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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Susan Witte
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HAPPY 2018!

We've changed up the Bulletin schedule a bit, so you are receiving this in February, rather than January. Hope you read the January E-Blast so you didn't miss out on anything! We have already had our first Lobby Day in Jefferson City – focusing on Human Trafficking. There will be other trips to Jefferson City planned in the coming months. We will let you know the dates as soon as we have them.

You know that well-worn saying – 'If at first you don't succeed, try, try again' – well that is an apt description of what it sometimes feels like as we make our way through the halls of the State Capitol, advocating for the issues we have identified as important to women, children and families. Issues such as requiring that the human trafficking hotline phone number be posted throughout the state; enabling victims of domestic violence to take up to 5 preapproved unpaid days of work, so they can obtain legal or medical help without the fear of losing their jobs; and supporting the Missouri Non-Partisan Courts Plan – a model for dozens of other states. You'll find more about our legislative priorities in the **Advocacy Section** of the bulletin.

Whatever you do, be sure and read Ellen Alper's Back to School! Store "story" in the **Community Service Section** of this bulletin. It is very special. In that same section you will also meet one of our Healing Hearts Bank borrowers and learn about what the loan enabled her to accomplish.

The Resale Shop has so much going on, including the **3rd Annual Recycled Art Sale April 25 and 26**. Tell all your friends about this event. Donate the art you no longer are displaying in your homes, and come shop the sale. It's great fun, and of course the proceeds go towards supporting all our local projects.

In May, we will be installing a new Executive Team and Board of Directors, as well as presenting our Section Awards.

Speaking of Section Awards - we need your help. Please think about people who should be recognized with one of the Section Awards, as well as the Hannah G. Solomon Award. In the **Leadership Section** of the Bulletin you'll find how to nominate people – it's quite easy.

Two fun events are happening in the next few months. First is **Trivia Night Saturday, February 24th**. Co-Chairs Stephanie Moreland and Lynn Spewack and Committee have some new things planned for this evening. In addition to having a terrific time, you'll also be raising dollars for the Back to School! Store. Second – our **3rd annual Spring Luncheon**, Co-Chaired by Dianna Fine, Emily Morgan and Dana Windsor. You'll find details for both events, and the committee member listings in the **Development Section** of the bulletin.

I've just given you a taste of some of what you'll find in the bulletin. Keep reading – but most of all – stay connected with NCJW. Thank you so much for your membership, your interest and your involvement.

Susan Witte

Susan Witte, President
NCJW St. Louis

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NCJW TRIVIA 2018 February 24, 2018

Congregation Temple Israel / 1 Rabbi Alvan D Rubin Dr.

Price: \$25/person | \$250/table of 10

Doors open at 6 / Game begins at 7

Show your school pride and decorate your table and/or yourself with spirit wear from your alma mater. It can be high school, college or even your children's school. Be creative! Donate new 6-packs of children's (K-5) socks/underwear for our Back To School! Store and be entered to win a door prize. Soft drinks, beer and wine provided. Bring your own food and desserts. *No pork/shellfish. To sponsor a round, please contact Jennifer Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org

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A CONVERSATION WITH
BEN POREMBA
& HIS MOM RACHEL POREMBA



NCJW SPRING LUNCHEON

April 24th
Danforth Plant
Science Center

Formal invitation
coming soon!

Ben Poremba is the Chef/Owner of Bengelina Hospitality Group, the St. Louis-based, award-winning operator of Nixta and Bar Limón, Elaia, Olio, Parigi, and La Patisserie Chouquette. Poremba is a three-time James Beard Award semifinalist in the category of Best Chef-Midwest, and he continues taking the St. Louis dining scene by storm. An Israeli native, Poremba learned the art of cooking (and eating) from his mother, Rachel, who had a 40-year career as a chef and culinary educator herself.

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2 & 3 DIMENSIONAL
ART PIECES
FROM VARIOUS ARTISTS

PREVIEW
AVAILABLE ART
BEGINNING
APRIL 1ST ON



APRIL 25
VIP PREVIEW NIGHT
ENJOY WINE + CHEESE
5:00-8:00pm **\$18**

APRIL 26
10:00a-7:00pm

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LINDBERGH
ST LOUIS, MO 63141

PURCHASE
VIP PREVIEW
TICKETS
ONLINE AT
THERESALESHP.ORG
OR AT THE DOOR

RECYCLEDARTSALE

PROCEEDS BENEFIT WOMEN, CHILDREN & FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY

WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING ART DONATIONS. BRING ART TO THE RESALE SHOP DONATION BAY DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

UPCOMING SALE DATES @ THE RESALE SHOP

2/14	HEART SALE	3/16-17	MARCH MADNESS SALE	5/25-26	MEMORIAL DAY SALE
2/19	PRESIDENT'S DAY SALE	4/25-26	RECYCLED ART SALE	5/28	CLOSED

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Many of NCJW's core issues are in the news and we want to keep our members up-to-date on the details through our Advocacy in Action Lunch and Learn series of informative sessions at the NCJW office. We begin gathering at 11:30 and our top-tier speaker will be from noon to 1:00 pm. Bring your lunch, we will provide drinks. It's also a great opportunity to introduce a friend to NCJW's impressive advocacy work. We will also be offering occasional Sunday morning sessions.



**ADVOCACY
IN ACTION**
ADVOCATING CHANGE = ADVANCING LIVES

February 15 - Legislative Priorities

With the Legislative session getting underway, join NCJW for an overview of the bills we will be focused on - both supporting and opposing. Whether you plan to join one of our Lobby Days in Jefferson City or you'll be expressing your opinions via letters and phone calls to your representatives, understanding the talking points on the various hot-button issues will help you make your voice heard in a more powerful and effective way.

March 15 - School-to-Prison Pipeline

Black students are 4-6 times more likely to be suspended than their white peers, funneling many into the prison system and perpetuating the cycle of poverty, low education attainment and structural inequities that span generations. Daniela Velazquez from the ACLU will share detail of their initiative on unequal discipline and ways we can support those efforts and help improve outcomes for minority youth.

April 19 - State Tax Reform

Our associates at the Missouri Budget Project will probably shock you with their insights into the quirks of our state tax code and the dangerous impact the resulting revenue decrease can have on the needs of women, children and families. The neighboring state of Kansas has implemented similar policies with results that are widely considered disastrous. Learn what can be done to intervene and minimize the damage.

To make sure we have adequate seating, please RSVP to Lisa at 314.993.5181 or lgjerswald@ncjwstl.org. We look forward to seeing you!

ARTS AGAINST TRAFFICKING

Thursday, March 15 @ 7:00pm

Solid Lines Productions will perform a staged reading focusing on sex trafficking. Talk-back session follows performance. St. Charles City-County Library, Spencer Road Branch, 427 Spencer Rd., St. Peters 63376. Presented by St. Charles Outreach Coalition Against Human Trafficking.

Tuesday, May 8 @ 7:00pm

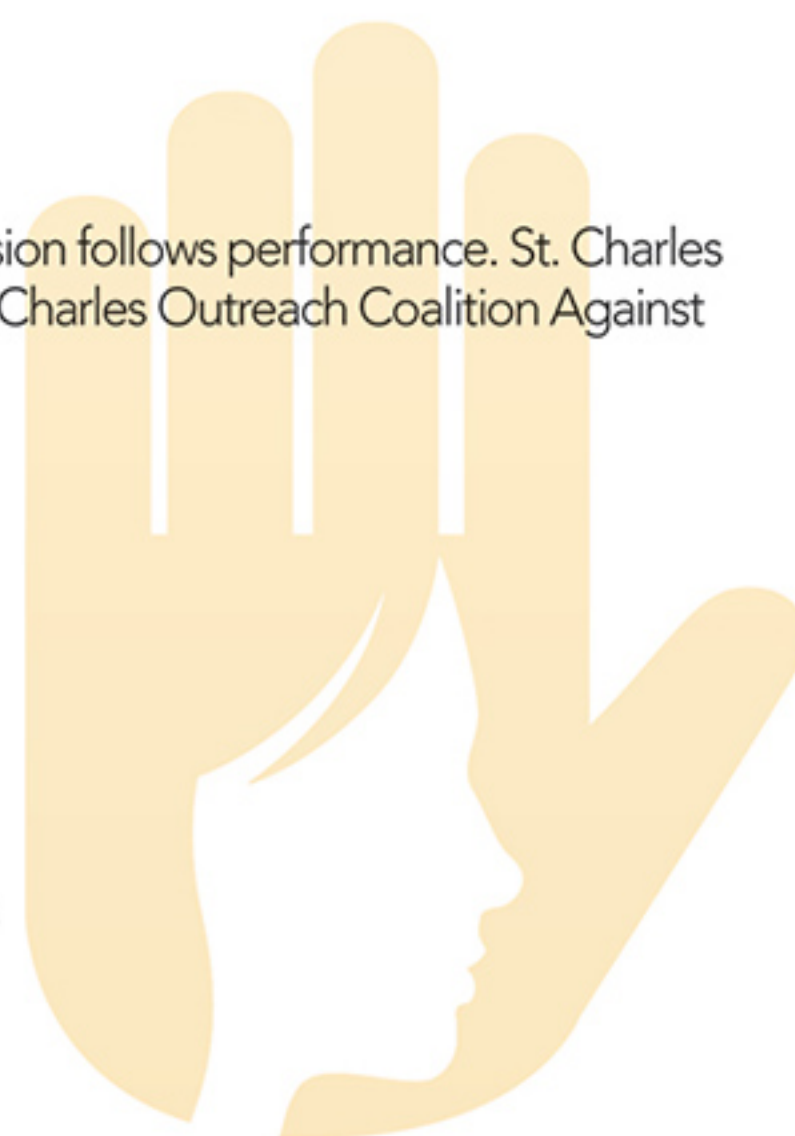
The International Institute of St. Louis will present a film that focuses on labor trafficking at 3401 Arsenal Street, St. Louis, MO 63118.

RSVP for all events to Lisa at lgjerswald@ncjwstl.org or 314.993.5181 / Chair: Amy Stone

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NCJW STL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

NCJW STL sets our legislative priorities every year by referring to our national resolutions and looking at the work that our section volunteers are passionate about. We then decide based on where we feel we are best suited to positively impact the lives of women, children and families.

Knowing that it is critical for victims to have economic independence in order to get away and stay away from an abuser, NCJW STL has been working to make this a reality for over half a decade, through both our Healing Hearts Bank Community Service Project and our advocacy work. Again this year we are working with NCJW life member, Senator Jill Schupp to pass **legislation that would allow victims of domestic violence up to five days of unpaid leave for medical or legal needs.**

Our human trafficking task force formed five years ago in order to explore what NCJW STL could do to combat human trafficking in our region. Since that time, we've held a one day conference, had posters placed in the airport, briefed congressional leaders on Capitol Hill, testified in Jefferson City as well as hosted numerous educational events. During this legislative session we are again working for the placement of hotline poster bills which would help bring awareness as well as provide victims with much needed information as well as vacating convictions for human trafficking survivors.

Knowing that when a woman has the ability to control when she becomes a parent makes a huge impact on her economic success and because when given the choice most women prefer Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC), we convened a taskforce to look at LARC. One of the first things that came up was that currently if a Medicaid patient comes into a clinic for LARC and does not return to have the device placed, the client cannot get another device and that device cannot be used for any other client. This practice costs the state hundreds of thousands of dollars and prevents patients from getting the care they need. Several bills have been filed this year to fix this issue.

Ensuring that our courts are fair and balanced is critical to all the work we do. NCJW STL is committed to support the Missouri Non Partisan Court Plan and is opposed to legislation that would endanger our courts. NCJW STL kicked off our Courts Matter Coalition this fall.

In addition, NCJW STL also takes positions on reproductive rights, LGBTQ+ Rights, Economic Justice and Common Sense Gun Control as well as others. For a full list of bills where we've taken a position, visit ncjwstl.org.

SAVE THE DATE for our LARC Lobby Day on March 8th and RSVP to Lisa at lgjerswald@ncjwstl.org or 314.993.5181

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SAVE THE DATE / National NCJW Leadership Retreat / June 1-3

Leaders at all stages are welcome and invited. If you are a seasoned section leader or a new section member looking to make an impact we want you there! Sessions range from personal leadership, section leadership to program and project information and issue-based workshops. There is something for everyone. Yavilah McCoy will be speaking as the Scholar in Residence. The retreat is at the Sheraton Westport Conference Center right here in St. Louis! **Registration opens February 1st! Visit ncjw.org/leadership-retreat for details.**

LEADERSHIP CLASS

The NCJW STL Leadership Class is back! Class will begin this fall. Details about applying and class information will be forthcoming. Classes will begin in October 2018. Applications will be available in May 2018.

CO-CHAIRS Amy DeWoskin Weiss, Amanda Packman, and Betty Kagan

COMMITTEE Melissa Alper, Darien Arnstein, Michelle Brooks, Gail Eisenkramer, Lisa Gubernik, Erica Holliam, Nancy Litz, Marilen Pitler, Marilyn Ratkin, Barbara Langsam Shuman, Karen Silverman, Lynn Spewak and Susan Katzman

2018 HANNAH G. SOLOMON FOUNDER'S AWARD

Nominations are now being accepted for NCJW's highest honor, the Hannah G. Solomon Founder's Award. The selection of the Hannah G. Solomon Founder's awardee is one of the most difficult assignments we have each year. With this award, we strive to honor a community leader who exemplifies and embodies the tenets of NCJW's mission and work.

We consider a broad range of nominees, women and men, whose tireless efforts in many facets of the community truly resonate with our ideals. Last year, Maxine Clark joined an impressive list of previous awardees who have made vital contributions to the betterment of our society. The 2018 award will be presented at NCJW's Celebrating Women event during the fall of 2018. The recipient must fulfill one or more of the following criteria:

- Exemplify the NCJW mission of improving the quality of life for women, children and families
- Expand and promote the status of women in vital areas of community life
- Work to ensure and advance individual and civil rights
- Provide leadership that has motivated others to fight for progress and enlightenment in our community

Include the following information with your submission by **February 23rd**

- Name, Address & Phone number of the nominee
- Explanation of why you are nominating the candidate
- Your name/number

E-mail your submission to **Darien Arnstein**, Awards Committee Chair at sdarnstein@sbcglobal.net or **Ellen Alper** at ealper@ncjwstl.org. You can also mail your submissions to: NCJW-St. Louis | Attn: HGS Founder's Award | 295 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1983	Governor Christopher Bond	1990	Wilma Messing ^z ¹	2003	Judge Susan Block	2012	Karen Aroesty
1984	Edith Lipsitz ^z ¹	1991	Sue Shear ^z ¹	2005	Lois Caplan Miller ^z ¹	2012	Meg Schnabel
1985	Frank Susman	1992	Harriet Woods ^z ¹	2006	Paula Gianino	2013	Vivian Zwick
1985	Judith Widdicombe ^z ¹	1993	Fred Epstein ^z ¹	2007	Roberta Cohen	2015	Denise Lieberman
1986	Richard K. Gram	1995	Barbara Newmark	2008	Rabbi Susan Talve	2016	Marlene Hammerman
1987	Lynn Lyss	1998	Joyce Margulis	2009	Ilene Ordower	2017	Maxine Clark
1988	Kathryn Nelson ^z ¹	1999	Judy Putzel	2011	Joan Bray	^z ¹ In Loving Memory	
1989	Judy Milton	2002	Nanci Bobrow, Ph.D.	2011	Frankie Freeman		



(Left) Sue Lapp, Renee Wasserman (Co-chairs), Maxine Clark & Andrea Newstead (Co-chair) (Right) Celebrating with previous HGS Honorees; Back Row: Judge Susan Block (2003), Marlene Hammerman (2016), Nanci Bobrow, Ph.D. (2002), Karen Aroesty (2012) Front Row: Vivian Zwick (2013), Lynn Lyss (1987), Maxine Clark (2017)

SECTION AWARD NOMINATIONS

The St. Louis Section honors several members each year at our May Installation event for outstanding commitment to NCJW. E-mail your submission by **February 23rd** to **Darien Arnstein**, Awards Committee Chair at sdarnstein@sbcglobal.net or **Ellen Alper** at ealper@ncjwstl.org. You can also print and mail the PDF form found at ncjwstl.org to: NCJW-St. Louis, 295 N. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63141

FIND A FULL AWARD LIST + PAST RECIPIENTS ON THE NEXT PAGE

EMERGING LEADER AWARD

The Emerging Leader Award identifies and nurtures future Section leadership and is sanctioned by National. Recipient criteria:

- Has potential for assuming future Section leadership
- Understands and supports the NCJW purpose and programs
- Demonstrates commitment to the Section
- Currently serves on the Section board (for less than five years) or is currently chairing a committee or serving as an officer

RECIPIENTS

2000	Michelle Landau Brooks	2005	Marissa Rosen	2010	Erin Guyer Schreiber	2015	Nancy (Nix-Rice) Litz
2001	Laura Klearman Silver	2006	Beth Kodner	2011	Andrea Newstead	2016	Lisa Gubernik
2002	Karen Goodman	2007	Amy Hammerman	2012	Jennifer Bernstein	2017	Amy Stone
2003	Nancy Siteman	2008	Holly Bernstein	2013	Elizabeth Kruvand		
2004	Susan Goldberg	2009	Karen Silverman	2014	Jenny Abeles		

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The Community Service Award is given to one or more volunteers who have demonstrated the spirit of NCJW on a particular project, through innovation and dedication

RECIPIENTS

1999	Carol Gans, Susan Sigoloff & Mary Louise Steiner	2004	Georgia Goldman	2009	Karen Goodman	2013	Michelle Brooks & Karen Silverman
2001	Dottie Schainker	2005	Susan Goldberg	2010	Jenny Abeles & Peggy Pearlina	2014	Eve Frank Bensky, Lori Goldberg, Sue Rundblad & Katie Berg Silversmith
2002	Gloria Cohen & Marcy Cornfeld	2006	Dana Gaby	2011	Elizabeth Kruvand	2015	Marvin & Muriel Beckerman
2003	Susan Kottler	2007	Sherri Goldman & Sharee Feldman	2012	Ilene Ordower & Debi Feit	2016	Eleanor Rosenbaum
		2008	Anna Poger			2017	Marilen Pitler & Dianna Fine

LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Leadership Award is given to a member who has demonstrated long-term leadership and service to the Section

RECIPIENTS

2000	Lise Bernstein	2004	Sally Katzif	2009	Darien Arnstein	2014	Jennifer Scissors & Amy Weiss
2001	Carolyn Satz	2005	Susan Katzman	2010	Debi Feit	2015	Andrea Newstead
2002	Lorrie Poscover & Rochelle Weiss	2006	Nancy Siteman	2011	Sherri Goldman	2016	Gail Eisenkramer
2003	Farilyn Hale	2007	Marlene Hammerman	2012	Marilyn Ratkin	2017	Bonnie Solomon
		2008	Nanci Bobrow, Ph.D.	2013	Jill Gubin		

FRITZI LAINOFF ADVOCACY AWARD

The Fritzi Lainoff Advocacy Award is given to a member who has demonstrated a strong commitment to advocacy and raising awareness of NCJW issues locally, regionally and nationally

RECIPIENTS

2004	Fritzi Lainoff ^{z"l}	2008	Jill Esrock	2012	Benita Boxerman	2016	Melissa Alper
2005	Marlene Hammerman	2009	Maxine Friedman	2013	Betty Kagan	2017	Nancy Litz
2006	Farilyn Hale	2010	Marilyn Ratkin	2014	Cynthia Albin		
2007	Darien Arnstein	2011	Jennifer Bernstein	2015	Rosalyn Borg		

VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

The Volunteer Service Award was created to honor outstanding volunteers who have given their time and talents to the Section

RECIPIENTS

2007	Fran Zamlar	2010	Carolyn Satz	2013	Clara Goldman	2015	Helene Meisler
2008	Hillary Friedman	2011	Leslie Waldbaum	2014	Reva Davis, Steve & Sherri Newstead	2016	Judy Grosz
2009	Susan Rich	2012	Marsha Karney			2017	Phyllis Langsdorf



HEALING HEARTS BANK SET TO OPEN 8TH BRANCH

Understanding that economic security made it easier for women to leave and stay out of abusive relationships, NCJW STL began exploring how to make small dollar low interest loans that could have a big impact in 2011. The first branch opened at Lydia's House with a small cadre of volunteers.

Borrowers sought to improve their economic situation by taking out loans that would help them get and/or retain employment. Fast forward to 2018, Healing Hearts Bank has seven branches that serve 16 agencies. Over 25 volunteers serve as bankers.

Loans still focus on ensuring economic stability and are often used for credit building, repayment of predatory loans or to start a business. Borrower, Ashley Clay, took out a loan to expand her cleaning business, Above and Beyond Cleaning at Your Service. Ashley runs a professional cleaning business that serves both residential and business clients. Ashley used the loan to develop her own line of natural cleaning products to use in her business.

In the Spring of 2018, Healing Hearts Banks will be opening a new branch with Kingdom House. If you would like to volunteer with that branch please contact Heather at hsilverman@ncjwstl.org or 314.993.5181. You do not need banking or business experience to volunteer.

We are in need of at least one Spanish speaking volunteer for that branch.

GIVING BACK BY: ELLEN ALPER

Every year I attend the holiday breakfast hosted by Books for STL Kids as a grant recipient. They generously donate books and volunteer at BTSS every year. At that breakfast we are given a stack of books to distribute to the children we serve. Since our event is not until July, I usually hold the books in my office until then.



About a month ago, I received an email from a board member who knew a family that was in need and we offered to help. The woman and her 8 year old daughter came by our office to pick out whatever they needed for her husband, herself and her daughter. While the mom was going through the bags, her daughter commented about how nice everyone was to help her dad. When she said that, I realized I had the book *The Giving Tree* in my office from the holiday breakfast and I brought it out for the little girl. While her mom was searching through the bags of clothes, her daughter read the book out loud to me. If you know the story, it was directly related to what was happening in our office and it gave us the chance to see the book in action.

When she was through reading, her mom, who had listened while going through the bags turned to her and said, "What did you learn from the book?" We then engaged in a conversation where all three of us talked about giving and the story in the book. When done, I told the little girl that she could have the book to take home. She was so excited and the smile on her face, and her mom's, was contagious!

It's not often we get to see the impact one small book can have on a child, but that day reminded me of why we do what we do every day. The little girl was excited to read, her family was being helped by strangers and the book allowed all of us to connect on a different level that brought us all to the same place—one where we were just people sharing a book with a great message about giving.





please join us for an official

KENDRA GIVES BACK PARTY

ENJOY SIPS, SWEETS & JEWELS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 | 10AM-2PM

KENDRA SCOTT AT PLAZA FRONTENAC
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ST. LOUIS, MO 63131

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MEMBERSHIP

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NEW PROGRAM MANAGER | MARCI RANGER

Marci comes to NCJW STL as Program Manager after an extensive career in marketing with such St. Louis companies as Caleres and Bissinger's Handcrafted Chocolatier. She is excited to join the staff of NCJW STL to support key initiatives including The Back to School! Store, Kids Community Closet and Project Renewal. She will also be the staff liaison to the VPs of Leadership and Membership. Marci is married to Carl Ranger and has two kids, Matt and Blair, who are living their dream in LA and NY.

Contact Marci at mranger@ncjwstl.org



NEW MEMBERS August 26 - December 15, 2017

We're thrilled to welcome all of our new members. *indicates Life Member

Carol Aft	Sally Hanson	Nancy Lisker	Debra Schuster
Chris Bornze	Patrice Kaplan	Jenifer Newmark*	Lori Sheinbein
Alison Fox	Leanne Kaufmann	Amanda Packman*	Michele Siler
Rita Freed	Lee'at Koertel	Patty Paster	Emily Stuart
Diane Friedman	Judith Kreisman	Lynn Rothbarth	Lori Tesser
Jan Goldman	Emma Lapp	Sarah Salky	Margaret Voss
Debbi Grebler	Karen Levine*	Molly Salky	Maxine Weil

IN LOVING MEMORY

August 26 - December 15, 2017

Ruth Berg
Shirley Fredlich
Marilyn Kaufman
Merle Miller
Norma Nest

DIRECTORY CHANGES August 26 - December 15, 2017

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Save the Date for 2018 Installation | May 24th
Stay tuned for the new Board and Executive Team,
along with Section Award Winners!

Whatever your interests may be, we have something for you at NCJW STL

If you're interested in volunteering for Trivia Night, call Jennifer Bernstein at 314.993.5181

If you're interested in volunteering for Recycled Art Sale, call Jessica Means at 314.692.8141

If you're interested in volunteering for Project Renewal, call Marci Ranger at 314.993.5181

If you're interested in participating in Human Trafficking Awareness events, call Heather Silverman at 314.993.5181

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 1 JPro Luncheon
- 7 Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Woman Group #1
- 10 Kendra Scott Event @ Plaza Frontenac for BTSS
- 12 NCJW Board Meeting
- 14 Art Interest Group
- 14 Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Woman Group #2
- 15 Lunch and Learn – Legislative Priorities
- 19 **PRESIDENT'S DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**
- 21 Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Woman Group #1
- 24 **TRIVIA NIGHT**
- 26 Executive Team Meeting

MARCH

- 5 LARC Lobby Day Training
- 8 LARC Lobby Day
- 11 Advocacy in Action - New Sunday session - details TBD
- 12 Executive Team Meeting
- 14 Art Interest Group
- 15 Lunch and Learn – School-to-Prison Pipeline
- 15 Arts Against Trafficking
- 30 Office/Resale Shop Closing Early for Passover
- 31 **PASSOVER**

APRIL

- 9 NCJW Board Meeting
- 10 Art Interest Group
- 16 **TAX DAY**
- 19 Lunch and Learn – State Tax Reform
- 23 Executive Team Meeting
- 24 **SPRING LUNCHEON**
- 25 **RECYCLED ART SALE PREVIEW NIGHT**
- 26 **RECYCLED ART SALE**

TRIBUTES

September 1 – December 15, 2017

Thank you to all of our tribute donors! The money raised through tributes is very important in helping us meet our goals and uphold our mission.

Tributes are listed under the name of the person honored or remembered. Each tribute is keyed with the initials of the fund to which the contribution was made. The fund initials appear after the donor's name. Tributes received after the deadline for this bulletin will appear in the next issue.

KEY

CHILDREN

(BTSS/KCC) Back to School! Store™ & Kids Community Closet Fund
(LF) Lassie Frager Fund
(WBL) William B. and Bernice Susman Lee Fund for Back to School! Store™

DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

(SF) Sosnoff Fund

SERVICES TO WOMEN

(JB-WWW) Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Woman Fund
(WES) Women's Emergency Services Fund
(SP) Section Priorities
(SLL) Ruth and Nancy Siteman Leadership Legacy Fund
(HHB) Healing Hearts Fund

PRESIDENT'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

(ATK) Harry Fredrick and Ann Trepp Koenigsberg Fund

SERVICES TO OLDER ADULTS

(CC) Crown Center and Older Adult Programs
(WMF) Wilma Messing Fund
(OACAP) Older Adult Community Action Program Committee

○ Chai Tribute = \$18 - \$24

□ Silver Tribute = \$25 - \$49

■ Gold Tribute = \$50+

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The wonderful neighbors of Summit Lofts

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Ellen and Steve Alper (SLL) ○

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Widow Woman Support Group

Ruth Sadler (WWW-JB) ○

Ann Baum's Special Birthday

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Rosalyn Borg on the B'nai Mitzvah of two grandchildren Sophie and Jonah

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Elaine Kesten (SP) ○

State Representative Cloria Brown sending her well wishes

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Denny and Alan Camiener for your hospitality

Sue Steiner (BTSS)

Ed Dahl's Retirement

Sherri and Steve Newstead (BTSS)

Karen and Eugene Ellis on birth of grandson Jake

Sally and Ken Katzif (BTSS)

Dianne Esbrook – wishing you a happy and peaceful Hanukkah

Joy Lending (BTSS)

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Rick and Sherri Goldman (BTSS) □

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Sharee and Mark Feldman on birth of new grandson Maten Fliegel

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Dr. Vicky Fraser receiving the Human Rights Campaign Equality Award

Marlene and Harley Hammerman (SP) □

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Farilyn Hale on co-chairing the 2017

Couturier Sale

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Marlene Hammerman being inducted into the University City Hall of Fame

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Susie Lowy on birth of new grandson

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Ann Lux's Big Birthday

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Laurie and Bert Schweizer on engagement of son Zac to Stacy Schultz

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Dr. Allen & Jan Sclaroff's on the birth of new grandson

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