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SPRING IS HERE!



CELEBRATE ROSH CHODESH

The observance of Rosh Chodesh, the beginning of each month in the Jewish calendar, has blossomed into a time to honor women and femininity. We will celebrate Rosh Chodesh in the Adult Lounge (to the left of the Abraham statue) on the following evenings:

Thursday, April 15 at 7:00 pm led by Nancy Shapiro: *Iyar — A Time to Keep & A Time to Cast Away*

Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 pm led by Ann Wilson & Sharon Berman: *Sivan — A Time to Honor the Fruit of the Seed*



WOMEN'S SEDER AND ROSH CHODESH

Monday, March 15, 7:00 pm

Bring your mother daughter best friend, sister, and aunt to this Women's Seder and Rosh Chodesh celebration with WRJ-Sisterhood.



Dine on a dairy/vegetarian meal of Israeli fare, and hear poetry showcasing women's roles through history. Learn the women's point of view, and dance Israel dances while getting your spirit ready for Passover.

Cost for dinner: \$15 WRJ Members/\$18 Guests. Make your reservation by calling the WRJ hotline, 937-2790. Send your check to: WRJ Women's Seder, Temple Israel, 1376 East Massey Road, Memphis, TN 38120-3299.

For more details, call Melissa Faber, 490-1561.

CONGREGATIONAL PASSOVER SEDER

Tuesday, March 30, 6:00 pm

Have your Seder at home the first night and share the second night in the Ettleson-Wax Hall with your congregational family!

Temple members and their families: Adults \$30, Children \$15 (10 and under)
Non-Temple members: Adults \$36, Children \$18 (10 and under).



Make your reservation by Tuesday, March 23, online at www.timemphis.org or by check to: WRJ-Passover Seder, Temple Israel, 1376 East Massey Road, Memphis, TN 38120-3299.

Please give the names of everyone attending (note number of children) and include any special seating requests (maximum 8 per table). Questions: Call the WRJ hotline, 937-2790, and leave your name and phone number.

WRJ SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE

AND KIDDUSH LUNCHEON

Saturday, April 17, 10:00 am

Celebrate Shabbat by attending a creative morning service written and led by the Women of Reform Judaism members.

Following the service, everyone is invited to a special Kiddush luncheon sponsored by WRJ.

To take part in this creative service and for more information, contact Sharon Berman, 291-8878, or berman.sharon@yahoo.com



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Mar. 7 Service Writing Workshop, 9 am	Apr. 14 Executive Committee Meeting, 5:30 pm
Mar. 10 Executive Committee Full Board Meeting, 5:30 pm	Apr. 15 Rosh Chodesh, 7 pm
Mar. 15 Women's Seder & Rosh Chodesh, 7 pm	Apr. 17 WRJ-Sisterhood led Shabbat Minyan & Kiddush Luncheon, 10 am
Mar. 16-17 Passover Cooking, 9 am -1 pm	Apr. 18 Circle of Service Event, 5 pm
Mar. 23-24 Passover Cooking, 9 am -1 pm	May 12 Executive Committee Full Board Meeting, 5:30 pm
Mar. 23-24 Bulb Mailing	May 13 Rosh Chodesh, 7 pm
Mar. 28 Passover Table Setting, 1 pm	May 25 Installation Dinner, 6:30 pm
Mar. 29 Passover Prep, 9 am	June 9 Executive Committee Meeting, 5:30 pm
Mar. 30 Passover Seder, 6 pm	TBA Adopt-a-School Program

Ongoing Projects at Temple:

Women's Wednesdays

Every week, 1 pm with Rabbi Katie Bauman

Mother Bear Project

Also knitting for MIFA Love Caps and West Clinic, Thursdays, 1:30 pm

Book Groups

Monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 2:30 pm and Saturdays

Estival Communities

Monthly cooking in the Temple kitchen, 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30 pm.



WRJ Past Presidents

- 1907-13Daisy Wolff*
- 1913-17Mattie Rosenfield*
- 1917-21Mrs. Harry Lewis*
- 1921-25Hortense Jacobs*
- 1925-29Effie Greener*
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- 1998-00Jane Eckstein
- 2000-02Eileen Wishnia
- 2002-04Bonnie Cooper
- 2004-06Debbie Ognibene
- 2006-08Sheryl Gorden

* of blessed memory



MESSAGE FROM OUR 44TH PRESIDENT



Sisterhood has been very busy the last few months. We ended 2009 with Brotherhood at the Chanukah dinner and celebrated Rosh Chodesh. Starting 2010 we have had Game Night, Sisterhood Goes to the Movies, and participated in the Shabbat Morning Service followed by a Kiddush luncheon.

We will begin cooking for Passover in the next few weeks for the Congregational Second Night Passover Seder on March 30th. Make your reservations soon and please shop at the gift shop for all your Passover items. Your purchases help us to make financial contributions that support Temple.

Please review the details of the upcoming events for March and April listed in this newsletter and join us for some or all of the upcoming activities. Make a special note of The Shabbat Morning Service and Kiddush luncheon on April 17th. Join us on April 18th at Renelle Ballin's home for a special Circle of Service Event to learn about the Circle of Service and enjoy a light meal and piano entertainment.

Don't forget the Sisterhood's ongoing mitzvah opportunities: Mother Bear Knitting Project, Cooking for Estival Communities, and volunteering in the Sisterhood Judaica Shop.

As spring approaches, so does Sisterhood's Holland Bulb project. Order forms will be arriving by mail. Our beautiful bulbs will be blooming soon all over the city. Sales people are needed to spread and broaden this great project.

Support your Sisterhood. It is the in place to be!

Jo Anne Fusco

CIRCLE OF SERVICE EVENT

Sunday, April 18 at 5:00 pm

Circle of Service Event to honor all Circle of Service members will be held at the home of Renelle and Leslie Ballin. All sisterhood members and guests are invited.



The cost is \$20 per person and includes a light supper and piano entertainment provided by Patrick Fusco. Look for an invitation in the mail. It will include a card and return envelope. RSVP by April 10. If you cannot attend, you can pledge a gift to Circle of Service. Questions? Contact Phyllis Niegelberg, 758-0427, or phyllisn56@gmail.com.

COOKING FOR ESTIVAL COMMUNITIES

Wednesday, April 21 and May 19

For this WRJ sponsored project, we meet from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Temple kitchen to prepare a light meal for residents of Estival Communities, a MIFA transitional housing facility for homeless families.



For additional information call Jane Eckstein, 753-9565.

Children ages 12 and older are welcome!

HOLLAND FLOWER BULBS

Spring 2010

Please watch your mailbox for a bright yellow envelope with a big red tulip -- it's the 2010 order form!



There will be many varieties to choose from for both inside and outside planting. If your own garden is full, please consider making a gift of fabulous Holland Bulbs to beautify our Temple grounds, to delight the residents at the Memphis Jewish Home, Plough Towers or the Cancer Survivors Park.

For more information or to request an order form contact Joy Bearman, 682-4103, or jmbB82536@aol.com.

WATCH FOR OUR BEAUTIFUL HOLLAND BULBS BLOOMING ALL AROUND MEMPHIS!

HELP WANTED

The WRJ Sisterhood Judaica Shop is looking for volunteers to work in the store. You can choose a time slot and a schedule that works for you! Meet new people, have fun with the merchandise, and help WRJ increase its sales to support Temple.

Contact

Bonnie Cooper or Sylvia Appleton, 761-3030 or bonniec@timemphis.org

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