

## Our Country, Our State, Our Community: All About the 2022 Election Results

By Adrian Richfield



**W**ith the midterm elections recently completed, Dr. Lilly Goren will present an overview of what happened — the impact of these elections and what this means for the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the 2024 Presidential election — at an in-person event on Tuesday, November 15.

Dr. Goren is a professor of political science and global studies at Carroll University. She is also a published author, Fulbright Fellow, member of the Governing Council of the American Political Science Association, and a regular contributor to local, national, and international media.

Goren is also one of two co-hosts of the New Books in Political Science podcast on the New Books Network. She has her B.A. in political science and English from Kenyon College. Professor Goren also earned an M.A. and a Ph.D. in political science from Boston College. (See page 3 for information on her latest publication!)

The 2022 election cycle outcomes are of great interest and importance to all of us so please consider joining us for this interesting and informative program. “Just Show Up” is part of our synagogue’s programming and this is one program not to be missed! Light refreshments will be served at 6:45 p.m. and the presentation will begin at 7 p.m. Be sure to bring your questions about our election systems for a Q & A at the end of her presentation. ✨

### NOVEMBER ARTICLE INDEX

Book Club	15
Calendar	19
Cantor’s Column	5
School News	6
Sisterhood News	8
Travel Tales	16



**“Music is a vessel that will hold anything.”**

**— Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel**

# CEEW Awarded Federal Security Grant

By Laurie Schwartz, CEEW President



After months of work, the federal government has awarded Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha close to \$150,000 in response to our application for funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Nonprofit Security Grant Program. CEEW’s team of Mark Levy, Art Foss, and Joe Dailey spent many hours helping our congregation to apply for this grant.

The Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSG) provides synagogues, churches, mosques, temples, and other nonprofit institutions with grants to improve the safety and security of their properties so that they can guard against attacks.

The grant money is earmarked for making specific physical building changes that will make it much more difficult for people to harm anyone at Temple Emanu-El of Waukesha. While this grant addresses many concerns, it does include upgrading both our exterior and interior doors.

We were awarded the entire amount of our request: \$149,795. CEEW was among several Wisconsin organizations, both Jewish and non-Jewish, to receive grants. The federal government has made the security of nonprofits a higher priority by increasing the total available federal funding for nonprofit organization security from \$20 million in 2016 to \$250 million this year.

The CEEW Board has discussed the award and has begun the planning needed to utilize the grant. We expect that you will soon see many security improvements in our building which should be completed by September 2023.

We give our profound thanks to Mark Levy, Joe Dailey, and Art Foss for working diligently to secure this grant. These upgrades will help us all continue to find peace in our spiritual home and to nurture our welcoming environment while improving security for our community. ☆

## October Adult Ed Program: Jewish Generations

On October 23rd, CEEW was privileged to hear a wonderful presentation by the President of the Jewish Federation, Miryam Rosenzweig.

From the “Great Generation” which was our generation of immigrants to Baby Boomers, Gen X’ers, Millennials, Gen Y’ers to Gen Z’ers, Rosenzweig explained how each gen-

eration was different but all wanted their generation to be relevant. The Jewish community today has not totally figured out what is the answer to our continued connecting with each generation. She feels the answer is to make our institutions like Jewish summer camp with all of the positivity that comes from that experience. Our current Jewish institutions need

to show that we enhance our Jewish lives while we shift the system to reflect our generational differences. She challenged us to ask “who is our community” but to remember that we are all connected.



*— Adrian Richfield*



**Midrash group has begun again! See the article on page 11 for more information, then contact Cantor Levson to sign up.**

## CEEW News Briefs

### Politics in the Fictional Universe

Dr. Lilly Goren, our guest speaker on November 15, isn't just a professor of political science at Carroll University – she's also an accomplished writer and editor of topical books about politics and popular culture.



Goren's latest book, co-edited with Nicholas Carnes, will be released on December 16 and can be [pre-ordered](#) on Amazon Smile to benefit CEEW. *The Politics of the Marvel Cinematic Universe* explores political issues in characters' origin stories, examines the classical political themes of government and power, and explores questions of diversity and representation.

Goren's prior works include *You've Come a Long Way, Baby: Women, Politics, and Popular Culture* (2020) and *Mad Men and Politics: Nostalgia and the Remaking of Modern America* (2015).

### Dining Group - November

The CEEW Dining Group will meet at Cooper's Hawk in Brookfield for an 11:00 lunch on Sunday, November 6. To join the group, contact Elly Kraines at [ellyanna340@gmail.com](mailto:ellyanna340@gmail.com).

### Annual Book Fair -- Are You Ready?

The Annual CEEW Book Fair is back in person, but wait – there's more! The virtual part of the book fair will continue, and you'll receive a link to the Virtual Book Fair on November 6.

Books may be purchased either on-line between November 6 and November 20 or in person on Sunday, November 13 from 10 a.m. to noon at the temple. Why not check out your selections online and then come to the Book Fair to browse at CEEW on Sunday?

If possible, items purchased before November 13 will be available for pickup the day of the Book Fair. If there are specific books that you would like to peruse at the Book Fair before you purchase, please let us know.

Books purchased at or after the Book Fair will be available before Hanukkah for pickup from the Temple (or mailing). Thank you for shopping to support CEEW!



Do you have a brief news item or announcement for the Bulletin?  
Email it (along with photos) to [bulletin@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:bulletin@waukeshatemple.org)





"All the important things that I have been able to obtain cannot, in my eyes, compete in the face of one minute of love."  
— Rabbi Nachman of Breslov

## Do You Want to Build a Sukkah?

Photos By Marie Loeffler

Instead of putting up one big sukkah, CEEW members and students came together at Mark and Cindy Levy's house to get a crash course on sukkah construction, painting with etrogim, and just how to shake that lulav.







Jewish Federations of North America is collecting donations to help with rebuilding efforts after Hurricane Ian. Click [here](#) for more information.

## The Way the Music Changed

As we were rehearsing for the High Holidays, I sent our accompanist Susan Krechel some YouTube video links for some of the more pop/folk melodies we used on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, so that she could get a sense of what these songs should “feel” like.

Some of these settings were notated only in lead sheet form — showing the melody and chords but lacking a fully written out accompaniment part. During one of our rehearsals, she expressed some amazement over how many different musical styles were used over the course of the High Holidays.

### Cantor's Column

By Cantor Martin Levson, CEEW Sole/Soul Spiritual Leader



This comment got me thinking about the enormous changes that have occurred in the music of the Reform movement during my lifetime.

On Thursday evening, November 3, it will be my pleasure to present a third installment in my series on Jewish music for the CEEW Sisterhood, *The Music of the Reform Synagogue: What Happened During the Past 50 Years?*

During this lecture/demonstration, I will cover the origins of the music used in the Reform movement beginning in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and why the music of the early 21<sup>st</sup> century Reform Jewish music has changed so dramatically over the past half century.

The session will be held in person and on Zoom, beginning at 7 p.m.; watch your email for a link. ✨



Just a few Jews with guitars, clockwise: Robert Allen Zimmerman photographed in 1968, from a 2016 [Israeli art exhibition](#); Debbie Friedman, z”l; a concert at Olin-Sang -Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI) in Oconomowoc; Cantor Levson tuning his guitar before Tashlich in September 2022.





Cheshvan has been called “Mar Cheshvan,” or “bitter Cheshvan,” because it is the only Jewish month of the year without a holiday.

## Milwaukee Shin Shins Visit the CEEW Religious School

The 2022-2023 Shin Shinim, Orrie Eidels and Maya Appleboim, arrived in Milwaukee in August and visited our religious school on October 23. They taught our students quite a bit about communities — what makes a community and how one is built. In this exercise, students were given a photo and they were asked to re-create what they saw in that photo. Each photo represented an aspect of the Golan Heights, Maya’s home. In building images with their bodies, students had a chance to work on their creativity, cooperation, and understanding of communities. Orrie then taught our students how her community developed over time and even gave everyone a geology lesson about the formation of mountains! ★



### School News

Story and photos contributed by Marie Loeffler



This year’s Milwaukee shin shins Orrie Eidels (left) and Maya Appleboim led our religious school students in an exercise about community development.







The CEEW Dining Group will return on November 6 for lunch at Cooper's Hawk. Contact Elly Kraines at [ellyanna340@gmail.com](mailto:ellyanna340@gmail.com) to join the group.

# October 2022 CEEW Board Minutes

By Pati Allen Brickman

*This is a "highlights" version of the minutes. For a full version, email Board Secretary Pati Allen Brinkman at [pati.brickman@gmail.com](mailto:pati.brickman@gmail.com).*

## Spiritual Leader's Report

Simchat Torah was celebrated on Sunday 10/16 morning with the school. We now have a new sukkah at the temple.

## Education Director Report

The kids and parents built two sukkahs at the home of Mark and Cindy Levy. One sukkah was taken to the temple. Kids made suncatchers and prints using lemons and edible sukkah items. Sukkot is a holiday to be celebrated out of doors using all your senses. Many thanks to the Levys for lending their home for this project.

## President's Report

**Social Media:** We got quite a few 'hits' on our social media sites. It was a good response. We are still working on a new brochure.

**High Holidays:** A special thank you to Cantor Levson for the beautiful High Holiday services. Thanks also to Denise Stodola for the Break-

the-Fast meal. The Yizkor books were lovely, and thanks go to Mark Levy for creating them. We made more money this year than last year at the High Holidays, and donations for the Tashlich luncheon covered the costs. Thanks to Carol O'Neil, who covered much of the expenses. From now on we will be putting out a donation basket at every event.

## Sisterhood Report

Events planned for this year include card making with Barb Zacher, Andi Patz Art Therapy, and a Middle Eastern cooking event (we are looking for a chef to lead this). Some members have requested an ADA compliant railing system for the left side of the bima. The Sisterhood has agreed to provide up to \$1000 for this project. *Motion made and carried to accept a donation of \$1000 from the Sisterhood for this purpose.*

## Committee Reports

**Security:** The FEMA grant was secured [see page 2 for details]. We will have to spend all the amount of the grant on security improvements and then request reimbursement.

Therefore, we will have to procure a short-term loan either from a member or the bank. *Motion made and carried to move forward with executing the FEMA Security Grant.*

**Facilities:** Lighting now works all over; furnace has been repaired and toilets are fixed. Will investigate replacing the elevator controls and will renew the contract for snow removal. More branches of the dead tree will be removed.

## New Business

**Programs available on streaming services** – Laurie Schwartz: If any committee is having a program, we believe it needs to be made available on a streaming service by request, if feasible. *Motion made and carried to make all temple and committee programs available on streaming services by request, if feasible.*

**The next CEEW Board meeting will be November 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. ✨**





**Yiddish of the month: *A gitel voch*, "A good week."**

**— contributed by Marsha Fensin**

## Looking Ahead to the High Holy Days

### President's Letter

**From the desk of Deb Hacker**

Happy 5783 on behalf of CEEW Sisterhood. May you all be blessed in the year ahead with good health, happiness and prosperity.

Our High Holidays at the Hackers were filled with a lot of toddler time and all-around grandchildren together-time. Cooking large and frequent meals replaced some of my reading time, so I don't have any Jewish literary inspiration this month. But I learned so much from my visiting Israeli grandson, Aviv, who is 20 months old. He enjoyed the of all the holidays: eating apples and honey, digging his hands into a bean filled dish pan filled with wooden apples, shaping a round challah. (Not eating this one!)

But he especially enjoyed Sukkot. He helped me harvest the dead flowers and "Love Lies Bleeding" amaranth for the s'chach of our sukkah. He loved shaking the Lulav and smelling the etrog. I learned that what we call detritus and compost is great fun for a toddler. He loved playing with the dead tomato plants and whacking

## Sisterhood News

**By Co-Presidents Deb Hacker and Denise Stodola**

them with his sand toys. The little dead green tomatoes wiggled in response and then our Lab, Truman, promptly ate them.

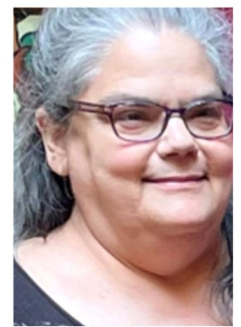
It's difficult to even obtain photos of Aviv because he is always on the move. I'm reminded that everything is



new for him and all of what he does is when he is cutting four molars. I am so blessed to enjoy these moments with him as I see the future in him: our families' future and the Jewish people's future.

Sisterhood is focusing on fundraising for our synagogue, camper-ships, and other social action projects in our local community. Please consider sharing your gifts of time, energy and tzedakah with our dynamic group of women.

Considering joining us for our upcoming programming on Jewish music November 3 at 7 p.m. with Cantor Levson which will be a hybrid program at the Temple.







**Volunteers are needed for the member-led Friday night Shabbat services. Contact Mari-Claire Zimmerman (wzimmerman1@wi.rr.com) for more information. The next member-led service will be on December 2.**

## Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) Kallah

**From the desks of Deb Hacker, Cindy Levy, and Carol O'Neil**

The WRJ Kallah returned to OSRUI for the first time in three years. A number of women from the CEEW Sisterhood leadership attended in order to study, learn and pray with women from other Sisterhoods/Women's Groups.

One of the joys of attending the Kallah is participating in the women-

led Shabbat Services. The music and the readings provide such inspiration. One of the creative ideas presented during the Torah services was to give everyone the opportunity to read from Torah. Prior to the service each woman was given a numbered card with a line from the Torah portion in Hebrew, transliteration, and English. When it was time to read the Torah portion each woman read their line of Torah. Talk about full participation!

Our afternoon Kallah session celebrated Life's Miracles via the artistry of Marc Chagall. It was held, appro-

## Sisterhood News

CONTINUED

priately, in the new beautiful Cultural Hall not far from the dining hall. We explored Chagall's symbolism in his paintings. Much of his work evokes memories of his childhood in Vitebsk, Russia with the use of barnyard animals especially cows and goats (often a sacrificial animal in the Bible).

Chagall had violin lessons as a young person and the violinist is often seen in his work. Creating art is not within my comfort zone, but I loved

## Kallah Session: Israeli Innovation

One of the Kallah sessions discussed technological advances in agriculture and medicine as well as tools of daily life innovated by Israelis. Here are a few companies and their inventions:

[Given Imaging](#), a world leader in developing and marketing patient-friendly solutions for visualizing and detecting disorders of the GI tract, is best known for its PillCam (aka capsule endoscopy), now the gold standard for intestinal visualization.

[Netafim](#) is a worldwide pioneer in smart drip and micro-irrigation, starting from the idea of Israeli engineer Simcha Blass for releasing water in controlled, slow drips to provide precise crop irrigation. The kibbutz-owned company operates in 112 countries with 13 factories throughout the world.

[Pythagoras Solar](#) makes the world's first solar window, combining energy efficiency, power generation and transparency.

[Hazera Genetics](#), a project of two professors at the Hebrew University Faculty of Agriculture, yielded the cherry tomato

— a tasty salad fixing that ripens slowly and doesn't rot in shipment.

[MobileEye](#) combines a tiny digital camera with sophisticated algorithms to help drivers navigate more safely. The steering system-linked device sounds an alert when a driver is about to change lanes inadvertently, warns of an impending forward collision and detects pedestrians. MobileEye has deals with GM, BMW and Volvo, and others.

[Itamar](#) Medical's WatchPAT is an FDA-approved portable diagnostic device for the follow-up treatment of sleep apnea in the patient's own bedroom, rather than at a sleep disorder clinic.

**Click on these links to learn more:**

[Israel's Top 45 Innovations of All Time](#)

[Eleven Israeli Innovations That Changed the World](#)

[73 Israeli Innovations That Changed the World](#)

[Six Israeli inventions crack Time's Top 100](#), including a foldable electric vehicle.



**“Where does God dwell?” “Wherever you let Him in.”**

**— the Kotzker Rebbe**

## **Sisterhood News**

CONTINUED



### **Sisterhood High Holidays Food Drive**

**From the desk of Sandy Villa**

It is with great pleasure and much gratitude that we send thanks to all who responded by filling our barrel with food supplies. I filled my car to the brim four times and delivered 349 pounds of food to the Waukesha County Food Pantry. This generosity was much enhanced by monetary donations in the amount of \$518.

There is no “thank you” that can be transmitted to all of you that would suffice. It’s times like this that enhance the need of so many who struggle to feed their families on a daily basis. A thank you to Carol O’Neil and Mari-Claire Zimmerman, who assembled the bags with lists of most needed items. This was so convenient for everyone!



The Kallah brought together members of CEEW Sisterhood and other women’s groups from the area. At left are Cindy Levy, Beth Ann Waite, Deborah Hacker, and Carol O’Neil.

working with the high-quality water-colors and paints to create my own painting of symbols that are important in my life.

What a relaxing and fun way to create something unique and spend time with my friends and Sisterhood participants.







**Election day is Tuesday, November 8. Make sure that you are registered to vote and know the hours of your local polling place.**

## Sisterhood News

CONTINUED

### CEEW Sisterhood Programming

From the desks of Deb Hacker and Cindy Levy

The CEEW Sisterhood is continuing its series on Jewish liturgical music led by Cantor Martin Levson. The next program will be held as a hybrid program on November 3 at 7:00 p.m.

### CEEW Sisterhood Fundraiser – Hanukkah Card

From the desk of Carol O'Neil

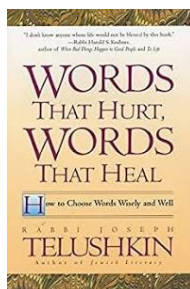
The Sisterhood would like to thank everyone who participated in the CEEW Sisterhood Hanukkah Card Fundraiser. Funds collected from this fundraiser go directly back to the CEEW and its members.

Look for this year's lovely card coming to you in December. ✨

## Midrash 5783: Return of the Midrash

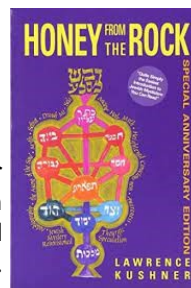
For this upcoming year, Midrash will be a trimester study event with Cantor Levson.

Our first session will be dealing with the book *Words That Hurt, Words That Heal* by Joseph Telushkin. The book focuses on the power to shape relationships and explains the harm in gossip, rumors and how unfair anger or lying undermines true communication. Telushkin shows us how to turn every exchange into an opportunity.



Click [here](#) to order this book through AmazonSmile and benefit CEEW.

Our second session we will study and learn about Kaballah and Jewish mysticism by reading the book *Honey from the Rock* by Lawrence Kushner. This is an insightful and absorbing introduction to the ten gates of Jewish mysticism and how they apply to daily life. "Quite simply, the easiest introduction to Jewish mysticism you can read." (Publisher)



Click [here](#) to order this book through AmazonSmile and benefit CEEW.

Our third session will be about Mussar: a history and overview of a virtues-based approach to Jewish ethics and character development. Mussar gives concrete instructions on how to live a meaningful and ethical life that offers opportunities for personal transformation through a Jewish lens.

Anyone interested in joining the Midrash class should contact Cantor Levson. Sessions will be held on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

— Adrian Richfield



In Gematria, the Hebrew word for blessing, *berakhah*, has the same numeric total as the word *zakhor*, remember.

— Benjamin Blech, *The Secrets of Hebrew Words*

## Molly Schmidt Reports from the California Maccabi Games

By Adrian Richfield

CEEW member Loren Schmidt's daughter, Molly, was a lucky participant in the summer 2022 Maccabi Games held in Los Angeles. As previously reported, Molly is a swimmer and was chosen to be part of the Milwaukee area teenage participants in these athletic games involving youth from all over the United States in many different athletic events.

Molly competed in the 50 yard freestyle, 200 yard breaststroke, 100 yard fly, 200 medley relay, 50 yard fly, 200 yard backstroke, 400 medley relay, 100 yard backstroke, 400 yard IM, 400 yard freestyle relay, 200 yard IM and 200 yard freestyle relay. (Wow, that is a lot of events!)

And, she did very well in the competition bringing home a bronze in the 100 yard fly, the 200 medley relay, 200 yard backstroke, 400 yard medley relay and a silver in the 400



Molly and her Medals: Molly is pictured second from left at the pool, and second from right in the photo below left, taken at the airport.

IM, 400 freestyle relay and the 200 freestyle relay. The swim events were set up and run like most swim meets in the United States, Molly reported.

Her favorite thing about being a part of the games was getting to meet new Jewish teens from all over the United States. "It was cool to see how our lives were similar and different." All in all about 1,500 teens competed in these Maccabi Games. She made a lot of new friends from various places

in the country like Virginia Beach, Atlanta, Chicago, and New York.

Now, back at home in Oconomowoc, Molly is swimming varsity for the Oconomowoc High School swim team, and after their season is over she plans to return to her club team at the YMCA Pabst Farms. She has already decided to go the the Maccabi Games in Fort Lauderdale next summer and is very excited about participating in the games for a second time. ✨







Share with the congregation all the wonderful things happening in your family! Send birthday and anniversary information to: [bulletin@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:bulletin@waukeshatemple.org).

# Mazel Tov

## מזל טוב

### ANNIVERSARY

**Mark and Cindy Levy** celebrate their wedding anniversary on November 27.



### BIRTHDAYS

**Jim Hotz** celebrates his birthday on November 5.

**Noah Sulman**, son of Aaron and Cecille Sulman, celebrates his birthday on November 6.

**Alan Meyers** celebrates his birthday on November 16.

**Ruth Gacek** celebrates her birthday on November 18.

**Marie Loeffler** celebrates her birthday on November 19.

## IN APPRECIATION

of generous contributions to Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha

September donations, submitted by CEEW Treasurer **Alan Meyers**

#### IN HONOR OF

**Cantor Levson and Laurie Schwartz**

*Donation from Steven and Ann Merkow*

#### IN MEMORIAM

*Donation from Lisa Levheim*

#### FOR BABY NAMING

*Donation from Kate Krucoff*

#### GENERAL FUND

*Donations from Mort Blatt, Mark and Cindy Levy*

#### MUSIC FUND

*Donations from Anthony and Beth Ann Waite*

#### YIZKOR MEMORIAL

*Donations from Marshall Cohodes, Michael and Nancy Cummins, Jennifer Ecker, Kelly and Sheila Goodman, Deborah and Richard Hacker, Rivian Hatt, Michael and Peggy Kotkin, Elly Kraines, June Kulakow, Alice Lambie, Karen Levy, Deborah Martin, Alan and Ann Meyers, Carol O'Neil, Andi and Tabb Patz, Adrian Richfield, Mark and Loren Schmidt, Laurie Schwartz, Peter and Arlene Shelley, Mark and Bonnie Siegel, Denise Stodola, Sandy Villa, Mari-Claire Zimmerman.*



Contact temple administrator Brigette Alexander prior to a service, to add a name of a relative or friend to the recent list of those who have died.

## *May Their Memories Be for a Blessing*

### **Yahrzeiten** **Cheshvan / Kislev (November)**



**PLEASE NOTE:** Some of the listings don't have a Hebrew date; that is because we have been changing the database and offering English / Gregorian dates to those who prefer them. In such cases, only the English / Gregorian dates will be listed.

**Mark Bergman:** November 10, Cheshvan 16  
*Uncle of Cindy (Mark) Levy*

**Joe Beringer:** November 1  
*Grandfather of Paula Jeanine Duval*

**Ann Biesemeyer:** November 21, Cheshvan 27  
*Mother of Joan (Rick) Rocamora*

**Milton Gottlieb:** November 18, Cheshvan 24  
*Uncle of Cindy (Mark) Levy*

**Ruth Grigo:** November 20, Cheshvan 26  
*Mother of Deborah (Richard) Hacker*

**James Frances Jauquet:** November 29, Kislev 5  
*Father of Patrick (Ilene) Jauquet*

**Henry Kassner:** November 20, Cheshvan 26  
*Father of Pam Kassner (Bill Ochowicz)*

**Morris Kraines:** November 3, Cheshvan 9  
*Father of Nate (Elly) Kraines*

**Arthur Kulakow:** November 1, Cheshvan 7  
*Father-in-law of June Kulakow*

**Max Lowell:** November 10  
*Nephew of Bill (Jan) Lowell*

**Irving Mack:** November 28, Kislev 4  
*Grandfather of Lauren (Gerard) Kupperman*

**Dr. Robert L. Merkow:** November 10, Cheshvan 16  
*Brother of Steve (Ann) Merkow*

**Dr. Sidney Meyers:** November 20  
*Husband of Gloria Meyers; Father of Alan (Ann) Meyers*

**Ada Mitchell:** November 8  
*Aunt of Bill (Jan) Lowell*

**Dora Moskowitz:** November 7, Cheshvan 13  
*Grandmother of Ann (Alan) Meyers*

**Edward Pokorny:** November 5  
*Cousin of Lee (Marsha) Fensin*

**Bessie Rich:** November 11, Cheshvan 17  
*Grandmother of Ann (Alan) Meyers*

**Adele Schuman:** November 14, Cheshvan 20  
*Sister of Philip (Mary) Schuman*

**George Shelley:** November 27, Kislev 3  
*Brother of Peter (Arlene) Shelley*

**Mary Elizabeth Steinberg:** November 12, Cheshvan 18  
*Wife of Rick Steinberg*

**Leah Weiss:** November 14, Cheshvan 20  
*Mother of Ed Weiss*

*May G-d comfort you  
among all the mourners  
of Zion and Jerusalem.*







Order [this month's book](#) through Amazon Smile and support CEEW.  
Or follow the instructions on page 3 to order it via the CEEW Book Fair.

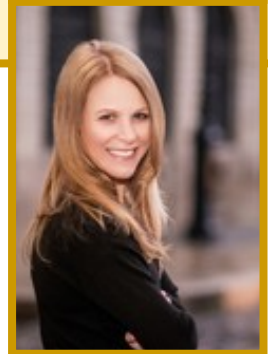
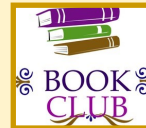
# November Book:

## *The Forest of Vanishing Stars*

### by Kristin Harmel

#### Book Club News

By Adrian Richfield



“...unforgettable characters, nail-biting drama and deep emotion that endures long after the final words are forgotten ... *The Forest of Vanishing Stars* is a story that will touch, educate, transform and uplift.” — Santa Montefiore

Kristin Harmel has written an outstanding historical fiction novel about WWII. Beautifully written and meticulously researched, *The Forest of Vanishing Stars* is indeed a memorable read.

This coming-of-age story about a young German girl named Yona begins with her kidnapping. An elderly Jewish woman named Jerusza kidnaps Yona from her parents the day before

her second birthday. Jerusza, a woman of the forest, sees something special in Yona and raises her in the wilderness of Eastern Europe, away from civilization. She teaches Yona how to live off the land and remain undetected and avoid people. Yona's upbringing, however, lacks love and human contact.

When Yona is 22 in 1941, Jerusza dies and Yona must fend for herself. She encounters Jewish refugees in the forest, and she uses her knowledge of the wilderness to teach them how to survive in the forest and escape the Nazis. Yona must learn how to live among people and how to open her heart to become part of a family. However, Yona knows she is German

and eventually begins to question whether she belongs in the Jewish encampment.

Kristin Harmel is the author of more than a dozen novels (including *The Book of Lost Names* and *The Wine-maker's Wife*) published in more than thirty languages. She is the cofounder and cohost of the popular web series *Friends and Fiction*, with authors Mary Kay Andrews, Kristy Woodson Harvey, and Patti Callahan Henry. ★

**Next discussion: Wednesday, November 2, 1:30 p.m., at Elaine Goldberg's house.**

Contact Elaine Goldberg (elainego@mac.com) to RSVP.

Contact Diana Stroshine (dstroshine@hotmail.com) to join the Book Club.



A rabbinic tradition (based on *Menachot 43a* in the Talmud) advises us to recite one hundred blessings a day.



## Travel Tales from CEEW

### A Rainy Ride across Wisconsin with Marcy Hotz

My husband Jim and I have been members of the Badgerland Miata Club for more than 20 years. We travel throughout Wisconsin and have also attended larger, regional gatherings in San Diego, CA; Columbia Valley, OR; and Eureka Springs, AR. We have also driven Route 66 from Joliet, IL to St. Louis, MO. This drive was not all sunshine, but we don't let a little rain wash us out.

On a dreary, wet Saturday morning, drivers and navigators of 24 Miatas convened at McDonald's in Lake Delton. Following the five-minute drivers' meeting, the tops-up stream of convertibles was challenged to get through the first 11-second green light, which allowed all but six cars to cross the first highway.

Splashing our way west, we headed toward Coon Valley. As we curved up and around picturesque roads and landscapes, the rain pounded Miata tops and blurred our vision. It seemed like all the rain we hadn't had for weeks was pouring down onto our ride. We heard the word "hydroplaning" from the lead car around LaValle, west of Reedsburg.

The entrance to LaValle on Highway 33 has beautiful stone outcroppings on both sides of the road. The Village of

Wonewoc, just west of LaValle, is located within the "driftless" area of Wisconsin, which means the hills were untouched by the glaciers. Its name "Wonewoc" may have evolved from the Indian expression meaning "they howl." It may also mean "the place of the evil spirit."

A road closure presented a challenge during the first leg, culminating in a U-turn. Our fearless leader Tom took it all in stride in the lead car, and seamlessly found another route to connect us to where we should be. We passed a large array of solar panels on County Q. There was much banter on the CBs throughout the ride, and someone commented on how green everything was, unlike the drought-induced brown of past weeks.







**Thanksgiving break: There will be no Shabbat service on November 25 and no religious school on November 27.**

We encountered the first of several round barns as we approached the pretty little town of Hillsboro. Our morning pit stop was at the Hillsboro Kwik Trip, then driving again to County Road P. We noted a few Amish families in the area – at breakfast at the Voyageur Inn, at the Kwik Trip pit stop, and passing buggies on the road. We continued our way to Coon Valley. We saw much wild (and domestic) life throughout the ride: cranes, cows, horses, sheep, deer and billy goats. Another challenge for our lead car came in the form of a bridge being out. Again, Tom came through with a work-around (or “drive-around”).

To help out a small local business, we lunched at the Legacy Grill & Pub in Coon Valley, both in the private room upstairs and on the main level. The two persons serving us also cooked and cashiered, so some tables were finished eating and others had not yet been served. Apparently they had been unable to find people to help out, even knowing 48 people would be converging on them at once. Needless to say,

lunch took quite a bit longer than anticipated, and along with the two detours mentioned earlier, we were running behind schedule (yes, these drives all have schedules).

Nevertheless, there was one afternoon stop that would have been a shame to miss. In fact, I would call it the highlight of the drive. The rain had luckily subsided sometime during lunch. [Peaceful Valley Haven](#) is an ever-increasing series of miniature buildings, modeled after historical and regional interests. This was an amazing (and free) museum to visit.

We hastily made our way back to Marty’s Steakhouse under a brightening sky as we enjoyed curvaceous hills and valleys. As we approached Reedsburg, dark, ominous clouds began to obliterate the lighter patches above. After a sumptuous

dinner and lots of hugging, the crowd departed in every direction home. ✨

Coon Valley, Wisconsin, is a village of 1 square mile in Vernon County.



Send your Travel Tale to Adrian Richfield at [susu78@aol.com](mailto:susu78@aol.com)!



The deadline for articles for the December Bulletin will be **Monday, November 14**. Please send materials to Adrian Richfield at [susu78@aol.com](mailto:susu78@aol.com).



# Shabbat Shalom!



<b>NOVEMBER 4</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Cantor-led service</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 11</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Cantor-led service</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 18</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Cantor-led service</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 25</b>	<b>no service - Happy Thanksgiving!</b>	

These services may be available online, in person, or both.  
Watch your email for updates on the mode of any temple event.

See the Temple website for updates and instructions  
on how to view events online.

## CEEW TEMPLE LEADERSHIP

**SPIRITUAL LEADER**  
**EDUCATION DIRECTOR**  
**PRESIDENT**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**  
**ADMINISTRATOR**

Cantor Martin Levson  
Carrie Barbakoff  
Laurie Schwartz  
Mark Levy  
Brigette Alexander





[spiritualleader@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:spiritualleader@waukeshatemple.org)  
[eddirector@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:eddirector@waukeshatemple.org)  
[president@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:president@waukeshatemple.org)  
[markallanlevy@yahoo.com](mailto:markallanlevy@yahoo.com)  
[administrator@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:administrator@waukeshatemple.org)





## SHABBAT CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES:

Nov. 4, 5:23 pm; Nov. 11, 4:15 pm;  
Nov. 18, 4:08 pm; Nov. 25, 4:04 pm

5783 2022		NOVEMBER		CHESHVAN / KISLEV		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Cheshvan 7	2 Cheshvan 8 Midrash Class, in-person and Zoom, 10:30 a.m. to noon Book Club, 1:30 p.m., Elaine Goldberg's house	3 Cheshvan 9 Cantor Levson musical program presented by Sisterhood, 7 p.m.	4 Cheshvan 10 Cantor-led Shabbat Service, 7 p.m.	5 Cheshvan 11  Lech-Lecha
6 Cheshvan 12 Daylight saving time ends, 2 a.m. Religious school, 9 a.m. Dining Group: lunch at Cooper's Hawk, 11 a.m.	7 Cheshvan 13	8 Cheshvan 14 <b>ELECTION DAY</b>	9 Cheshvan 15 Midrash Class, in-person and Zoom, 10:30 a.m. to noon	10 Cheshvan 16	11 Cheshvan 17 Cantor-led Shabbat service, 7 p.m.	12 Cheshvan 18  Vayera
13 Cheshvan 19 Religious school, 9 a.m. CEEW Book Fair, 10 a.m. to noon	14 Cheshvan 20 <b>DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER BULLETIN ARTICLES</b> Board meeting, 6:30 p.m.	15 Cheshvan 21 Adult Ed Program, Lilly Goren discusses election results, 7 p.m.	16 Cheshvan 22 Midrash Class, in-person and Zoom, 10:30 a.m. to noon	17 Cheshvan 23	18 Cheshvan 24 Cantor-led Shabbat Service, 7 p.m.	19 Cheshvan 25  Chayei Sara
20 Cheshvan 26 Religious school, 9 a.m.	21 Cheshvan 27	22 Cheshvan 28	23 Cheshvan 29 Midrash Class, in-person and Zoom, 10:30 a.m. to noon	24 Cheshvan 30 <b>THANKSGIVING</b> Rosh Chodesh Kislev	25 Kislev 1 <b>NO SERVICE</b>	26 Kislev 2  Toldot
27 Kislev 3 No religious school - Thanksgiving break	28 Kislev 4	29 Kislev 5	30 Kislev 6 Midrash Class, in-person and Zoom, 10:30 a.m. to noon			

The content deadline for the December 2022 bulletin is **Monday, November 14.**

Calendar dates and candle lighting times from [hebc.com](http://hebc.com). Check the CEEW calendar for the most current information. Most events are held online via Zoom, as well as in person if possible.