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National Council of Jewish Women
Greater Detroit Section

We Have an Announcement!

We have exciting news! National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section is becoming **National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan (NCJW | MI)**. We invite Jewish women around our state to join our advocacy efforts by signing onto our action alert list and/or becoming a member to support our social justice work.

As we spread throughout Michigan, we will be able to meet with legislators from all corners of our state whose constituents are now members of NCJW. If you know of someone locally, in the Upper Peninsula, or anywhere in between, that may be interested in supporting our work, or joining our efforts, please encourage them to visit our website and become a member. Stay tuned as we revamp our branding with a new website and a new email address. Watch your emails for these changes. If we do not have your email, please email it to mail@ncjwgds.org or if you have unsubscribed to receiving our emails, please email mail@ncjwgds.org.



2017 Fall Focus



There are no more excuses.

**EQUAL
MEANS
EQUAL**

A special screening of a new documentary
EQUAL MEANS EQUAL

directed by Kamala Lopez and Patricia Arquette



Wednesday, November 15th
7:00pm

The Maple Theater
4135 W. Maple Rd, Bloomfield Twp.

*How are women treated in the United States today?
This film follows life stories and precedent-setting
legal cases from gender wage gap and sexual assault,
to child sex-trafficking and foster care.*

*Learn about this deeply flawed system,
and why we must ratify the
ERA Rights Amendment.*

Doors open at 6:30pm. Program will start promptly at 7pm

COST: \$10 for Students • \$15 for NCJW MEMBERS
\$20 for NON-NCJW MEMBERS (includes popcorn and soda)

**For more information or to register for the program, please call
248-355-3000, ext 0. Mail check payable to NCJW/Greater Detroit
to: 26400 Lahser Rd., Suite 306, Southfield, MI 48033,
or pay online at www.NCJWGDS.org.**

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The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Sandi Matz

It is hard to believe that we are almost through the fall season and winter will be soon upon us. As the country, as well as the world at large, has been in turmoil regarding weather for the past few months I am sure we won't mind the cold temperatures and the possible snow days coming in our future. As the climate changes from day to day, so does life at NCJW/Greater Detroit. There is never a dull moment in our busy Southfield office or a down time when we aren't performing community service projects or involved in our advocacy work.

In July, many of us had a wonderful time at the NCJW Games Day Benefit Luncheon, held at Beth AHM Synagogue and chaired by Rosalie Dean and Enid Schatz. This is a fundraiser which benefits our youth programs and it was very successful. Shortly thereafter hundreds of volunteers (parents, children, and grandchildren) showed up to NCJW to sort and pack 1000 backpacks for homeless children in Oakland County and 250 for those identified in need by Jewish Family Service. Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, and Amy Zeskind were the fabulous chairs who organized this worthwhile project. Right on the heels of this project, was the year-long planned Back 2 School Store, chaired by Sharyn Gallatin, Lauren Koenigsberg, and Sallyjo Levine. This dynamic trio ensured that this year NCJW would serve 500 children in need from the city of Detroit, pre-selected by nine different social service agencies. As in the previous years, each child received clothing and school supplies to start off the school year with the right tools for a successful year. Over 300 volunteers participated in this exciting and community driven project. JCRC/AJC was a participant in this event by providing a health fair for parents as they waited for their children. Next up was our annual benefit luncheon, Women of Vision, chaired by Susan Marwil and Susie Serwer. The keynote speaker was New York Times best-selling author, Jennifer Weiner and we honored Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha and Edith Resnick with the Josephine

S. Weiner Community Service Award as well as Dana Nessel as our "Woman of Vision Award" recipient. It was a wonderful day only made possible by time spent by the chairs and their hard working committee.

Going forward we have many programs and projects to enter into your calendars. Shoes to Share sorting days are on our website. Shoes to Share is chaired by Gail Katz and Jeannie Weiner. Shoes are collected from schools and houses of worship and then distributed throughout the community to those in need. Fall Focus will be the unveiling of our section's new name. You won't want to miss this event. Jacqui Elkus and Liz Bank are chairing this special program with the screening of a wonderful movie "Equal Means Equal." The National President of NCJW will also be on hand to welcome the audience. See the front page for more information. In the winter our popular *Nosh & Knowledge* series will return with fascinating speakers. See page 15 for details. Want to become the next Renoir? You will have an opportunity to try your painting skills right at NCJW on Wednesday, February 21 from 7-9 pm. Harriet Dunskey is chairing this evening event that you won't want to miss. Don't forget that Project Friendship brunches and outings take place twice per month for clients of Kadima with Barbara Berger and Carol Wiseman at the helm. Volunteers are always welcome. For the last several months our SPA's (State Policy Advocates) Cathy Cantor and Irma Glaser have been busy providing the community with petitions to rid our state of the harmful gerrymandering that is taking place. Haven't signed one yet, let's remedy that!

Too much to remember right now? No problem. Make sure our office has your email and you will hear about all of these exciting programs. I promise you we will not share your email with anyone.

If you have any questions about what is in this bulletin or about NCJW in general, please do not hesitate to contact me.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Susan Gertner

This past summer, I gathered for 4 days with my closest friends I've known from grade school. We are a sisterhood and get together every year or two. Upon returning from our trip, I thought about the importance of this sisterhood, as well as the sisterhood of NCJW. Not many people can say they go to work each day knowing they are making a difference in the world. I am lucky to say that I can, and that I work closely with a sisterhood of dedicated women. It is amazing to me what we can accomplish together.

This sisterhood of ours is spreading their wings. I am excited to announce that we are changing our name from NCJW/Greater Detroit to NCJW|MI. Our wings are spreading throughout Michigan. We will outreach to Jewish women throughout Michigan, to invite them to join us in our advocacy work, by signing onto our action alert list, and/or becoming a member to support our social justice work. Our outreach will be to Ann Arbor, Flint, Grand Rapids, Petoskey, the Upper Peninsula, and everywhere in between. They will join us, and others around the country, in making a difference in the lives of women, children, and families. When we go to Lansing or D.C., we can now meet with legislators representing our members living throughout Michigan. This will give us an increased opportunity to meet with additional legislators and work with them on issues that are important to us. If you know of someone who might be interested in joining NCJW|MI, please have them visit our website.

Membership is one funding source that helps us do the work we do. We also write grants, invite businesses to sponsor an event, develop name funds that support a particular program/project, and host fundraisers, such as Women of Vision. If you know of a resource for any of the above who can be of support to us, please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming Fall Focus event on November 15th, at the screening of an important film "Equal means Equal" and celebrating our new name.

Project Friendship

The Franklin Cider Mill and Johnson Nature Center was the recent field trip for the clients of Kadima and NCJW's dedicated volunteers. We have provided these twice monthly Sunday Brunches and field trips for Kadima, a mental health agency, for the past 20 years. The Kadima clients especially enjoyed this field trip because of the private party atmosphere provided by the Cider Mill complete with a canopy, tables and chairs, tablecloth, and lots of fresh donuts and cider. The day was completed with a fun and educational walk through the nature trails at the Johnson Nature Center where clients were able to feed the fish and the orphaned deer, and see the Sugar Shack where maple syrup is gathered and processed.



Thank you to all of the terrific volunteers who participated in all of this summer's field trips: Barb and Mike Berger, Marilyn Levine, Diana Lieberman, Anita Reznick, Susan Sabbath, Linda Schwartz, Sandy Weiss, and Carol Wiseman.

Volunteers are always needed for this very rewarding community service project. The clients are very appreciative of our presence, and you can volunteer once or twice a year, or as many times as you are available. Contact the NCJW office at 248-355-3300 ext. 0 if you are interested in volunteering.

UPCOMING PROJECT FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY BRUNCHES:

November 19 - Harvest Meal at Kadima

December 10 - Chanukah Party

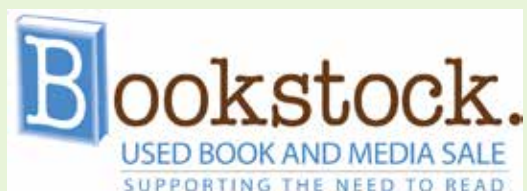
January 7 - Bowling Party and Pizza

January 28 - Tu B'Shevat Celebration

February 11- Brunch and Musical entertainment

February 25 - Purim Celebration

Chairs: Barbara Berger, Sandy Weiss, Carol Wiseman



We appreciate all donations of gently used books, records, CDs, DVDs, and audiobooks.

Colossal Collections are at the West Bloomfield JCC

Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017 11am-1pm

Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018 11am-1pm

Sunday, March 11, 2018 11am-1pm

Every Wednesday, through March 28, 2018, we will be sorting books from 10 am - 2 pm in the JCC lower level, rooms 107 B and C. It's a wonderful way to meet new friends and enjoy seeing some of the great books and records that are donated.

All of our hours worked give NCJW much needed funds for literacy programs and it helps other people appreciate books and reading.

The actual Sale will be Sunday, April 22 to Sunday, April 29, 2018 and our NCJW day will be Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

Hope to see you all there!

Chairs: Deede Auster, Charlene Greene, Fran Stern, Bonnie Tucker.

LITERACY OUTREACH

The "EYES" Have It!

NCJW Literacy Outreach is so privileged to have approximately twenty six tutors so far this year.



Twenty wonderful tutors donate their time Monday and/or Tuesday mornings at Coleman A. Young Elementary School (CAY) in Detroit to further first and second graders' reading achievement. Six dedicated tutors volunteer at Darchei Torah in Southfield on Wednesday afternoons,

assisting students in grades 1-5 in various subject areas.

Another opportunity for involvement is to organize books in the CAY Library. You can

also be eagerly greeted monthly by your choice of grade level excited children, whom you will read to. Thank you to Ruth Zerlin and Janice Goldman for coordinating these CAY activities.

We are preparing to order and provide books for each student in CAY's student body, thanks to donor Arlene Oppenheim. We are also looking forward to enjoying a "special author" visit to each school in March for "March Is Reading Month."

All of the above programs are rewarding and fulfilling to those who participate in them. Please join us!

Chairs: Amy Cutler, Carol Rosenfeld

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. Awards totaling \$5,500 will be given to eight finalists during an awards ceremony on Tuesday, April 24th. Applications are due Monday, February 26, 2018 by 4:30pm. Judging is Sunday, April 22nd. Application information and requirements are available at www.ncjwgds.org.



Chairs: Lauren Mandel, Julie Silberg



STAY AT HOME TEA

...coming in February of 2018

Watch your mailbox!

STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



Cathy Cantor

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." Martin Luther King, Jr.

At NCJW, we fight for social justice on many fronts and in many ways. Our Michigan Interfaith Reproductive Justice Coalition fights for affordable and accessible reproductive health care for women and against legislation designed to weaken the right to abortion granted under Roe v. Wade. Our Equal Pay Day Coalition fights to mandate equal pay for equal work. We advocate to legislators to make the right of voting easier instead of harder, and we register young voters and encourage them to vote. Our Courts Matter Coalition, just in formation, will work to fill vacant judges' spots with competent and fair judges, and educate the community on the importance of electing judges who are committed to upholding our core constitutional values.



Irma Glaser

Recently, several of us attended a training on racial justice, held at Repair the World in Detroit. The Jewish Social

Justice Roundtable sponsored the training and the facilitators were Dove Kent, former director of Jews for Racial & Economic Justice, and Koach Baruch Frazier, an avid advocate for social justice from St. Louis. Detroiters Michelle Martinez and "Mama" Lila Cabbil, two women with vast experience in social justice in Detroit, joined with Dove and Koach to lead the training.

For many of us, the most valuable part of the training was listening to the personal stories, particularly from Mama Lila and Michelle, but also from those who had come from Cleveland, St. Louis, and Minnesota (many of them NCJW members). We left the training realizing that racial justice is as elusive today as it was in the '60's and prior. The issue is so vast and complex, that it requires a great deal of education and self-contemplation. Over the next year, our section will begin the process of educating ourselves on this critical social justice issue. Please watch for emails and Bulletin notices.



Achieving social justice is just not possible unless our legislators are listening and responding to us. Unfortunately, it is not enough to just "get out there and vote," although that is important. There is something equally important that we urge everyone to do: join with the effort of Voters Not Politicians and Count MI Vote to get enough signatures on petitions in order to change the way we create our voting districts in Michigan. This will be done by amending the Michigan Constitution to create a Citizens Redistricting Commission to draw the boundaries of our congressional representatives, state, house and senate, and court of appeals.

Michigan citizens need legislators who are responsive to them in order to achieve social justice. Right now there are so many gerrymandered districts that the politicians don't have to be responsive. In order to accomplish our social justice goals, we absolutely need legislators who listen and respond to their constituents. To find out how you can sign the petition or become a petition gatherer, just call the NCJW office 248-355-3300, ext. 0.

As Maya Angelo so aptly put it: " . . . Equal rights, fair play, justice, are all like the air: we all have it, or none of us has it. That is the truth of it."

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Join NCJW/Greater Detroit for an outstanding and timely program.

"The First Amendment Rights and Wrongs"

**Wed., November 29, 2017, 7:00pm
at the NCJW office**

Are you disturbed by the many "anti" groups speaking hate? How do we counter this speech? Are we protected by our Constitution?

Join us for a panel discussion with:

Kary Moss, moderator, Executive Director of ACLU in Michigan

Barbara L. McQuade, former US Attorney in Detroit serving as deputy chief of the National Security Unit

Robert Sedler, Wayne State University Constitutional Law Professor

Heidi Budaj, Director, Michigan Anti-Defamation League

There is no charge for this program.

Chairs: Florence Herrmann, Margo Stocker

RE|SALE NEWS

shop • donate • benefit community

Your donations, consigned items, and purchases benefit the community. Proceeds enable NCJW to provide the community service projects and advocacy work that we do. Help us spread the word, tell others about our stores—forward our eblasts and share our facebook posts.

Thank you....

to those who recently donated to our special donation collection day at the JCC. Your efforts helped to fill a 17' truck.

Did you know?

That both of our stores pick up donated items at no charge to you. Just call 248-439-6040 and make the arrangements. Consigned items can be picked up for a fee.



Winter coat collection

council re|sale will once again be a recipient of Dubin Cleaners & Laundry winter coat collection. Just drop off your coats at Dubin Cleaners, which will be cleaned and donated to our council re|sale. Dubin Cleaners & Laundry is located at 29975 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills or 6056 Maple Rd., West Bloomfield.

Stay up to date on special sales at both stores.

To ensure you receive our e-blasts, email mail@ncjwgds.org, follow us and share our posts on Facebook, visit www.redesignhomeconsignment.com and stop by our stores.

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on you and your family

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***Together we can brighten the lives of women,
children, and families...***

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a project of NCJW/Greater Detroit

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Back 2 School Store 2018

The committees are busily working on the 5th annual Back 2 School Store, which will open for the children in August 2018. Last year we served 500 children and we are hoping to serve that number again at next year's store. Each child will leave the store with a complete set of clothing including underwear, socks, pants, shirts, a winter coat, gloves, and a hat. They will also receive a backpack filled with school supplies and personal care items. Each child will shop with a personal shopper to choose the clothes they want and be able to leave the store with a complete outfit.



We will also have a resource room, and JCRC/AJC will again have a health fair for adults.

This is an ambitious endeavor and there are many ways YOU can help: work on one of the committees from fundraising to hospitality, work the week of the store setting up or tearing down, volunteer in any capacity on the day of the store. There are so many ways to get involved in this amazing project, pick the one that's right for you. Call the NCJW office if you're interested in joining us to make this project a reality. We look forward to meeting you and thank you for your support!!

**Chairs: Lauren Koenigsberg,
Sallyjo Levine, Jennifer LoPatin**



WOMEN OF VISION 2017

AN ANNUAL BENEFIT LUNCHEON TO SUPPORT THE PROJECTS OF NCJW/GREATER DETROIT

Thank you to everyone who helped support Women of Vision 2017. On October 10th, nearly 400 guests were at Congregation Shaarey Zedek and were delighted by the keynote speaker of the day, author Jennifer Weiner. Edie Resnick and Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha received the Josephine S. Weiner Community Service Award and Dana Nessel 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 2017 was truly exceptional and our community service projects benefited greatly.

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Evening Women's Group

NCJW/Greater Detroit will be adding an Evening Women's Group. The participants for this group are daughters and daughters-in-laws of current NCJW members and others who would like to support NCJW's mission and meet in the evenings. They would possess interest in our NCJW projects and advocacy and would be those who are not available during the day to participate in our community service projects or advocacy work. These participants would meet and plan to build on existing NCJW projects and create projects of their own that align with our NCJW mission.

If you are interested or know anyone who might be, please send the contact information to Weitzman@ncjwgds.org.

Chairs: Carrie Kushner, Lynn Lieberman

Young Women's Group

Thank you to Sabrina Matsil and the Young Women's Group for a very successful fundraiser at Blackfinn Ameripub in Royal Oak. The funds raised from this event were used to purchase personal care items for trafficked women rescued by Alternatives for Girls.

Teen Yellow Pages

10,000 copies of the Teen Yellow Pages have been printed as of this writing. Many thanks to George Nyman for his generosity as the underwriter for this project. The directory focuses on critical topics and offers information and contact numbers of services in Oakland County. The booklet is also available online at www.teenyellowpages.net

Teen Yellow Pages have been distributed to mental health agencies, doctor's offices, police stations, libraries, and to high schools throughout Oakland County.

If you are aware of anyone or an agency in need of the Teen Yellow Pages, please contact the NCJW office.

Chair: Amy Cutler

Nominations Sought

The Nominating and Leadership Committee will be meeting to select members of the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section 2018-2020 board.

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 other events.

Self-nomination is appreciated, as well as nominations of associates whom you believe will be an asset to our organization. All recommendations are confidential and must be submitted by Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017.

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

GOING SOUTH?

Snow Birds -don't miss an issue of the bulletin.

Send us your winter address so we can keep you informed of our Section's happenings.

Contact us at 248.355.3300, ext. 0 or at weitzman@ncjwgds.org. Enjoy your winter!



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Share your passion for NCJW/Greater Detroit with a gift of membership to your daughters and granddaughters. Shopping could not be easier! Annual membership renewal is \$50. Life membership is \$350.

Your contributions are vital to the success of our programs. We thank you for your support and are grateful to have you as a member.

Vice President: Susie Jacob

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Prudence Bernstein
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June 23-September 25, 2017

SPOUSAL BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

THURSDAY EVENINGS

**October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 30,
and December 7**

6:30pm - 8:30pm

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

**There is NO CHARGE
(Donations are appreciated)**

**Location: Congregation Shaarey Zedek
27375 Bell Road, Southfield**

**Registration required.
Please call (248) 355-3300 ext. 0
or e-mail mail@ncjwgds.org**

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

Be part of NCJW/Greater Detroit's
Advocacy "A List!"



We will be placing an ad in the Detroit Jewish News promoting and reaffirming our continuing support for, and advocacy on, NCJW's key issues.

We invite you, your family members, and friends to join us by adding your name(s) to the "A List" included in the ad by **Friday, December 15th**.

Your donation of \$10 per line (single name, "Mr. & Mrs.," or "& Family") will help to defray the cost. The ad will state the following:

Working through our community service projects, education, and advocacy, we continually strive to protect and defend those issues in which we believe so strongly:

- Women's access to family planning and comprehensive healthcare
- Reproductive freedom for all women
- Equal pay for equivalent work
- Protection of voting rights
- A fair and fully staffed federal judiciary
- Access to affordable health care
- Fair and legal immigration policies
- The separation of church and state
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Visit the NCJW website www.ncjwgds.org or contact the NCJW office 248-355-3300, ext. 0, to pay by credit card, or send a check to the office at 26400 Lahser Rd., Suite 306, Southfield, MI 48033.

Be sure to specify the way you wish your name(s) to appear.

NCJW/Greater Detroit BACKPACK PROJECT



A huge thanks to all of you who helped with the Backpack project. Volunteers packed 270 backpacks for Jewish children in need and 1000 backpacks for Oakland Schools to distribute to homeless children in Oakland County. A fun time

was had by all the family members, grandparents, mothers, children and NCJW members. This project brings the community together and teaches children the value of Tzedakah.

Chairs: Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, Amy Zeskind.



WHAT'S HAPPENING??

Be sure you know about the latest NCJW/Greater Detroit events so you don't miss a thing! If you haven't received our announcements by email, or if you have inadvertently unsubscribed, please send your email address to mail@ncjwgds.org. *Confidentiality Statement - We respect the privacy of email addresses by not sharing them or forwarding material without permission. Thank you.*



SAVE THE DATE

"ANYONE CAN PAINT"



**With
guest artist
Steve Wood**

An evening of painting, fun, and laughter. Painting experience not necessary. Bring a friend, or two!

**WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 21, 2018 -- 6:30 pm
at NCJW Office**

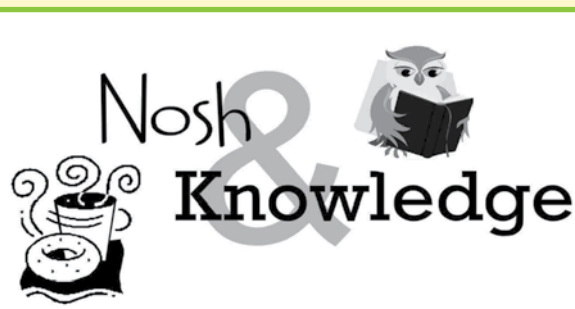
RSVP by Wednesday, February 14th

PRICE:

\$36.00 NCJW members

\$40.00 non-NCJW member

Light refreshments will be served



WHAT'S IN YOUR GENES?

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

University of Michigan
Dr. Jacqueline Jeruss will give
an update on the BRCA Gene

Friday, February 9, 2018

William Beaumont Hospital Genetic
Counseling Specialist Dr. Dana Zakalik
will speak on genetic counseling

Thursday, March 22, 2018

Adat Shalom Synagogue's Rabbi Aaron
Bergman will give the Jewish perspective
on ethics and genetics

Lunch at 12pm – Speaker at 12:30pm

Cost: \$10 for NCJW members

\$15 for non-NCJW members

Sign up for all 3: \$25 for NCJW members

\$40 for non-NCJW members

*To make your reservations with payment,
mail a check to the office made payable
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SARASOTA SNOWBIRDS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018

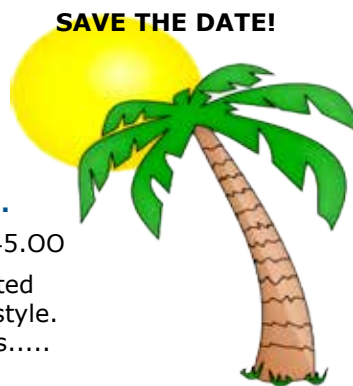
NCJW/Greater Detroit is coming to Florida
for an exciting, ART FILLED "DAY AWAY"

**IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO SIGN UP NOW!
SAVE A SEAT ON THE BUS. SEATS ARE LIMITED.**

NCJW Members: \$40.00 • Non-NCJW members: \$45.00

Cost of lunch not included. You will not be disappointed
at our lunch stop in a private dining room-cafeteria style.
Bring a friend or a spouse! Watch for further updates.....

Chairs: Carol Camiener, Harriet Dunskey.



SAVE THE DATE!

TRIBUTES

as of September 2017

NCJW/Greater Detroit tributes provide major support for our community service projects. At the same time that you honor friends or remember loved ones. **Your tribute purchases are very important.** Tributes can be sent: **Online:** www.ncjwgds.org. **E-mail:** weitzman@ncjwgds.org. **Fax:** 248-355-9951. **Phone:** 248.355.3300, ext. 0, or **Mail:** make check payable to NCJW/Greater Detroit. Be sure to include all address information requested on the tribute form. It's easy to establish a name fund-contact **Sandi Matz**, President, 248.355.3300, ext. 1 for details. **Chairs: Marian Littman, Bobbie Patt**

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National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section is forming a coalition of diverse organizations in our community united in their efforts to ensure a well-functioning federal

judiciary, composed of qualified individuals, who are committed to upholding our core constitutional values. These values include voting rights, worker's rights, the right to privacy, freedom of speech, the separation of church and state, among many others.

Sammie Moshenberg, NCJW Consultant from Washington, DC and Lindsay Morris, Associate Director of NCJW Washington Operations, conducted a workshop on October 19th for the representatives of many Michigan organizational representatives.

There will be more information coming as the Coalition begins to grow. We are excited about this new and significant NCJW endeavor.

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NCJW/Greater Detroit

in cooperation with Jewish Family Service & Jewish Senior Life

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- 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.

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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.

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**Spousal Bereavement Support Group - Thursdays, October 26,
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