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April-June 2021

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National Council of Jewish Women MICHIGAN

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A ZOOM COMEDY NIGHT

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MUSKOVITZ**

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JEWISH NEWS

CORY KAHANEY
FROM COMEDY CENTRAL



RAISING FUNDS FOR NCJW | MI COMMUNITY SERVICE & ADVOCACY PROJECTS

Underwritten Anonymously in Memory of Marty Hollander, who loved to laugh!

248-355-3300, ext. 0 National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan – 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 PRESIDENT



**Amy Cutler
President**

"For everything there is a season. A time for everything under heaven." This sentence from Ecclesiastes (3:1-8) is taken from the passage that goes on to describe every life cycle on Earth. These words come to mind as I look back on my first year as president of NCJW|MI. This past year was a mixture of joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, harmony and struggle, and life and sadly, death. Our world seemed to spin wildly out of control with the COVID pandemic. The presidential election pitted family members against family members and friends against friends. The assault on the Capitol in Washington D.C. demonstrated the fragility of our government and our need to safeguard democracy for future generations.

I am so proud to report that the women of NCJW|MI took the year of 2020 in stride. Although there were many disappointments when programs or projects had to be canceled, the spirit of our members shined through! As the number of clients increased for Kosher Meals on Wheels, we continued to distribute meals with extra funding from various sources in our community. We supplied pre-filled backpacks to school children in need. We held a modified Back 2 School Store. Our wonderful donors recognized the needs of the community,

especially during these uncertain times, and went over and above in their support of our Patron Campaign. The Election committee presented an excellent programing series leading up to the November Election and Nosh and Knowledge programs are up and running! National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan can always be counted on to do the right thing even through adversity.

I extend my deepest gratitude to my amazing Vice Presidents, Evva Hepner, Susie Jacob, Carrie Kushner, Sharon Leider, Sallyjo Levine, and Sue Rollinger. During this year of "zooming", they continued to communicate and interact with the committees within their portfolios. Sadly, I must say goodbye to Susie Jacob and Sharon Leider as they step down from their position as Vice President. I owe them my eternal appreciation for their support, wisdom, and encouragement during my first year. I know they will continue to play a vital role in the work of our section. I welcome Lauren Koenigsberg as a new Vice President and anticipate a productive working relationship.

As the second year of my presidency begins, I look forward to the new "seasons" with optimism. We have weathered the storm and we have arrived at the light at the end of the tunnel. Please join me as we travel this path together. With confidence and enthusiasm, we will continue to fulfill the mission of National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan!

Celebrating our Staff

Thank you to our Staff on their work anniversary!

NCJW|MI office

council re|sale



**Lori Eisenberg
5 years**



**Liana Spiegel
5 years**



**Lori Passerman
10 years**



**Kathy Lamb
30 years**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Susan Gertner

It's hard to believe it has been a year since the start of the pandemic and wearing masks. Our office staff transferred efficiently to working remotely, our council re|sale opened our doors in a safe manner, our board members ran zoom committee meetings and got their work done, and we seemed to attract

many more people to our virtual programs than we do when we meet in person. It is nice that whether you live in Michigan or visiting family in California, you can participate in NCJW happenings.

Unfortunately, we only have half of our member's email addresses. This means that in between receiving your bulletin, you are unaware of what we are doing and you could miss out on great programming. If we do not have your email address, please send it to us at mail@ncjwmi.org. We have started sending an eblast twice a month called "NCJW | MI Note." This will keep you informed about your NCJW | MI. If you do change your home address, phone, or email address, be sure to let us know so that we may continue to keep in touch.

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel programs and fundraisers. But our members came through with our Women of Vision Patron Campaign and Annual Support donations. On behalf of the community members we serve, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. If you have not yet done so, and feel you can support one of our various programs, we invite you to do so.

I can't thank our board and NCJW | MI members enough, for those who have taken the extra step this past year to make sure our community service projects and our advocacy work continued in order to meet the needs of our community. With staff and volunteers working together we did not miss a beat in making sure that as we strive for social justice, as we continue to improve the quality of life for women, children, and families. For example, we more than doubled the number of participants we served in our Kosher Meals on Wheels program, we provided warm coats for children in need, and made sure that we worked towards getting out the vote.

This has been a difficult year with many obstacles for us to continue to work as we always have, but together we persevere and continue to make a difference. Thank you for all you have done.

EARTH DAY

Special Webinar: The Global War With Plastic

April 22, 7:00 pm

The expansion of the plastic industry and the subsequent crisis of terrestrial and ocean pollution is the topic of the Frontline and NPR investigative documentary "Plastic Wars."

Please join us to hear directly from Laura Sullivan, correspondent and investigative reporter for National Public Radio, and the reporter who created "Plastic Wars," on the current state of plastic pollution in the world. We will also be joined by Kerrin O'Brien, Executive Director of Michigan Recycling Coalition, who will discuss recycling as a part of the plastic pollution solution.

We encourage you to watch "Plastic Wars" on Youtube or the PBS website in advance of the webinar.

NCJW | MI Green Committee



Plastic Bags Make Plastic Mats

Providing the Homeless a Comfortable Sleeping Mat

The mission of Plastic Bags Make Plastic Mats (PBPM), an NCJW | MI Green sub-committee, is to recycle used grocery-style plastic bags and turn them into sleeping mats for the homeless. These mats provide a dry and easily cleaned and comfortable sleeping surface. At the same time, they offer a partial solution to the destruction of our environment, wildlife, and our own health from the plastic fossil fuel industry by reusing 700-800 plastic bags per mat.

Check out YouTube or Google by searching "Plarn Mats" to see examples of the different steps and styles. The PBPM Committee will partner with organizations who serve the homeless for distribution to get the mats into the hands of those who need them most. Your help will be a mitzvah for the planet and for those who sleep under the open sky.



**To learn more about this initiative or how
to get involved with NCJW Green committee
visit NCJW|MI website or email
ncjwgreen@gmail.com**

Spring Happening Virtual Installation

Tuesday, June 1, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

Installing Officers, Board, & Advisory Directors

To register, visit our website: ncjwmi.org

NOMINATING REPORT 2021-2022

According to Article IX, Section 2A of the NCJW | MI Bylaws. The Nominating and Leadership Committee shall send to the entire membership its slate of candidates and a notice of the spring general meeting at least forty-five (45) days before the meeting.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to propose the following slate of Officers and Directors for 2021-2022.

Vice President: Lauren Koenigsberg, Sallyjo Levine, Susan Rollinger

1. To serve a first two-year term as a **Board Director**:
Janice Cherkasky, Dani Gillman, Deane Safir, Cindy Weintraub
2. To serve a second two-year term as a **Board Director**:
Sharon Breidenbaugh, Fran Grossman
3. To serve a third two-year term as a Board Director: Donna Pearlman, Rusty Rosman, Linda Schwarzbarg, Jeannie Weiner, Sandy Weiss
4. To serve a first two-year term as an **Advisory Director**:
Carol Freedman, Susie Jacob, Ruth Klueger, Sharon Leider, Beverly Stone, Paula Wolfe, Ruth Zerlin
5. To serve a second two-year term as an **Advisory Director**:
Joyce Blum, Nancy Josephson, Judy Robinson
6. To serve a third two-year term as an **Advisory Director**:
Edie Broida, Ina Katz, Roselynn Schlussek

The following Officers and Board Directors are continuing their 2-year terms: President: Amy Cutler; Vice Presidents: Evva Hepner, Carrie Kushner; **Board Directors**: Denny Camiener, Francie Cook, Jacqueline Elkus, Suzi Epstein, Susan Freedman, Linda Goodman, Gail Goodstein, Marta Gottesman, Sarah Gottlieb, Doreen Hermelin, Gail Katz, Steffi Keywell, Marilyn Kohen, Randie Levin, Lynn Lieberman, Amy Mitnick, Edie Rubin, Linda Sahn, Trudy Weiss; **Advisory Directors**: Deede Auster, Barbara Berger, Sandy Collins, Harriet Dunsky, Judi Freund, Haven King, Joan Krieger, Myrle Leland, Ellie Slovis, Dottie Wagner. Thank you to the following Board Directors who will be finishing their 3rd 2-year terms and will be eligible upon nomination to become a Board Director in 2022: Liz Bank; Terry Hollander; Lori Issner; Susie Serwer. Thank you to Susie Jacob and Sharon Leider for all they did as Vice Presidents.

Chair: Jennifer LoPatin

Welcome to VP Lauren Koenigsberg

When Lauren was ready to retire after 35 years of teaching, she wasn't sure how she would spend her time. A close friend suggested getting involved with National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan as the Patron Chair for the Women of Vision Event. Soon after she was invited to join the board and was in the first class of NCJW STRONG; the rest is history. Lauren volunteered to work at the Back 2 School Store (B2SS) and became involved with the Agency Relations Committee. She was the liaison for the Southwest Solutions Agency. She became a co-chair of the B2SS and has remained in that position for the past 4 years. Lauren also was a co-chair of Women of Vision for two years. Her passion and experience extend to many other committees. Lauren has been happily married to Alan for 51 years. They have 2 daughters; Melissa and Meredith, but more importantly, she has 6 fabulous grandchildren: Caitlin, Morgan, Devin, Cooper, Maren, and Spencer. Lauren no longer worries about what to do with her time. As Alan says, she is going to "her job."



Amy Cutler
President



Evva Hepner
Vice President



Lauren Koenigsberg
Vice President



Carrie Kushner
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Sandy Weitz
Corresponding Secretary



Nancy Rothfeder
Treasurer



Hannah G Solomon Award Susan Marwil

Susan received her BA degree from Beaver College in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania and her MA degree from Oakland University. She majored in English and French and taught both at Akiva (now Farber) Hebrew Day School and Berkley High School.

Susan served as a volunteer for the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, Congregation Shaarey Zedek Sisterhood, the Jewish Community Center, and NCJW/GDS (now NCJW | MI). She served as chair of several organizations, including the Leadership Seminar for Women's Department of Jewish Federation, Seminars for Adult Jewish Enrichment (SAJE) sponsored by the JCC, the JCC's Young Writer's Workshop, the Lenore Marwil Jewish Film Festival and the PR committee of Congregation Shaarey Zedek's Sisterhood Woman's World. Susan has been a board member of Shaarey Zedek's Sisterhood and the JCC. She was also the recipient of the Susan Alterman Jewish Community Center Board Leadership Award. She is presently on the Jewish Federation's Women's Philanthropy Advisory Service Council.

Susan began volunteering for NCJW | MI as a Children's Advocate. Later, she co-chaired PR, the Programming Committee, Jewish Youth Awards, and the Domestic Abuse Awareness Committee. She has been an NCJW | MI Board Member since 2000 and served as Vice President for two terms.

As President of NCJW | MI from 2014 - 2016, Susan expanded the Nominating Leadership committee to include NCJW STRONG: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE, a leadership program for all incoming Board members. At present Susan is Vice - chair of the Nominating and Leadership Committee, Chair of Governance, Chair of the Fund Development Committee, Co-chair of Courts Matter Michigan Coalition, and serves on many other committees.

Susan is truly honored to have been chosen to receive this most prestigious award, and appreciates her association with the bright, caring, and progressive women of NCJW | MI. She is proud of and thankful for her family: Jeff, Bruce, Heather, Joanne, and Andrea, and she is also proud of her grandchildren: Sophie, Jacob, Harry, Sloane, Darby, and Amelia.



Emerging Leader Award Evva Hepner

After receiving her BA from the University of Michigan, and her MSW from Wayne State, Evva was a social worker in the Southfield Public Schools for over 30 years. Inspired by the involvement of her late mother,

Ruth Caplan Savage, Evva has been a life member of NCJW for many years. Her mother was proud to be recognized by this esteemed group, as the first recipient of the Ann Rubin Volunteer Award in 2003. Evva became an NCJW Board member in 2018 and serves on many committees. She is the volunteer coordinator of the Kosher Meals on Wheels program. Currently Evva is a Vice President of NCJW | MI. Evva is the Social Action chairperson at Adat Shalom Synagogue, and serves on the Board there. She coordinates their participation in the Lighthouse-South Oakland Shelter Housing the Homeless Project.

Evva is passionate about helping to make a difference in the lives of people in need. Her warmth, grace, and dedication help to motivate and inspire others to volunteer.

Evva and her husband live in Farmington Hills, and their daughter, son-in-law, and granddaughter live in Chicago.



Marsha Zucker Exemplary Board Member Award Paula Wolf

For the past 50 years Paula has been happily, actively, and proudly involved with NCJW | MI. Her first endeavor was as a packer and/or driver for Kosher Meals on Wheels. Then, she became the re-router, reorganizing the routes as clients came off and on the list - and that was before computers.

After taking leave for several years, Paula went to work for her husband as a bookkeeper. She returned to NCJW to work on the first edition of the Teen Yellow Pages. She was soon asked to join the Board. Paula has been Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. She has served on and chaired many committees. Paula has traveled to Lansing and to Washington D.C. to advocate, and march locally for NCJW causes.

Her longest and largest contribution to NCJW | MI has been to help produce the Ad Journal for the past 10 years for Women of Vision events and fundraisers. Paula loved learning "how" from Sissi Lapides and working with co-chairs Marian Littman, Ruth Klueger, and Rissa Winkelman, and the NCJW | MI Staff.

Along the way on her NCJW journey, Paula has met wonderful, dedicated, creative women and formed friendships which she treasures. Not only is Paula thrilled to be receiving the Marsha Zucker award, Stan and their 3 children and 3 grandsons are very proud of Paula, as well.



NCJW|MI BACKPACK PROJECT

The goal of the Backpack Project is to provide school supplies to those students in our community who are most in need.

Last August, despite the challenges resulting from COVID-19, in coordination with Jewish Family Service (JFS), we were able to provide 450 elementary, middle, and high school students with backpacks filled with school supplies.

Although we wish we could all come together to work on this project in person, we have arranged for a modified Backpack Project again

this summer. While keeping our volunteer community safe, we will still be able to supply children in need (identified by JFS), as well as homeless students on Oakland County with the necessities for a successful school year.

Thanks to the Claire and Arthur (z'l) Kretchmer Backpack Project Name Fund, the Carol Krugel Backpack Project Name Fund, the DeRoy Testamentary Foundation, the Filmer Memorial Charitable Trust, the United Way for Southeastern Michigan, and individual contributions for funding this project.

Chairs: Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, Amy Zeskind



INTERPRETIVE DIA TOUR: THE DIEGO RIVERA MURALS

Featuring Carlene VanVoorhies,
DIA Interpretive Program Volunteer

**THURSDAY, APRIL 22
1:00PM ON ZOOM**

**TO REGISTER VISIT
WWW.NCJWMI.ORG**

THIS PROGRAM IS FREE OF CHARGE. SPACE IS LIMITED.

RAISING LAUGHTER

NCJW | MI presents an evening of laughter and glee while raising funds for our programs and projects. Please join us Sunday, June 6, via Zoom at 7:00 pm. in the comfort of your home. The fun begins with **Alan Muskovitz**, writer for the Detroit Jewish News. For 18 years Alan was known to Detroit radio audiences as "Big Al Muskovitz" sidekick, writer, impersonator, character voice talent, and producer for radio personality Dick Purtan, until Dick's retirement. Alan is now a contributing feature story and humor columnist for the Detroit Jewish News.

The headliner for the evening is **Cory Kahaney**, one of America's premiere stand up comedienne. Cory first caught fire after being a finalist on NBC's hit reality show "Last Comic Standing" which has led to her appearances on NBC's "The Carson Daly Show," Comedy Central's "Tough Crowd with Colin Quinn" and her first solo special, "Comedy Central Presents... Cory Kahaney." Other television credits include numerous appearances on CBS's "The Late, Late Show," "The View," "Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher," CBS's "The Late Show with David Letterman," NBC's "America's Got Talent," and CBS's "The Late Show with Steven Colbert."

To register for this event go to www.NCJWMI.org

Chair: Sandi Matz

Raising Laughter

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SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021 AT 7:00PM

\$36 PER HOUSEHOLD | \$75 FOR PATRON



The annual Jewish Film Festival will take place virtually from May 2nd through May 23rd.

NCJW | MI will be sponsoring the film, "If You See My Mother."

In Nathanel Guedj's smart debut feature, 30-year old Max is a single ophthalmologist who appears to be coping with his mother's death. Internally, he still sees her and talks to her. Her presence becomes increasingly less welcome when he meets a potential girlfriend.

People can choose the day and time to view the movie. A movie pass may be obtained on the JCC Cultural Arts web site. More information will be available soon.



YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED

With your support National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan will continue to advocate for social and economic justice for women, children, and families.

Your contribution to our Annual Support Campaign benefits our work nationally, locally, and in Israel.

Together we will continue to turn our beliefs into action. Together we can make a difference.

Thank you for your support. Please make your 2020-2021 annual support contribution by June 15th, as our fiscal year ends June 30. Pay online at www.ncjwmi.org, call the office, or send a check made payable to:

NCJW|MI, 26400 Lahser Road, Suite 306, Southfield, MI 48033

Thank you for your support.

RE|SALE NEWS

STILL CLEANING OUT YOUR CLOSETS?

Think of council re|sale. We are in need of upscale and designer men's and women's clothing, shoes, and accessories; jewelry; and home decor. Drop off at our store or call for a pick up at your home. Your donations turn into dollars and are used for NCJW | MI community service projects.

COMING SOON TO COUNCIL RE | SALE...

Zoom Workshops to help you put together wonderful new outfits! Watch for details!

Come visit our beautiful Home Decor Room for something for your home or a special gift!

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Download the app and search @ council_resale for special items from the store. Like us on our council re|sale Facebook page and send your email address to mail@ncjwmi.org to find out about our special sales. Also, watch for our bi-weekly Council Corner eBlast to stay informed about all important council re|sale news.

JVS Human Services and NCJW | MI Present: Clothing Confidence: how to prepare and dress for a job interview

Wednesday, April 28th from 5:30-6:15pm

Join Hannah Berger, JVS Employment Specialist, and Sandi Matz of National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan/Council Resale, (via Zoom or Facebook Live) to learn how to prepare for your next job interview. This virtual presentation will cover how to get ready for and impress your prospective employer during the interview. Some issues we'll address are how to ace tough questions and explain why you're the best fit for the job. You will also learn how to dress professionally for the interview without spending a lot of money. This workshop will help you look and feel confident. After the program, each participant will receive a \$25 coupon to use at Council re|sale in Berkley.



Spring Showcase Fashion Week
This April at council re|sale!

Featuring Men's & Women's Clothing & Accessories!

April 11: Spring Showcase VIP Event

\$25 Entry Fee* 10AM-12PM

Limited to 15 shoppers

**Please pre-register with payment*

Council Cash and other store discounts do not apply

Beginning April 12: Spring Showcase Fashion Week

Other Ways to Shop Pre-Showcase

April 7: 75% Off All Clothing & Accessories

April 8: \$15 Fill-A-Bag Sale

April 9 & 10: CLOSED



STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



Cathy Cantor

Like all of you, we looked forward to January 1st, 2021 with optimism for a new year that would be better than 2020 – vaccines, a return to “normal” . . . spring!

Then we all experienced January 6th and remembered that simply flipping a calendar to a new page, even a new year, does not necessarily change things.



Linda Levy

What WILL change things is actually taking action to create the more just world we seek. That is exactly what our 2020 Election Committee did for the past two years and what its successor, renamed the Advocacy and Elections Committee, will do going forward.

This dedicated group of women took on the challenge of increasing the youth vote in the 2020 election. Even when the pandemic caused everyone to retreat to the safety of our homes, the Committee pivoted and launched a “safe” campaign to get out the youth vote with the “Let’s Both Vote” campaign. This campaign offered a way that each NCJW member could effectively reach out to her young relatives and friends with updated information necessary to register to vote and sign up for no-reason absentee voting. This innovative and successful campaign was picked up by other Jewish organizations, synagogues, and churches.

The Committee created three outstanding webinars as part of its “The Power of Your Vote” series, as well as putting together questionnaires for State House candidates in 13 districts and the US Senate candidates, and posting the questionnaires received from the candidates on the NCJW | MI website.

The Committee was due to end its “charge” on Dec 31, 2020. But, even before January 6th, the Committee members felt there was still much to be done. So instead of ending, the Committee expanded!

Now, the newly named “Advocacy and Elections Committee” will continue to work on fair and free elections, focusing on ending voter suppression, and making voting accessible, safe and secure. In addition, the Committee has decided to focus on issues of importance to NCJW: including reproductive justice, gun violence prevention, equal pay, public education, immigration, civil rights with focus on anti-semitism and racism, and federal courts. All issues that are critical in terms of elections.

This Committee has just started working under its new charge, and already has put together its first action: a series of webinars called “Hate is Hate . . . Who is at Risk?” The first of the series was on March 31st and featured Andrew Lapin, Associate Editor at the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, discussing Father Coughlin, Shrine of the Little Flower founder and radio personality who used his media presence to incite a nation into violence and anti-semitism. If you missed it, visit our website to watch a recording of this excellent program. Upcoming topics include anti-semitism today, anti-Semitism and racism, anti-semitism and the Women’s Movement, and Misinformation, Disinformation and Lies – Examining Conspiracy Theories and the Media, among others. Watch your emails from NCJW | MI to register for these webinars or visit our website, look under “Take Action” and click on “Advocacy and Elections.”

If working with the Advocacy and Elections Committee sounds like something you would be interested in, please contact the NCJW | MI office and they will have one of us get in touch with you. We would love to have you join this rewarding committee.

Cathy Cantor, Linda Levy
NCJW State Policy Advocates, Michigan

MEALS ON WHEELS

The Kosher Meals on Wheels Program continues to provide meals to approximately 140 participants per day. We have had a significant increase since last March because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In December, NCJW | MI members distributed Chanukah cards to the KMOW clients. This included cards made by the pre-school children at Yeshivah Beth Yehudah.

This program would not be possible without our dedicated volunteers. They pack at 6:30 am, shuttle bags to Oak Park, and make their regular deliveries. They demonstrate daily their commitment and caring about the clients and their welfare. For more information about the Kosher Meals on Wheels program please call the NCJW | MI office; 248 355 3300 ext. 0.

Evva Hepner, Kosher Meals on Wheels, VP



WOMEN OF VISION 2020

WOV PATRON CAMPAIGN

Words cannot express the gratitude to all of our WOV Patron donors. Your donations have helped to make a difference. In our last bulletin, we thanked Patrons who donated through November 5, 2020. The names below are donors from November 6, 2020 through March 15, 2021. Thank you all for your generosity.

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**WOV 2021
SAVE THE DATE
Thursday, Oct. 14
on Zoom**

BECOME A SPONSOR!

Since we only have emails for half of our membership, the Bulletin is the main source of communication about NCJW events, and is distributed to over 1,600 households. The Bulletin provides important and timely information and is an essential tool for our organization.

We invite you to become a sponsor for our Bulletin. An individual or business could be a Sponsor who would donate to the printing and postage of one of our four Bulletins sent out each year. Their name would be displayed prominently on the Bulletin. To learn more, please contact Susan Gertner, Executive Director, at 248.355.3300, ext. 3.

NEW!



Tribute Cards & Packages

Need a card to acknowledge a special life event or remember a loved one? NCJW | MI tribute cards are available for purchase. Tribute card packages, 5 cards for \$36, are also available for those who prefer to write and send their own.

To order, contact the office at 248-355-3300, ext. 0. Or, visit our website NCJWMI.org to complete an order form and pay online. Tribute card packages will be delivered within a day or two of the order being received. Your purchase of tribute cards helps support our many programs, and we thank you!

Chairs: Marian Littman, Bobbie Patt



(I-r) Volunteers Linda Bodzin, Nicole Waters of Crossroads of Michigan, Katie Stocker, Margo Stocker, and Ruth Zerlin



NCJW volunteers Linda Bodzin, Margo Stocker, NCJW|MI President Amy Cutler, Katie Stocker, and Sarah Gottlieb loading up clothing for the S.A.Y. Detroit Play Center.

Wrapped In Warmth

For the last six summers, NCJW | MI has sponsored a Back 2 School Store and provided a shopping experience for 600 Detroit elementary school students in need. The children personally chose new clothing and school supplies before they returned to school in the fall.

This past January, our NCJW|MI volunteers created "The Wrapped in Warmth" project. With the cooperation of 18 social service agencies, 350 Detroit youth were provided with coats, socks, mittens, pajama bottoms, masks, and toothbrushes. While the students did not have the same shopping experience, they have these new items to help keep them warm.

The goal for our modified Back to School Store for this upcoming August is to serve 900 children. Many clothing items will be given as well as toothbrushes, masks, cards of encouragement, and books. We are grateful to Bombas and Hanes for donating socks and underwear and our appreciation goes to the Oppenheim Fund and Sallyjo Levine for supplying brand new books for the children. The venue will be The Hope of Detroit Academy during the week of August 9-12.

Chairs: Lauren Koenigsberg, Carol Rosenfeld, Margo Stocker



(I-r) Volunteers Marjory Jablin, Gail Katz, and Fran Grossman loading up warm clothes for Community Outreach Team

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