

*Temple Akiba Sisterhood is the organization of the women of our congregation who join together in friendship to benefit our Temple and our community. It is the link between our homes and our synagogue providing us the opportunity to serve our faith and by so doing to be an example to our families. It is our source of inspiration to follow various avenues of action benefiting our members, the Congregation and the global Jewish community.*

*Sisterhood needs the support of all of the women of our Congregation. Our programs, activities and donations benefit our Congregation and our community. We meet for social and spiritual activities, for study, and above all for the growth of the individual so that each woman may find an opportunity to fulfill her potential as a woman. Sisterhood provides the arena for us to expand and grow in a Jewish atmosphere. As a member of Sisterhood, we join with Women of Reform Judaism supporting issues affecting women and families around the world.*

*We invite you to learn about Sisterhood by contacting us with any questions you might have; we invite you to experience Sisterhood by attending our monthly meetings and programs; we invite you to share in the fulfillment achieved in supporting our Temple through your membership in Sisterhood.*



***Who provides the Oneg Shabbats and sponsors them when there is not a special event?***

***Who provides Catering and Condolence services on occasions of joy or sorrow?***

***Who provides the Youth and Adult B'nai Mitzvah gifts?***

***Who provides Prayer books for Hebrew School students?***

***Who provides the Religious School and Early Childhood Center gifts celebrating the High Holy Days, Chanukah and Tu B'Shvat?***

***Who provides the Confirmands with gifts & donations in their name?***

***Who provides the Temple Akiba Congregation with Yom Kippur challahs?***

***Who provides annual funding to the Temple Akiba general fund?***

***Who provides a beautiful Judaic Gift Shop?***

***Who supports the Women of Reform Judaism's YES Fund which in turn supports our future Rabbis and Cantors?***

## ***Temple Akiba Sisterhood***



## ***Women of Reform Judaism***

*Temple Akiba Sisterhood is an affiliate of WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism), an organization of more than 500 Sisterhoods with over 75,000 members in the United States, Canada, Israel, South Africa, South America, Australia, and Spain. Founded in 1913, the WRJ was created in order to affirm and celebrate the ideas, insights and perspectives of Jewish women.*

*At the heart of WRJ are the shared goals of engagement in spirituality, a commitment to the creation of a vital Reform Jewish community and advocacy on critical issues to fulfill the spiritual mandate of Tikkun Olam. WRJ Sisterhoods represent women from every walk of life around the world. Through WRJ, Sisterhoods serve Jewish and humanitarian causes through communication with elected officials, participation in coalitions including the RAC (Religious Action Center), and attendance at meetings, briefings, conferences and rallies.*

*WRJ's YES Fund (Youth, Education, and Special Projects) provides scholarship assistance for students at the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion and supports activities for high school and college age youth through NFTY (North American Federation of Temple Youth). WRJ is also the patron body of the JBI International. WRJ achieves what no individual or Sisterhood could accomplish alone, by using collective funds to ensure the future of Progressive Judaism in North America, Israel, and around the world.*

## Be Counted as a Woman of Reform Judaism

Annual Membership (place checkmark)

Rebecca \$45\_\_\_  
Rachel \$54\_\_\_  
Miriam \$72\_\_\_  
Leah \$90\_\_\_  
Sarah \$108\_\_\_

### Associate – Men Only

Abraham \$18\_\_\_  
Isaac \$36\_\_\_  
Jacob \$72\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

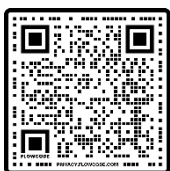
Birthday Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to receive a Membership Directory

### I would like to help with:

- Bagging Gifts     Fundraisers     Programs  
 Catering     Mailings     Social Action  
 Chanukah Boutique     Oneg Shabbats     Social Media  
 Condolence     Phoning

Mail to:  
Temple Akiba Sisterhood  
5249 S. Sepulveda Blvd.  
Culver City, CA 90230



To register  
online, scan  
this code

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Who can join?

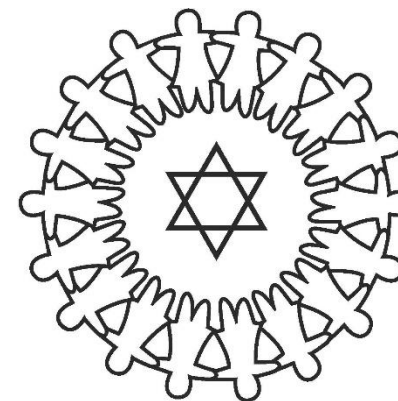
Sisterhood membership is open to all women. We have members who are young and "young at heart". We share a desire to support Temple Akiba and our community while making great friends in the process.

### Where do my dues go?

Your Sisterhood dues payment includes membership in Women of Reform Judaism, the Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which serves Jewish and humanitarian causes throughout the world (\$18 to WRJ). Also, \$5 per member is pledged to the YES Fund. In addition, \$100 is paid annually to the JBI International, as well as \$50 to the World Union of Progressive Judaism. The remainder of your dues goes to the operating budget of Temple Akiba Sisterhood and the programs and projects we support.

### I don't have time to participate, why should I join?

Our programs and activities are scheduled at various times including evenings and weekends. Even if you are unable to attend or volunteer, your dues help us to support Temple Akiba and the Judaic community for as little as \$.12 per day.



## TEMPLE AKIBA SISTERHOOD

### Women of Reform Judaism

#### Stronger Together

"If I am not for myself, then who will be for me?  
If I am only for myself, then what am I?  
If not now, when?"  
Hillel, Mishnah



#### Ensuring the Future

"I did not find this world desolate when I entered it. My parents planted for me before I was born. So I plant for those who will come after me."  
Talmud



#### Creating Bonds

"Let all who work for the congregation do so for the sake of heaven; the merit of their ancestors will sustain them and, as a result, their righteousness will remain forever."  
Pirke Avot 2:2

