National Council of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section

# Bulletin

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April, 2019

### 125 YEARS OF POWERFUL JEWISH WOMEN

NCJW confronts today's most urgent social and economic challenges facing women, children and families. Powered by the Jewish imperative to ensure dignity for all, we impact policy, advocate for justice, and support the community. Your voice has never been more essential and our voices together make a meaningful difference in the world.

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### ANTI-SEMITISM AROUND THE WORLD AND IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

FOUR
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INSIDE

We are devastated by the horrific mass murder targeting NZ's Muslim community. We extend our deepest condolences to our Muslim brothers and sisters in the Philadelphia region - we stand with you. We will never stop fighting alongside you as we seek to end hate throughout the world.

Nancy Baron-Baer



National Council of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section Welcomes Members And Guests To A Free Presentation

Featured Speaker: Nancy K. Baron-Baer Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League for Eastern Pennsylvania/Southern New Jersey/Delaware

Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel Wednesday, April 10, 2019 7:00 Pm

Our stake in combatting the growing tsunami of hate crimes is reflected in FBI data showing Jewish and Muslim communities as the most targeted religious groups of white supremacists. Knowledge, advocacy, and interfaith efforts can empower us against the threat of the white supremacy movement.



### SAVE THE DATE!!!

On Thursday, May 2, 2019, our NCJW Greater Philadelphia Section will be honored with the Excellence in Education award by the Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center at a luncheon to be held at the Philmont Country Club. See inside flyer for details!

### SAVE THE DATES

#### **EVENTS and ACTIVITIES**

March 26 Social Get Together

Curds-N-Whey 12:30 p.m.

ANTI-SEMITISM AROUND THE WORLD April 10

AND IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

Featured Speaker:

Nancy K. Baron-Baer

NCJW Goes to Broadway May 1

Tootsie

Spring Theater Trip May 1 2 p.m.

People's Light in Malvern

For Peter Pan on Her 70th Birthday

Painting With a Twist 1 p.m. May 9

Luncheon/Panel of Female Rabbis May 14

June 4 Closing Luncheon

Talamore Country Club

### **BOARD MEETINGS**

April 16 Tuesday, 1:00 pm

Home of Charlotte Schwartz

(12:30pm to chat)

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. at GIANT May, 7

### **Holiday Calendar**

April 20 Pesach

### **NCJW Greater Philadelphia Section 2019-2020 Nominating Committee Report**

Co-Presidents Barbara Nussbaum Community Services Charlotte Schwartz

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The Nominating Committee for our section met in early January. This is our slate of officers as presented to our board at its March meeting. The slate was approved as presented.

In addition, our by-laws require that we have 10 members of the board elected by the general membership. The following names were submitted in nomination and approved by the board.

> Janet Ecksel Wendy Rader Judy Fried Celia Rothkopf Kav Skloff Paula Bursztyn Goldberg Evelvn Goldhammer Diane Steinbrink Diane Plotnick Judy Wenzel

I would like to thank, Donna Bader, Bobbie Berman, Patti First, Sandy Fryer, Lynne Jacobs, and Linda Myers, the members of the nominating committee, for their help and support.

> Rhena Kelsen Chair of the Nominating Committee

### **National Council of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section**

### **WELCOMES MEMBERS AND GUESTS TO A FREE PRESENTATION**

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm)



## ANTI-SEMITISM AROUND THE WORLD AND IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

Featured Speaker: Nancy K. Baron-Baer

Nancy Baron-Baer is the Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League for Eastern Pennsylvania/Southern New Jersey/Delaware. Ms. Baron-Baer provides guidance and leadership to individuals, groups and institutions in fighting anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry and discrimination, as well as promoting interfaith relations. Ms. Baron-Baer oversees a variety of legislative initiatives, amicus briefs, and organizes conferences and projects on challenging bias and prejudice in our schools and communities, including the No Place for Hate project currently in approximately 225 schools throughout Pennsylvania, Delaware and Southern New Jersey. In this lecture, Ms. Baron -Baer will discuss the current wave of anti-Semitism locally and around the world.

**Audience Q & A to Follow** 

### REFORM CONGREGATION KENESETH ISRAEL 8339 OLD YORK ROAD ELKINS PARK, PA 19027 MAIN AUDITORIUM

**Questions? Call NCJW 215-302-3586** 

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER

Janet Sachs

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

Please contact: Wendy Rader

Wendy Rader Judy Fried WRBarbieGirl50@gmail.com or judyfried38@gmail.com 215 657-9347 215 245-1309

We will be delighted to send out membership packets.

\*Membership Dues: Annual \$40 (Be an Angel \$50 ©)

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\*Good news! Our dues have not increased and remain at \$40.

For an additional \$10 you can achieve "angel" 😇 status which increases the number of people we can assist.

Speedy Recovery to:

Marsha Finkelstein Linda Brosgol Donna Harris Maria Rosen Thank you to Gladys Greenfield and Sue Leon for handling our Tribute Cards for so many years. Their volunteer work has been truly appreciated.

### **Afternoon Book Club**

April: *A Fall of Marigolds* by Susan Meissner.

May: *Educated* 

by Tara Westover

For more information:

Contact Joyce at

MsJoyce1716@gmail.com

or 215-402-0287

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can have books delivered from
Amazon to your Kindle.

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### **Center City Book Club**

Wed., April 10, 7 P.M.

Trail of Broken Wings

by Sejai Badani

Host: Audrey Block

Leader: Helene Sternberg

Thank you to Melba Axelrod for hosting and to Gwen Freedman for leading our March meeting

For information contact: Audrey Block ablock1919@comcast.net



### **Evening Book Club**

Tuesday, April 9, 7:30 p.m. Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward

RSVP to Eileen at 215-901-2754 or puppyme2@aol.com

Thank you to Evelyn Goldhammer for facilitating and to Faith Edelman for hosting the March meeting of the Evening Book Club.

For more information about the Evening Book Club contact Joan Sax at joansax@comacast.net.





### "I HAD to look....."

Margie Zukerman, sitting in the front row, enthralled at the masterful presentation, *REMEMBERING ANNE FRANK NINETY YEARS LATER*, by member, Diane Steinbrink, turned in her seat wondering what others were experiencing. She saw a clearly rapt audience.

BRAVO to Diane Steinbrink for eloquently capturing the essential elements of Anne Frank and her legacy!

NCJW Greater Philadelphia Section member, Diane Steinbrink, (center) with Program Vice-Presidents Margie Zukerman (L) and Joyce Eveloff (R) following Diane's discussion of Anne Frank. This year marks the ninetieth anniversary of her birth.

### **HIPPY HOORAY**

### **HOME INSTRUCTION for PARENTS of PRESCHOOL YOUNGSTERS**



HIPPY, has met its Enrollment Goal of 75 children in Point Breeze with an active Waiting List of 15. Ten percent of the enrolled group have no daycare or nursery school services. Five Parent Partners are servicing the Parent-Child Home Program.

Vyneda Dunston, the new HIPPY-DCS DIRECTOR comes with a background in Corporate Finance and Early Childhood Education. She announced that the Two-Year Old Curriculum is going to be incorporated in the Program. HIPPY- PHILADELPHIA is the only program in this country which has a HIPPY HOUSE where families who are homeless or are in Shelters can bring their children for enrichment services and nourishment if needed.

BREAKING NEWS: HIPPY looks forward to welcoming EIGHTEEN MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES who will be visiting FAMILY NIGHT on APRIL 11th. They are impressed with our work as an Urban Center.

Family Night will incorporate a Reading Workshop where each child will leave with two new books.

Respectfully Submitted, Elaine Kline



### **News about our Membership Social Committee!**

We are looking for members who would like to plan and participate in activities such as lunches, movies followed by discussions, cards, bridge, Mahjong or whatever might interest you.

We are hoping to form geographic groups in Center City, Northeast Philadelphia and Bucks and Montgomery Counties.

We have scheduled our first social get together at Curds-N-Whey
817 Old York Road, Jenkintown
March 26 Time: 12:30

In order for us to have sufficient seating Please RSVP By March 20 to Ann Pollock 215-773-0594 or apollock1229@yahoo.com



### 209 Leedom St. Jenkintown

# NCJW will have loads of fun at Painting with a Twist Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 1 p.m. \$35.00 pp

Everyone is invited to share the fun, bring your friends... and NCJW receives 50% of all admissions. Bring a snack to share!! (BYOB)

Name	Phone
Email	
Guests	

Make checks payable to NCJW and send by April 11<sup>th</sup> to:

Donna Harris

13675 Philmont Ave. Unit 33

13675 Philmont Ave. Unit 33, Philadelphia, PA 19116

Questions? Call Donna at 267-934-2055

### National Council of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section MEETING & LUNCHEON Tuesday, May 14, 2019 11:30 a.m.

# How Are Women Advancing Jewish Thought, Prayer, Education and Practice? Panel Discussion with Female Rabbis

A discussion along with a robust question and answer session with three female Rabbis:



Conservative Rabbi Andrea Merow, Beth Shalom, Elkins Park PA

Reform Rabbi Shoshana Tornberg, Temple Beth Am, Abington PA



Pluralist Rabbi Lynnda Targan, Philadelphia PA

# REFORM CONGREGATION KENESETH ISRAEL 8339 OLD YORK ROAD ELKINS PARK, PA 19027 -- MAIN AUDITORIUM RSVP BY FRIDAY, MAY 10,2019

Questions? Call Margie Zukerman 215-862-5114 Please Mail Checks Made Payable to NCJW to: Margie Zukerman 5106 Meridian Blvd, Warrington, PA 18976 NO CHECKS OR CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR (Members arriving without paying in advance can attend the program only but will be seated at the Reserved Table for Program Only attendees) ( ) I am joining you for lunch. My check includes \$20.00 for me. (DUE BY May 10) ( ) I am attending the program but do not want to eat any lunch. (FREE FOR MEMBERS) (Program will begin close to 1pm. Please arrive before 1pm. Also, please know that you will be seated at a special reserved table for non-lunch attendees) Member Name Phone EMail ( ) I have guests attending for the program and luncheon and \$25.00 for each is included with my check. (DUE BY May 10) Guests' Names Attending Luncheon and Program: ( ) I have guests attending for the program only (without lunch) and \$5.00 for each is included with my check (DUE BY MAY10) (Program will begin close to 1pm. Please arrive before 1pm. Also, please know that your guests will be seated at a special reserved table for non-

REMINDER: BRING HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES FOR DAWNS PLACE

Guests' Names Attending Program Only:

lunch attendees)

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### www.ncjwphiladelphia.org

- ~Photographs of member events supporting our
- ~Legislative and Advocacy updates
- ~An archive of NCJW Bulletins
- ~Notices and flyers for our fund-raising events
- ~Book Club links
- ~Volunteer Opportunities
- ~Options for Donations

We welcome your ideas to broaden our content!



If you have changed your address, phone number and/or email or if you hear of a member's passing, please contact Harriet Winokur harrietwinokur@gmail.com

### **\$50 GIANT CASH CARDS**

GIANT cards are available for purchase. Please contact Roz Fudell. 267-939-4424 (Note: this is a new number)

We need ads for the Bulletin. If you know of someone who would like to advertise with us...

Contact: Pearl Tragash 215-302-3586. Business size cards are \$50 for 10 issues of our Bulletin.

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. Our Jewish values teach us that our reproductive freedoms are integrally bound to our religious liberty; we are committed to advancing the goals of reproductive justice so that every person can make their own moral and faith-informed decisions about their body, health, and family.

Since its founding, NCJW has been a leader in the reproductive health and rights movement, and while much advancement has been made in the past 100 years to legally secure a person's right to abortion and contraception, there is so much more that needs to be done to truly ensure reproductive freedom for all.

Reproductive health, rights, and justice goes beyond the basics of reproduction. It requires us to dig deeper, advocate louder, and love harder. It requires us to center the voices of those who have been marginalized at the center to lead the conversation for social change.

Until every person has the power to make their own informed decisions about their body, sexuality, and future, our work is not over.

National Council of Jewish Women 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. We are a 501 (c)3 nonprofit organization. Our National web site is www.NCJW.org

### Save The Date

Thursday, May 2, 2019 11:00 a.m.

# Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center

**Educators' Luncheon** 

Philmont Country Club
301 Tomlinson Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA

Please join us as we honor

### National Council of Jewish Women - Greater Philadelphia Section

with our third annual

### Excellence in Education Award

in recognition of the exceptional advocacy, leadership, and dedication of NCJW members to promoting the field of Holocaust studies and education,

which advance the values and mission of the

Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center

The National Council of Jewish Women is a non-denominational, volunteer-based organization that works toward social justice, improving the quality of life for families, children and women based upon principles of Judaism. NCJW promotes individual rights and freedoms

Barbara Nussbaum, NCJW - Greater Philadelphia Section's President will be our guest speaker.

Couvert - \$45/person



Note: \$45 is a reduced price for NCJW members.

Indicate on your return payment that you are an NCJW member.

RSVP By Friday, April 12,2019

Make checks payable to and send to:
Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center
10100 JamisonAve. Suite 210
Philadelphia, PA. 19116

For additional information contact Shelley Rappaport, Program Director, Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center - <a href="mailto:shelley@hamec.org">shelley@hamec.org</a> or 215.464.4701

### THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE



NCJW volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House provide breakfast and more to families staying there from out-of-town while their critically ill children receive treatment at St. Christopher's Hospital. To all participants in this "nourishing" program, know that you make a meaningful difference. Unforgettable are the words of one parent who looked at our volunteer group and said, wistfully, "this is what my mother would do for me if she could be here." Interested in becoming a volunteer? Prepare breakfast for

patients and their families as part of our NCJW Guest Chef Program at the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House.

Upcoming Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. March 10 April 7

Please give me at least 2 weeks notice on date(s) you can participate. Call Zelda Stern at 215-394-8335



#### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Join our wonderful NCJW group of volunteers at our adopted Benjamin Franklin Elementary School now in our fourth year. Work with our first and second graders to help them accomplish pre-reading and higher reading skills with our one to one concentrated time and encouragement.

Please call Harriet Gran at 215-836-5993 or email <a href="mailto:hgranncjw@gmail.com">hgranncjw@gmail.com</a>.



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

NCJW is asking anyone with a few hours to spare to sign up for 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 me. I will be happy to share details with you. Thank you,

Judy Fried (215) 245-1309 judyfried38@gmail.com

**Sponsoring an event** for a minimum of \$100.00 in honor of a special event or person in your life, or in memory of an important person is a great way to do a double mitzvah! You are honoring the person or event and helping NCJW. You can share this sponsorship between friends. Your name (or names) will be on the invitation flyer. This is a lovely and meaningful way to support our NCJW section!

Please consider sponsoring an upcoming event.

Just call Patti First at 215 887-1888 or Ellen Mirbach at 215-771-5311 and tell us what event you'd like to sponsor.

### Tribute cards for special occasions and memorials

Our new section card is selling 6 for \$25 or \$5 each.Purchase the cards at a meeting or contact Ellen or Patti and they will send a card for you.

Contact Ellen Mirbach,215-771-5311, semirbach@gmail.com or Patti First, 215-470-1560, patal16@verizon.net.

### **INCLUDE NCJW Greater Philadelphia Section in your estate planning,** You can help its important work continue for years to come.

### Celebrating a simcha or have one you would like NCJW to recognize?

We will make a note of it. An acknowledgement to you and the recipient is our pleasure. What a great way to share by making a donation to our Greater Philadelphia Section. For information, call 215-302-3586 and leave a message for Pearl Tragash, Treasurer.



### Supplies needed for Dawn's Place - Shelter for Survivors of Sex Trafficking

Household cleaners, laundry soap, dish liquid, paper napkins, paper towels, toilet paper (single-ply only!), personal grooming products.... also NEW single bed sheets and non-perishable food.



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**Friday** 

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