

Women Transcending Boundaries Monthly Newsletter



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February 2023



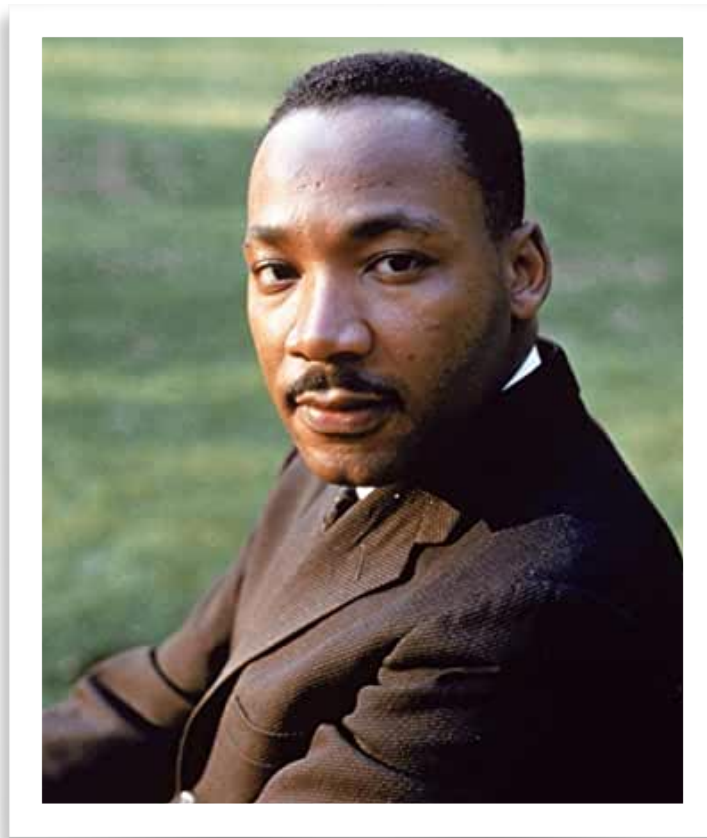
You are cordially invited to the **February 12th** Monthly Meeting of WTB. In honor of Black History Month, we will be meeting at the [Onondaga Historical Association](#) at 321 Montgomery Street at **2:00** (earlier time so as not to interfere with Super Bowl plans). Our visit to OHA will include a presentation by Scott Peal, Education Specialist at OHA, who will speak to us as Rev. Samuel Joseph May, a well known abolitionist and reformer who played a part in the Jerry Rescue in 1851. Historic photos of our black communities in Syracuse are currently on exhibit in addition to permanent displays of the fascinating history and cultures of this region! All fees will be covered by WTB.

Prior to meeting at the OHA, we will gather at [Salt City Market](#) at 484 South Salina for a light meal (at **12:45**). This will give us time to chat and share what's been happening in our lives. Inside the market are several ethnic venues to choose from and most definitely there will be something for everyone's taste!

February 12

LUNCH @ Salt City Market/ 12:45 pm

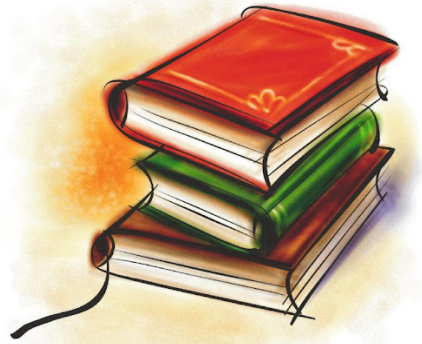
MEETING @ OHA/ 2:00 pm



“We are all caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied together into a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. We are made to live together because of the interrelated structure of reality.... Before you finish eating breakfast in the morning, you’ve depended on more than half the world. This is the way our universe is structured; this is its interrelated quality. We aren’t going to have peace on Earth until we recognize the basic fact of the interrelated structure of all reality.” – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

BOOK CLUB
February 13: 7-9 pm

Halfway Home:
By Reuben Jonathan
Miller
Via Zoom



Halfway Home: Race, Punishment and the
Afterlife of Mass Incarceration
By Reuben Jonathan Miller

A "persuasive and essential" (Matthew Desmond) work that will forever change how we look at life after prison in America through Miller's "stunning, and deeply painful reckoning with our nation's carceral system" (Heather Ann Thompson).

The WTB book club is an egalitarian community of women from many faith and cultural traditions. We seek to nurture mutual respect and understanding by reading about diverse beliefs, customs, and practices. We choose books - fiction, non-fiction, and memoir - that reflect diversity of faith and culture, either internationally or within our own country. Whenever possible, we prefer to choose books written by women or featuring female characters. If you would like to join the book club either in person or on Zoom, please call or text Jennifer at 315-345-9217

March 13 True Biz by Sara Novice

February Schmai

Wednesday, February 22
1:00 pm



[Dewitt Town Center, Suite 170](#)

(Next to Crunch Fitness)
3179 Erie Blvd. East,
Dewitt, NY 13214

Located in Dewitt, Kabab Guys is a new restaurant that specializes in Mediterranean cuisine. Our menu is prepared from scratch with only the highest quality ingredients.



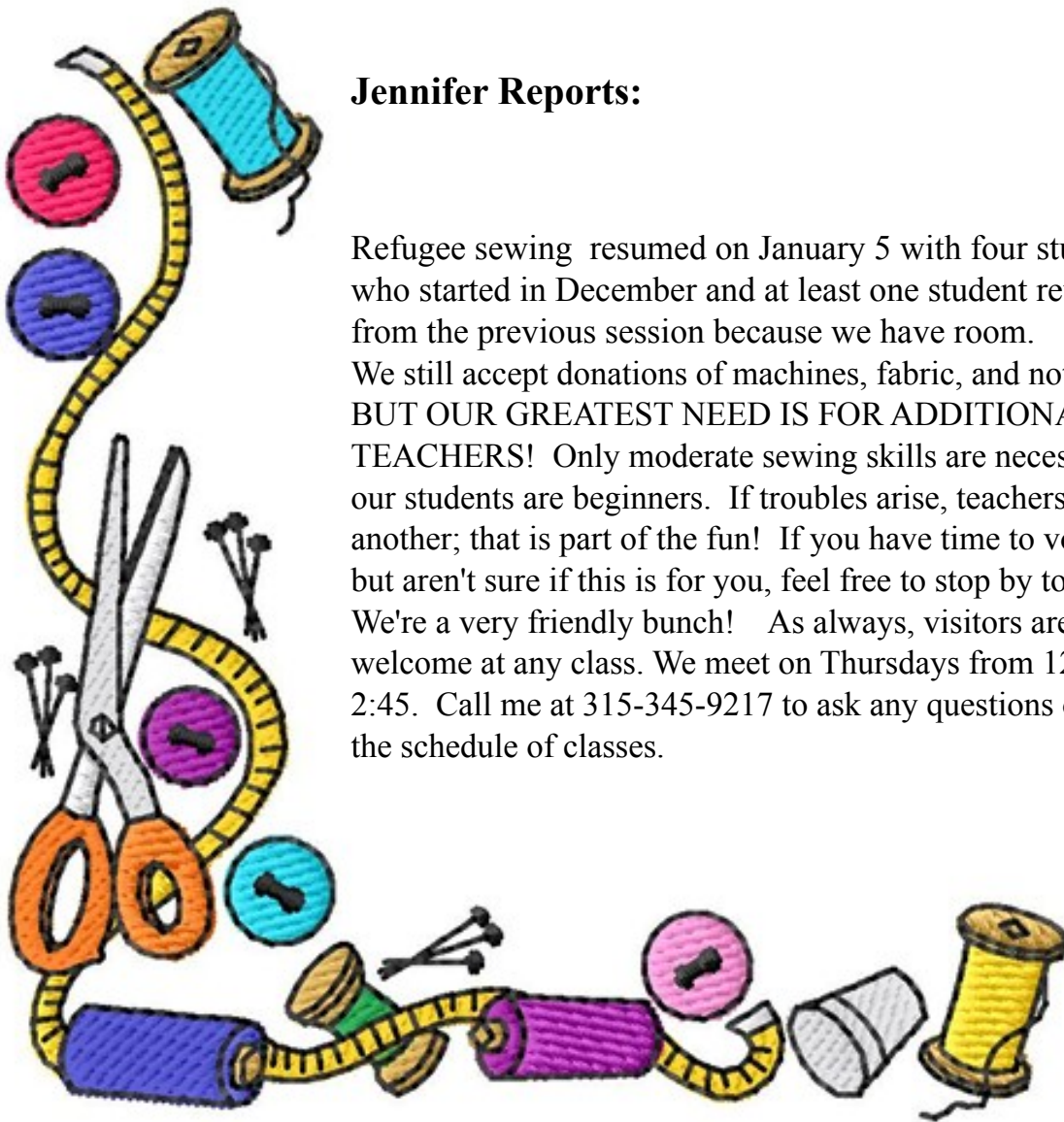
By Joy Pople
An acrylic painting, representing
bonds of sisterhood.



REFUGEE SEWING:

Jennifer Reports:

Refugee sewing resumed on January 5 with four students who started in December and at least one student returning from the previous session because we have room. We still accept donations of machines, fabric, and notions. **BUT OUR GREATEST NEED IS FOR ADDITIONAL TEACHERS!** Only moderate sewing skills are necessary as our students are beginners. If troubles arise, teachers help one another; that is part of the fun! If you have time to volunteer but aren't sure if this is for you, feel free to stop by to visit. We're a very friendly bunch! As always, visitors are welcome at any class. We meet on Thursdays from 12:15 to 2:45. Call me at 315-345-9217 to ask any questions or to get the schedule of classes.





Syracuse Federation of Women's Clubs (SFWC)

Our next meeting is March 9, 2023 at Barbagallo's Restaurant, 6344 East Molloy Rd, East Syracuse

Sign in and networking at 5:30 pm; dinner served at 6 pm

Rhonda Butler, Community Engagement Manager at InterFaith Works of Central New York, will be speak on the topic of Refugee Resettlement in Syracuse.

Dinner is \$26 including gratuity. Meal choices are Corned Beef and Cabbage or Parmesan Crusted Talapia with roasted potatoes and carrots, or Stuffed Shells (vegetarian option available). All meals served with salad, bread and butter, tea or coffee and ice cream with chocolate sauce for dessert.

SFWC collects empty prescription pill bottles (labels and stickiness removed) for Matthew 25 Ministries, gently used bras for Save the Girls. and 2023 calendars for local veteran's groups. At the March 9th meeting we will be collecting feminine hygiene products, toiletries, and diapers for IFW's Refugee programs.



UNITED RELIGIONS
INITIATIVE

TOGETHER FOR INTERFAITH HARMONY



“Harmony finds itself in the human heart, its home is in the human heart. When we join our loving energies with others, we are like musical instruments, we make a song, we are like a river that comes together to form a powerful flow of energy.”
Sally Mahé

The first week of February, every year, is dedicated to sharing the powerful impact and need for interfaith harmony, peace, love, collaboration, and cooperation!

1-7 February, URI joins cooperation circles worldwide taking action in interfaith work for peace building to mark World Interfaith Harmony Week, an annual UN observance week.



World

INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK

**JOIN US FOR A "GATHERING OF PRAYER" IN
OBSERVANCE OF WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK**

**Faith Leaders from all
religions are welcomed to
attend as we pray for our
city and world peace.**

**A program of InterFaith
Initiatives.**

**When:
Tuesday, February 7, 2023**

**Where:
Emmanuel Episcopal Church
400 W. Yates St. E.
Syracuse, NY 13057**

**Time:
10:00 AM — 11:00 AM**

**Contact:
Garang Ajak
Program Manager
315-449-3552, ext. 126 gajak@ifwcnyc.org
InterFaith Works of Central New York
Center for
Dialogue & Action 1010 James Street
Syracuse, NY 13203**

**InterFaith
works**
Affirm Dignity

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ArtRage Gallery is located in the Hawley-Green Neighborhood of Syracuse
505 Hawley Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13203 (between N. Crouse Ave and Lodi Street)

EXHIBITION:

Portrait of A Village, Ukraine – Photographs by Lida Suchy
January 28 to March 11, 2023

[READ ABOUT IT IN THE DAILY ORANGE](#)

For the past 9 years, Ukraine has been represented by images of conflict, destruction, and carnage, brought about by Russia’s war on Ukraine. As a first-generation American and daughter of Ukrainian refugees, Lida Suchy draws on her background as a resource and inspiration for her creative work. For nearly 30 years she has been photographing in the Ukrainian village, Kryvorivnya, creating a composite portrait of this rural community. In this exhibition, Lida presents us with images that can help viewers to connect with Ukraine beyond the news headlines. In her statement Lida dedicates this exhibition, “...to the people of Ukraine, all those who stand in support of a free Ukraine, and to the memory of 27-year-old Artem Dymyd, who — брав від життя все і сам був життям — ‘lived life to its fullest.’ He is one of thousands of beautiful young people giving their lives to defend their country and our freedom.”

EVENTS:

[Syracuse DSA Chapter Convention 2023](#)

Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 2pm

[Artist Talk with Lida Suchy](#)

Wednesday, February 9, 2023 at 7pm

[SHARE ON FACEBOOK!](#)

[Notes on Ukrainian Cinema:](#)

From Shadows of Forgotten Ancestors to The Earth is Blue as an Orange.

Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 7pm



Women Transcending Boundaries,]

A Metro Syracuse Women's Group Founded After 9/11

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2023 WTB Interfaith Achievement Award



Explanation:

Women Transcending Boundaries is an egalitarian community of women from many faith and cultural traditions whose mission is to nurture mutual respect by sharing information about our diverse beliefs, customs, and practices as we work together to address our common concerns. We strive to make a positive difference in our community by building personal connections across boundaries of faith and culture.

With this in mind, we are pleased to offer the WTB Interfaith Achievement Award to a young woman who has demonstrated her commitment to building bridges of understanding across diversity.

Who Is Eligible?

- An applicant for this award shall be a female graduating Syracuse City School District senior
- She shall have demonstrated, through service, her understanding of and commitment to interfaith and intercultural diversity
- She plans to continue her post-high-school education in a certificate program, a trade school, or a 2-year or 4-year college or university
- Eligibility for this award is not limited by academic (GPA) or financial considerations

Timeline:

- Application Deadline: Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023
- A decision will be made prior to June 1, 2023

Include:

- Completed 2023 WTB Interfaith Achievement Award Application, including essay
- Two letters of recommendation (can accompany the application or be mailed or emailed separately)

Further Information and Application Forms:

- Email wbtbcny@gmail.com or write to *Interfaith Achievement Award Committee, PO Box 6847, Syracuse, NY 13217*



Let us know if you have any concerns, suggestions or comments. We'd love to hear from you. You can reach us at: wtbcny@gmail.com

It's time to renew your WTB membership!!

WTB Membership runs from January 1st – December 31 each year. It is time to renew for **2023!**

We hope you will become an official member of WTB for 2023. If you fill out the short online form, that is all that is necessary.

Here is a link to the online membership form:

<https://forms.gle/Yig1KGo4tbSqvByn6>





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2023 MEMBERSHIP FORM

New Member _____

Renewing Member _____

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phones: (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

E-mail: _____ Occupation: _____

Religion (optional): _____ Native Country: _____

How did you first learn about WTB? _____

Do you have special interests that bring you to WTB? _____

Would you like to receive more information about specific needs and volunteer opportunities ...
within WTB? in the greater Central New York community?

Dues (\$25 per year) \$ _____

***Note:** Dues are appreciated but not mandatory for membership. However, you must fill out and submit this form in order to be a WTB member.*

Donation: \$ _____

Your additional donation will help fund WTB projects, activities and scholarships. Thank you!

Total paid on ____/____/____ by cash ___ or check ___ \$ _____

*Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc.
is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) charitable corporation.
All dues and donations are tax deductible.*

Please submit this completed form at any WTB meeting or by mail to the address at the top of this form.

WTB Mission Statement:

We are an egalitarian community of women coming together to respect and learn more about each other's various spiritual beliefs, cultures, and common concerns. It is our intent to share our experiences with the wider community, to educate, and to serve.