

**President's Message**

I am honored to be your new WRJ Southeast District President. I was installed in Toronto at the District Luncheon by Rosanne Selfon and Lynn Magid Lazar. Alison Schlenger is the new First Vice President of the District. I look forward to meeting with each one of you personally as well as proudly representing our District at WRJ, URJ, and other events. Mazel Tov to Blair Marks who was installed as the First Vice President of WRJ International. We

are so proud of Blair's accomplishments and look forward to her representing WRJ and the District.

CAMP COLEMAN

The New Year has begun and everyone is busy planning and implementing programming and special events for their Sisterhoods. I have been busy planning the Southeast District Interim at Camp Coleman April 16th to 18th. The theme is "Mind, Body and Spirituality". Seven of our sisters will become a B'nai Mitzvah on Saturday. Blair Marks, First Vice President of WRJ, will be leading a Leadership Workshop on Friday from 12:30 to 5:00. Everyone is invited to attend. Please enroll your upcoming and present leaders to learn from Blair's expertise. Please arrive on Thursday evening and stay at a hotel in Atlanta near the airport so you can attend the Leadership Workshop. We leave from the hotel early Friday morning to arrive at Camp to begin our inspiring weekend together. The registration fee is \$160.00 per person which will include round trip bus service to and from the Atlanta airport or hotel, all meals, accommodations, workshops and activity fees. Rachel Jurisz, the WRJ Manager of Services to Sisterhoods & Districts, will be our guest speaker for the weekend. Rachel will lead three workshops that I know you will find valuable and want to share this information with your Sisterhoods. A Registration form will be emailed to the Sisterhood Presidents shortly for the WRJSE Interim. If you have any questions please contact me.

AREA DAYS

Area Days are wonderful vehicles for local Sisterhoods to get together for networking and learning on the local level, a taste of a Biennial. On March 7th Temple B'nai Israel in Clearwater, Florida will be hosting an Area Day. Ten sisterhoods are invited to share, learn and network together. An Area Day begins at 9:30 with a continental breakfast, two workshops, Torah Study, lunch, another two workshops, a tzedakah project, and our days end at approximately 2:30. If you would like to host an Area Day please contact me. The District will provide you with the program and materials and you will oversee the registration. Typically I will attend and lead the Area Day with the Vice President of your State and an Area Director.

STRIVE FOR FIVE MEMBERSHIP KICK-OFF

I am so excited to share with you a new Membership program "Strive for Five". Ellen Petracco, Sisterhood President of B'nai Israel in Clearwater, Florida and Alison Schlenger, our First Vice President, are chairing this Membership program together. Please read the article written by Ellen in this newsletter. Information will be emailed and mailed to all Sisterhood Presidents shortly.

MEMBERSHIP IS THE LIFE BLOOD OF YOUR SISTERHOOD

In case you are still in recruitment mode (which is ongoing), please use your tips from the weekly "Strategies for Success" emails and WRJ's newest publication, Membership Matters, which can be found on the WRJ website. Below are some steps your sisterhood can take to retain members, which is as important as recruitment.

- Involve new members in sisterhood activities immediately.
- ASK them to help out with a small activity in the early stages of joining.
- ASK new members to fill out an interest form and then follow up
- Divide the membership list among your sisterhood board and call each member to extend greetings, especially at holiday times.
- Communicate your sisterhood's successes regularly. Send an email blast ... it engages them. Feel free to forward some of the emails you get from WRJ concerning strategies, ideas and so on.
- Realize the best time to retain members is *before* they show signs of dissatisfaction. Call to say "we missed you" ... show you care.
- Try using online surveys once or twice a year – a great way to get feedback.
- Recognize membership contributions: send a Uniongram, give a special award, or highlight their name in the Temple Bulletin.

WRJSE BIENNIAL OCT. 28TH TO 31ST ORLANDO, FLORIDA

The host congregation, Congregation of Reform Judaism, Orlando, Florida, is busy planning the Biennial in Orlando in October. The Biennial will be held at the Marriott Airport Hotel. When working on your budget for next year please include a line item for your Sisterhood Board members to attend the Biennial. We will have wonderful speakers to lead you in workshops. Lynn Magid Lazar, the WRJ President, will be our guest speaker and Blair Marks, FVP, will be leading workshops as well. We will be installing our new WRJSE Officers Saturday evening. More information will be sent to you shortly. We look forward to seeing many of you at the Biennial. If you have any questions please contact me. Many Sisterhoods in the local area will be contacted by the Host Sisterhood asking for assistance.

Area Directors and Vice Presidents will be calling all Sisterhood Presidents in early February to reach out to you and share WRJ news. We are happy to assist you with any questions you have. I am always available to answer any questions. I can be reached at redsisboca@aol.com or by phone at 561-218-1977 or 561-703-6004.

Andrea T. Cannon, President

Make time in your life for WRJ

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Dear WRJ Friends,

Do you ever close your eyes at night thinking you are going to sleep, only to have lists of the things you still need to do scrolling through your brain? Do you ever wake up thinking “oh, no” because you forgot to do something and have now missed a deadline? Do your to-do lists have lists of their own? Do you feel guilty if you take a few minutes to watch the Dancing with the Stars results show, the news, or Grey’s Anatomy?

Unfortunately, I think this is reality for many of us. We are very busy raising children, managing careers, caring for our parents, spending time with our spouses or partners, cleaning, grocery shopping, studying ... and yes, participating in WRJ activities. I don’t know about you, but I am often asked how I find the time for Women of Reform Judaism. Here’s the answer ...

The time I spend with my sisters is the time that I recharge my batteries. I am continually amazed and inspired by our talented, committed, articulate, creative, supportive, funny women who bring their gifts to all of our endeavors. Whether passionately discussing a resolution or soulfully joining in prayer, whether explaining a lesson learned through personal experience or listening as others share their knowledge, whether intelligently discussing the future of Reform and Progressive Judaism or reaching out to understand and to help those in need in our local and global communities, whether laughing or crying together ... our women bring their hearts and wisdom to all that we do.

AND we take care of each other. Advice on how to handle life’s detours is given freely and lovingly by those who have walked the path ahead of us. Supportive Uniongrams and phone calls appear when they are most needed. When an emergency occurs, it’s our sisters who are there to help handle the crisis ... and we don’t even have to ask.

Many women have tried to describe the magic that happens when we get together. I won’t try to do that. I will simply acknowledge that it is so and recognize that this is why, when I choose how to spend my time, WRJ is a top priority ... and thankfully it is also a priority for so many others.

So as we all make our lists, let’s each remember why we are blessed to be able to include WRJ and our sisters as part of those commitments.

Blair Marks,
WRJ 1st Vice President

WRJ at the UN: “Seal the Deal!”

In April 2009, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched the United Nation’s international climate change campaign under the title “Seal the Deal!” This campaign has been about mobilizing political leaders, the business sector, NGOs, women’s groups, youth organizations, and civil society around the issue of climate change to ensure that a definitive, fair, balanced, and effective climate agreement is reached when governments meet in Copenhagen in December, 2009.

“Seal the Deal!” is about drumming up support at every level within the global community for urgent and united action on climate change. The significance of climate change in our world today is undisputed: countries all over the world are seeing its effects and are concerned about the devastating effects it could have on future generations. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has stressed the importance of immediate and serious action to fight the climate crisis, describing it as “the defining challenge of our generation” (Background supplied by the DPI/NGO Resource Center).

The NGO representatives were briefed on the disastrous effects that climate change is having on small island states from the Caribbean to the Pacific Rim; small islands off Canada to the smaller Hawaiian Islands as well. The coastlines are moving inland at an alarming rate, storms are increasing, and in some instances, desertification is taking place.

The hopes are that the heads of state at the Copenhagen meeting will expand and improve upon the Kyoto Protocol of December 1997, which was a non-binding agreement with no legal enforcement procedures, and galvanize national leaders to a strong political statement with five major components:

- (1) Adaptation — to address rising seas, floods, desertification;
- (2) Mitigation — to seek to lower the carbon particles in the air to 350 (not 450 as in Kyoto) by 2015;
- (3) Finance — to allocate more resources to climate change by the UN Development Programme (UNDP). The small island states are negotiating to obtain an adequate and accessible source of funding but nothing has been allocated to them at this time;
- (4) Technology; and
- (5) Governance and that the outcome of Copenhagen will be ambitious, fair, and binding.

WRJ urges affiliates to become informed about climate change by including it as one of the issues which sisterhood addresses. More information can be found at <http://www.un.org>. Click on Welcome then go to Climate Change. Sisterhoods can also participate in environmental programming as recommended in WRJs Wednesday Social Justice e-mails.

Janet Stovin, WRJ NGO representative to the UN, 11/30/09

Chaplain's Corner

With the new secular year of 2010, we can look back at the last decade of WRJ and give ourselves a collective hug for our many experiences together, our shared joys and sorrows, and our creativity and successes. As we look forward, I hope that our Southeast District can direct more of our energy towards the realm of spirituality.

With this column, I hope to bring you some stories, some Jewish wisdom, and some heartfelt thoughts on how we can continue to be a thriving organization of Jewish women committed to the ideals of Reform Judaism and our congregations. We are needed now, more than ever, to show strength, leadership, and commitment.

Towards this goal, we look forward to Camp Coleman in April, where we will introduce a Day of Prayer and Spirituality for all our sisterhoods. It is the hope of our committee that you will share the special call to prayer with your sisters. With this theme in mind, I would love to hear from you if you have ideas on what prayer means to you, to your family togetherness, at times of great sorrow or happiness, or anything else that you can think of. Our gift to you would not be meaningful without your input.

Tammy Gerson, Chaplain

Sisterhood Dues

Have your Sisterhood dues been paid? Dues for 2009-2010 are currently due. If you have not remitted your dues, please do so promptly. If you have additions to membership, please remit dues for additional members. Thanks for your prompt attention.

The form for dues payment and the treasurer's guide can be found on this page: <http://www.wrjsoutheast.org/newsletter.html>

Sherry Schwimmer, Treasurer
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Save the Date for Camp Coleman

Camp Coleman Kallah, Cleveland, Georgia
April 16-18, 2010

Come celebrate a B'not Mitzvah
Learn, share and enjoy being with our Southeast District sisterhoods!
The registration fee will include R/T bus transportation from Atlanta Airport, all meals, accommodations, and registration too!

Any questions?
Contact Andrea Cannon, Southeast District President,
at 561-218-1977 or redsisboca@aol.com

"Strive for Five" Membership Drive

We are excited to introduce WRJ Southeast District's Membership Drive. Our goal is to increase our membership by at least five percent district wide. We need your help!

What are we asking? Five Percent (5%). So if your sisterhood has a membership of 100, we are asking for an increase of 5 members. If your sisterhood has a membership of 50, we are asking for an increase of 2-3 members.

What happens when you increase your sisterhood membership? That exact question was posed to me during a membership workshop at WRJ's Assembly in Toronto. I had to stop and think about this. Increased membership in my sisterhood means more money, more volunteers, and more potential leaders.

What happens when you increase your sisterhood membership? The simple answer is it makes your sisterhood look good, but how? Increased membership is vital to all our sisterhoods, no matter how large or small your sisterhood is.

An increase in membership is essential both to WRJ and to our local sisterhoods. An increase in membership will allow our sisterhoods to continue to meet the needs of their members and communities. An increase in membership enables WRJ and our District to meet the needs of member sisterhoods. An increase in membership insures that WRJ will continue to be able to support Reform Judaism through education scholarships, grants, and international programs.

As your District Membership Chair, we have committed our District to this program. We have everything you need to set your goals and more importantly, help you achieve the goals you have set!

Within the next few weeks, all sisterhood presidents in our District will be receiving a series of letters from the membership committee. These letters will be asking for your commitments to achieve this 5% increase. We will be asking you to look at your current membership numbers and commit to making contact to those women who have not decided to become a part of the wonderful world of Women of Reform Judaism.

I will be happy to help you with ideas, goal setting, and strategies to make this membership drive a success. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

I am confident that our District will accomplish this goal with enthusiasm and energy. With your help we will succeed. Without your sisterhood's commitment, we are one sisterhood short. Let's work together. Let's be "Stronger Together."

Ellen Petracco, Membership Chair

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Temple Shir Shalom, Gainesville, FL

During my time as president, I had asked one of the religious school teachers and one of the parents to be special liaison to the sisterhood board for the religious school. It worked so well the first year that they became a permanent part of the board.

We encourage joint participation with religious school, youth group, temple, JCNCF, and community. Sisterhood helps with Purim Carnival; we have a bake sale booth and give the proceeds to religious school. We help with food and setup for youth group, religious school and temple functions. We support all of our community events.

Our sisterhood is closely connected to the congregation and the community. No matter who is hosting an event you will see religious school teachers, parents, youth group, JCNCF, sisterhood, and temple members, as well as other members of the community, all working together and enjoying each other's company.

Tricia Churnick, Past President

Facebook

Wow! WRJ has a Facebook page. Become a fan!

Not familiar with Facebook? Set up an account for free. Once you have an account, search for "Women of Reform Judaism (official)" and sign on as a fan.

Uniongrams

Remember to use Uniongrams for all your greetings. Uniongrams support WRJ's YES Fund (Youth Programs, Education, and Special Projects).

With the YES Fund, WRJ provides scholarship assistance to rabbinical, cantorial, and Jewish education students at Hebrew Union College. The YES Fund also supports high school and college youth activities through NFTY.

For local sisterhoods, the YES Fund supports special and innovative projects for religious education and leadership development.

Congregation Beth Yam, Hilton Head, SC

We are very fortunate to welcome Rabbi Brad Bloom as our new spiritual leader as well as his lovely wife Linda. They are a great team and we have been enriched by their presence in many ways.

The sisterhood had a wonderful time this past year and attained the level of accomplishment that we have been striving for. The new state of the art kitchen was completed and dedicated, having all past presidents in attendance. We opened our first real Judaica Shop and have been enjoying great success. We had a book and bake sale that brought us some money to add additional stock to our new library. The new building has been a marvelous adventure that has opened up many new opportunities for us.

Our paid up membership luncheon was lovely and our speaker was Helen Xenakis who has authored several stories for the Chicken Soup of the Soul series. In keeping with that theme we served homemade soups and breads with salad. Everyone enjoyed the day.

We hosted our first Break the Fast in our new home and served dinner to 145 members. We have always, in the past, had to have this function at an outside venue so we saved a lot of schlepping and buying and we were very pleased with the outcome.

We will be hosting a special event in February – a Salute to George Gershwin by the Hilton Head Symphony with our very own Temple member Mary Woodmansee Green as Maestra. Dinner will be held at a fine restaurant before the concert and we expect this to be a great evening.

We will celebrate our 13th year as a member of WRJ and are in the process of planning our "Bat Mitzvah". Hopefully some of our WRJ leaders will join us in this simcha.

We are looking forward to Camp Coleman in April when many of our board members will attend the retreat and three of our group will be celebrating our Bat Mitzvah along with four other members of our region.

That will be the last event of this administration and we look forward to new ideas and new volunteers and new leaders.

Elaine Lust, President

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim, Charleston, SC

We began 2009 with our first annual “Progressive Dinner”. It was a very successful event and the proceeds went to the YES fund. It is back by popular demand this year and will be held on January 9th. We also had a wonderful Sisterhood Retreat and Matriarch’s Luncheon with special guest speakers “Dr. Curly Bubbe” aka Esther Gushner and “Dr. Huggabubbe” aka Aviva Gorstein. Esther and Aviva are Bumper “T” Caring Clowns and shared their experiences working in the hospital with us.

The annual Sisterhood Shabbat was held on the Friday of Mother’s Day Weekend. For the first time in KKBE history our Sisterhood now has Co-Presidents. Nadine Chavin and Bonnie Friedman were installed as part of the Shabbat service. During that service our Immediate Past President, Marty Jackson, was presented a Silver Lifeline pin as a thank you from our Sisterhood and the Board of Trustees for all of Marty’s contributions to our Temple. Not only was she the sisterhood president for four years, she also served as our interim executive director – at the same time! We were honored to welcome Blair Marks to join us for this special evening and present the Lifeline to Marty.

Over the summer, Marty Jackson conducted a sisterhood board orientation, and our new board has been hard at work. We kicked off the year with a “Paid-Up Event” that was a brunch in the home with one of our wonderful sisters. In the fall we had our annual co-event with the brotherhood, the “Sukkout” – a cookout in our Sukkah. We have had two small group luncheons with speakers that were very well attended. One of our sisters, Jill Conway, led a program about the college admission process at an evening meeting. The only sisterhood fundraiser of the year, our 59th Annual Bazaar, was a successful event that combined great company and delicious food. We are ending 2009 with a Hanukkah Program called “Cookies and Cosmos”, which promises to be a fun-filled event!

Our sisterhood has cooked for the Crisis Ministries (homeless shelter) as well as donated needed supplies to My Sister’s House (shelter for abused women). After attending the Biennial in Toronto, Nadine and Bonnie are inspired to help our Temple “Sustain our World”. Our first step in “going green” is to make our sisterhood communications electronic, sending paper invitations and communications only to those who do not have email. We look forward to 2010 with many exciting programs for the Sisterhood of KKBE.

Nadine Chavin, Co-President

Congregation Mickve Israel Sisterhood, Savannah, GA

In keeping with a long-standing tradition, the women of the sisterhood of Congregation Mickve Israel provided a Thanksgiving feast for patients and their families as well as staff of Hospice Savannah. Our ladies shopped, cooked, baked, wrapped, schlepped, and served a traditional turkey dinner to a very appreciative crowd. Needless to say, nobody went away hungry.

This ongoing URJ award-winning project, started by past sisterhood president Carol Greenberg, is truly a mitzvah, not only to the diners, but for those who joyfully and unselfishly spent their Thanksgiving doing what Jewish women do best – nurturing through food.

In December, sisterhood hosted a Hanukkah party for 50 Shalom Sunday School children and their parents. The youngsters, ranging from pre-K to bar/bat mitzvah students, were treated to home-made latkes, cheese, and apples. And, of course, what’s Hanukkah without dreidels and chocolate gelt. Rabbi Arnold Mark Belzer joined in by reciting the blessings with the children and lighting the menorah. Kids and parents had a great time.

The Shalom School, a cooperative endeavor hosted at Mickve Israel, is run jointly by Mickve Israel and conservative synagogue Agudath Achim.

Barbara Solon, President

Congregation B'nai Israel, Boca Raton FL

WRJ sisterhoods take action for Nofrat Frenkel and Women of the Wall

On December 10th, WRJ had circulated a special social justice e-mail alerting sisterhoods to a Jewish women’s Day of Solidarity and Support for Women of the Wall (WOW). The day of solidarity was a response to the arrest of Nofrat Frenkel while she was participating in the Women of the Wall Rosh Chodesh Kisle service at the Kotel wrapped in a tallit and holding a Torah.

On Thursday, December 10, 2009, WRJ of Congregation B’nai Israel of Boca Raton held a Morning Educational Awareness Program to view the film, “Praying In her own Voice”. This film depicts the documentary events of the Women of the Wall. The film may be rented or purchased by calling Katzir Productions at 323-974-8224.

Katherine Fleishman

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Temple Emanu-El, Atlanta, GA

Our sisterhood year is off to a great start! We have had many successful programs. Our book club and Women's Study Group continues to thrive. Below are a few highlights from the last few months.

We started a new program called the "Chit Chat Club". This group meets every few months at a Wine Bar. We relax and enjoy a glass of wine. This informal group brings out women who are thinking about joining sisterhood and enjoy a night out with friends.

Our congregation has developed a partnership with Jewish Family and Career Services. Sisterhood sponsored a program titled "Balancing Work, Family, and 'You' Time". The program was interactive and gave women the ability to evaluate their current use of time and how it could be modified to help themselves to feel less overwhelmed. The program was well received by those that attended.

We continued our Mother/Child Social Action programs. During the month of October we collected items to benefit Hospice Atlanta. Hospice Atlanta is a nonprofit hospice that provides end of life care to people all ages, newborns and up. The day begins with the families enjoying lunch together and then we begin our project. We made flower pot picture frames. These frames brighten the days of their clients. In addition, we collected diapers and wipes.

In December, we held our Hanukkah Get-Together. Each year we incorporate a social action project with a speaker from a local organization. This year we brought it home. Rabbi Scott Colbert, a Clergy Associate at TE, came to speak about caring within the Temple Emanu-El community. He discussed the history of the caring committee, the structure, benefits, and how one can help. Everyone enjoyed listening to him speak and learned new facts about the caring committee at TE. We also made cards for the caring committee to send out to those who are experiencing lifecycle events. Of course, the appetizers and desserts are always a big hit!

Dara Amram, President
Georgia Area Director, SE Board Member
WRJ Executive Committee Board Member
WRJ 48th Assembly Programming Chair



Stories from our Sisterhoods

Temple Kol Emeth WRJ, Marietta, GA

The sisters of Temple Kol Emeth Women of Reform Judaism are very proud of our social action projects during the holiday season just past.



At Thanksgiving, we implemented our annual Give-a-Gobble program. This project started many years ago as a way of providing Thanksgiving turkeys to an impoverished area in the city of Atlanta. We have gotten so much support for this, we have expanded this program to provide food support throughout the year, and that has become so much more important with the current economic times.

Through donations and collections at our Temple's Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (a service that brings together seven local churches and mosques hosted at our facility), we raised about \$1900 this year. With these funds, we made two large donations: we purchased and delivered 55 turkeys to the Cabbagetown Community Food bank and we donated \$1000 in Kroger gift cards to Operation Homefront, an organization that provides support to families with spouses serving overseas or just returning from deployment.

For Hanukkah, we sponsored a Gift Card drive to benefit the Jewish Family and Career Service in Atlanta. We solicited gift cards from our WRJ and synagogue membership and sponsored a Hanukkah Havdalah event for the TKE community, where the only price of admission was a gift card donation.



At the Havdalah, WRJ joined with the Temple Ritual Committee to plan a program that got everyone involved. Our youth group, KEFTY, lead the Havdalah service; WRJ ran the children's program (making Chanukiahs); and we recruited our rabbi, Steve Lebow, to run an adult session on "Hanukkah for Adults: What You Didn't Learn at Sunday school." WRJ also provided jelly donuts as a treat. Through this Gift Card Drive, WRJ collected over \$500 in gift cards; we also matched that donation with another \$500 in Kroger cards from our Give-a-Gobble fund.

Overall, this was a very meaningful holiday season, and our sisterhood is so proud to be able to help those in need in our Jewish community and in the larger Atlanta community.

Above are a few pictures from the Hanukkah Havdalah program.

Rachel Barich, President

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Congregation Children of Israel, Athens GA

Sisterhood Handicraft Group

What happens when you put together eleven lively ladies, balls of yarn, knitting needles and crochet hooks? You end with up a group that creates handmade items for local charities in an atmosphere of friendship and fun.



The group was the brainchild of sisterhood member Lorna Messing. Current group members include Marsha Crowell, Barbara Densen, Helen Glauser, Janet Martin, Bonnie Mayes, Lorna Messing, Sue Stern, Lynn Elmore, Emily Elmore, Holly Kaplan, and Carmen Tesser. The group meets on Mondays at members' homes and we will be starting a group on Sunday mornings at the Temple when Sunday School begins.

In addition to knitted and crocheted items, the group has begun sewing items. For the months of June and July we gave St. Mary's 38 preemie hats, 15 gowns, 20 blankets and about a dozen amigurami (a Japanese term for knitting or crocheting toys or dolls) style toys. We're still working on hats and scarves for Project Safe, but since these are not needed during the warm weather, we've taken on a new project. We are making hats and blankets for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Grady Memorial Hospital.

Our group is small, but our hearts are BIG!

Janet Martin

Temple Ahavat Shalom, Palm Harbor, FL

Let us toot our own horn. We have had a fabulous last quarter of the year 2009 and are looking forward to a just as fabulous first quarter in 2010. In September, we had our annual Selichot dessert reception and our Break the Fast meal for the entire congregation. Both of these were at no cost to the congregants and their guests. Our kickoff Membership Brunch was also in September and was not to be missed. We had a scrumptious breakfast and a terrific program. The Deal Divas taught us how to make shopping an exciting and rewarding experience.

In October, we had our first "Girls Nite Out". This is a social event held outside of the Temple. The fun evening was at a wine tasting store. Our major fundraiser was in November. It was a "Blast From The Past", a food and dance extravaganza. It was a remembrance of our past years with music, entertainment, dance and food from the 50's, 60's, 70's and 80's. What a successful and fun filled evening that was enjoyed by everyone who attended. For those who did not attend, there were plenty of pictures on the internet that were passed along.

Also in November, we had our free "Shop Till You Drop". This was our annual vendor Hanukkah fair. It was a night filled with shopping, wine tasting, food sampling, home made desserts, raffles and door prizes. Everyone left having a "feel good" evening in preparation for the holidays.

December brought another fun evening, our annual Hanukkah gift exchange from "Girls Nite Out". It was held at a restaurant on the water. The ambience, the company, and the evening could not have been more perfect.

Coming in the year 2010, we have a lot to look forward to. We have a Sisterhood/ Brotherhood social in January, "A Night At The Races." This should be a fun evening with horse race and human race betting. Horse racing is self explanatory; but, human racing! That is racing with trivia questions. Should be interesting! February has our Sisterhood Shabbat, dinner and services. It is always a wonderful and fulfilling evening. Our Purim Dinner has been changed to a Purim Brunch on Sunday to attract the Sunday School moms, since it will be held on a Sunday. We are serving mimosas and we are eating, again. The program is "Body, Mind and Soul". We are doing it as four corners: (1) learning about teas, (2) facials, (3) cooking and (4) making of Purim baskets. We will have one or two more "Girls Nite Out", a program in March, and our Installation is in April. We try to keep the cost of every function affordable.

Our board is very hard working and we are very proud of them. For those of you who would like more information about our programs and functions, please contact us.

Ellyn Kessler and Irene Lipensky, Co-Presidents

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Temple Ahavath Chesed, Jacksonville, FL

On November 18, 2009, the Women of Reform Judaism presented "Passport to Judaism" at Temple Ahavath Chesed. Continuing sisterhood's theme of learning about the lives of Jewish women around the world, about 75 interested members of the Jacksonville Jewish community were treated to a delightful evening of personal stories and experiences in an international atmosphere.

The amazing speakers Svetlanah Goldiner from Russia, Carole Feldman from Australia, Yaffa Cooper from Morocco and France, and Ilana Manasse from Israel, held the audience's attention as they related their stirring stories.



These four exceptional women graciously told about their joys, hardships, customs, celebrations, education, growing up, dating, marriage, family life, anti-semitism, religious freedom, travel, and how all these factors influenced their decision to immigrate to the United States.

The audience learned about Jewish lives in other countries while becoming more grateful for life as a Jewish woman in the United States.

Susan Board and her committee wish to thank all those who contributed to this program.

Susan Board, WRJ Programming

Temple B'nai Israel, Clearwater, FL

Wow! Here we are, can you believe it, 2010! Seems like we were just coming home from summer vacation and getting the kids ready for school. Where does all the time go. I don't know about you, but for me there has been so much going on the past couple of months. We all had such a great time at our Hanukkah Pot Luck. We collected a lot of books for the children at Haven House and had a chance to visit and catch up with old friends and make new ones. After all that's what we're all about.

Our membership is growing. Last quarter, TBI sisterhood's new series of symposiums called Nashim was a resounding success. Nashim are Jewish women who learn, study, and share ideas together. A single idea can be powerful. Imagine a group of women who come together as a community and grow with one another. In the spirit of education, the sisterhood of Temple B'nai Israel launched a women's symposium, designed to get to the core of women's identity and spirituality. The four part series is designed to stimulate and strengthen the power within each woman to make her a more effective individual, partner, friend and leader. Topics were "How Well Are You Heard? How Well Do You Listen?"; "Why Bad Things Happen to Good People"; "Enter into the Win/Win Zone — learn to negotiate your way out of a cardboard box"; and "Are Your Lenses Polarized? — having 20/20 Vision with your eyes closed."

Many of the participants told me they came away empowered and inspired to deal with everyday situations and challenges in our life today and with today's challenges.

Over the next few months our sisterhood is not slowing down. On Tu B'Shevat we celebrate a New Year for the Trees, rejoicing in the fruit of the tree and the fruit of the vine, celebrating the splendid, abundant gifts of the natural world which give our senses delight and our bodies life with music and prayer.

TBI's sisterhood is taking advantage of the benefits that WRJ has to offer. We have invited Susan Bass, WRJ Vice President to be part of our Shabbat service in February. In her honor, we are planning a very meaningful Sisterhood Shabbat and Torah Study (with our Women's Commentary) and Leadership Brunch on Saturday. Also, in March we are inviting our local sisterhoods to join us for a Southeast District Area Day. We are so honored to have as our guest, Andrea Cannon, SE District President.

Ellen Petracco, President

Stories from our Sisterhoods

Congregation Schaarai Zedek, Tampa, FL

Congregation Schaarai Zedek Sisterhood has been very active over the past few months. On October 22nd, the sisterhood and brotherhood held a joint Torah Study as part of the Temple's Scholar-in-Residence program. Rabbi Jeff Salkin led a discussion comparing his Torah commentary to *The Torah: A Women's Commentary* entitled "Where Have All the Men Gone — Where were the Women?"

On November 2nd, about 225 women (and a few men) attended sisterhood's major fundraiser, the 2009 Star Event, which was chaired by Dawn Schocken. The program featured Samantha Heller, a nationally recognized nutritionist, who answered questions posed by Franci Rudolph and Gail Holtzman, about women's health and her new book, *Get Smart*, which discusses how good nutrition can boost brain power.



Franci Rudolph and Gail Holtzman interviewing Samantha Heller at the Star Event.

CSZ Sisterhood also sent six delegates to the Women of Reform Judaism Biennial in Toronto in November. During the Biennial, one of the delegates, Lyris Newman, was installed as a member of the WRJ Board. In addition, sisterhood held a successful Hanukkah Bazaar, which began on November 22nd and continued through the beginning of Hanukkah.

On December 11th, sisterhood sponsored a latke party, which was held after the Hanukkah family service. Over 300 people attended and enjoyed not only the latkes, but also the games planned for the children.

A special Paid-Up Membership event took place on December 7th. Nellye Friedman, who has been a member of CSZ Sisterhood for 70 years, was honored. A past President of sisterhood from 1963-1965, Nellye continues to serve on the Executive Board as Board Member Emeritus. Born in

Ocala, Florida, Nellye was a captain in U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II; served on the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods Board (now WRJ) from 1987-1991; and has been very involved not only in the sisterhood, but also the temple and the local Jewish and general community. Pictures of Nellye through the years and a timeline of her achievements decorated the walls. Various members of the sisterhood reflected on how Nellye had influenced them. One past President, Rena Singer, who has moved to New York, flew in just to share her reflections.



Nellye Friedman laughs at the singing bear given her by fellow Executive Board member emeritus, Audrey Shine.

January continued to be very busy with a luncheon featuring Carolyn Kurtz, a sisterhood member, who was the first harbor pilot in Florida; a "Winter Wonderland" Tot Shabbat with real snow brought to the Temple for the children to enjoy; a staff appreciation luncheon; and a Torah study session.

More photos by Paula can be viewed here:
<http://gallery.me.com/paulazielonka#100351>

Paula Zielonka, Co-President

Highlights from WRJ's 47th Assembly

The following pages try to give you the flavor of WRJ's 47th Assembly. For details, speeches, photos and much more, go to the WRJ website: <http://www.wrj.org/programs/events/wrjs-47th-assembly-report-and-materials>

As I sat down to work on my remarks today, leafing through WRJ's *Covenant of the Soul* book of prayers, poems, and meditations, I came across a lovely poem by Sarah Newmark, who at the time of publication was from Bellevue, Washington. It completely fit the way the staff and I are feeling as we prepare for convention – lots of work to do, but completed with love and always with some humor. Reading the poem again, I realized it completely captured how so many of us feel on an everyday basis. I hope you will read it, smile, laugh a bit at the way we live our lives, and then promise yourself a restful Shabbat.

May the light of the Shabbat candles brighten all our lives.

Shelley Lindauer, Executive Director

Prayer of a Professional Volunteer

I walk into the synagogue
 Struggling with the door.
 (My arms always seem to be laden with things
 – Papers to be photocopied
 Folded stuffed stamped
 Distributed filed.)
 I notice that the carpets need cleaning again
 And that the heater seems to be working overtime
 In the hallway but not at all in the Sanctuary.
 The size of my "In" box has expanded with my
 responsibilities.
 Mine is the biggest one now.
 And it's always full.
 There are a lot of phone messages
 And the books for the bar and bat mitzvah children still
 have not arrived.
 I hope that I will be able to finish the speech I'm working on
 before it's time to pick up my daughter from ballet.
 My son called from school to say that he had lost
 a contact lens.
 I have a meeting tonight.

Harried and hurried are many of my days.
 As I finish one task, more appear,
 All of them important.
 But then I walk into the synagogue
 And it's Shabbat
 (Am I on the bima tonight?
 Do I know which announcements must be made?)

Havdallah and Installation Service

Immediate Past President Rosanne M. Selfon passes the torch to Lynn Magid Lazar

On Saturday night, Lynn Magid Lazar was installed as the new president of Women of Reform Judaism in a Havdalah and Installation service written by her rabbi, Rabbi James A. Gibson, from Temple Sinai in Pittsburgh, PA. The service included reading from readings from incoming and outgoing executive committee members as well as past and present WRJ leaders, and was based on the stories of Sarah and Rebecca.

Executive Committee (2009-2013)

PRESIDENT: Lynn Magid Lazar, Temple Sinai, Pittsburgh, PA
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The foregoing officers, with Immediate Past President Rosanne M. Selfon, Lancaster, PA; Honorary President Normal U. Levitt, Monroe Township, NJ; Executive Director Shelley Lindauer, NY, NY; and the five members of the board of directors below, will constitute the executive committee for the period 2009-2011.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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 Joan Blum, Main Line Reform Temple, Wynnewood, PA

For the complete list of WRJ board members, please visit the WRJ website at www.WRJ.org.

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Assembly Memories from Rosanne

Dear WRJ friends,

Most of us have now returned to 'normal' daily life in our home communities following the amazing 47th WRJ Assembly Sustaining Our World. We spent five days together, sharing learning, praying, networking, laughing, tearing, and nurturing ourselves as women of the Reform movement. God truly blessed us as we collectively empowered hundreds of women to rise to their highest levels to make a difference in lives around the world.

Read all the highlights on the WRJ website www.womenofreformjudaism.org (yes, we finally obtained wrj.org but the transition will take some time).

For me, some of the outstanding moments included:

- Saluting our newly-affiliated 15 Israeli sisterhoods who are now all twinned with North American sisterhoods ... we can double the twinning efforts if your sisterhood wants to join the connection fun. Contact the office.
- Seeing two Torahs head to Israel because of the WRJ network — one to Women of the Wall and one to the newest Israeli Reform congregation Bet HaAyin.
- Hearing Dr. Abuelaish acknowledge his spectacular, visionary mother who nurtured his abiding respect for all women as peacemakers who hold the future of humankind in their hands.
- Learning of the courage and fortitude of Jane Evans Pursuit of Justice Award winner Judy Feld Carr who personally rescued over 3,000 Syrian Jews from the tyranny of their home country.
- Hearing Rabbi Walter Holmolka explain how he parlayed WRJ rabbinic scholarships into more aid from the German government because, he said, if American donors understood the great value in the education Abraham Geiger Kolleg provides to its seminary students, then surely the German government should give its due share.
- Listening to Rabbi David Saperstein recognize the extraordinary leadership WRJ gives to our movement and specifically through our YES Fund donation to the RAC underwriting a Legislative Assistant's salary. The RAC would be missing an assistant this year were it not for the money from the YES Fund.
- Witnessing the passion of Rabbi Michael Mellen, NFTY Director, as he read words directly from one of the WRJ

Mitzvah Corp teen attendees who said this program made the most significant difference in his young life. That program is funded by the YES Fund.

- Hearing Executive Director Shelley Lindauer talk of the need for women in sisterhoods to keep doing the valuable work that we do while enabling all congregants, particularly the men, to come back to active participation. We don't want a ghetto, pink or blue, to dominate our congregations. Sisterhood is strong; we can have all people at the congregational table to make it viable and visionary.
- Three resolutions passed: immigration, food production and distribution, and elder abuse. Watch for suggested programming ideas to make these words become actions.
- Finally, participating in the installation of our new WRJ President Lynn Magid Lazar along with her fellow officers, Executive Committee members, and the members of the WRJ Board of Directors. Passing the torch to Lynn was done with love and certainty of her talents and readiness for the position.

The days were long and jam-packed. We saw great Jewish movies, wrote ethical wills, learned budgets, shared leadership and membership insights, and renewed our commitment to our youth and those who are becoming professional Jews. We clearly understood our role in sustaining liberal Judaism worldwide.

I am so proud to be part of this determined organization filled with strong, resilient women, women who take risks to improve the world. Thank you for the hundreds of magnificent Uniongram messages you wrote. Each loving note will be placed in a very special box with all the Uniongrams I have savored since my earliest WRJ days. Your words touch my heart.

To those of you who could not be in Toronto, Washington, DC beckons you to the next Assembly. Even as we get back to normal life and catch our breaths, our heads are filling with innovations and ideas to make that Assembly, our 48th, the best yet to be.

May you go from blessing to blessing.

Love, Rosanne

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Plenary Session on Thursday, November 5, honors those who make a difference

Past WRJ President Connie Kreshtool opened WRJ's Thursday evening plenary with the words "This is a day of inspiration" and praised the "leaders of yesteryears who paved the way and leaders of today, who heard the words and acted."

Some of those who are acting today were honored at this plenary. The Or Ami: Light of My People Awards were given to sisterhoods for excellence in sisterhood programming. "Each of them, in their own unique way, has helped make our world a better place to live," explained WRJ Vice President Katie Roeper.

The Dr. Jane Evans Award Pursuit of Justice Award was then given to Judy Feld Carr. Carr negotiated the release of over 3,000 Syrian Jews over a span of 28 years. She held the audience rapt as she told the story of just one such rescue that she was able to enable. "It is not easy to get medicine into a secret police underground cell. Our money paid for every piece of soap ... I even paid the judges, including those of the Supreme Court. I often shudder at the burdensome responsibility that I assumed," she says. "The effort which I led was responsible for bringing out 3,228 souls out of a population of 4,500. To this day, most of those people do not know who the person was behind their exit."

A resolution on immigration was passed and WRJ's Executive Director Shelley Lindauer addressed the assembly on the growing concern about the increasingly disproportionate role of women in our congregations. "The problem", she explained, "is not that women are more active in Jewish life, but that men and boys seem to have retreated."

The question becomes, she continued "Are men leaving the synagogue because women have assumed a more powerful role? Or, have women been able to come as far as we have because men WERE leaving the synagogue? This is an interesting question, for in our incredible achievement we don't want to be held culpable for a weakening in the system, nor do we want our achievements to be minimized and the value of the work we do diminished because there are not enough men at the table."

"We cannot allow our leadership and our congregations to become primarily single gender. If we do, voices are left out ... the role of our women will be marginalized ... our children will not know that rabbis and cantors and synagogue leaders can be men *or* women."

Shelley's compete remarks can be found here:
[https://www.womenofreformjudaism.org/programs/events/Executive Director Report - Shelley Lindauer.pdf](https://www.womenofreformjudaism.org/programs/events/Executive%20Director%20Report%20-%20Shelley%20Lindauer.pdf)



Andrea, Wendy and Dara with Fran Saltzman, the first Jewish Woman Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officer



Photos by Dara Amram

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President's Message: Lynn Magid Lazar

What an honor and a thrill to serve as the president of Women of Reform Judaism. This amazing organization, since its inception in 1913, has been working to ensure a future for Reform Judaism and to make our world a better place – tikkun olam. I am blessed to be part of a group of women that does such important work, helps me to become a more educated and informed Jewish woman, and enables me to spend time with incredibly interesting and passionate women. If you are part of WRJ, you know that something magical happens when women come together. If you are not yet part of WRJ, I encourage you to investigate what happens when more than 65,000 women come together!

Our WRJ history is replete with moments of great accomplishments and of steadfast support for progressive Jewish institutions around the world. Our women have worked together, advocating for and affecting positive change for human rights and women's rights throughout our history.

The power of women working in our world – the power of sisterhood – is no less important today than it was in 1913. At our recent, successful 47th assembly in Toronto, we spent five glorious days learning about how we impact the world, while celebrating our successes in our congregations. And we had so much fun being together throughout all of it! You can view photos and read about the assembly on our website. This newsletter is filled with the interesting and exciting happenings of WRJ.

Our daily news is also filled with issues in which WRJ makes an impact. At our assembly, we passed resolutions on immigration, food production and distribution, and elder abuse. In our communities and congregations, we currently have opportunities to take positive action in all of these areas. Also at our assembly, WRJ facilitated a beautiful and emotional ceremony of sharing two Torahs. Congregation Am-Echad in Lynbrook, NY, presented a Torah to Congregation Rosh HaAyin in Bavat Ayin, Israel. Additionally, my congregation, Temple Sinai in Pittsburgh, PA, presented a Torah to Rabbi Maya Leibovich who accepted it on behalf of Women of the Wall. As my Rabbi, James Gibson, said, "This is about being responsible for each other." Just recently, a young Israeli woman was arrested at the Wall (the Kotel) while reading from that Torah! Our WRJ Social Justice Wednesday e-mail offered several ways in which we can help Women of the Wall and let the Israeli government know that arresting women for praying and reading Torah is unacceptable!

I have learned so much and enriched my life through the power of sisterhood and this remarkable organization – Women of Reform Judaism. In just a few weeks, it will be the year 2010 and WRJ will embark on its 97th year and think about ways to celebrate our centennial in 2013! What will the next century of

Women of Reform Judaism look like? What can we, as women, accomplish? It is certainly my wish that WRJ will continue to have a strong voice of advocacy for justice and peace in our world. It is my wish that we will continue to support vibrant Reform congregations in North America and in every country around the globe, where people search for a modern, progressive expression of their Judaism. It is my wish that every woman connected with our Reform movement will come to understand the value and share in the joy of sisterhood. One woman can do remarkable things. Together, 65,000 women can achieve amazing goals. It is my wish that we add many thousands of women to WRJ and know that together – we are unstoppable!

I am quite fond of quotations, and I share this anonymous one with you:

A wish changes nothing. A decision changes everything.

May God bless us and guide us as together we work to translate our WRJ wishes into positive decisions and meaningful change.

Lynn Magid Lazar

WRJ Plenary Honors Relationships with Israeli Women

WRJ's Friday plenary session was opened by President Rosanne M. Selfon who explained "This plenary celebrates our Israeli sisterhoods and the growing progressive movement in Israel."

Fifteen women's groups in Israel have affiliated with WRJ in the past year and, in a new program, many have already been "twinning" with a North American sisterhood. For WRJ sisterhoods that may want to explore twinning with an Israeli sisterhood, there is a brochure available on the website that will give you more information and instruction.

The new Israeli sisterhoods were honored and presented with charters, prior to the reading of a WRJ statement on Israel by WRJ Board Member Resa Davids. Davids was also presented with a Recognition Award for her tireless work and passionate commitment to affiliating these sisterhoods and developing the program.

Rabbi Miri Gold, who has been at the center of the movement to gain official government recognition of progressive rabbis, spoke for all of the women involved in the Israeli sisterhoods by saying "Thank you for adding a new dimension to our lives. ... Here is a hands-on approach that we're looking for... by having sisters twinning, people can relate on a personal level."

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“Is There Really a Need for Sisterhood?”

In her outgoing presidential address, Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) President, Rosanne M. Selfon addressed a question she has been asked repeatedly during her four-year term: “Do congregations really need a sisterhood? In our egalitarian movement, what value does a single gender organization for women bring to temple life where myriad committees and special interest groups exist?”

Her response, she stated, has always been in the affirmative both for the benefit of the women involved and for the world that these women's affect.

“Sisterhood women share special bonds as well as a collective commitment to mitzvot. Collectively,” she said “through WRJ as well as our local sisterhoods, we bring programs and projects otherwise labeled impossible to fruition. Your local sisterhood is not just an eating club, a book group, a mah jong party or a golf league, though many of us participate in those activities. As an organized collective, we have a mission: sustaining liberal Judaism worldwide while engaging our members to live Jewishly and sustain meaningful relationships with like-minded women. In sisterhood, our work and play both make a difference, because we, literally, change lives.”

The world and times we live in, Selfon admits, is challenging at best. And “increasingly, women feel isolated, overwhelmed with worry. We're Jews; we're born worriers! We worry even when we have no control. In fact, too many of us scandalously waste precious moments worrying about how long something good will last instead of enjoying the experience. Sometimes, it's just too much.”

But even in hard times, WRJ has provided women with accomplishments to be proud of. During Selfon's tenure, WRJ has seen:

1. The publication of *The Torah: A Women's Commentary*
2. Twenty-four newly-affiliated sisterhoods
3. Four publications green the world through online publication
4. The creation of eight consolidated districts, whose names now reflect geography
5. Increased smart communications through conference calls, webinars, weekly e-mails on multiple listservs
6. A booming YES Fund (Youth, Education, and Special Services) – thanks to our sisterhoods – enabling WRJ to honor its obligations
7. Expanded Lifelines options
8. Solid investments which, all things considered, held well in a tough economy
9. The participation of 82 sisterhoods and 1,545 women in

WRJ/Lilith Salons

10. Resolutions and statements reflecting our values enabling us to act on behalf of 65,000 Reform women
11. The creation of a recommended joint policy statement with the URJ regarding affiliate organizations' financial independence

“We achieved these heights because WRJ took calculated risks,” explained Selfon. “This organization, which is nearly 100 years old, is poised to initiate our second hundred years because it recognizes its value and the value of its members.” She closed by thanking the WRJ board and staff and, most especially, her family, and said “To each of you, the very special women of Women of Reform Judaism, I depart my presidential role feeling love and deep gratitude. Challenge yourselves everyday and engage every woman in discovering what you know is true ... sisterhood promises an awesome adventure! It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve as your president.”

Helene Dunbar,
Manager of Marketing and Communications, WRJ

WRJ–Israel Twinning Program

At the Biennial in Toronto, WRJ launched a program to twin Reform Sisterhoods in North America with their counterparts in Israel. Sisterhoods are new in Israel's 25 Reform congregations. One of the five female rabbis from those congregations at last week's conference said that Israeli women had worked so hard for equality it felt strange to create women-only organizations. WRJ national board member Resa Davids, who now lives in Jerusalem, used the example of Israel's 2-year-old Reform Sisterhood at Or Hadash in Haifa to convince 15 other congregations to follow suit.

The next step was to build relationships between those fledgling groups and the more established ones in North America. Instead of a one-way flow of money, Davids wrote up a list of 20 sample projects sisterhoods in both countries could engage in together. One project suggested sending dreidels to each other and using the different lettering — the “shin” for “sham,” meaning “there,” used on dreidels in the Diaspora, versus the “peh” for “po,” or “here,” on Israeli dreidels – to teach about the differences between Israeli and Diaspora Judaism.

By the end of the hourlong conference session, every Reform Sisterhood in Israel had a North American twin. Some had two or three. To learn how your sisterhood can “twin” with one of these WRJ–Israel sisterhoods, check the WRJ website at <http://www.wrj.org/programs/events/TwinningBrochure>.

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April 16-18, 2010
WRJSE Spring Interim Meeting
Camp Coleman, Cleveland GA

May 15-17, 2010
WRJ Board Meeting, New York, NY

October 28-31, 2010
WRJSE 33rd Biennial Convention
Orlando, FL

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