

SPEAKERS

Author Diamant to open meeting

Author Anita Diamant will deliver the keynote speech for the opening meeting of the National Council of Jewish Women/Cleveland at 1 p.m. Wednesday, at Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, 23737 Fairmount Blvd., Beachwood.

Diamant has written five novels and five guidebooks on Jewish living, including "How to Raise a Jewish Child" and "Saying Kaddish: How to Comfort the Dying, Bury the Dead and Mourn as a Jew."

Her first novel, "The Red Tent," inspired by a few lines of Genesis, became a best seller and was made into a television miniseries. Her latest novel, "The Boston Girl," is set in the early 1900s and looks at the relationships between immigrant parents and their children.

Tickets for the program, "Weaving Our Stories Together: An Afternoon with Anita Diamant," are \$25, which includes a dessert reception. Tickets for a luncheon with the author, at 11 a.m. at Fairmount Temple, are \$75 and \$125.

For information, go to ncjwcleveland.org. To register, call 216-378-2204.

— Joanna Connors, *The Plain Dealer*