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### **CURRENT POSITIONS**

#### **Executive Director - The Squire Family Foundation**

The Foundation advocates for more philosophy with young people. It sponsors the Long Island High School Ethics Bowl, and is a co-founder of both the National High School Ethics Bowl (NHSEB), and PLATO (Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization).

#### **Vice President – Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO)**

PLATO runs philosophy and ethics programs for students, parents, and educators; helps to support innovative philosophy programs outside of the academy through its funding program; publishes journals and a monthly Newsletter; hosts biennial conferences, and maintains an active online presence.

### **EDUCATION**

M.A., The Johns Hopkins University, The Writing Seminars, 1975  
Teaching Fellowship

B.A. Barnard College, Columbia University, *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa,  
1973

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

*Kindling the Flame: Reflections on Ritual, Faith and Family* (Simon & Schuster, 1998).

*What To Do About Your Child's Moods and Emotions* (Readers Digest, 1998).

*Lost and Found: A Woman's Intimate Exploration of her Journey from Girlhood to Adolescence* (Simon & Schuster, 1996; Touchstone, 1997).

*In Confidence: Four Years of Therapy* (Houghton Mifflin, 1990; Penguin, 1991).

*Coming to Terms* (Knopf, 1984; Penguin, 1985). French, German and U.K. editions

### Co-authored and Edited Books

*The Ethics Bowl Way: Answering Questions, Questioning Answers, and Building Ethical Communities*, co-edited with Karen Mizell (Rowman & Littlefield, 2022).

*What Went Right: Lessons from Both Sides of the Teacher's Desk*, with George McDermott (Rowman & Littlefield, 2017).

*Philosophy and Education: Introducing Philosophy to Young People*, co-edited with Jana Mohr Lone (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2012).

*Positive Adolescence: Rescuing our Teens from the Myths of the Storm and Stress Years*, with Dr. Richard Lerner (Crown, 2007).

*My Father Before Me: How Fathers and Sons Influence Each Other Throughout Their Lives*, with Dr. Michael J. Diamond (Norton, 2006).

*Thinking Parent, Thinking Child*, with Dr. Myrna Shure (McGraw Hill, 2004).

*Your Competent Child: Toward New Basic Values for the Family*, by Dr. Jesper Juul (Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2001); ghostwriter and editor

*Raising a Thinking Preteen*, with Dr. Myrna Shure (Holt, 2000; Owl, 2001).

*Why Parents Disagree: How Men and Women Parent Differently and How We Can Work Together*, with Dr. Ron Taffel (Morrow, 1994; Avon, 1995; Guilford Press, 2003. French, German, Chinese and Russian editions.

### Magazines

Parents Magazine, Contributing Editor, 1992-1999. Personal essays and service articles on psychological, health and safety issues.

Free-lance writer: over one hundred articles and essays have appeared in national newspapers and magazines including O Magazine, More, The New York Times, Newsday, Publisher's Weekly, Cosmopolitan, Family Circle, First, Good Housekeeping, Glamour, Lear's, McCalls, Parenting, The Psychotherapy Networker (formerly The Family Therapy Networker), and Redbook.

### Short Stories

"Visiting Hours," *Visiting Hours*, ed. Dan Wickett (Press 53, 2009).

"Learning French," Lilith, Fall 2006 (vol. 31, no.3).

"Sunken Meadow," Lilith, Winter 2003 (vol. 28, no. 4).

“City Ball,” reprinted in *Diamonds are a Girl’s Best Friend: Women Writers on Baseball*, ed. E. Nauen (Faber and Faber, 1994), originally published in Pig Iron.

“A Running Conversation,” reprinted in *Editor’s Choice II: Fiction, Poetry & Art from the U.S. Small Press*, ed. M. Sklar and M. Biggs (The Spirit That Moves Us Press, 1987), originally published in The North American Review.

### **Essays**

“Junior Year,” appearing in *I Wanna Be Sedated: 30 Writers on Parenting Teenagers*, eds. Faith Conlon and Gail Hudson, Seal Press, 2005.

“Five Snapshots From the Year Jake Turned Ten,” appearing in *Room to Grow: 22 Writers Encounter the Pleasures and Paradoxes of Raising Young Children*, ed. Christina Baker Kline (St. Martin’s Press, 1999; St. Martin’s Griffin, 1999).

### **On-Line Publications**

Monthly columnist for Jewish Family and Life! ([www.jewishfamily.com](http://www.jewishfamily.com)) and ([www.jbooks.com](http://www.jbooks.com)).

Contributing Editor for [www.parentwatch.com](http://www.parentwatch.com)

### **Teaching Experience**

Writing Workshop Leader

Private Instruction, 2001- present

Taproot: The Community of Older Writers, 1995 – present

Hunter College (CUNY) Adjunct Instructor, 1979-1986

New York University

Special Studies Program, 1978-1979

Continuing Education, 1980-1986

C. W. Post College, LIU

Freshman Composition and Introduction to Literature, 1978-1979

New York Institute of Technology

Introduction to Writing, Poetry, and Drama, 1976-1980

### **Media Appearances**

Television: CNN; CBS, *The CBS Morning News*; News 12 Connecticut, *The Exchange*; News 12 Long Island; News 12 New Jersey; WBBM (Chicago CBS affiliate), *Corrine Edwards Interviews*; TeLLICare Cable; Lifetime, *The Jane Wallace Show*.

Radio: *The Leonard Lopate Show*, WNYC-NY; WELW (Cleveland), WNRW (Philadelphia).

### **Membership**

American Philosophical Association, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics, The Author’s Guild, PEN: Poets & Writers, The National Writers Union, Phi Beta Kappa