



**Sisterhood News – September 2023**  
*Our programs and meetings are open to Temple members, family and friends. Please join us.*

## Sisterhood Shabbat

January 13, 2024

### Celebrate

### Sisterhood's 103<sup>rd</sup> anniversary

at Sisterhood Shabbat. Please join us and enjoy the service and kiddush.

Would you like an honor, perhaps opening or closing the ark, or doing an English reading? Would you like to read Torah or Haftorah? Will you help with the kiddush?

If you'd like to participate, please contact Gail Finkelstein at [gailfink49@gmail.com](mailto:gailfink49@gmail.com).



## Sisterhood's Calendar Highlights

### SHANAH TOVAH U'METUKAH

*Wishing you a Happy, Healthy & Sweet New Year*

Thursday, Oct 5 – Tea and Torah Fund

Sunday, Dec 10 – Sisterhood Chanukah Party

Shabbat, Jan 13 – Sisterhood Shabbat

Sunday, Feb 4 – P.A.D. Party

Sunday, June 2 – Sisterhood Annual Meeting

## Tea and Torah Fund

### Our Torah Benefactors Event

Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM

Featuring guest speaker **Silvana Bacman**, sharing her Jewish journey, past and present.

## Torah Fund Campaign of WLCJ Pin 5784 (2023-2024)

### Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh BaZeh

All of Israel are responsible for one another



Arevut - Responsibility  
We have a communal responsibility to care for each other.

Please join us for tea, coffee, desserts and dessert liqueurs along with an ample amount of food for thought. Torah Fund commitment is at least \$180. Make your check payable to Torah Fund, and mail it to Abbey Rasnick, 240 Barclay Square Drive, Rochester, NY 14618. If you have questions, contact Abbey at (585) 244-8554 or [abbeyras@gmail.com](mailto:abbeyras@gmail.com).

Please RSVP to Abbey to let us know you will be attending. Abbey will give you the location. We hope you will join us.

## Just Judaica Gift Shop

*The largest Judaica Gift Shop in Central & Western New York*

**New Time**

Open by appointment only during the High Holidays. Call Lynda Axelrod 585-385-3563 or Iris Mand 585-739-2428 for appointment.

**WARNING!!!** Chanukah is early this year, Dec 7 – 15  
Come early for the best selection.





## More Sisterhood News – Sept 2023

### *Congratulations to our Sisterhood Members!*

We are thrilled to announce that our Sisterhood has once again won the coveted Jewels in the Crown Award!



Women's League presents the Jewels in the Crown Award to Sisterhoods, to recognize meeting WL standards of education, engagement, and participation, as well as diversity and inclusion initiatives.

The Sisterhoods who achieve this award are the best at educating, inspiring, and helping others. They accomplish this through the programs they design and present.

This is our 4<sup>th</sup> win! Awards are presented at conventions every three years, and we've won each time.

**Introducing a new exciting Sisterhood program!**

### **HUG BASKETS**

For those who really need a Hug!

Do you know a member of Temple Beth El who is ill or confined for an extended time, and might appreciate a call, visit and HUG Basket? We'd like to help make their day a little better.

We rely on "word of mouth" to learn about them. Please email information to Sue Zauderer at [susanz@Rochester.rr.ccom](mailto:susanz@Rochester.rr.ccom)

### **Our Next P.A.D. Party**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday, February 4, 2024, 10 am**

Please consider donating individually wrapped feminine hygiene products (pads, tampons, liners) for us to use to make these kits. They are being collected now, in the barrel outside the Chapel.

Or, send dollars, and we will purchase items for you. Send your check to TBE Sisterhood, 139 Winton Road S, Rochester, NY 14610. Write "PAD Donation" in the memo.

Contact Amy Wasserman at [wasscleans@aol.com](mailto:wasscleans@aol.com) with questions.  
**Thank you for your kind generosity.**



## More Sisterhood News – Sept 2023

TBE Sisterhood membership dues include your membership in Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WL). WL membership opens the door to a world of additional programming. Here are some examples.

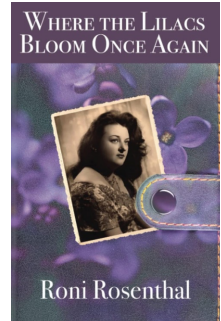


### Where the Lilacs Bloom Once Again, Friddie's Story

By Roni Rosenthal

#### Discussion with the Author

November 2, 2023,  
8:00 pm, on Zoom



**WL Reads** is open to WL members, No charge.

To join the conversation, you must pre-register through Women's League.

The author chronicles her family's struggles for survival as relayed through the story of her great grandmother and great aunt. Told in novel fashion, this is a tragic-heroic tale of strength is based on the true stories of a Jewish Romanian family. Join Women's Leagues' book club, **WL Reads**, for stimulating conversation with the author about the book, and about her experience writing it.

Upcoming **WL Reads** –

**The Choice** by Maggie Anton - Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 1:00 PM ET

**Exile Music** by Jennifer Steile - Date and Time TBA

## Fall 2023 - WLCJ Classes: Learn Hebrew and Read from the Prayerbook

Fall classes start October 2023  
Register through Women's League

In the **Beginner Hebrew Course**, students will learn how to recognize the letters of the *aleph bet*, read basic words in the Siddur, and follow along in the service. Each student will be provided a virtual copy of *Shalom Aleichem*, by Noah Golinkin, for use in the class.

In the **Advanced Beginner Hebrew Course**, students will continue to refine their reading skills by learning blessings for Friday evening, several *kaddishes*, and many Shabbat morning prayers, all while emphasizing reading fluency.

To be in the **Intermediate Hebrew Course**, students should be proficient at reading (sounding out few words) and will improve their fluency through the following prayers: *ashrei*, the *musaf Amidah*, *aleinu*, the *v'avavtah* and following paragraphs, and many other prayers for holidays.