



NCJW BERGEN COUNTY SECTION NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2015

Tuesday November 10 **AFFLUENCE AND POVERTY: A TALE OF TWO BERGEN COUNTIES**

12:30 pm at Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Rd., Teaneck. Community-wide forum, free and open to the public. **SEE FLYER ON WEBSITE.**

Thursday November 12 **STUDY GROUP ~ LIFE REIMAGINED**

1:00 pm Riverside Square Conference Center Lower Level. Members \$5, nonmembers, \$10. Imagine you could do anything you want. What would you do? What challenges would you take on? How big would you dream? **Ruth Seitelman, Bergen County Section V.P. and Jean Joachim** share their journey from corporate America to romance writers. Questions, contact Marilyn Friedman for information, marisfried@aol.com or 201-568-0145.

Tuesday November 17 **STILL TIME TO PLAY WITH US . . .**

Game Day is from 12:00 to 4:00, at Villa Amalfi in Cliffside Park. Join us for a lovely lunch and play, play, play at your favorite game, or join us at the *schmooze* table. Members \$40, Nonmembers \$50. Contact Sandy Schomer at 489-7286 or email her at rremer@optonline.net.

Thursday November 19 **TRIP to MUSEUM OF THE MOVING IMAGE AND ISAMU NOGUCHI MUSEUM IN QUEENS**

We will start the day at the Museum of the Moving Image in its multimillion-dollar, newly renovated facility. A docent-led 90-minute tour of its core exhibition, "Behind the Screen," immerses visitors in the creative and technical process of making, promoting, and presenting all forms of digital entertainment. We will enjoy a multi-course luncheon at one of the Greek restaurants for which Astoria is so famous, MP Taverna. After lunch, we will tour the Noguchi Museum, also newly renovated. **REGISTRATION:** Send check, payable to NCJW BCS, for \$85, including home and cell phone numbers and e-mail address, to Hennie Ostrower, 280 Prospect Ave. #11N, Hackensack, NJ 07601. Nonmembers \$90, only if openings are not filled by members. Questions: Call Hennie at 201-342-2996 or e-mail hennie.ostrower@gmail.com. The bus will leave from Temple Emeth in Teaneck at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday December 3 **COMMUNITY SERVICE TOUR**

We'll visit Bergen Family Center (home to our HIPPY* and Senior Shining Lights programs) and Women's Rights Information Center, both in Englewood. Learn about these community services and what Bergen County Section volunteers do for each program. To sign up for the tour and for more information, contact Ruth Seitelman at ruth.seitelman@gmail.com or 201-836-2916.

*HIPPY = Home Instruction for Parents of Pre-School Youngsters

Tuesday December 8 **OPEN BOARD MEETING**

Everyone is welcome to attend our Open Board Meeting at 9:15 a.m. at Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Rd., Teaneck. Find out how our board operates, hear reports and news of upcoming events, and enjoy a special program and refreshments to celebrate Chanukah. We look forward to welcoming new and "seasoned" members.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT SOLOS EVENT ON DECEMBER 20. DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

Tuesday December 15 Lunch and Learn: Nourishing Hearts and Minds

12:00 noon. Temple Emeth, 1666 Windsor Road, Teaneck. Dr. Joseph Chuman, Leader of the Ethical Cultural Society of Bergen County since 1974, and our featured speaker, is an activist for civil liberties and human rights, a community organizer, a writer and an educator. He will discuss Bergen Sanctuary, a coalition of religious and human rights groups providing services for asylum seekers released from federal detention. Cost: \$18 members, \$23 nonmembers. Please mail checks made out to NCJW BCS to: Barbara Brill, 166 Cambridge Ave., Englewood NJ 07631. (Your check will serve as your reservation.) For information, contact Barbara at bannberger@aol.com or 201-920-0244.

THRIFT SHOP

Important policy change! Now the Thrift Shop takes it all -- even woolens in summer and lightweights in winter -- all year-round. No more inconvenient delays on what to donate and when. We accept all clothing regardless of the season. Our primary needs remain the same: Gently used "better" clothing (men's, women's and children's), costume jewelry, fur coats, lingerie, quilts, decorative pillows, and small bric-a-brac. Also note that well-worn clothing still has value. So don't dump it! Donate it to the Thrift Shop.

Volunteers are desperately needed! Call Estelle Greene, 201-944-4788.

Pickup service is available! Call Ilene Wechter, 201-704-4362.

TRIBUTES AND GIFTS

GOLD TRIBUTE CARDS

Ann & Bob Levenstein

To the Gissen Family
In memory of Linda Gissen

Marcia Levy

To Fran Slatkin
In memory of husband Al

Fran Altchuler

To Meyer Lemo
100th birthday

Henrietta & Bernie Wolfeiler

To the family of
Marley Koffman
In memory of husband,
father and grandfather

Carole & Gerry Benson

To Barbara Schoenfeld
& Family in memory of
dear friend Gina Sand

SILVER TRIBUTE CARDS

Pearl & Harvey Sorkow

To Barbara Sugarman
& Family in memory of
Dr. Daniel Sugarman

Linda Horowitz

To Phyllis Semegran
In memory of husband
Ted

Henrietta & Bernie Wolfeiler

To Dr. Marlene Lengner
In memory of beloved
companion

WE THANK OUR SPECIAL TRIBUTE DONOR: Zita Foster & Family, To Sandy Bass
In memory of father Sol Rifkin

A Special Gift

We are excited to report that Life Member Carol Aerenson, daughter of the late Life Member Marge Aerenson, has once again honored her mother's memory with a gift to NCJW Bergen County Section of \$5,000 for college scholarships. To add to this wonderful gift, Carol's employer, GE, will match the gift with an additional \$5,000, thus allowing us to give two \$1,000 scholarships for the next five years. This is Carol's second such generous gift in her mother's name. Marge was an active member of our section for many years and loved chairing the Scholarship Committee, among many other roles. Thank you, Carol, for your generosity.

ELIZABETH HALVERSTAM NAMED EMERGING LEADER

An Emerging Leader has potential for assuming future Section leadership, understands and supports the NCJW purpose and programs, demonstrates commitment, and currently serves on the Section Board, has served less than five years or is currently chairing a committee or serving as an officer.

I grew up in London, in a family that supported Jewish charities. My mother was the chair of a major chapter of WIZO (Women's largest Jewish women's best friend was the National held for decades. Some of my meetings, event planning, and London and followed him to New sons and a daughter, and now Arts Horizons, an Englewood During the 28 years I was there, Executive Director and managed every aspect of running a nonprofit, an experience that is proving helpful in my new role at NCJW. I am both thrilled and flattered to be the recipient of Bergen County Section's Emerging Leader Award and am particularly grateful to Carole Benson for introducing me to NCJW and for mentoring me. I look forward to continued involvement for many years to come.



International Zionist Organization), the charitable organization in the UK, and her Chairman of Great Britain, positions they most vivid memories are of committee support for Israel. I met my husband in York. We moved to Tenafly in 1974, had two five grandchildren. In 1986 I went to work at non-profit arts-in-education organization. I rose from a part-time volunteer to

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 2015: RUTH KORNHEISER

The Volunteer of the Month recognition is given to a volunteer who is a paid-up member in good standing who has demonstrated passion, long-standing service and commitment to our Section's goals and values.

Ruth is being honored as this month's Volunteer of the Month because of her continued dedication to the work of NCJW. the Multiple Sclerosis/NJCW the benefits of the program by pool. Ruth served on the Board areas: as a Vice President for member of many committees. Care Center at the Bergen Council Thrift Shop. Ruth truly who is a paid-up member in passion, long-standing service, and commitment to our Section's goals and values.



For over 20 years, Ruth has volunteered at Swim-In, helping handicapped adults enjoy assisting in the dressing room and in the of Trustees for many years in a variety of membership and for fund-raising and as a She also volunteered at the Children's Court County Courthouse, at HIPPIY, and at the fits the criteria of this award as a volunteer good standing and who has demon-strated

THE MAGIC OF STAY-AT-HOME CONTINUES...

The 2015-2016 *Stay-At-Home* personal giving campaign is underway! We know you know that we are in the middle of a unique contribution, and have the huge Already this year, we have six of matching funds: Linda Horowitz, Laskin, Ann Levenstein, and EVERYONE'S PARTICIPATION. Funds many community services, programming, members. WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU! BE PART OF THE MAGIC!



opportunity to support our section by your benefit of staying home in your pajamas. "angels" inspiring us with their generosity Ellen Jacobs, Peggy Kabakow, Susan Henrietta Wolfeiler. OUR GOAL IS raised from *Stay-at-Home* support all of our and the bulletin that we send to all our

PASSAGES

We mourn the loss of Life Member Norma Tancer

Charlotte Magid On the death of her husband Henry

Elaine Adler On the death of her husband Mike

Congratulations to:

Bea Podorefsky on the birth of two great grandchildren

Nan Matlick on the birth of a great grandson

Judy Weinstein on the bar mitzvah of her grandson

Elaine Manberg on the bar mitzvah of her grandson

Helen Karlsruher on the marriage of her grandson

CLUB NCJW RECEIVES PLAQUE

Youth Consultation Services presented a thank-you plaque to Bergen County Section's Club NCJW. Our volunteers have a once-a-month after-school program with the YCS Holley Center children, helping the kids unwind after school with crafts and other recreational activities.

MEMBERSHIP WELCOME (April – September)

We welcome our new Life Members Phil Ball, Georgia Cooper, Felice Kirsh, Ruth Leibowitz, Eillene Leistner, Rosalind Macy and Marsha Shell.

We welcome our new Members Miriam Batkin, Debbie Beeber, Bari Braun, Andrea Devries, Renee Enker, Suzanne Fleischer, Sharon Friedson, Ellen Gerber, Ruth Goldstein, Tobey Goldstein, Judith Green, Phyllis Horn, Muriel Isbitts, Linda Keesing, Linda Kowalski, Phyllis Kresch, Betty Ann Marcus, Rona McNabola, Casey Olesko, Joan Ornstein, Phyllis Palley, Susan Putterman, Eva Sandrof, Raquelle Schmier, Libby Schwartz, Lois Smith, Marlene Storm, Joan Teichman, and Elaine Weiss.

ARMCHAIR ADVOCACY

To all of our Armchair Travelers and Couch Potatoes and anyone else who cares about what is happening in our state and in our country: For many of us, getting to meetings, traveling long distances to rallies or marching with picket signs are not options. But there are ways that we can still make our voices heard from the comfort of our homes. All you need is a telephone, a computer, or pen and paper. There are many issues that we all care about. Each day our legislators ask their staff how many constituents have contacted them and about which issues. They know these constituents are the ones who care about the issues and who vote.

When there is an issue about which you are concerned or which impacts the lives of women, children and families, let your legislators know. Call, email, or write a letter. Tell them that you care. Tell them that you want to see a particular bill or issue become a law or that you are displeased about an action that they have taken. Read our email alerts. Or read your newspaper, and make that call. The names and contacts of our legislators, both federal and local, are listed on the reverse of the board list enclosed in the September- October bulletin. Keep the sheet close at hand, and take action. One small act can help change the world.

SAVE THE DATE:

March 13-15, Washington Institute, "Election 2016: What's at Stake for Women?"