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**The mission of WRJ-Temple Israel Sisterhood:
Women joining together to serve and support our Temple, our community and our worldwide organization.**

SISTERHOOD SHABBATON: A DAY OF MINDFULNESS

Saturday, February 5, 2011, beginning at 8:45 am

Sisterhood presents a *Day of Mindfulness* which will help you return to yourself and a life of intentionality as you rededicate yourself to your life's goals. Come for the entire day or a session. The day will include:

- Torah study at 8:45 am with Rabbi Micah Greenstein
- Shabbat morning services at 10:00 am led by Rabbi Katie Bauman
- A kiddush lunch will be provided by Sisterhood
- Rabbi Bauman will speak on intentionality
- Nadine King will discuss mindfulness in eating, using *Women, Food and God* by Geneen Roth.
- Sally Rosenberg will explore heroines who dreamed in the Torah.
- Cynthia Schulz of Soar Creative Consulting will help you propel your dreams into goals and set your life onto a track of fulfillment.
- Choose between more time with Cynthia Schulz and *Rosh Chodesh*, or Shabbat Yoga.
- Rabbi Bauman ends the day with Havdalah

Childcare will be provided free of charge, please request by February 2nd. There is no charge for the day for WRJ members, please bring a donation (either canned goods or a check) for the Mid-South Food Bank. RSVP, call the Sisterhood Hotline, 937-2790. For more information, contact Melissa Faber, 490-1561, or mfaber01@gmail.com.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A JEWISH MUSIC MONTH CELEBRATION



Sunday, February 20, 11 am

When February weather turns gloomy and you are in need of a toe-tapping, warm-all-over experience, this is an event that promises to have something for everyone and is sure to chase your winter blues away!

WRJ-Temple Israel Sisterhood is pleased to present a morning of entertainment in celebration of *Jewish Music Month*, featuring Temple Israel members as well as performers from the greater community.

The program lineup, organized by Cantor John Kaplan and committee member, Julie Naidis, is slated to include dancers—choreographed by Nancy Shainberg Kline, vocalists, instrumental musicians, and dramatic readings. The program will be skillfully emceed by well-known Memphis comedian—and *Temple Israel's own*—Michael "Ziggy" Danziger.

The committee which helped organize this Jewish Music Month celebration includes: Sharon Berman, Waynette Besser, Paula Cohen, Leslie Gillenson, Linda Kaplan, and Millie Katzen.

This event, underwritten by WRJ-Temple Israel Sisterhood, is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served following the program.

For more information, please contact Sharon Berman, 291-8878, or berman.sharon@yahoo.com.

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**MESSAGE FROM OUR
LOCAL WRJ PRESIDENT
SUE PFEFFER**



Your Sisterhood has been very busy, offering activities for women of different ages and interest groups. I just returned from the movies, where more than 130 people joined us to see the movie *The King's Speech* - a great choice by Vice President Debbie Jackson and chair Nancy Rosenberg. A special Thank you to Jeff Kaufman and Malco Theaters for making this event possible for Sisterhood. Our first joint program with Beth Sholom Sisterhood - *From the Heart* - was very well received. Thank you to chair Meryl Rosen, who helped coordinate the two Sisterhoods' efforts. The Chanukah Market Place, which is a huge undertaking, was very successful. Thank you Vice President Lorraine Steinberg, Sally Kesselman, Bonnie Cooper, Debbie Whitelow and the many volunteers who worked the various shifts of the sale. Sisterhood provided dinner for the 8th and 9th grade religious school students, and also made potato latkes for the entire religious school (thank you Mary Trotz, Monique Jalenak, Lisa Frisch, and Sheryl Gorden). Together with Brotherhood, we sponsored the annual congregational Chanukah Dinner (thank you to chair Sondra Price) and the toys we collected at the dinner were donated to Estival Communities. The Sisterhood Shabbat Minyan and Luncheon was very special, with Rabbi Bauman, and many Sisterhood members participating in the services. Thank you to chair Ann Wilson. Our new Wednesday night Book Group is off to a good start. Please check the Sisterhood website for the list of books all three of our Book Groups are reading. Special thanks to Karen Kestner for the great photos on our website and in this bulletin.

We have many programs planned for the spring - our *Shabbaton*, a musical program, Game Night, Women's Seder - in addition to our regular monthly events. Please check the Sisterhood website calendar (www.tisisterhood.org) and participate in the events that are of interest to you.

We are still looking for volunteers to help staff our Judaica shop - please let us know if you can give us three hours a week, a month, or just occasionally. And please, say yes when you get a call asking you to help us with the cooking for the Passover Seder.

Remember: **WITHOUT YOU WE ARE ONE WOMAN SHORT!**
L'Shalom,
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JUDAICA SHOP NEWS

Shop in the WRJ-Sisterhood Judaica shop for all of your gift needs and the BEST selection in Memphis!

Winter Sale

Take 20% off original price of all Jewelry and Music during the month February, plus additional clearance on Chanukah items.

Volunteers Needed

Proceeds from Sisterhood's gift shop benefit Temple Israel. It is staffed by volunteers from WRJ-Sisterhood and can operate only because of this generous group who give their time. Additional volunteers are greatly needed so we can keep the shop open.

For more details about how you can help from time to time contact Lorraine Steinberg, 754-6278, or lorraine29@aol.com.

Shop hours

Monday through Thursday 10 am-4 pm

Wednesday 4-6 pm*

Friday 10 am-1 pm

Sunday 9 am-12:30 pm*

*when Hebrew or Religious School is in session



TWO GAME NIGHTS!

WRJ-Temple Israel Sisterhood and the Sisterhoods of Anshei Sphard Beth El Emeth, Baron Hirsch, Beth Sholom, Chabad, Or Chadash, and Young Israel are sponsoring a community-wide Game Night. It will be held **February 10 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm** at Baron Hirsch, 400 S. Yates Road. Bring games of your choice and enjoy a light dinner and dessert. Cost is \$8 per person. Reservation checks should be sent to Baron Hirsch by Monday, February 7th.

For more information contact Bella Lansky, 747-0301; Hilda Fleischacker, 685-6895; Shirley Manis, 682-8282; or Madelyne Daneman, 754-1332.

The next Game Night at Temple Israel will be on **Thursday, March 24th at 7 pm** and you're invited join in the fun, games, door prizes, and snacks!

Free for Sisterhood members, \$5 for guests. Melanie Mann will also be teaching Mah Jongg for those interested in learning. RSVP by email to Melanie: melmann116@gmail.com, or call the WRJ Hot-line, 937-2790.



MANNA HOUSE

There is always a need at Manna House. As fast as donations are received, most are given to the guests.

The weather has turned colder and the need for warm clothes, especially coats and adult sleeping bags grows. As you go through your drawers and closets, keep Manna House in mind. Men's belts, purses, wallets, backpacks, t-shirts, thermal underwear, jeans, and sweat-shirts all bring great joy and are really appreciated by the Manna House guests.

Women have little access to bathrooms, and often there are no sanitary supplies. Regular or super sized napkins are requested. Gently used bras are also appreciated by the ladies.

Monetary donations are used to buy socks, gloves, stocking caps, fingernail clippers, Chapstick, combs, razors, sugar, coffee, creamer, cough drops, aspirin, ibuprofen, sinus medicine, and vitamins.

A big thank you to the knitters at Temple for the beautiful hats and scarves. They are always a hit fashion-wise as well as providing a shield from the winter chill.



WRJ-TEMPLE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD WOMEN'S FONDUE SEDER

April 3, 2011, 7 pm

Q. Why is this night different from all other nights?

A. On this night we eat only fondue!

Passover begins April 18th at sundown. But before you begin to clear away the *chametz* and prepare for this special holiday, join us for our festive Women's Fondue Seder. This year we celebrate the sweetness of freedom with chocolate fondue while remembering the tears our ancestors shed with salty cheese fondue. Whether you have a sweet tooth or favor something on the savory side, we guarantee you've never celebrated Passover like this!

\$12 Sisterhood Members; \$15 Guests



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<p>FEBRUARY 5 (Sat) Shabbaton, Rosh Chodesh 10 (Thu) City-wide Game Night (Baron Hirsch) 20 (Sun) Jewish Music Month Celebration</p> <p>MARCH 8 (Tue) Rosh Chodesh 24 (Thu) Game Night 29-30 (Tue-Wed) Bulb Mailing</p> <p>APRIL 3 (Sun) Women's Chocolate Seder 5 (Tue) Rosh Chodesh 5, 6, 12, 13, 15, 17 Seder Cooking 17 (Sun) Religious School Model Seder 19 (Tue) Congregational Seder</p>	<p>MAY 4 (Wed) Rosh Chodesh 7 (Sat) Evening Program</p> <p>JUNE 16 (Thu) MJH Birthday Party TBA Adopt-a-School</p> <p>New programs are added often, be sure to check the Sisterhood Website (tisisterhood.org) and the Temple Website (templeisrael.org) for the most up-to-date information.</p>	<p><i>Ongoing programs:</i></p> <p>Mother Bear Knitting Project (also knitting for MIFA Love Caps and West Clinic): every Thursday, 1:30 pm</p> <p>Manna House: every Tuesday, 8-11:30 am</p> <p>Monthly Cooking for Estival Communities: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 pm</p> <p>Monthly Book Groups: 2nd Wednesday 1:00 pm; Saturday afternoon; and 4th Wednesday evening, 7 pm Check www.tisisterhood.org for the list of the books we are reading.</p>	<p>HEALTHY WEDNESDAYS Every Wednesday at noon</p> <p>Need a support group to encourage healthier eating? Join other Temple members and staff for a self-run group for people that want to feel better while making better food choices. Share recipes and helpful hints. Email Sharon Nickol at sharonn@timemphis.org for more information.</p>
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