SISTERHOOD TORAH FUND BOOK CLUB 2017-2018 Facilitated by Rachel Kamin, CLC Director

Join us after Shabbat Kiddush in the Grossinger-Brickman Activity Room on Saturdays at 12:30 pm to discuss these fabulous books. Participants are encouraged to make a minimum donation of \$54 to the Torah Fund Campaign. Copies of the books are available in the Maxwell Abbell Library and from public libraries, as well as from local and online booksellers.



September 9, 2017 Waking Lions by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen

Fleeing the scene after accidentally running down an African migrant, a neurosurgeon with a seemingly idyllic life resorts to extreme lengths to save his family and his reputation. Available in Hebrew and in English.



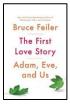
October 21, 2017 Moonglow by Michael Chabon

A man bears witness to his grandfather's deathbed confessions, which reveal his family's long-buried history and his involvement in a mail-order novelty company, World War II, and the space program.



<u>December 2, 2017</u> *Windy City Blues* by Renee Rosen

When her piano talents are discovered by a record company, Leeba becomes an accomplished songwriter and friend to several blues legends before her romance with a black guitarist is met by racism and anti-Semitism in segregated Chicago during the civil rights era. *Part of the Spertus One Book One Community program, NSS Beth El will host the author on Thursday, November 30 at 7pm.*



January 13, 2018

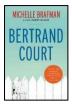
The First Love Story by Bruce Feiler

Presents a revelatory account of Adam and Eve's symbolism as central figures in western imagination and their role in shaping humanity's deepest feelings about relationships, family, and togetherness. *Rabbi Michael Schwab will join us to provide his insight and expertise.*



SUNDAY, January 28, 2018 at 12:00pm The Inquisitor's Tale by Adam Gidwitz

The Sisterhood Torah Fund Book Club will co-host a special Inter-Generational Family Book Club with members of the Beth El Youth Community to discuss this award-winning children's book and participate in a SKYPE conversation with the author. All 3rd-7th graders and adult readers of all ages are encouraged to attend!



March 10, 2018

Bertrand Court by Michelle Brafman

The author of *Washing the Dead* intertwines seventeen luminous narratives about the secrets of an unforgettable cast of politicos, filmmakers, and housewives, all tied to a suburban cul-de-sac.

Our discussion will be facilitated by the author.



April 21, 2018

Jumping Over Shadows: A Memoir by Annette Gendler

Like her Great-Aunt Resi, Annette Gendler, a German, fell in love with a Jewish man. But, unlike her aunt, whose marriage was destroyed by "the Nazi times," Gendler found a way to make her impossible love survive.

Meet the author at NSS Beth El on Tuesday, April 17 at 7:45pm.



June 2, 2018 And After the Fire by Lauren Belfer

A tale inspired by historical events traces the experiences of two women whose lives are transformed by a mysterious Johann Sebastian Bach choral masterpiece.

SISTERHOOD TORAH FUND BOOK CLUB PAST SELECTIONS

Enchanted Islands
Allison Amend

The UnAmericans: Stories
Molly Antopol

The Middlesteins
Jami Attenberg

Fugitive Colors
Lisa Barr

The Paris Architect
Charles Belfoure

The Dream Harry Bernstein

*The Betrayers*David Bezmozgis

Washing the Dead Michelle Brafman

Ask for a Convertible
Danit Brown

The Hours Count
Jillian Cantor

What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank Nathan Englander

Jacob's Oath
The List
Martin Fletcher

The Ice Cream Queen of Orchard Street Susan Jane Gilman

> One More River Mary Glickman

A Backpack, A Bear, and Eight Crates of Vodka Lev Golinkin

An Officer and a Spy Robert Harris

The Dovekeepers
The Marriage of Opposites
Alice Hoffman

All Other Nights
Dara Horn

Sinners and the Sea: The Untold Story of Noah's Wife Rebecca Kanner

> *By Fire, By Water* Mitchell James Kaplan

Second Person Singular Sayed Kashua

The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit The Arrogant Years Lucette Lagnado

The Family
David Laskin

After Abel and Other Stories
Michal Lemberger

Wherever You Go Joan Leegant

The Day of Atonement
David Liss

The Two-Family House Lynda Cohen Loigman

Songs for the Butcher's Daughter
Peter Manseau

The Glass Room
Simon Mawer

The Children Act
Ian McEwan

The Glass Wives Amy Sue Nathan

American Ghost Janis Owens

Day for Night
Frederick Reiken

The Imperial Wife Irina Reyn A Day of Small Beginnings Lisa Pearl Rosenbaum

> Sarah's Key Tatiana de Rosnay

The Hired Girl Laura Amy Schlitz

Empire Settings
David Schmahmann

The Innocents
Francesca Segal

My Russian Grandmother and Her American Vacuum Cleaner Meir Shalev

Tomorrow There Will Be Apricots
Jessica Soffer

This is Where I Leave You Jonathan Tropper

The Golem and the Jinni Helene Wecker

The Marriage Artist
Andrew Winer

The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem Sarit Yishai-Levi