

AATH HUMOR ROUNDUP

An Educational Forum

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CEUs Available for Health and Allied Health Professionals

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Mon., Sept 19:
"Dear Developmentalist..."
Letters from the Doghouse
with Dr. Lois Holzman

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Tues., Sept 20:
A Humorous Look at Sex and Aging
with Dr. Joyce Saltman



Wed., Sept. 21:
Humorous Songs for Education, from Judaism to Math!
with Dr. Larry Lesser

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Thurs., Sept. 22:
Humor and Crises: Global Play Brigade
with Cathy Salit



Fri., Sept. 23:
The Humor Hack
with Dr. Mike Cundall

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Does education sometimes feel monotone, especially in the contexts of (dis)organized religion or courses in the (in)humanities like math? Part of educator/songwriter Larry Lesser's formula for his award-winning work is the use of educational songs that often incorporate humor. He will discuss insights from his current non-liturgical, non-denominational album of Jewish songs (SPARKS) and from his grant-winning/award-winning songwriting for the teaching of high school and college math/statistics. We require no big background in math, songwriting, or Judaism, as we explore how principles of humor cut across these very different domains -- although maybe not so different because when people take math tests, there's always prayer in school!

Dr. Larry Lesser is an El Paso-based, award-winning educator, songwriter, poet, author, and speaker who integrates diverse backgrounds. For example, his passion for combining music and STEM made its way into his research, grants, teaching, and outreach, and about 170 of his published poems/songs are STEM-related. He's also found ways to connect math/statistics education with his Jewish background and he released an album of original non-liturgical Jewish songs that was a 2021 Finalist for Album of the Year at the New Mexico Music Awards. Larry loves helping diverse audiences make connections among varied realms. One of his strategies is incorporating humor and Larry has been an AATH conference presenter, an author in Israeli Journal of Humor Research, a student in Sam Cox's Comedy Gym class, winner of the "Best Humorous Song" award at an annual statewide music contest, and winner of national cartoon caption contests sponsored by Moment magazine and CAUSEweb.

MISSION STATEMENT

We elevate and *nourish* the
HUMAN SPIRIT
through the **intentional** use of
humor and laughter.

We do this by providing continuing education & professional development programs including workshops, conferences, research forums, and a humor academy to teach & empower people around the world to use humor to:

- Enhance health & well-being
- Maximize learning
- Boost performance & productivity
- Strengthen communication & trust

What is AATH?

The Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor (AATH) is non-profit, member driven, international community of humor and laughter professionals and enthusiasts. Formed in 1987 by Registered Nurse, Alison L. Crane, AATH provides its members the education, cutting-edge resources, and supportive community they need to excel in the practice and promotion of healthy humor.

What is therapeutic humor?

Therapeutic humor is any intervention that promotes health and wellness by stimulating a playful discovery, expression or appreciation of the absurdity or incongruity of life's situations. This intervention may enhance health or be used as a complementary treatment of illness to facilitate healing or coping, whether physical, emotional, cognitive, social or spiritual. Officially adopted by the AATH Board of Directors on June 1, 2000.

Who belongs to AATH?

AATH welcomes anyone who is interested in learning more about the application and benefits of therapeutic humor. Members include scholars, psychologists, counselors, allied healthcare practitioners, nurses, social workers, physicians, funeral directors, business executives, human resource managers, educators, clergy, hospital clowns, speakers, trainers, and many others who incorporate humor in their life and work.

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