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August - October 2021

NCJW | MI

National Council of Jewish Women MICHIGAN

WOMEN OF VISION 2021

An Annual Benefit to Support the
Programs of NCJW|MI

Featuring:

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

Congregation Beth Ahm
5075 W. Maple Rd.
West Bloomfield



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S. WEINER
COMMUNITY
SERVICE AWARD**



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**WOMAN OF
VISION AWARD**



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



**Amy Cutler
President**

As we approach another new year on the Hebrew calendar, 5782, we are again reminded that time is precious. This past year the days and months seemed to creep along as we quarantined and sheltered in our homes. Some of us were comfortable only participating in Zoom meetings. Others boldly ventured out with masks and social distancing to continue their work on a particular project. Whatever the preference was, committee work for NCJW | MI continued at a record pace! The spirit of the women of NCJW both here in Michigan and nationally will not be deterred! Our website (ncjwmi.org) gives a clear picture of who we are and what we do:

We Advocate and take action on social justice issues at the local, state, and federal levels.

We Participate in meeting community needs through our service projects for children and adults.

We Educate by offering issue based speakers, discussions, and cultural arts programs.

Although we have adjusted our means of involvement, we remain dedicated to our mission. Here are just some of the committees that have fully functioned during the pandemic year.

- Advocacy/Election – Reached out to young people and the general population to assure a tremendous voter turnout in the November 2020 election.
- Back 2 School Store & Wrapped in Warmth – Distributed clothing items to 500 Detroit children.

- Backpack Project – Provided backpacks filled with school supplies to homeless children in Oakland County as well as Jewish children in need.
- Council re|sale – Donations and purchases helped support and sustain our community service projects.
- Kosher Meals on Wheels – Volunteers packed and delivered meals to the homebound in cooperation with Jewish Family Service. This was especially important during the COVID crisis which doubled our clientele.
- Wrapped in Love – Created fleece blankets for children removed from their homes and placed in foster care, and for children or adults receiving medical treatment in the hospital.

Of course, Nosh & Knowledge and Advocacy programs filled the calendar, from Rabbi Bergman of Adat Shalom Synagogue discussing the Music of Leonard Cohen to the NCJW Green committee advocating and educating the public on the world-wide initiative to end single-use plastics. The women of NCJW | MI are stronger and more committed than ever! I salute my fellow travelers on this road of dedication and passion.

The new year begins at sundown on Monday, September 6. Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement begins at sundown on Wednesday, September 15. As we participate in the Yizkor (memorial) service, we can all make a pledge to honor the dead by taking care of the living.

L'shanah tovah tikateivu v'teichateimu.

Wishing you a good year and may you and your loved ones be inscribed and sealed for a blessing in the Book of Life!



Fall Focus Presents...

Hate is Hate: We are All at Risk!

Please join us for a virtual panel presentation focusing on hate against Jews, Blacks, Muslims, and Asians. This evening program is tentatively scheduled for the last week of October. Watch for the flyer or visit our website, www.NCJWMI.org for information and registration for this informative event.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Susan Gertner

Summer is here and there is hope in the air. Our office opened on July 12th, and our staff as well as committee meetings are back to work. We are working on how we can continue zoom and in person meetings and programs. We will keep you updated as we move along. I want to thank our staff

for the past 16 months of transitioning to work remotely. Yes, there were some snags along the way, but we did it. The year could not have gone as smoothly without them. And thank you to our Board of Directors and volunteers who learned how to master zoom meetings and accomplish so much virtually this past year. Together we did it and I am proud of us. During the pandemic, we served more than twice the number of kosher meals on wheels per day, providing over 60,000 meals in the past 16 months, we had a greater number of people attend each of our virtual programs, we made calls to connect to each of our members, we worked towards increasing voter turnout, and the list goes on. The pandemic did not stop us from connecting with others and continuing to make a difference with our community service projects.

Unfortunately, we still don't have many emails of our members. If you have an email address and do not receive emails from us, please either visit our website to sign up, or email mail@ncjwmi.org and let us know you would like to hear from us by email. Since we only send out four Bulletins a year, you are missing out on many things we do in between each issue.

There are many ways to support us. You can volunteer for a community service project, work on a committee, participate in some of our fundraisers such as buying our monthly soups, ordering gift cards through our scrip program or use for your own shopping needs, or donate to council re|sale. Don't forget when in need of a gift in honor or in memory of someone we have many tribute cards to choose from. If you are looking to support our work in other ways, consider underwriting one of our programs or Bulletins, develop a name fund for a particular project, or consider including NCJW | MI as you develop your estate plans. To learn more, feel free to contact me, or Amy Cutler, President.

We look forward to seeing you in person in the near future. Hope you are enjoying your Summer!

JEWISH YOUTH AWARDS

2021 was a banner year for changes, we even slightly changed the Jewish Youth Awards. The application response increased so much that it was difficult to choose winners. The judges usually select six winners, but this year chose to honor twice that number of high school seniors. The essays were amazing and we were thrilled to be able to honor the students. The future for all of us looks bright when we see what these seniors have accomplished.



WINNERS:

1st place: Joshua Schreiber \$3000

2nd place: Emily Goldvekht \$1500

3rd place: Gabe Singer..... \$500

\$200 each: Emily Abrams, Annie Citron, Jaden Jubas, Cara Lopatin , Lev Sklar

\$100 each: Sophie Eizen, Sloane Goldberg, Emily Goldstein, Dylan Shefman, Joshua Sherman, Michael Soverinsky

Chairs: Lauren Mandel, Julie Silberg

GAMES DAY LUNCHEON

Play a Hand to Lend a Hand is again the theme for NCJW | MI's Games Day Luncheon. We are so excited to welcome you back after having to take a year off due to COVID-19. We hope you will join us Wednesday, August 18 from 11 am-3 pm at Congregation Beth Ahm in West Bloomfield. The cost is \$50 per person and a delicious box lunch will be provided. All tables will be socially distanced and we are asking you to invite vaccinated friends to play, or masks will be required for those not vaccinated. You will need to bring your own foursome (or 5, 6) and your game of choice: card, tile, or board game. Bringing Council Re|sale donations of handbags or jewelry would be most appreciated.



Register online (with payment) for your group at www.NCJWMI.org or call the office; 248-355-3300, ext. 0 no later than Friday, August 13. Please indicate who you will be playing with and what game you will be playing.

This year all proceeds will support our Youth Projects.

Chairs: Rosalie Dean, Enid Schatz

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Erin Gruwell has earned an award-winning reputation for her steadfast commitment to the future of education. Her impact as a change-agent attracted Hollywood's attention with the release of the film *Freedom Writers*, starring two-time Oscar winner Hilary Swank as Erin. The film is based on *The Freedom Writers Diary: How a Teacher and 150 Teens Used Writing to Change Themselves and the World Around Them*. Inspired by Anne Frank, Gruwell and her students through poignant entries and narrative text, record their "eye-opening, spirit-raising odyssey against intolerance and misunderstanding." Channeling her classroom experiences toward a broader cause, Gruwell founded the Freedom Writers Foundation, where she currently teaches educators around the world how to implement her innovative lesson plans into their own classrooms.



WOMEN OF VISION 2021 Ticket Levels

- \$2500** 6 tickets to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$1250** 5 tickets to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$1000** 4 tickets to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$500** 3 tickets to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$360** 2 tickets to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$250** 1 ticket to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$180** 1 ticket to Meet & Greet, Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$118** 1 ticket to Afternoon Tea, Program
- \$45** Program only

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For more information, call 248.355.3300, ext. 0

Chairs: Marian Littman, Judy Robinson

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.



BEVERLY STONE

It is said that every job is a self-portrait of the person who does it. From the classroom as a teacher of English, to the main office as middle school principal, to central office as assistant superintendent, Bev has autographed her work with caring, sincerity, and excellence. Her leadership extends into the community with her participation in a variety of NCJW programs and projects: Jewish Youth Awards, Children's Advocates, Back 2 School Store, Awards Committee, and Nominating and Leadership Committee. In addition, Bev initiated and organized an NCJW symposium on Autism for the community at large and serves on the Advisory Board of Project Healthy Schools where middle schools in the area teach healthy lifestyles through activities. She delivers challahs on Friday for Temple Israel and meals for Yad Ezra as needed. The support of her husband Howard, of blessed memory, and her daughters Dana Abrahams and Lisa Siegel encouraged Bev's efforts for NCJW. Her leadership is action driven and she is an example of community service to all.

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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.

RABBI MARLA HORNSTEN, TEMPLE ISRAEL

Rabbi Marla has been affiliated with Temple Israel for 21 years. Throughout her tenure, she has been passionate about working with women as an advocate for equality, studying women in text, and creating a variety of women's programming including a monthly Rosh Chodesh women's spirituality group. Rabbi Marla's passion extends to involvement in domestic abuse awareness; locally, nationally, and internationally, while serving on various boards and coalitions including past co-chair of the Jewish Women International's Clergy Task Force Against Domestic Violence. She is co-chair of the Coalition for Black and Jewish Unity, serving on the Board of Directors at Jewish Family Service and the Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield. Rabbi Marla has been on the board of the Women's Rabbinic Network and a past-president of the Michigan Board of Rabbis. Her rabbinic thesis, Claiming Hagar: A Search for Identity in Rabbinic Midrash, combines Rabbi Marla's love of text and her commitment to women and women's identity.

WOMEN OF VISION 2021 DONATION LEVELS

DONATION*

YOUR DONATION COULD PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- \$2500 Kosher Meals on Wheels** - 250 homebound adults will receive a Shabbat dinner
- \$1250 Backpacks** - 125 Jewish students in need will receive a filled backpack
- \$1000 Israel Granting Program** - increase support of NCJW Israel programs benefitting women and children
- \$500 Domestic Abuse Awareness** - 5 day hotel shelter for a domestic abuse victim
- \$360 Back 2 School Store** - 2 children will receive a filled backpack, book, and a full set of winter clothing
- \$250 Wrapped in Love** - 17 hospitalized children will receive a fleece blanket made by NCJW|MI volunteers
- \$180 Literacy Outreach** - 50 Detroit elementary school children will receive a new book
- \$118 All Kids Playground** - 2 classrooms will receive lunch at our universally accessible playground

**Includes one message to be displayed at the event and in the bulletin*

RE|SALE NEWS

THANK YOU

As always, a big THANK YOU to all of our volunteers who work in the store daily and also help with our donation pickups. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the office.

WANT TO KNOW ABOUT OUR SPECIAL SALES AND MOST RECENT ARRIVALS?

Like us on our council re|sale Facebook page and send your email address to mail@ncjwmi.org to receive our weekly emails.



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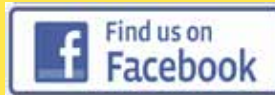
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To learn more about the positions
and to submit a resume, email sgertner@ncjwmi.org

Fall Showcase

Featuring Women's and Men's Fall Fashions & Accessories!

Sunday, August 15, 2021 12PM-4PM*

\$25 VIP Early Entry Fee** 10AM-12PM

*Council Cash and other store discounts do not apply on August 15

**Please pre-register with payment

Other Ways to Shop Pre-Showcase

Thursday, August 12: 75% Off All Items

Friday, August 13: \$15 Fill-A-Bag Sale 9AM-2PM

Saturday, August 14: Closed to prepare for Fall Showcase



Proceeds support NCJW|MI community services,
benefitting women, children, and families in need for over 130 years.

STATE POLICY ADVOCATES



Cathy Cantor

We have been joyous to experience the reopening of our country and communities, and seeing our friends' unmasked faces.

But recent events have also unmasked ugliness. The rise in antisemitism meant that we again had to react quickly and take action. We partnered with JCRC/AJC, Hadassah, ZOA, and ADL to host the "Stand Up to Antisemitism" rally on June 6, 2021. We worked with the Israel Affairs Committee and crafted a letter to the President and Board of Governors of Wayne State University in response to WSU Student Senate's Palestine Resolution, to encourage their strong vocal support against antisemitism on campus. We created the NCJW|MI Antisemitism Position Statement (see below), and we are creating a webinar to address the emotional toll that antisemitism takes on school children and their parents, college students, and older adults.



Linda Levy

We continue to urge our legislators to fight against voter suppression bills that have been introduced in Michigan, and federally, to defend democracy and voting rights by supporting the *For the People Act* and the *John Lewis Voting Rights Act*.

With draconian bills being introduced to limit abortion access and freedoms, the fight for reproductive freedom, rights and justice must also stay front and center.

We welcome your advocacy! Join our committee or sign onto our Action Alert list.

Cathy Cantor, Linda Levy
NCJW State Policy Advocates, Michigan

With antisemitism increasing at an alarming rate locally, nationally, and globally, the National Council of Jewish Women State Policy Advocates for Michigan and NCJW | MI Board of Directors felt it important to create an Antisemitism Position Statement for our Michigan Section. This statement is based on the National NCJW Statement.

National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan Antisemitism Position Statement

For 130 years, National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan (NCJW | MI) has been fighting toxic structures of systemic hate on behalf of people of many different racial, ethnic, national, and cultural backgrounds. We've responded as allies in coalitions, and through writing and lobbying for legislation to move toward a more understanding and inclusive world.

NCJW has defined antisemitism as a form of oppression that is hostile toward Jewish people. It is systemic oppression that takes many forms, such as stereotypes and myths about Jews, false conspiracy theories, Holocaust denial, religious intolerance, overt discrimination, physical violence, destruction of Jewish communal spaces and monuments, blaming societal problems on the Jewish people, and holding individual Jewish people accountable for governmental affairs, domestic or foreign.

Antisemitism has become more visible and emboldened in the past several years, showing up in spaces where we work nationally and in our local communities. It is critical that NCJW | MI speak out and stand up for our own Jewish community, and fight just as hard against this form of hate as we do for other forms. It is important to create safety for our own communities, and because we know that fighting one form of hate is linked to the fight for all forms.

Antisemitism must be eradicated in all its forms, no matter what the source. The current crisis in Israel has exacerbated antisemitic rhetoric and attacks on Jewish people across the world. Criticism of Israel is sometimes weaponized as a cover for antisemitic beliefs and actions. While it is valid to criticize the politics in the region, questioning the right of Israel to exist and holding all Jews accountable for Israel's policies is antisemitic. Commentary on Israel that casts Zionism as illegitimate enables an environment of hateful action.

NCJW | MI is committed to standing up and speaking out against all forms of hate, including antisemitism. It is imperative to call out antisemitism when we witness it. We encourage anyone who sees antisemitic rhetoric or actions to contact the ADL at www.adl.org/reportincident and also report the antisemitism directly to the platform where it is posted.



NCJW|MI BACKPACK PROJECT

The NCJW | MI Backpack project is back once again in a modified version. We are delivering backpacks filled with school supplies directly to Oakland Schools and Jewish Family Service.

Thanks to the Claire and Arthur (z'l) Kretchmer Backpack Project Fund and the Carol Krugel Backpack Project Fund as well as grants from the DeRoy Testamentary Foundation and the Phillip & Elizabeth Filmer Memorial Charitable Trust, 450 filled backpacks will go to Jewish Family Service for Jewish students in need and 900 backpacks to the Oakland Schools Homeless Student Education Program.

Chairs: Deede Auster, Jan Goldfarb, Amy Zeskind



KOSHER MEALS ON WHEELS

On June 1, 2021, all the Kosher Meals on Wheels Volunteers were honored at the Jewish Family Service Annual Meeting with the Barbara and Irving Nusbaum Volunteer of the Year Award. Presenting the award was Mara Moss, who is completing her term on the JFS Board and is a current volunteer with the Kosher Meals on Wheels Program. NCJW | MI's Vice President Evva Hepner accepted the award on behalf of all of the Kosher Meals on Wheels volunteers.

An excerpt from Mara's glowing tribute follows: "It was impossible to overlook this group of volunteers who were at the kitchen at 6 a.m. packing food, driving around metro-Detroit delivering meals, and offering a small bit of contact and a friendly face to many isolated older adults. We simply cannot thank you all enough for your dedication and selflessness to the Kosher Meals on Wheels program. While this award traditionally goes to a single volunteer, it's clear that this year, we couldn't choose just one."

Thank you to Jewish Family Service for presenting this award to the most deserving group of volunteers. Congratulations to all the volunteers for the outstanding service that you provide each and every day.

Thank you to all our generous patrons for Raising Laughter-Comedy Night

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You may ask what is happening with the NCJW | MI Back 2 School Store for August 2021...

With the advent of COVID-19, the in-person experience was not possible for the summer of 2020. But the need for the children was still there! Coats, hats, mittens, and socks were purchased and distributed to our partner agencies so that 500 children would receive the items.

In addition to our summer Back 2 School Store (B2SS), this past January "The Wrapped in Warmth" project was created. With the cooperation of 18 social service agencies, 315 Detroit youth were provided with coats, socks, mittens, pajama bottoms, masks, and toothbrushes.

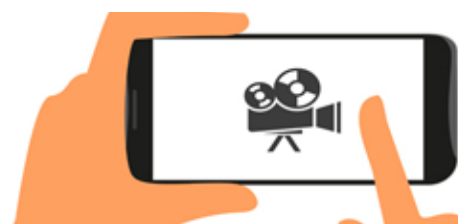
With COVID-19 still of concern, our Back to School Store for this upcoming August will once again be modified. We will be increasing the number of children served to 900 and distribute the clothing through our partner agencies. This year, we will add new books to the bags of clothing.

We thank those of you who have volunteered or made a donation in the past and we hope August 2022 will bring back our traditional Back 2 School Store.

Though we are not holding our Back 2 School Store Annual Donation Campaign, we invite you to purchase B2SS tribute cards throughout the year or make a donation when you are able, to help support our B2SS 2021.

Thank you again for your continued support of this program.

Chairs: Lauren Koenigsberg, Carol Rosenfeld, Margo Stocker



VIDEO CONTEST

Please help plan NCJW | MI Video Contest.

The contest is open to Oakland County High School Girls.

Applicants will design a video on a current topic and three cash prizes will be awarded at a community program.

On Wednesday, October 27 at 10:00am at the NCJW office we will:

- Choose a topic
- Determine the time frame
- Discuss publicity and marketing
- Suggest judges for the contest
- Begin to plan the awards program

Please join us!

To RSVP, call the office, 248-355-3300 ext 0

Chairs: Randie Levin, Margo Stocker

NCJW GREEN

ATTENTION KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!

Our "Plastic Bags Make Plastic Mats" project has launched! The bins to collect plastic bags and Plarn (yarn made from plastic) are located in the lobby of the NCJW|MI building and are getting full. However, more knitters and crocheters are needed! Please volunteer now to create mats for people who are experiencing homelessness.

Please visit our website at: www.NCJWMI.org for an overview of the project and instructions.



FOR SALE

Make a difference for the environment. Say NO to plastic grocery bags and BYOB! (Bring Your Own Bag)

These sturdy, cotton bags are 15 inches by 13 inches.

At only \$5.00 each* why not buy a few and give them as gifts?

Call the NCJW | MI office (248-355-3300, ext. 0) to order.

**Profits will benefit NCJW | MI programs and projects.*



READY TO TRAVEL AGAIN?

BONJOUR PARIS!

a virtual jewish tour of paris with karen reb rudel

Join NCJW | MI for a walking tour of Paris with a Jewish twist - all from the comfort of your own home! Led by Pennsylvania native, Karen Reb Rudel. The city of love and lights has been Karen's stomping ground for over 20 years, and she is in a unique position to give you the historical background and underground cultural scoops that most walking tours leave out.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021
12PM ON ZOOM

VISIT WWW.NCJWMI.ORG TO REGISTER

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AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**



MEMBERSHIP

The membership committee is focused on outreach and working hard to let women in Michigan know about the best kept secret in our community. We've created an NCJW | MI 101 flier to share information about the mission of NCJW | MI and its commitment to women, families, and children. As members, you are our best ambassadors. Please continue to spread the word about NCJW | MI and invite women of all ages in your lives to attend our events, join our mailing list, and become members and supporters.

Chairs: Dani Gillman, Judy Robinson

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

NCJW's Anti-Trafficking Initiative, aims to expose and address the multiple aspects of sex trafficking in the US through a powerful program of public awareness, education, and advocacy.

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Reproductive Health, Rights, and Justice

NCJW is committed to creating a world where all people, regardless of race, class, gender, sexuality, ability, or immigration status, have the right to build their families and live their lives with dignity.

ENVIRONMENT

NCJW is devoted to educating ourselves and the community about global warming and the steps each of us can take to stop it and create a planet that is sustainable for generations to come.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Kosher Meals on Wheels, Literacy Outreach, Wrapped in Love Blankets, and more.

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