membership is a great example of your generosity. Your support makes it possible for us to offer our full schedule of services, classes and special events. Please know how much your contributions are needed and appreciated (see pages 15-17).

- Sneak peak: MLRT was one of just 12 local organizations selected by the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia to participate in the Life & Legacy Endowment Program. We will be supercharging our L'Dor V'Dor Legacy Society and growing our endowment to ensure a strong future for MLRT. Look for our program launch on November 1 (page xx)!

Social connections and quality relationships are the most significant contributors to happiness. One of the surest paths to meeting people and growing friendships starts by simply showing up. Whether your participation is in-person or on-line, come to Friday night Shabbat services (page 23), attend a Sisterhood or Brotherhood event (page 12), volunteer at an MLRT event (page xx) or join the ECE's Home School Association (page 9).

- Sneak peak: Be sure to check out our weekly enews, Facebook, Instagram, and website for up-to-the-minute details about upcoming events and programs.

Now it's time to turn the page and get ready for joy-filled 5784.

Wishing you and your family a year of good health, great friendships and exciting experiences.



L'Shana Tova

This MLRTMatters issue was printed in the beginning of August and is subject to change.

The most up-to-date information about MLRT's High Holy Days 5784, including service times, virtual access, parking, study sessions, programming, parking, etc. can be found at mlrt.org/HHD5784 or in your High Holy Day mailing.



Building Community Through YOU



Lori Robbins
MLRT President

Summer schedules in our family provide a much-needed break from school schedules and chances to try new things. Two of my children went to overnight camp and, while it wasn't their first summer, they still experienced new things, made new friends, found new passions, and stumbled a few times. Our oldest Nathaniel came home early as he broke his elbow during an epic basketball game (they won) during his best summer ever. While disappointing, he is happy to have had such an amazing summer. Our youngest, Reid, spent the first few weeks at his favorite day camp, a few weeks of baseball camp, and a few weeks trying something new and out of his comfort zone, being part of the production of *The Wizard of Oz*. Even though Theater Camp will not be part of his summer schedule again, Reid knocked it out of the park in the final performance. He finished it and experienced the accomplishment.

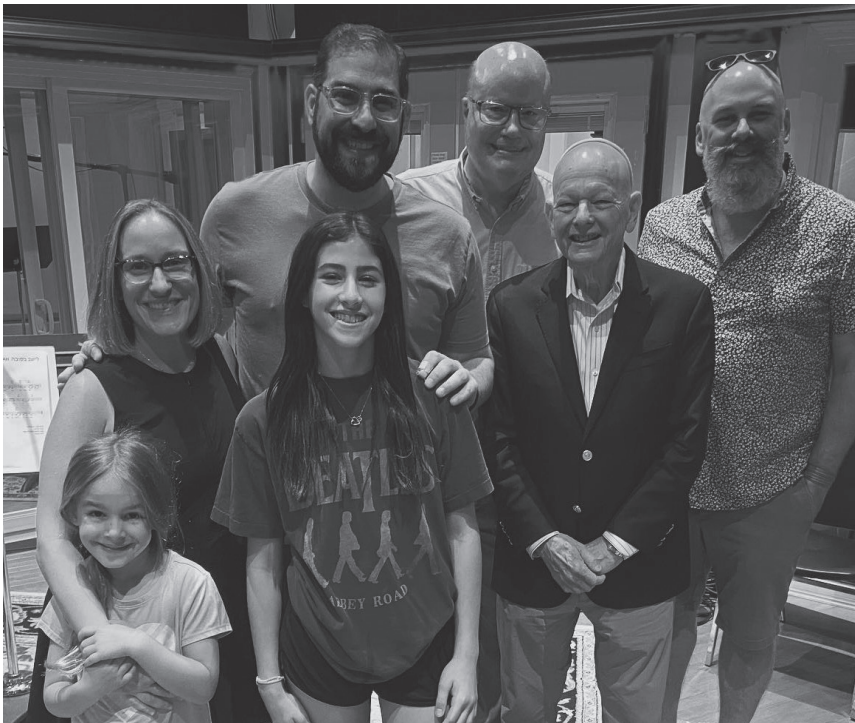
While the calm time of summer schedules is drawing to a close, we at MLRT are in the thick of planning for a wonderful year ahead. Another chance to try new things and meet new friends.

The first few months as President of Main Line Reform Temple have been both active and rewarding. The summer months have welcomed a few fewer meetings allowing the Senior Staff team the important task of planning and preparing for the exciting year to come. High Holy Days are upon us and we are all grateful to welcome you back into the building to gather together during this sacred time as a community. Your membership commitment allows us all the opportunity to sustain our community this year and hopefully for many years to come.

I want to thank you all for being a part of the MLRT community. The most rewarding part of being President is meeting all of you. I love hearing your membership stories of when you first joined our Temple. Some families have been members for many generations, while many joined more recently. We all have our own path that led us to become a part of this special community.

One of our goals for the year is to offer meaningful engagement by hosting various events throughout the year. We will have something for everyone. I hope that we all have the opportunity to connect, whether in services, or Temple activities inside or outside of the building, and that we seek ways to cultivate meaningful experiences with other members of MLRT. These connections are what bond us together as Jewish people and help sustain our community for many years to come. Please come and join us, see old friends and make new ones.

There are many ways to connect with your MLRT community: our user name is MLRTbe on both Instagram and Facebook, or you can email me at president@mlrt.org.



Coming this winter!

On Friday night, December 15, we will have a Special Shabbat service celebrating the newest release of Cantor Marshall Portnoy's Music Anthology. The service will feature Cantor Marshall Portnoy, our mixed choir, and several of the voices from the digital recordings that accompany the sheet music.

The Marshall Portnoy Anthology will be out after the holidays and contains 35 songs written by Cantor Marshall Portnoy. Participating in the recordings are 8 cantors from the region: Marshall Portnoy, Faryn Rudnick, Jaime Murley, Jamie Marx, Erin Frankel, Bray Hyman, Neil Schnitzer, Lauren Goodley; Andy Heller; Kira Levy; Hannah Rudnick; and our very own professionals: Julie Simon, Jenna Camacho, and Taylor Arnold.

Stay tuned for more details!

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HIGH HOLY DAYS 2023

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SELICHOT

Saturday, September 9

8:00 pm Community Service at Har Zion

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 15

7:30 pm Service

ROSH HASHANAH

Saturday, September 16

9:00 am Traditional Service

11:30 am Contemporary Service^

3:15 pm Family Service & Activities

4:30 pm Tashlich Service at Shortridge Park*

Sunday, September 17

10:00 am Study Session

EREV YOM KIPPUR/KOL NIDRE

Sunday, September 24

8:00 pm Kol Nidre Service

YOM KIPPUR

Monday, September 25

9:00 am Traditional Service & Yizkor

11:30 am Contemporary Service & Yizkor^

2:30 pm Study Session with Rabbi Steinbrink

3:15 pm Family Service & Activities

4:00 pm Mincha

4:30 pm Full Yizkor Service

5:15 pm Service of Healing

6:00 pm Ne'ilah & Break-Fast*

SELICHOT

Saturday, September 9

8:15 pm

This Kehillah of Lower Merion late-night learning and prayer experience brings together the Jewish community from across the Main Line for a meaningful prelude to the High Holy Days.

STUDY SESSION

Sunday, September 17

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join Rabbi Geri Newburge and Cantor Faryn Rudnick for a study and exploration of *Kol Nidre*, the opening prayer on Yom Kippur.

YOM KIPPUR

Monday, September 25

Study Session:

Rabbi Richard Steinbrink will lead a multi-access study session entitled JONAH AND GEFILTE: Please Pass the Horseradish

A Service of Healing:

In our darkest moments, we reach inward, outward, and upward to seek divine intervention and comfort.

Break-Fast at MLRT:

To participate in our informal Break-Fast following Ne'ilah, RSVP to Laurie Silverman at lsilverman@mlrt.org

All services and study sessions will be multi-access & password protected *In person only ^ LMHS



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Upcoming Holidays

Selichot - Saturday, September 9 at 8:00 pm at Har Zion

This late-night learning and prayer experience will bring together our local Jewish community for a meaningful prelude to the High Holy Days. We will begin with Havdalah and then watch Theatre Ariel's play, "To Reach Across a River", before a Q & A session. This evening will conclude with your choice of concurrent Selichot worship: Classical with the Choir or Soulful Contemporary with the band. Visit mlrt.org/hhd5784 for the link to join in from home.

Schedule: 8:00 -8:30 pm = arrive at Har Zion, schmooze, nosh, & Havdalah
8:30-9:30 pm = Theatre Ariel performance and Q&A with clergy and actors
9:30-10:30 pm = Your choice of prayer services: Classical or Soulful Contemporary

In a world where family is everything, Yehudis and her husband struggle to have a baby. That struggle will send Yehudis down a remarkable journey full of courage and transformation as she reaches beyond her Hasidic community to find a child in need of a mother. "To Reach Across a River", highlights the theme of the uncertainty of life, and the choices we make for ourselves.

All services will be streamed live and available to view at a later date. The Rosh Hashanah Study Session with Rabbi Newborge and Cantor Rudnick and Yom Kippur Study Session with Rabbi Steinbrink will be available via Zoom at their scheduled times only.

Visit mlrt.org/hhd5784 for more details and login information. Please note, you will need a password to access any stream which will be included in your ticket mailing the first week of September.
Please contact the MLRT Office with any questions or concerns.

Sukkot and Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah

Sukkot, a Hebrew word meaning "booths" or "huts," refers to the annual Jewish festival of giving thanks for a bountiful fall harvest and commemorates the 40 years of Jewish wandering in the desert after the giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai. Sukkot is marked by several distinct traditions, including erecting and dwelling in a sukkah (a temporary booth or hut). Sukkot (pl.) are commonly used during the seven-day festival for eating, entertaining and even for sleeping.

Sukkot, also called *Z'man Simchateinu* (Season of Our Rejoicing), is the only festival with an explicit commandment to rejoice. A final name for Sukkot is *Chag HaAsif*, (Festival of the Ingathering), a time to give thanks for the bounty of the earth during the fall harvest. The eighth day of Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, is traditionally a separate festival in its own right. In Reform congregations, which generally observe one day of holidays rather than two, Shemini Atzeret is observed concurrently with Simchat Torah, the festival of "rejoicing in the Torah."

We have a very limited number of sukkot available to lend out, and for the very first time, they come with a lulav and etrog of your own! Please contact Rabbi Kevin Kleinman at kkleinman@mlrt.org to request one before September 13 or while supplies last.

Don't have a lulav and etrog and still want to perform the mitzvah of shaking? We are offering you two opportunities to shake it up in our MLRT Sukkah: before services on Erev Sukkot, Friday, September 29 at 6:00 pm (weather permitting) or after our Festival/Shabbat Service on Saturday, September 30.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATIONS!

Simchat Torah Service, Friday, October 6 at 6:30 pm

Picture food trucks, festive music, dancing, Torah, *hakafot*, reading selected passages out of the stunning illustrated Torah donated by the Lewis family, from V'zot Ha'Bracha back to the beginning with Beresheit. Invite your friends to take part in the fabulous MLRT festive night with a camp style Shabbat Service and new member shabbat. Registration details and cost coming soon! Visit mlrt.org/hhd6784 for more.

Simchat Torah Saturday Shabbat Service, Saturday, October 7 at 10:30 am

Take part in our festive service, followed by Kiddush.

STAY CONNECTED!

Collegiate Shabbat - Friday, September 1 at 6:30 pm in person and online

The start of the collegiate football season is upon us and kicks off with a battle between the University of Miami and Miami University, the alma maters of Rabbi Newburge and Cantor Rudnick, respectively. Wear your school colors, or favorite college team apparel, to this spirited Shabbat service!

Bernie Kleinman Book Club - Tuesday, September 12 at 7:30 pm in person and on Zoom

Add the enjoyable Horse by Pulitzer Prize winner, Geraldine Brooks, to your summer reading list. Based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred Lexington, Horse is a novel of art and science, love and obsession, and our unfinished reckoning with racism.

Keeping It Reel: Get your popcorn ready to discuss this movie on Zoom with Rabbi Newburge!

Monday, October 2 at 8:00 pm - Oppenheimer (TBD)

During World War II, Lt. Gen. Leslie Groves Jr. appoints physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer to work on the top-secret Manhattan Project. Oppenheimer and a team of scientists spend years developing and designing the atomic bomb. Their work comes to fruition on July 16, 1945, as they witness the world's first nuclear explosion, forever changing the course of history.

Cook For A Friend - Wednesday, October 4 at 9:30 am

Help Sisterhood prepare meals for the food insecurity people in our area. All levels of cooking expertise welcome!

Beer Club - Sunday, October 8 at 7:00 pm

We're returning to Whole Foods in Wynnewood for a fun night out with your hops-loving friends. Our Beer Club is open to all MLRT members who enjoy trying and sharing beer.

Lunch with the Rabbi - Monday, October 9 at 12:00 pm

Take a break for lunch and spend an hour expanding your horizons with Rabbi Newburge. Each month she leads a thoughtful, and often timely, conversation in person and on Zoom.

Shabbat Morning Walk

Saturday, October 21 at 9:00 am at Haverford Reserve (9000 Parkview Dr, Haverford, PA 19041)

What's better than a crisp fall weekend? One spent outside with MLRT! Join Rabbi Newburge at the Haverford Reserve for her monthly Shabbat Morning Walk.



Save the date for An Evening with Al Franken!

The Main Line Speaker Series kicks off on November 9 and you don't want to miss this award-winning multi-hyphenate!

Tickets will go on sale on September 1 at mlrt.org/franken.

There are sponsorship opportunities available - please contact Amy Krulik, Executive Director, at akrulik@mlrt.org or 610-649-7800.

A CAMPAIGN FOR GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (RAC-PA) is partnering with CeaseFirePA on a campaign for Gun Violence Prevention in Pennsylvania. On Wednesday, September 6 at 7:00 pm, RAC-PA and CeaseFirePA will hold a training for everyone to learn about the Common Agenda-- four bills that have bipartisan support in the PA Legislature to reduce deaths from gun violence-- and how we can get these bills signed into law! Register to attend: tinyurl.com/4ppxa4p7 Please contact Helene Ehrlich-Cohen at he.cohen51@gmail.com with any questions.

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

Looking Ahead & Building Forward



The rhythms of the Jewish year imbue our school with a special kind of energy and give intentionality to our year as early childhood educators. Understanding Judaism's big ideas, engaging in hands-on rituals, and leading emergent classroom investigations are the core of our instruction during the school year. There is so much to plan for and learn with children about how we welcome and embrace holidays, while also allowing for continued growth of their social-emotional and academic skills.

Our teachers play a critical role in opening the hearts and minds of our young learners and preparing them to be active advocates for sharing the Jewish values they learn at school with family and friends. The year is structured to follow the cycle of Jewish holidays, exploring the underlying messages and values and weaving them into the curriculum.

Main Line Reform Temple Early Childhood educators look forward to teaching young children about Rosh Hashanah and inviting our students to reflect on the year to come. For Yom Kippur, which occurs ten days later, hands-on activities and stories will help children and educators to dive into the value of "acceptance."

Following Yom Kippur, our High Holy Day celebration continues with the weeklong holiday of Sukkot which acts as a time for intentional joy. Our intentional fall journey will culminate with a final day of celebration for Simchat Torah. What a wonderful way to share generations of Jewish wisdom with our students.

As we prepare our children and ourselves for another year of possibilities and excitement, we at MLRT ECE invite you and your families to join us in this fall 'journey.'

May you and your family embrace the power of a new beginnings and create spaces for intentional learning moments throughout the year.

Teach Our Children: Religious School



Baruchim Ha'baim – Welcome to the 2023-2024 MLRT Religious School year! We are an innovative and progressive, hands-on program designed to develop positive, Jewish identities and build core Jewish competencies for our students and families. We cannot wait for you to join us for all that we have in store. This year each grade will lead family Shabbat services, have a family "Mishpacha" program or retreat, do mitzvah projects, and have unique learning experiences inside and outside the building. Whether you are a new or returning family, our goal is to create community among grade cohorts that will last for years to come.

Our Opening Days of Religious School are September 10 for kindergarten through 6th grade and September 12 for 7th grade. We hope you will also join us for one of our many High Holy Day services to usher in the year 5784 at MLRT.

IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DATES

September 8 – *Welcome Back Family Shabbat Service

September 10 – Opening Day of K-6th Grade

September 12 – Opening Day of 7th Grade

September 24 - Parent/Guardian Meet & Greet

October 6 – *Simchat Torah Family Shabbat Service

October 14 – 5th Grade Family Retreat

October 22 – 6th Grade Family Retreat

**Family Shabbat Services begin at 6:30 pm*

No Religious School on September 17 or October 31

We are deeply connected to Israel, now and at all times. We offer regular classes and lectures about Israel, its beautiful land, its courageous people, and its dreams for peace. Israel is a complex place, filled with contradictions, history, passions, and intensity like no other place on earth. It is the land of our people. Join Rabbi Newburge to explore the many facets of our homeland March 25-April 3, 2024. With open minds, willing spirits, a little bit of patience, and a good sense of humor, we will find our time together enriching, as individuals and as members of our shared Jewish Community. Please contact Rabbi Newburge for more information.

TheTribe and tribe jr.



As we welcome the new year, it's time to rediscover The Tribe at Main Line Reform Temple. You've heard of it, you know about it, but do you truly know the magic that unfolds at our Tribe events?

The Tribe, our high school program, is not just about learning; it's about experiencing Judaism in the most fun and engaging way possible. Designed for students in 8th-12th grade, The Tribe offers a unique blend of education, social interaction, and personal growth that goes beyond the traditional.

Tribe Classes - Our year is divided into four 8-week sessions. We start with CORE, a curriculum that opens our minds to life through a Jewish perspective and values. Then, we dive into ELECTIVES chosen by Tribe students. From art and music to technology and sports, the choice is theirs! This cycle of education allows our teens to learn from multiple teachers throughout the year and learn-with-intention.

Tribe Social - This is where the real fun begins! Our youth group program combines social events with the joy of being with friends. From Top Golf to Escape the Room, every event is an adventure. It's about creating unforgettable memories and strengthening the bonds of our community.

Tribe Madrichim - This is where our teens step into leadership roles, assisting teachers in Religious School classrooms and serving as role models for younger students. It's not just about teaching; it's about inspiring the next generation and being a beacon of Jewish living and leadership.

And speaking of unforgettable, we have an exciting announcement! This December, The Tribe Confirmation students will embark on a life-changing trip to Israel. It's going to be an incredible journey of discovery, connection with our roots, and a deeper understanding of our shared heritage. Stay tuned!

Now, let's introduce the driving force behind The Tribe - our Tribe Executive Board. These dedicated individuals are committed to creating a more engaging and exciting Tribe program. Meet Sadie Rosen, Evan Berger, Bailey Grossman, Sophia Ehrenberg, Adeline Frank, Bailey Grossman, Drew Schulman and Caleb Press. They are not just board members; they are the heart and soul of The Tribe, working tirelessly to ensure every event, every class, and every social gathering is a memorable one.

So, as we step into the New Year, let's embrace the joy, the learning, and the community that The Tribe offers. Here's to a year of fun, engagement, and unforgettable memories with The Tribe at MLRT! If you have any questions or want to get involved, give me a shout!

Mazal Too to our May/June B'nai Mitzvah and their families

Amy & Joel Albert on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Emily Albert

Lori Robbins & Brian Slipakoff on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Dana Slipakoff

Andrea Brothman & Michael Frezel on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Winnie Frezel

Elisa & Ross Rubin on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Ellie Rubin

Ilana & Robert Gillman on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Maya Jordyn Gillman

Dana & Seth Ruderman on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Phoebe Ruderman

Stacey Ginesin and Scott Ginesin on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Celia Faye Ginesin

Nataliya & Justin Rymer on the Bar Mitzvah
of their son, Zev Rymer

Danielle & Adam Illfelder on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Isabelle Illfelder

Lisa Schwartz & Jason Sylvester on the Bat Mitzvah
of their daughter, Madelyn Sylvester

Jung-Rin Lee & Lucas Margolies on the Bar Mitzvah
of their son, Ellis Margolies

Lisa & Jason Silk on the B'nai Mitzvah
of their children, Ella Silk and Levi Silk

Ann & Lloyd Miller on the Bar Mitzvah
of their son, Ethan Miller

Mazal Tov

Ashley & Michael Bassett on the birth of their daughter, Leni Paige Bassett

Mary Ellen & Louis Bernstein on the birth of their granddaughter, Juliet Lily Taflin

Margie & John Bildersee on the birth of their grandson, Max Noah Bildersee

Leslie & Ken Brier on the marriage of their son, Ben Brier, to Janette

Davida Chornock on the birth of her niece, Naomi Lily Farkas

Mel Claver on the birth of his great granddaughter, Jocelyn Claver

Jonathan Cohn on the naming of his daughter, Tania Avery Cohn, at services

Suzanne & Norm Cohn on the naming of their granddaughter, Tania Avery Cohn

Debra Cohn, Kimberli Cohn Bailey & Scott Bailey, Stephanie Cohn Schaeffer & Rob Schaeffer, Matthew & Lea Cohn, Adrienne & Mark Popeney, and Daniel & Lara Dubiecki
on the naming of their niece, Tania Avery Cohn

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We want to be a part of your life!

Please email Davida Chornock, Director of Marketing & Communications, at dchornock@mlrt.org so we can share your news, good and bad, with our MLRT Family.

High Holy Day Greetings!

Sisterhood is helping to spread some MLRT love by offering congregants the chance to connect with our MLRT team. We hope you will join us by sending holiday greetings to our amazing staff.

For a minimum donation of \$18, we will add your name and good wishes to these much needed and much appreciated holiday greetings to the clergy and Senior Staff. A \$36 donation will send greetings to all MLRT staff. Donations of at least \$50 send greetings to all MLRT Staff and helps further support Women of Reform Judaism's YES Fund Giving over \$100 does all the aforementioned AND makes you an MLRT and WRJ superstar!

This annual fundraiser for Women of Reform Judaism's YES Fund provides annual grants for Youth - Programs for high school and college students, Education - Rabbinic and Cantorial scholarships, and Special Projects - Local, national, and international Reform Judaism programs. Your participation shows our MLRT family how much you care AND makes a gift to the future of our Reform movement.

Please use the form below or pay online at mlrt.org/sisterhood. Thank you for your support!

Questions? Contact Leslie Brier at lcbrier@gmail.com.

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Sisterhood



Sue Rubin Plick
Sisterhood President

Hello Sisterhood members! I hope everyone has enjoyed their summer. My name is Sue Rubin Plick, and I am your new Sisterhood President. My husband Mike and I joined MLRT about 27 years ago when our two daughters were in ECE. I have been a member of Sisterhood for over 20 years and have served on the Executive Board of Sisterhood for many years under the leadership of eight presidents. With their role as a template, I hope with me as President, Sisterhood is a strong, dynamic group.

My position is supported by a terrific slate of officers, which include some new women alongside our tried-and-true leaders. Joining me, Carol Frank, Mary Kamplain, Ami Lonner, Liz Stoller, Leslie Brier, Linda Finkelstein, Amy Silverman, and Lisa Greenblatt are Janet Treiman, Meredith Steele, Larissa DiStefano, and Chrissa LaPorte. Also on the Leadership Council are Jackie Bobrin and Maddy

Shusterman who have shifted their roles and now oversee Programming. They have planned some wonderful events for Sisterhood this coming year, kicking off with a Food Truck Festival and band for our Opening Program, MLRT Sisterhood Presents Food Trucks and Live Music with The Chaperones on September 28. Please look for information about this and many other fun and enriching events throughout the year.

While camaraderie and enjoyable events are reason enough to join Sisterhood, we offer many opportunities to support our Temple, senior citizens, organizations in need, and Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), just to name a few. The first opportunity to support WRJ and our clergy and staff is to take part in the new year's greetings. Money raised by the greetings supports the WRJ's Youth, Education and Special Projects (YES) Fund.

If you are not a member of Sisterhood, I urge you to join, attend an event or volunteer to partake in some of our worthy causes. I think you will find Sisterhood is a wonderful group of which to be a part.

Brotherhood

"Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more . . . I see you stand like greyhounds in the slips, straining upon the start . . . the game's afoot: Follow your spirit." [Henry V. III]

So it is, dear Brothers, that we embark on yet another year of service and camaraderie. While I had warned against excessive ruminating in past Bulletins, citing, for one, Dickens' Thomas Gradgrind's "only facts, facts, facts," I would like to catch you up on events since last we met in May. Our sixth annual golf outing raised approximately fifteen thousand dollars for charity. Since its inception, the outing has raised almost one-hundred thousand dollars for charitable contributions, a truly commendable undertaking. In June, I attended the Centennial Convention of the Men of Reform Judaism in Providence, Rhode Island. The Brotherhood of MLRT is an affiliate member of MRJ, which translates into financially supporting the work of our national organization. Most visible is MRJ's annual commitment to Reform on Campus, which assists students in creating meaningful Jewish experiences on their campuses. Last year those donations totaled fourteen thousand dollars in individual grants. And, first-year rabbinic students studying in Israel receive book awards from MRJ on an ongoing basis. Thus, to answer the question of "what does MRJ do for us," these are but two examples, as well as ongoing representation to causes requiring amicus briefs, and support for combating anti-Semitism on local and national levels. The Centennial Convention drew Brotherhood members from across the nation. We learned (Zounds, that water is a precious commodity), discussed (that inviting younger congregants continues to vex us), and took opportunities for re-acquaintance after the hiatus caused by Covid. (Of note also is that our Brotherhood was honored with an award recognizing community service.) I urge you to visit the MRJ website for a full account of the Convention, as well as current events. On the Fourth of July, the chaps you see pictured endured the heat while selling pizzas and water for the twenty-fifth or so time which benefits the Narberth community. Forty large pizzas were sold for a great result: seeing happy smiles on the faces of young and old.

Now for facts. On September 11, we will have Men's Night Out, with the restaurant yet to be chosen. The Sukkah will go up with the assistance of all our stalwart volunteers on the 24th of September. Not to be missed on October 4 will be our annual Steaks in the Sukkah. Reservations disappear quickly for this coveted event, so mark your calendars now. Three days later, on the 8th of October, the Sukkah will come down and volunteers are again needed. Finally, for this Bulletin period, a Texas Hold'em Tournament will be held on the 23rd of October. Obviously, much to be a part of, as Good King Harry would implore us to "follow [our] spirit" and choose to join with your Brothers for year of service and good cheer.

Kindly,
Gary Brock, MLRT Brotherhood Vice-President

MLRT L'Dor V'Dor Society: Envisioning our Future

Perhaps you remember... Ten years ago, MLRT launched the L'Dor V'Dor Society and established our first formal endowment fund with the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia. Over 160 congregants made a commitment to MLRT's future by contributing to the endowment fund. We are truly grateful for your support.

Fast Forward to 2023... MLRT was selected for the first cohort of the Jewish Federation's new Life & Legacy Endowment Program. This program is funded by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. We are joined by just 11 other Jewish organizations from the Philadelphia area and, working together, we will transform the way we each treat planned giving at our respective institutions. Through our participation in the Life & Legacy program, we will receive professional support from the Jewish Federation which will allow us to build on the extraordinary endowment work started a decade ago.

What's next... Our renewed endowment effort officially begins November 2023. You do not need to wait to have a conversation about helping to create a strong future for MLRT or about the exciting planned giving tools available through our L'Dor V'Dor Society.

Contact Amy Krulik at akrulik@mlrt.org for more details.



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

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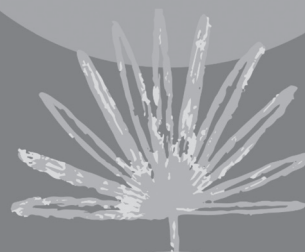
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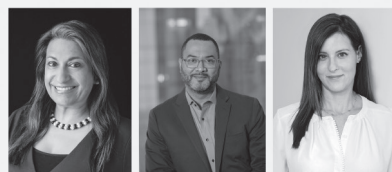
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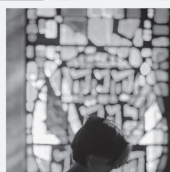
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 6:30 pm Collegiate Shabbat Service - wear your college gear with pride!	2 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Isadore Kleinman~
3	4 LABOR DAY ECE CLOSED OFFICE CLOSED	5 First Day of ECE	6 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	7 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver* 7:30 pm Board of Trustees Meeting	8 6:30 pm Welcome Back Friday Night Shabbat Service	9 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Jesse Shurmann~ 5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Michael DeRosa~ 8:15 pm Selichot & Havdalah^
10 First Day of Religious School	11 5:30 pm Brotherhood MNO Happy Hour*^ 6:30 pm Brotherhood MNO Dinner & Meeting*^ 7:00 am High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal	12 9:30 am Sisterhood General Meeting 7:30 pm Bernie Kleinman Book Club: <u>House</u>	13 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	14 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	15 EREV ROSH HASHANAH 7:30 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah and Shabbat Service	16 ROSH HASHANAH 9:00 am Traditional Rosh Hashanah Service 11:30 am Contemporary Rosh Hashanah Service^ 3:15 pm Family Rosh Hashanah Service 4:00 pm Tashlich at Shortridge Park^
17 SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 10:00 am Study Session	18	19	20 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	21 11:00 am Bible Study	22 6:30 pm Friday Night Shabbat Service	23 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 6:30 pm Havdalah**
24 EREV YOM KIPPUR/KOL NIDRE 9:00 am Brotherhood Sukkah Building & Breakfast 8:00 pm Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre	25 YOM KIPPUR OFFICE CLOSED 9:00 am Traditional Yom Kippur Service 11:30 am Contemporary Yom Kippur Service^ 2:30 pm Study Session 3:15 pm Family Yom Kippur Service 4:00 pm Mincha 5:15 pm Healing Service 6:00 pm Ne'ilah and Break-Fast*	26	27 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	28 11:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Sisterhood Opening Event 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	29 EREV SUKKOT 6:00 pm Lulav & Etrog Mitzvah Opportunity in the Sukkah (weather permitting) 6:30 pm Friday Night & Sukkot Service	30 SUKKOT 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat & Festival Service and Lulav & Etrog Mitzvah Opportunity in the Sukkah (weather permitting) 10:30 am B'nai Mitzvah of Lillian and Maya Workman~ 6:30 pm Havdalah**

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* In person only

**Zoom only

^ Off-site

~ Livestream

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1	2 8:00 pm Keeping It Reel: Oppenheimer	3	4 9:30 am Cook For A Friend* 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	5 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	6 EREV SHEMINI ATZERET/ SIMCHAT TORAH 6:30 pm Simchat Torah Festival & Shabbat Service	7 SHEMINI ATZERET/ SIMCHAT TORAH 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat & Festival Service with Yizkor and Kiddush 5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Juliet Rand~ 6:30 pm Havdalah**
8 11:15 am Tribe Field Trip to Top Golf^ 7:00 pm Beer Club^	9 12:00 pm Lunch with the Rabbi**	10	11 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	12 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	13 6:30 pm Friday Night Shabbat Service	14 9:00 am Torah Study 9:00 am 5 th Grade Retreat^* 10:00 am Shabbat Service 6:30 pm Havdalah**
15	16	17 7:15 pm Sisterhood General Meeting	18 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	19 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	20 6:30 pm Friday Night Shabbat Service	21 9:00 am Torah Study 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Walk*^ 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am B'nai Mitzvah of Jackson Bleznak and Rose Murphy-Jones~ 5:00 pm Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Margolis~ 6:30 pm Havdalah**
22 9:00 am 6 th Grade Retreat^*	23	24	25 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	26 11:00 am Bible Study 9:30 am Jewish Federation Women's Division Yoga & Challah Bake 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver*	27 6:30 pm Friday Night Shabbat Service with Sisterhood Choir	28 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bar Mitzvah of Noah Skop~ 6:30 pm Havdalah**
29 11:15 am Tribe Field Trip to Linvilla Orchards^*	30 11:30 am Women's Division of Israeli Bonds Luncheon & Speaker	31 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NO TRIBE	November 1 9:30 am Woman's Commentary Class 10:30 am Sisterhood Choir Rehearsal 12:00 pm Bridge*	November 2 11:00 am Bible Study 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver* 7:30 pm Board of Trustees Meeting	November 3 6:30 pm Friday Night Family Shabbat Service	November 4 9:00 am Torah Study 10:00 am Shabbat Service 10:30 am Bat Mitzvah of Hazel Boyd-Rothman~ 3:30 pm Live Like Blaine Event 6:30 pm Havdalah**

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Join Us Every Week!

MULTI-ACCESS WEEKLY CLASSES & SERVICES

WEDNESDAYS

9:30 am - Adult Education: A Woman's Commentary

Join a group of curious minds to explore the Torah through the lens of the Women's Commentary with Cantor Faryn Rudnick in person or on Zoom.

THURSDAYS

11:00 am - Bible Study

Our clergy lead an ongoing discussion of the Apocrypha. Join the discussion anytime throughout the year, whether you are an avid Apocrypha student or have never looked at the Apocrypha 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 SERVICE

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.

IN PERSON ONLY WEEKLY PROGRAM

THURSDAYS

7:30 pm - Caring for the Caregiver Meetings

Led by MLRT congregant, Susan Haiman, this group will be a safe space to talk, listen, and explore how you, the caregiver, are feeling, as well as learn strategies to find relief from the stress and pressures of being a caregiver to an aging partner/parent/family member.

This group only meets in person to preserve the privacy of the members and their loved ones.

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