

# bulletin

October-December 2018

NCJW | MI

National Council of Jewish Women MICHIGAN

## WOMEN OF VISION 2018

An Annual Benefit to Support the  
Programs of NCJW|MI

Featuring:

### Cecile Richards

Acclaimed Author and Former President  
of Planned Parenthood of America

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11TH**

Adat Shalom Synagogue  
29901 Middlebelt Rd.  
Farmington Hills



#### JOSEPHINE S. WEINER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



**M. CATHERINE  
CANTOR**  
Advocate for  
Social Justice

#### WOMAN OF VISION AWARD



**MONNI MUST**  
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#### SCHEDULE OF THE DAY:

REGISTRATION  
9:30 – 11:45 am

BOUTIQUES  
9:30 am – 3:30 pm

SPEAKER & AWARDS  
PRESENTATION  
11:45 am – 1:00 pm

LUNCHEON & DOOR PRIZES  
1:00 – 2:00 pm

50/50 RAFFLE  
1:45 pm

BOOK SIGNING  
2:00-2:30 pm

248-355-3300, ext. 0 National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan – [www.ncjwmi.org](http://www.ncjwmi.org)

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 PRESIDENTS



**Jennifer LoPatin**



**Sandi Matz**

When you are reading this bulletin we will be halfway through the fall season, summer is in the distant past while winter is in the not so distant future. We look forward to the changing seasons and the new programs and continuing projects that keep us busy during the winter months.

In July, many of us had a wonderful time at the NCJW Games Day Luncheon. It was again held at Beth AHM and was chaired by Rosalie Dean and Enid Schatz. This is an annual fundraiser which this year will benefit our youth projects and was hugely successful. Shortly

thereafter hundreds of volunteers, parents, grandparents, and grandchildren showed up to our office to sort and pack 1200 backpacks for homeless children in Oakland County (K-12) as well as 300 for Jewish children in need identified by Jewish Family Service. Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, and Amy Zeskind were the fabulous chairs who organized this worthwhile project under the guidance of Vice President, Susan Rollinger. Right on the heels of this school oriented project was the year-long planned Back 2 School Store, chaired this year by Lauren Koenigsberg, Sallyjo Levine, and Jennifer LoPatin. This dynamic trio under the advisory of past chair Sharyn Gallatin and Vice President, Susie Jacob, ensured that this year NCJW | MI would serve almost 600 children from the City of Detroit. These children were pre-selected by 15 social service agencies. As in each of the previous 4 years, each child received clothing and school supplies to start off the school year with the right tools for a most successful year. Close to 400 volunteers participated in this exciting and community driven project. Jewish Community Relations Council/AJC provided a multi-faith health fair for the parents while they waited for their children, Lakeshore Legal Aid provided free legal services, and United Way was on hand to offer advice as well.

What's next? We have many programs and projects ahead of us, so please get out your calendars and mark them down. Our annual benefit luncheon, Women of Vision chaired by Lauren Koenigsberg, Sue Lasser, and Susie Serwer with VP Judy Robinson will be held Thursday, October 11 at Adat Shalom. The keynote speaker is former President of Planned

Parenthood, Cecile Richards and this year we will be honoring 2 outstanding community members for their dedication and commitment to the issues that NCJW supports. Cathy Cantor will receive the Josephine S. Weiner Community Service Award and Monni Must will receive the Woman of Vision Award. Please join us to hear our speaker as well as to honor our award recipients and get a head start on your Chanukah shopping at the boutiques. Please see the details for this event throughout the bulletin. Shoes to Share sorting and collection dates are on our website. Shoes to Share is chaired by Gail Katz and Jeannie Weiner under the supervision of VP, Susie Jacob. Gently worn shoes are collected from schools and houses of worship and distributed throughout the community to those in need. Next is Fall Focus. Vice Presidents Amy Cutler, Sharon Leider, and Susan Rollinger are planning an evening about women's issues in Israel as well as NCJW's involvement in Israel, for Thursday, November 1st. Watch for more details. In the winter our popular Nosh & Knowledge luncheon series will return with fascinating speakers. Don't forget that Project Friendship brunches and outings take place twice per month for clients of Kadima with Barbara Berger, Susan Sabbath, and Carol Wiseman at the helm under VP Susie Jacob. Volunteers are always welcome. Our SPA's Cathy Cantor and Irma Glaser have planned a free program to educate everyone on Proposal 2 (the Gerrymandering issue) that will be on the November ballot. Please join them on October 4, 2018 at the Farmington Community Library at 6:45pm (see page 7).

As you might remember last fall we changed our name to National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan. Our goal was to reach out to women in communities who are interested in advocacy but did not have a way to participate or be educated on issues of importance. Since changing our name we have started traveling to outstate communities, and engaging women and helping them to have their voices heard alongside of ours. If you know of anyone in any of these areas; Ann Arbor, East Lansing, Flint, Saginaw, Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Traverse City, Petoskey, etc. please let us know so we can reach out and encourage them to either join us or receive information about what is happening at NCJW that impacts their lives.

Too much to remember right now? No problem. Make sure our office has your email address so you will be able to receive the news about all of the exciting programs. We promise 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 us at (248)355-3300 ext. 0

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



**Susan Gertner**

Today, I met with someone who was interested in learning more about NCJW | MI to see if this is an organization in which she would like to get involved. As I explained who we are and what we do, I felt like I do when I talk about my son's accomplishments. I am proud of all that we have accomplished and realized how much we do on a daily basis. And, it is done by amazing

volunteers. This potential member is joining and it will be a win-win situation. We will gain her expertise and her time. She will gain a sense of joining an organization that makes a difference. I invite you to talk to others about your involvement with NCJW | MI, no matter how small or how large, your involvement is important to us. We are reaching out to others to increase our volunteer and supporter base, and need your help in spreading the word. Word of mouth is the best PR an organization can receive. Remember, we are now NCJW | MI, so invite your friends and family across the state to join us. Welcome to all of our new members. You can find a list of our new members on page 11.

As I look to the fall, and see all that we will be doing, I hope you will join us. Join us for our Women of Vision Benefit Luncheon on Thursday, October 11th featuring Cecile Richards, former President of Planned Parenthood Federation of America; help sort shoes for our Shoes to Share community service project; join our SPA advocacy committee; read to or tutor children at Coleman A. Young Elementary School in Detroit; help plan our Public Affairs programs; deliver a meal through our Kosher Meals on Wheels program; or volunteer at our council re|sale store.

We do all that we do, with the support of our Board of Directors who facilitate our programs, our members who volunteer on committees and/or at community service projects, our donors and sponsors, and our shoppers and donors at council re|sale store. The list of how you can get involved is endless; it's just finding the right place for you at NCJW | MI. If you are unsure where to start, just give me a call (248)355-3300 ext. 3 and I will find a perfect fit for you.

To keep up to date on our upcoming events, please visit our website at [www.ncjwmi.org](http://www.ncjwmi.org). You will find a calendar tab that lists all that is happening at NCJW | MI. If you are going away for the winter, don't forget to share your address with us, so that you will continue to receive mailings. If we do not already have your email, please email [mail@ncjwmi.org](mailto:mail@ncjwmi.org) to ensure that you receive all communication from us in between bulletins.

Enjoy the Fall and I hope to see you soon.

## Project Friendship

How would you like to begin your Sunday feeling like you've really made a difference in someone's life?



Project Friendship volunteers provide clients of Kadima, a Mental Health Agency, with twice monthly brunches, activities, and field trips. Our presence at these brunches is always acknowledged and appreciated.

This is a very rewarding project to be involved in and it only takes a few hours on a Sunday morning, to impact someone's life. Volunteers are always amazed that good food and a friendly face can turn a depressed or angry client into someone who participates and is happy to be there.

We have some great programs coming up in the next few months and would like to add more volunteers to our list. Activities for Project Friendship are varied and usually last from 10:30am-1:00pm depending on the program.



**Susan Sabbath, Barbara Berger, Michael Berger and Anita Resnick volunteer at one of our Sunday events.**

### Future Sunday Brunches are:

**October 7 - Upland Hills Farm**

**October 21- Cranbrook Museums**

**November 4 - Henry Ford Museum**

**November 18 - Chanukah Celebration**

**December 16 - Harvest Meal**

If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the NCJW|MI office at 248-355-3300, ext. 0.

**Chairs: Barbara Berger, Susan Sabbath, Carol Wiseman**



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**Acclaimed Author and Former President  
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Cecile Richards is a national leader for women's rights and social and economic justice, and the author of New York Times bestseller *Make Trouble*. As President of Planned Parenthood Federation of America and Planned Parenthood Action Fund for 12 years, she worked to increase affordable access to reproductive health care and to build a healthier and safer world for women and young people.

After starting her career as a labor organizer, working with women earning the minimum wage, she went on to start her own grassroots organizations, and later served as Deputy Chief of Staff to House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi. In 2011 and 2012, she was named as one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World.

Ms. Richards is a frequent speaker and commentator on politics and progressive issues. She and her husband, Kirk Adams, have three children and live in New York City and Maine.

## WOMEN OF VISION 2018 Ticket Levels

<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>WOMAN OF VISION – 2 tickets for Patron Evening Event &amp; Luncheon, Priority Speaker Seating, Name on All Signage &amp; Advertising</b>
<b>\$500</b>	<b>ANGEL – 1 ticket for Patron Evening Event &amp; Luncheon, Priority Speaker Seating, Name on All Signage &amp; Advertising</b>
<b>\$300</b>	<b>ADVOCATE – 1 ticket for Patron Evening Event &amp; Luncheon, Priority Speaker Seating, Name on All Signage &amp; Advertising</b>
<b>\$200</b>	<b>FRIEND – 1 TICKET FOR Patron Evening Event &amp; Luncheon, Priority Speaker Seating, Name on All Signage &amp; Advertising</b>
<b>\$150</b>	<b>SUPPORTER – 1 ticket for Luncheon, Speaker, Name on All Signage and Advertising</b>
<b>\$125</b>	<b>ATTENDEE – 1 ticket for Luncheon, Speaker</b>
<b>\$45</b>	<b>GUEST – 1 ticket Speaker ONLY</b>

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For more information, call 248.355.3300, ext. 0

Chairs: Lauren Koenigsberg, Suzanne Lasser, Susie Serwer

## JOSEPHINE S. WEINER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT



*This award honors individuals and organizations whose work benefits the community, serves as an inspiration to others, and reflects the mission statement of NCJW.*

### M. CATHERINE CANTOR

As a dedicated advocate for social justice and a believer in the power of grassroots activism, Cathy Cantor has found her ideal volunteer position as State Policy Advocate for National Council of Jewish Women. Cathy has served for the past six years as Co-SPA for Michigan, a National NCJW appointment. In this capacity, Cathy is an integral part of many coalitions that work to improve the lives of women, children, and families – the mission of NCJW – by advocating for equal pay, gun violence prevention, elimination of human trafficking, protecting women's health, supporting a fair and independent judiciary, and defending voters' rights.

A Life Member of NCJW, Cathy served as President of the Michigan Section from 2008 – 2010 and has served as co-chair of many committees including Governance, Human Trafficking Awareness, and Women of Vision. Nationally, she served as an NCJW Commissioner and a Field Action Network coordinator. She has been on the board of the Jewish Community Relations Council/AJC for six years, serving as Vice President for three.

Proud graduates of the University of Michigan, Cathy, and her husband David have three married children and five grandchildren.

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**BOOK SIGNING**  
2:00-2:30 pm

council re|sale will be accepting clothing and accessory donations at our truck located in the synagogue parking lot. Driver will unload cars and provide receipts.



## THE WOMAN OF VISION AWARD RECIPIENT

*This award is given to a member of the community who is a champion of ideals and is passionate about her convictions. She is dedicated to a particular belief or cause that greatly impacts society as a whole.*

### MONNI MUST

Monni Must is a Certified Master Photographer and owner of Naturally Photography, which was voted Best of Hour in 2015 and 2016. In addition to working at the portrait studio, Monni creates images that "give back" to her community. She is involved with Jewish Hospice, Kadima, the Holocaust Memorial Center, and Beaumont Hospital, where she provides photos to parents grieving the loss of a newborn. Monni has created an extensive portrait collection called Living Witnesses: Faces of the Holocaust, depicting 400 Holocaust survivors and capturing their stories to guarantee that their stories would never be forgotten. Monni is married to Joel, and they have three daughters and two grandchildren.

## WOV Boutiques

**ARTLOFT, Ashley Gold, council re|sale, El-Mar Furs, ELLA Designs, Event Bliss, Mindy's More of Me, Names IN Knit LLC, Nancy Gad-Harf Designs, Just Girls Boutique, Personalized Things, Sutherland Style, The Peppertree, Top This Boutique, Touchstone Crystal by Swarovski, Two Stix 5 Stones, VLKNITS LLC, Voila Boutique**

# RE|SALE NEWS

## re|design HOME consignment

We are sorry to say that our doors closed at the end of March. We thank all of you who consigned, donated, and shopped at our store. Your support was greatly appreciated. We continue to accept donations of home accessories at our council re|sale store.

## council re|sale shop • donate • benefit community

If you are cleaning out your closets, council re|sale is in need of the following:

- Home accessories • Linens
- Women's and Men's upscale clothing
- Men's shoes, suits, shirts, ties, cuff links, tie tacks
- Children's clothing and shoes

### Are you receiving our emails on special sales?

If not, send us your email at [mail@ncjwmi.org](mailto:mail@ncjwmi.org), and ask to be included on our re|sale list so that you are up-to-date on our weekly specials.

### Donations Picked Up

Did you know we can pick up your donation at your home? Just call 248.548.6664. We depend on your donations for the success of our stores!

### Thank You to...

Dubin Cleaners & Laundry, Farmington Hills  
Eileen Fisher, Somerset Collection

For your generosity in donating to council re|sale

If you know of any stores interested in donating items to council re|sale, or businesses or organizations interested in hosting a collection, please call Susan Gertner at NCJW | MI.

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## JOIN US FOR DISCOUNT DAYS

### MONDAYS

Seniors 60 & over receive  
20% off any item

### THURSDAYS

Military personnel receive  
10% off any item

### TUESDAYS

Weight Watchers members  
receive 20% off any item

### FRIDAYS

Teachers and students  
receive 10% off any item

### WEDNESDAYS

Berkley City employees  
receive 10% off any item

### COME CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY WITH US!

Receive 10% off your purchase of \$20 or more.

One time only during the month of your birthday.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Oct. 17-20** - Choose a football and receive a special percent off discount

**October 24-27** - Randomly choose a Michigan State University or University of Michigan card and receive a % off based on the final score of the October 20th MSU vs UM football game

**Friday, November 23**, Day after Thanksgiving  
Special Sale, Details coming soon

### Do you know about our council cash program?

For each \$50 pre-tax purchase that you make, you will receive \$15 in council cash to be used on a future purchase. Come shop with us. For further details, visit our store.

### Have torn or stained clothes to donate?

We can take those items as well. Instead of selling the items, we have a salvage company that will buy the items and pay us per pound. As with all of our items sold, the proceeds will benefit NCJW | MI community service projects.

**Proceeds support NCJW|MI services, benefitting women, children, and families in need for over 125 years.**

## STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



**Cathy Cantor**

As State Policy Advocates, we strive to keep our NCJW | MI members aware of problems that impact issues that are so important to the well-being of women, children, and families in our state and nationally. Our bulletin articles, action alerts, and visits to our legislators are the means we use to influence positive outcomes for women's health/choice, court appointments, equal pay for equal work, gun safety, voting rights, and so much more. However, of late, our efforts have not resulted in many gains.



**Irma Glaser**

It has become apparent that because the controlling political party of the state legislature has the ability to draw the map for our voting districts, gerrymandering or packing the districts to maintain control of the makeup of the legislature, has silenced the voices of the majority of Michigan voters. The bright spot in our future that will lead to fairness in drawing the district lines is Proposal 2 that will appear on the November 6 ballot. The proposal offers an independent Citizens Redistricting Commission composed of 13 people: 5

independents, 4 Republican affiliated, and 4 Democrat affiliated, to decide the voting map.

Thousands of volunteers circulated petitions to secure 428,000 signatures for this proposal. Both the Michigan Court of Appeals and the Michigan Supreme Court have said the language is acceptable for the ballot. Now, more volunteers are knocking on doors and speaking with voters to get out the vote to support Proposal 2.

NCJW|MI will present a free program to educate our community about Proposal 2 (See page 15 for details). Katie Fahey, Executive Director of Voters Not Politicians, who spearheaded the campaign for an independent commission, will be our keynote speaker. Former Republican State Representative and State Senator, Dr. John J. H. (Joe) Schwarz will bring his experience and wisdom to explain why an independent commission is necessary. Also presenting on this topic will be Oakland County Treasurer, Andy Meisner.

Most importantly, we encourage you to attend this program as well as bring friends, family, colleagues, associates, and anyone else you can think of to help get the word out and learn about Proposal 2. With your support, we will regain our voices as we work to improve the lives of women, children, and families. Further details will be sent via action alerts, email, and on our new NCJW |MI website.

**Cathy Cantor, Irma Glaser**  
**Michigan NCJW State Policy Advocates**



Once again, Bookstock was a phenomenal success. We earned over \$21,000 that went to NCJW | MI literacy programs!

Next year Bookstock will take place at **Laurel Park Place on Sunday, April 7 through Sunday, April 14, 2019**. We hope you can volunteer at the sale. Mark your calendars!

The depot at the JCC will open on Wed., September 26, 2018, for book drop off at the front entrance. The last book drop off date will be March 20, 2019. Please join us on Wednesdays from 10-12 at the JCC to sort books. Volunteer time counts toward what NCJW | MI earns from the sale.

### Colossal collections 11am-1pm

**Sunday, October 14 - JCC back loading dock**  
**Sunday, December 9 -JCC back loading dock**  
**Sunday, January 13 - JCC back loading dock**  
**Sunday, February 10 - Laurel Park Place Mall**  
**Sunday, March 10 - JCC back loading dock**

Last year's success was possible because of the wonderful volunteers who helped in the sorting and at the sale. We hope that 2019 will be even better.

**Chairs: Deede Auster, Barbara Grant, Charlene Green, Fran Stern, Bonnie Tucker**



**Jennifer LoPatin, Deede Auster, Roz Blanck**  
**receive our Bookstock check.**



## LITERACY OUTREACH

Here's to another year of helping students through Literacy Outreach! We welcome enthusiastic and devoted tutors and readers at Coleman A. Young Elementary in Detroit (CAY). This year, we are expanding our tutoring program, servicing first through third graders. Tutoring times are scheduled for Monday,

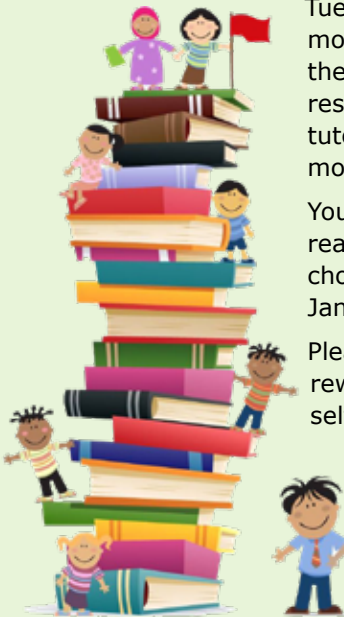
Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday mornings, but times can be flexible if they are arranged with the student's respective teacher. Accommodating a tutor's schedule is important so that more students can be helped.

You also have another opportunity to read monthly to a classroom of your choice at CAY under the guidance of Janice Goldman.

Please join us at CAY, and you will be rewarded with great fulfillment and self-satisfaction.

If you would like to be a part of this important literacy program, please contact the office (248)355-3300 ext. 0

**Chairs: Linda Kayes, Carol Rosenfeld**



Start your Monday mornings with good cheer and delightful conversation. Drop in to the NCJW office between 10 am and 12 pm to help create beautiful, cozy blankets. Fleece material is simply tied together and the finished products go to children entering foster care, removed from their homes, or in hospitals. The colorful blankets provide warmth and a feeling of security to the children who receive them.

Many thanks to our "regulars:" Toby Alexander, Sandy Collins, Beth Cooper, Marcia Delidow, Marta Gottesman, Audrey Grossman, Vera Holliday, Karen Jirik, Sue Malkin, Susie Melamed, Paula Miller, Sandy Oleinick, and Lois Zemmol for their dedication to this project. With their help, approximately 600 new blankets are donated annually.

Join in any Monday for a fun morning! No experience necessary.

**Chairs: Bobbie Patt, Ruth Zerlin**

## SAVE THE DATE

**Fall Focus 2018  
November 1, 2018**

Advances in Women's Personal  
and Political Status in Israel

Watch for details in your email  
or visit [ncjwmi.org](http://ncjwmi.org)

## EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

At the William Davidson Jewish College Loan Cycle 1 program meeting on July 10th, they awarded a total of \$1,262,250 in interest-free loans and \$37,000 in grants to 174 college students for the 2018-2019 school year.

NCJW | MI Education Assistance provided funding to 23 students receiving \$65,000 in interest-free loans and \$5,000 in grants. There were 4 new students, 12 returning students, 2 medical students received funds from Maimonides, plus 5 grants.

**Chairs: Judy Domstein, Joyce Sherman**



## ISRAEL: A Look Forward

***A new committee is being formed  
at NCJW | MI! Israel: A Look  
Forward.***

NCJW has played an active role in Israel for more than 70 years. We will focus on women, children, and families as we provide opportunities to learn about their progress and future in Israeli society.

Join us as we form our committee. Help us plan for an exciting year! Please call the office: (248)355-3300 ext. 0

**Chairs: Amy Cutler, Sharon Lieder, Susan Rollinger**





## NCJW|MI BACKPACK PROJECT

The Backpack Project was a phenomenal success again this year! With over 150 volunteers, we were able to organize an assembly line of the supplies for elementary, middle, and high school children on Wednesday, July 25.

On Thursday, July 26, enthusiastic volunteers filled the backpacks in record time. Oakland Schools received 1,200 backpacks and distributed them to homeless children throughout the county. Jewish Family Service received 300 backpacks and distributed them to children in need in the Jewish Community.

Thanks to our donors: Claire and Arthur (z'l) Kretchmer Backpack Project, Carol Krugel Backpack Project, Bookstock, and all who participated.

**Chairs: Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, Amy Zeskind**



**Jake Berg of Farmington Hills,  
Josh Miller of Farmington Hills.**



**Carol Kastle of Bloomfield Hills, Sandy Collins of Lathrup Village, Sue Korn of West Bloomfield**



**Lauren Koenigsberg of West Bloomfield, Sandy Weiss of West Bloomfield, Claire Kretchmer of Huntington Woods, Arlene Wenokur of West Bloomfield.**



**Rama Giladi of Jerusalem, Leila Giladi of Jerusalem, Audrey Sobel of West Bloomfield**

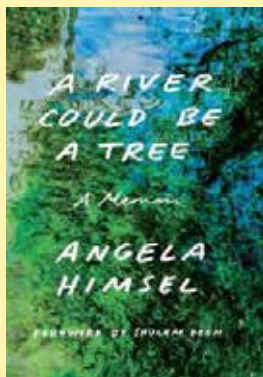


Shoes to Share is a wonderful community service event that NCJW|MI has been involved with for quite a few years. We will be giving collection cartons to public schools and houses of worship for the collection of gently used shoes for men, women, and children of all ages. The shoe collection drive is from October 10th until October 29th, and the shoe sorting will take place from November 5th until November 16th in room 100, downstairs from the NCJW office. We plan to have all

the shoes picked up or delivered to the agencies that will distribute them to people in need, by the end of November.

We are putting together an active Shoes to Share Committee, a group of NCJW|MI women who will take part in distributing cartons to schools and houses of worship, supervising shoe collection at these various sites, and bringing the cartons of shoes to room 100 when the collection is over. This committee will help with shoe sorting and the distribution of shoes to the agencies. Please contact the office (248)355-3300 ext. 0, if you would like to be part of this committee and help out with Shoes to Share.

**Chairs: Gail Katz, Jeannie Weiner**

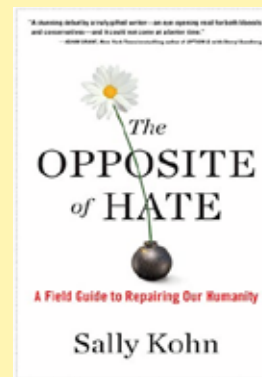


## LUNCH WITH THE AUTHORS

JCC Book Fair  
Lunch With  
the Authors

Monday, Nov. 12th  
at 12:30 pm

Cost: \$25 – JCC members;  
\$30 – non-JCC members



Event will be held at the JCC. For tickets,  
call 248-661-1900 or visit [www.theberman.org](http://www.theberman.org).

## Join NCJW | MI Book Club With Facilitator Dr. Tara Hayes

### FALL 2018 DATES:

Thursdays at 10am - 12pm

October 18 - "*Pachinko*" by Min Jin Lee

November 15 - "*Manhattan Beach*" by Jennifer Egan

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I recently had the opportunity to see Kosher Meals on Wheels (KMOW) in action. Under the leadership of KMOW Coordinator, Paul Neuberger, the program operates 5 days a week. Volunteer packers arrive early to place the correct meals in the right bag for each recipient. Both lunch and dinner are available.

After all the meals are packed, the drivers arrive at the kitchen, including the shuttle driver, who delivers to the drivers for Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield, Novi, etc. Other drivers have regular routes closer to Prentis Apartments. Drivers develop relationships with the participants and, in addition to delivering meals, can notice if something is wrong and alert JFS staff, or, if necessary, call 911.

Kosher Meals on Wheels is a very important service and truly a Mitzvah. We can all take pride in the incredible work of the staff and volunteers.

If you know anyone who might need meals call JFS at (248)592-2313 or if you would like to volunteer (regularly or as a sub), please call Paul at (248)967-0967

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## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

These days NCJW is buzzing with excitement regarding membership! We are making plans to reach out throughout Michigan, attract new members, and reconnect with current members. If you have suggestions and/or would like to be a part of the Membership Committee, we would welcome your ideas and participation. Together we can help to build an even stronger NCJW | MI.

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PROGRAMS

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What an amazing day! What an amazing year of preparation! The National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan's Back 2 School Store was held on Sunday, August 12th. During the course of the day we served almost 600 Detroit children and their parents or guardians, pre-selected by 15 social service agencies.

Over 300 volunteers worked magic as children received new clothing, including a winter coat, gloves, a hat, two shirts, pants, a pair of shoes, socks, and underwear. They also went home with a backpack filled with school supplies, personal care items, and a book.

While the children were shopping with their own personal shopper, the parents and guardians visited the Family Center. There were opportunities for health screenings through Jewish Community Relations Council/AJC, consulting with a lawyer from Lakeshore Legal Aid, and information through United Way's 2-1-1. There was also a balloon artist to entertain the children and their families.

The committees – Agency Relations, Fundraising, Hospitality, Public Relations, Purchasing, Family Center, Site Logistics, and Volunteers – all worked diligently

for an entire year to make the Back 2 School Store a huge success! Many thanks to the committee and the tremendous team of volunteers who worked during setup, the day of the Store, and at tear down.

We cannot wait to begin working on next year's Store. If you are interested, please call the office at (248)355-3300, ext 0. We would love to have you join us!

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The Back 2 School Store is an annual one-day event to help Detroit students in need have the right tools for a successful school year. The pop-up store is designed to look like a department store, where each child "shops" with a personal shopper for new clothing: shirt, pants, socks, underwear, winter coat, hat, gloves, and shoes. The child also selects a new backpack and fills it with school supplies, a new book, and personal care items.



### ...from a Back 2 School Volunteer

Today I met a child who made me smile ear to ear. She made me skip across a gym floor and enthusiastically run from one area to another. She made me excited to look at Winter clothing, even on the sunniest Summer day. Today I met a child who made me smile ear to ear while I struggled to hold back tears.

For the last five years, the National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan (NCJW | MI) has organized and run the Back 2 School Store--a one day event during which Detroit's children come and "shop" for new clothing, shoes, and school supplies for the upcoming school year. The children are identified by various social service agencies and are pre-registered for the event, allowing volunteers to shop with specific numbers and sizes in mind, ensuring that children get brand new items and plenty to choose from. Grants, individual donations, and a year of fundraising raises money to sponsor each child, so that everyone coming through the store does so for free. A volunteer personal shopper escorts each child through the store so that the children can pick out their own items and have a day that is all about them. While their children shop, parents and guardians have access to a resource room and health screenings, receiving important information that can help their families.

I have participated in this event every year since its inception and have loved every minute of it. As amazing as the experience is every year, today I met a child who changed this day for me, and reminded me why this project is so important.

When I first took her hand and led her into the store, her head swiveled in every direction, looking at all of the brand new coats, backpacks, shirts, hats, gloves, shoes, pants, and school supplies, all for her choosing. We started with a winter coat, and as I watched her bring the soft, puffy coat up to her face to feel the fleece it hit me: this child, this ray of sunshine, has probably never had something brand new to call her own. She selected a bright pink coat and we found a hat and gloves that matched. With each new table we visited she would bring something up to her face to feel the newness, the softness, the "her"ness of it all. She hugged every volunteer she met. She waved to all of the children she recognized from her agency, going to hug many of them as well. She was a spark of energy in an already exciting day, and I felt so lucky to be the one leading her through this experience.

When it came time to try on shirts and pants, my heart began to break. When we first started shopping, her bright smile and enthusiasm distracted me and I didn't take in the stains on her pants and shirt, the shoes with the soles falling out, and the socks that had been well-worn for quite some time. As I slipped a package of brand new socks into her shopping bag, I couldn't help but think about how often I have taken for granted the ease with which I buy new socks. Had I ever even thought about that before? Had I really considered how a new pair of socks could make this child feel?

As we tried on shoes her excitement grew. Brand new red sneakers that didn't match a single thing she picked out but that she loved anyway. A new backpack and school supplies followed, with her choice of an age appropriate book to take home as well, but my mind was stuck on those socks. Tucking the new, soft, clean socks into her bag while watching her struggle to put on the socks and shoes she came with, I was reminded why we were there. Almost 600 children came through the store today and left with things they needed, or wanted, or a bit of both. They left confident and ready for the school year. They left with the love of almost 400 volunteers rooting for their success. And, in turn, they left their mark on our hearts and minds, reminding us with a simple smile why we love this project so much and how important it is. Today this little force of nature made me smile from ear to ear until I could go into the other room and cry for all of the little forces of nature that weren't there today and that we couldn't buy socks for. But there's always next year.





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## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

NCJW | MI sponsors a support group for widows, widowers, and partners. The goal is to help the grieving person become a functioning, independent, single individual in a couples world. The support group helps bridge the gap between grief and growth.

The group meets for two hours, once a week during a six week period. Groups are initiated when seven to ten people register. Please contact the NCJW office for further information (248)355-3300 ext. 0.

**Chair: Florence Herrmann**

## NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

The Nominating and Leadership Committee will be meeting to select members of the National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan Section 2019-2020 board, as well as President and Vice Presidents.

### 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 welcome, as well as nominations of women whom you believe will be an asset to our organization. All recommendations are confidential and must be submitted by October 26, 2018.

Nomination forms may be obtained by calling the office. You may either mail your recommendations to the office or email to [mail@ncjwmi.org](mailto:mail@ncjwmi.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 [ncjwmi.org](http://ncjwmi.org).

Enjoy your winter!



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## Office closed dates

Monday & Tuesday, September 24 & 25 .....	Sukkot
Monday, October 1.....	Shemini Atzeret
Tuesday, October 2 .....	Simchat Torah
Wednesday, November 21.....	Thanksgiving office closes 1:00pm
Thursday, November 22 .....	Thanksgiving
Friday, November 23 .....	Thanksgiving
Tuesday, December 25 .....	Christmas