

NCJW  
National Council of Jewish Women  
Greater Philadelphia Section

# Bulletin

A FAITH IN THE FUTURE  
A BELIEF IN ACTION®  
March 2017

Flyers enclosed.  
Please respond promptly.



Hundreds of thousands of women, as well as many men, joined the Women's March in Washington, D.C. on January 21 as well as sister marches in cities across the country to protest regressive proposals and inflammatory rhetoric and to support a progressive agenda which highlights women's rights and human rights. According to NCJW CEO, Nancy Kaufman, NCJW "was part of the messaging" and organized Jewish contingents in marches across the country.

NCJW Section members Ruthie Levicoff, Char Kurland, and Ellen Toplin join the protest at the Philadelphia sister rally March.

Our Greater Philadelphia NCJW Section members participating in these historic events make us proud. Their presence is a tangible expression of NCJW's motto:  
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(more pictures inside)



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## President's Message

Several years ago, the Drizin-Weiss Auxilliary No.215, Jewish War Veterans of the United States sponsored an essay contest entitled "What Being An American Means to Me." An 11 year old girl scout, Sandra Hoffman, won the contest with her essay entitled, "Thank God I Am An American." The following is an excerpt from the essay that was printed in her local newspaper.

*In 1941 I was born in this free and wonderful country, America. Proper care was given to me at the hospital. At school I learned that no matter what my race or creed, I must respect and help others. I was able to go to synagogue, to attend public schools, go to the theaters, read the newspapers and know the truth of what is going on in the world. When our National Anthem is played, I'm proud to know that I'm an American with the rights to freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom of the press and freedom to respect the rights of one another. Thank God I'm an American.*

Today and in the future, may our government be a democracy that will enable all children living here to feel the same freedom, security and love of country that this 11 year old girl felt so many years ago.

Sandy Fryer

## Public Affairs Community Service (PACS)

### VOLUNTEER and/or CONTRIBUTE

#### Reminder

Our last Ronald McDonald Guest Chef breakfast of this season is Sunday, March 5. Please join us. Call Zelda Stern to confirm at (215) 947-2348. Zelda always looks forward to sharing this worthwhile project with everyone.



### Support Holocaust survivors and rescuers as they continue to educate school children throughout the Delaware Valley.

NCJW is asking anyone with a few hours to spare to sign up to The Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center. The center will be happy to train anyone who is willing to help whether it means driving and/or facilitating. Please contact one of us and we will be happy to share details with you. Thank you,

Susan Horwitz [horwitzsusan@yahoo.com](mailto:horwitzsusan@yahoo.com)

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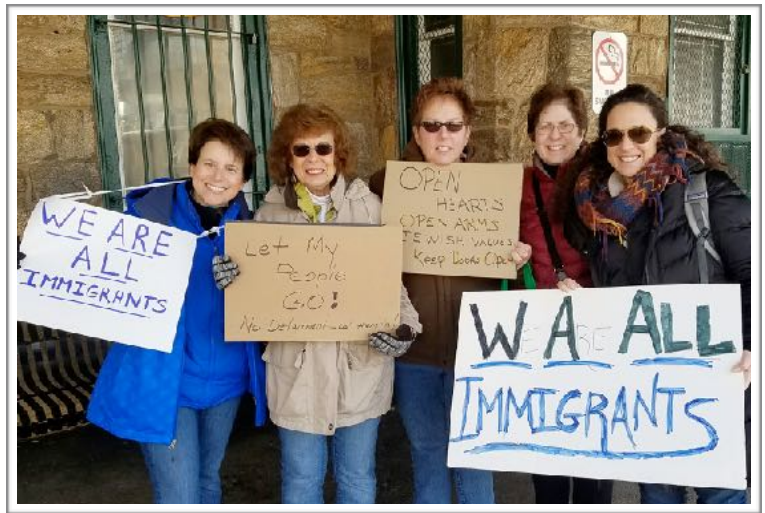
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Harriet Winoker, in Philadelphia, wearing her pink hat with pussycat ears, volunteering with an "Ask Me" badge around Logan Square and then at the check-in tent on Eakins Oval.



Friends, with our members, Char Kurland, Ellen Toplin and Nancy Feldman Kirsh on their way to the march in Philadelphia.

Sherry Kohn, her sisters, daughter and granddaughter, ready to march proudly as NCJW women



Elinore Levie and her husband, Carl Harrington, snow-birding, vacationing, caregiving and working, participated in a sister march in Sarasota, FL with 10,000 others. Stephen King was among the rally speakers He cited a true horror story of our new administration.



Charlotte Schwartz's sign sends a clear and colorful message to the new administration



Pictured left to right are Michelle Erenberg, NCJW SPA for Louisiana, Lynne Jacobs, NCJW SPA for Pennsylvania and Lindsay Morris, NCJW Associate Director of Washington Operations at the historic 6th and I Synagogue in Washington for Friday nights services where they joined a large contingent of Jewish activists before the march.

Not shown in photos who also marched...Barbara Katz Auerbach, Judy Fried, Jackee Swartz, Susan Handis, and Phyllis Barsky

.....And More Inspired Advocacy!



Our section NCJW members marked MLK DAY on January 16 by volunteering at the Mitzvah Circle, many bringing their grandchildren to share the importance of community service. Volunteers sorted, packed and designed treat bags for homeless people and school children who are in need. To all who participated, thank you!

Judy Fried,



Mission accomplished!



Lynne Jacobs and Linda Dzuba put their faith Into action during a Jan.26 anti-sex trafficking rally in Harrisburg.



NCJW Leader Charlene Kurland speaks out for LGBTQ Equality and Why We Should #StopSessions!



Members in Harrisburg at a press conference in support of Safe Harbor law to help young victims of trafficking, with Paula Goldberg, Jan 25, 2017

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Ruthie Levikoff Abby Gilbert Renee Brock

As membership vice-presidents, we welcome our new members to call us regarding any questions you may have. Please contact:

Wendy Rader at [WRBarbieGirl50@gmail.com](mailto:WRBarbieGirl50@gmail.com) 215 657-9347 or Judy Fried at [judyfried38@gmail.com](mailto:judyfried38@gmail.com) 215 245-1309 Do You Know a Prospective Member?

We will be delighted to send out membership packets.

Please LIKE us on our Facebook page

Search our full name "National Council Of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section"



### Heartfelt Thanks and Happy Tears

To the delight of grade teacher, Ms Figueroa, Vice-Principal, Dr. Jeter-Iles, and Principal Ms. Sample-Green, Fire Tablets and head phones were delivered on February 1. The Benjamin Franklin Elementary student beneficiaries will be able to use the tablets as interactive aids to reinforce and build academic skills and use teacher guided apps to supplement information resources. For Ms. Figueroa, this was a long held dream come true. For our NCJW section, the satisfaction of another mitzvah which our NCJW volunteer tutors at Benjamin Franklin can look to seeing them in action.

Susan Horwitz

### \$50 GIANT CASH CARDS

GIANT cards are available to purchase.  
Please contact  
Joyce Eveloff---215-283-9277

If you have changed your address, phone number and/or email or if you hear of a member's passing, please contact Harriet Winokur via email at [harrietwinokur@gmail.com](mailto:harrietwinokur@gmail.com)

### Tribute cards for special occasions and memorials

Call Gladys Greenfield 215 635 4244 or Sue Leon 215 653 0773. Our new section card is selling 6 for \$25 or \$5 each. You may purchase the cards at a meeting or call Gladys or Sue and they will send a card for you.

The Greater Philadelphia Section of  
National Council of Jewish Women

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Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel  
8339 Old York Road  
Elkins Park, PA 19027

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Luncheon-Members: \$17.00 \$22 for non Members

If a guest becomes a member of NCJW, \$5.00 will be deducted

Want to skip Lunch? Join us at 1:00pm for the program. Non members pay: \$5.00

Lunch will be provided to those who register no later than Friday, March 3

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Any questions: please call Margie at 267-261-7728

Please mail your check made out to NCJW to:

Margie Zukerman  
5106 Meridian Blvd.  
Warrington, PA 18976

Checks must be received by Friday, March 3 in order to have lunch.

Checks received after that date will be returned.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_ # of Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Reminder: Please bring school supplies for our adopted Philadelphia elementary schools, cleaning supplies for Dawn's Place and clean, folded, used clothes for Mitzvah Circle.



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## *Taste of Culture*

### **Woodmere Art Museum**



9201 Germantown Ave, Phila. Pa 19118

**Tuesday March 28, 2017**

**Arrive 10:15 for a 10:30 docent led tour**

Our tour of the Woodmere Art Museum will include three new exhibits that will offer an interesting and informative look at abstraction, the relationships between men and women and the work of John Laub.

Lunch following the tour at  
**Cin Cin** restaurant.

**7838 Germantown Ave, Phila PA 19118**

\$35 (members) \$40 (guests) inclusive

Make Checks payable to NCJW

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8708 Prospect Ave, Phila 19118

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## SAVE THE DATE

Programs to be held at  
Congregation Keneseth Israel.

Note, the April 19 program is on Wednesday

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Director of the Jewish Community  
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### **Wednesday, April 19, Evening**

Joel Schwartz, MD, “Laugh, Will, and  
Testament”

### **Tuesday, May 2 Luncheon 11:30 a.m.**

Paulette Rackow, “Cezanne & Pissarro...  
a most unlikely pair!”

### **Tuesday, June 6**

Closing Luncheon

Bluestone Country Club

(formerly Meadowlands County Club)

Speaker: David L. Cohen

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#### ***“Social Media/Communications in Society”***

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We are a 501 (c)3 nonprofit organization. Our web site is [www.NCJW.org](http://www.NCJW.org)

Check out the NCJW Action Center at

[http://action.ncjw.org/site/PageServer?pagename=NCJW\\_homepage](http://action.ncjw.org/site/PageServer?pagename=NCJW_homepage)

For over a century, NCJW has been at the forefront of social change. NCJW members and supporters are outspoken champions for progressive policies at the federal, state, and local levels. Over the years, NCJW's collective voice has changed the world for the better -- impacting the lives of women, children, and families in the US and Israel.

Learn more. Speak out. And make your mark on history.



### Evening Book Club

Tuesday, March 21 at 6:30 pm  
*The Last Chinese Chef* by Nicole Mones  
RSVP to Joan, joansax@comcast.net  
215-947-9166

Thank you to Maxine Dalsemer for hosting January meeting of Evening Book Club and Etta Nissman for leading a great discussion.

### Center City Book Club

Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7 p.m.  
*City of Women* by David Gilham  
Discussion Leader: Rosalie Kurz  
Home of Judy Podwil, Society Hill Towers

Thanks to Maryellen Blass for hosting our December meeting and Joanne Stoloff for leading a wonderful discussion of Rent Collector

### Afternoon Book Club

Thursday, February 23 *A Fall of Marigolds*  
by Susan Meissner.  
At the home of Sue Leon.

March 23 *The Notorious RBG* by Irin Carmon  
and Shana Knizhnik  
At the home of Betsy Parziale.

Please RSVP to Joyce at [Barryjoy@aol.com](mailto:Barryjoy@aol.com) or  
215-402-0287 for address

Meetings are at 1/1:30



Celebrating a simcha or have one you would like the NCJW to recognize? What a great way to share by making a donation to our Section.

Send your donation to: Pearl Tragash  
4331 Meredian Blvd., Warrington, PA  
18976



### Goodies for the Good Guys

Much thanks to everyone who helped make our annual *Goodies for the Good Guys* another successful event!!! Our NCJW section helpers donated baked goods, put trays together and delivered 32 trays to people who worked over the holidays at many different locations who provide safety and medical support to members of our communities.

They and I appreciated all your help and support.

This project is only one of many that continues to show the magnanimous hearts of the members of NCJW!!!! I also want to mention the ladies of Beth Sholom Sisterhood who heard my request and donated goodies and came to my house to assist us in making the trays.

Our list of helpers include: Sandy Fryer, Elaine Creon, Charlotte Schwartz, Gladys Greenfield, Zelda Stein, Lynn Album, Linda Popovsky, Karen Ruggiero, Susan Handis, Judy Fried, Paula Goldberg, Barbara Nussbaum, Pearl Goldberg, Robin Katz, Lynn Jacobs, Rhena Kelsen, Maryann Kesilman, Rachel Lebofsky, Andrea Windsor, Linda Rich Adraine Flau, Dianne Cutler, Elaine Miller, Marsha Labovitz, Maaxine Dalsemer, Shelly Perchick, Noga Gold, Gayle Vogel, Julie Glass. This impressive turnout may not be complete as not everyone signed in or left a name with their donation.

Patti First



### Condolences to:

Adrienne Feuer on the loss of her mother  
Marilyn Yarmark on the loss of her husband, Martin



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contact: Linda Richter  
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