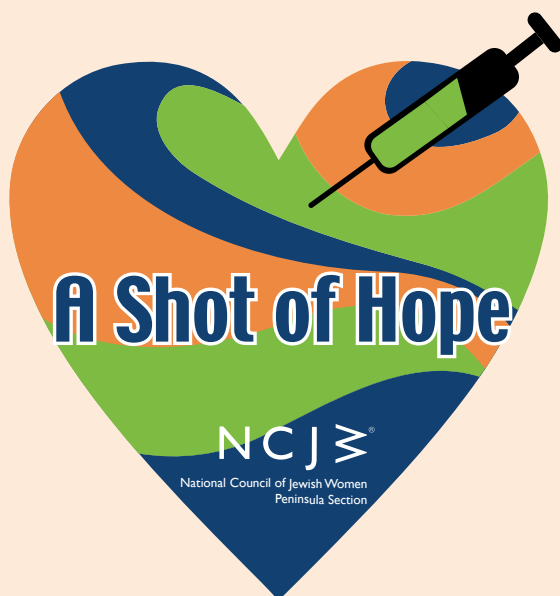


**GIVING
TUESDAY**
NOVEMBER 30, 2021



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Message from the President



It is autumn and the leaves have begun their glorious wardrobe changing and descent, yet the temperature is still warm enough for outdoor activities. We at the Peninsula Section of National Council of Jewish Women are contemplating how we can best assist those women, children and families in need.

Thank you to those who are committed to our section! We've had a great number of renewals and Life Membership sign-ups. We are so glad that you have taken advantage of our special! Life Membership will be \$250 for the remainder of this year. This shows your dedication to our ideals and mission, as we continue in our 85th year. We need your participation. Please renew or join.

The Voting Forum, Thursday, October 28th, features speakers from the League of Women Votes and NCJW, Inc. It will illuminate the frightening changes some states are instituting to their voting systems to make it harder for anyone to get to the polls. We must retain our vigilance! All citizens deserve fair and equitable chances to vote. Your vote is your voice! Please use it at the polls on November 2nd this year.

On Wednesday, November 17th, we will have a forum on Reproductive Choice, with speakers from Planned Parenthood and NCJW, Inc. as well as Rabbi Claudio Kupchik of Temple Beth-El of Cedarhurst. We will hear about the tragic Texas law, and review the Mississippi case coming before the Supreme Court in early December. Roe vs. Wade, United State law since 1973, is under extreme attack! We cannot return to a dystopian society, where women do not have control of their own reproductive choices. Attend our forums! Find out how you can share your voice in protest. NCJW has always advocated for us and for all women, and you can help to continue this.

Our lectures for the fall will have Thomas Egan speak on Tuesday, November 16th, on "Scam Prevention", and Dr. Nicole Cutter will be "Demystifying CBD – It's Not POT" on Tuesday, December 14th.

The Advocacy Film, "The Distant Barking of Dogs", will be screened by the Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library, on Sunday, December 5th. Our Tuesday, January 18 program will have Seth Shelden, of ICAN (the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons) Winner of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize, telling about their attempt to stop any nuclear warfare.

You can sign up for any of these programs by contacting the Peninsula Section office at 516-569-3660, or linking from our website, ncjwpeninsula.org.

Tuesday, November 30th is Giving Tuesday. Please donate generously to our section. We've not been able to hold fundraisers like Game Day or Founders' Day in over a year and a half. We need your support so that we may continue to support our community services.

Please shop in our Thrift Shop for unique and beautiful items. The NCJW Thrift Shop has extended its hours recently, giving you more access to our fantastic offerings. Hanukkah is VERY early this year – it begins the eve of November 28th! The Thrift Shop is ready to assist you with your shopping choices.

On behalf of NCJW Peninsula Section, I wish you a bountiful Thanksgiving shared with loved ones, the happiest Hanukkah, and a wonderful New Year! May 2022 bring the end of this awful pandemic and a return to all of the events and activities we love, that help us to make a difference in this world.

— Myra Garber



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.

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BANNING THE BOMB

How ICAN Advanced the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, Winning the Nobel Peace Prize Along the Way

◆ TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 • NOON ON ZOOM

Reservations should be emailed to office@ncjwpeninsula.org no later than January 11. The Zoom code will be sent to you on January 17.

Seth Shelden is the United Nations Liaison for the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), winner of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize. ICAN was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for its work to draw attention to the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons, and for its ground-breaking efforts to achieve a treaty-based prohibition of such weapons, namely, the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW). Today, Seth assists governments in signing and ratifying the TPNW, and he promotes the TPNW's universalization.

Seth has a background in the arts and in law. As a lawyer, he worked for seven years at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, and is now a partner at the law firm of Farkas & Neurman. He also teaches law -- today he is an Adjunct



Seth Shelden



Professor at the City University of New York (CUNY) School of Law, but in the past, he has held visiting professorships at the Cardozo School of Law (where he was also an Adjunct Professor), the University of Latvia (as a Fulbright Scholar), and Toyo University in Japan (as a Fulbright Specialist). Mr. Shelden has a B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a J.D. degree from the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, as well as a certificate in Nuclear Safeguards Policy from the Middlebury Institute of International Studies.

NCJW Peninsula Section and the Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library Present:

The Distant Barking of Dogs

Sunday, December 5 at 2:00 pm on Zoom

This stunning award-winning, coming-of-age documentary is told from the perspective of a pre-adolescent, orphaned boy Oleg, and his strong, resolute grandmother Alexandra, against the timely backdrop of the Russo-Ukrainian conflict. The film focuses on the disturbing effects of war on the lives of children. As we watch, we can only wonder about the effects on children similarly bereft, separated from family members at the U.S. southern border, as well as the plight of Afghani children, especially that of girls.



Point-of-View award-winning documentary, part of a long-running showcase of independent nonfiction films available on PBS.

To sign up for this film email us at office@ncjwpeninsula.org or call us at 516-569-3660. Once registered, the Zoom code will be sent to you on Friday, December 3rd.

Advancing the Rights of Girls Everywhere

PAM SHELDEN – Mentor, NCJW Peninsula Section Generation Next

"Empowerment of and investment in girls are key in breaking the cycle of discrimination and violence and in promoting and protecting the full and effective enjoyment of their human rights."—United Nations Resolution 66/170

In 2011, as a result of youth advocacy around the world, the United Nations declared October 11 as the International Day of the Girl Child. Its mission is to help galvanize worldwide enthusiasm for goals to better girls' lives, providing an opportunity for them to show leadership and reach their full potential. It's a day when activist groups come together under the same goal to highlight, discuss and take action to advance rights and opportunities for girls everywhere.

On October 11, the United Nations celebrated the International Day of the Girl-Child, supported and co-sponsored by America and 97 other countries, a campaign to recognize the many injustices that girl-children face throughout the world.

This is an especially heart-breaking moment in history for Afghani girl-children who with the Taliban takeover now face a future of injustice and discrimination, particularly in such areas as education, gender stereotyping, and domestic violence.

This year's NCJW Peninsula Section's Generation Next's teen facilitator Zoe Avdar wrote to national and local legislators asking them to proclaim the "Day." Thus far, Zoe has received proclamations from Congresswoman Kathleen Rice and State Senator Todd Kaminsky. This Fall, Zoe and Sophia continue to educate fellow students at Hewlett High School and local communities about the importance of "Day" and the need to keep the conversation alive until girl-children around the globe obtain equality and access to their rights.



Freshman Sophia Gilleeny (left)
Senior Zoe Arad (right)



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Women's Reproductive Rights in Jeopardy

MYRA COHEN – Chair, Reproductive Rights

Threats to your right to choose, and what you can do about it

◆ WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 11:00 AM ON ZOOM

The Texas law that does not allow a woman to have an abortion past 6 weeks of pregnancy is putting Roe v. Wade in tremendous jeopardy. Another case, Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, is going before Supreme Court in December. It could totally reverse a woman's right to choose. We must continue to fight this!

National Council of Jewish Women, Peninsula Section, NCJW, Inc. and Planned Parenthood, along with Rabbi Claudio Kupchick of Temple Beth-El of Cedarhurst, will be presenting a program on November 17. Join us for this discussion about the threats to your right to choose and what you can do about it. This is especially important for our children and grandchildren. This is part of Advocacy's plan to have a program each month on timely subjects.

Please call our office at 516-569-3660 to make your free reservation.

The 1973 U.S. Supreme Court case, Roe v. Wade, affirmed that access to safe and legal abortion is a constitutional right. But Roe v. Wade is at risk like never before.



my body
my choice
my rights

Increasing access, removing roadblocks, retaining your right to choice

National Council of Jewish Women is launching 73Forward to increase access to abortion services across the U.S. beginning with removing roadblocks to life-saving, safe medication and self-managed abortion because this is the best way to make an impact immediately for those seeking abortion care. We are creating a collective framework for Jewish action to increase on-the-ground access to abortion care. This means removing educational, financial and legislative roadblocks for people experiencing pregnancy and creating meaningful opportunities for Jewish women and allies to join the movement.

NCJW is working with our partners in the reproductive justice movement to ensure our work is intersectional and intergenerational to keep those most affected front and center. We are actively reclaiming the narrative on abortion and religion, recognizing that the majority of people of faith are supportive of access to abortion and see abortion as essential healthcare. For too long, we've allowed a small but loud group from the religious right to dominate the narrative. It's time we reclaim it. Learn more at 73Forward.org

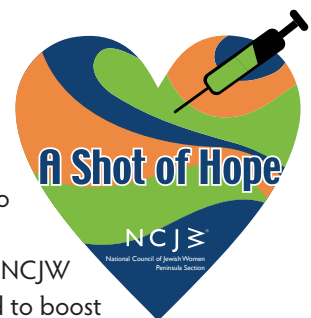


Your Generosity Gives Us All a Shot of Hope

What a difference a year makes. We went from camaraderie to isolation. We celebrated birthdays, anniversaries, births, Bat/Bar Mitzvahs, weddings and sad moments all through our computers. During this new reality, NCJW Peninsula Section never forgot those in our community who rely on our continued support and we adapted to do all that we could to remain true to our mission.

Giving Tuesday, which will occur this year on November 30, 2021, is the time to make your annual donation to NCJW Peninsula Section. "A Shot of Hope" is getting back our sense of normalcy, enabling us to continue our work and to boost our community after all that was upended this past year. It is a MUST that we continue to carry out policy, advocate for social justice, and support our many community programs. NCJW Peninsula Section supports C.A.L.E (Center for Adult Life Enrichment), which gives our seniors a safe place to socialize and Five Towns Early Learning Center (FTELC), which cares for children of working parents.

As we leave 2021, we're working to secure enough funding to continue these programs and honor our financial commitments while sustaining our advocacy efforts. A generous gift is needed to help us reach our goal of \$30,000. Won't you join us in "A Shot of Hope"?



Donate online at www.ncjwpeninsula.org/givingtuesday/ on or before November 30, 2021.

A Very Successful Partnership

The Back 2 School Store and Island Harvest have worked together to distribute clothing to children in our area and it has proven to be a most successful partnership!

Volunteers from Island Harvest picked up all items from our storage unit, as well as clothing previously ordered and paid for from our local vendor, Ben Elias. The volunteers meticulously sorted all clothing by sizes and then set about the tedious job of contacting agencies and schools. Care has been taken to ensure that the clothing is being distributed and targeted to children who will truly benefit.

Island Harvest personnel reached out to a number of agencies that they have relationships with as well as those that the Back 2 School Store have suggested and dealt with in the past. Agency representatives have come to their warehouse and chosen what they need for their specific children.

The feedback from agencies and schools has been extremely positive. All were excited and pleased with their merchandise and some will be returning for another visit to the Island Harvest warehouse to pick up items for more children.

We are thrilled and grateful that this partnership has benefitted so many children and families who are truly in need of our assistance.



The project is not complete and more agencies/schools may be added but we are excited to report that to date, clothing has been given to:

- Circulo de la Hispanidad of Long Beach
- Dolan Health Center
- Elmont School District
- Gural JCC
- Head Start Westbury
- Pat Brown who works with a number of agencies and the Village of Hempstead
- PEACE – A Hempstead program servicing the Terrace Avenue apartments
- Roosevelt/Freeport EOC (Economic Opportunity Coalition) afterschool program
- Roosevelt Library
- Strong Youth
- Uniondale School District
- Viscardi Center

Milestones Continue, So Do Celebrations

HARRIET RUBENSTEIN – Chair, FTELC (Five Towns Early Learning Center)

Hurricane Ida attempted to disrupt the all important graduation ceremony of the Five Towns Early Learning Center. However, because of the prediction of a massive storm, Director Pepper Robinson moved up the graduation date from September 1 to August 31. Parents, their guests and the board were quickly informed and Pepper with her staff worked to get seating arranged for everyone who would be coming. The program began promptly at 5:30 pm as planned thanks to Pepper's quick thinking.

The 4-year-old class was presented, all dressed up looking prim and proper. To the parent's delight, each child announced their ambition of what they wanted to be when they were grown up. Liz Ropers, President of the Board of Directors welcomed our guests and thanked them for coming. Pepper then spoke to the parents assuring them that their children were ready and able to go on to the next stage of their educational development. They have learned social skills as well as the ability to listen and follow directions.

The children entertained with a spirited rendition of "I Am Special" and "Thank You." The program then closed with Pepper presenting diplomas to each of the graduates who was called by name. On this balmy evening Hurricane Ida was temporarily forgotten and parents, families and children celebrated together a most memorable occasion.



LECTURE SERIES

NCJW Virtual Lecture Series

Series Reservation Fee

\$20 for Members; \$24 for Non-Members

Single Reservation Fee

\$12 per lecture for Members; \$14 for Non-Members

Please send your check payable to: NCJW Peninsula Section, to 342 Central Avenue, Lawrence, NY 11559. You must include your name and email address along with your reservation.



**Lectures from
1:30–2:30 pm**

We will send you the Zoom login code on Monday preceding the lecture.



How to Prevent Yourself from Getting Scammed

◆ **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1:30 PM**

There are so many people who want your information and will do anything to get it. Thomas Egan will show you how to spot a scam and not become a victim. **Thomas Egan** is a college history professor and a frequent lecturer on historical and cultural topics. He has traveled the world and studied both modern and ancient cultures



Demystifying CBD: It's Not POT

◆ **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1:30 PM**

Dr. Noelle Cutter will help us understand what we need to know about CBD. Dr. Cutter is an associate professor and director of the First Year Experience at Molloy College. By training, she is a scientist in the field of molecular biology where she has dedicated her career to studying alternative treatment options for pediatric patients diagnosed with a rare and aggressive form of brain cancer.

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August 16, 2021

Ms. Prina Knopf
National Council of Jewish Women
Peninsula Section
342 Central Avenue
Lawrence, New York 11559



Dear Ms. Knopf,

On behalf of SIBSPlace, Inc., an affiliate of Mount Sinai South Nassau, I would like to thank you for your generous gift of \$1,000 towards our Capital Campaign to Sponsor the Homework Station. Your commitment to our *A New Home for SIBSPlace* initiative is most sincerely appreciated.

Your gift is important in helping to maintain and further grow SIBSPlace (Survivorship in Brothers and Sisters) as a free support program, for children ages 5 to 17, who are learning to cope with the impact a serious illness of a sibling or parent can have on a family. At SIBSPlace, mental health professionals provide children with the structure and guidance they need in a safe and comfortable environment. Parent group is available and bereavement support groups are offered for children who have experienced a loss. During this most unusual time, SIBSPlace has maintained connections with our families by offering in-person and virtual services.

SIBSPlace is in the construction phase at our new larger, free standing location, which will increase our accessibility and visibility, providing a greater opportunity for families in need to learn about and access our services. This move is made possible through the dedicated support from community members, foundations and our dedicated donors. Your commitment to this project through Sponsoring the Homework Station helps to make the dream of creating *A New Home for SIBSPlace* a reality, which will benefit many children and families for years to come.

The goal of SIBSPlace is to foster coping strategies that encourage resiliency throughout our participants' lifetime. With your support they can continue that growth. Once again, thank you from SIBSPlace, especially from the children who utilize this essential program.

Sincerely,

Joanna Formont
Joanna Formont, LMHC
Executive Director

**So proud of our efforts to improve the lives of women,
children and families in our community**

Aug. 7, 2021 – Sept. 27, 2021

GOLD ALL OCCASION FUND

In Honor of:

Mr. & Mrs. Ben Stein, on your 62nd wedding anniversary
Babette Reisman

Harriet Rubenstein, on your special birthday

Claire Weinbaum
Helen Berman

Helen Pollack, for all that you do for the community
Linda Rosen

Taylor Mieth, on becoming a Bat Mitzvah
Babs Yaspan

SILVER ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Mark Fetner, beloved husband of Jackie Fetner
Susan Schwarz

BLUE ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Mark Fetner, beloved husband of Jackie Fetner
Myra Garber
Judi Braverman
Natalie Zeiger
Carole Tolkin

In Honor of:

Rene Power, get well soon
Judi Braverman

ALL OCCASION FUND

In Memory of:

Mark Fetner, beloved husband of Jackie Fetner

Bonnie Sperry
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Florence Baker, beloved mother of Susan Levine

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Florence Baker, beloved sister of Lucille Newman

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In Honor of:

Adrienne & Arthur Singer, on all your grandchildren's accomplishments
Abby Fox

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Abby Fox
Barbara & Mel Wolff

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In Memory of:

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Joan Butwin

Mark Fetner, beloved husband of Jackie Fetner

Joan Butwin

In Honor of:

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Joan Butwin

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. Cards can be purchased by contacting our office at 516-569-3660 or by going to www.ncjwpeninsula.org/tribute/.

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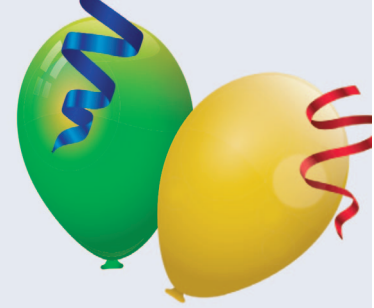
- ◆ Individual cards sent from our office with a Bulletin listing.
Metallic Gold Trim: \$50 Blue Trim: \$18
Metallic Silver Trim: \$25 Basic Card: \$10

- ◆ Packages of 6 Basic Cards purchased directly from our office for \$25. Does not include a Bulletin listing.

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- ◆ Individual card sent from our office for \$10 with Bulletin listing.
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Super Celebration Sale



Local Life Membership Event Celebrating NCJW Peninsula Section's 85th Anniversary

We are bringing back Life Memberships for a limited time:

~~\$350~~

\$250

Have you renewed your membership yet?

An annual membership to NCJW Peninsula Section is \$60. Call our office to check then you can send in your dues at:

<https://www.ncjwpeninsula.org/get-involved/join/>

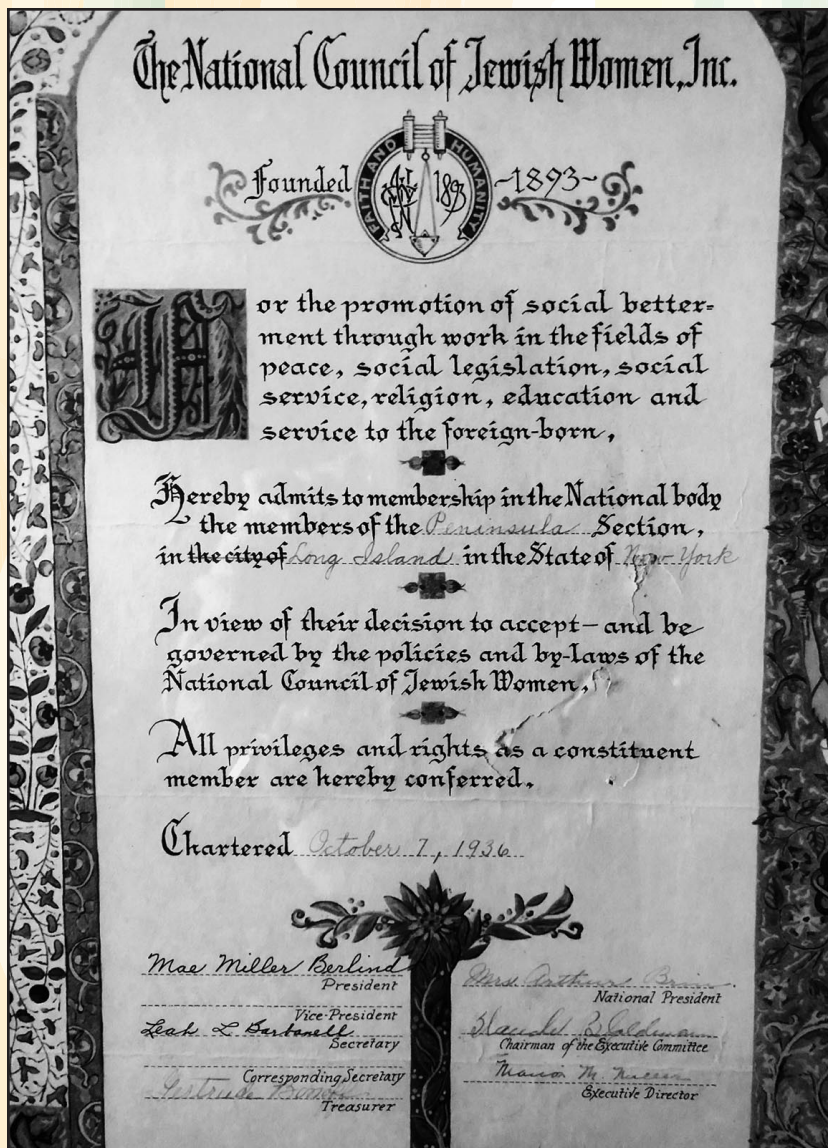
Become a Life Member of Peninsula Section or sign up a family member or friend

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NCJW PENINSULA SECTION

PASSION
POWER
PRIDE
PURPOSE

85 YEARS

On October 7, 2021 NCJW Peninsula Section Celebrated its 85th Anniversary

This photo is of the original charter admitting Peninsula Section into the National organization. We have been advocating for women, children and families since 1936. We are proud of the services we provide to our community and of our work in Israel.

Our past visionaries have led us to work for a future that still needs us to ensure dignity for all. We thank all our past and current members for being willing to go into the world and do what our convictions demand.

In the coming months you will have the opportunity to share in our celebrations and support our section so that we can continue for another 85 years and more!

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