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"We must add our voices to those who cry out that there is a standard below which we will not allow human beings to live, and that that standard is not at the freezing nor starving point . . . In a democracy all are responsible."—**Hannah G. Solomon**



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Message from the President

We have accomplished so much during our 80th anniversary year! Many wonderful people are responsible for this. The generosity, participation and enthusiasm of our life members, annual members, and volunteers continue to make us a vibrant and dynamic section.

In these challenging political times, our Advocacy Department has been working overtime to get out the vote and to educate and inform us about how, when, and where to lobby for and to support our progressive values at the state and federal level. In January, several of our members participated in the Women's Marches, and visited Albany to support Planned Parenthood. Our advocacy films, and the discussions that followed, were inspiring.

Our Community Services Department has continued to help women, children, and families through our recreational, educational, and tutorial programs. Each of our services has a chair, a group of dedicated volunteers, professional partners, and many grateful recipients. Our many, many volunteers enable us to offer these services.

The Education Department has brought us exciting trips, stimulating lectures, and a wonderful Women's Health Forum. We have had interesting, informative, and thought-provoking speakers at our program meetings.

The Fundraising Department has been successful in finding ways for us to have fun while raising the funds needed to support our community services, educational and advocacy programs.

The Thrift Shop continues to prosper and bring in the funds necessary to support our budget. We have been able to attract a loyal core of customers and donors. Thank you to our volunteers, donors, and staff. We couldn't operate without you.

Our Membership Department worked tirelessly to increase our membership roll and involve new and existing members in volunteer opportunities. Hospitality, Meeters and Greeters at our programs, the New Member Breakfast, Volunteer Recognition Brunch, and Installation Luncheon are designed to make you, our members, feel a special part of our success.

Our Treasurers and Secretaries are the team that keeps the section running smoothly. Our past presidents and executive vice president are dedicated and involved and have provided me with so much support and guidance. Our Section Administrator and Secretary work together to keep the office organized and efficient and to meet everyone's needs.

Thank you to every board and off board member. Your efforts provide the impetus for us to continue moving forward. It has been wonderful working with all of you this year, and I look forward to another exciting and rewarding year.

—Judi Braverman

MISSION STATEMENT



A FAITH IN THE FUTURE.
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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.

Introducing... Jackie Fetner

Recipient of 2017 Hannah G. Solomon Award

ENID SCHWARZBAUM – Feature Editor

"A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way".

(John C. Maxwell, Author, Speaker on Leadership)

This, in a nutshell, is why Jackie Fetner is Peninsula Section's honoree for NCJW's prestigious award. Jackie has accumulated a diversified collection of hats. Beginning in the NCJW Evening Branch over 40 years ago, (the training ground for young women as future Section leaders), she was invited onto the Section Board and quickly rose to Executive Vice President. She earned that position having first served in various roles which included Associate Treasurer. As Exec. VP, Jackie became involved with the Thrift Shop.

It was a smooth transition into Peninsula Section where she further honed her leadership skills and was elected President when Section celebrated its 60th anniversary. Gathering additional experience, she then served on the National Board for six years and Asst. National Secretary for three years. Jackie is currently an Honorary National Board Member.

Active once more in Peninsula Section, she is presently on the Advisory Board, chair of Strategic Planning, and also chair of Long Island Sections.

Growing up in Brooklyn, Jackie was self-confident as a young child and always felt she could do anything. She was never afraid to try something new. Her grandparents were role models and involved in her life. Entering Brooklyn College at 16, she double majored in Speech and Psychology, met her future husband Mark, and married a week after graduation. Her first job was a sixth grade teacher. She earned her Master's Degree while working as a speech therapist. Jackie and Mark bought a house in East Rockaway in 1974 a few weeks after the birth of their twins, Rachel and Howie, and live there to this day.

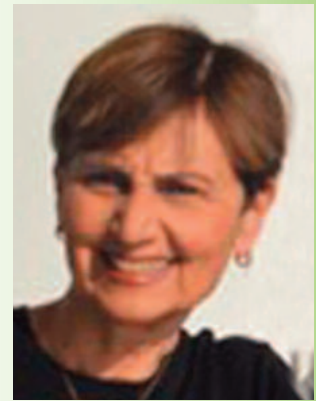
Jackie and Raela Bloom were walking in Cedarhurst one day where they met an old friend who insisted they join NCJW. In Evening Branch, members convened in each others' homes and Jackie learned from all the people she met. She attended training sessions and went to Washington. It was a heady time of expanding horizons and meeting well known speakers from all areas of public life. She collected friends from across the country through her activity on the Peninsula and National Boards.

As Jackie finished her presidency at Peninsula Section, she received an offer to return to speech therapy. At the same time she was invited onto the NCJW National Board which meets twice a year. National also offered periodic training sessions on membership. Jackie started work part-time and adjusted her schedule to fit this all in. As well as a licensed teacher, she is also a certified speech therapist. She frequently comments that she has led a "charmed life". She is grateful for the "fabulous people" she has met and the help she received from them all. During every step of the way she had people teaching her – by example and per conversation. Jackie learned from others and recognized their skills. "It was quite amazing!" she said. Her NCJW involvement is a source of personal satisfaction and great joy. The wonderful women she met and best friends she made are the icing on the cake.

Jackie is proud of her family's connection to NCJW. Her Mom, still a role model, volunteered at the Thrift Shop as did her children. Husband Mark, retired, was a TV director at WABC-TV. Her brother Marty is a generous supporter. "We are a team." Daughter Rachel is an endocrinologist and son Howie is an attorney following in his grandfather's footsteps. Daughter-in-law Meredith is also an M.D. Son-in-law Jeremy an attorney too. But the uncontested stars of the family are granddaughters Lily, Alexandra and Zoe.

Jackie questions everything and regards her life as a process of trying to be a good person. To that end, always have hope and be patient. She feels strongly about honesty. Her advice to young people: "Find time to align yourself with organizations that share your beliefs and you will find a sisterhood and support system". It's not only that unexpected opportunities transpired along the way – but that she recognized them, made the decision to accept the challenges and arranged her life "to make them happen".

When asked what she would do if she had unlimited access to money and resources, she quickly responded: "A cook and a chauffeur". To which I added "Amen!"



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Peninsula Section's 80th Anniversary

Advocacy Team – Pam Shelden, VP; Sandra Mintz, Coordinator; Myra Garber; Judi Pullman

The Bulletins throughout this 80th Anniversary Year have been featuring highlights of our various endeavors.



Advocacy is one strategy for effecting social change. It is the process by which the individual, and the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) as an organization, can speak up on behalf of current and vital issues. For 80 years, NCJW Peninsula Section has used its voice to make progressive social change. We advocate because we understand that elected officials are accountable to their constituents. We advocate because we are inspired by our Jewish values to repair the world – tikkun olam. We advocate because our history has taught us that our actions make a difference. NCJW advocacy positions are approved by the voting delegates at the NCJW National Convention every three years. As Peninsula Section celebrates its 80th Anniversary, what follows represents but a few examples of our advocacy involvement throughout the decades.

1940 - 1950

- ◆ Assists in reuniting thousands of displaced persons with family members through the Port and Dock Department.
- ◆ Participates in the Ship-a-Box program sending toys, books, and educational materials to young Holocaust survivors and generations of Israeli children.

1950 - 1960

- ◆ Supports the "Freedom Campaign" to protect civil liberties during the McCarthy era.
- ◆ Supports the development of a Meals-on-Wheels program in key states across the country.



1960 - 1970

- ◆ Supports the establishment of the Research Institute for Innovation in Education (RIFIE) at Hebrew University in Jerusalem to assist at-risk children from all segments of Israeli society.
- ◆ Promotes voter education and registration following the passage of the Voting Rights Act.

1970 - 1980

- ◆ Marches for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).
- ◆ Celebrates the Roe vs. Wade decision protecting women's reproductive rights.

ADVOCACY



1980 - 1990

- ◆ Supports the Home Instruction Program for Pre-School Youngsters (HIPPPY). By 1999, HIPPPY USA had 121 programs in 28 states.
- ◆ Supports the NCJW Center for the Child to research children's issues and impact public policy.

1990 - 2000

- ◆ Advocates for women, children and families with increasing frequency and impact at state legislatures and Washington.
- ◆ Members sign on to NCJW's action alert network, to broadcast breaking news and legislative information on vital initiatives via e-mail, enabling instant action across the country.

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2000 – 2009

- ◆ NCJW's BenchMark Campaign educates and mobilizes our members to promote a federal bench with judges who support fundamental freedoms, including a woman's right to reproductive choice. In 2004, Peninsula Section recruits high school students to attend the March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C. in support of the *Roe v. Wade* decision.
- ◆ Advocates for Plan A, NCJW's campaign for women's access to contraceptive information and health services. In 2008, Peninsula Section trains 25 teen advocates in comprehensive sexuality education

and presents the Section's Plan A activities at the Chicago Convention.

- ◆ Supports the Israel Granting Program that addresses Israeli women's rights in economics, politics, education, domestic violence and social justice.
- ◆ In 2006, Peninsula Section earns the Innovation Award at the Chicago Leadership Conference for its ground-breaking Advocacy Film Series.



Top: NCJW convention in Miami, 1999. **Bottom left:** NCJW's campaign to save Roe vs. Wade, Washington, DC., 2004. **Bottom right:** NCJW members deliver Women's Rights Petition to Prime Minister's office in Israel, 2006.



NCJW members advocating for our issues with and including: Hempstead Town Supervisor Anthony Santino, Senator Ted Kennedy, U. S. Representative Carolyn McCarthy, President Bill Clinton, Assemblyman Harvey Weisenberg.

2010 – PRESENT

- ◆ Educates members about Higher Ground, NCJW's Domestic Violence Campaign that promotes progressive policy solutions which advance women's economic independence.
- ◆ Advocates for Reproductive Choice Campaign to save reproductive rights. Responds to legislation which would impose funding and restrictions on women's health services.
- ◆ Members of Peninsula Section travel to Albany to defend reproductive rights in New York State.
- ◆ Peninsula Section recruits and trains teens to be grassroots advocates, our Generation Next. These teens attended Washington Institute, NCJW's premier advocacy event, and presented NCJW positions to their legislators.
- ◆ For the NCJW Promote the Vote Protect the Vote Campaign, Peninsula members provided voter education and registration information during the 2016 campaign.
- ◆ Through BenchMark, NCJW's judicial campaign sent a message to the U.S. Senate to #Do Your Job by providing a hearing for Merrick Garland Supreme Court nominee and to fill vacant seats in the federal courts.
- ◆ Educates our members and the community about NCJW's Anti-Sex Trafficking Initiative. We call upon Congress through policy and legislation to target traffickers and urge recognition for the needs of the victims.
- ◆ Peninsula Section builds awareness of human trafficking through the use of the cardboard life-size "teens." They tell the stories of young people victimized by traffickers.
- ◆ Through our visits to the Human Trafficking Court, the section bears witness to an innovative program for trafficked women who have turned their lives around, reducing or erasing their sentences.
- ◆ This year, Peninsula Section again highlighted the need for the passage of the ERA, America's "unfinished business," when we screened *Equal Means Equal* at the Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library.

For 80 years, NCJW Peninsula Section's advocacy work reflects the spirit of the organization – a powerful union of forward thinking ideals and Jewish values. Peninsula Section's role has and will continue to be the support of our progressive values. As the recent election results indicate, not only does our work matter, it is more important than ever before!

**A FAITH IN THE FUTURE.
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After 80 years, with so many changes in the world, Peninsula Section remains a vital force for progressive social justice. As officers, board and committee members, and volunteers, we have all played a part in this history. We share in the pride of what we have accomplished together and how we have enriched the lives of so many. With renewed commitment and dedication, Peninsula Section's legacy will continue to be an inspiration for years to come!

1940s

In the 1940's, Peninsula Section established the Dental Clinic and Golden Age Club, reaching out to community school children and seniors.

1950s

In the 1950's, membership grew to 1,000 and we began study groups, institutes and workshops.

1960s

In the 1960's, volunteers began to meet more community needs at PENT, Vision Screening, and the 5 Towns Child Care Center. In 1968 the Thrift Shop moved to 340 Central Ave., Lawrence.

1970s

In the 1970's, ESL, Campership, and Families in Transition were added to the Community Service department.

1980s

In the 1980's, Central Avenue became our new home with an expanded Thrift Shop and office. We bought our first of many computers and created New Generation.

1990s

In the 1990's, we held our first Women's Health Forum, and Advocacy focused on women, children and families.

2000s

In the 2000's, our presidents were Joan P. Ivler, Raela Bloom, Joan Riegel, Robin Ivler, Abby Fox, Sally Telias and Pnina Knopf. Benchmark, Plan A and Higher Ground were launched by NCJW, creating advocacy opportunities for Peninsula Section. We were excited to collaborate with the Cedarhurst Village to finance and build a universally accessible playground in Cedarhurst Park. Through the sale of Israel Granting tribute cards, we began the tradition of partnering with grass roots organizations in Israel fostering knowledge and women's empowerment. Mia Farrow, Joy Behar and Hillary Clinton, Alan Dershowitz, and James Carville kept us informed.



Hillary Clinton speaking at NCJW event held at Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre, Sept., 2000.

2010s

In the 2010's our presidents were Abby Fox, Carole Tolkin, Bonnie Sperry, Laurie Stone Brofsky, and now currently Judi Braverman. The Thrift Shop, cornerstone of all Peninsula Section's source of funds, underwent major renovations. The retail and inventory space was reconfigured and given a total makeover. The Back 2 School Store was introduced and now in its 5th year, has become a major success story, serving well over 500 children and their families. Our Universally Accessible Playground in the heart of Cedarhurst was rededicated in celebration of its 15th anniversary. Advocacy efforts grew tremendously. A new group, Generation Next, composed of high school students emerged. They too became advocates adding their voices to many issues. Highlights have been Day of the Girl, Anti-Trafficking, the Affordable Care Act, Promote and Protect the Vote, Benchmark, Sexual Assault and Anti-Semitism on College Campuses, and Immigration Reform. Our Advocacy Film Series, touching on all initiatives, have been tremendously successful and well received. #Giving Tuesday, Shopping Boutiques, Home & Garden Tours, Shop Smart, Game Day and Florida Theatre Parties all contributed to our fundraising coffers. Carol Bellamy, Mike Farrell, Jenna Bush Hager, Liz Murray, Amy Powers with Lucy Simon and the story of the Monuments Men kept us all informed.

MEMBERSHIP

NCJW Peninsula Section Welcomes Our New Members and Life Members 2016–2017

New Members

Roberta Abbey	Mary Harrow
Dr. Helene Agatstein	Shelly Henner
Richard Braverman	Phyllis Herman
Renee Cahn	Ronnie Hirsch
Charlotte Davidson	Nancy Kimel
Arlene Esgar	Martha Leviton
Jaclyn Feldman	Barbara Miller
Irene Fenner	Ruth Neale
Flora Flomenhaft	Renata Nir
Michele Friedman	Jeffrey Okin
Carolyn Galinkin	Norma Pepperman
Rita Gevanter	Dr. Steven Rand

New Life Members

Loretta Heller
Susan Peikes
Gina Schatzberg
Irene Schulman/Geisinger
Tammy Waldhauser

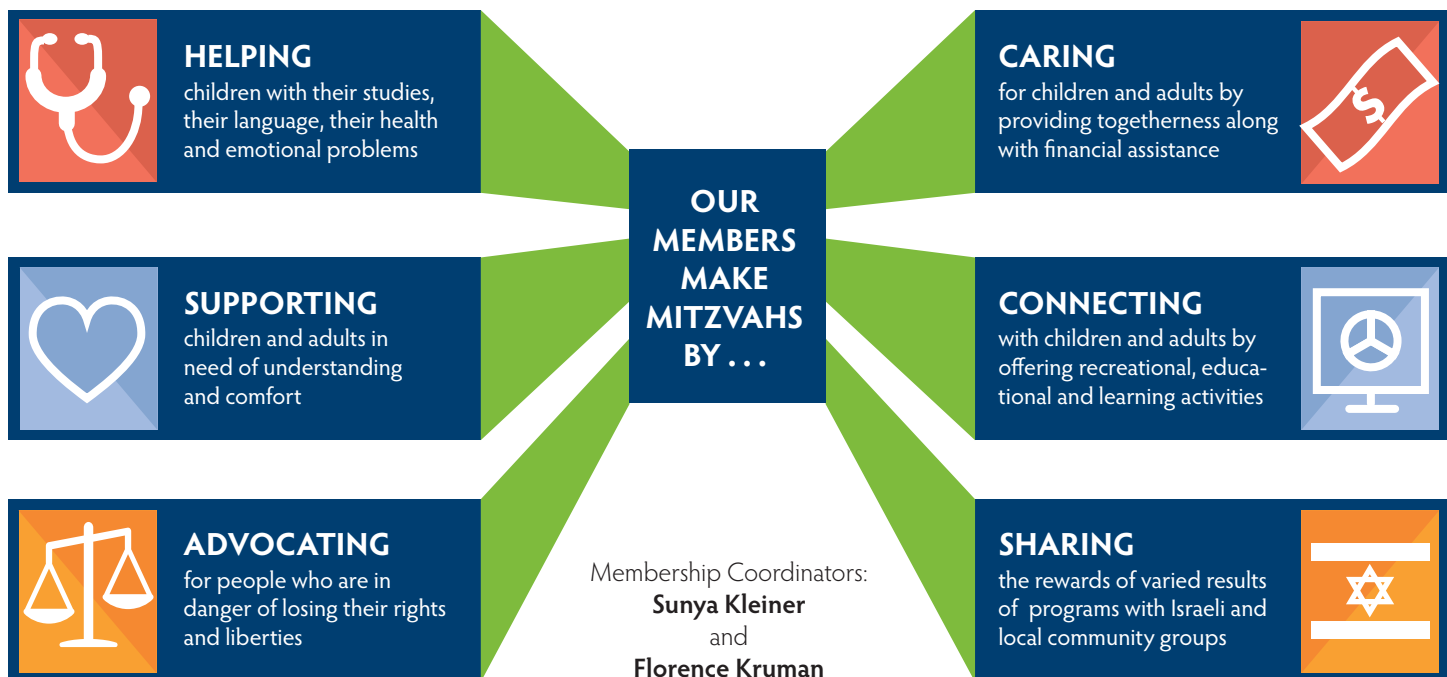


A Celebration of our Life Members attending the March Program Meeting

Purchase a Gift Membership

www.ncjwpeninsula.org

A gift that means so much – purchase a gift membership for your loved one today! As a member of NCJW Peninsula Section you will impact your community and the world at large by becoming part of a growing grassroots network of courageous and compassionate individuals who improve the lives of women, children, and families every day. By becoming a member, you will have new opportunities for advocacy and leadership across the country.



Peninsula Section Honors SUNYA KLEINER

ENID SCHWARZBAUM – Feature Editor

The cream always rises to the top is a fitting summary of **Sunya Kleiner**, honoree of Long Island Sections, Peninsula as **A Woman Who Makes a Difference**. Low-keyed and unassuming, Sunya's inner compass is focused on helping others. Community Services provided the outlet for her "people involvement." Her journey along this route included stops as a volunteer in many services that honed her sensitivity to the needs of different populations.

Upon joining **NCJW**, she initially volunteered for **Campership** which introduced her to the rewards of helping children experience a life changing activity. She then moved on to the **Mailing Committee** and other office related activities. Needing more people involvement, Sunya became **Co-chair of the**

Lecture Series for several years, and eventually joined the **NCJW Peninsula Board**. Serving in this capacity informed her of the range of services offered. **English as a New Language (ENL)** and **Special Tutorial Educational Program (STEP)** showed her the results of individual tutorial help. **SIBSPLACE** provided a calm refuge for siblings and parents of children with catastrophic illness, and **Intergenerational Reading Program** mutually benefitted two different age populations. She oversaw the **Knitting Program** where volunteers created lap blankets for children in hospitals, and was active in the **Center for Adult Learning and Enrichment (CALE)** as well as **Court Advocacy** where volunteers are trained to be advocates for clients. Last, but not least, her hands-on involvement at the **Back 2 School Store** completed her apprenticeship that culminated in her rise as **Vice President of Community Services** for three years.

The ground work leading to this pinnacle was her background of four years in merchandising as assistant and then buyer in Stern's Dept. Store, which was followed with thirty years as an elementary school teacher. During this "Training Period", Sunya was active in B'nai Brith which she joined "to help our people everywhere" and eventually rose to President of her unit. Not allowing the grass grow under her feet, she was a committee member of the Community Arts Council of the South Shore, and served as Vice

President. As filler for some "spare time", Sunya volunteered at the Helen Keller Services where she helped to transcribe hundreds of educational materials to a large print format for children. Topping off her need to give back, she is on the Board of the Valley Stream Jewish Center.

Sunya earned a BA from Hunter College and MA from Hofstra University. She is the proud mother of Jay and Susan and grandmother of Brenden, Kirsten and Steven.



Low-keyed and unassuming, Sunya's inner compass is focused on helping others. Community Services provided the outlet for her "people involvement."

JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

Peninsula Public Library, Mondays at 1 & 7 pm



The Jewish Film Festival was started 38 years ago by Frances Buratt, past NCJW Peninsula Section board member, in memory of her husband William. Helen Pollack and her late husband Irving were also involved in promoting old Jewish films. Helen has continued to expand the program presenting films with Jewish content.

May 1 – Hester Street



(R-90 min) A romantic film adapted and directed by Joan Micklin Silver. Stars Carol Kane, Steven Keats and Paul Freed-

man. Kane was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Actress. Based on a 1896 novella "Yekl: A Tale of the New York Ghetto".

May 8 – Rosenstrasse



(R-136 min) A 2003 film dealing with the Rosenstrasse non-violent protest taking place in Berlin during the winter of 1943, carried out by non-Jewish ("Aryan") wives and relatives of Jewish men arrested for deportation. These protests escalated until the men were released. This was a significant instance of opposition to the events of the Holocaust.

May 15 – The Flat



(R-97 min) A spell-binding Israeli documentary film about family secrets where the director, Arnon Goldfinger, joins his mother in cleaning out the Tel Aviv flat

that belonged to his grandparents. This film has won numerous awards for documentary, including one from the Tribeca Film Festival (2012).



NCJW Peninsula Section and NCJW South Shore Section

Volunteers Needed

SUNDAY, JULY 30, Woodmere Middle School

Volunteers will be escorting approximately 650 elementary school age children from low-income homes on a personal back-to-school shopping spree. Each child will go home with a complete outfit, backpack, school supplies, personal care items and a book. And they'll be all set for that important first day of school – excited and ready to learn!

FRIDAY, JULY 28, Woodmere Middle School

A special day and time for children with physical disabilities.

Online Registration: May 15 – June 15

◆ Go to NCJWPeninsula.org and follow the B2SS link

◆ If you do not have computer access or need assistance completing the Registration form, please call us at the NCJW Peninsula Section Office: 516-569-3660

Please donate and help support the Back 2 School Store Checks should be made out to the "Back 2 School Store" and mailed to: B2SS, 342 Central Ave., Lawrence, NY 11559 or donate online at ncjwpeninsula.org

100% of all donations go to the Back 2 School Store



The Back 2 School Store is a rewarding event unlike any other community service. **It's success relies on hundreds of volunteers like you, your friends and your family.**

— Hope Coleman & Bonnie Sperry, B2SS Coordinators

— Laurie Stone Brofsky & Shelley Karp, B2SS Volunteer Coordinators

New location – Woodmere Middle School • Volunteer registration in advance a must!

Slate of Officers and Board Members for 2017–2018

Officers

President **Judi Braverman**
 Executive Vice-President **Renee Fischer**
 Vice-Presidents **Hope Coleman, Fran Denny, Myra Garber, Joan Riegel, Pam Shelden, Dena Stein**
 Recording Secretary **Judy Bernstein**
 Membership Secretary **Harriet Rubenstein**
 Corresponding Secretary **Rhona Goldman**
 Financial Coordinator/Treasurer **Sally Telias**
 Assistant Treasurer, Thrift Shop **Abby Fox**
 Assistant Treasurer, Fund Raising **Linda Gorin**

Board Members

Laurie Stone Brofsky	Judith Pullman
Susan Fox	Marcia Roth
Vicki Graber	Susan Schwarz
Meryl Greenbaum	Enid Schwarzbaum
Elayne Kirshner	Judy Siegel
Sunya Kleiner	Adrienne Singer
Florence Kruman	Florence Steiger
Fern Lambroza	Carole Tolkin
Sandra Mintz	Barbara Vanefsky
Gloria Okin	Barbara Wolff
Rene Powers	Barbara Yaspan
	Natalie Zeiger

Nominating Committee 2017–2018

Board Elayne Kirshner, Sunya Kleiner, Gloria Okin, Dena Stein, Natalie Zeiger
 General Membership Carol Blumenfeld, Carole Schrager
 Alternates Linda Gorin, Sandra Mintz

Respectfully Submitted:

Nominating Committee 2016–2017

Chair: Jackie Fetner

Committee Members: Fran Denny, Renee Fischer, Fern Lambroza, Linda Pachter, Judith Pullman, Enid Schwarzbaum and Natalie Zeiger

OFFICERS 2017-2018

Judi Braverman President

Judi is honored to work with such an extraordinary group of dedicated women and to continue leading Peninsula Section as president this coming year.

Joining NCJW in 1972, she volunteered for the Preschool Vision Screening and ESL programs, served on the Evening Branch Board as Program Chair and as liaison with the Five Towns Community Center in Inwood. Since joining the NCJW Peninsula Section Board, she has served as VP of Membership and Marketing as well as Lecture Series chair. In 2015, Judi received Peninsula Section's Emerging Leader Award.

Professionally, Judi has a BA in Liberal Arts and an MA in Elementary Education and ESL (now ENL) certification. She taught second grade and then ESL for 25 years. With her children in school, she was an active PTA Board Member holding many positions, including the presidency of the Woodmere Middle School PTA. Judi was on the Sisterhood Board of Temple AmEchad and, during that time, organized a temple mission to Cuba bringing medical supplies to Jewish communities in Havana, Santa Clara and Cienfuegos.

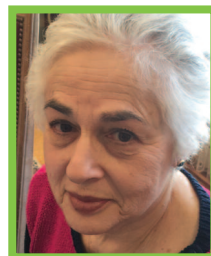
Judi enjoys sailing, traveling, reading, walking the Long Beach boardwalk, being with her husband Richard, children and their spouses, and grandchildren.



Renee Fischer Executive Vice President

Renee will begin her second term as Executive Vice President. Renee has been a member of NCJW for ten years and a board member for five. She served as the Thrift Shop VP for one year.

Renee joined NCJW after she retired. Renee grew up in Philadelphia. She came to New York for graduate school, met a Brooklyn boy, and has lived here since 1967. She and her husband Robert have two grown sons, David and Andrew. Renee has tutored for NCJW and worked on the Back 2 School Store. She co-chaired a Health Forum as well as a Jewish Life Program. She volunteers at the Five Towns Early Learning Center where she is a board member. Renee also volunteers at the Thrift Shop. She was the 2014 recipient of the Emerging Leader Award.



Hope Coleman Vice President, Back 2 School Store

Hope has again proudly accepted the position of VP of the Back 2 School Store. She has served as the co-coordinator since its inception and is now excited about the 5th annual event. Hope credits Bonnie Sperry, the steering committee, as well as the many volunteers and donors with its success. Together they are able to help the neediest children in our community.

Hope served as VP of Education, VP of Community Services, and chaired various Community Service Projects. Hope served as Director of Child Care Centers for over 25 years.

Hope and her husband Michael are very proud of their son, daughter, son-in-law, granddaughter and grandson.

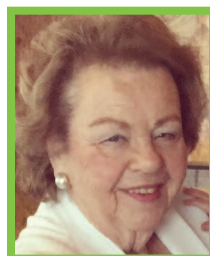
A highly motivated and involved individual, Hope is looking forward to working with the dedicated people who help make this annual event so special. She says: "The best part of the Back 2 School Store are the smiles on the faces of the children and their families."



FRAN DENNY Vice President, Fundraising

In the coming club year, Fran will again serve as Fundraising Vice President, while continuing to participate as chair of the Hostess Committee for the Back 2 School Store. Fran is proud to be part of this exciting program as it exemplifies our mission of helping women, children and families. Fran's career includes 20 years working at a counseling center.

She is the proud mother of two children and their spouses, six grandchildren, a great grandson and great granddaughter.



MYRA GARBER Vice President, Education & Jewish Affairs

From the time Myra attended her first NCJW lecture, she knew that NCJW Peninsula Section was where she wanted to participate, be an advocate and activist. Although a member for a relatively short period, she's given NCJW much of her time. Myra began on the Membership Committee and the Back 2 School Store's Steering Committee. Joining the Peninsula Section's Board, she is an active member of the Advocacy Committee: lobbying in Albany and Washington, supporting

Planned Parenthood, registering people to vote, visiting the courts, and providing awareness of sex trafficking so that it can be curbed. She attended Washington Institute and NCJW conventions in St. Louis and Atlanta. Myra co-chaired the group that developed a program for high school students: "Sexual Assault on College Campuses – Empowering Our Students".

Always giving back, she taught English and Reading for most of her professional career, a union representative, and union treasurer. She is also VP of her school district's retiree group.

Myra and husband Carl are proud of their children, and adore their grandchildren.



JOAN RIEGEL Vice President, Thrift Shop

Joan joined Evening Branch thirty-eight years ago serving in a variety of positions. After joining Peninsula Section as Bulletin editor, she then worked in every department. She has been Treasurer, Thrift Shop Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Membership Coordinator, New Generation Advisor and Program Chair, as well as working with LI Sections and on national committees.

In 2002, Joan was elected Co-President of Peninsula Section and when her term of office ended, she was elected to the National Board of NCJW, Inc. for two terms.

Joan was honored by Peninsula Section with the Hannah G. Solomon award in 2011.

She continues as Thrift Shop Vice President, a position that is both challenging and rewarding, as the Shop provides the major financial support for our community services and social action.



PAMELA SHELDEN Vice President, Advocacy

Pam again serves as VP of Advocacy, one of many roles held since joining NCJW, Peninsula Section. With a Ph.D. in literature, she has taught at both Brooklyn College and Stuyvesant High School. She works with young people as facilitator of "Generation Next," the Section's teenage advocacy group, on projects such as "Day of the



Girl," the "HeforShe" campaign, and the 2008 March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C. After training several teen advocates in comprehensive sex education, Pam presented Peninsula Section's Plan A activities at the 2008 Chicago Convention. She accompanied her teens to Washington Institute, NCJW's premier advocacy event. She earned the 2006 Innovation Award at NCJW's Chicago Leadership Conference for her Advocacy Film Series and was honored at the 2015 Long Island Section's luncheon. Pam believes that NCJW is the glue that cements bonds between smart, resourceful women, intent on effecting positive impact. She is proud of her husband, children, son-in-law, and granddaughter.

DENA STEIN

Vice President, Community Services

Dena joined NCJW Peninsula Section 21 years ago. She has been involved from the outset with, and now chairs the Pre-School Dental Screening program. She also volunteered in the PENT program. Dena co-chaired the Five Towns House Tours, Cooking for the Holidays, the Art of the Party and hosted a Personal Giving Tea. She was recognized as NCJW's Volunteer of the Month and received the Rudy Rosen award. Dena and her husband are raising three sons. Their middle son Sam, born pre-maturely, suffered with cerebral palsy. As a result, Dena has been involved with organizations related to developmentally disabled children. She proudly served as president of SULAM-LI for 11 years, which is a supplemental religious school for special needs children. Although Sam peacefully left this world three years ago, he continues to teach his family about what is truly important in life. Dena was the proud recipient of NCJW's prestigious Hannah G. Solomon Award in 2008.



JUDY BERNSTEIN

Recording Secretary

Judy is proud to be a part of the executive board of NCJW Peninsula Section as we strive to make the world a better place. As a retired computer teacher from the Westbury Public Schools, she appreciates the opportunity to put her "techie" skills to such good use. Judy's passion for NCJW began with her involvement in the Back 2 School Store as coordinator of the "Sneaker Boutique". She adds, "we are now adding winter boots to the Boutique as we look forward to July 30, 2017. I am proud and excited to begin another year of Tikkun Olam with our intelligent, devoted and enthusiastic board members."



HARRIET RUBENSTEIN

Membership Secretary

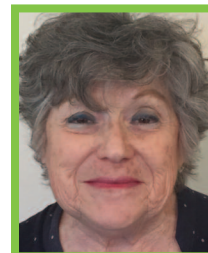
Harriet again takes on the position of Membership Secretary for the coming club year. She has held the offices of Executive VP, Treasurer, VP of Community Services and Public Affairs. She received the Rudy Rosen Award and NCJW's Emerging Leader Award. In 2005 Harriet was the recipient of the Hannah G. Solomon Award. A devoted member of NCJW Peninsula Section for 51 years, she began with her volunteering in the Thrift Shop. She states it has been an honor and privilege to work alongside so many outstanding women who give so generously of their time and energy to achieve the mission and goals of NCJW.



RHONA GOLDMAN

Corresponding Secretary

Rhona joined NCJW Peninsula Section in 2001 after retiring from the NYC school system where she evolved from a secretary to teacher and later to guidance counselor. She was involved in Peninsula Section's ENL Program at the #5 and #6 Schools in Lawrence. Subsequently Rhona joined the Intergenerational Reading and Court Advocacy Programs. She invites anyone interested in these programs to contact her. Rhona is a past president of the Hunter College Alumni Association's Long Island Chapter. Also active in Planned Parenthood of Nassau County, her interest in women's reproductive rights involved her and NCJW member Barbara Sklar with South Shore Activists for Choice where Barbara was president and Rhona the treasurer. She looks forward to continue being active on the NCJW Peninsula Section Board. She has two children and three grandsons – all brothers – who are the "apples of her eye".



SALLY TELIAS

Financial Coordinator/Treasurer

Sally continues as Financial Coordinator and Treasurer for 2017-2018. She serves as Chair of the Finance and Budget Committees and continues on the Personnel Practices and Thrift Shop Advisory Committees. As a licensed CPA she has



been able to guide the Section on many important financial and management decisions.

Sally served as Co-President of Peninsula Section and has chaired Nominating, Bylaws, Founder's Day, Installation, Dinner Dance and Benchmark. She also served on various committees including Volunteer Recognition, Health Forum, Website and Visual Presentations. She attended many National Conventions and several Washington and Albany Institutes.

Sally received the Emerging Leader Award in 2003 and the prestigious Hannah G. Solomon Award in 2012.

Professionally Sally has been Controller at Kirby McInerney LLP (a NYC law firm) for 22 years. She lives with her husband Henry, daughter, mother-in-law and two adoring dogs. Her son lives in Orlando, FL.

ABBY FOX

Assistant Treasurer, Thrift Shop

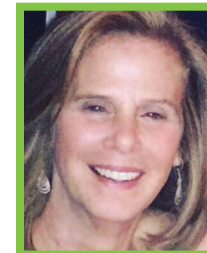
Abby will continue to serve as the Assistant Treasurer. Abby shared the Presidency for five terms, and served as VP of the Thrift Shop, Membership and Public Relations. Through the years, she has held numerous positions, volunteered for many services and attended several national events. Abby received the Hannah G. Solomon award in 2013. "NCJW continues to enrich my life in so many ways and provides me with the opportunity to always learn something new. I am proud of the work we do and the mission we strive to meet. I am fortunate to have grown up with NCJW and proud that through NCJW, my children, have learned the importance of volunteerism, advocacy, community service, philanthropy and education".



LINDA GORIN

Assistant Treasurer, Fund Raising

Linda again accepts the position of Fundraising Treasurer for the coming club year. Her past positions have been Membership Secretary and chairperson of Duffle Up. She proudly states "NCJW is a wonderful Jewish organization that is involved in so many areas to help women, children and families. I am so happy to be able to give something back to my community by working with NCJW". She presently manages a dental office. Linda and husband Neil are proud parents and grandparents. Linda spends her free time doing the things she loves: reading, yoga and spending time with her grandchild.



Tributes

January 26 – March 23, 2017

GOLD ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Arthur Mintz, beloved husband of Judy Mintz
Heidi Richmond

SILVER ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Arthur Mintz, beloved husband of Judy Mintz
Myrna & Martin Bier

In Honor of:

Abby Fox honored by Sulam LI
Pam Shelden

Lois Imershein on her birthday
Adrienne & Arthur Singer

BLUE ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Arthur Mintz, beloved husband, father, grandfather and dear friend
Marcia Siegler
Renee Tyroler

In Honor of:

Sophia, granddaughter of Paula & Larry Bayes on her bat mitzvah
Phyllis Kaufman

Judi Braverman, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Natalie Zeiger

Abby Fox on being honored by Sulam LI
Helen Pollack
Natalie Zeiger

Rhona Goldman, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Natalie Zeiger

Sunya Kleiner on being named our Long Island Sections Honoree
Pam Shelden

ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Ralph Mann, beloved husband of Bebe Mann
Renee Tyroler

In Honor of:

Judi Braverman, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Fran Denny
Sunya Kleiner
Florence Kruman
Carole Tolkin

The Honorable Ann Brown on her birthday
Barbara & Norman Reitman

Abby Fox on being honored by Sulam LI
Sunya Kleiner
Harriet Rubenstein

Rhona Goldman, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Fran Denny

Gloria Okin on being nominated for our Enduring Leadership Award
Florence Kruman

Eleanor Shaw on her birthday
Rhoda Friedland

Granddaughter of the Tannenbaum family on her bat mitzvah
Adrienne & Arthur Singer

Barbara Vanefsky, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Fran Denny
Carole Tolkin

ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM FUND

In Memory of:

Richard, beloved father of Reesa Fischer
Fran Denny
Linda Gorin

Miriam Kessin, beloved mother of Barbara Sklar
Abby Fox
Florence Steiger
Carole Tolkin

Ralph Mann, beloved husband of Bebe Mann
Pearl Cande

Arthur Mintz, beloved husband of Judy Mintz
Judy Bernstein
Judi Braverman
Linda Pachter
Rene Powers
Harriet Rubenstein
Florence Steiger
Sally Telias

In Honor of:

Judi Braverman, wishing a total and speedy recovery
Linda Gorin
Anne Siegel

Jenna, daughter of Laurie and Joe Brofsky on her engagement
Abby Fox
Sally Telias

Abby Fox on being honored by Sulam LI
Enid Schwarzbaum
Carole Tolkin

Marci & Bert Kalisher on their 66th wedding anniversary
Rhoda Friedland

Sunya Kleiner, on being named LI Sections honoree
Enid Schwarzbaum

Granddaughter of Sandra Mintz on her bat mitzvah
Abby Fox

Grandson of Gloria Okin on his many accomplishments
Sunya Kleiner

Ronnie Seidenberg, daughter of Adrienne Singer on being honored by Sulam LI
Carole Tolkin

Bonnie Sperry, on your new move and future endeavors
Sunya Kleiner

NCJW Tribute Cards

The National Council of Jewish Women Peninsula Section has three tribute funds. Making a donation to one of these funds is a meaningful way to celebrate a birthday, marriage, holiday, birth or any special occasion. It is also a thoughtful way to let someone know you are thinking of them in their time of sadness or loss. A tribute recipient receives a beautiful card acknowledging the gift you have made in memory of their loved ones.

Cards are available in one of our three Fund Programs and can be purchased by contacting our office at 516-569-3660.

1. ALL OCCASION FUND

Supports NCJW Peninsula Section's efforts to improve the quality of life for women, children and families and ensure individual rights and freedoms for all.

- No listing in bulletin, cards purchased directly from our office.
Packages of 6 cards \$25.00
- Sentiment is listed in bulletin, a card is sent from our office.
Metallic gold trim card \$50.00
Metallic silver trim card \$25.00
Metallic blue trim card \$18.00
Blue and white card \$10.00

2. ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM FUND

All donations to this program enable Peninsula Section to partner with a granting site in Israel. All projects advance women's empowerment.

- No listing in bulletin, cards purchased directly from our office.
Packages of 6 cards \$25.00
- Sentiment is listed in bulletin, a card is sent from our office.
Blue and white card \$10.00

3. DR. IRVING ZIMMERMAN TRIBUTE FUND

Donations enrich special programs offered to the community.

- No listing in bulletin, cards purchased directly from our office.
Packages of 6 cards \$25.00
- Sentiment is listed in bulletin, a card is sent from our office.
Blue and white card \$10.00

Calendar of Events

MAY

◆ MONDAYS, MAY 1, 8, 15

Jewish Film Festival
Peninsula Public Library
1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

◆ WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

LI Sections Luncheon
Temple Avodah, Oceanside
11:30 am

◆ TUESDAY, MAY 16

Volunteer Recognition Brunch
Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre
10:00 am

◆ WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Book Review
11:00 am

JUNE

◆ SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Founder's Day
The Seawane Club
11:30 am

◆ TUESDAY, JUNE 20

Installation of Officers and Board

JULY

◆ FRIDAY, JULY 28

Back 2 School Store
(Physically Disabled Children)
Woodmere Middle School

◆ SUNDAY, JULY 30

Back 2 School Store
Woodmere Middle School

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Founder's Day Committee

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Co-Chairs

Bonnie Sperry, Section Administrator

Judy Bernstein

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Judi Braverman

Fran Denny

Renee Fischer

Abby Fox

Linda Gorin

Rhona Goldman

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Pnina Knopf

Adrienne Lurie

Judy Mintz

Sandra Mintz

Gloria Okin

Joan Riegel

Marcia Roth

Harriet Rubenstein

Judy Siegel

Adrienne Singer

Florence Steiger

Babs Yaspan

Founder's Day Luncheon

Sunday, June 11, 11:30 am

Honoring Jackie Fetner

Please
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May 15

Name _____

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Email _____

Please seat me with _____

☐ I will attend:

☐ Hannah's Circle* \$200

☐ Benefactor* \$125

☐ Supporter \$80

☐ Couple Supporter \$150

☐ I cannot

attend but

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*Your name will be recognized in the program

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Our Thrift Shop provides
funds for NCJW projects
and services in our community
and in Israel.

NCJW Thrift Shop Hours

SHOPPING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:30 am – 3:45 pm
Thursday 9:30 am – 7:45 pm
Friday 9:30 am – 2:45 pm
Sunday 10:00 am – 2:45 pm

DONATION HOURS (unless otherwise noted)

Monday through Thursday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Pick-up service available for furniture donations.
Tax deductions are given on all donations.

