

SISTERHOOD CORNER—August, 2022

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From the President's Desk...

A Tribute to Goldie Brandhandler on her 104th birthday...Kol Hakavod!

Goldie has been a member of our congregation for over 12 years and has been a member of the Women's League since the early 1950's when her husband, David Brandhandler (z'l), assumed the position of cantor at Ner Tamid Congregation in West Rogers Park where he served for 50 years. Goldie began her involvement in Sisterhood at that time and served as president for three years. Goldie was a member of the bowling league and won numerous competitions. She was involved in a very rewarding Women's League initiative for several years. She, as well as Women's League members across the country, were given special typewriters which enabled them to translate books into Braille.



Goldie has been a longtime supporter of Torah Fund and the Cantor's Assembly. The family still gathers at her house for Shabbat dinners and holiday meals. Goldie has a very sharp wit and a wonderful memory.

Cantor and Goldie were married for close to 70 years when he passed away in 2016. Goldie has a son, Stuart, and is grandmother to five and great-grandmother to four children. She will turn 104 on August 26, 2022.

On a personal note, I have known Goldie for over 60 years ever since I began religious school at Ner Tamid. Cantor Brandhandler trained me for my Bat Mitzvah and officiated at my wedding. I was a friend of their daughter Michelle (z'l). For the past several years (until the start of the pandemic), I would see Goldie at shul on Shabbat mornings, and she is a treasured member of our Sisterhood. It makes Goldie very happy to see that EHNTJC has a strong and thriving Sisterhood as we continue the legacy of Women's League. Our wishes for a Happy and Healthy Birthday!

B' Shalom, Diane Rosenfeld

News and Notes...

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Our Media Moguls this month are:

Esther Berman

(in honor of my grandchildren),

Joan Cook

(in honor of the birthdays of daughter-in-law Heidi Kaplan, cousins Ronnie Mendes and Judy Barasch, and wedding anniversary of cousins Bette & Ron Mendes)

Fran Givertz

(in honor of all my family and friends),

Miriam Goldberger,

Mickey Gordon

(in honor of my grandchildren),

Bobbie Levin,

Esther Manewith

(in honor of our grandchildren),

Dori Marks, Ada Rabinowitz and Judi Stein

Good and Welfare...

- **Mazel Tov** to Barbara Barnett on the birth of great-granddaughter, Raelynn Mae Frederick.
- **Mazel Tov** to Esther Javetz on the Bar Mitzvah of grandson, Matan Dalin.
- **Mazel Tov** to Faye Bearman on the Bar Mitzvah of son, Leo.
- **Mazel Tov** to Rabbi Victor Weissberg on his 95th birthday.
- **Mazel Tov** to Rabbi Jeffrey & Julie Weill on their 10 years of service to our congregation as Rabbi & Rebbetzin.
- **Condolences** to Mary Schenk on the passing of daughter, Cheryl Smith.
- **Condolences** to Dolly Zavell on the passing of brother, Bernie Berg.



Believe only in the best in people until proven wrong...

Our Sisterhood is an affiliate of



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We mourn the tragic and senseless deaths of the following souls who were killed in the brutal attack on July 4th in Highland Park:

Katherine Goldstein
Irina McCarthy and Kevin McCarthy
Stephen Straus
Jacquelyn Sundheim
Nicolas Toledo-Zaragoza
Eduardo Uvaldo

May their memories be for a blessing and may their families find comfort and solace.

Wishing a **Refuah Shlayma**, a complete healing of body and spirit, to all those who were injured and survived.



Torah Fund

by Rose-Lynn Jaffe
Torah Fund VP

**Chazak v' Ematz –
Be Strong and Courageous**

As Torah Fund celebrates 80 years of providing scholarships and essential programs for the future leaders of the Jewish Community, we, the women of Women's League for Conservative Judaism continue to show our strength and commitment to the future.

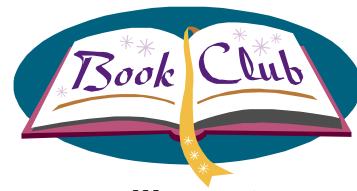
Our 2022-2023 Torah Fund campaign has begun. The funds we raise will continue to help educate students in our institutes of higher education in New York, Los Angeles, Israel, Latin America and Europe. Our donations to Torah Fund affirm our commitment to provide the future generation with relevant skills to enrich the Jewish people. The pin for this year represents our 80 years of ever-increasing strength. *Chazak v' Ematz.*

L'dor v'dor!

TODAH RABAH • תודה רבה • THANK YOU

- *It is always a joy each year to receive a Leagram from our Sisterhood. Thank you for remembering my birthday again this year!.....Diane Rosenfeld*
- *Thank you to my Sisterhood friends for sending me a Leagram greeting on my birthday. Your generosity and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated!.....Luisita Graff*

Our next *Sisterhood*



will meet
Wednesday, September 21st
10:30 a.m. on ZOOM
to discuss
"Woman on Fire"
by Lisa Barr

A thrilling tale of secrets, love, and sacrifice that illuminates the destructive cruelty of war and greed and the triumphant power of beauty and love, *Woman on Fire* tells the story of a remarkable woman and an exquisite work of art that burns bright, moving through hands, hearts, and history. From Chicago to the South of France, from the mountains of Montana to the forests of Germany, we are carried along on an exciting, page-turning mystery.

Please join us for a lively discussion!

Carol Gottlieb and Dolly Zavell
Book Club Chairs

SOCIAL ACTION

by Julie Weill
Social Action VP

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the Niles Township Food Pantry during our recent Sisterhood "Stock the Shelves"

donation drive. We had a wonderful response from our members and EHNTJC congregants. We delivered an overstuffed car full of donations including food, toiletries, bulk paper products, and infant care items. The pantry staff and volunteers were very grateful for all that we were able to collect. Thank you for your caring and support for those in need.

EDUCATION CORNER

by Dr. Esther Javetz
Education VP

Jerusalem Today

Jerusalem today functions as a regular city with various buildings (old and new), grocery stores and schools. But beyond that, it houses many museums which depict the history of this country and the history of the Jewish people all over the world.

In addition, there are archeological excavations. Much effort is dedicated to archeology to prove to the world our history in this land. This account is going to be about two museums.

The Museum of Hebrew Music

This is a beautiful place which dedicates a section for each part of the world where Jews have resided: central Asia, Morocco, Andalusia, Europe, etc.

Many musical instruments are displayed where one can press a button to hear their sounds. Videos are displayed to see Jewish bands singing and playing these instruments. The text of the songs is displayed---it is all Hebrew! Religious songs about Abraham, the bonding of Isaac, Rabbi Shimon Bar-Yochai and more--all original works of a certain diaspora to preserve its tradition.

The final room includes a virtual reality of the Temple in Jerusalem. One can "see" the Levites playing music--the source of religious music in Jewish tradition.

Israel Museum

This is a huge museum and I will highlight just three exhibits:

*Three synagogues from three different locations in the world are displayed here: from Italy, Kuchen, India and Surinam. These are beautiful synagogues, where congregations have left, and the entire building (furniture, the ark, the bimah, Torahs, lamps, etc.) were air-lifted to the Israel Museum. In the museum, one room was dedicated for each synagogue, where it was reconstructed according to its original structure.

*A model of Jerusalem (3D) is available to watch. This is Jerusalem from 63 CE, before the Roman destruction. It has three walls portraying the gradual enlargement of the city.

*The Shrine of the Book, which is a special building in the museum vicinity, houses Biblical texts that were found next to the Dead Sea, from about 2,000 years ago.

There are more museums per capita in Israel than anywhere in the world, so plan more than one visit!

WAYS & MEANS IS BACK IN BUSINESS!

by Judy Frank
Ways & Means VP

The mask wearing is slightly lifted, people are gathering together, and we are now planning some Ways & Means projects.

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Sisterhood "Blow Out Sale" held on Sunday, July 3rd. We were able to deplete some of our inventory at reduced prices to make room for new inventory.

On Wednesday, August 17th, we will be having a "Dining Out Day" at Mizrahi Grill in Highland Park. A special flyer giving you all the details is included with this bulletin. All that needs to be done on your part is order food from Mizrahi Grill on August 17th and let them know at the time of ordering that you are here from the Sisterhood of EHNTJC. Please tell your friends and relatives who are not members of the Sisterhood to join you at Mizrahi Grill for lunch or dinner (or pick up an order) on that day and mention our Sisterhood. Mizrahi Grill will then donate 10% of all the Sisterhood sales for that day to Sisterhood.

We have two ongoing Sisterhood fundraising projects: **Leagrams** – each year how nice it is to send and receive a Leagram to all our Sisterhood friends on their birthdays or anniversaries. Please sign up for this Sisterhood fundraiser by writing a check for \$54 made payable to EHNTJC Sisterhood and sending it to the synagogue office. **Tribute Cards** - Sisterhood sells cards which can be used for any occasion. They can be purchased at all programs and are also available in the office - \$10 for 8 and the larger cards are \$18 for 6. The next time you are in the building for a Sisterhood program, please check out our cards.

SAVE THE DATE...
Wednesday, September 7th
for our
Opening Luncheon and Program

Elizabeth Doyle performs
"Jewish Songwriters of the Great
American Songbook"
(see enclosed flyer)

