



# The Book Nosh

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### What is the Book Nosh?

A **new** monthly publication from the Temple Sinai Library on everything the library has to offer, from book reviews to special events, resources, and more. Grab some coffee and nosh; we hope you enjoy!

The Temple Sinai Reno Library Committee Presents 'Bookmarks'

## ANTISEMITISM: There, Then & Now

An important and relevant discussion  
bridging the historical roots with today.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024 | 5:00-7:00 PM**

(Discussion followed by Meet 'N Greet and refreshments)

**TEMPLE SINAI RENO**  
 3405 Gulling Road Reno, NV 89503

In Person and streaming, free of charge to the community.

Register at:  
[www.jewishnevada.org/bookmarks](http://www.jewishnevada.org/bookmarks)

**Learn More!**

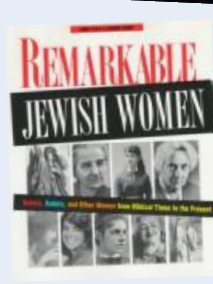
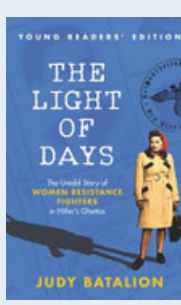
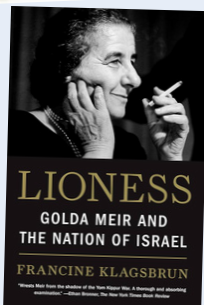
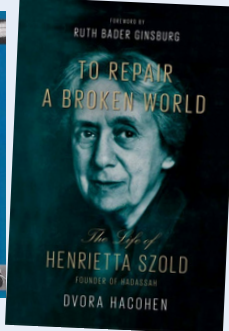
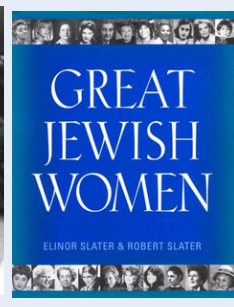
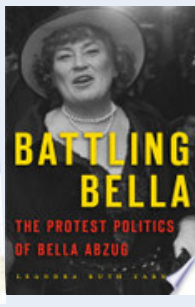
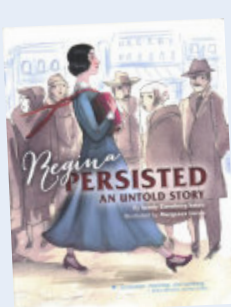
**or  
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## Featured Books

*March is Women's History Month*



## Purim 2024/5784

**March 23-24 / Adar II 13-14**

Youth Library Reads (Ages 5-9):



**Barnyard Purim:** Farmer Max's animals decide to put on a Purim play, directed by Chicken.

**Purim Play:** Frannie is upset because an elderly neighbor is going to play the part of Haman in this year's Purim play, but Mrs. Teplitzky surprises everyone with her acting ability.



**A Persian Princess:** A grandmother shares stories with her granddaughter about how she used to celebrate Purim in the old country, Iran.



# Women of the Wall

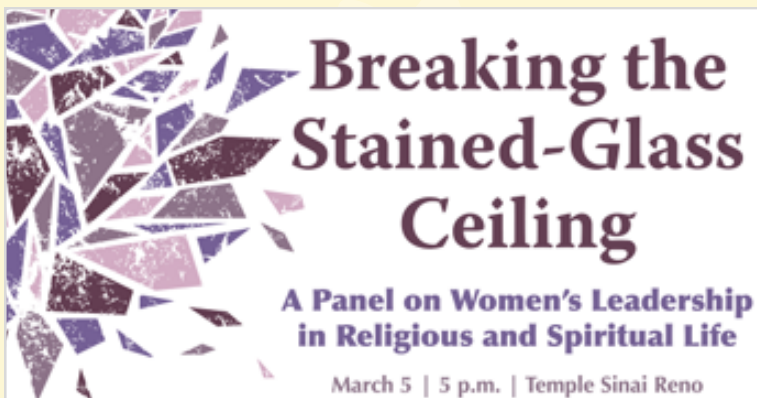
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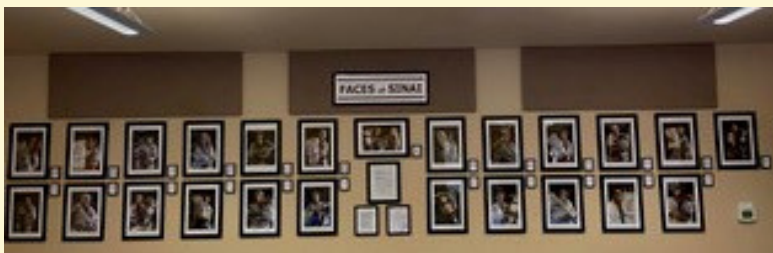
The evening of February 28, 2020, was WOW Shabbat. Hosted by the Library Committee to celebrate the opening of the Women of The Wall Photo Exhibit in the small social hall, participants joined together to recognize the 10th anniversary of a photo session in which congregant Steve Davis photographed women of Temple Sinai wearing tallit and holding a Torah.

They did so to demonstrate their solidarity with the Women of the Wall (WOW) in Israel. Founded in 1988, WOW is a multi-denominational feminist organization whose goal is to secure the rights of women to pray at the Western Wall (Kotel) in a fashion that includes wearing religious garments (tallit, kippah, and tefillin), reading aloud from the Torah, and singing.

On March 5, 2020, the exhibit was viewed by over 200 community-wide attendees in conjunction with the interfaith forum entitled "Breaking the Stained-Glass Ceiling" which focused on what happens when women are included and excluded from religion.



That weekend the synagogue went into COVID lockdown. You can view the permanent exhibit in the Small Social Hall.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WOMEN OF THE WALL AND THEIR MISSION, VISIT [WOMENOFthewall.ORG.IL](http://WOMENOFthewall.ORG.IL)



### In Her Own Words...

Barbara Weinberg is an active member of the Temple Sinai Library Committee and a participant of the 2020 Women of the Wall project.



"In 1972 the U.S. Congress submitted the Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification. Active in social issues, particularly those impacting women, the passage of the ERA became my focus. Add to that my friendship with extraordinary Temple Sinai women like Ethel Jaffe and Rabbi Myra Soifer. When Rabbi Teri Appleby suggested Temple Sinai support the Women of the Wall movement by adding our photos holding a Torah to those of other women across the nation, I needed to participate."



## Commentary

*What Sinai Members have to say!*



Barbara Weinberg

**A Place at the Table:** This is a very interesting book about two middle school girls, one American and one Pakistani who meet in a school cooking class. As the students learn to be partners issues including discrimination, hate speech, and economic differences surface and resolve in a delicious way. Recommended for 6 grade+



**A Treasury of Yiddish Poetry:** I always think translated books are really, really cool because I think making things accessible for more people to enjoy is awesome. And it's especially hard with poetry considering you have to keep the meter and make sure it still sounds good.



Moische Matthews

*We want to hear from you:*

Have you read something from the Temple Library recently and want to be featured? Email [sinairenolibrary@gmail.com](mailto:sinairenolibrary@gmail.com) with the title of the book and 2-3 sentences about the book, good or bad!

## Used Books Sale

Sometimes we have too many copies and we just can't keep them all! Our loss is your gain - pick up gently used (and often hard to find!) books in the synagogue lobby.

Hardcovers and Media: \$1.00. Paperbacks: \$0.50

*Bring home a new favorite today!*

## Resources

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Celebrate Yiddish Language & Culture  
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 Sydney Taylor Book Awards 2024

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## New Additions

*Young Adult Chapter Books*



Thanks to the Marsha Cohen Fund, our Youth Library is now home to 40 new books.

## About the Library

**About Us:** The Temple Sinai Library committee strives to provide meaningful programming, relevant collections, and a comfortable, accessible space where members of all ages can engage in Jewish learning and appreciation.

**Library Hours:** study, work, relax, and reinvigorate while being surrounded by great books and free wi-fi.  
 If the synagogue is open, we're open.

Our 'Biggest Little Jewish Libraries' thrive because of committee volunteers. Want to help us write the next chapter?  
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