# Bulletin

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NOVEMBER, 2021

#### 127 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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#### **NOVEMBER 2 PRESENTS A CRITICAL OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE OUR VOICES HEARD!!**

Our votes will greatly impact the success of our NCJW mission.

Lawmakers use voter turnout as a barometer of voters' concerns.

YOUR VOTE WILL LET THEM KNOW THE ISSUES WE SUPPORT

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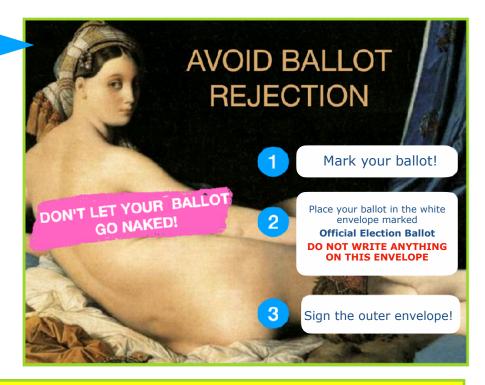
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# **Save The Date**

Zoom Program on Tuesday, November 16, 7:30 p.m. "Discussing Politically Charged Issues Without Alienating People at Your Holiday Gatherings" Featuring Dr. Karin Tamerius.

# National Council of Jewish Women Greater Philadelphia Section

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021 – 7:30 pm –EVENING ZOOM EVENT

Please join us for our program entitled 
"Discussing Politically Charged Issues Without Alienating People at Your Holiday Gatherings"

Featuring Dr. Karin Tamerius



Karin Tamerius,MD is a psychiatrist with an extensive political psychology background. Since the 2016 election, she has worked full-time bringing clinical communication skills to numerous groups to help them learn how to depolarize conflicts and share in ways that others can hear without feeling alienated. She has worked with both Democrats and Republicans to learn how to tone down potentially hot political issues that come up at holiday gatherings and published interactive pieces for the *New York Times* entitled "Uncle Angry Bot." Her work has also been featured across the political spectrum including Fox and Friends, NPR, *Scientific American*, among others. She is working on her first book --*Smart Politics: How to Stop Arguing, Stop Avoiding, and Start Making a Difference*.

# RSVP REQUIRED BY NOVEMBER 15, 2021 TO JOIN US

# **CLICK HERE TO RSVP**

If the above link does not work for you, copy and paste the following into the URL section of your browser:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11KKM01eX8X1jp2r9ryclpfXCOCbQze3eRVNsX6xZSr0/viewform

AND -- IF YOU WANT TO INVITE A GUEST TO THIS PROGRAM-- YOU CAN SHARE THIS FLYER WITH THEM BY SENDING THEM THIS LINK:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-

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Questions? Call Char Kurland (215) 805-3006 or Patti First (215)-470-1560

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# PATHWAYS TO EXPANDING ABORTION ACCESS: A DIGITAL LAUNCH EVENT

Register now

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27 @ 7PM ET | 4PM PT

Everyone deserves safe, dignified, and affordable access to abortion care. With the harsh attacks on abortion access across the country and Roe effectively overturned in Texas and at risk of being overturned nationwide, now is the time to take action.

Join NCJW to launch 73Forward, a new campaign to increase access to abortion services across the US. For too long the faith-based narrative in this country has been one against abortion, yet Jewish tradition encourages and sometimes requires it. Through our 73Forward campaign, NCJW is rewriting that narrative and leading a new Jewish communal movement to remove educational, financial, and legislative roadblocks for people experiencing pregnancy.

On Wednesday, October 27th at 7pm ET/ 4pm PT, we are coming together as a community to learn about the nationwide state of play and the opportunities to affect real change in expanding access to abortion care through 73Forward right now.



# **From Our Members**



HAMEC welcomes volunteers to help in the museum anytime you have a little extra time. Docent Training is an exciting opportunity for anyone interested.

HAMEC is located in Elkins Park at Congregation Keneseth Israel.

Please call:

Dr. Ruth Almay

Director of Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center (215) 464-4701

Judy Fried. Chair 215-266-0465

#### **UPDATE FROM THE GRANTS COMMITTEE**

Dear Members,

Our Section's Grants Committee awards small grants, not to exceed \$500, to organizations that assist, through their programs and initiatives, the needs of women, children and families. We are pleased to announce that during this past fiscal year we have provided grants to the Mitzvah Circle Foundation, Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy, National Giving Alliance and SOWN.

Please take a moment and think of organizations that you support or are familiar with and ask them to submit a grant request. They must qualify as a IRC 501(c) (3) organization. Feel free to contact Wendy Rader, Grants Committee Chairperson, at wrbarbiegirl50@gmail.com or 215 657-9347 with any questions.







Linda Lempert, Eleanor Levie and friends demonstrating at City Hall to protect ROE.





Next *side-by-side collections* for both Dawn's Place and Mitzvah Circle: Thursday November 18, noon-1 at Giant in Willow Grove, 315 York Road, 19090

**Requested items for Dawn's Place**: toilet paper (*single ply only, especially Scott*), paper towels, napkins, sanitary pads, Lysol/disinfectant wipes, regular-size cleaning products, dish soap, laundry detergent (especially pods), dishwasher detergent, full size shampoo/conditioner.

--Collected by Lynne Jacobs

**Requested items for Mitzvah Circle:** New or gently used: clothing, shoes, books, toys. New socks.

--Collected by Sherry Kohn-Eisman

Lynne and Sherry will be parked at the back of the lot. Lynne has a bright blue KIA Soul, and Sherry's car is a blue Nissan Rogue.

Note: You are always welcome to drop supplies off in Chestnut Hill at Lynne's or in Southampton at Sherry's prior to the collection date.

Questions? Call Lynne at 215-248-3333 or email <u>ljacobs816@gmail.com</u> Call Sherry at 215-208-0550 or email <u>kohnsherry@gmail.com</u>

Thanks so much for your continued support of these efforts! December collections will also be side-by-side:

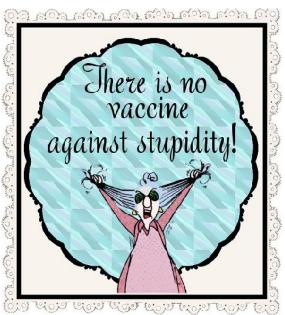
Thursday 12/16, noon-1 at Ben & Irv's Parking Lot in Huntingdon Valley, 19006 (1962 County Line Road, intersection w Shoemaker Road)



Barb Nussbaum on the left, with her husband, Bruce, and, on the right, with Sherry Kohn Eisman pictured with lots of bags for delivery to Mitzvah Circle.







# **Condolences to our members:**

Donna Bader on the loss of her sister. Amy Beitman on the loss of her sister.

Thank you to Ronni Finkel Robinson for sharing her journey from illness to wellness and the experiences she wrote about in her book *Out of the Pantry* on our October 19 Zoom program. You can view the program on You Tube. You can see program here: https://youtu.be/p-sL2JLDwEw

# WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Jennifer Navva-Milliken Rebecca Starr Lisa Koelewyn Susan Hoffman

As Membership Vice-President, I welcome our new members to call with any questions you may have.

Ellen Mirbach

Please contact: semirbach@gmail.com

215-771-5311

We will be delighted to send out membership packets.

Membership Dues: Annual \$45 (Be an Angel \$55 ©)\*

Please LIKE us on our Facebook page.

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

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

# A Spotlight On Our NCJW Section

# **Membership**

While the pandemic does not allow us to have face to face events, we are still continuing our commitment to our membership by:

- Zoom programs for entire membership
- Ongoing Advocacy
- Board Meetings
- Book Club discussions by Zoom
- Monthly Bulletins to keep everyone informed
- Grants to organizations which help those suffering financial insecurity and the lack of other basic needs
- Donations to Dawn's Place helping sex trafficked survivors and abused women
- Donations of warm winter clothing to our adopted Ben Franklin Elementary School
- Donations to help the Ronald McDonald House
- Goodies for the Good Guys delivered to front line workers

Please check out our website <u>ncjwphiladelphia.org</u> for our Bulletins, past and present, for program information and registration.

If you haven't done so, please consider paying your annual dues, \$45 or Angel (50) \$55, enabling us to continue our important work.

If you need a dues envelope email Ellen Mirbach at <a href="mailto:semirbach@gmail.com">semirbach@gmail.com</a> or remit your check to Harriet Winokur, 732 Johns Lane, Ambler, PA 19002

# **Center City Book Club (On Zoom)**

Wednesday, November 10th at 7 p.m.

Next Year in Havana
by Chanel Cleeton
Leader will be Phyllis Barsky.

Thank you Faith for leading a wonderful discussion of *Hamnet* by Maggie O'Farrell

Center City residents interested in a book group?
Call Audrey Block at 215-688-0094
ablock1919@comcast.net

# **Evening Book Club** (On Zoom)

Wednesday November 17 at 7:30 p.m. *The Third Daughter*by Talia Carner

December 14

The Book of Lost Names
by Kristen Harmel

Thank you to Charlotte Schwartz for hosting the October Meeting.

For more information about the Evening Book Club contact Joan Sax at 215-947-9166 or <a href="mailto:joansax@comcast.net">joansax@comcast.net</a>

# **Afternoon Book Club**

Thursday, November 18 at 1:30 p.m.

The Beekeeper of Aleppo

by: Christy Lefteri

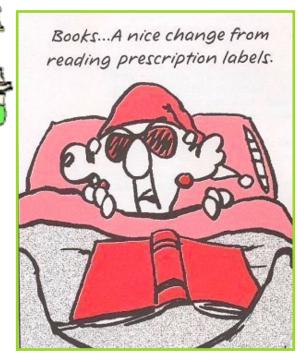
Moderator: Susan Brooks

Thursday, December 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Flight Behavior

by: Barbara Kingsolver Moderator: Anita Shomer

For more information, contact Susan Brooks at 215-542-0712 or <a href="mailto:seamcrazy@verizon.net">seamcrazy@verizon.net</a>



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FOLLOWING THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS WILL PREVENT YOUR BALLOT FROM BEING DISQUALIFIED.

IF YOU ARE INFORMED BY THE ELECTION BOARD THAT YOUR BALLOT DID NOT QUALIFY BECAUSE OF AN ERROR ON YOUR PART, YOU MAY REQUEST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT AT YOUR POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY.

For those who have received their mail-in ballots, you can, of course, mail them in, or bring to a Drop Off Box location. Philadelphia and Montgomery County's hours for drop-off are consistent, while Bucks County's hours vary.

# DROP BOX LOCATIONS PHILADELPHIA, MONTGOMERY AND BUCKS COUNTIES

Find the drop box closest to where you live. Make sure to check the days and hours that it is available. Some are not open 24/7.

# **Philadelphia County**

# **Ballot drop boxes in Philadelphia are accessible 24/7**

All locations are continuously monitored by surveillance camera, according to the Philadelphia City Commissioners.

City Hall (South Broad apron): 1400 John F Kennedy Blvd, 19107

Riverview Place 520 N. Columbus Blvd, 19123 (Delaware Avenue side of the building)

Eastern State Penitentiary: 2027 Fairmount Ave, 19130

Pelbano Rec Center: 8101 Bustleton Ave, 19152 Ford PAL Rec Center: 609 Snyder Ave, 19148 Smith Playground: 2100 S. 24th St, 19145 Vogt Rec Center: 4131 Unruh Ave, 19135

Independence Branch Library: 18 S. 7th St, 19106

Dorothy Emanuel Rec. Center: 8500 Pickering Street, 19150

Pleasant Playground: 305 Slocum Street, 19119 Shissler Rec Center: 1800 Blair Street, 19125 Chalfont Playground: 4382 Deerpath Lane, 19154 Stenton Playground: 4600 N. 16th St, 19140

Shepard Rec Center: 5700 Haverford Ave, Haddington Kendrick Rec Center: 5800 Ridge Ave, Roxborough

### **MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Secure Ballot Boxes are available 24 hours a day from October 16, 2021 until 8:00 PM on November 2, 2021.

### Cheltenham

Township Tax Office • 8230 Old York Rd • Elkins Park, PA 19027

#### Lansdale

District Court 38-1-28 • 430 Pennbrook Pkwy • Lansdale, PA 19446

#### **Lower Merion**

Ludington Library • 5 South Bryn Mawr Ave • Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

# Norristown

Montgomery County Airy Street Parking Lot • Corner of Airy and DeKalb Streets • Norristown, PA

#### **Pottstown**

Montgomery County Community College - South Hall • 101 College Drive • Pottstown, PA 19464

# Royersford

Victory Park Parking Lot • 2nd & Arch St • Royersford, PA 19468

# **Skippack**

Montgomery County 4H Center • 1015 Bridge Rd • Collegeville, PA 19474

# **Upper Dublin**

Upper Dublin Library • 520 Virginia Dr • Fort Washington, PA 19034

# **Upper Frederick**

Green Lane Park Office • 2144 Snyder Road • Green Lane, PA 18054

# **Upper Merion**

Upper Merion Township Building • 175 W. Valley Forge Rd • King of Prussia, PA 19406

# **Upper Moreland**

Willow Grove Annex • 102 N York Rd • Willow Grove, PA 19090



#### **BUCKS COUNTY**

The Drop Boxes at the Administration Building, Upper Bucks Government Service Center and Lower Bucks Government Service Center will be available starting October 12, 2021. All other Drop Box Locations will start October 18th. All Drop Boxes closed on Sunday.

# **Drop Box Locations**

Drop Box Locations	Address	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
Bensalem Library	3700 Hulmeville Rd, Bensalem, PA 19020	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Bristol Borough Hall	250 Pond St, Bristol, PA 19007	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Closed				
New Hope Library	93 W Ferry St, New Hope, PA 18938	10:30 AM - 7:00 PM	10:30 AM - 7:00 PM	10:30 AM - 7:00 PM	10:30 AM - 5:00 PM	10:30 AM - 5:00 PM	10:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Northampton Library	25 Upper Holland Rd, Richboro, PA 18954	10:00 AM - 8:30 PM	Closed	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM			
Perkasie Library	491 Arthur Ave, Perkasie, PA 18944	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Riegelsville Library	615 Easton Rd, Riegelsville, PA 18077	Closed	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Closed	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Warminster Library	1076 Emma Ln, Warminster, PA 18974	11:00 AM - 7:00 PM	11:00 AM - 7:00 PM	11:00 AM - 7:00 PM	11:00 AM - 5:00 PM	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Yardley- Makefield Library	1080 Edgewood Rd, Yardley, PA 19067	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Upper Bucks GSC	261 California Road, Quakertown, PA 18951	8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	12:00 PM- 5:00 PM				
Lower Bucks GSC	7321 New Falls Road, Levittown, PA 19055	8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	12:00 PM- 5:00 PM				
County Admin Building	55 E Court Street, Doylestown, PA 18901	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	12:00 PM- 5:00 PM				



# REMEMBER.... THERE WILL BE MANY WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE.



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

Join our wonderful NCJW group of volunteer tutors at our adopted Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, now in our sixth year. Until safety issues relevant to the pandemic are resolved we will pursue other means to support students as we await a safe return to school. Please call Harriet Gran at 215-206-1026 or email <a href="mailto:hgranncjw@gmail.com">hgranncjw@gmail.com</a>.

**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 Ann Pollock 215-806-4068 and tell us what event you'd like to sponsor.

You can help its important work continue for years to come.

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





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.

We look forward to the time when we resume all of our volunteer activities.

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





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We welcome your ideas to broaden our content!

Questions or suggestions: contact Mal Gran at hgranncjw@gmail.com

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