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Message from the President

It has been an honor and a privilege to be President of NCJW Peninsula Section for the past three years. My experiences have been both challenging and gratifying. I have gotten to know and work with a fantastic group of women who comprise our Board of Directors, Off Board Members,



Advisory Board, Chairwomen, Volunteers, and Members. As I look back, I am amazed at how much we have accomplished.

A special thank you to Myra Garber, Executive Vice President, for evaluating all programs and events, keeping the calendar, constantly being on call, and providing help, support, encouragement, and wisdom. We are fortunate that she will be installed as the new president in June.

A special thank you to Bonnie Sperry, our Section Administrator, for using what she learned as president and expanding on it to become an effective administrator, and for her knowledge, advice, and positive attitude. Thank you to our secretary, Jessica Brown, who helps Bonnie keep the office organized and efficient as they strive to meet everyone's needs.

The Thrift Shop has continued to prosper and bring in the funds necessary to help support our budget. Thank you to the managers, staff, volunteers, donors, and loyal customers. We couldn't operate without you.

The Fundraising Department has been successful in finding ways for us to have fun with things like raffles and game days, while raising the funds needed to support our community services and educational and advocacy programs. We could not perform our mission of helping women, children, and families without our members' financial support.

Our Community Service 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 each year.

Our Advocacy Department has been working hard to inform us about how, when, and where to lobby for and to support our progressive values at the state and federal level. Many of our members have called, written and visited our representatives, participated in programs like the women's forum and our gun violence prevention meetings, and attended our advocacy films and the inspiring discussions that followed.

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MISSION STATEMENT



The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children, and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms.

Carole Tolkin

Founder's Day Honoree and Hannah G. Solomon Award Recipient

SUNYA KLEINER - Feature Editor

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is 'What are you doing for others?'"

— MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Let us consider the many "doings" of our creative, enthusiastic and dedicated Peninsula Section Honoree and recipient of the NCJW 2019 prestigious Hannah G. Solomon Award— Carole Tolkin.

What has she done for others? Consider this: Carole served as spokesperson for the International Year of Older Persons; she organized a community wide forum entitled "Ageism: the Last Prejudice" in collaboration with CALE, NCIW Peninsula Section, and the Hewlett Woodmere School District; she has developed seminars and participated in speaking engagements that contributed to understanding between generations; she was named Person of the Year 2005 by the Nassau Herald; she and her husband, Marvin, received the prestigious Maggie Kuhn Award, for their significant contributions in the field of aging; she and Marvin also spent a month in Bulgaria as NGO volunteers... WOW!!

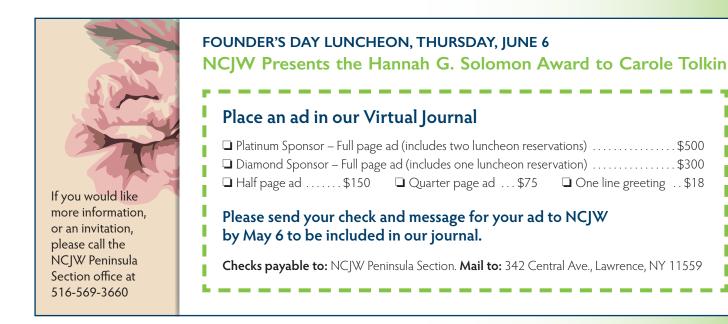
There's more, so much more. Carole's need to "do for others" was fulfilled and satisfied when she joined NCIW. Here, she met, worked with and socialized with women who, like herself, were very committed to "Tikkun Olum", community service, and social action. Her participation in NCIW included many activities. She became a member of the Board, serving two terms as Co-President and one term as Vice-President. As program



chair, she researched and secured the most interesting, current and diverse programs; she is and was a helpful, caring and wise member of many NCJW committees.

During the past few years Carole has not been content with past "doings" so her devotion to "help others" continues. She remains in her position as program chair. Last year she helped put together the NCJW gun violence forum in cooperation with Hewlett East Rockaway Jewish Centre and Temple Am Echad. Also, she is currently the chair of the committee tasked with launching the Joan Riegel Center for Women. In addition to all these accomplishments and directions, she enjoys much time with Marvin. They especially enjoy time with their six children, their 15 grandchildren, traveling and the bounty of NYC (having recently moved permanently into Manhattan).

Carole is the embodiment of a woman who makes a difference: her goal to improve the lives of women, children and families. Her commitment to respect and carry out NCJW's mission, her sensitivity and humanity, her community and organizational work confirm this. Yes! Carole makes a difference. Yes! She does for others. Yes! She is our perfect Founder's Day Honoree.



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Coming Together as Part of the Commission on the Status of Women

JUDY MINTZ - ICJW Main Representative to UN Headquarters in NY



The 63rd session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW63) took place at United Nations (UN) headquarters from March 11–22. Over 9,000 women from around the world registered for this year's 10 day session emphasizing the priority themes of social protection systems, access to public services, gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. These worldwide issues were addressed, and then at the end of CSW, there were evaluations, outcomes and agreed upon conclusions. Each day was filled with round tables, panel discussions, interactive dialogues, and side events in addition to larger group gatherings. The participants were stakeholders from civil society, governments, UN organizations and country Missions. ICJW continues to

be actively involved in CSW as a non-governmental organization (NGO) with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

This year ICJW's side event was a joint effort with other NGOs as well as the Missions of Canada, Albania, Trinidad-Tobago, Fiji, Uganda and Namibia. The title of the session was *Critical Mass to Gender Parity-Women in Decision-Making Do Make a Difference!* The expert panelists discussed how women leaders bring about positive change, especially in the areas of social protection programs and in efforts to eliminate gender-based violence against women. Each speaker gave examples of accomplishments as a result of having sufficient numbers of women in their government, how women change the dynamics of how business is done and their motivation in joining government. This very well attended event sparked conversation and awareness of what can be achieved by women when they are "in the room" and "counted". There is a need for more fearless women to challenge the status quo. When women comprise 50 percent of the world's population, it's staggering to believe that only 10 out of the 193 UN member nations have women leaders. Simply put, change must be accelerated!

Red Flag Gun Protection Law

MYRA GARBER - Executive Vice President

On February 25, I had the privilege of attending the signing of the **New York State Red Flag Gun Protection Law**, also known as the **Extreme Risk Protection Order**. This law, a first in the United States, empowers teachers, other school personnel, family members or law enforcement to ask courts to block someone from buying or owning a gun when they believe that the person is a danger to themselves or others.

The signing took place at John Jay College in New York City. Linda Beigel Schulman, mother of slain Parkland Florida teacher Scott Beigel, opened the program, declaring this the first day she has smiled since the tragic loss of her son.

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi was also in attendance. She noted that 90 percent of the public supports gun violence prevention. "The gun violence issue is a national health epidemic in our country." Other legislation is in the works for Congress, and on February 28th, the House passed the **Enhanced Background Check Act of 2019**, extending the background check time period to more than 72 hours.

When Governor Cuomo signed this bill he called arming teachers, as suggested by President Donald Trump, "ludicrous . . . arm and empower the teacher with the law," Cuomo said. "So when the teacher or a family member believes that a person could be a danger to themselves or others, they can go to a judge for an evaluation." This is one of the laws to keep us safer that NCJW has been advocating for in New York. It is gratifying to see it come to fruition.





(Top) Linda Beigel Schulman, mother of slain Parkland Florida teacher, Scott Beigel and Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House among those who witnessed Andrew Cuomo signing the bill into law. (Bottom) NCJW Peninsula Section members, Fern Lambroza, Judy Mintz, Myra Garber and Mickey Friedman, not pictured, attend the signing of the NYS Red Flag Gun Protection Law.

NCJW Peninsula Section and Temple Am Echad present

Sunday, May 19 ♦ 9:15 am-Noon ♦ Temple Am Echad ♦ Open to All ♦ Free



FORUM SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

The Honorable Todd Kaminsky – New York State Senator Dr. Edward Salina – Superintendent of Plainedge Public Schools Rebecca Fischer – Executive VP of New Yorkers Against Gun Violence **Laura Burns** – NY Chapter State Communications Lead for Moms Demand Action Officer Stephen Campanella – Lynbrook Police Department Dr. Steve Kussin – Education reporter for WCBS News Radio

Light Breakfast Served Temple Am Echad, 1 Saperstein Plaza, Lynbrook, NY 11563

Well, This is a Very Good Day!

NATALIE ZEIGER - Chair Volunteer Appreciation

It is a good day because from where I stand I can see all the people who have made our projects, our programs so successful. And You know who you are!

- 🔷 YOU are the Volunteers who may have showed up at a mailing to stuff envelopes or have been part of a knitting group. Perhaps you spent a morning helping a child who needed assistance in school or giving a senior your gift of time.
- Maybe you were the volunteer or volunteers who collected and wrapped the wonderful prizes for a fund raiser or did you welcome guests at our movies or program meetings?
- ♦ Were you the helping hand who sorted the clothing at the Thrift Shop or worked tirelessly through the year to get the Back2School Store off the ground?
- Did we see you at one of our Advocacy events, serving refreshments or handing out programs or setting up the areas?
- Did you make the phone calls welcoming new members and letting them know what was happening . . . or maybe even signed up a new member?
- Are you the volunteer who takes the pictures of all that we do? So when we look at them we can say, "That was a great project let's plan another one like it!"
- Whatever you did, bigtime or smalltime . . . that's what makes us great. Look in the mirror and give yourself a big smile and pat on the back – you earned it – you deserve it.



Volunteers at Volunteer Appreciation March 2019

Volunteers, thank you so much for all your hours of work and dedication to our causes. We are grateful that you are on our team and couldn't accomplish all that we do without you. May you go from strength to strength.

ISRAEL PROGRAMS

NCJW Working Towards Social Justice and Empowering the Leaders of Tomorrow

JUDY MINTZ – Honorary Vice President

Connecting for Impact: Building a Feminist Eco-System

Even before there was a State of Israel, NCJW was making a difference by fostering education, women's empowerment, gender equality and bridging gaps for the most vulnerable. This legacy has always responded to pressing needs. The evolving scope of the program reflects the current landscape, strengthening the lives of Israelis and ensuring Israel's future.

One new project began with *research and interviews* that were presented in 2018 to 250 feminists in the United States and Israel and centered on economic independence, political representation, gender based violence, support of victims, security, reproductive rights, leadership/empowerment, Jewish-Palestinian partnerships, prevention of discrimination and personal status in religion and law.

The next step was the *formation of a network* entitled "Connecting for Impact: Building a Feminist Eco-System in Israel." It began with a retreat for 17 organizational leaders selected from 92 applicants who represented many sectors of Israel's society-the Ashkenazi, Mizrachi, Palestinian, Russian, Ethiopian and LGBTQ populations. These powerful feminists engaged in a series of meaningful sessions learning from experts and also from each other. They then traveled to the United States to participate in NCJW's Washington Institute to continue gaining expertise with coalition and movement building and organizational sustainability. It will be exciting to follow the paths of these women and to learn of the difference they are making to Israel's civil society!

Granting Program

Annually NCJW awards grants to pioneering organizations that help lay the groundwork for social justice and change based on empowerment and leadership for Israeli women and girls. There are fourteen 2018–19 recipients. Just a sampling of their work is dedicated to encouraging peace, helping survivors of trafficking, supporting feminist political candidates, creating educational opportunities, and building a strong community for LGBTQ activists. Some of the beneficiaries of these projects are Jewish and Arab Israelis, African refugees, victims of gender-based discrimination, and young women who have outgrown the foster system. In addition NCJW also works collaboratively with the Jewish Women's Funding Network, the NIF/Dafna Fund and the Israel Women's Network. The complete list of grants and more details of their work is described on the www.NCJW.org site.

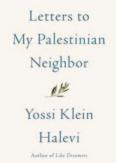
Peninsula Section members are urged to become active partners in this important work by purchasing Israel Granting tribute cards. In addition, personal earmarking funding opportunities are available. Please call the Peninsula Section office at 516-569-3660 to make donations and to send cards in honor of life's milestones beginning at \$10 per card for a listing in the Bulletin or for a package of 6 for \$25 with no listing. We have so much to be proud of!

An extraordinary evening with New York Times best selling author Yossi Klein Halevi

Thursday, May 16 at 7:30 pm Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre

Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor is one of Halevi's powerful attempts to reach beyond the wall that separates Israelis and Palestinians and into the hearts of "the enemy." In a series of letters, Yossi Klein Halevi explains what motivated him to leave his native New York in his twenties and move to Israel to participate in the renewal of a Jewish homeland. Hoping to break the impasse between Israelis and Palestinians, the Israeli commentator and award-winning author addresses his Palestinian neighbors, empathizing with Palestinian suffering, and longing for reconciliation as he explores how the conflict looks through Halevi's eyes.





RSVP by May 8, 516-569-3660

Sponsored by HERJC, Oceanside Jewish Center, BQLI Region of Women's League for Conservative Judaism, and National Council of Jewish Women



Volunteer Registration Begins on May 15

- 1. Visit NCJWPeninsula.org and click on B2SS link
- 2. Call NCJW Peninsula Section office at 516-569-3660

NCJW Peninsula Section will be hosting our 7th annual Back 2 School Store on Friday, July 26 and Sunday, July 28. This year we are excited to host 850 children, including several groups with special needs. We need more volunteers than ever before. There are so many ways to volunteer and be part of this special event. Set up the week before, take down the days after, or volunteer on the event days. There are morning and afternoon shifts available for a variety of jobs. Share your talents to help make this event a great success.

August 14, 2018

National Council of Jewish Women 342 Central Ave.



Dear Barbara

Our hearts are filled with thanks when we think back on the time we spent with you all at the Back to School Store. Our students are still talking about the fun they had with your volunteers picking out their new sneakers, clothes and all sorts of special goodies. Thank you for your generous gift of your time and example of caring for others.

We feel so grateful to benefit from your extraordinary efforts and cannot thank you enough for including our students. On behalf of our students and their families we thank you and wish you all a healthy and happy year. Your generosity has encouraged our students to look forward to their new school year.

Thank you again for including our students,

Sincerely.

Angelo Zegarelli

Amanda Caccavo, LCSW Certified School Social Worker

Mark Your Calendar!!! The Back 2 School Store will be held on July 26 and 28

at Hewlett High School

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"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy . . . when you volunteer, you vote for the kind of community you want to live in."

— MARJORIE MOORE

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The Education Department has brought us interesting, informative, and thought-provoking speakers at our meetings, as well as stimulating lectures, a wonderful Women's Health Forum, a Jewish Affairs evening, and tickets to shows in English and Yiddish.

The Membership Department has worked tirelessly to increase our membership and to involve new and existing members in volunteer opportunities. The hospitality and Meeters and Greeters at our programs, the New Member Breakfast, Volunteer Appreciation at our March program meeting, and Installation Luncheon are designed to make you, our members, feel a special part of our success. The Bulletin keeps every member informed about all of our programs and events.

Thank you to our treasurers and secretaries - the team that keeps the section running smoothly. Thank you to our coordinators and past presidents for their invaluable support, advice and guidance.

Thank you to every board and off board member for your involvement and encouragement, and to every volunteer and member for your generosity, participation, and enthusiasm. My tenure as president has been exhilarating, exciting, sometimes stressful, but always rewarding and I have been fortunate to get to know and work with all of you.

— Judi Braverman

OFFICERS 2019-2020

MYRA GARBER

President

Myra is honored that she has been chosen to lead NCJW Peninsula Section for the 2019–20 year. As Executive Vice President for the past year, she has overseen most of NCJW's many programs, working closely with Vice Presidents and chairwomen.

Our 2017 Emerging Leader, Myra leads in a variety of ways. Myra chaired the committee that reviewed and updated our Section Policies. She has led book discussions, co-chaired our Health Forum as well as a program on how to prevent falls. From the



time Myra attended her first NCJW lecture, she knew that Peninsula Section was where she wanted to participate, to be an advocate and an activist. Myra began on the Membership Committee and on the Back 2 School Store's Steering Committee. After joining the Peninsula Section's Board, she's been 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 in 2016 and 2019 and NCIW conventions in St. Louis and Atlanta. Myra also co-chaired the group that developed a program for high school students, "Sexual Assault on College Campuses—Empowering Our Students."

Myra has always given back. She was a middle school English and Reading teacher for most of her professional career, a union representative, and the union Treasurer for many years. She taught English and Reading at Nassau Community College. She is also vice president of her school district's retiree group. Myra and husband Carl are proud of their children, Alexis and Brian and daughter-in-law Staci, and adore their grandchildren, Sara, Erik and Kaci.

Myra hopes that she can live up to the high expectations of Peninsula Section, to lead us into a meaningful and productive future. To paraphrase a statement said about our original leader, Hannah G. Solomon, Myra hopes her "courage, energy and devotion to this section" will yield success for all of our endeavors.

PNINA KNOPF Executive Vice-President

Pnina returns to the Executive Board assuming the position of Executive Vice President. She previously served as President, Co-President, Vice President and Co-Chair for various NCJW programs. Being part of an organization that represents the values that Pnina holds dear to her heart is what NCJW means to her. The bright, motivated and action-oriented women who make up Peninsula Section help stimulate her to work hard to accomplish the mission of NCJW. Pnina's husband Lewis, children Rachel, Vic and Ben support her



passion for volunteering. Granddaughters Annalene and Vivienne are growing up learning how this important value makes a difference in the lives of others.

HOPE COLEMAN Vice President, Back 2 School Store

Hope again proudly accepts the position of VP of the Back 2 School Store. She has served as co-

coordinator of the B2SS since its inception and is excited about the 7th annual event. Hope credits all the volunteers and donors with its success. Together they are able to help the neediest children in our community. Hope served as VP of Education and Com-



munity Services, and chaired various Community Service projects. In 2018 Hope was honored by Todd Kaminsky in Albany as "A Woman of Distinction". Also in 2018 Hope was extremely honored to be the Recipient of the Hannah G. Solomon award. She served as Director of Child Care Centers and worked in the field for over 25 years. Hope and her husband Michael are very proud of their son Lee, daughter Joanna, son-inlaw Josh, and grandchildren Allison and Jacob. Highly motivated and involved, Hope is looking forward to working with all the dedicated people who help make the B2SS 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

For this coming club year, Fran Denny will again serve as Fundraising VP. She will continue 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, and three greatgrandchildren

Renee Fischer Vice President, Education

Renee assumes the position of VP of Education and Jewish Affairs. She was VP of the Thrift Shop

and Executive VP for 2 years. This year she co-chaired a theater party and is presently co-chairing the Jewish Life Institute. She was instrumental in bringing the film "Besa, the Promise" to the Hewlett-Woodmere Library. Renee is always enjoys working



on any number of Peninsula Section's many projects, such as volunteering at the Back 2 School Store and the Five Towns Early Learning Center. She was the 2014 recipient of the Emerging Leader Award.

SUSAN FOX Vice President, Thrift Shop

Susan has been a member NCJW Peninsula Section for over 10 years, beginning her involvement

by chairing the Cell Phone project and volunteering at the Back 2 School Store.

After her retirement as an elementary school teacher, where she was involved in writing new curriculum, leading workshops for colleagues and directing the school musical,



she joined the board. Susan became the Co-Chairperson of the Back 2 School Store and "The Webmaster" and earned the Emerging Leader Award. This year Susan will add Vice President of the Thrift Shop to her involvement with our section. She has found this volunteer work to be extremely rewarding and has found many new friends among the dedicated members.

Susan and her husband Shelly are proud parents of two sons and love being grandparents.

DENA STEIN Vice President, Community Services

Dena joined NCJW Peninsula Section 23 years ago. She has been involved from the outset and

chairs the Pre-School Dental Screening program. As well as volunteering in the PENT program. Dena cochaired the Five Towns House Tours, Cooking for the Holidays, the Art of the Party and hosted a Personal Giving Tea.



Dena and her husband raised three sons. Their middle son Sam, born pre-maturely, suffered with cerebral palsy. As a result, Dena has been involved with many organizations related to developmentally disabled children. She has proudly served as the president of SULAM-LI for 13 years, a supplemental religious school for special needs children. Although Sam peacefully left this world five 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. She is honored to continue serving as Peninsula Section's VP of Community Services.

NATALIE ZEIGER Vice President, Membership

Moving up from Membership Co-Chair, Natalie has accepted the position of VP for the coming year. She has been an involved and enthusiastic

member of NCIW by participating in the Steering Committee for the Back2School Store. She is responsible for the organizing and efficient use of the fitting rooms for this event. Natalie continues to be our NCJW representative to the Joint Women's Seder.



Natalie has served as a member of the Nominating Committee. She was honored with the Emerging Leader award in 2016.

Natalie approaches each event with enthusiasm and a "how can we make it a bit better" attitude. She looks forward to the new adventure of being a VP with so many bright, encouraging, dedicated, supportive women.

Natalie enjoys walking, yoga, movies, book clubs and time with friends, her two children, Lisa and Steve, their spouses (Rich & Tali) and moments with her four grandsons, Jacob, Aaron, Jordan and Noah.

JUDY BERNSTEIN Recording Secretary

Judy considers it a privilege to serve this remarkable organization as Recording Secretary! Once again, Judy is proud to join the executive board

of NCIW as we strive to make the world a better place. As a retired computer teacher from Westbury Public Schools, Judy appreciates the opportunity to put her "techie" skills to such good use. Her passion for NCIW started with her involvement in the



Back 2 School Store as coordinator of the "Sneaker Boutique". Judy is excited to begin another year of Tikkun Olam with our intelligent, devoted, enthusiastic board members.

SANDRA MINTZ

Corresponding Secretary

Sandra will serve as Corresponding Secretary. She has been VP and Coordinator of Advocacy and chaired NCJW Long Island Sections for 8 years. A Life Member for 33 years, Sandra views NCJW as an organization that is progressive, demonstrat-

ing strength and action through grassroots involvement. NCIW is a place to meet likeminded women who are committed to help ensure a better world for our children and grandchildren. Sandra was a kindergarten teacher in the NYC public schools and



President of the League of Women Voters of Nassau County, Director of Volunteer Services of Planned Parenthood of Nassau County, the Northeastern National Field Representative of NCJW and Development Executive of UJA Federation of New York.

Sandra was the recipient of the Hannah G. Solomon Award in 2009. She has three children, Richard, Peter and Carol, and seven grandchildren.

HARRIET RUBENSTEIN Membership Secretary

Harriet will once again take on the position of Membership Secretary for the coming club year. She previously 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 53 years, she began her volunteer service in the Thrift Shop. She states it has been an honor and privilege to work alongside many outstanding women



who give so generously of their time and energy to achieve the mission and goals of NCJW.

SALLY TELIAS Financial Coordinator/Treasurer

Sally continues as Financial Coordinator and Treasurer for 2019-20. She chairs the Finance and Budget Committees and serves on the Personnel Practices and Thrift Shop Advisory Committees. 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 chaired various committees and campaigns including 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. Sally received the Emerging Leader Award in 2003 and the Hannah G. Solomon Award in 2012.

Professionally Sally has been Controller at Kirby McInerney LLP (a NYC law firm) for 24



years. She and her husband Henry have 2 children, Élizabeth & Michael and an adored dog, Mandi.

ABBY FOX Assistant Treasurer, Thrift Shop

Abby continues to serve as the Assistant Treasurer as well as the Bulletin Editor. Abby shared the Pres-

idency for 5 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, Lindsay and Dylan, have learned the importance of volunteerism, advocacy, community service, philanthropy and education".

LINDA GORIN Assistant Treasurer, Fundraising

Linda has again accepted the position of Assistant Treasurer of Fundraising 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 back to my



community by working with NCJW".

She presently manages a dental office. Linda and her husband Neil are the proud parents of Ariel, Michael and Samantha and proud grandparents of Brody and Reese.



January 23 - March 20, 2019

GOLD ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Lucy, beloved mother of Sidney Friedfertig

Gloria Okin

SILVER ALL OCCASION **FUND**

In Memory of:

Barbara Vanefsky, beloved mother of Lisa Beth Meisel & Family

Peggy Meisel

In Honor of:

Dr. Joseph Brofsky and a speedy recovery

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Renee Fischer

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In Memory of:

Henrietta Schachter, beloved mother of Hope Coleman Cheryl Mallah

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Ronnie and Fred Hirsch

In Honor of:

Dr. Joseph Brofsky and a speedy recovery

Anne Siegel

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Sunya Kleiner

In Honor of:

Carol Blumenfeld and a speedy recovery

Fran Denny

Florence Kruman and a speedy recovery

Fran Denny Abby Fox

Sophie Riegel and being named valedictorian of George W. Hewlett H.S Class of 2019 Barbara Wolff

Marc and Shelley Karp on their daughter Melissa's wedding

Abby Fox and Larry Fink

ISRAEL GRANTING PROGRAM FUND

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Martin, beloved husband of **Bonnie Weinhoff**

Joan Butwin

In Honor of:

Gloria Okin and a speedy recovery

Joan Butwin Adrienne and Arthur Singer

Florence Kruman and a speedy recovery

Adrienne and Arthur Singer

Judith Bernstein and being named our Long Island Section honoree for 2019

Harriet Rubenstein

Dr. Joseph Brofsky and a speedy recovery

Abby Fox Myra Garber Joan P. Ivler Adrienne and Arthur Singer Barbara Sklar

NCJW Tribute Cards

Making a donation is a meaningful way to celebrate a special occasion. or a thoughtful way to let someone know you are thinking of them in their time of sadness or loss. Cards can be purchased by contacting our office at 516-569-3660.

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.

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 - Gold\$50 Blue\$18 All Occasion\$10 Silver\$25

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.

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Message from the Editor

I have been the bulletin editor for a year now. It wasn't something I had done in the past, nor was it something that I really wanted to do now. But, Judi, our President asked and well, I said, "why not?" It's challenging and exciting to learn something new. I think it is important to take chances; go out of your comfort zone, you decide what that is, and then, do or give or enjoy just a little bit more. It's worth it in the long run. You'll learn something new and grow as a person. Hint, hint, like getting involved with National Council of Jewish Women.

So, I said yes to the job and I love it. I hope you have read and learned and did just a little bit more because of it, because of NCJW Peninsula Section and all it has to offer. Thank you to all the people, and it takes a lot of people, in many capacities, to accomplish so much. Our bulletin reaches all of our members and supporters so I thank everyone for submitting interesting and informative articles and photos. It truly is a group effort.

I would like to thank our graphic artist and bulletin designer, Cheryl Mirkin. Cheryl takes all the information and presents it in an attractive, easy to read manner. Cheryl, thank you for making our bulletins and our events look so enticing. And, they really are, so get involved!

— Abby Fox



GO GREEN!

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MAY

♦ WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 Long Island Sections Luncheon Temple Avodah, 11:30 am

♦ MONDAY, MAY 6 **Jewish Film Series**

Peninsula Library, 2:00 & 7:00 pm

◆ TUESDAY, MAY 7

Lecture. Rabbi Art Vernon The Bristal, North Woodmere 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

♦ WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 Book Review

♦ MONDAY, MAY 13 Jewish Film Series

Peninsula Library, 2:00 & 7:00 pm

♦ THURSDAY, MAY 16 Yossi Klein Halevi

Hewlett East Rockaway Jewish Centre 7:30 pm

♦ SUNDAY, MAY 19 **Gun Violence Prevention**

Temple Am Echad, 9:15 am

♦ MONDAY, MAY 20 Jewish Film Series

Peninsula Library, 2:00 & 7:00 pm

IUNE

♦ THURSDAY, JUNE 6 Founder's Day Luncheon The Seawane Club, 11:30 am

◆ TUESDAY, JUNE 18 Installation of Officers



FRIDAY, JULY 25 SUNDAY, JULY 28 **Back 2 School Store** Hewlett High School



THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 Health Forum

Sunny Atlantic Beach Club

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 Member Bring a New Member **Pool Party**

(rain date, Thursday August 15)

Looking Ahead . . .

La Bohème

Sunday, November 17, 3:00 pm The Metropolotan Opera, Orchestra Seats, \$165



Tom Chapin and Michael Mark

Sunday, September 22

The New York Times called Tom Chapin "one of the great personalities in contemporary folk music". Tom is also a powerful advocate for many charitable causes and a board member of WHYHUNGER, the organization his brother, Harry Chapin, founded.



JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL Peninsula Public Library, Mondays at 2 & 7 pm -------

The Jewish Film Festival was started 38 years ago by Frances Buratt, past NCIW 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 6, The Chosen



In 1944, in Brooklyn, two Jewish boys become friends. One is from a very conservative family, and the other is more liberal. The

issues of importance of tradition, parental expectations and the formation of Israel cause constant friction

May 13, The Eichmann Show



The behind thescenes, true story of groundbreaking producer Milton Fruchtman and blacklisted TV director Leo Hurwitz, who overcame enormous obstacles to

televise the trial and testimony of one of the world's most notorious war criminals: Adolf Fichmann

May 20, 1945



Two Jewish survivors of the Holocaust who arrive in a Hungarian village in August 1945, and the paranoid reactions

of the villagers, some of whom fear that these and other lews are coming to reclaim Jewish property.



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The act of giving is a very personal endeavor and as individual as each of us.

That's why we have designed a range of ways for you to support the programs and projects of NCJW Peninsula Section that help women, children and families in need and at risk. Your financial contributions to NCJW Peninsula Section support our many community service projects and allow us to continue this very important work.



Fundraising Events

By joining us at Game Day, Founder's Day, or at the threatre you are supporting us financially and having fun. Your generosity is needed on #GIVINGTUESDAY and when purchasing flowers for the holidays or raffle tickets.



Tribute Cards

NCJW Tributes are available throughout the year and provide a way to share your sentiments with friends and family while supporting NCJW projects locally and in Israel. Send a tribute to recognize an honor or simcha, celebrate a graduation, send wishes for a speedy recovery, or in memory of a loved one.



Membership

Share the NCJW Peninsula Section experience with a friend or family member. It's a great way to celebrate a birthday or acknowledge a special event.



Shop & Donate

The profits from our Thrift Shop provide the funds for our community services including our support of the Center for Adult Life Enrichment and the Five Towns Early Learning Center.



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Make a gift in your will or trust to support NCIW. Include NCIW Peninsula Section in your estate plans and be acknowledged today for a commitment to tomorrow.