

Women Transcending Boundaries Monthly Newsletter



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February 2025



TIRED OF THE SNOW AND THE COLD?
Let's **CELEBRATE** with
something **COLD** and **YUMMY!**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Sunday February 23 1-3 pm
[CNY RISE CENTER](#)
275 W. Seneca Turnpike

Join the **FUN** as we share
ICE CREAM SUNDAES
WTB Council Favorite Flavors with Toppings.





Women Transcending Boundaries

MEMBERSHIP

Please consider **renewing your membership!** Dues are \$25.00 per year. Although not mandatory for membership, dues are most important. Programs, business expenses, scholarships and more are funded with dues and fundraising.

We hope you will become an official member—just fill out the form below and bring it to a meeting, mail it to the address on the form, or email to wtbcny@gmail.com.





Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc.

A Metro Syracuse Women's Group Founded After 9/11/01

P.O. Box 6847, Syracuse, NY 13217

www.wtb.org

2024–2025 MEMBERSHIP FORM

[for the program year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025]

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

___ I am a NEW MEMBER. [Please fill in *all* the information below.]

___ I am a RENEWING MEMBER. [Please tell us only what has changed.]

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

E-mail: _____ Occupation: _____

Faith Tradition (optional): _____ Native Country (optional) : _____

Do you have special skill sets that you would like to share with WTB, such as writing, accounting, public relations/advertising, social media, or any other areas of expertise? _____

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### Dues & Donations:

**Dues** (\$25 per year) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Dues are WTB's main source of revenue. They are appreciated but not required. However, this form must be submitted in order for you to be a WTB member.*

**Donation**  \$25  \$50  \$75  \$100  Other \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Your additional donation will help fund WTB projects, activities and scholarship awards as well as dues for those who cannot afford to pay. Thank you!*

**Total** paid on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ by cash  or by check  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

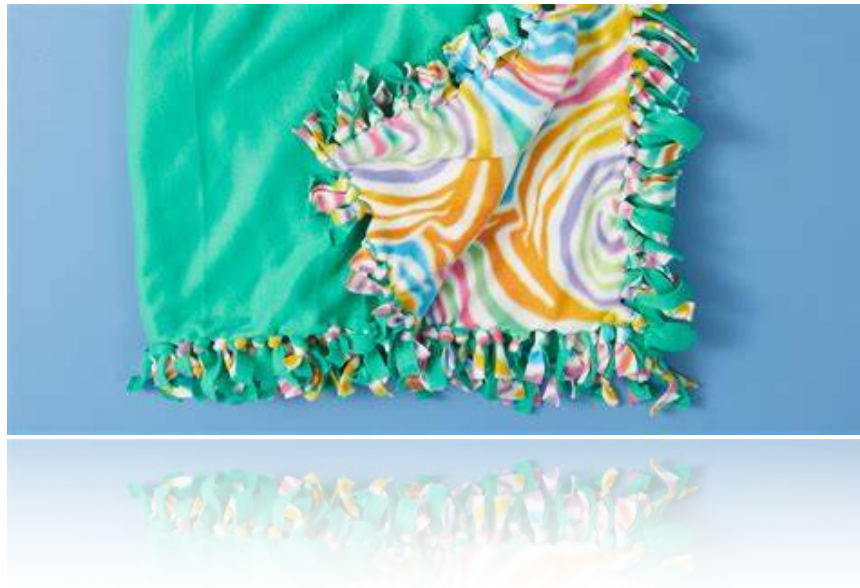
**Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc. is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) charitable corporation. All dues and donations are tax deductible.**

**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.*

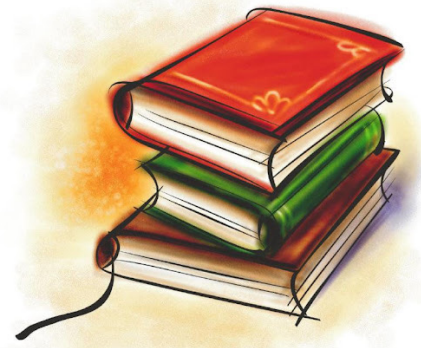
**Sunday March 23 1:30-3:30**  
**Blanket Making with our Church**  
**of Latter-day Saints Sisters**



[My Comfort Blanket](#)

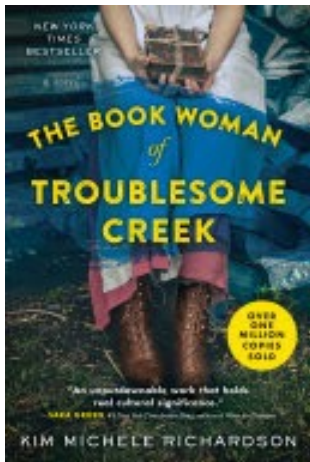
On a cold and frosty winters night,  
There's nothing more than I desire,  
To wrap a blanket good and tight,  
Around me sat before the fire,  
And stare upon the amber glow,  
In wonder as the dancers weave,  
A merry reel of make believe.

# WTB Book Club



February 10  
7-9 pm via zoom

The Book Woman of Troublesome  
Creek by Kim Michele Richardson

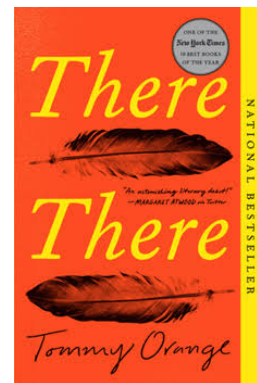


In 1936, tucked deep into the woods of Troublesome Creek, KY, lives blue-skinned 19-year-old Cussy Carter, the last living female of the rare Blue People ancestry. The lonely young Appalachian woman joins the historical Pack Horse Library Project of Kentucky and becomes a librarian, riding across slippery creek beds and up treacherous mountains on her faithful mule to deliver books and other reading material to the impoverished hill people of Eastern Kentucky.

March 10  
7-9 pm via zoom

There, There by Tommy Orange

Tommy Orange's *There There* follows 12 characters from Native communities as they travel to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected to one another in ways they may not yet realize.



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

**WTB BOOK CLUB**  
**READING LIST**  
**2024 - 2025**



October 14 American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins

November 11 Moloka'i by Alan Brennert

December 9 No Land to Light On: A Novel by Yara Zgheib

January 13 The Cost of Free Land: Jews, Lakota, and an American Inheritance by Rebecca Clarren

February 10 The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson

March 10 There, There, by Tommy Orange

April 14 The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride



# FEBRUARY SCHMAI

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 19th

**TIME:** 1:00 pm

**WHERE:** [Kabab Guys](#)

**ADDRESS:** 3179 Erie Blvd. E.  
170 Dewitt Town Center  
Syracuse, NY 13214

**Kabab Guys** is a bright Mediterranean eatery with vibrant art. It brings the delicious flavors of Middle Eastern cuisine to the heart of Central New York. The menu features a delicious array of freshly grilled kababs, savory falafels, and authentic Mediterranean dishes made with high-quality ingredients and traditional recipes.



## REFUGEE SEWING



The current class is coming to a close. On February 6, students will receive their donated sewing machine and have time to practice with it. Then it will be stored until the final class on February 13 for more practice, and selection of fabric and other sewing items to take home along with their machine. We teachers have enjoyed working with these students from Afghanistan, Syria, and Sudan.

There will be a week off due to the school winter break, then a new class will begin on January 27. Visitors are always welcome.

I am so concerned about the cessation of refugee arrivals. These are people who assisted the American military while we were trying to help their government. They have been assessed by the United Nations, who provided basic necessities to them while they were in refugee camps before they were resettled in various host countries like the United States. I have met so many refugees who are already here and they are warm and welcoming and want to treat me to tea and cookies and complete meals when I visit them at their home. I am showered with hugs and kisses by women who have very little English but are delighted to meet an American who isn't a paid case worker or medical staff. Sometimes we use Google Translate to chat for a while before I go. Please pray that these fine families will again be admitted after the promised re-examination of the government policy.

Jennifer

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# **I'm Not Just February**

by Annette Wynne

I'm not just February  
With winds that blow  
All day, and piled-up snow;  
I'm Washington and Lincoln, too,  
Who kept our country's flag for you!  
I'm Valentine of airy grace—  
With golden hearts and hearts of lace  
And pretty cards that people send,  
Quite as a secret, to a friend.  
Though I am short of days and small,  
I'm quite a big month, after all!

