

# Women Transcending Boundaries Monthly Newsletter



All information also available on our website [wtb.org](http://wtb.org)

March 2025

## MAKE BLANKETS

Sunday, March 23 12:20 - 3:30 pm

[Church of the Latter Day Saints](#)

4889 Bear Rd. Liverpool

## Come Make Blankets for Local Children in March

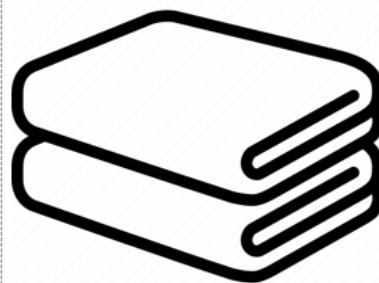
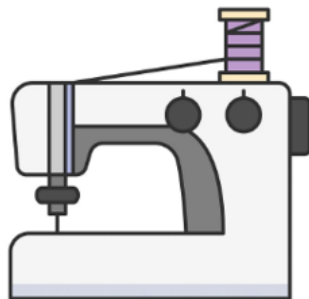
Mark your calendar for **Sunday, March 23** when we will join with women of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to make blankets for local charities. Our handiwork will be donated to [Sleep in Heavenly Peace](#) (builds beds for children) and the [McMahon Ryan Child Advocacy Center](#).

We have invited representatives from the two organizations to come explain their important work.

Come at 12:30 for lunch and we'll start making the blankets at 1:30.

**Please RSVP** at [wbtbcny@gmail.com](mailto:wbtbcny@gmail.com) if you'll be attending the lunch.

The [church](#) is located at 4889 Bear Road in Liverpool. *Click underlined type for directions.*





# 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](mailto: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

## 2025–2026 MEMBERSHIP FORM

[for the program year July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026]

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 except for Council, Advisory Board, or Standing Committee members.*

I am a Council, Advisory Board, or Standing Committee member and, as such, am required to pay dues.

**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!*

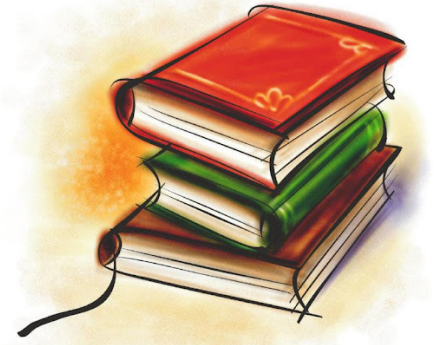
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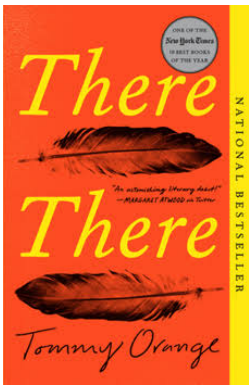
**Please submit this completed form at any WTB meeting or by mail to the address at the top of this form.**

*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.*

# WTB Book Club



March 10  
7-9 pm via zoom

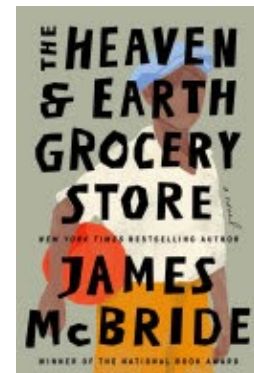


## There, There by Tommy Orange

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.

April 14  
7-9 pm via zoom

*The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* is a novel by American writer [James McBride](#). It was released in 2023 to critical success. The novel tells the story of Black and Jewish residents of the Chicken Hill neighborhood of [Pottstown, Pennsylvania](#), in the 1920s and '30s.



The book club members are voting for the next titles they want to read in the next several months. There are 22 books on the recommended list and each person can vote for up to ten. It's a pretty good list - at this time there are NO titles without any votes. We will discuss the outcome of the voting at the March 10 discussion of There, There by Tommy Orange, deciding how many to choose and what order we want to read. If you would like to join the book club either in person or on Zoom, please call or text Jennifer at 315-345-9217

## REFUGEE SEWING



February 27 was the final day of second session of the 2024-2025 year. Students chose what they wanted from seven boxes of fabric, and a large box of lace and over 100 rolls of ribbon. There were also two bins of plastic storage boxes and clear plastic zipper bags. After bestowing hugs and thank yous, students struggled out carrying their donated sewing machines and bins and bags of sewing supplies with big smiles on their faces.

March 6 was the first day of a new session. Only three students showed up, but they called friends to let them know that we have room for them; We expect an additional three students next week, leaving two spaces for anyone who expresses interest.

Because of federal cuts, the local refugee resettlement agencies have had to cut staff, affecting the refugees who are new to our area. That includes CYO, the resettlement branch of Catholic Charities. The caseworker who was planning to bring a few of the women in her women's group lost her job as well.

Jennifer

315-345-9217

# HOLIDAYS IN MARCH

**Ramadan** (2/28 - 3/29) is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. It is observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community.



**Women's History Month** is an annual observance to highlight the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society.



**Mardi Gras** is a festive day and celebration that takes place on Fat Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday. It's a time of feasting and partying that marks the beginning of Lent.



**Lent** which begins March 5 is the solemn Christian religious observance in the liturgical year in preparation for Easter. It echoes the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the desert.



**Saint Patrick's Day**, or the Feast of Saint Patrick, is a religious and cultural holiday held on 17 March, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick, the foremost patron saint of Ireland.



## NO MARCH SCHMAI

But still opportunities to gather informally.

We are having two meetups in **April**. These are informal--kind of like Schmais--and came up in our discussion of March holidays during the ice cream social. Anyone who is interested can meet us at the event and we will eat together.



1) Friday, April 4th at 5 pm. Lenten Fish Fry. [Blessed Sacrament Church](#) 3127 James Street, Syracuse 13206

2) Wednesday, April 30th at 5 pm. All Saints Vegetarian Dinner to benefit Friends of Dorothy House. [All Saints Church Center](#), 1340 Lancaster Ave.,

### Fish Fry & Lenten Meal Guide



"Springtime is the land awakening.  
The March winds are the morning  
yawn." —Lewis Grizzard

