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NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

BERGEN COUNTY SECTION

2006

November General Meeting

The War On Choice

Gloria Feldt

Women's Rights Leader



Tuesday • November 28 • 1 PM

Happy
Chanukah



CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 12 Annual Crafts Fair at Jewish Home at Rockleigh
- 13 Dinner and A Movie
- 14 Board Meeting
- 17 CFA Thanksgiving Baskets
- 23 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 12 Chanukah Open Board Meeting
- 14 Sicilian Feasts
- 16-23 Chanukah

Exercise your Power. Exercise Your Power to VOTE on November 7.

COMING EVENTS

HIPPY PARENT WORKSHOPS

An integral part of the HIPPIY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) Program is a once a month Parent Workshop. This is the time when parents meet each other and share a meaningful educational experience (and eat dinner) while their children participate in an appropriate pre-planned activity supervised by our volunteers. Please join us for a delightful 90 minutes (6-7:30 pm) with our wonderful preschoolers. **Oct. 25, Nov. 20, Dec. 20, Jan. 18.** Call EVALYN BROWNSTEIN, 836-9444 or INA MILLER-SILVERSTEIN, 836-6562 to volunteer.

CRAFTS FAIR AT ROCKLEIGH

The annual Crafts Fair at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh will be Sunday, November 12.

Volunteers and visitors would be appreciated. If you would like to help that day please contact Irene Duke at 201-871-1789.

There is also the opportunity for you to volunteer at the Jewish Home's Gift Shop during the year. It can be for two or three hours a month or once a week or longer. Again, contact Irene Duke at irenebduke@aol.com.

DINNER AND A MOVIE NIGHT

Brought back by popular demand.

Mon. Nov. 13 at Rudy's, Anderson Ave., Hackensack at 5:30 P.M.

Followed by movie "An Inconvenient Truth."

Call Ethel Klonsky 201-836-2706.

Send checks to NCJW BCS office. \$30.00 per person.

CFA (CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION)

will distribute Thanksgiving baskets. Please make your holiday (and turkey) donations as early as possible. If you wish to assist in packing baskets, call CFA 201-569-1804. Friday, November 17.

BUON APPETITO

Giovanna Bellia LaMarca, the author of the *Sicilian Feasts* cookbook will demonstrate how to cook some wonderful Sicilian dishes. Home of Nancy Landis, 530 Seminole Street, Oradell. 261-4649 at 1 PM. For reservations please contact Geri Mickenberg at 224-7929 or email: gerimick@att.net <mailto:gerimick@att.net>

Please be sure to call to cancel your reservation if you cannot attend.

Thursday, Dec. 14

The STOP committee and this study group are joining forces when Giovanna LaMarca will be at the home of Nancy Landis for a cooking demonstration. Please bring a gadget or small appliance at a minimum cost of \$10.00. The gadgets and small appliances are part of a kitchen shower for the women in the Shelter Our Sisters shelter who are going on to transitional housing. NCJW wants to see them start off with some things which are new and special. Bring your gift to the "shower".

THE WAR ON CHOICE

The Right-Wing Attack on Women's Rights and How to Fight Back

GLORIA FELDT is an author, women's rights leader, and media commentator who speaks about women, health, and leadership...where the personal meets the political.

People magazine called her "the voice of experience" because of her life story as a teen mother from small-town Texas who rose to lead the largest reproductive health care provider and advocacy organization in the nation.

After starting college when the youngest of her three children was four months old, she taught Head Start and was active in the civil rights movement. Realizing that women's civil rights depend on having the human right to determine their own reproductive destinies, Gloria joined Planned Parenthood in 1974, first as affiliate CEO in West Texas and later in Arizona. From 1996 to 2005, she was president and CEO of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, where she dramatically revitalized the movement and made PPFA a political powerhouse. Her call to "fight forward" has been the driving force behind state and federal contraceptive equity legislation, accessible emergency contraception (EC), medically accurate sex education, and safe, legal abortion.

Gloria is the author of two books. *The War on Choice: The Right-Wing Attack on Women's Rights and How to Fight Back* (Bantam, 2004) and *Behind Every Choice is a Story* (University of North Texas Press, 2003). Her commentary has appeared in the *New York Times*, *USA Today*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Washington Post*, as well as on-line publications, various blogs and chats. She has appeared on most top-ranked public affairs programs. She is currently developing a radio program, her website www.gloriafeldt.com, and her next book, called *Take the Lead, Lady!* (Springboard, 2007) which she is writing with actress Kathleen Turner.

She has served as a Temple sisterhood president and board member and was the first woman to conduct Sabbath services in her West Texas synagogue. She served on the board of the National Council of Jewish Women, Valley chapter in Arizona, and on the boards of the Community Relations Council, and American Jewish Committee. Her current volunteer commitment is the board of the Women's Media Center.

She and her husband, Alex Barbanell, have a combined family of six children, nine brilliant grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. They live in New York and Arizona.

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MEMBERSHIP

We are happy to welcome the following new members who joined our section from June through September: Maxine Anshell, Chama Bloom, Barbara Braverman, Mildred Collander, Ruth Dailey, Shelley Decker, Sheila Deutel, Ruth Elias, Rosalind Friedman, Norma Gottlieb, Judy Gross, Blanche Halsband, Gloria Hausman, Annette Katz, Felice Kirsch, Julie Kronfeld, Marilyn Lemkin, Celia Levin, Danielle Levinsohn, Judith Liebman, Jenny Malkin, Elaine Parhter, Adeline Rudin, Marjory Sadel, Helene Safo, Janet Siegel, Miriam (Mitzi) Smith, Blanche Weinberg, Miriam Wohl, and Arlene Zweifler.

We thank Gloria Singer for hosting two membership events in June.

Our thanks to Nan Matlick and her Solos committee for bringing in many new members through their Solos events.

We are planning a prospective member event, and again ask you to contact us with names of prospects.

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Forty members of the "Solos" group got together for their first activity of the season recently for a delicious buffet brunch. In addition to being a pleasant way of meeting old friends and making new ones, the event brought in five new members.

The New York Botanical Gardens trip brought in another new member.

Congratulations to "Solos" Chairpeople Nan Matlick and Gloria Singer, along with Corinne Weiner, Sabina Sicklick and Phyllis Schriger for their efforts in reviving this highly successful group. For more information about "Solos," call Nan Matlick at 201-592-8438 or GloriaSinger at 201-461-7926.



YOU CAN OPEN THE FUTURE

By now you have received this year's annual Stay-At-Home invitation. We hope you found it as exciting as we found doing it for you.

Every year at this time we ask you to join us for a "ball." Instead of spending money for a new dress and dinner and dancing you get to "stay at home" in the comfort of your living room and know that your generous donations are going to help the women, children and families both in Bergen County and in Israel about whom you care so deeply.

- Preschool children get a head start through our HIPPY program.
- Women who are victims of domestic violence are rescued by our STOP project.
- Post mastectomy patients benefit from ABC (After Breast Cancer) and people afflicted with Multiple Sclerosis receive therapeutic water exercise at our Swim In Program.

These are just a few of the projects in which National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section is involved. You can become part of these wonderful programs by simply writing a generous check. Think of all the people you can help. Let us hear from you soon.

Add your name to the list of people who care!

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Ellen Jacobs, Elaine Laikin and MARTIN CADILLAC have most generously offered a Challenge Grant for our 2006-07 Stay-At-Home personal giving fundraiser. They have challenged every donor to increase his or her donation this year by \$100 or more, and they will match it up to \$1,000.

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From the President's Desk



Thanksgiving remains my favorite holiday of the year – something symbolic about the gathering of the family. Many families – like my own – are fortunate enough to be able to prolong the holiday for the entire weekend. All

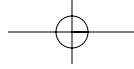
of our Bergen County Section members are in the enviable position of being able to provide a holiday meal for their families. Our Stay at Home donations help provide holiday meals to needy families. Your Stay At Home donation helps make that happen. I ask that all of you follow the instructions on the blue and green Stay at Home invitation you received recently in the mail – open the door and open your hearts. Join the thinkers and doers of Bergen County Section and together we will help repair the world – *tikun olam*.

Soon we will be celebrating a most joyful and festive Jewish holiday – Chanukah. Chanukah

proclaims that this is a season of rededication for ourselves and for the ethical ideals of our fathers. Jews all over the world reflect on the bravery of the Macabees who fought so courageously for religious freedom and cultural self-determination. For us, as members of National Council of Jewish Women, it is a season of reaffirmation of the historic struggle for human rights and our own efforts for lights over darkness through programs of education, service, and advocacy. As we kindle the Chanukah candles, let us continue to brighten the lives of women, children, and families, here in Bergen County and in Israel, who count on Bergen County Section to dare to make a difference in their lives. Let us recommit ourselves to the tasks at hand, strive for civil liberties, maintain religion-state separation, and win the battle for continuing reproductive rights.

I hope that 2007 brings you all that you wish for yourselves.

Fran Einiger



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Inez Swartz to

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special birthdays

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You may call us to send the above cards. They are available at General Membership Meetings and Board Meetings. The \$15 packages and \$5 cards are also available at the Thrift Shop, payable there by check only.

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PASSAGES . . .

Congratulations to:

Vivian Potolsky on the birth of her granddaughter Ava Fay
Karen & Joe Rem on engagement of their daughter Kimberly

Condolences to:

Sue Beckwith on the death of her husband Lewis
Rita Kauder on the death of her son-in-law
Estelle Spiewak on the death of her husband Bob

We mourn the death of our Life Member

ROBERT SPIEWAK

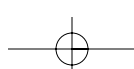
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to his family

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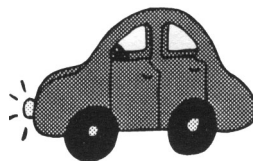
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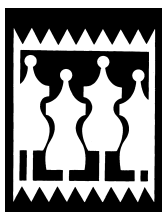
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HARRIET BREUER
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