

THE NEWSLETTER

January—February 2018

Celebrating 95 Years



SNACK PACKS FOR CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION: TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 TEMPLE EMETH 12:30 PM



We are going to make weekends happier for some kids! Join us at our January 16, 2018, general meeting when we will prepare 1,000 child-friendly healthy snack bags to be distributed by the Center for Food Action to kids in 8 local elementary schools. The contents of the packs are shown here. Many children who receive free or reduced-price school meals are hungry on weekends. Teachers discreetly place the packs into the students' backpacks when they are out of the classrooms. The Weekend Snack Packs are part of an effort to reduce childhood hunger in our neighborhoods. This year, CFA will distribute 3,000 snack packs. There is no charge for the meeting, and guests are welcome.



HAPPY NEW YEAR! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT IT'S 2018. BUT IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR OUR 2018 RESOLUTIONS:

Continue to raise our voices and be heard! Our advocacy team took the temperature of the nation and developed an excellent forum this last November on *Sexual Violence: Changing the Culture* that couldn't be more timely. Our members have done great things and have been recognized. We are excited for Elaine Meyerson, our Administration Vice President. She is part of Governor-elect Murphy's transition team. Well done, Elaine!

Students won't go hungry on weekends. We're already on our way. At our January General Meeting we are committed to packing 1,000 snack packs for the Center for Food Action -- twice as many snack packs as last year.

Support the heart of our communities. Our volunteers are the strength of our section. They donate their time at Bergen Family Center, Youth Consultation Services, Center for Hope and Safety, the Jewish Home at Rockleigh, Children's Court Care, the Court Waiting Room, Adler Aphasia Center. We feed the homeless, knit caps for new babies and give blankets to children who have left the only home they know in order to be safe from an abuser. Our volunteers do data entry for Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative, assist with Swim-In activities with MS patients, and work with women at the Women's Rights Information Center. We send children to camp and give scholarships to graduating high school seniors. And our members give holiday gifts to the children in the programs we support.

Increase our commitment. We fund our advocacy, volunteer activities and programs in Israel through our Thrift Shop and Stay-at-Home personal giving initiatives. To date, fifty per cent of our annual contributions to our community services have already been awarded. Since last January, the political climate for social services has not gotten any better. Some would say it has deteriorated. Now is the time to dig a little deeper and give a little more to Stay-at-Home.

Maintain a vital organization that is up to the challenges of the coming year.

We look forward to following through on our resolutions and wish you all a happy and healthy new year.

Elizabeth, Jane and Ruth, Co-Presidents

OUR STAY-AT-HOME "ANGELS HAVE ARRIVED!



Each year, generous NCJW Bergen County Section members become "angels" for the annual Stay-at-Home personal giving campaign. In addition to their personal donations, they agree to match any increases in contributions given by you, our members. In other words, if you donate \$250 this year in honor of our 95th birthday, and made a donation of \$200 last year, one of our "angels" will match the \$50 increase, which now becomes \$100!

Our eight wonderful "angels" this year are Elizabeth Halverstam, Linda Horowitz, Ellen Jacobs, Gladys Laden, Susan Laskin, Ann Levenstein, Ina Miller-Silverstein and Henrietta Wolfeiler.

The continued generosity of our members is deeply appreciated and we hope you will consider increasing your gift this year, so that one of our "angels" can double the increase! Thank you so very much.

P.S. If you've already made your contribution, please consider adding an additional gift which could then be matched! Then you get a halo, too.

NCJW STUDY GROUP: TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018,



Riverside Mall Conference Center 1:00 p.m.
The Global Refugee Crisis:
Why People Leave

What is happening that so many people are fleeing their homelands for better conditions in strange new lands? Many times they are going to countries that are so different in environmental conditions, culture, and work opportunities from their own.

They are risking everything . . . why?

Dr. Joseph Chuman, leader of Ethical Culture in Teaneck and Professor of Human Rights at Columbia University, will share his insights about this growing and frightening situation. He will also tell us about his involvement with the Northern New Jersey Sanctuary for Political Asylum. There will be light refreshments. Charge is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. For further information, contact Marilynn Friedman at 201-568-0145 or marisfried@aol.com.

LUNCH & LEARN STUDY GROUP, TUESDAY, MARCH 6

TEMPLE EMETH 12:00 PM



Mark your calendars . . . you don't want to miss this event! We have planned a wonderful Lunch & Learn Study group program for Tuesday, March 6 at Temple Emeth at noon. Come hear noted author and Wall Street Journal writer Joann Lublin speak about her fascinating book,

Earning It. She will share stories of women, like herself, who have navigated the corporate "battlefields" and learn their leadership lessons and experiences. So plan to come for a delicious lunch and a truly interesting speaker! Watch for details on our website, in an eblast and on our Coming Events sheet or contact Marilynn Friedman at marisfried@aol.com or 201-568-0145.

ARE YOU IN FLORIDA THIS WINTER?



Keep this on your radar. Plans are underway for an NCJW BCS Florida Luncheon in February. Stay tuned for the date and place. A flyer with all the information will be emailed in January. Or, you can contact Ilene Wechter at 201-704-4362 or ilene5656@gmail.com.

THE CAREER CLOSET REALLY "WORKS" AT THE WINE & CHOCOLATE EVENT
SPONSORED BY THE WOMEN'S RIGHTS INFORMATION CENTER



"Together We Rise" was the theme of The Women's Rights Information Center's fourth annual Wine & Chocolate event at Modiani Kitchen Showroom in Englewood on #Giving Tuesday, November 28. Supermodel Emme moderated a fashion show featuring clients in trendy outfits from the center's on-site Career Closet, which houses donated business attire for women looking to reenter the workforce. She discussed each women's challenges and the skills they gained at the center to become independent and self-

sufficient—for themselves and their families. WRIC is one of our section's community services. The attendees were then treated to a complimentary cooking demonstration and individual readings by a local Astrologer. In addition to clothing, the center offers a number of free or subsidized services for women facing economic and social barriers. These include job search and resume counseling, computer courses, legal consultations and even affordable housing assistance.—For more information visit WRIC's website at www.womensrights.org or call 201-569-1166.

SEXUAL VIOLENCE: CHANGING THE CULTURE:
CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION

Stories about sexual abuse and harassment are in the headlines nearly daily, and some focus on sexual abuse of children. While you may sense the problem is getting worse, the overall rate in the United States has declined by 65% over the past 25 years. Ninety percent of the perpetrators are people the children know -- of which 30% are family members. According to Prevent Child Abuse New Jersey, 5,000 children in the state experience sexual abuse every year. It is imperative that we do everything we can to prevent the sexual abuse.

A4442/S2817 are bills pending in the New Jersey Legislature that could help. It requires school districts, charter schools, and con-

tracted service providers to review employment history of prospective employees to ascertain allegations of child abuse or sexual misconduct and includes penalties for certain willful violations. Both Prevent Child Abuse NJ and the NJ Coalition Against Sexual Assault support the passage of this legislation.

Please call your NJ Senator and Assemblywomen/men and urge them to sign on as a sponsor of A4442/S2817. For their numbers, go to www.njleg.state.nj.us, click on Find your Legislator and follow the prompts.

As parents and grandparents, please continue the conversation.

Check out ***Sexual Violence: Changing the Culture - Resources to Continue the Conversation*** on the Advocacy in Action page on our website www.ncjwbcs.org.

TRIBUTES

GOLD TRIBUTE CARDS

Linda & Joe Horowitz

To Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Waxenberg, In memory of son, David

Lorna Pascal

To Harvey & Barbara Rosenfeld. Thank you for your kindness

Judy & Marty Warshofsky

To Bart Warshofsky & Family. In memory of Brother and Uncle, Howard

Diane Zilz

To Wendy Mann. In honor of a Special Birthday

SILVER TRIBUTE CARDS

Deanna Yalowitz

To Arleen Sugarman In honor of her Birthday

Elizabeth Halverstam

To Alice and Sue Kanrich In memory of son and stepson, Andrew

Elizabeth Halverstam

To Dr. Claire Ciliotta In memory of sister, Jeannine

Felicia Leibman & Arlene Friedman

To Ilene Wechter & Joan Ornstein In honor of a spectacular luncheon

Argintar Family

To Eve & Ralph Lee In memory of Sandy Liedeker

Carole & Gerry Benson

To Mrs. Eileen Starr, Mr. David Starr & Family In memory of beloved husband and brother, Paul Starr

Fran Butensky

To Joan Cooper

In memory of her Daughter-in-Law

PASSAGES

We mourn the loss of Life Members

June Handler and Esther Honis.

Condolences to:

Valerie Vainieri Huttle

on the passing of her mother Natalie Vainieri

Eva Lynn Gans

on the passing of her mother Lilo Thurnauer

Mildred Hird and Lucy Doree

on the passing of their son and nephew

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Valerie Vainieri Huttle

on the marriage of her daughter Alexandra

Nancy Miller Kozeradsky

on the birth of her grandson Julian

Shelly Winner

on the birth of her grandson Evan Scott

Nan Matlick

on the birth of her 10th great grandchild, Penelope

Carla Silver

on the engagement of her daughter, Deborah

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S

Generous donations were made by **Huguette Glushanok, Diana Muller and Esther Gildengers** in memory of Jean-nine Ciliotta.

Alan & Joan Schnuer made a charitable donation in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Jacobson's wedding.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Phyllis Hoffman, Jackie Lieberman, Dolores Miller, Fran Spinowitz and new Life Member Sharon Bornstein.

NCJW MEMBERS PROVIDE HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR KIDS



The generosity of the season was felt in the Section's annual HOLIDAY GIFT GIVING campaign. At holiday time, Bergen County Section collected gifts and gift cards for the children and families served by our community services and coalition partners. The gifts

ranged from Target gift cards (\$10 each) to toys and clothing for the children of Holley, Kilbarchan, Bergen Family Center, Center for Hope and Safety and Jewish Family Services. Gifts were collected at Game Day and our Open Board Meeting. A big thank you to Henrietta Wolfeiler and Evalyn Brownstein for organizing and making this project a success -- and to all of our members who gave so generously.

CLOSETS BURSTING? NEED ROOM FOR NEW CLOTHES?

REMEMBER COUNCIL THRIFT SHOP

75 South Washington Avenue, Bergenfield, NJ 07621

Telephone 201-385-3702

(parking in rear, enter from Bergen Street)

DONOR HOURS

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.:

11am - 4pm

Thurs: 11am - 7pm

NO DONATIONS SATURDAY

SELLING HOURS

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.:

10am - 5:30pm

Thurs.: 10am-8pm

Sat.: 10am-5pm



SAVE THE DATE

Come Celebrate Bergen County Section's 95th Birthday at our Annual Installation Luncheon!

Alpine Country Club, Demarest, N.J. Tuesday, June 5, 2018
Watch your mail for an invitation in the spring.

OUR THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS STAY-AT-HOME DONORS 2017 – 2018

(as of 11-30-17)

\$2,000 OR MORE

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Peggy Kabakow
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