



Bulletin



National Council of Jewish Women
SE Atlantic Section

Congratulations!!

Meet our Executive Board 2017-2018

We are changing the way we manage our Section's organization for next year as of July 1, 2017. We will use a presidium agreement consisting of six directors in charge of our SE Atlantic Section. All Directors are past presidents of our section. Each Director has a specific responsibility to oversee a vice president's responsibilities or is a vice president:

PRESIDIUM

Arlene Davidson
Penny Gelb
Ellen Gottlieb

Marcia London
Marsha Lotstein
Laurie Tamber

Wed, April 19th
Luncheon at Latitudes
Installation

Sat, May 13
Kids and Guns
A presentation at Hagen
Ranch Library
2-4 pm

Wed, May 18th
Volunteer Appreciation
Invitation to volunteers
by email

Fri, June 16
Hoffman Chocolates Trip

Position

Advocacy
Communications
Community Service
Event Planning
Financial Secretary
Honorary Natl Bd Member
Honorary Natl Vice President
Membership
Programs
Recording Secretary
Treasurer

Director

Arlene Davidson
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Marcia London
Ellen Gottlieb
Arlene Davidson
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Marsha Lotstein
Laurie Tamber
Penny Gelb

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We are excited about all the upcoming plans and possibilities for the coming year. We welcome your comments and involvement. Be an active part of NCJW-SE Atlantic section and be a part of the grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action.

Learn All About Us!

Visit our website! ncjwseatlantic.org
Have a question? Email info@ncjwseatlantic.org

ADVOCACY IN ACTION

NCJW TALLAHASSEE ADVOCACY DAYS

NCJW members from SE Atlantic, Palm Beach, Miami and Sarasota-Manatee sections travelled to the State Capitol for Advocacy Days, March 28-29. The group, in teams, met with almost 30 members of the House and Senate (or their staffs) to discuss NCJW's position on pending legislation. Among the local legislators we met with were Senators Kevin Rader and Bobby Powell, and Representatives Joe Abruzzo, Lori Berman and Emily Slosberg.

One promising bill we advocated for was B286/HB665, which mandates education about human trafficking in schools. We also explained NCJW's objections to bills that infringed on reproductive rights, including one that would allow a woman to sue her doctor for up to 10 years after an abortion.

Other NCJW positions: supported equal pay for women; opposed expansion of stand-your-ground; supported safe storage of firearms and banning assault weapons; opposed diversion of funds for low income and affordable housing. Although not all the members visited agreed with all our positions, we were able to promote the role of NCJW and our advocacy goals.

This was my first trip to Tallahassee. It was an opportunity to see State government in action, get to know our representatives, and also share information with other groups participating in Advocacy Days, including the League of Women Voters and Florida NOW. Special thanks to NCJW State Policy Advocacy Chair Linda Geller-Schwartz for organizing our schedule and preparing excellent "talking points" to leave with the legislators about NCJW and its policies.

Lillian Kaminer, VP—Advocacy

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NCJW has been at the forefront of social change for over 120 years. NCJW members are outspoken champions for progressive policies at the federal, state, and local levels. Over the years, NCJW's collective voice has changed the world for the better — improving the lives of women, children, and families in the US and Israel.

NCJW's history of social action is based in its powerful grassroots network — in local communities and online. Members all over the country courageously speak out when others are silent, taking a progressive stance on such issues as child welfare, women's rights, and reproductive freedom.

Learn about the myriad ways to get involved in NCJW's action efforts, including the NCJW Action Center — an action alert network that broadcasts breaking news, legislative information, and opportunities to speak out to decision-makers — and take advantage of advocacy resources that make it easy to make an impact.

Click to connect to NCJW's National's Action Center:
[Stand up and speak out today.](#)

Take
Action
Today

GUN SAFETY

The National Council of Jewish Women, SE Atlantic section along with the League of Women Voters and the National Organization of Women is sponsoring a panel discussion on Kids and Guns: Preventing Violence on Saturday, May 13, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Hagen Road Branch Library. The panelists include Tom Gabor, Criminologist and author, Dave Kerner, County Commissioner, Dr. Debora Robinson, Palm Beach County School Board, and Capt. Dave Wallace, PBSO. Please attend and support this necessary and interesting discussion. Be informed and take action.

Rosalie Almborg, Gun Safety Chair roasted@bellsouth.net

For more information about all of our advocacy programs please contact Arlene Davidson , Director of Advocacy at 561-865-9628 amdavidson01@gmail.com.

ADVOCACY

Throughout the next few months in conjunction with the Human Trafficking Coalition of the Palm Beaches, we will be launching a new community outreach program. The goal is to have the National Human Trafficking Hotline telephone number widely available in every community. The plan is to have the hotline number at the front desks and break rooms of local motels and hotels. This is a prime place where trafficking takes place.

The Hotline Number is **888-373-7888**. An easy way to remember it is **888-3737-888**

The outreach program involves giving lip balms such as Chapsticks that are labeled with the hotline number to hotels in the area. We expect it to be a resource for victims of human trafficking so they can call for help. Lip balms can be purchased on-line or in discount stores.

Please bring your purchases (or a \$10 donation so that we can purchase them) to the next NCJW meeting or activity you attend. You can call me at 561-865-9628 and we can arrange for you to get them to me, or mail a check to me (payable to NCJW) at 7132 Francisco Bend Dr, Delray Beach 33446.

Thanks,
Arlene Davidson
DIRECTOR OF ADVOCACY



NCJW SE Atlantic Section

WE HAVE SUMMER PLANS

Have you served on an NCJW committee or volunteered for a community service or advocacy project? If so, watch your inbox for your invitation to our Volunteer Appreciation Tea on Wednesday, May 17th from 3-5 pm.

Reserve this date: Friday, June 16th at 11:00 am, after an optional breakfast at Eggcetera on Lantana Road in Lake Worth, we will be touring Hoffman Chocolates. Participants will enjoy a video presentation of the history of chocolate and a guided window tour of the chocolate factory. After this, we will each have the opportunity to create a chocolate house under the direction of the experts. We will also receive a 15% discount on anything purchased that day. Watch your email for registration information, as space for this tour is limited.

Community service opportunities don't stop during the summer months. The Summer Food Boxes program is a very special example of this. This food collection and distribution project helps to fill the void left by the hiatus of school lunch programs. We are also continuing our collections for Dress for Success. For these and other community service projects contact Marcia London at mlondon3@yahoo.com.

Have you checked out the NCJW book club yet? To join our conversation, contact Lois Seinfeld at lois-seinfe@aol.com.

Our gun safety advocacy group is always looking for passionate new volunteers. *Concealed Weapons on Campus* legislation is scheduled to be reintroduced in the state legislature in 2017 despite Florida chiefs of police, the Board of Governors of the state university system, and every college president opposing the bill. Our legislators need to hear from us. Do you want to be part of the solution? For information contact Rosalie Almborg at roasted@bellsouth.net.

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TRIBUTES SAY YOU CARE

Honor a family member, colleague, friend or loved one by giving a gift to NCJW SE Atlantic Section. A handwritten tribute card with a message of support, celebration or sympathy will be mailed to the recipient. Your gift supports local projects and those in Israel. Keep your own supply on hand. It's really useful over the summer.



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Contact Robin Yablonky, Tributes Chair
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Share your life cycle events with our membership by emailing your information to Glenda Gordon at glendashopper46@gmail.com

COMMUNITY SERVICES

HOW for PESACH

HOW WAS A WOW!!!

Thanks to my band of Mitzvah Mamas, we visited 6 facilities for Passover presentations. Shelly Block did her usual outstanding job with her own "minyans" of mitzvah mamas starting us off at the Atrium on Wednesday 3/29 with an incredible crowd.

Then came Shelly Gross at Sonata. Shelly involves students from Donna Klein as a bonus. There was an overflow group of 23 residents participating on Sunday, April 2. The very next day, Monday April 3, we had about 20 residents join Anita Todras and our volunteers at the newly renovated Phoenix. Tuesday, April 4, Roberta Katz took over at Manor Care where she is adored by both residents and staff.

I had the pleasure of presenting at Brookdale Boynton on Wednesday April 5 with another 20+ residents and the best volunteers in the business. (HMMMMM "volunteer business" an oxymoron, perhaps) One of their residents is a past NCJW president from Maine and another asked me about becoming a member. We finished off with Roberta Katz at Boynton Health.

Baruch Hashem to all of you.

All toll we provided 25 presentations this year, 5777: 7 each for Rosh Hashanah and Chanukah and 6 at Pesach time. May our merry band of Mitzvah Mommas grow and grow.

A special thanks to my posse, Arlyne Gelman, Rosalie Almborg and hubbie Ted, Tobi Raff, Suzi Pessin, Judy Breslaw, Carole Blum, Laurie Tamber, and my sweetheart, Jeffrey. Susan Stein, Judy Silver, Ronnie Berger, Joan Geller, Lenore Haber, Leni Seltzer, Lenore Horowitz, Arlene Davidson, Rita Suave, Patricia Cohen, Rachelle Klein, Ellen Hahn, Jill Morris and her Mom Debbie and Dad Morris, Judy Giller, Eva Korentayer, Linda Safir, Julie Marx, Ursula Reiner, Gloria Stein, Tamara Meirson, Marilyn Katz, Judy Finder, Barbara Weinstock, and Cynthia Shulman. Some of these ladies did double duties at 2 facilities. You are The Best of the Best!!!

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Holiday on Wheels at Boynton Health—lead by Roberta Katz