



# The MICL Letter

May 2021

Summer Session

## Message from our President - Judy Moore

### Adventures In Learning

MICL continues its virtual travels through Zoom this summer. Tuesdays through Thursdays, we can visit our favorite classes, and we've added a new stop to our itinerary- *Globalization*. We'll discover how our countries have become more interdependent, and how that affects the cultural and financial relationships we develop with each other.

Anecdotally, my five-year-old granddaughter was listening to me describe our MICL classes. She asked me, "Grandma, are you still learning?!" The answer is an unqualified "Yes!". That's what MICL has to offer- the chance to learn something new, relate our shared experiences, and enjoy each other's company.

Elections for the 2021-2022 board were held last week. The slate of officers was accepted by the membership.

Looking ahead to fall, MIC has made no decisions yet concerning on-site classes, or how we may safely return. We will let the membership know as soon as decisions are made.

See you in class!

Judy Moore,

MICL president





## FIELD TRIPS:

**No Field Trips Scheduled at this time  
We will advise when we are able to resume**

**Summer Session  
Classes:  
May 3 thru  
August 6**

<b>Summer Session 2021</b>					
<b>May 3 – August 6, 2021</b>					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>8:30 to 9:30 AM</b>					
<b>10 am to NOON</b>		 <b>Writing it Down</b>	 <b>What in the World?</b>	 <b>Thursday at the Movies</b>	
<b>1 pm to 3 pm</b>		 <b>Social Hour</b>	 <b>Globalization</b>	 <b>Book Club</b>	

### 2020-2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### ALL CLASSES ARE HELD

**ON ZOOM**

**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**

**DURING FALL & SPRING SEMESTERS**

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10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinator:  
**Millie Starr**



**WRITING IT DOWN:** Be inspired to share your writing efforts in an encouraging and supportive classroom setting. Class members write at home about anything they want, and they share what they write in class when they are ready.

The goal of the class is to support one another in the writing process and learn by doing. Come join our writing community as a writer or listener.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM **BREAK**

1:00 PM T 3:00 PM

Coordinators:  
**Wayne & Diana Sicard**



**SOCIAL HOUR:** If you're missing your friends during these days of social distancing, consider joining our MICL social hour. It's fun, and it will lift your spirits more than you might imagine. Time spent talking and hanging out with people will lift your mood! Please join us!

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10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinator:  
**David Froba**



**WHAT IN THE WORLD?:** Have you ever watched TV or read a news paper article, opinion, or letter to the editor and really wanted to discuss or react to what you read? *What in the World?* is just the class for you. We discuss all kinds of issues and happenings from your neighborhood, local, regional, state, national, and world news. You bring in the topic, introduce it, and we all discuss it with the help of a new class facilitator each five week session. A number of class members have real expertise to lend to a number of discussions. Learn something new every day. Join the camaraderie.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM **BREAK**

1:00 PM T 3:00 PM

Coordinator:  
**Deidre Bush**



**GLOBALIZATION:** Globalization is the growing interdependence of the world's economies, cultures, and populations, brought about by cross-border trade in goods and services, technology, and flows of investment, people, and information. Countries have built economic partnerships to facilitate these movements over many centuries. But the term gained popularity after the Cold War in the early 1990s, as these cooperative arrangements shaped modern everyday life.

10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinator:  
**Ron Rutschman**



**THURSDAY'S AT THE MOVIES:** Please join us to enjoy a film classic or foreign film (subtitled in English, of course) that will carry you away to other times and other places. Discussion is encouraged but is not required. We hope you will join us! Details of the movies will be posted just before the semester starts.

- 05/06 "Dr. Strangelove"
- 05/13 "West Side Story"
- 05/20 "Best in Show"
- 05/27 "Paper Moon"
- 06/03 "Unforgiven"
- 06/10 "Thelma and Louise"
- 06/17 "Vertigo"
- 06/24 "All About Eve"
- 07/01 "Do the Right Thing"
- 07/08 "Bye-Bye Birdie"
- 07/15 "Seabiscuit"
- 07/22 "Bambi", "Dumbo"
- 07/29 "Wait Until Dark"
- 08/05 "The Searchers"

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM **BREAK**

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

Coordinator:  
**Carol Sullivan**



**BOOK CLUB:** We read a nonfiction book one month and a fiction book the next month. The book is suggested and selected by the group and will be moderated by the person that suggested the book title. Our group is open to everyone, even if you have not read or have previously read the book. Please feel free to join the group for any of the meetings. Keep Reading!

June 10, 2021

**"SEVEN 1/2 LESSONS ABOUT THE BRAIN",** by LISA FELDMAN BARRETT – NON-FICTION

**From the author of *How Emotions Are Made*, a myth-busting primer on the brain in the tradition of *Seven Brief Lessons on Physics* and *Astrophysics for People in a Hurry*.**

Have you ever wondered why you have a brain? Let renowned neuroscientist Lisa Feldman Barrett demystify that big gray blob between your ears. In seven short essays (plus a bite-sized story about how brains evolved), this slim, entertaining, and accessible collection reveals mind-expanding lessons from the front lines of neuroscience research. You'll learn where brains came from, how they're structured (and why it matters), and how yours works in tandem with other brains to create everything you experience. Along the way, you'll also learn to dismiss popular myths such as the idea of a "lizard brain" and the alleged battle between thoughts and emotions, or even between nature and nurture, to determine your behavior.

Sure to intrigue casual listeners and scientific veterans alike, *Seven and a Half Lessons About the Brain* is full of surprises, humor, and important implications for human nature - a gift of a book that you will want to savor again and again.

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**BOOK CLUB, CONTINUED:**

July 22, 2021


**“THE HOUSE OF SPIRITS”,** by ISABEL ALLENDE - FICTION

The unforgettable first novel that established Isabel Allende as one of the world's most gifted and imaginative storytellers.

*The House of the Spirits* brings to life the triumphs and tragedies of three generations of the Trueba family. The patriarch Esteban is a volatile, proud man whose voracious pursuit of political power is tempered only by his love for his delicate wife, Clara, a woman with a mystical connection to the spirit world. When their daughter, Blanca, embarks on a forbidden love affair in defiance of her implacable father, the result is an unexpected gift to Esteban: his adored granddaughter, Alba, a beautiful and strong-willed child who will lead her family and her country into a revolutionary future.

One of the most important novels of the 20th century, *The House of the Spirits* is an enthralling epic that spans decades and lives, weaving the personal and the political into a universal story of love, magic, and fate.

EVENT SCHEDULE			
Summer Session Starts	May 3, 2021		
Curriculum Committee	1st Tuesday	*May 5, 2021	3:15 pm
		June 1, 2021	3:15 pm
		July 6, 2021	3:15 pm
		Aug 3, 2021	3:15 pm
Board of Directors Meeting	2nd Wednesday	May 12, 2021	3:15 pm
		June 9, 2021	3:15 pm
		July 14, 2021	3:15 pm
		Aug 11, 2021	
Communication Committee		May 6, 2021	3:15 pm
Book Club		June 10, 2021	1:00 pm
		July 22, 2021	1:00 pm
Summer Session Ends	August 6, 2021		


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