

May 1, 2025

Why should I join Temple B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood?

To feel part of a community of women
For social, spiritual, and educational opportunities
Support projects the Sisterhood does for the Temple
To be an advocate for issues of social justice

For personal fulfillment
To make new friends
To strengthen your Jewish identity

Dear Temple B'nai Jeshurun Members:

We are extremely excited about the upcoming year and welcome you to be a part of it.

Since 1874, Sisterhood has been your essential connection to the women of Temple B'nai Jeshurun. Our mission is to serve the women of TBJ, contribute to the Temple community, as well as provide a foundation for enriching Reform Jewish life at home, at the Temple, and in the central lowa community.

Become Involved:

The TBJ Sisterhood membership is open to all, both members and non-members of Temple B'nai Jeshurun. We encourage you to bring your interests, talents, inspiration and a bit of time to volunteer. Everyone is welcome to attend the monthly meeting, which is typically held the first Tuesday of every month at the Temple. Bring a friend and your ideas!

Programs, Events, and Mission:

We sponsor social, educational, and social action programs and events. In the past, Temple Sisterhood has sponsored books for the Ashcroft Library 2 for 2 project; plastic bag mats for the homeless; blankets for shelters; volunteering for the Planned Parenthood book sale; knitting NICU blankets; and collecting items for the ARL. We had group events including Rosh Chodesh Havdalah, lunch and tour of the Des Moines Art Center, and a gathering at Pinot's Palette and Glazed Expressions. We also sponsored a program with King Elementary School to furnish its teacher's lounge for which we won an honorable mention Or Ami award from Women of Reform Judaism North America.

Currently, we are gathering donations for the DMARC. Ongoing programming that brings the Sisterhood together includes Temple Book Club, Sisterhood Tea, Supper/Mahjong in the Sukkah, Schmooze and Crafts group, Sisterhood Shabbat, Social Action, baking events, craft events, We Do lunch group, and Breakfast Club.

A portion of your donation supports The National Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) and gives you access to their materials, services, and programming including area events and conferences. We also support foundations such as YES and NFTY as well as the PJ Library. The PJ Library sends award-winning books with Jewish values and culture free of charge to children from birth-12 years old.

Thank you, in advance, for your ongoing support of our Sisterhood!

We appreciate you!

Shalom,

TBJ Sisterhood



2025-2026 SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP DUES

The TJB Sisterhood membership is open to all, both members and non-members of Temple B'nai Jeshurun.

	<u>Membership Level:</u>	
Name		\$ 40 Miriam
Address	——	\$ 54 Rachel
City (Charles /71D, Condo		\$ 72 Leah
City/State/ZIP Code		\$ 90 Rebecca
Preferred Phone Number Cell / Home (circle o	one)	\$ 120 Sarah
Email	<u> </u>	\$ 18 Junior (16-24)
Celebrations (Birthday, Anniversary & all else)		other amount in increments of \$18
		non-member "Friend" in increments of \$18
		TOTAL

Sisterhood dues run from July 1st – June 30th and include membership in Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ).

Everyone is always welcome at our events and programs

Please return this form and your check (payable to Temple Sisterhood) to:

Temple B'Nai Jeshurun 5101 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312

In memo, please list "Sisterhood" and the current year.

Thank you for your generous support!