From the President’s Desk...

Last month we were busy celebrating Dorothy Lipstadt’s 98th birthday along with honoring Golda Meir, both at our program and at the Book Club. What a great month, honoring two inspiring women!

On Wednesday, November 7th, we will begin the month with a book review by our good friend, Ron Balson, who is paying his third visit to our Sisterhood. This time he will be reviewing his latest book, “The Girl from Berlin”, which was just released this fall. The book will be available for purchase that day along with his other books.

Our Holiday Boutique will take place on Sunday, November 18th. Please plan on doing your holiday shopping with us! Along with our own gift shop filled with wonderful gift items and lots of Chanukah merchandise, we will have great items from many other vendors.

We look forward to seeing you at our Chanukah Party and Latke Luncheon on Wednesday, December 5th—this happens to be the third day of Chanukah. Our musical entertainment will be provided by Bibi Marcell.

Looking forward to seeing you at our programs—and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

B’Shalom! Judy Franke

News and Notes...

- Be a media mogul! A $5 contribution makes you a sponsor of our Sisterhood bulletin. Please mail your contributions to:
  Judy Arkin c/o EHNTJC Sisterhood
  4500 Dempster Street • Skokie, IL  60076

Our Media Moguls this month are:

  Marcy Feinberg,
  Ricki Herling (in honor of her beautiful granddaughters—Olivia and Violet),
  Esther Javetz (in honor of Chaim’s and Zivit’s birthdays), Elaine Lampert (thanks to all who wished her a Refuah Shlayma)
  Bobbie Levin, Evie Lowenthal,
  Dori Marks, Idelle Peaceman,
  Ada Rabinowitz, Judith-Rae Ross and Adrienne Tanner (in honor of her grandson Evan’s 24th birthday)

If you have news to share, contact Judy Arkin at kjarkin99@comcast.net.

- Sisterhood donation cards are 8/$10 and the Chai cards are 6/$18. The cards are available in the synagogue office or through our Gift Shop.

- The WLCJ 2018-2019 calendars are now available! Beautifully illustrated, this pocket-size calendar lists holidays, candle-lighting times, Birak HaMazon, and other information. It has space for notes and appointments, and a plastic cover is included. The calendar is just $10, and is available for purchase in the synagogue office or through the Gift Shop.

Gift Shop Gab: Volume Twenty-Three

The gift shop is blossoming this season! As co-chairs, we want to offer our most sincere thanks and appreciation to all of the committee members—Judy Arkin, Phyllis Dickstein, Ronia Gross, Bobbie Levin, Janet Lunsik, Dolly Zavell and, of course, President Judy Frank.

The program on Wednesday, October 10th produced sales of $248, and we are very excited about the next luncheon and the coming Sisterhood Boutique on Sunday, November 18th.

Marcy is also holding a mini-boutique at her home in South Haven, Michigan on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. She is hoping to have a successful event that will yield a big profit for the gift shop.

We now have our great Solmate Socks for kids and infants, too. We also have some really cute cross-body bags and wrist purses. Look for lots of new and unusual things at our table at the Holiday Boutique, and think of us for all of your Hanukkah shopping.

Thanks from your Gift Shop Co-chairs!

  Sandi Cowen
  Marcy Feinberg
  Adrienne Tanner

Next Up.....

Join us on Wednesday, November 7th for our Book & Author Luncheon with Ron Balson discussing his latest book—“The Girl From Berlin”.....and on December 12th when the Book Club discusses “The Lost City of the Monkey God” by Douglas Preston.
**Good and Welfare...**

- Wishing a **Refuah Shlayma** (a complete and speedy recovery) to Shaynee Lichtenstein, Ada Barach and Lucille Kulwin.
- **Mazel Tov** to Jill Todres on the birth of her granddaughter, Leah.
- **Mazel Tov** to Miffie Nagorsky on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Maddy Israel.
- **Mazel Tov** to Ada Rabinowitz on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Joey Rabinowitz.

**TODAH RABAH • תודה רבה • THANK YOU**

- Thank you to Renee Repkin and Diane Rosenfeld for their kind donations to our Sisterhood in honor of Dorothy Lipstadt’s 98th birthday! •

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**Sisterhood HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**

SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 18th, 2018

11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Over twenty-five vendors will be here to help us do our holiday shopping!

Several of the vendors are new to us and I hope you’ll join me in making their sales successful.

Thanks in advance for your support!

Please contact me with any questions at peachpreserves7447@gmail.com

Phyllis Dickstein - Ways & Means Vice-President

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**TIKKUN OLAM**

Sisterhood will be spearheading the collection of **TARGET** gift cards for Jewish Child and Family Services (JCFS) for their annual Holiday Gift Drive. They encourage donations of gift cards so that parents can select gifts for their children and teens can go shopping alongside their friends. You are free to give any amount ($10 minimum), and it’s an easy and convenient way of donating. Please be sure to write the amount on the card with a marker.

Gift cards may be brought to the office or any Sisterhood program until December 1st. If you’d like me to purchase the gift cards for you, please contact me and I will be happy to do so.

Ricki Herling - Social Action Chair
(847)677-5919 or tchildren@aol.com

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**JEWSH BOOK MONTH**

Jewish Book Month is an annual event on the Jewish calendar dedicated to the celebration of Jewish books. It is observed during the month preceding Chanukah, so the exact dates change from year to year. This year it takes place November 2nd – December 2nd, the first night of Chanukah.

During Jewish Book Month, as well as throughout the year, the Jewish Book Council serves as the coordinating agency for promoting Jewish books nationally. As part of the celebration, the Council prepares educational and promotional materials and commissions a color poster featuring the original work of a noted artist. The Council also advises local communities about exhibits, book fairs, author speaking tours and literary programs.

The beginnings of Jewish Book Month can be traced to Fanny Goldstein, a librarian at the Boston Public Library West End Branch. In 1925, she curated an exhibit of Jewish books to encourage book giving during the holiday of Chanukah. She repeated the exhibit in 1926, and this inspired a call by Rabbi S. Felix Mendelssohn (who served as Rabbi for 34 years at Temple Beth Israel on Chicago’s north side). Rabbi Mendelssohn proposed the observance of a Jewish Book Week. This observance was coordinated in Boston by the Boston Jewish Book Week Committee. The National Committee for Jewish Book Week was then organized in 1940. In 1943, the Jewish Book Council took over the duties, and Jewish Book Week became Jewish Book Month.

In honor of Jewish Book Month, our Sisterhood will welcome back local author Ron Balson to review his newest book, “The Girl From Berlin”.

Happy Reading!
Diane Rosenfeld

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**A BIG WELCOME to our new Sisterhood Member:**

Sharon Baskin

Happy Thanksgiving