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Treatment and philosophy of the "dis-ease" of addiction

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Abstract

With Harriet as its guiding spirit for over 25 years, she has sustained Beit T'Shuvah's mission, and it in turn the mission has sustained her. She has become something of a "Relationship Guru", nurturing budding and fragile sober relationships that have in many cases turned into marriages and full-blown families. For Harriet, the greatest reward is witnessing and participating in the miracle of transformation. A mission with a beating heart, her living message is that *everyone* is capable of redemption, which is why she empowers the residents of Beit T'Shuvah with employment, hiring 90% of her staff from within. Today they are the lifeblood of the organization.

Biography

Harriet Rossetto is a rebel spirit. She is a self-professed misfit who felt she was operating her life on the fringe. It is there that she found her fierce calling: helping broken souls and changing a broken system. Harriet received her Masters in Social Work from the University of Minnesota in 1964. Harriet is now a much sought-after speaker in synagogues and community groups as well as a trainer for the National Association of Social Workers. Harriet's latest noteworthy project is her upcoming book *Sacred Housekeeping,* A Spiritual Memoir. A woman unafraid of risk and ridicule in her quest for doing 'the next right thing,' she has lived long enough to see the world just beginning to catch up with her.