



OVER THE YEARS OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP THESE IDEAS MAY INSPIRE YOU TO LEAD A PROJECT AND MAKE IT YOUR OWN! IF YOU HAVE MORE IDEAS LET US KNOW!

New Notes at Noon Songs on Sunday Music Monday

Do you know how to sing Happy Birthday in Hebrew? Do you know the Israel National Anthem? How many camp songs do you know or remember? Are some tunes during service new to you? You are not alone! Solicit requests from others. This is an opportunity to include our daughters - who may even teach us a few songs! I imagine some of us may want to include little ones as well. Arrange for a tune-filled leader. Let us sing a new song!

Remember Members

Personal reflections/brief biographies of past members will also reveal some of TBJ's history. You may have known some of these women or you can discover them by interviewing older members. Combing archives will add depth to the stories we tell. Jody Kolmen can help with the archives.

Talking on Topics

Research a topic of your interest and tie it in with Judaism to present to the Sisterhood. Base it on personal history, philosophy, life experiences, & etc. Share your joy of discovery!

TBJ Talks Many Mitzvot

Many of us volunteer for community services aside from responding to calls for social action through the Temple. These talks would be an occasion for 5-7 minute descriptions of a variety of interests. Have promotional materials available should others be interested in jumping in with you as we all work to repair the world. Tikkun Olam! Schedule 5-6 people and the program remains interesting and lively. Have a drum roll ready! This could be a Temple-wide series that includes our teens.

Tour the Temple

Learn the architecture and history of TBJ. Host tours for TBJ members and even create a docent training class for future community requests. Provide information on the background of various appointments. Make self-touring fun... create a Sisterhood scavenger hunt of architectural details with a prize for the first person to complete the hunt. Tour the Temple could be a perfect program to draw in our daughters.

Supper in the Sukkah

Assigned pot luck or paid RSVP's covers costs. Sip and Savor in the Sukkah. Simply offer hors d'oeuvre, BYOB (provide non-alcoholic) or Shakin' in the Sukkah, milk shakes for kids and mixed drinks for adults and order out for Pizza in the Hut!

Wrapping up Hanukkah

For free-will donations, host a gift-wrap table for Hanukkah purchases.

Heavenly Havdalah

Set up a Havdalah service on TBJ grounds or at a park. Plan this for a Lilith Salon? Coordinate with Samantha Kemp-Carlin.



Challahpalooza

Form a team to bake Challah. Give a loaf to welcome new Temple members and include an invitation to join Sisterhood. Include two candles and a demi-bote of red grape juice? The Sisterhood can provide your team with membership materials. Sarah Mansfield can keep up-to-date on new TBJ members.

Find a Festival Holiday Happening

Host the observation of a minor holiday. On Tu B'shvat lead a hike on your favorite trail. Ask participants to bring new pairs of sox to donate to a shelter. Coordinate with another organization that may be planting trees. Tu B'Av was a joyous holiday in the days of the Temple in Jerusalem, marking the beginning of the grape harvest. Today it is celebrated akin to Valentine's Day. Host a celebration for the Sisterhood. Consider taking it to the Senior Life Center. So many more! For dates, search: Jewish Holidays 2020.

SOS Share our Skills

If you have a skill you would like to present as a workshop, please do! You may find yourself forming an affinity group of interested sisters.

Day Out with the Sisters

The Sisterhood sponsored a Saturday at Pinot's Palette (with wine and nosh) that was very popular. There is so much joy in a social gathering! Create a learning class around hamsa. Provide background information on the history. Check Lindahl Woodcrafts and tjssc.com for prices on hamsa to paint and bejewel. So many activities are possible. Arrange a free or discounted class at the Pilates or yoga studio you attend. Consider chair yoga to include all activity levels. DMU offers Tai Chi for balance. Plan a visit to the Jewish Historical Society, the Art Center, the state capital building (include the Holocaust Memorial), or Terrace Hill for docent-led tours and lunch afterwards. Bowling anyone? Or is a class on meditation more your style?

Share Shabbat

Host Shabbat at team members' homes. You may find enough interest to create "dinner clubs," Each person taking a turn for a series of dinners with team member pitching in to prepare and/or pay for. Mix singles and couples. Make it a potluck or treat your guests. Make it vegetarian. Enjoy good conversation and getting to know other Sisterhood members.

Mommy and Me

There are a number projects moms can enjoy with kids. Find crafts on websites: jewishcrafts.com; jewishcraftsuppliesstore.com; morahsupplies.com; tjssc.com; artistshelpingchildren.com; and others. Check out "Jewish origami." Create a "pipsqueak choir & dance group" to take to the Senior Living center. Lox n' tots Form a play group. Discover neighborhood playgrounds. Science Center or a Stroller exercise group?

Red Cross

Inquire with the Red Cross on baby-sitter safety training classes for TBJ teens. Set up training at Temple or arrange a caravan to the training site. Organize CPR training for Temple members, or a Temple-wide blood drive. Who knows how to use our AED devices? Where are they?



Midrash and Merlot or Margaritas

Develop a midrash to present to the Sisterhood. Work with the Rabbi. Host a discussion afterward.

Vehicles for Votes

Form a team to drive TBJ members to their voting stations. Be sure to have announcements made during Shabbat service, in the Newsletter, on the website. Note members with phone contact only.

Pink Shabbat

Breast Cancer Awareness month is October. After service, show a movie focusing on living with breast cancer. Some suggestions: Decoding Annie Parker; Why I Wore Lipstick to my Mastectomy; Living Proof; Five Pieces of April; Mondays at Racine; My Run; The Hot Flashes; Ice Bound; One in Nine. Have literature available for attendees to take home. Serve an easy dinner (order out pizza? Subs?) and don't forget the pink lemonade and cupcakes! Entrance fee can be a new bra. Work with a shelter to find out what they need.

Big Birthday Bag Bash

Lead a drive for children's birthday supplies. Work with the Young Women's Resource Center or another shelter to find out ages, interests, and need. Zero in on themes. Include plates, cups, napkins, candles, cake mix, frosting and, cake decorating supplies.

Purimspiel

Stage call! Young and young at heart. Skip the tryouts. Gather your writers' group. Find plenty of online resources to write a Purimspiel. Make it Shakespearian, a French farce, a comedy of errors, or an epic poem. You will find plenty frustrated actors, set designers, costume creators, and music makers among the women of TBJ!

This is offered as a list to inspire.

You will have your own ideas.

Always form a team to assist - the Sisterhood Board may be able to help.

Consult with the Sisterhood Board on your project and for dates and possible costs.

Have fun getting to know the TBJ Sisterhood.

The Sisterhood certainly wants to know you!