

National Council of Jewish Women



# bulletin

SEPTEMBER

BERGEN COUNTY SECTION

2016

## SAVE THE DATE FOR GAME DAY

Our annual fun GAME DAY is  
Thursday, November 17, 2016

A delicious lunch will be served at:  
Picco Tavern (formerly Bel Posto)  
160 Prospect Avenue, Hackensack

Valet parking is included.  
Looking forward to seeing all of you.  
Watch for details and a tear-off in the  
October-November Bulletin.

***Keep a sharp eye out for a special invitation coming your way!***

***This year's Stay-At-Home Personal Giving campaign will be underway shortly.***

***Our community services and advocacy efforts are looking for your support to make sure NCJW Bergen County Section is in the forefront of meeting our community's needs.***

***YOU make the difference!***

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## September General Meeting

### Jim Axelrod

*Politics and the Media*



Award-winning Senior National Correspondent for CBS News who has covered a wide range of domestic and international stories

Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 12:30 pm  
Temple Emeth, Teaneck

The meeting is free for members.

There will be a \$10 charge for nonmembers, applicable toward new membership if paid that day.

## BERGEN COUNTY SECTION CALENDAR

### SEPTEMBER

5 Labor Day  
13 Board Meeting  
20 General Meeting  
22 Comm. Service Tour  
27 Study Group  
29 Trip

### OCTOBER

3-4 Rosh Hashana  
6 Symphony  
12 Yom Kippur  
14 Board Meeting (Friday)  
17-18 Sukkot  
20 Membership Luncheon (Thurs.)  
24-25 Simchat Torah  
27 Symphony



## COMING EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING POLITICS AND THE MEDIA: JIM AXELROD

At the September 20 general meeting, we'll hear Jim Axelrod, Senior National Correspondent for CBS News, discuss a very timely topic in this election year: Politics and the Media: The Gap between Politicians and Real Leadership. At CBS, Jim has covered a broad range of domestic and international stories, such as the American invasion of Afghanistan and the war and refugee crisis in the Balkans. In 2003, Axelrod was the first television journalist to report live from Baghdad's Saddam International Airport after it fell to U.S. troops. His live coverage of the U.S. Army was the first to be broadcast by a reporter embedded with ground troops.

He also represented CBS News in 2010 when foreign reporters were invited to North Korea for a rare glimpse at that country's leadership and culture. Axelrod was a member of the team honored with an Emmy award in 2014 for a "48 Hours" special on the manhunt and capture of the Boston Marathon bombing suspects. He was a member of the team honored with a 2010 duPont-Columbia Silver Baton for "CBS Reports: Children of the Recession," the extraordinary multi-

platform series about the recession's devastating effects on children. He was also one of the CBS News correspondents who received a 2002 Emmy Award for the "CBS Evening News" coverage of the Washington DC sniper siege.

Axelrod joined CBS News in 1996 as a Miami-based correspondent and later served in the Dallas and New York Bureaus. He also served as CBS News Chief White House Correspondent from 2006 to 2009. Before joining CBS News, he was a political reporter at WRAL-TV in Raleigh, NC, a reporter and producer for WSTM-TV Syracuse, NY, and anchor and reporter at WUTR-TV Utica, NY. He began his career at WVII-TV Bangor, Maine, in 1989. Born in New Brunswick NJ, Axelrod was graduated from Cornell University in 1985 with a BA in history and from Brown University in 1989 with an MA in history. He is the author of *In The Long Run: A Father, A Son, And Unintentional Lessons in Happiness*, published in 2011. He and his wife, Christina, live in Montclair, NJ, with their three children.

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15: SCREENING OF DOCUMENTARY *TRAPPED*

NCJW BCS, along with several other Women's Reproductive Rights Organizations in Bergen County, will be co-sponsoring a screening of *Trapped*, an award-winning documentary that premiered at The Sundance Film Festival. This film follows the ongoing struggles of abortion clinic workers in Texas fighting against the TRAP laws to keep the procedure safe and legal in the U.S. TRAP is an acronym which stands for "target regulations of abortion providers." Following the showing of the film there will be a discussion led by a leader from The Center of Reproductive Rights.

PLEASE JOIN US at 7:15 pm at The Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, 113 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ. There is no charge. Donations will be gratefully accepted. For further information, call Shelly Winner at 201-567-3895.

#### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22: COMMUNITY SERVICE TOUR

Plans are being made to visit several of our community services on Thursday, September 22. This is a great way to see first-hand the community services in action. Join us for a light lunch and learn more about a community service you might like to volunteer for. Space for this tour is limited. More information will be available at the September Board meeting. Contact Marcia Levy [mlevy0648@gmail.com](mailto:mlevy0648@gmail.com) or 201-894-8379.

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: STUDY GROUP: GUN VIOLENCE—A MOTHER'S STORY

As NCJW is focusing on the issue of gun violence, our first study group could not be more timely. Our speaker will be Lois A. Schaffer, who is not only a strong advocate in this area, but has experienced first-hand the incredible hardship and pain of losing a child to gun violence.

In 2013, Lois Schaffer published a book, *The Unthinkable: Life, Loss, and a Mother's Mission to Ban Illegal Guns*. Author and educator Arthur Kurzwell said about her book: "I wish this book would be irrelevant. I wish this book would be unnecessary. But *The Unthinkable* is alarmingly relevant and desperately necessary." Mrs. Schaffer will share her experiences as an

advocate for gun control as well as her personal story. Her book will be available to be purchased and autographed at the event.

Riverside Mall Conference Center (on the lower level), 1 pm. Members \$5, nonmembers \$10. A book will be raffled off to one person in attendance. For more information, contact Marilyn Friedmann at 201-568-0145 or email her at [marisfried@aol.com](mailto:marisfried@aol.com).

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3--SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6: THE TEANECK INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

This year NCJW BCS is taking on an exciting new project. We will be a sponsor of the Teaneck International Film Festival, which will take place November 3-6 at various locations in Teaneck. The Teaneck International Film Festival (TIFF), a project of the not-for-profit Puffin Foundation, has been dubbed by the Star Ledger as "the film festival with a social conscience."

Now in its eleventh year, it is committed to presenting a program of independent features, documentaries, and shorts that will lead audiences to question, discuss, debate, and become caring and involved citizens who recognize the need to institute positive change. More than 3,000 people, from Teaneck and beyond, attend the festival and participate in talkbacks and discussions with filmmakers, educators, writers, and activists about important, headline-making issues. One of the highlights of the past few years is an increased focus on women in film.

NCJW will be sponsoring one of the films to be shown, which is yet to be selected, and will be taking an ad in the program. We very much hope that NCJW members will attend the Festival, which offers not only "a night at the movies," but an opportunity to focus, through the medium of film, on important issues.

**SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, November 9** for NCJW Bergen County Section's annual advocacy forum. This year's topic is **LGBT Equality**. All members and the public are invited to this informative event; there is no charge. Watch for more information in the October/November Bulletin.

# AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS

## MAZEL TOV, BROWNSTEINS!

Mazel tov to Evalyn and Irwin Brownstein on their “re-wedding,” celebrated at the Jewish Home at Rockleigh on June 16. The Brownsteins were wed 58 years ago in a small, tearful wedding due to the recent death of Evalyn’s mother. When Rockleigh was planning its “month of love” celebration in June, Evalyn shared their story. Thus, the renewal of vows for Evalyn and Irwin, a resident of the Jewish Home. What followed was a bachelor party, a beautiful lace wedding dress, the ceremony under a chuppah, the traditional breaking of the glass, singing, dancing, toasts and a wedding cake. So, mazel tov, Brownsteins!

## OLDEST AMERICAN, GOLDIE MICHELSON, DIES A MONTH AWAY FROM BIRTHDAY

July 10, 2016: Goldie Michelson, 113, former NCJW activist and oldest person in the United States, has passed away. Born in Russia in 1903, she settled in Worcester, MA, with her family at age 2. A member of NCJW Worcester section, she spent her life dedicated to academia and studying the Jewish immigrant experience in America.



## MAY 2016 VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH AIDA MELAMED

Aida was born in Cuba after her parents emigrated there from Russia, and spoke only Yiddish until she went to school. She was always interested in numbers and helped her father in his business while she was in high school. After earning her degree in accounting from the University of Havana, she worked as an accountant.

Aida married in 1960 and emigrated to the United States, settling first in Brooklyn and then in Fair Lawn. She then ran two stores with her husband. She joined the Jersey Hills Section of NCJW in 1974 and served as its president for several years.

When Aida moved to Fort Lee, she became active in the Bergen County Section and quickly assumed the role of Treasurer of the Thrift Shop, a job at which she works very energetically and efficiently, saving the section money by carefully scrutinizing every bill. She is an invaluable volunteer.



### Trip to the Lower East Side, NYC

On Thursday, September 29, we will visit a restored landmark, Eldridge Street Synagogue and Museum. We will have a tour specifically designed for us, including the history, art, and architecture of the building and the Lower East Side. The docent will also focus on the role of women in the Lower East Side throughout history. We will enjoy lunch at Katz’s Deli, being served in a reserved area. You will have a choice of 1/2 sandwich and a side dish, served with iced tea. We will then go on a self-guided walking tour of area landmarks for some ‘noshes’ and more knowledge.

The bus leaves Temple Emeth in Teaneck at 9:30 am, returning about 5 pm. Registration will be confirmed by email. Fill out the form, make check payable to NCJW BCS, and mail both to Ina Fine, 160 Overlook Avenue, #18E, Hackensack, NJ 07601. Fee is \$75 for members, \$85 for nonmembers (if space available). For more information, please call Ina Fine at 201-343-2094.

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**CHOICE OF SANDWICH**  
**Please check (1) desired sandwich and (1) side dish.**

**Sandwich:**  
 Pastrami    Corned beef    Chicken salad   OR    Egg salad

**Side dish:**  
 French fries   OR    Coleslaw

# FROM THE PRESIDIUM

This has been a summer like no other in recent memory.

We were mesmerized and frightened by the heated, often ugly political debate surrounding the upcoming election. We mourned the epidemic of mass shootings and terrorism attacks in our country and abroad. We opposed all efforts to expand "concealed and carry" in NJ. We supported the nomination of Judge Merrick Garland to fill the vacancy left by the death of Supreme Court Justice Scalia. Too many states make access to the ballot box almost impossible for some Americans. These issues, and many others, equally painful, have been on our radar screen because they affect us individually, they affect the marginalized we serve, and they affect our nation.

But today, as we write, this presidium looks to the future of our Bergen County Section with optimism, enthusiasm and renewed vigor. Of course it will be a year of more fighting for the values we cherish and the issues we advocate. However, we find solace in knowing that we will be able to support our sixteen community services, even as our responsibilities continue to grow with two new domestic violence agencies: Center for Hope and Safety and Project S.A.R.A.H., both of which offer more volunteer involvement. We anticipate the opening of the NCJW BCS/Renee Guller Infant Toddler Center at Bergen Family Center. It is with much pride we announce that HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) met 100 of the accreditation standards for the third year in a row from HIPPY USA.

The Stay-at-Home committee is organizing to create our most important fundraiser of the year, our personal giving campaign, the non-event that is the envy of many non-profits in the country. Our Game Day fundraiser will again give us an opportunity to come together to play the game of your choice, all the while raising dollars to support our community services.



L-R: Fran, Bea, Marcia, and Elaine

Advocacy/Education will take a broader view of the critical issues at stake this year. Our Wednesday, November 9, annual Advocacy Forum, open to the community-at-large, will explore the issues of inequality surrounding the LGBT community. Four Study Groups will bring a deeper dimension and greater understanding of the issues we act on and support. General meetings will offer a potpourri of the political, cultural and social. And our Lunch and Learn event, such a great success last year, will focus on an important issue affecting us all.

Our NCJW communications team is on a splendid trajectory. They have captured the interest of the media in Bergen County and as result, this summer we saw ourselves more frequently in the news. Even better news is that the media ask us if we have anything to report. Our web site presents our local NCJW BCS happenings to the world.

The success of our Thrift Shop is based on the premise that it is a work in progress. Each year as it increases its sales, it continues to promote practices that are creative and meet the needs of the population it serves. Our well-organized "half price sales" on gently used wearing apparel and household items are great news for those on a budget. Adding books and CDs to the collection of used items has attracted a more diverse shopper.

We welcome our many new members and hope that you will take advantage of the myriad volunteer opportunities we offer to enrich the lives of others while enriching your own by "giving back." We encourage you to come to a board meeting to see us in action, ask questions, learn our mission and vision.

All good things in 2016-2017,  
**Bea, Elaine, Fran and Marcia**

## WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Karen Albert, Evelyn Ash, Jill Balick, Eva Barron, Anne-Marie Bennoun, Miriam Bloom, Stella Cooper, Francine Darsa, Rabbi Paula Feldstein, Kay Fialkoff, Arlene Goldsmith, Gloria Hausman, Pauline Hecht, Vivian Hesselson, Lila Kaplove, Eley Kohn, Marcia Kopeloff, Tammy Lane, Vivienne Levensen, Miriam Margolin, Phyllis Meher, Karen Melin, Lillian Oliver, Ruth Rosenberg, Ellen Roth, Sally Share, Arleen Weissman

## WE ARE PROUD OF OUR REPRESENTATIVES AT NATIONAL AND ICJW . . .

National Honorary Board Members <b>Helen Astmann, Joan Herman</b>	ICJW Non-Governmental Observer, UN <b>Fran Butensky</b>
Field Action Network Advisor <b>Carole Benson</b>	

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**Next Newsletter Deadline:  
September 1, 2016**

## BOOK GROUP NEWS

NCJW BCS currently has five book discussion groups that meet on a regular basis. Groups meet in members' homes in the afternoon and early evening. This is an opportunity for our members to discuss new and older books with other curious, intelligent women. It is one of our very popular activities, and it costs nothing to be in one (other than being a paid-up member of BCS).

If you are interested in joining a group, please contact me and let me know when you are available to participate. If you are currently the coordinator or liaison to your group, please let me know if you have room for one or more new members. We already have a waiting list of people who are interested in joining.

**Hilary Eth**, hilaryeth@hotmail.com, 201-621-1097

# ADVOCACY / COMMUNITY SERVICE

## ADVOCACY 101

NCJW is a 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt, non-profit organization. This prohibits NCJW, Inc. (our national organization) as well as NCJW sections across the country from endorsing or opposing any candidate in an election. If you choose to write a letter to the editor of any newspaper or to your legislators, or if you choose to contact your legislators directly, you may not speak in the name of NCJW. Locally, only the Section president (or Presidium member) may speak for NCJW Bergen County Section. The positions that NCJW takes as an organization are dictated by our mission and by National Resolutions. For more information on advocacy issues, look at the NCJW online Action Center at [www.ncjw.org](http://www.ncjw.org) and check out our NCJW Bergen County Section website at [www.ncjwbcs.org](http://www.ncjwbcs.org).

### NCJW ADVOCACY ISSUES

Anti Human Trafficking Initiative	Gun Violence Prevention
Benchmark (Judicial Nominations Campaign)	Israel
Confirm Supreme Court Nominee (#doyourjob)	Immigration Reform
End Domestic Violence	LGBT Equality
Gender-based Wage Discrimination	Poverty in America
	Promote the Vote, Protect the Vote
	Reproductive Justice

## MAKING MEALS TOGETHER: AN NCJW AND CENTER FOR HOPE AND SAFETY COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM

**Making Meals Together** is a new program in which women and their children residing at the Emergency Shelter at Center for Hope and Safety, along with National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) volunteers, prepare dinner together.

Once a month, ten times per year, NCJW volunteers will plan, organize, and provide instruction for a holiday or seasonal dinner meal for the women and children at the shelter to prepare together. This project will be a bonding activity for the mothers and their children and will strengthen family cohesiveness which, in most cases, was damaged by domestic violence. Cooking together will bring all the families together to strengthen relationships and develop a network of support, which is key to surviving domestic violence. Cooking with the instruction and support of NCJW volunteers will also teach cooking skills and provide basic information about making healthy, affordable, nutritious food choices. Volunteers are needed to help plan, purchase, and participate in this new program. Please contact Henrietta Wolfeiler at [b.wolfeiler3@verizon.net](mailto:b.wolfeiler3@verizon.net) or 201-996-0932.

## NCJW MEMBER BEQUEATHS \$20,000 TO FUND INFANT TODDLER CENTER

The National Council of Jewish Women has selected Bergen Family Center to be the recipient of a \$20,000 bequest from a longtime member, Renee Guller. The bequest will provide funding to create the National Council of Jewish Women/Renee Guller Infant Toddler Center at the BFC's Armory Street location in Englewood. It will allow Bergen Family Center to serve more children and grow the existing programs.

"We have always worked closely with the Bergen Family Center . . . This is a fitting way to recognize the generosity and memory of one of our members," said Marcia Levy, NCJW BCS presidium member. The grant does not cover all the costs. If you would like to be a part of this endeavor, call or email the NCJW BCS office, 201 385-4847, [office@ncjwbcs.org](mailto:office@ncjwbcs.org), or visit [www.ncjwbcs.org](http://www.ncjwbcs.org).



L-R: Marcia Levy; Ruth Seitelman; Mitch Schonfeld, President and CEO of Bergen Family Center; Peggy Kabakow; Ina Miller-Silverstein

## COME JOIN THE FUN! COUNT ME IN!

It's our annual NCJW BCS Membership luncheon. Thursday, October 20th at 11:30 am. Temple Emeth, Teaneck. \$20.

### Enjoy Food, Fashion & Fun

Make your reservation ASAP and no later than October 6th. **No reservations at the door.**

For more information contact Luncheon Chairs, Ilene Wechter, 201-871-4885 or Joan Ornstein, 201-750-7901.

Fill out this reservation form and mail with your check -- **payable to NCJW BCS** -- to: Norma Goldsmith, 1032 Eastlawn Court, Teaneck, NJ 07666.

Enclosed is my \$20 check for the luncheon.  
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# PHILANTHROPY

## A CELEBRATORY HIPPY GRADUATION

Excited children, proud parents, and delighted NCJW BCS volunteers celebrated the twenty-second annual HIPPY graduation held at Bergen Family Center in Englewood on June 14.

The boys and girls, wearing caps and gowns, marched in to the strains of the traditional Pomp and Circumstance by Elgar. The featured speaker was eleven-year-old Judy Chicas who told the audience about how her HIPPY experience was a major contributor to her success at school. Mitch Schonfeld, Bergen Family Center CEO, then called up each child to receive a certificate of achievement as the audience broke out into cheers.

A parent wrote the following:

*Through this note, I want to express my appreciation to you for allowing us to participate in this program. It has been a blessing seeing our children learn, seeing their abilities and where they need support. What we are most happy about is the great work reflected in our children's school grades. In addition, this learning process has become a great way to share quality time with the family. (Translated from Spanish.)*

HIPPY, Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters, is a national program that helps parents become their child's first teacher. Rachel

Ventrone, HIPPY director, announced that this site has been recognized by the state as a Stellar Program for the third year in a row.



Volunteers and graduates: L to R, Evelyn Masheb, Evalyn Brownstein, Edie Kaplan, Ellen Ptalis, Marietta Kalin, Phyllis Schriger, Phyllis Becker, Ina Miller-Silverstein

### OUR STAY-AT-HOME MAGICAL DONORS FOR 2015-2016

**\$2,000 and more**

Susan Laskin

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**\$250 - \$499**

Mary Sue Ehrenberg

### WHO, HOW, WHY WE GIVE

Everyone has her personal interests when it comes to giving. In Bergen County Section there are a variety of ways to contribute to assist women, children, and families in need. You can participate in our Stay-at-Home personal giving program, send tribute cards, make contributions for special life events, and attend our social activities.

We assist our community services clients by collecting school supplies and holiday gifts. You can choose to give gifts of toys to the preschool kids at Bergen Family Center or gift cards for the older kids at YCS Holley Center. Maybe you would like to be part of a group to adopt a family and provide more basic needs through referrals from Center for Hope and Safety or Jewish Family Services.

No matter how you choose to give, the warmth that comes from knowing you have helped another is a priceless reward.

**Marcia Levy**, mllevy0648@gmail.com or 201-894-8379

## NCJW AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS TO SEVEN OUTSTANDING YOUNG JEWISH WOMEN

Seven spectacularly deserving young Jewish women were recently awarded \$1,000 endowed college scholarships by National Council of Jewish Women Bergen County Section. In addition to academic achievement, each recipient demonstrated outstanding leadership and initiative in school and/or community life as well as commitment to her Jewish heritage. The winners were introduced at a recent board meeting as their proud parents looked on.

The awardees:

**Leah Field** of Northern Valley Regional High School, who will attend Vanderbilt University, and **Rachel Gleyzer** of the Academy of Science and Technology, who will attend the University of Chicago, received the Marjorie G. Aerenson Memorial Scholarship.

**Danielle Mandelblatt** of Northern Valley Regional High School, who will be at the University of Michigan, and **Mikaela Rosen** of Glen Rock High School, who will be at Johns Hopkins University, were given the Zimmerman Family Scholarships.

**Inbar Tivon** of Fair Lawn High School, who will be going to The University of Pennsylvania, received the Kabakow Family Scholarship.

**Justine Laufer** of Tenafly High School, who will be a student at the University of Chicago, received the Wolfeiler-Simon Scholarship.

**Lauren Gerlin** of River Dell High School, who will matriculate at Penn State University, won the Boch Scholarship.

The NCJW BCS Scholarship Committee included Evalyn Brownstein and Nan Matlick, chairs, and Peggy Kabakow, Liz Warms, Grace Fuld, Henrietta Wolfeiler, and Phyllis Grossman-Kaplan.



Scholarship winners, L to R: Justine Laufer, Lauren Gerlin, Leah Field, Inbar Tivon, Mikaela Rosen, and Rachel Gleyzer. Not pictured: Danielle Mandelblatt

# TRIBUTES

## GOLD TRIBUTE CARDS

**Phyllis Becker, Ann & Bob Levenstein, Michael & Norma Goldsmith, Presidium – Elaine Pollack Marcia Levy Fran Einiger Bea Podorefsky Doris & Bob Sarokin, Evalyn Brownstein, Celia Argintar**  
To Roxanne Reff  
In Memory of Husband Abby

**WI2016 Colleagues & Friends Karen, Ruth, Carole & Elizabeth**  
To Jane Abraham  
Full & Speedy Recovery

**Joan & David Teichman**  
To Joan & Alan Schnuer  
Congratulations on 50th Wedding Anniversary

**Roslyn Berlin**  
To Ruth Frankel & Family  
In memory of Albert--Husband, Father & Grandfather

**Estelle Greene**  
To Barbara Grub  
Speedy Recovery

**Fran Altchuler**  
To Marilyn Cohen  
A Special Birthday

**Sally & Gene Stamper**  
To Evalyn Brownstein  
"You Are Truly a Good Person"

### HOW TO SEND TRIBUTE CARDS

Honor and congratulate your friends and family and send condolences to your nearest and dearest -- with an NCJW BCS tribute cards. We'll mail it for you. Just call: Celia Argintar 201-836-2563 / Bea Tendler 201-461-0264

## SILVER TRIBUTE CARDS

**Peggy Fine, Inez Swartz, Fran Butensky, Carole & Gerry Benson, Elaine Bieger, Ann Burris**  
To Roxanne Reff  
In Memory of Husband Abby

**Carole & Gerry Benson**  
To Dr. John Halverstam  
Full & Speedy Recovery

**Carole & Gerry Benson**  
To Alan Jones & Jason Cuning  
In memory of Cousin Helena

**Marietta Kalin**  
To Evalyn Brownstein  
Congratulations on well-deserved award

**Celia Argintar**  
To Avi & Revi Katz  
Congratulations on son's Engagement

**Fran Butensky**  
To Sharon Bornstein & family  
Deepest sympathy on tragic loss

**Norma & Sol Moglen**  
To Elaine & Richard Manberg  
Congratulations on Sammy & Emma's Graduation

**Phyllis Becker, Marilyn Linder**  
To Peggy Kabakow  
In memory of sister Susan

**Fran Altchuler**  
To Joan Berger  
In memory of sister

**Fran Butensky**  
To Carol Rothstein  
In memory of husband Harold

**Elaine & Richard Manberg**  
To Norma & Sol Moglen  
In honor of Grandchildren's Graduations

**Marilyn Linder**  
To Cynthia Bernstein  
In memory of Son Jeffrey

### MISSION STATEMENT



The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) 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 and freedoms.

### THANKS TO SUPER TRIBUTE DONORS . . .

**Pearl and Harvey Sorkow**  
To Mimi Bookstaver  
in honor of her birthday

**Zita Foster**  
To Roxanne Reff  
in memory of husband Abby

**Edie Messer & Ed Dollinger**  
To Shirley Chlopak  
Congratulations on 90th birthday

**Diane Zilz & Lewis Friedman**  
To Rabbi Harvey Daniels  
Thank you for officiating at son's wedding

## PASSAGES

### Condolences to:

**Jane Moser**  
On the death of her husband Walter

**Susan Laskin**  
on the birth of her grandson

**Madeleine & George Brecher**  
on the bar mitzvah of their grandson

**Nan Matlick**  
on the birth of her 5th great grandchild Lottie

**Alice Kanrich**  
on the marriage of her granddaughter Jaclyn

### Congratulations to:

**Edna Lewitz**  
on the birth of her 11th Great grandchild

**Sari Zimmer Block**  
on the bar mitzvah of her son Evan

**Myrna Levine**  
on the b'not mitzvah of her granddaughters

**JoAnn Hassan**  
for being honored by Jewish Home Foundation

**Bea Podorefsky**  
on the marriage of her daughter Donna and the birth of her great grandson Moses

**Phyllis Becker**  
on the birth of her grandson

**Ellen Pell**  
on the birth of her granddaughter

**Felice Kirsh**  
on the occasion of her second bat mitzvah

**Beth Allen**  
on the marriage of her daughter Laurie

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## **VOLUNTEERS - A GIFT TO AND THE HEART OF OUR APHASIA COMMUNITY**

Imagine...you find yourself in a foreign country where you don't understand the language, much less speak it. You know what you want to say, your thoughts are there, but the words don't come. Nor can you write these words on paper. You hear words being spoken to you, but they make no sense.

What you have just imagined is what life is like for someone with *aphasia... a communication disorder that is the result of a stroke or a traumatic brain injury*. A person with aphasia retains their intelligence, but can have difficulty with understanding spoken language, reading or writing, or experience difficulties with all of these. This communication disorder affects 40% of all stroke and brain trauma survivors.

The Adler Aphasia Center, a nonprofit organization based in Maywood and West Orange, NJ, is an innovative post-rehabilitative therapeutic program that addresses the long-term needs of people with aphasia and their families. It is the only center of its kind in NJ, an area with an estimated

70,000 people diagnosed with aphasia, and is considered the world leader and gold standard in long-term, post-rehab community-based care for people with this disorder. Almost 2,000,000 people have been diagnosed with aphasia in the U.S.

Everyone has a talent and some time to share. At Adler Aphasia Center, we value those talents and time and encourage volunteering with our Center. Our Center currently has 90+ volunteers and is looking for more as we expand our programming and continue to grow. We ask for a commitment of just one hour a week for a full semester (15 weeks). We provide introductory and ongoing communication strategy training for all volunteers. The Center's volunteer needs are:

- Communication Partners – Volunteers work one-on-one with Center members, or in groups to assist group leaders and members in a wide variety of activities designed to enhance the communication skills and psychosocial well-being of our members,

including art, *Something Special* (jewelry and gift design), cooking, games, and more.

- Communication-Technology Partners – Volunteers must be generally familiar with computers and iPads and able to assist others in using software programs or software applications (Apps).
- Technology based groups – Members participate in technology groups with volunteer assistance as needed. Volunteers are asked to give members a chance before helping out. We offer different Technology Group Levels based on the member's skills.

For more information about the Adler Aphasia Center's programs and services in Maywood or West Orange, visit our website at [www.AdlerAphasiaCenter.org](http://www.AdlerAphasiaCenter.org). If you're interested in sharing your time and talent with the Adler Aphasia Center, please contact Ruth Seitelman, at [ruth.seitelman@gmail.com](mailto:ruth.seitelman@gmail.com) or 201-836-2916.

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