

Bulletin

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131 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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Philadelphia Jewish Community Members' Oppose the Reconciliation Budget as Immoral.



At the heart of the members of the Jewish Community's opposition to the Reconciliation Budget is the cuts to federal funding of social safety net programs. On August 5, the National Organization of Jewish Women, MAZON, (A Jewish Response to Hunger) and the Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies engaged to organize a Day of Action to condemn the federal budget reconciliation law, which they saw as a betrayal of American and Jewish values. At stake, as noted in the *Philadelphia Jewish Exponent*, is the removal of an estimated 17 million people from health care coverage, and food assistance removal from millions of families. Community members were urged to call, visit or email their representatives on

the designated Day of Action. The goal of advocacy efforts, as expressed by then NCJW CEO, Sheila Katz was to "advocate for our elected officials to return from recess on Sept. 6 and restore critical funding."

Among the participants of Pennsylvania's Day of Action was our Section's Advocacy Co-Chair and NCJW'S co-state policy advocate for Pennsylvania, Barbara Hoffman. Barbara, in an email to the *Philadelphia Jewish Exponent*, proclaimed that on the Day of Action, "we stood up in Philadelphia and across Pennsylvania to urge Congress to use the coming appropriations process to fix what they broke."

On the national level, Darcy Hirsh, NCJW's senior director of government relations and advocacy took the lead on organizing the participation of twenty-five national Jewish and secular organizations, serving millions of Americans for the Day of Action.

REMINDER!!!

VOTE IN THE PENNSYLVANIA GENERAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4.
You can go to the following link to learn what you need to know before you vote:

<https://why.org/articles/pennsylvania-philadelphia-election-2025-voter-guide-deadlines/>

*Join us for our fun-filled
Game Day Fundraiser*

Play it forward! Help us help those in need.

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 · 11:00 - 3:00 p.m.



**400 2nd Street Pike "Hampton Square"
Southampton, PA 18966**



Canasta, Bridge, Mah Jongg, Scrabble, Monopoly, Puzzles, etc....

Your Game Choice! Bring your group or we can match you.

Please bring your own game materials.

Raffle-Baskets

Enjoy a delicious buffet brunch with Smoked Fish Display, Pancakes, French Toast, Blintzes and Sour Cream, Sweet Kugel, Omelet Station and Yummy Desserts. Please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions.

Buffet Brunch: Members \$55 Guests \$60

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE BY NOVEMBER 24

**To Register and pay by mail, complete the form below
and submit by November 24.**

Buffet Brunch: \$55.00 for MEMBERS \$60.00 for GUESTS

Questions: Call Robin London 954-608-1523 or Patti First 215-470-1560

TO REGISTER BY MAIL - COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION FORM BELOW.

MAIL WITH CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO NCJW GREATER PHILADELPHIA SECTION TO:

Margie Zukerman

5106 Meridian Blvd. Warrington, PA 18976-1102

Name: _____

I am registering to play: _____ Mahjonn _____ Canasta _____ Bridge _____

_____ Scrabble _____ Puzzles _____ Other _____

I am coming alone. Please put me in with an open group. _____

I plan to play with the following people who are registering separately:

My group is complete. _____ Yes _____ No

Your Phone Number: _____

Your Email Address: _____

This program will have donation tables for No More Secrets, and Dawn's Place .

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DAY**



Join us for rallies, legislative meetings,
and actions focused on ensuring elected
officials understand and address
critical sexual & reproductive health
care needs in PA.

NOV 18, 2025
9:30AM
OUR STATE CAPITOL



SUBURBAN BOOK CLUB

Thursday, November 13 1:00 p.m.
The House of Eve by Sadeqa Johnson
Hostess: Barbara Auerbach
215 Linden Lane, Elkins Park 19027
Facilitator: Joan Sax



Please RSVP to Barbara at 215-808-0005 or halkatz@comcast.net
Thanks to Rosalie Marcus for leading our discussion of *TRUST* and to Nancy Fagin for
hosting in her lovely Sukkah for our October meeting.

SAVE THE DATES:

Dec. 3, Game Day, Maggio's, Southampton, PA
January 20, Zoom Book Review, *The Next Ship Home* by Heather Webb
March 17, Addressing Gun Violence in Pennsylvania. Temple Beth Sholom.
April 21, Visit to Weitzman Museum and Lunch
June 2, Closing Luncheon, Flourtown Country Club

DO YOU WANT TO BE IN PICTURES?

When you are at an event, send a picture to Harriet (harrietandmal@gmail.com), who will publish it in the Bulletin.



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

REMEMBER.... THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE.

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.



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. Click on the link below or call Anita Shomer, 215-880-9992 or Rosalie Marcus, 215-512-5110 and tell us what event you'd like to sponsor.

[CLICK THIS LINK TO SPONSOR AN EVENT](#)

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Susanne S. Stamps Vera Falus

As Membership Vice-Presidents, we welcome all to call with any questions. Please contact Cindi Pasceri, vpasce@gmail.com or Joyce Gometz, Bubbe1942@verizon.net. We are delighted to send out membership packets to those wishing to become members or dues envelopes for current members.

Dues envelopes should be returned to Harriet Winokur, 732 Johns Lane, Ambler, PA 19002

Membership Dues: Annual \$55 (Be an Angel \$65 😇)*

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" 😇 status which increases the number of people we can assist.

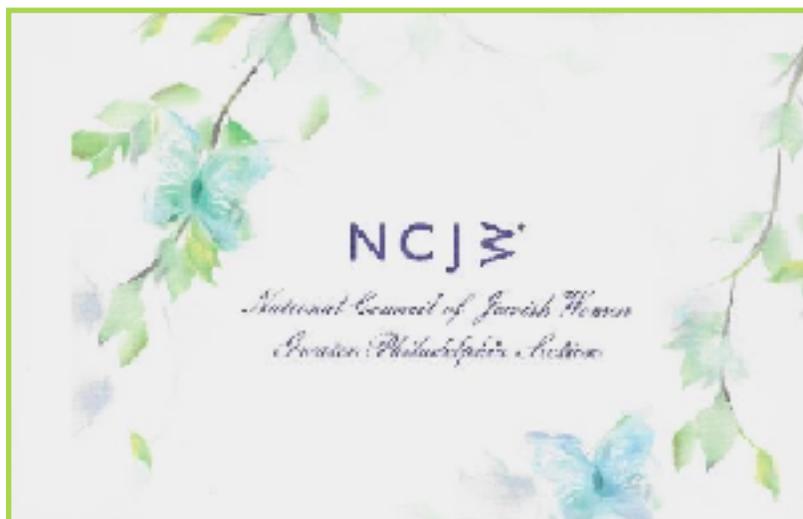
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Ann Pollock
215-806-4068

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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

Hello HAMEC Volunteers!

The Holocaust Awareness Museum and Educational Center is looking for volunteers to help in the office and as docents. Contact Cindi Pasceri
vpasce@gmail.com or (215) 205-0133



Dear Members,

I am proud to be taking on the role of Grants Committee Chair.

Our Section awards small grants, not to exceed \$500, to local organizations whose programs serve the needs of women, children and families.

If you know of a worthy organization in our area, you can suggest that they fill out a grant request.

Click the link below to get the application.

To be eligible, a group must qualify as an IRS 501(c)(3) organization.

Feel free to contact me at gervert@verizon.net or (215) 402-0887 with any questions.
Gerrie Greene

[Click here for grant information and an application](#)



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