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LIMUD LIGHTS FREDDA KLOPFER, PRINCIPAL EMERITUS

Limud has had an extraordinary year thus far. Our theme is "Building Jewish Memories....One Story at a Time." In conjunction with this we have brought some of our biblioancestors" to life. In October, Noah and Mrs. Noah visited and we found out that poor Mrs. Noah did not have a name. The children voted on a name for her and the rabbi performed a naming ceremony. In November, the four foremothers married to the three forefathers (now that's a story!) explained about We have several special events their life in the desert. Then in December Joseph - aka Phil Essex appeared in his multi-colored coat, albeit one that was a bit faded. "Joseph" told his story in song and entranced the entire audience.

Walking into the classrooms on Wednesdays and Sundays and seeing the students so engaged in learning, with smiles on their faces, is a joy. We are blessed this year with an incredibly dedicated and knowledgeable staff who understand how to make students want to show up (and they do).

One Sunday a month Miss Alissa, our beloved CTI nursery school teacher, runs a Preschool Family Program from 10-11. The children have learned about Noah, Chanukah and Shabbat in a hands-on way. Watch CTI and Limud emails for winter dates.

One of the biggest joys at Limud is watching our Limud Hi program grow. This year we are blessed with 10 post-bar/bat mitzvah students who work the first hour as assistants in the classroom or with me and then participate in engaging learning with Mariel. The students are empowered to decide what they want to study and are passionate about social action. To me this is the litmus test for a religious

school...how many students stay on

after the bar/bat mitzvah ceremony. The best way to understand what is happening in Limud is to join us Sundays at 9:30 for our kehilla (community gathering). You will hear us sing, tell stories, remember those who need healing, and celebrate the accomplishments of our students.

coming up:

January 12 - prior to the Anne Frank/MLK program, grades 6 and up will have the opportunity to engage with Anne Frank from 11:30-12:30 prior to the community event. We will have on display the posters the children created imagining what a better world would look like.

January 26, 9:30 a.m. -Our own Ann Toback, head of Workman's Circle, will come talk to us about the story of the pickle and will teach the families how to put up pickles. This is a program that will be filled with lots of Jewish memories!!

February 2, 9:30 a.m. - Research has shown that one of the best ways to keep our children Jewish is to have them attend a Jewish Camp. Surprise Lake Camp, an amazingly wonderful Jewish Camp situated in Cold Spring, NY, will create Camp Limud right here at CTI. Our purpose is to demonstrate how exciting Jewish camps can be and also to bring some of the camp spirit to CTI.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Sundays...become part of our Kehilla Kedosha (holy community).

Kol tuv, Fredda

### We're Cooking at Limud!!!



We made "Chanukacopias"











## Fun while Learning at Limud





















**CTI limud presents:** 

## Build your very own

# mini Sukkah

This Sunday 9/22 during Limud, we invite all handy dads and moms to bring your power drill and tool box.



We'll be learning the rules on how to build a proper Sukkah and then we will display all our models.

Limud begins at 9:00am. Parents are invited to join us at 11:00am to work with their child/ren on their Sukkot.

Please colored bring extra bids, nails, screw hooks, yarn, popsicle sticks, skewers, playdoh, burlap, beads, etc.



## Sukkot at CTI and around Glen Cove



This past October we celebrated the festival of Sukkot in the Sukkah at CTI, on the road in our Sukkot Mobile and "hopped" around to members homesl

Thank you to our members' who graciously opened their homes and Sukkahs to us. Some were first timers:

The Saltzman Family The Reiner Family The Forte Family The Hament Family The Klein Family



## Building Jewish Memories – One Story at a Time

"Good stories have the power to save us. ...We all can make a difference by simply sharing our own stories with real people in real time and places.... The best stories are stories that connect us with each other. We need stories that teach children empathy and accountability, how to act and how to be. Children are hungry for stories that help them feel hopeful. Let us turn off our appliances and invent these stories. Quilted together, these stories will shelter us." Mary Pipher <u>The Shelter</u> of Each Other

To help focus your reflection on the story please consider the following questions:

Why do you think the person tells this story?

What made the story powerful?

How would you have felt if you were this person making this journey?

What Jewish values does this story teach?

Personal connection question: What is a journey you have been on?

Please write a reflection with your child. These will be used as thank you notes for our speakers and will help frame our project of relating our own personal stories.

Subject: Limud 11/10 - please send From: Michael and Fredda Klopfer <fmklopfer@optonline.net> Date: 11/7/13 2:02 PM To: Kim Schweitzer <kschweitzer@CTlonline.org>

Reminder there is no Limud this Sunday 11/10 due to the tag sale. There is class this Wednesday 11/13.

Sunday, 11/17 -

10:00 Educational Leadership Team meets with Fredda

11:00 Family Education program – Making Menurkeys....creating Jewish memories (Congratulations to Ryan Wezwick who was the first to email about what a menurkey is!!) Parents encouraged to attend.

Please make sure your student returns his/her reflection sheet from our speakers (attached). The reflections which have come back have been very powerful. I want to send these as thank yous to the speakers and need to collect them as data for our grant. You may email it back.

Kol Tuv (all is good) Fredda

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Presents

# **Celebrating our Unity**

An interactive theatrical production based on the writings of Anne Frank and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. intended to inspire the next generation to build a world based on equal rights and mutual respect



Sunday, January 12, 2014 at Congregation Tifereth Israel, 40 Hill St., Glen Cove, NY

All Welcome • Complimentary Light Lunch • No Charge

## 12:30 PM March of Unity •1 PM Lunch 1:30 PM Music by Select Chorale, Glen Cove High School 2 PM Performance

This program was made possible through a mirco-grant from The Jewish Education Project and other partners and sponsors



Subject: Shari please send out with attachment to grades6,7 From: Michael and Fredda Klopfer <fmklopfer@optonline.net> Date: 12/11/13 4:57 PM To: Amanda Martin <office@ctionline.org>

Dear Chevre,

This past Sunday, we began our discussion in preparation for the Anne Fran/MLK program on January 12. We focused on Anne Frank and began talking about the non-violent philosophy of Dr. King. I sent home a packet which you can discuss with your child. In addition, we previewed a few minutes of an Anne Frank video. I strongly suggest between now and the 12<sup>th</sup> you have your child see one of the you tube videos of Anne Frank. There is one from BBC 2009 which is about an hour and forty minutes. All are equally good:

I also recommend the book <u>The Watsons Go to Birmingham</u> which gives a sense of the south in the 50's. It was also made into a movie which you probably can get in the library or through netflicks.

I am enclosing the original letter I sent out, in case you did not see it.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or we can talk on Sunday.

Kol tuv, Fredda

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### Limud Update

My yummy pickles are now in my refrigerator!!!!! I mailed letters to all the students in grades 3 through 7 who participated on Sunday. There was a simple response enclosed. Please have your child(ren) return it to their teacher.

If you have pickled please let us know. We want to set up a pickling chart. It will be so much fun to see what happens. I ordered bell jars and am taking spices to Boston next weekend to pickle with my grandchildren.

#### **Upcoming:**

## This Sunday, February 2 – Camp Limud

Slight change in schedule – 9-9:30 breakfast as always 9;30-10:30 Hebrew 10:30-12 – grades 2 and up Camp Limud

See you Sunday...Kol tuv, Fredda