



National Council of Jewish Women Greater Detroit Section

Celebrating 125 Years of Social Change



Fall Focus 2016

with Jack Lessenberry

"THE ELECTION: WHAT JUST HAPPENED?"

Wednesday. November 16th at 7:00pm

Temple Shir Shalom, 3999 Walnut Lake, West Bloomfield. Join us as Jack Lessenberry shares his special take on this past election. Jack is the WUOM/FM Senior Political Analyst for NPR. He promises to give us a fascinating look at our election process. He will explain how and why we ended up with the result we did.

Cost: \$10 for NCJW MEMBERS \$15 for NON-MEMBERS

To make your reservation with payment, send a check made payable to NCJW/Greater Detroit to the office, call the office to pay by credit card, or pay online at www.NCJWGDS.org.

See you on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Temple Shir Shalom

Chairs: Janet Moses, Sue Simon

PACKAGED TRIBUTE CARDS ARE BIG NEWS



NCJW/Greater Detroit is well-stocked with packages of five tribute cards for sale.

If you are in need of a card to acknowledge a special life event or remember a

special person, we "headline" Thinking of You and Celebrate cards along with our generic blue card. "News worthy" too are the All Kids Playground and Back 2 School Store cards.... perfect for supporting causes you believe in and care about.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Sandi Matz

Even though the High Holidays are behind us as you read this, and those special days are days of reflection and introspection, it is still a good idea to look back at the past, look at the present of

today, look to the future of tomorrow, and the day after that. What did we do yesterday to make our lives better, what did we do yesterday to make the lives of others better? I know every day I try to improve the lives of women, children, and families, as President of NCJW/Greater Detroit. My goal each day is to strive to do better than the day before and reach out to more people in the community. However, what do I do to make my life better? I know that by helping others and reaching out to the community at large that I will recognize a sense of accomplishment, thus making my life better. In just a few months since becoming President I have learned a tremendous amount. I have such wonderful support from the Board of Directors, especially the Past Presidents who guide, mentor, yet let me find my own way.

Speaking of the past, last month we were privileged to hear three wonderful speakers at our Women of Vision Benefit Luncheon. The event was expertly chaired by Myrna Edgar, Suzanne Lasser, and Susie Serwer. The community feedback was astonishing after hearing our keynote speaker, Jenna Bush Hager. Ms. Hager was charming and she loved us as much as we loved her. We were also delighted with the speeches made by our awardees, Ellie

Slovis for the Josephine S. Weiner Community Service Award and Alicia Stillman for the Woman of Vision Award. It was a wonderful day of learning, shopping and of course eating.

Speaking of learning, our public affairs chairs, Florence Herrmann, Sharon Leider and Margo Stocker chaired a forum on voter redistricting in Michigan, and Catherine Cantor and Sharyn Gallatin chaired a symposium on Human Trafficking Awareness with advisor Susan Marwil.

As we look toward the future we are looking for more ways to educate the community on a variety of topics. NCJW/Greater Detroit's programming is just one way to learn and advocate on behalf of others who cannot necessarily do so for themselves. Our opening Fall Meeting, called Fall Focus will feature Jack Lessenberry, NPR political commentator, chaired by Janet Moses and Suzanne Simon. As part of the JCC Book Fair we will hear two authors speak with a similar theme about wives. Maria Benedict wrote The Other Einstein and Irina Reyn wrote The Imperial Wife. Also, watch your mail for a Chanukah greeting from NCJW/Greater Detroit which is a part of our annual support campaign.

As always, I look forward to seeing you at events as well as in our office. Stop by and say hello, and if you are not already, become involved in NCJW and you too can make a difference in the lives of women, children, and families.

Warmly,

Sandi

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

The Nominating and Leadership Committee will be meeting to select officers, members of the Board of Directors, and Advisory Directors for National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section for the 2016-2017 year.

Qualifications: A strong commitment to the mission of NCJW, dedication to community responsibility, willingness to provide financial support and the time to attend monthly Board meetings, committee meetings and our many events.

Self-nomination is appreciated, as well as nominations of associates who you believe will be an asset to our organization. All recommendations are confidential and must be submitted by Friday, November 18, 2016.

Nomination forms may be obtained by calling the office. Please send recommendations with your rationale to mail@ncjwgds.org.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Susan Gertner

We are very fortunate to have over 1500 members and many non-member donors and volunteers who support our organization. When I say support, I mean through their time and/or through their financial support. Both are essential to our organization. Of our over 1500 members, 80% are life members. Some have been life members for a year or two and

others 40 or 50 years. We encourage all of our members to become involved in your NCJW/Greater Detroit in the best way you can. I tell new members there are many ways to become involved on what I call a spectrum. You can participate in a one-time community service project, become a member of one of our many committees, attend a program, respond to one of our Action Alerts, make an annual donation, or become a board member or officer. Find the right way for you to become involved, but please become involved, we need you. We need all of you!

As you know, we provide over 1200 backpacks filled with school supplies to children in need in Oakland County through the Oakland Schools Student Homeless Education program and Jewish Family Service. This is a very costly program, but an essential one as we are providing the tools for a child to start the school year and have an opportunity to be successful. We recently received a donation from the family of Claire and Arthur (z'l) Kretchmer to start the Claire and Arthur (z'l) Kretchmer Backpack Project Fund. On behalf of the children who will benefit from their generosity, we thank Claire's family and are so appreciative of their support. It is a great way to honor a family member and support NCJW/Greater Detroit at the same time. To learn more about establishing a name fund, please give me a call. I would love to hear from you.

We have had a recent staff change in our office, and I welcome Lori Eisenberg to NCJW/Greater Detroit as our new Bookkeeper. Please stop by to say hello the next time you are in our office.

This being an election year, I hope you will make sure to vote in November. It is an important election. After the election, we will continue to work on our issues at the local, state, and national levels. If you do not receive our email Action Alerts, please make sure to email our office, mail@ncjwgds.org to get on our list. These emails will update you on the issues we are addressing. Please also join us at our Fall Focus 2016, Wednesday, November 16th, 7pm, at Temple Shir Shalom, with speaker Jack

Lessenberry, NPR Senior Political Analyst. He will be speaking about "The Election: What Just Happened?" It is sure to be a fascinating evening and one you won't want to miss.

Project Friendship

KADIMA LOVES NCJW! That was the theme at the 125th Anniversary celebration (Sunday Brunch) with Project Friendship clients and NCJW volunteers. We have provided these bi-weekly brunches for the clients of Kadima with mental health challenges, for the past 19 years.

The Project Friendship clients wanted to do something special for NCJW, to show their gratitude and appreciation for all of our support. The Activities Director, Carol Plewka, designed a poster with a radiant sun and rays of light coming from the sun. The sun was NCJW and the rays of light were the thoughts of both clients and volunteers describing how the experiences impacted them.

The framed poster completed by the clients was presented to the entire NCJW board, by Carol, at the September 15th Board Meeting. Our hope is that its presence in the Board Room will be a reminder to everyone of the importance of Project Friendship to Kadima clients and the entire community at large.

If you enjoy adding sunshine to someone's life, want to leave with a feeling of accomplishment, and with the knowledge that you have received more than you have given, then this may be a wonderful volunteer opportunity for you. If interested, contact the NCJW office.

Please join us at one of our upcoming events on Sundays 10:30am - 1:00pm:

November 6 - IMAX Theater

November 20 - Harvest Meal and Gratitude Project

December 4 - Bingo and Brunch

December 18 - Chanukah Party

January 8 - Bowling and Pizza

January 22 - Tu B'Shevat Brunch

Chairs: Barbara Berger, Sandy Weiss, Carol Wiseman







Jewish Youth Awards

NCJW/Greater Detroit is proud to continue its tradition of honoring outstanding high school seniors with its annual Jewish Youth Awards. Candidates will be judged on a written essay and on their leadership both in the Jewish and/or secular communities. The program is open to Jewish High School seniors, and all are encouraged to apply. Unrestricted funds totaling \$6500 will be awarded to eight finalists during an awards ceremony on Tuesday, April 25 2017. Applications are due February 28, 2017. Judging is Sunday, April 23, 2017. Application information and requirements are available at www.ncjwgds.org.

Chairs: Lauren Mandel, Julie Silberg



Bookstock 2017. **Have** fun while giving back to the community!

Your volunteer hours turn into dollars. Last year NCJW volunteers worked 1265.5 hours which raised funds for our literacy programs and projects. Let's do it again in 2017!

We are sorting for Bookstock every Wednesday until April (except for the Jewish holidays) at the JCC, rooms 107 B and C from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

The Colossal Collections dates are Sundays October 23, December 4, January 8, February 12, and March 19. On those days we collect books from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and sort them until 3:00 pm.

The dates of the sale at Laurel Park Place in Livonia are Sunday, April 23- Sunday, April 30.

NCJW's special Bookstock date is Wednesday, April 26. If you cannot work that day, sign up for another day – be sure to sign up as an NCJW volunteer.

Chairs: Deede Auster, Charlene Green, Sue Rollinger, Fran Stern



We are in the middle of our annual "Shoes to Share" Project. We connect with many public and private schools as well as some synagogues, and ask the parents to bring in children's and adult shoes that they are no longer wearing. These shoes are then donated to social service agencies in Oakland and Wayne counties to help children and adults in need. Last year we collected over 2,000 pairs of shoes!

The shoe collection began October 14th and ended on October 28th.

Between November 1st and November 13th we will be sorting these shoes at the NCJW building, suite 100 on the first floor. We really need the help of our NCJW members. This is a great opportunity for many of you to get involved in a great community service project!

If you can volunteer your time for shoe sorting from 10:00am to 12:00pm, or 12:00pm to 2:00pm on any of the dates from November 1st through 13th (excluding November 5th, 6th, and 12th), please call the office and let them know when you are available to volunteer.

Thank you so much for your time and attention to this important project to help our community.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Chairs: Gail Katz, Ellie Slovis, Ruth Zerin

New Branch of NCJW/Greater Detroit

Wanted: Women in their 20's, 30's, and 40's

Are you interested in evening get-togethers and interaction with peers?

Would you like to create community service projects that support NCJW/Greater Detroit's mission of improving the quality of life for women, children, and families?

We invite you to join this new group and be in on its planning stages. Please let us know your interest and evenings that you are available by calling our office: 248-355-3300, ext. 0.

NCJW members: If you know of any women who fall into this category, please forward this information on to them.

Advisors: Carol Klein, Susan Marwil



ANNUAL SUPPORT

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NCJW, Inc and NCJW/Greater Detroit

NCJW, Inc. is our national organization. In communities around the country and around the globe, NCJW is a powerful union of women with forward thinking ideals and Jewish values. We are driven by "a faith in the future, a belief in action."

As an NCJW section, we impact our community and the world at large by joining with 90,000 individuals in other sections across the country, who strive to improve the lives of women, children, and families.

Our national organization inspires us with the many projects and programs that are designed to meet these goals. Some examples are:

- In Washington, D.C., Israel and across the U.S., NCJW is an important partner and leader in collaborative work to effect public policy change on a wide range of domestic and international issues.
- NCJW, Inc. shares public policy expertise on issues of concern to NCJW, representing the organization in state capitals.
- BenchMark: NCJW's campaign to save Roe v Wade acts to educate and mobilize NCJW members to ensure a federal bench with judges who will protect women's right to reproductive choice.
- StoP: NCJW's Strategies to Prevent Domestic Violence facilitates education, outreach, and advocacy.
- The NCJW Women and Gender Studies Program at Tel Aviv University is the first bachelor's degree program of its kind in the Middle East, offering an interdisciplinary analysis of issues impacting women and other minorities.

What unifies our 90,000 members and supporters around the country is a belief in what NCJW stands for, that progressive ideals put into meaningful action can improve the world.

NCJW, Inc. SUPPORTS OUR SECTION AND NCJW/GREATER DETROIT SUPPORTS OUR NATIONAL ORGANIZATION THROUGH ANNUAL SUPPORT

WE ARE CONNECTED!

Chairs: Joyce Rubenstein, Paula Wolfe



Welcome Lori

We welcome Lori Eisenberg as the newest office staff. Lori joins NCJW/Greater Detroit as our Bookkeeper. Please stop by and welcome her to NCJW/Greater Detroit.

AWARDS

Nominations Sought for the 24th Annual 8 Over 80 Award and the Ann Rubin Volunteer Award

National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section is proud to have had several of our members recognized for their contribution to the Jewish community as recipients of the prestigious 8 Over 80 Award given by Jewish Senior Life of Metropolitan Detroit.

This award is given to eight members of the community who have practiced Tikkun Olam, and whose activities have strengthened Jewish identity. These honorees are dedicated to a particular belief and/or cause and the kind of challenges faced while volunteering. They have demonstrated leadership ability for the benefit of many, and their current involvement has an impact on the community. This year's award ceremony will be held at Adat Shalom Synagogue on Sunday, May 21, 2017 at 11:00 AM.

The Ann Rubin Volunteer Award is given to a member of the community who works on behalf of NCJW/Greater Detroit in a way that contributes to our mandate of service for the welfare of others. This individual must be an NCJW member and currently NOT a board member or officer. This award will be presented at our annual Installation in May, 2017.

Please submit names of deserving candidates, for both awards, who meet the criteria described above, with a rationale for their nomination to Beverly Stone at beverlystone@aol.com. There will be a meeting scheduled to discuss all the suggested nominees.

The deadline for submitting names is December 15, 2016.

Chairs: Ruth Klueger, Beverly Stone



Tutors Rock!

We are excited to report that our tutoring program for NCJW Literacy Outreach is well underway! There are twenty tutors joining us this year at Coleman A. Young Elementary School (CAY) or Yeshivas Darchei Torah.

Opportunities to be involved at CAY other than tutoring 1st and 2nd grade students are reading to classes once a month or helping to organize books and materials in the library.

If you have time on your hands, and would love to feel the warmth of a child's smile when success is in reach, then this is the activity for you. It will "make your day!"

We were thrilled to receive a warm and meaningful thank you letter from the principal of Darchei Torah!

"Dear Judi and Ruth:

It has been a pleasure to work with the NCJW this year. We have benefitted greatly from the volunteers who have come to work with our students. They have been a great asset to our school and the children gained new skills and looked forward to being able to work individually with them.

At this time we also thank you very much for bringing Marcia Fishman to speak with our students. Her talk was both informative and engaging. Response from our staff and students was very positive - everyone enjoyed while learning about the writing process...

Thank you again and thank you to all the NCJW volunteers who make this programming possible.

Sincerely,

Sara M. Kahn Hindy Levine."

Chairs: Amy Cutler, Carol Rosenfeld



KOSHER MEALS ON WHEELS

Provides two nutritious kosher meals five days a week to those unable to provide for themselves or who have no one to assist them with meal preparation. Meals are packaged and delivered from the kitchen of Jewish Senior Life Prentis Apartments by volunteers of National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section. The kitchen is under the supervision of the Council of Orthodox Rabbis of Greater Detroit.

If you or someone you know is over 60 and...

- ...temporarily unable to prepare meals following hospital stay
- ...disabled and unable to provide meals for themselves
- ...homebound without someone in their home to help with meals
- ...elderly needing assistance maintaining independence in their home

then Meals on Wheels is the answer!

If you are interested or for more information please call 248-592-2313.

This program is provided in cooperation with Jewish Family Service and Jewish Senior Life. Funding is provided by Area Agency on Aging 1-B through the Office of Services to the Aging, and funding through the federal Older Americans Act in compliance with Title V of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, with support from DeRoy Testamentary Foundation and individual donations.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PACK AND DELIVER MEALS - please call 248-967-0967



Meals on Wheels Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

















NCJW/Greater Detroit, held its third annual Back 2 School Store on Sunday, August 7, 2016. After a year of planning with nine social service agencies, shopping, schlepping, setting up, tearing down, packing, and unpacking, we opened our pop-up Store in a new venue in Southwest Detroit.

The smiles were infectious! There was laughter, giggles, and little ones holding a shopping bag bigger than they were! The children were entering grades K through 5. Students were escorted individually through the Store by a personal shopper (volunteer) who helped them "buy" all brand new items. They each received a winter coat, hat, gloves, pants, shirts, underwear, socks, and shoes. They then picked out a backpack which they filled with school supplies, and on their way out of the Store, they chose a new book to add to their shopping experience.

While the children were shopping, their parents or guardians were able to relax or enter the JCRC/AJC Health Fair where they could speak to a physician and have a health screening. There was also an opportunity to talk to Legal Aid. A representative from Home Depot distributed window kits which helps to keep out the draft during the winter.

Mayor Duggan visited the Store and learned about some of the things that NCJW/Greater Detroit does for our community. Fox 2 gave us wonderful coverage. It was truly a day worth celebrating!

We could not have done this without our terrific steering committee and the 300 volunteers who worked all year, setting up the Store, working the day of and tearing down the day after, and our many sponsors and donors.

THANK YOU SO MUCH! We hope to see you next August for our 4th annual Back 2 School Store!

Chairs: Sharyn Gallatin, Lauren Koenigsberg, Sallyjo Levine

Back 2 School Store Tzedakah Box

You may have seen our Back 2 School Store (B2SS) canisters



around town in some of our gracious businesses. We are now offering you the opportunity to have your very own B2SS Tzedakah Box in your home to collect funds for our Back 2 School Store. What a great way to teach your children and grandchildren the meaning of Tzedakah. Just drop your extra change in it each night and you will be surprised how much those boxes will yield for the kids in need.

Please call the NCJW office to arrange to get your B2SS Tzedakah Box.













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An Annual Benefit Luncheon To Support The Projects Of NCJW/Greater Detroit

Thank you to everyone who helped support Women of Vision 2016. On September 8 over 450 guests were at Congregation Shaarey Zedek and were delighted by the speaker presentations of the day. Jenna Bush Hager was the keynote speaker and she imparted her ways of how she "makes a difference."

Ellie Slovis, NCJW board member received the Josephine S. Weiner Community Service Award and Alicia Stillman was presented with the Woman of Vision Award. Many thanks to all who participated, worked on, donated, and attended this wonderful event. Because of you, Women of Vision 2016 was truly exceptional and our community service projects benefited greatly.

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STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



Cathy Cantor



Irma Glaser

September 30th marked 40 years of politicians in Congress using the Hyde Amendment to limit a woman's ability to access safe, legal abortion. This policy, which Congress has approved annually, is a federal ban that denies coverage of abortion to women insured through Medicaid.

Since then, the Hyde Amendment has been expanded to deny coverage to federal employees and their dependents, military service members, Native Americans, Peace Corps volunteers, immigrants, and residents of Washington, D.C. These related bans fall hardest on women struggling to make ends meet, which can have far-reaching consequences. A woman who makes the decision to seek an abortion but is denied is more likely to fall into poverty than a woman who can obtain this care.

This begs the question: since abortion is legal in this country, why are some women who seek

abortion discriminated against simply because of their economic status or their source of insurance?

As Jewish women who believe that each of us is of equal worth, regardless of income, race, gender, or other factors, we find this discrimination unconscionable. We all

deserve the freedom to make personal decisions based on our own religious or moral beliefs and circumstances, including critical decisions about our bodies, health, and family. However we feel about abortion, it is unjust for politicians to enshrine one religious view about abortion into law in order to restrict access to care. Doing so not only risks a woman's health and economic security, but denies her religious liberty, interfering in her ability to make her own faith-informed decisions.

And we are not alone in this view. Polls have shown that a majority of voters across the country disagree with politicians denying women health coverage just because they are poor.

Thankfully, current legislation in Congress would restore this coverage. The Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance (EACH Woman) Act, HR 2972, would end bans on abortion coverage, lifting the federal Hyde Amendment. It would also bar the kind of political interference in the private health insurance market that we have now notoriously experienced in Michigan.

We must remain vigilant in opposing legislation designed to chip away at the right to a safe, legal abortion, whether proposed by state lawmakers or those in Congress. But we must also take proactive steps to stop politicians from interfering with a woman's most important personal decisions. Repealing Hyde with the EACH Woman Act will do just that, ensuring the basic respect that each of us deserves.

SPOUSAL BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

For individuals who have experienced the death of a spouse or partner.

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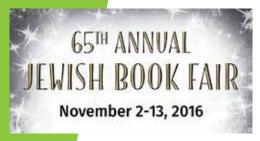


SPA IN ACTION – voter registration

NCJW voter registration at the Oakland Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College for five days.
(L to R) Cathy Cantor, Janet Berman, Joanna Edelson.

PROGRAMMING

The programming committee has been busy planning interesting, enjoyable, and educational programs for the coming year. The following programs have been selected and others will be added as they are confirmed. We hope this brief preview will get you as enthused as we are about them.



65th Annual Jewish Book Fair **Lunch with** the Authors

Thursday, November 10th at 12:00 pm

Jewish Community Center – Marion and David

Handelman Hall

Cost: \$25 for JCC members, \$30 for non-JCC members

NCJW is co-sponsoring two authors:

MARIE BENEDICT, author of *The Other Einstein*. This is the story of Einstein's wife, a brilliant physicist in her own right, whose contribution to the special theory of relativity is hotly debated and may have been inspired by her own profound and very personal insight.

IRINA REYN, author of *The Imperial Wife*. This story questions what female ambition means, both today and in the past, and whether a marriage can withstand an ambitious wife.

To make a reservation, please contact the Berman Center for The Performing Arts box office at www.theberman.org or 248-661-1900. RSVP by Friday, November 4 2016.



Monday, January 9, 2017

Speaker: Dr. Laurie Kohen, Dermatologist Changes That Are Expected in Aging Skin

Time: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Location: NCJW office

Dairy Lunch will be provided

Cost: \$10 members; \$15 non-members Reserve by Thursday, January 5, 2017

Thursday, February 16, 2017

Speaker: Rabbi Alana Alpert
Topic: To Be Announced

Time: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Location: NCJW office

Dairy Lunch will be provided

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Please encourage your friends and family to join NCJW/Greater Detroit during our Spectacular Anniversary year.

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To work with others to develop a new community service project

To make sure an older adult is cared for properly by their guardian

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To pack meals for a disabled or homebound older adult

To help a customer at our re|sale shops

NCJW is the place to bring your skills and interests, meet new friends, learn a new skill and make a difference in the community by volunteering your time.

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