

# THE BULLETIN

National Council of Jewish Women, Portland Oregon Section

National Council of Jewish Women  
Portland, Oregon Section invites you to our

## **ANNUAL MEETING AND BRUNCH**

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Sunday, June 12, 2011

The Stockpot Restaurant  
8200 SW Scholls Ferry Rd.  
Beaverton, OR 97008

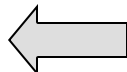


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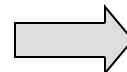
### **Special Guest:**

Laura Jones, Librarian at Kelly Elementary School  
Presenting the 10,000 Books Project for disadvantaged children

Please bring a new or  
used early-reader book  
to benefit early-  
childhood education



More about the  
project on page 4



Watch the mail for your  
invitation and return it by  
June 6 to NCJW in the  
return envelope.

Dear Members,

As this club year comes to an end, we would like to thank several women, some of whom for many years now, have consistently and diligently worked to keep our Section running smoothly; **Jody Klevit**, who has been writing our donation thank you notes, **Marilyn Kerman**, who writes our Sunshine Notes, **Bev Contorer**, who sends out our Birthday Tribute cards, **Michel Reich** for re-assembling our website, and **Dodie Harrison**, who does an amazing job of keeping her patience and assembles our Bulletin from all the disorganized emails she receives from the rotational cabinet leaders. *Thank you very much!*

Again, a lot has been accomplished this year by our little section. We spent a wonderful evening in August bar-b-queing dinner with the women and children in YWCA's Transitional Opportunities Project. In November we underwrote the kick-off event for Partners for Independence, which continues our involvement in the development of the Kehillah Project. In December we were warmly thanked for our contribution and our plaque was unveiled at the Therapy Pool at MJCC where we were also treated to an amazing synchronized swim exhibition. Our successful Valentine fundraiser involved a record number of participants! The Jewish Theatre Collaborative's program we co-sponsored- *Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Well-Being – The Life of Lillian Wald* was presented at the MJCC to a sold-out crowd and has since been performed for PSU, OHSU, David Douglas High School, the Beaverton Library and more, where every performance program features our logo prominently as a sponsor. And our volunteer lists at PNWM and Goose Hollow continue to grow yearly, thanks so much to your involvement.

In June we will hold our annual meeting, where we will vote on the new format and update for our bylaws, as required by NCJW Inc. Our Bylaws Committee spent many, many hours pouring over the old and new texts, debating, discussing and consulting with legal specialists to put this document together. Under **Caryn May's** steady and careful leadership, we are pleased to present new bylaws. We will also be electing a new board of directors (see slate below), and we want you to know that your vote is needed, we would like your input on how we progress as an organization. And we look forward to celebrating the end of another successful year with you!

Friderike, Meryl, and Susan



Our very own "knights of the round table"  
Cabinet hard at work.

Proposed Slate of Officers,

2011-2012

- Carol Chestler, Treasurer
- Nikki Director'
- Wendy Gutmann
- Meryl Haber, President
- Friderike Heuer
- Susan Korey
- Louise Marsh, Corporate Secretary
- Caryn May
- Jeanne Newmark
- Shirley Rackner
- Michele Reich
- Suzan Wapnick

**2010-2011 CABINET**

- Carol Chestler
- Nikki Director
- Wendy Gutmann
- Meryl Haber
- Friderike Heuer
- Susan Korey
- Lousie Marsh

- Caryn May
- Jeanne Newmark
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### **NCJW Stands with Victims of Wal-Mart Sex Discrimination Policies**

March 29, 2011, Washington, DC — The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) today stood with the women of Wal-Mart, represented by Betty Dukes, as the Supreme Court heard the landmark *Wal-Mart v. Dukes* case. NCJW President Linda Slucker and NCJW CEO Nancy K. Kaufman issued the following statement:

“Ten years ago a group of women who worked at Wal-Mart stores filed the lawsuit alleging that Wal-Mart engaged in company-wide sex discrimination; paying women less than men, promoting fewer women to management positions, and promoting male employees more quickly. Today, the Supreme Court will hear arguments in *Wal-Mart v. Dukes*, in order to decide whether the female employees of Wal-Mart stores all over American can join together in a class action lawsuit challenging Wal-Mart’s ongoing policy of discrimination against women.

“This case should be heard on its many merits, but Wal-Mart has tried to silence these 1.6 million female employees by challenging the class action, attempting to deny their workers redress in the courts. The Supreme Court’s ruling in this case will have an impact well beyond this particular case — affecting victims of pay discrimination and civil rights violations for generations to come.

“NCJW is proud to be an amicus in this case, along with dozens of other organizations that believe that nothing less than equal pay and civil rights are at stake. We continue to assert that the courts should be a place where individual rights are defended and upheld; where civil rights are championed. The Supreme Court has the opportunity to demonstrate this principle and to begin to rectify this ongoing injustice.”

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### **NCJW Joins Rally to Stand Up for Women's Health**

April 4, 2011, Washington, DC — The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is proud to co-sponsor the April 7 national rally and lobbying effort in Washington, DC, to stand up for women’s reproductive health services, including access to abortion care and family planning services. NCJW President Linda Slucker and NCJW CEO Nancy K. Kaufman released the following statement:

“On April 7, NCJW leaders and members from around the country will join thousands of prochoice activists to stand up for women’s health in Washington, DC, and rally against efforts in Congress to restrict women’s access to comprehensive reproductive health care options, including abortion, contraception, HIV/STD testing, cancer screenings, and other essential health services. With NCJW’s emergency action campaign, [Voices for Reproductive Choices](#), we are mobilizing our members to speak out against current attacks on women’s health and rights. We are proud to be taking a lead role in organizing a strong faith-based contingent at the Stand Up for Women’s Health event and working with a large and diverse group of organizations to send the message to Congress that such restrictions and rollbacks are unacceptable.

“A series of extreme bills are moving through the House of Representatives which would have devastating consequences for women and their families, particularly low-income women. They represent an attempt to impose a single faith-based view of abortion and contraception on us all, and to deny women the moral autonomy to make decisions about their own reproductive choices — their fundamental right.

“On April 7 and beyond, NCJW will work relentlessly to ensure that women and families have full access to reproductive health services, doing all we can to see that efforts designed to roll back women’s reproductive choices at the state and federal levels are overcome.”

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### **NCJW Welcomes Reintroduction of Employment Non-Discrimination Act**

March 31, 2011, Washington, DC — The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) today welcomed the reintroduction of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act by Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA). NCJW President Linda Slucker and NCJW CEO Nancy K. Kaufman released the following statement:

“NCJW applauds the re-introduction of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act in the 112th Congress by Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA) — a welcome step toward ending discrimination in the workplace based on sexual orientation and gender identity. This important civil rights legislation would make it illegal in every state to fire, refuse to hire, or refuse to promote employees simply based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

“Currently most states have no protection for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals who face discrimination in the workplace. To date, thousands of hardworking Americans have lost their livelihoods simply because of who they are. Clearly, the patchwork of state laws is insufficient to ensure justice for all working people.

## Laura Jones to Speak at Annual Meeting

We are excited to have Laura Jones, librarian at Kelly Elementary School in South East Portland, present a project to us that seems worthwhile of our support. Almost 80 % of students at Kelly qualify for free or price-reduced lunches; more than 30% of them speak English only as a second language. These children lose much of what they learned in the school year during summer vacations in which they have no access to teachers and/or reading materials. Laura Jones has decided to change that, after having read research that showed that kids who have their own books at home over the summer, will actually read and so keep their skills honed until the new school year begins.

Partnering with the Children's Book Bank, Jones is collecting books that will allow all 500 Kelly kids to take home about 10 books this summer. The book drive aims at new and gently used books, as well as financial donations. Importantly, these will be books that are actually attractive to the children, so that they will be eager to read, trade them with their friends and perceive them to be fun, rather than an educational challenge.

Although the school has already received more than 2000 books, there is still a large gap to fill to reach the goal of 10,000 and we thought we might do what we can to help the project on its way. Below is a copy of the wish list.

### WISH LIST

#### Picture books, early readers (authors)

Mo Willems (especially the "Elephant & Piggie" series); Jan Thomas; Ian Falconer; Oliver Jeffers; Rosemary Wells; Kevin Henkes; Dr. Seuss; Norman Bridwell ("Clifford" books); Ted Arnold ("Fly Guy" series); Eric Carle; Ezra Jack Keats; Laura Numeroff; Kate DiCamillo ("Mercy Watson" series); Dav Pilkey ("Dragon" series); anything with superheroes, princesses, Dora the Explorer, Legos, Bionicles, dinosaurs, sharks, dogs, cats, movie tie-ins or Barbie

#### Early chapter books

"Babymouse," "Geronimo Stilton" series, "Maya & Miguel," "Ivy & Bean," Ricky Ricotta, Franny K. Stein, Katie Kazoo, The "Fairies" series by Daisy Meadows, Pokemon, SpongeBob SquarePants, Scooby-Doo, Judy Moody or Stink

#### Graphic novels/comics

Garfield, Calvin & Hobbes, Babymouse, Bone, Amulet, Nancy Drew, Hardy Boys, age-appropriate Manga, Dragonbreath

#### Fiction

"Diary of a Wimpy Kid" series, Allie Finkle series, The 39 Clues, "How to Train Your Dragon" series, "Star Wars" chapter books, "The Spiderwick Chronicles," Warriors series

#### Nonfiction

"Eyewitness," "Eyewitness Junior" or "Eyewonder" series by DK, particularly dinosaurs

Knights & Castles, mythology, sharks, sports, ballet, World War I and II

"I Spy" books

"Unexplained Phenomena"

Guinness World Records, Scholastic World Records

#### Folk and fairy tales

Dinosaurs; animals -- especially "scary" ones such as sharks, alligators, snakes or cuter ones such as pandas; pets

Origami; how-to books, particularly for basketball, soccer, football, ballet and magic; joke books

Visual dictionaries, especially "Star Wars"-themed ones

Books on pop culture stars, such as Justin Bieber or Hannah Montana

Children's books in Russian; bilingual books in Vietnamese, Spanish, Chinese or Russian

## **Proposed Changes to Portland Oregon Section Bylaws**

*After the 2009 Section year, our leadership style took the form of a rotating cabinet, but our bylaws were not altered to address this. The last group of board members voted into office (the 2008 Board of Directors) has voted in favor of this new set of bylaws negotiated with and approved by National. At the NCJW National Convention in Dallas this spring National decided to require all sections to make use of a uniform bylaws format. We have adjusted the format in consideration of certain State of Oregon requirements as well as Section needs.*

*These new bylaws are proposed for a membership vote at our annual meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>. For your convenience, please note the following few important aspects of the proposed bylaws : only 3 officers are required; president, secretary and treasurer. Some adjustments have been made in the way the Nominating Committee is set up. We have made rules to govern email communications, and have up-dated the number of meetings required and how notice is given.*

*There are also a few more refer-ences to National's policies.*

*If you have any questions or concerns, please forward them to Meryl Haber. Because a side-by-side comparison was not possible with the new format, we are posting a discussions of the changes on our website, which is [ncjwportland.org](http://ncjwportland.org)*

## BYLAWS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN, PORTLAND, OREGON SECTION, INC.

Organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of Oregon (March 1905)

### ARTICLE I: NAME

This organization shall be called THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN PORTLAND, OREGON SECTION, INC., hereinafter referred to in these bylaws as „the Section.“

### ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

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

Subject to the limitations stated in the Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of this corporation shall be to engage in any lawful activities, none of which are for profit, for which corporations maybe organized under Chapter 65 of the Oregon Revised Statutes (or its corresponding future provisions) and Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or its corresponding future provisions).

### ARTICLE III: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

#### Section 1

The Section shall be governed by the Certificate of Incorporation, and the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of the National Council of Jewish Women, Inc. (NCJW, Inc.)

#### Section 2

The Section shall be governed by its own Articles of Incorporation, in compliance with the requirements of its individual state, and shall adopt its own bylaws as approved by the NCJW, Inc. Committee on Bylaws, Policies and Procedures.

#### Section 3

The Section may establish subsidiary groups that shall be governed by the bylaws of the Section. Such groups may have rules of procedure, and these shall be consistent with the Section bylaws and those of NCJW, Inc.

### ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

#### Section 1

Any person who supports the purpose of this organization shall be eligible to become a member of the Section.

#### Section 2

Any member may choose to be an annual member or a life member.

#### Section 3

Any life member, or member whose dues are paid for the fiscal year, shall be considered a member in good standing.

#### Section 4

There shall be one class of members of this corporation. Each member shall be entitled to one vote in the following matters—the election of each elected position for Officers and Directors; the merger, dissolution, or sale of substantially all of the assets of the corporation; and the amendment of the bylaws.

#### Section 5

Any member who fails to pay dues for the immediate past fiscal year within six (6) months after its close, shall no longer be a member in good standing, pro-vided official notice of this provision has been given.

#### Section 6

Membership maybe terminated by the Section Board of Directors after giving the member at least 15 days written notice by first class or certified mail of the termination and the reasons for the termination, and an opportunity for the member to be heard by the Board orally or in writing, not less than five days before the effective date of the termination The decision of the Board be final and shall not be reviewable by any court.

### ARTICLE V: FINANCES

#### Section 1

The fiscal year of the Section and all its subsidiary groups shall extend from July 1 through June 30.

#### Section 2

The Section shall remit its current program support assignment according to the schedule designated by NCJW, Inc.

### Section 3

Annual dues for Section members shall be set by the Section Board of Directors, and be no less than the minimum amount set by the NCJW, Inc. Board of Directors.

### Section 4

A. Per capita dues are established by NCJW, Inc.

B. When dues are paid by a member, the amount of such monies equal to the per capita dues for the year in which the dues are paid, are funds of NCJW, Inc. The Section serves as the transmittal agent for such monies.

C. Except for life members, the Section shall pay per capita dues for all categories of membership, to the treasury of NCJW, Inc.

### Section 5

The total life membership dues paid to the Section shall be remitted to NCJW, Inc.

### Section 6

Section financial contributions other than to NCJW, Inc. shall be in compliance with NCJW, Inc. Policies and Procedures.

## ARTICLE VI: GOVERNANCE BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Section 1

The Section governing body is the Board of Directors.

### Section 2

The Board shall have general supervision of the work of the Section. The responsibilities shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

A. Formulating and actively supporting Section objectives, policies and programs consistent with the programs and purposes of NCJW, Inc. and interpreting these programs to the membership and community.

B. Establishing and maintaining the legal-non-profit corporate status of the Section consistent with the laws of the State of Oregon, including filing annual forms with the State.

C. Establishing and maintaining legal non-profit corporate status of the Section consistent with the United States Internal Revenue Service rules, including filing of all annual forms.

D. Raising sufficient funds for the work of the Section and meeting the Section's obligations to NCJW, Inc.

E. Approving and monitoring the Section budget.

F. Maintaining fiduciary responsibility for all Section funds.

G. Establishing such committees as are necessary to carry out the work of the Section.

H. Conducting periodic evaluations of the work of the Section with a view to improving Section programs and operations.

I. Maintaining effective operation of the Section, including staffing, when appropriate.

## ARTICLE VII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Section 1. Number

The number on the Board of Directors may vary between a minimum of nine and a maximum of fifteen. The Board of Directors shall consist of three Officers (President, Corporate Secretary and Treasurer), and a minimum of six elected Directors. The President may appoint additional Directors but the number of appointed Directors cannot exceed 25% of the total number of Directors in office immediately after the appointment.

Section members who are NCJW, Inc. officers, board directors, honorary officers, honorary board directors, commissioners, and chairs or vice chairs of the State Public Affairs Committee shall be members of the Board with voice but without vote. No Section employee may serve on the Board.

### Section 2. Term

The term of office for elected Directors shall be two years, or until a successor is installed. A Director can serve consecutive terms. The elected Directors shall be elected by the members at the annual meeting of the members. Directors appointed by the President shall be appointed for terms of either one or two years.

### Section 3. Removal

Any voting member of the board of directors who absents herself from three (3) consecutive meetings of the board of directors without good and sufficient reason, or who fails to fulfill her designated responsibilities may, after consideration by the board of directors, be dismissed from the board of directors.

### Section 4. Vacancies

Vacancies of the elected Directors on the Board of Directors shall be filled by a majority vote of the Directors then on the Board of Directors

### Section 5. Quorum and Action

A quorum at a Board meeting shall be a majority of the number on the Board of Directors in office immediately before the meeting begins. If a quorum is pre-sent, action is taken by a majority vote of members of the Board of Directors present. Where the law requires a majority vote of members of the Board in office to amend the Articles of incorporation, sell assets not in the regular course of business, merge, dissolve, or for other matters, such action is to be taken by a majority on the Board of Directors in office.

### Section 6. Regular Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors. If a schedule of meetings across time is listed, then notice of the schedule will serve as notice of all listed meetings.

### Section 7. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors. Special meetings shall be held at the call of the President or upon written request by two members of the Board of Directors.

### Section 8. Notice

Notice of meetings, describing the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting, shall be delivered to each Board member personally, by telephone, by email or by mail not less than four days prior to the meeting. Written notice, if mailed postpaid and correctly addressed to the Board member at the address shown in the corporate records, is effective when mailed.

### Section 9. Number of Board Meetings and Observance of Holidays

The Board shall hold at least five meetings per year. No meetings shall be held on a Jewish or legal holiday as set forth in the NCJW, Inc. national bylaws.

### Section 10. Meeting by Telecommunication.

Any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors may be held by telephone, telecommunications, email or other electronic means, as long as all Directors can hear or read each other's communications during the meeting or all communications are immediately transmitted to each participating director, and each participating director is able to immediately send messages to all other participating directors.

### Section 11. Decisions without Meetings

Any decision that the Board of Directors may make at a meeting may be made without a meeting if the decision is approved by the affirmative vote of all of the members of the Board. A clearly stated motion must be sent to all of the directors on the Board by mail, fax or email, with clear instructions that this process requires 100% of the directors to vote "yes" for the motion to pass. If the motion is sent by mail or fax, then it must be signed and returned by mail or fax by each director. If the motion is sent by email then each director must send their vote by email in reply, in which case no signature is necessary. Motions are adopted and effective on the date that all directors in office have responded with an affirmative "yes" vote. If any director votes "no", abstains or fails to vote,

then the motion fails to pass. A printed record of each director's vote must be kept in the corporate records.

## ARTICLE VIII: OFFICERS

### Section 1. Titles

The Officers of this corporation shall be the President, the Corporate Secretary and the Treasurer. The Officers shall be members of the Board of Directors.

### Section 2. Election and Term

The members shall elect the Officers to serve a term of two years or until their successors are installed. There are no limits to the number of subsequent terms.

### Section 3. Vacancy

A vacancy of any office shall be filled not later than the first regular meeting of the Board of Directors following the vacancy.

### Section 4. Duties of Shared Offices

If an office is held by more than one person, the persons sharing the office shall determine the duties of each person sharing the office.

### Section 5. President

The President shall be the chief Officer of the corporation and shall preside or shall designate a Director to preside at membership or Board meetings. The President shall designate a Director to serve as President in the event that the President is unable or unwilling to serve. The President shall have any other powers and duties as may be prescribed by these bylaws and the Board of Directors. The President may delegate her duties and responsibilities to Directors.

### Section 6. Corporate Secretary

The Corporate Secretary shall have overall responsibility for all recordkeeping pertaining to membership status and all recordkeeping pertaining to meetings. The Corporate Secretary shall perform, or cause to be performed, the following duties: (a) maintenance of an accurate membership list; (b) official recording of the minutes of all proceedings of the Board of Directors and membership meetings and actions; (c) provision for notice of all meetings of the Board of Directors and members; (d) authentication of the records of the corporation; and (e) any other duties as may be prescribed by these bylaws and the Board of Directors.

### Section 7. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have the overall responsibility for all corporate funds. The Treasurer shall perform, or cause to be performed, the following duties: (a) collection of dues; (b) maintenance of accurate records of payments and delinquencies; maintenance of full and accurate accounts of all financial records of the corporation; (c) deposit of all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors; (d) disbursement of all funds when proper to do so; (e) presentation of financial reports as to the financial condition of the corporation to the Board of Directors and members; (f) arranging for an audit or financial review of the corporate records each year to be made available to the Board of Directors, members, and National Council of Jewish Women, Inc. headquarters; and (g) any other duties as may be prescribed by these bylaws and the Board of Directors.

### Section 8.

The President and Treasurer shall have authority to sign checks, and the Section Board may designate alternate signatories from among the other Officers and Directors.

## ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES

### Section 1. Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members and two alternates. Three members and one alternate shall be elected from the general membership by the Board. Two members and one alternate shall be elected by the Board from its own members. The past Chair of the Nominating Committee shall serve with voice but no vote. If she cannot serve, the President shall appoint another member of the previous Nominating Committee to so serve.

#### A. Term

Each member of the Nominating Committee shall serve a term of two years.

#### B. Resignation upon Nomination

Any member of the Nominating Committee who consents to having her name appear as a candidate for the position of Officer or Director to be filled by election shall immediately resign from the Nominating Committee to be replaced by the alternate for her position.

#### C. Chair

The Nominating Committee shall elect its Chair from among the Board members serving on the committee. The term of office for Chair is one year. The Chair shall not serve for more than two consecutive terms.

#### D. Notice

The Nominating Committee shall deliver to each member a slate consisting of a candidate or co-candidates for each Officer and Board position to be filled. The Nominating Committee shall deliver the slate by following the provision for notice for membership meetings required by these Bylaws.

#### E. Recommendation for Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy in an office other than that of President, the Nominating Committee shall recommend a candidate to the Board.

### Section 2. Other Committees

The Board of Directors may establish such other Standing and Special Committees as it deems necessary and desirable. Such Committees shall be advisory committees.

### Section 3. Limitations on the Authority of Committees

A committee may not authorize payment of a dividend or any part of the income or profit of the corporation to its directors or Officers; may not approve dissolution, merger, or the sale, pledge, or transfer of all or substantially all of the corporation's assets; may not elect, appoint, or remove directors or fill vacancies on the Board or on any of its committees; and may not adopt, amend, or repeal the Articles, bylaws, or any resolution by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE X: MEETINGS

### Section 1. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the members shall be held between March 1 and June 30 on a date to be determined by the Board of Directors. At the Annual Meeting, the President or an officer designated by the President shall report on the activities and financial condition of the corporation. The Nominating Committee shall report on its slate of Officers and Directors. Additional nominations for any position may be from the floor at the Annual Meeting with the consent of the nominee. For any officer's position, floor nominations may be made for either a single nominee or for co-nominees. The members may elect the Officers and Directors by ballot if a ballot is requested by a candidate or the President; otherwise voting is by voice or show of hands. The members also shall consider and act on such other matters for which they have been given notice as required by these bylaws or the law.

### Section 2. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the members shall be held at the call of the President, by a vote of the Board, or by the call of at least ten members by a demand signed, dated, and delivered to the corporation's Secretary. Such demand by the members shall describe the purpose for the meeting.

### Section 3. Other Membership Gatherings

The Board shall convene gatherings of the members at least two times each year to enhance the spirit of community in the organization. No business shall be conducted at these gatherings. The Board shall alert members of the gatherings by timely and reasonable notice.

Section 4. Notice of Meeting

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, notice of all meetings of the members shall be given to each member at the last address of record, by first class mail at least 7 days before the meeting, or by mail other than first class mail or email at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the meeting. Notice may be sent by email at least 7 days before the meeting to members who have expressed a preference for email notice. The notice shall include the date, time, place, and purposes of the meeting.

ARTICLE XI: VOTING BY MEMBERS

Section 1. Membership Meetings

Proxies and/or absentee ballots shall not be permitted at membership meetings.

Section 2. Quorum

Eight percent of the members shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote of the members voting is the act of the members, unless these bylaws or the law provide differently.

ARTICLE XII: ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Section 1

The Section may only endorse or oppose national, state or local public issues which are within the framework of the NCJW, Inc. Resolutions.

Section 2

Before the Section takes any position on federal, state or local legislative issues, the approval of the board of directors must be obtained.

Section 3

The Section may not take a position contrary to that of NCJW, Inc.

ARTICLE XIII: REPRESENTATION AT NATIONAL VOTING MEETINGS

The governing body shall elect delegates and alternates to NCJW, Inc. voting meetings. Section employees may not represent the Section as delegates or alternates to a national voting meeting.

ARTICLE XIV: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure by Alice Sturgis shall govern the meetings of members in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are consistent with these bylaws and those of NCJW, Inc.

ARTICLE XV: AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

Section 1

All proposed amendments to these bylaws must be submitted to the Section Bylaws Committee.

Section 2

All amendments shall be proposed by the Section Bylaws Committee and sent to the Board for its approval.

Section 3

The proposed amendments shall be sent to the NCJW, Inc. Committee on Bylaws, Policies and Procedures for approval.

Section 4

After the amendments have been returned to the Board by the national committee, the Board will review any changes to see if they meet with Board approval. Amendments must be adopted by a two thirds vote of those members present and voting at a membership meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 5

Regarding proposed amendments considered by members, it is the responsibility of the Board to give Section members notice of a membership meeting as required by these bylaws, including the date, time, and place of the meeting at which the proposed amendments are to be considered. The notice shall state that one of the purposes of the meeting is to consider proposed amendments to the bylaws and shall contain a copy of the proposed amendments.

ARTICLE XVI: DISSOLUTION

Assets of National Council of Jewish Women, Portland, Oregon, Inc. are permanently dedicated to its tax-exempt purpose. In the event of dissolution, assets shall be inventoried and allocated according to the priorities and procedures outlined in NCJW, Inc. Policies and Procedures.

ARTICLE XVII: INDEMNIFICATION

The Section is indemnified by NCJW, Inc. against financial loss due to fraud and dishonesty by Section leaders, treasurers, and employees. The Section shall maintain appropriate insurance coverage.

The Section will indemnify to the fullest extent not prohibited by law any person who is made or threatened to be made, a party to an action, suit, or other proceeding, by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, Officer, employee, volunteer, or agent of the Section or a fiduciary within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (or its corresponding future provisions) with respect to any employee benefit plan of the Section. No amendment to these bylaws that limits the Section's obligation to indemnify any person shall have any effect on such obligation for any actor omission that occurs prior to the later of the effective date of the amendment or the date notice of the amendment is given to the person. The Section shall interpret this indemnification provision to extend to all persons covered by its provisions the most liberal possible indemnification--substantively, procedurally and otherwise.

DATE ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

## Valentine Project for Bus Tickets

Dear Members,

Thank you to the following members for your donations on behalf of the women and children living in domestic violence shelters who will now have public transportation available to them to attend school, work, medical appointments and life's situations. Contributions totaled \$2,377.10 for the purchase of Tri-Met bus tickets. The tickets were distributed to recipients in Raphael House, Bradley-Angle House and Yolanda House of the YWCA.

With much appreciation for your generosity, **Caryn May, Suzan Wapnick, Shirley Rackner** and the Pink Valentine Committee.

Susie Ail	Leah Nepom
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## NCJW Volunteers Continue Service to NWPM Emergency Food Program

Northwest Portland Ministries Emergency Food Program provided food for over 1000 people last month! Both NCJW Portland Section volunteers and dollars helped sustain this very critical project.

**The month of May is the Nob Hill Business Association benefit food drive for NWPM.** Food barrels are located at various businesses, non-profits, apartments and condos as well as the NWPM member congregations. Please consider leaving your non-perishable food items in any one of the barrels including those provided by all three NW partner Jewish congregations: **Beth Israel, Havurah Shalom and Shaarie Torah.**

Under the guidance of **Joyce Loeb**, NWPM is raising funds for a community garden to benefit those needy recipients of the Emergency Food Program. Volunteers and contributions are always welcome. With the devotion and dedication of **Sue Schwartz**, the Backpack Program is thriving, in large part, with NCJW member assistance.

**Cissy Levine** and husband, **Phil** continue to provide enthusiastic leadership at both the emergency Food Pantry and Loaves and Fishes, where so many NCJW volunteers participate along side.

**Unmet needs: NWPM is looking for an able bodied person(s) with a large vehicle to help with food pick up from the Oregon Food Bank**

Thanks again to all of our amazing NCJW volunteers (please forgive any omissions)....

**Stuart Barthold, Lynne Bartenstein, Donna Brownstein, Wendy Gutmann, Judith Kahn, Susan Korey, Cissy Levine, Phil Levine, Joyce Loeb, Louise Marsh, Caryn May, Jeanne Newmark, Phyllis Newmark, Eve Rosenfeld, Sue Schwartz, Irene Winters and Fran Wolfe.**

Contact NWPM volunteer coordinator, Kelly Caldwell, for further information 503 221-1224 or **Nikki Director** 503 703-5913

# BULLETIN BOARD

## Calendar, 2011

June

- 5 Song of Miriam Awards, MJCC
- 12 NCJW Portland Section Annual Meeting, Stockpot Restaurant  
11:00 am

## WANTED

NWPM urgently needs an able body driver with a good sized vehicle to pick up food from the Oregon Food Bank.



## REMINDER!!

Please check out the list of books suggested on page 4 and bring some with you to the Annual Meeting. These children will be so grateful for some fun summer reading material.



*Welcome !!  
To new member,  
Gaye Schafer*



## MISSION STATEMENT

"National Council of Jewish Women 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."

## TRIBUTE FUNDS ALLOCATED

The Tribute Allocation committee recommended three organizations to receive our Special Tribute Funds this year. The **Jean Rustin Fund** donations were donated to the Urban Gleaners, who are collaborating with Portland NW Ministries with their Backpack Program, providing fresh food for school children to take home on weekends. The **Dorothy Asher Fund** was given to the Rose Schnitzer Manor to support creative writing programming for the residents. And the **Minnie F. Erhman Fund** was given to The Creston School, which provides free dental care for all Portland Public School children who are on food assistance, from grades K-12. Thank you for your generous donations to the special Tribute Funds! Tribute Committee: **Nikki Director, Leslie Robinson, Meryl Haber.**

**MINNIE F. EHRMAN FUND**

*For Medical-Dental care*

**BIRTHDAYS:** Barbara Cohn, Meryl Haber, Jody Klevit, Harriet Maizels, Eve Rosenfeld

**IN HONOR OF:** Susan Korey and Merritt Linn's Marriage from Eve and Alan Rosenfeld

**JEAN RUSTIN FUND**

*For Children and Youth*

**BIRTHDAYS:** Tamara Divergilio, Arline Hasman, Leah Nepom, Jeanne Newmark, Tyece Okamura, Elaine Savinar, Jan Sigell

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:** Eve Rosenfeld from Sally Rosenfeld

**DOROTHY ASHER MEMORIAL FUND**

*For Senior Cultural Programs*

**BIRTHDAYS:** Evelyn Freedman, Deanne Rubinstein, Linda Veltman

**MARION QUINT ROSE FUND**

*For Senior Counseling*

**BIRTHDAYS:** Frances Wolfe

**FOOD BOX PROGRAM**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:** Jeanne Newmark from Phyllis Newmark

**GENERAL FUND**

**BIRTHDAYS:** Barbara Caplan, Susan Gerson, Friderike Heuer, Gayle Marger

**IN HONOR OF:** Susan Korey and Merritt Linn's Marriage from Janet Guggenheim

**IN MEMORY OF:** Joy Russell from Chella Kryszek



Your gift to one of our special Tribute Funds ensures the continuation of Portland Section's vital programs. Please mail your contribution to:

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P.O. Box 69333  
Portland, OR 97239

**(\$18.00 minimum, please)**

Here is my contribution for the:

- ◇ Dorothy Asher Memorial Fund
- ◇ Minnie F. Ehrman Fund
- ◇ Jean Rustin Fund
- ◇ Marion Quint Rose Fund

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