

About & Between

National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Kansas City Section

Summer 2007

President's Message

Another wonderful year is on the horizon. And our terrific volunteers are who make each year successful. So thank you in advance.

Volunteers are the most important aspect of NCJW. This year we need volunteers to help Ellen Dalen with the KATS program. She has done an extraordinary job working with six schools and the Shawnee Mission East SHARE students to provide services. But Ellen cannot continue to do this on her own. This would be a wonderful volunteer opportunity for a retired teacher, or anyone who loves children. Besides the book birthday parties, we provide other services to some of the schools. Call Ellen to help!

We also plan to expand the eyeglass program to other schools this year. Last year we were able to provide glasses for 10 children. Now we want to reach out to other schools. Recently the **Kansas City Star** printed an editorial, "Ensure student eye exams for all." It says how important good vision is for students. We know that. We have been helping children with eye exams and glasses for two years. Help us continue this important program.

I also want to thank our benefactors. The Arvin Gottlieb Foundation recently granted us \$2500 for the KATS program. And the Jewish Heritage Foundation once again awarded us some needed funding to help with our rent. This \$7500 is extremely important.

We have many programs planned for the year. I hope that all of our members, volunteers, and benefactors can participate in at least one. I hope to see many of you at the annual Women Helping Women luncheon on October 10.

Until then I also wish you all a Shana Tova, a healthy and a good year. As well as a wonderful year for NCJW.

Ellen Portnoy

EYE GLASS PROGRAM FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN

This past school year, NCJW was able to see that 10 students at M. E. Pearson had eye exams and received glasses. These are all students whose families didn't qualify for any other kind of assistance. In the office we have some letters from these students who speak very little English or are in special education. The letters say it all!

Next school year, we hope to expand the Eyeglass Program to other schools. If you are interested in donating or for more information on the eye program please contact Ellen Dalen, edalen1017@aol.com, 913-888-8852.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

NCJW will again be collecting school supplies for the students at M. E. Pearson Elementary School in Kansas City, KS. Supplies can be dropped off at the NCJW office Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM. For questions contact Ellen Dalen, edalen1017@aol.com or 913-888-8852. Send donations for school supplies to: NCJW, 5750 West 95th Street, Suite 118, Shawnee Mission, KS 66207.

Hello Israel

In the fall, the **HELLO ISRAEL** program will once again bring Israel into the schools. We are in need of presenters who would like to share the love of Israel with fifth and sixth grade students throughout the area schools. Each presentation is a team effort with a script provided. We ask you to share your time twice each semester, if possible. If you have participated in the past and would like to continue, please notify us as well. Please contact either of us at your convenience through the NCJW Office. Thank you, Co-chairs Marlene Katz and Judy Fudenberg

Bridge Project

National Council of Jewish Women sponsors Ladies Bridge and Couples Bridge. Each couple or pair of women are designated to play another pair once each month from September to May. It is a great way to play bridge with other people and have fun. If you are interested in joining these groups, please call Tootie Brown (Ladies) at 913.649.9452 or Sue Vile (Couples) at 913.649.1749.

DO YOU LIKE TO KNIT?

Join NCJW as we collaborate with Sisterhood of The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah on knitting for charity. Join **KNIT ONE FOR TZEDAKAH** at Temple at 7:00 PM on:

Wednesday, September 19

Wednesday, October 10

Wednesday, November 14

Wednesday, December 12

Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Wednesday, February 13

Wednesday, March 12

Wednesday, April 9

Wednesday, May 14

Patterns will be available.

Everyone furnishes their own needles and yarn. If you don't want to knit for charity, join us anyway for an evening of knitting. For information contact Ellen Dalen, edalen1017@aol.com 913-888-8852.

We need an NCJW member to co-chair this project with Sisterhood. If you are interested, call the office at 913-648-0747.

DIRECTORY UPDATE: Janelle Flacks, VP of Membership, is planning to update the Directory this fall. Anyone who can help her with ads or layout should call the office, 913-648-0747.

Please Join NCJW
for the 7th Annual

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN LUNCHEON

Wednesday,
October 10, 2007
11:30 a.m.
Milburn Country Club

Dedicated to supporting
victims of domestic abuse

Host Larry Moore,
TV Newscaster

Speaker Paul Morrison
KS Attorney General

Original Production of "The
Outrage"

Call the NCJW office,
913-648-0747,
for more information.



'Day of Discovery' to Kick Off Year of Jewish Learning

Mark your calendar for an exciting upcoming community program: "Day of Discovery – Explore the Joy of Jewish Learning in Kansas City." This event will be held from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 26, 2007, at the Jewish Community Campus, and will kick off a year of Jewish learning in Kansas City.

The Day of Discovery is a unique opportunity for adults, young and old, to discover the richness and diversity of Jewish learning available in Kansas City. Participants will have an opportunity to learn, study and discover some of the community's finest Jewish educators, rabbis and cantors who will lead sessions on a wide range of topics. A listing of adult Jewish learning opportunities that will be offered in the community throughout the year will be distributed.

The program is co-sponsored by The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City, Jewish Community Center's Department of Adult Jewish Learning, CAJE/Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City, Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy, and area congregations. Generous funding has been provided by The Jewish Heritage Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

For more information, contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City by email at afprogram@aol.com or by phone at (913) 327-4622.

Scholarships Awarded

The NCJW Scholarship Committee has interviewed and awarded 9 scholarships for the 2007-08 school year. There are 5 freshman awardees and 4 returning student awardees.

The committee would like to thank all of the generous donors for their continued support of this worthwhile program.

In one of our returning student's thank note, he wrote, "I think kind people who are giving out these scholarships are doing this as an investment in the future. By investing in us, it gives more stability to the lives of the next generations."

The members of the scholarship committee are: Bud Krasne, Ellen Portnoy, Sonny Singer, Bonnie Buchbinder, Deb Feingold, Sally Reicher; Ro Jacobson and Jane Duggan are co-chairs.

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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A TRIBUTE MAKES. Contributions to the NCJW, Greater Kansas City Section are **TAX DEDUCTIBLE. \$10.00 minimum.** Contributions through July 13, 2007.

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Festival of Faiths and NCJW

Please join us for the First Annual **Festival of Faiths** featuring programs that foster interfaith understanding. NCJW has committed to selling tickets to the keynote address featuring Dr. Judea Pearl and Dr. Akbar Ahmed to be held on November 13th at Village Presbyterian Church. Pearl is the father of slain journalist Daniel Pearl, the president of the Daniel Pearl Foundation, and the author of *I am Jewish*. Ahmed is the Ibn Khaldun Chair of Islamic Studies at American University in Washington, DC. Drs. Pearl and Ahmed have developed the Daniel Pearl Dialogue for Muslim-Jewish Understanding. Tickets are \$15. A dessert reception and book signing will follow.

In addition, NCJW will be hosting a table at the 3rd Annual Table of Faiths luncheon benefiting the Greater Kansas City Interfaith Council on November 7th. This year's honoree is Alvin Brooks! If you are interested in attending either event or if you have questions, please contact Sheila Sonnenschein at 913-402-8588 or ksonshine@everestkc.net.

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