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Sunday, October 17, 2010

Dine to Donate
California Pizza Kitchen

Monday, November 15, 2010

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Dickey's Barbecue Pit

Thursday, January 20, 2011

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Thursday—Saturday

March 3-5, 2011

NCJW's
45th National Convention

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Spring Luncheon

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Join Us!**

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Kitchen**

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Meredith Farnan

From Your President

Greetings!



The theme for October is **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**.

Domestic violence touches the lives of Americans of all ages, leaving a devastating impact on women, men, and children of every background and circumstance. A family's home becomes a place of fear, hopelessness, and desperation when a woman is battered by her partner or a child witnesses the abuse of a loved one. Since the 1994 passage of the landmark Violence Against Women Act, our nation has strengthened its response to this crime and increased services for victims. Still, far too many women and families in this country are affected by domestic violence. During National Domestic Violence Month, we recommit ourselves to ending violence within our homes, our communities, and our country.

We can't ignore the following statistics:

- ⇒ 85-95% of all domestic violence victims are female.
- ⇒ 5.3 million women are abused each year.
- ⇒ Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women.

In keeping with our yearly NCJW theme of **I CAN HELP**, here are steps you can share with a friend who may be in an abusive relationship:

- ⇒ call 911
- ⇒ take your children and go to a safe place.
- ⇒ go to the Emergency Room if injured.
- ⇒ plan ahead: If possible, gather important legal/financial documents and medical records.
- ⇒ obtain a *Protection from Abuse* order
- ⇒ know that confidential help is available 24 hours a day.

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE 1.800.799.7233

Thank you to the many NCJW volunteers who place SAFEHOME cards in hospitals, synagogues, restaurants, and other establishments as a way of educating the public and preventing domestic abuse. You are truly helping others!

The most urgent needs wish list for SAFEHOME are: antibacterial wipes, juice boxes, toothpaste, hand sanitizer, toilet paper, and bath towels. If you are interested in donating any of these items, please call SAFEHOME at 913.432.9300 to schedule a time to drop off your donation.

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather!

Teri

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Renew Your Membership

Renew your membership in the NCJW Greater Kansas City Section and remain part of the first national Jewish women's organization in the United States! You will find something to learn and contribute no matter what your interests, needs, age or availability.

Your membership provides opportunities to:

NCJW is a voluntary organization working through research, education, advocacy, and community service to improve

- participate in day and evening activities
- support and volunteer for community service
- have a voice on important public issues
- Receive a free subscription to the *Greater Kansas City Section Bulletin*
- get membership directory
- hear top speakers on national issues
- attend leadership and national conferences
- play bridge
- socialize with other NCJW members.

the quality of life for women, children, and families. Do stay part of an organization that since 1894 has worked tirelessly for individual rights and freedom for all. Reach outside of your busy daily life and serve others alongside friendly, caring people who share similar interests.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP COUNTS!

NCJW is the voice of the liberal Jewish Woman.

Give the Greater Kansas City Section a strong voice. Together we make a difference!

Send your \$36 membership fee to the office today! **Adrianne Applebaum, VP Membership**

NCJW Announces 2010 Flarsheim Fellowship Award



The Greater Kansas City Section of the National Council of Jewish Women is proud to announce the 2010 Flarsheim Fellowship was awarded to Lauren Tamar Graham.

Lauren is the daughter of Steve and Debbie Graham of Leawood. Currently, Lauren is attending the University of Colorado Denver, pursuing a Masters in Counseling. She is a 2004 graduate of Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Denver in 2008, majoring in Psychology with a minor in Judaic Studies. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Golden Key Honors Society. At DU, Lauren was part of the Honors Psychology Program and focused her research on autism. She was secretary of Hillel, active with Denver Chabad House, and taught at B'nai Chaim Synagogue, tutoring Bar Mitzvah students.

After graduation, Lauren moved to Chicago where she worked as a research assistant at the University of Chicago Psychology Department. She continued her Jewish activities at Rodfei Zedek synagogue, teaching four classes including Torah studies, Hebrew, Israeli culture and trope. She was promoted to Head Teacher. Her responsibilities included working directly with parents and planning curriculum.

Lauren feels these teaching and administrative experiences fostered her decision to be a school counselor. "I can combine my love for working in a school setting with my desire to help children with their emotional, social and behavioral issues. I also hope to advocate for educational equality and ensure that each and every student is given the opportunity, knowledge, self esteem and encouragement they will need to have successful futures."

The Flarsheim Fellowship is awarded to young Jewish Women entering their first year of graduate school. It is an honorarium based on academic excellence, community service and strength of character. This year the Flarsheim Fellowship was funded by a generous donation from the Jeannette and Jerome Cohen Scholarship Fund. **Jane Pollock Duggan**

NCJW Office to Relocate!
Find us in
Congregation
Ohev Shalom
5311 W. 75th Street
(near Nall)
November 1, 2010

Fun and Opportunities

DINE TO DONATE

We all enjoy eating so why not help NCJW raise money while you dine! You'll be able to visit with other members and friends. Ask family and friends to join you at the following events:



California Pizza Kitchen **Sunday, October 17, 11 am to 9 pm**

Present the included flyer (or a copy) when dining in or carrying out. NCJW will receive 20% of your check (excluding tax and gratuity). Remember to take a copy of the flyer printed on the back of the *Bulletin* for each check. Good at either location: 4743 Pennsylvania on The Plaza or at 11655 Ash, Park Place, Leawood. Free valet parking is available at the Leawood location.

Dickey's Barbecue Pit **Monday, November 15, 4 pm to 9 pm**



Tell the cashier at Dickey's Barbecue Pit you're with NCJW and NCJW will receive 15% of your check (excluding tax and gratuity). Dickey's is at 7284 W. 121 St., in the strip center north of the Costco on Metcalf and across from the Sonic Drive In.

HEN HOUSE COUPON BOOKS AVAILABLE!



If you spend \$50 at a time when shopping at the Hen House, this is a no-brainer! The coupon book sells for only \$5 and the first coupon is good for \$5 off a \$50 purchase. Are you a regular HH shopper? Then, you'll want more than one, since there are many coupons for meat, fresh fruits and veggies, and all kinds of good things. Your family and friends will like them too!

The coupon books are available in the NCJW office. Add \$0.50 per book for mailing.

ANOTHER WAY TO DONATE

**CALL LORI SIEGEL
AT A-LOTTA-STUFF
FOR PICK-UP OF
YOUR UNWANTED FURNITURE
AND GET A TAX WRITE-OFF**

**THEN NOTIFY
THE NCJW OFFICE**

A-LOTTA-STUFF AT STAN'S
Recycled Furniture & More
Furniture Bought & Sold
Open Tuesday - Saturday 10-5
A-Lotta-Stuff At Stan's
(913) 299-2939
6700 Kaw Drive KC, KS

HONEY SALES BREAK RECORD!

We sold a record-breaking 926 bottles of honey and raised \$4500!

We thank the Honey for Rosh Hashanah committee members: **Meg Adler, Barbara Cosner, Berenice Haberman, Beti Moskowitz, and Lynn Murray** and packers: **Becca, Emi, and Miriam Adler; Debby Agron; Estelle Berman; Janelle Flacks; Sharon Friedman; Natalie Hammer; Sandy Jabenis; Esther Perlmutter; Linda Schlachter; Merna Siegler; and Addie Trempy.**



We also thank **Meg Adler** for graciously allowing NCJW to use her home as a packing center. We couldn't have done it without our wonderful volunteers.

LET'S TWITTER

Twitter updates for NCJW are now available. If you want to receive a rich source of instantly updated information on a wide variety of topics, join today. Go to <http://twitter.com/NCJW> to enroll.

Community Action

KIDS AND TEACHERS=SCHOOL (KATS)

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

NCJW will again collaborate with Shawnee Mission East Students Helping in Areas Related to Education (SHARE). Together, we will provide birthday parties for over 2,000 students in 7 area schools.

A very big thank you to **KRISPY KREME DONUTS** located at 103rd & Metcalf, Leawood, Kansas for supplying donuts for all the 2010 -2011 Kids and Teachers=School birthday parties. **Ellen Dalen**



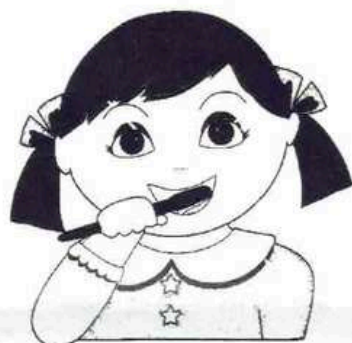
WE CARE FOR EYE CARE

To succeed in school, a child must be able to see the blackboard. Since school began in August, NCJW has provided 8 needy children with eye exams and eye glasses.



NCJW RECEIVES DELTA DENTAL GRANT

In July, NCJW received a Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation Grant of 2100 toothbrush kits enabling NCJW to provide toothbrush kits to 2100 children in Wyandotte County, KS. The KATS program will distribute 1,700 of these kits to children in four elementary schools (kindergarten through fifth grade). NCJW will provide an additional 400 toothbrush kits to Wyandotte County preschoolers enrolled in programs in schools in which 90 to 95 percent of students participate in the free lunch program.



This under-served population often has no annual dental exams and struggles to provide the absolute necessities of clothing and food. We hope the addition of the toothbrush kits will make a big impact on their oral health. We thank grant writers **Ellen Portnoy** and **Connie Simon**.

THE GREATER KANSAS CITY SECTION GOES GREEN!

Help our Section control costs and save the environment! Choose to receive an electronic copy of the *Greater Kansas City Section Bulletin*.

Please send us an email (at ncjw@swbell.net) or call the office at 913.648.4126, and tell us that you want to receive an electronic version of the Bulletin. Then you will receive, via email, the Bulletin as a PDF file. You will be able to read the Bulletin online, or print selected pages for your own reference. And remember, we will continue to keep you informed of the Section's activities, events, and updates.

Do we have your correct email address? If you have recently changed your email address, contact us so we can update our records.

For anyone who does not receive email or prefers a hard copy of the *Bulletin*, NCJW will continue to send the paper-based Bulletin to you via US mail.

Note: Unless we hear otherwise, we will continue to send you the *Bulletin* by mail.

Thank you for helping us be environmentally and fiscally conscientious

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.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

In July, the Scholarship Committee met to finalize the awards for the 2010 year. Nine returning students and seven new students were awarded scholarships totaling \$19,500.

This year committee member, **Bud Krasne**, passed away. However, his legacy continues in his family's Krasne/Maizlish Scholarship. We send condolences to **Bud's** family.

After 12 years, I am retiring as committee chair, although I plan to remain active on the committee. This has been the most rewarding experience – to see the young students on their way to college and to know we are helping them to reach their dreams.

I strongly urge all members to contribute financially and as volunteers to this most worthwhile project. I think it is one of the most important projects of our Section.

Ellen Portnoy will take over leadership of this committee. She has been an active member for over 20 years.

I would also like to thank all the committee members who have worked diligently this year and in the past: my co-chair **Jane Pollock Duggan**, **Sonny Singer**, **Berenice Haberman** and **Ellen Portnoy**. For the past two years, Jane has especially helped, serving as Co-Chair.

Anyone interested in serving on the Scholarship Committee should contact **Ellen Portnoy** at elsuopo@aol.com or 913.451.6293.

Respectfully submitted,

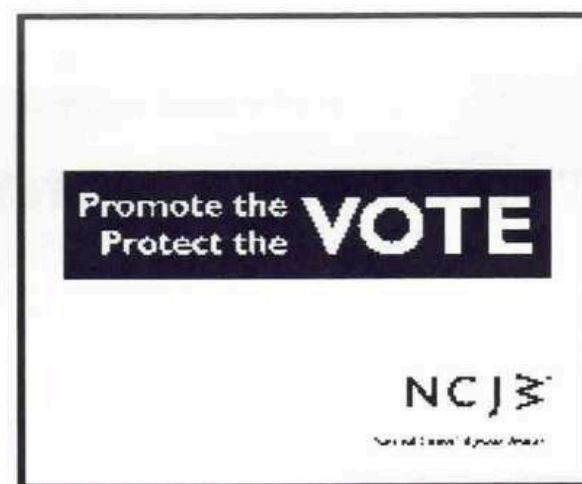
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CELEBRATE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

2010 marks the 90th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution — granting women the right to vote.

In the decades since suffrage, NCJW sections and members across the country have worked hard to expand voting rights to many historically disenfranchised communities. In preparation for the 2010 mid-term elections, NCJW will work to address the dual challenges of registering new voters and making sure that every registered voter is able to cast their ballot on Election Day through the **Promote the Vote, Protect the Vote** initiative.

Learn more about Promote the Vote, Protect the Vote and find resources for efforts around the 2010 mid-terms elections at www.ncjw.org/vote



SUPPORT SCIENCE OVER POLITICS: ACT NOW FOR STEM CELL RESEARCH

TAKE
ACTION
TODAY!

Illnesses such as diabetes, heart disease, and Parkinson's devastate the lives of far too many families. Embryonic stem cell research has the potential to revolutionize treatments for these conditions and save millions of lives.

In 2009, President Obama was able to lift onerous restrictions and allow stem cell research to move forward. However, last month a federal judge sided with religiously motivated plaintiffs and blocked further federal funding for this life-saving research. Now, Congress must make clear that neither politics nor religious ideology may jeopardize the responsible practice of sound science.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A TRIBUTE MAKES

Contributions to the NCJW, Greater Kansas City Section are TAX DEDUCTIBLE

\$10.00 minimum contributions through September 8, 2010

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anytime on Sunday, Oct. 17 and **present it to your
server when ordering.** 20% of your check will
benefit our organization. So come out and enjoy
something delicious from the CPK menu.

Ask family and friends to join you!
Your taste buds will thank you, and so will we.

National Council of Jewish Women

California Pizza Kitchen
11655 Ash Street, Leawood's Park Place

or

4743 Pennsylvania on The Plaza

Sunday October 17, 2010

Hours: 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Please use the free valet parking at Park Place.

Thanks for the support. We can't wait to see you.

Donation amount excludes proceeds from tax,
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Manager, please attach this flyer to the guest check.
Event proceeds void if flyers are distributed in or
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