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Keynote Speaker Shiza Shahid

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# From the Executive Director



Suzi Greenman

# 2018 Birthday Luncheon Spotlights Education

As Jews, we have a keen historical appreciation of the importance of education. After all, we are known as "people of the book" We understand that study and learning are at the core of how we build commitment to our values and faith. As

American Jews, we have long recognized that education in our public schools is the ladder that we and many other immigrant groups have used to climb from poverty to social and economic success.... A free, public education is a core institution that has provided generations of Americans with the means to become full participants in American society.

Less obvious is the fact that education has a direct and intimate relationship with democracy. From the beginning of our country, our founding fathers advanced the idea that a society that involves its populace in ruling decisions is dependent on having an educated public. To quote, Thomas Jefferson "if a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be." In an article written in 2009 by Edward Glaeser, an economics professor at Harvard, he explains that "education teaches skills, like reading and writing that enable people to work collaboratively. ...The ability to work together enables the defense of democracy."

In February 2015, First Lady Michelle Obama elaborated on this same theme, "I believe that education is the single most-important civil rights issue that we face today. Because in the end, if we really want to solve issues like mass incarceration, poverty, racial profiling, voting rights and the kinds of challenges that shocked so many of us over the past year, then we simply cannot afford to lose out on the potential of even one young person."

In an era when hatred and anger seem to be on the rise and the ability to work cooperatively is elusive, the skills our nation's children acquire via a public education become more important than ever.

NCJW Dallas has a proud history of supporting the right of every child to a quality education. From being the first volunteers in the Dallas public schools to initiating the HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) program in 1987 and kicking off our West Dallas Back to School project this past summer, NCJW Dallas has been at the forefront of supporting this important right in our community. We recognize that public education is the critical institution that binds us all together.

Our Birthday Luncheon speaker, Shiza Shahid, will shine a bright spotlight on the right of every child worldwide to a quality education when she tells her inspiring story. Please join us on January 18th as we celebrate NCJW's history of service and salute the Dallas Women's Foundation for its pioneering work in advancing the role of children, women and families in North Texas. And, if you are inspired, then join our mighty corps of volunteers who are doing so much to advance early childhood education through the HIPPY program and to serve children in our six "adopted" West Dallas public elementary schools. We look forward to seeing you soon!

### 105TH BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018

Registration - 11:30 a.m. • Event - Noon
Hilton Anatole, 2201 N. Stemmons Fwy, Dallas, TX 75207
Tickets \$175 • Sponsorships Available
registration and sponsorship details available on-line at
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### Keynote Speaker Shiza Shahid

Shiza Shahid is a social entrepreneur, television personality, and a world-renown advocate for the right of every child to a quality education. Since she was 14 years old and living in her native Pakistan, Shahid has been an advocate and activist for girls' education and gender equality.



As a teen, she spent time working with children

born to women in prison and volunteered at a relief camp in the wake of a devastating earthquake in 2005. When she turned 18, Shahid received a scholarship to Stanford University and moved to California, but she never stopped reading about her home country, particularly the issues facing its women. She graduated from Stanford with University Distinction.

Shiza Shahid believes that education can change lives. Armed with that idea, Shahid played a key role in the creation of the Malala Fund after her friend, Malala Yousafzai, was shot in the face by the Taliban while sitting on a school bus. After the shooting, Shahid left her job as an analyst at McKinsey & Company to help found the Malala Fund, which seeks to empower girls through education and to ensure that every girl has access to quality schools and teachers.

Shahid has recently launched NOW Ventures which is a fund focused on supporting mission-driven startups whose financial success makes the world a better place.

Come hear Shahid talk about The Extraordinary Impact We Can Create – a personal talk about Shiza's journey and struggle to create social change. She will talk about her work with founding the Malala Fund and her mission to create scalable social change today; about how ordinary people can make extraordinary waves, and how each of us can become change makers.

### **OUR CONDOLENCES**

Dear NCJW Members and Friends,

We know you join with us in celebrating the life of **Vivian Castleberry** and in expressing our deepest sympathy to her family on their loss. One of Dallas' pioneer journalists, Vivian was equally well known as a leading activist for women's rights and



Adlene Harrison, Pat Peiser, Vivian Castleberry

international peace. Vivian died peacefully at her home on October 4th at the age of 95.

Vivian was also a loyal advocate, mentor and supporter of NCJW Dallas. In an article for the soon-to-be published history of our Section, Vivian wrote, "To read this book about the history of the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Dallas Section's first 100 years is to have a better understanding of the social, cultural and psychological changes that have moved Dallas forward in the last century."

Sincerely, Joyce and Suzi

# **Public Affairs**



### **Dallas Women's Foundation**

Dallas Women's Foundation, the world's largest regional women's fund, is the 2018 recipient of the NCJW's Pioneering Partner Award. The Foundation is being honored for its contributions to the Dallas community which are consistent with NCJW's mission by exhibiting strong leadership and an emphasis on collaboration between diverse groups and individuals.

At the center of Dallas Women's Foundation's philosophy is a core belief that investing in a woman creates a ripple effect which in turn lifts her family, her community and her world.

Since its inception in 1985, the Foundation has funded over 37 million dollars in grants promoting Economic Security, Health and Safety, Education and Leadership, while empowering women's philanthropy. These grants create opportunities, give voice to issues facing women and girls, unlock resources that improve education and quality of life, and cultivate women leaders of the future.

In 2003, Dallas Women's Foundation established itself as a leader in research by conducting "Out of the Shadows", a gender-specific indicator study detailing the lives of women in Dallas. Prior to this research, data viewed through a gender lens was not generally accessible. In addition, "Economic Issues for Women in Texas," were published in both 2014 and 2017. These studies identified education, childcare, health insurance and housing as essential building blocks of economic security and are a leading resource for informed, impactful action.

This research highlights the often difficult and insurmountable trade-off between what mothers can earn from working or continuing their education and what they must pay for childcare.

This led to the Foundation's creation of the Childcare Access Fund whose goal is improving access to high quality, reliable and affordable childcare in neighborhoods where low-income mothers live and work. Its first step has been to bridge the financial gap faced by so many while waiting to receive state childcare subsidies. This led to the Foundation's creation of the childcare access fund whose goal is improving access

Dallas Women's Foundation grants also fund health clinics regardless of immigration or documentation status throughout Dallas, Denton and Collin Counties. In addition, survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking benefit from grants to agencies addressing their needs.

In addition to grants, the Foundation also recognizes political advocacy as an important means for bringing about systemic change. Board members visit elected officials to share research that can affect state, local and business policies and social media updates keep supporters informed.

Dallas Women's Foundation will continue to increase its impact through strategic initiatives, community grants, the presentation of leadership forums, strengthening girls' leadership skills, advocacy and targeted research.

Congratulations to Dallas Women's Foundation, a true leader in our community.

# **Opening Meeting and Volunteer Fair September 26, 2017**





Guest speaker Liz Cedillo-Pereira Chairs Rhona Streit & Brynn Ginsberg



Opening Meeting



Volunteer Fair

# SAVETHE DATES -**HOT TOPICS**

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 "Immigration in Texas" Speakers: Sara Pappert and Cheryl Pollman

Thursday, February 22, 2018

Please watch your NCJW Dallas Eblasts for additional information about speakers, topics, times and locations. Please join us for an opportunity to learn as well as socialize with other NCJW members. Please feel free to ask your friends to join you as well. For more information, contact Nicole Gray at info@ ncjwdallas.org.

# **Public Affairs**

# **SPA REPORT**

October 2, 2017 marked the first day of a high-stakes US Supreme Court term. The Court will examine President Trump's Muslim ban, forced arbitration, religious discrimination, partisan gerrymandering, and much more. It will also reconsider at least two cases from last term now that it has a ninth (and presumably tie-breaking) member — Justice Neil Gorsuch. These are Supreme Court cases that NCJW will be watching this term:

Immigration: Trump v. Hawaii &

Trump v. International Refugee Assistance Project

The Supreme Court will consider the constitutionality of President Trump's executive order issued in March banning entry to the US from seven Muslim-majority countries for a period of 120 days, with some exceptions

Why NCJW is Watching: The Muslim ban is mired in xenophobia, discrimination, and hate. NCJW continues to fight its implementation and promote a fair and just policy for immigrants and refugees, regardless of religion. NCJW signed onto an amicus brief in support of Hawaii and the International Refugee Assistance Project.

Voting: Gill v. Whitford

In 2011, the Republican controlled legislature of Wisconsin implemented a redistricting plan. William Whitford, a retired law professor, challenged the plan in court, arguing that Wisconsin Republicans could control the legislature even if they lost the majority of popular support by "cracking" (dividing Democrats into different districts to prevent a majority) and "packing" (drawing districts around heavily Republican districts to rack up high vote margins). Last year, the district court ruled that the redistricting amounted to partisan gerrymandering and was thus unconstitutional. The Court will determine, among other things, whether it can rule on partisan gerrymandering claims, and if so, what test the Court should use to evaluate them.

Why NCJW is Watching: NCJW supports election laws, policies, and practices that ensure easy and equitable access and eliminate obstacles to the electoral process so that every vote counts and can be verified. NCJW signed onto an amicus brief in support of Whitford. Workers' Rights: National Labor Relations Board v. Murphy Oil USA

In three consolidated cases, the Supreme Court will address the right of private sector employees to band together. Specifically, the Court will determine whether employers can legally ask employees to waive their right to collective action, such as class action lawsuits, and instead participate only in individual arbitration (legally binding mediation) should an issue arise.

Why NCJW is Watching: NCJW has long worked for economic justice for low-income and working Americans. The right to take collective action, including class action lawsuits, is a vital protection for workers, regardless of union status.

**Privacy:** Carpenter v. United States

In 2011, four men were arrested on suspicion of involvement in a series of armed robberies. One man confessed and gave the FBI his cell phone number, along with the cell phone numbers of the other suspects. The FBI accessed their phone records with a judge's order, not a warrant, to log the movement and location of the suspects in relation to the robberies. Another suspect, Timothy Carpenter, was charged with aiding and abetting the robberies. He sued, arguing that the FBI needed to demonstrate probable cause and obtain a warrant in order to access his phone records. The Supreme Court will consider whether the Fourth Amendment's privacy protection against warrantless search and seizure extends to cell phone records.

Why NCJW is Watching: The right to privacy, deeply rooted in the US Constitution, is the legal foundation for the right to an abortion, LGBTQ equality, and other progressive ideals

Anti-Discrimination: Masterpiece Cakeshop Ltd. v. Colorado

In 2012, the owner of Masterpiece Cakeshop, refused to bake a cake for the wedding celebration of a gay couple. Phillips claimed that his religious beliefs as a Christian prevented him from designing a cake for a same-sex wedding, and that compelling him to make the cake was a violation of his religious freedom. He also argued that his custom cakes were a form of free expression protected under the First Amendment. The Colorado Civil Rights Commission ruled against Phillips for discriminating against the couple on the basis of sexual orientation, which is not permitted under the state's public accommodations law. The Supreme Court will determine whether enforcing public accommodations laws violates the First Amendment.

Why NCJW is Watching: A democratic society and its people must value diversity and promote mutual understanding and respect for all. This case will set a precedent in future cases in which businesses defy civil rights laws on the grounds of their personal religious beliefs. NCJW joined an amicus brief in support of the Colorado Civil Rights Commission.

We hope that you had the opportunity to vote in the November 7 election. Please watch the NCJW eblasts for timely news on legislative action.

# Membership

NCJW's Opening Meeting on September 26th, at Dallas City Hall, included lunch, an address by Liz Cedillo-Pereira on immigration issues in Dallas, and the first Volunteer Fair. This effort to more actively engage our members gave attendees a chance to learn more about NCJW's community service programming and to sign up for projects in which they were interested. The Membership Committee will coordinate matching the volunteer's interest with the appropriate Project Chair and following up to make sure contact is made. To ensure new members are welcomed, the membership Stewards will be calling all new members to answer questions about the organization. This year's Stewards are Beth Stromberg, Joanne Blum, Rossi Solomon, and Linda Margolies.

Andrea and Loren Weinstein opened their home for a tasting of Israeli wines on October 2. This membership event attracted eight new members who joined other Section members in learning about wines from Israel. Joshua Greenstone, a VP of the International Wine Producers Association, described attributes of the various wines tasted and gave historical background on the wineries. All the wine was donated by Southern Glazers and Royal Wine. A special thanks to Andrea and Loren for their hospitality, as well as to Robin and Louis Zweig who helped secure the speaker and the wines.

If you would like to volunteer to help welcome our new members or to work on a Membership Event, please contact Amy Schachter at amyishappy@gmail.com or Ellen Lasser at ellen.lasser@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Melanie Okon - Annual Suzanne Stirnweis - Annua Kathy Fine – Life Roz Prupes – Life As of October 31, 2017

# Community Service

### **LITERACY ACHIEVES**

### (formerly VMLC - Vickery Meadow Learning Center)

VMLC is now Literacy Achieves! While the name may have changed, its mission of Changing Lives Through Literacy continues....

Says former student Blanca: "I came to the United States from Mexico. When my children were born I realized how important the English language was in our lives. I was looking for a place where I could study and bring my children. I found Literacy Achieves and our lives have improved considerably.

I can speak and understand English. I feel confident when I go somewhere and nobody speaks Spanish especially at my children's school and doctor's offices. I can read with my children and I can help them with their homework. My two little boys can speak and understand English also. My older one Daniel is taking regular classes in English and doing very well. His development is as good as his friends who speak English only. My little one Cesar started to recognize the colors and named them when he was 18 months old. He loves that I read to him in English. He can speak and understand English as well as his brother. I am so proud of my children's successes and thankful to Literacy Achieves for the opportunity to achieve our dreams."

Literacy Achieves and its dedicated volunteer teachers, including many NCJW members, are helping students like Blanca gain self-confidence and work toward their dreams. Literacy Achieves core mission is improving English literacy and life skills among immigrant and refugee families. The agency serves more than 1000 adults and 300 children each year at three campuses - in the Vickery Meadow neighborhood, West Dallas, and ELM-East Dallas, all areas of need for these services.

Literacy Achieves operates on a semester basis, in fall (September – December) and spring (January – April). Teachers volunteer one day (2 hours) per week – at morning, afternoon or evening classes, Monday through Thursday. All classes are co-taught, with training and curriculum provided. Teaching experience and foreign language skills are <u>not</u> required. In addition to English language, volunteers teach citizenship classes. There are also summer school classes in June. *Substitutes are needed on an ongoing basis* – for those who would like to "get their feet wet" before committing to a regular class time or who are unable to commit to a regular time.

Volunteers attest to the positive impact that teaching at Literacy Achieves has had on them, as well as on the students, mentioning the strong bonds that form between students and teachers and the sense of community that is fostered. NCJW member DJ Kassanoff has taught ESL for five years at the Literacy Achieves campus in West Dallas. Watching her students grasp new concepts and gain confidence inspires DJ. I love what I do," she says, "because I just love to see my students learn. I am amazed at everything that students receive at Literacy Achieves. The children can attend school at the same time as their parents ... and the families receive referrals for many services they need."

"Come and watch us. Sit in on a class," DJ encourages prospective volunteers. "See for yourself how inspiring connecting with students at Literacy Achieves can be."

NCJW volunteers have been at Literacy Achieves almost since its inception in 1997, both as teachers and as members of its board of directors, with Lynn Goldstein, Joni Cohan and Gayle Johansen having served as board presidents. In 2016, Cheryl Pollman received Literacy Achieves Marnie Wildenthal Literacy Legacy Award in recognition of the dedication and passion she has shared with students over many years, teaching a variety of class levels, as well as civics and citizenship classes. Cheryl also served on the board of directors from 2007 to 2013.

NCJW honored Literacy Achieves with the Pioneering Partner Award, citing its major contributions to the Dallas community consistent with NCJW's mission and initiatives and its strong leadership in bringing together and working with diverse groups and individuals.

Are you inspired to volunteer? Contact Liz Harling, Director of Adult Programs: 214-265-5057; lharling@LiteracyAchieves.org.



Hello Israel volunteers: (Back Row-Left to Right) Jo Reingold, Susie Avnery, Phyllis Somer, Barbara Schwarz; (Front Row-Left to Right) Denise Bookatz, Jeanine Chavenson, Daphna Weber

# Hello Israel...More than 30 years of Community Service

Hello Israel is a national volunteer program that has been introducing 6th graders to the country of Israel for over 30 years. The presentation is entertaining and interactive, supplementing the school's curriculum on the Middle East.

After a brief training, volunteers work in pairs, using scripts and PowerPoint slides. Students learn about the history, geography, culture, and language of Israel and the region. Aside from its educational benefits, the goal is to present

Israel and its people in a positive light by simply stating thefacts. No religious or political biases are ever expressed.

Of greatest interest is the "Cool Facts About Israel". Students are surprised to learn that Israel has been the leader behind the development of the original cell phone, voicemail, thumb drives, and many more things that we use on a regular basis. And students are enthralled to learn about recent innovations such as the Pill Cam, ReWalk technology, and numerous other scientific and medical breakthroughs. On display are items from Israel including menus, coins, Dead Sea salts, soda cans and wrapped gum. These products all bear familiar brand names spelled out in Hebrew.

Time permitting, the program concludes with the students practicing and learning the Hora, a traditional Israeli dance.

Currently being presented at numerous schools in the Dallas and Richardson ISDs, Hello Israel is always looking for additional adult volunteers for its educational community service projects. With a time commitment of about two hours per session, volunteers have the benefit of choosing dates and schools for their volunteer work.

We would love to have you volunteer for this incredible program where you can help shape the lives of children. Please contact Denise Bookatz at dbookatz@tx.rr.com or Jo Reingold at jo114711@att.net to get involved.

# Community Service

### HIPPY

NCJW Dallas's HIPPY program is multi faceted. In addition to escorting hundreds of preschool age children and their parents on 40 plus fields trips a year, NCJW Dallas offers scholarships to deserving graduating seniors in the DISD, IISD, and RISD. In order to qualify for a NCJW Dallas scholarship, the graduating senior must have been in the HIPPY program as a preschooler. Choosing our recipients is a difficult task because there are so many deserving students. However, after evaluating all of the applications, we chose these six graduates based on merit and need. Now our six are college bound with a scholarship from NCJW Dallas. They were all from low-income families, all in AP classes, all received college credits while in high school and all have somehow managed to have a job, volunteer in their community and participate in extra-curricular activities while maintaining their grades. We visited with each one and know that we made the right decision in awarding them NCJW scholarships. They have all expressed appreciation and each one has endeared him/herself to us. So, meet our HIPPY scholarship recipients as we share a quote from each application. I think you will be proud of our choices.

Azucena Cortez Pedroza - University of Texas-Tyler; GPA-3.82; Dream job-nurse. "The fulfillment of self-worth and purpose from knowing that I will physically, emotionally, and mentally aid those in need, is what motivates me to thrive. I have no doubt that in a few years, all of my effort, sleepless nights, and hard



work will pay off with this rewarding career."

Azucena Cortez Pedroza

Cindy Gomez

Cindy Gomez - Sterling College, Sterling, KS; GPA-4.0; Dream Job-Physical Therapist and will be studying kinesiology. Her mom, who has never missed a day of work, is her role model. "HIPPY gave a sense of hope to my parents for my future and inspired them to keep working hard for me."

David Cardenas - University of Texas in Arlington; GPA-88.0; Dream job-Mechanical Engineer; High School Drum Major; He and his dad rebuilt a car that was not running. "I live in an apartment with my dad so there are always younger kids outside playing. I like to go outside with my gasoline powered RC car and teach them how to take it apart



Perla Armijo and David Cardenas

and how each part functions. I have now seen many kids building their own little RC cars which makes me proud to see them doing things I only dreamed of at their age. I believe I have not only taught them new skills but also I was able to inspire them with their own projects



and to think innovatively." Though divorced, his mom was a strong force for him. She was a HIPPY Home Instructor who has just received her BA in Education.

Lizbeth Fonseca - University of Texas-Dallas; GPA-3.65; Will be studying Finance and Accounting; "I love what the National Council of Jewish Women stands for. HIPPY has a domino effect that starts out small but is sure to change the lives of many, many who are unrepresented minorities and open the eager minds of children.

Perla Armijo - Dallas County Community College; GPA-83.6; Dream job-Teacher (studying Communication); "My mom has volunteered since I was in elementary school. Seeing what she has done has made me want to do the same. It has helped me see what happens around my community. My dad works a lot but he was always at my school activities as was my mom. They have shown me how important it is to be supportive of my activities." "My mom has organized times to feed the homeless for Thanksgiving. With her, I helped collect toys and clothes to donate."



Vy Le - University of Houston; GPA-3.5; Dream job-Physician; 'As I failed to consistently keep count of the numerical system, my HIPPY Home Instructor encouraged me to pick up where I left off. "Failure is only a failure when you stop trying," she said." "That same Home Instructor took a picture of me smiling and that became my first portrait. To this day, I keep that with me as a reminder that someone hadn't given up on me." Her mom, also, was her role model. For

18 years, she woke at 5 AM and did not come home until 9PM. That work ethic has left a vivid impression on Vy.

Please join us this year as a HIPPY volunteer and help shape another group of HIPPY children and their families. Carol Tobias 972-365-3382; Syl Benenson-620-2212 Feel free to call either of us!



Too many older adults struggle with being able to afford a healthy and balanced diet. The Senior Hunger Action Team of the Dallas Coalition for Hunger Solutions and the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Dallas Section have developed a fun and interactive presentation for seniors that is designed to assist them in eating well on a limited budget, with a focus on how the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other community nutrition resources can help them supplement their grocery budget.

As an extension of the Section's Food+Fit=Fun program, members Kyra Effren and Marlene Cohen have been diligently working on incorporating the Eating Well is a SNAP! program. (EWS!) The program has been presented at senior centers and housing complexes throughout the Dallas County. A team of three volunteers gives a forty-five-minute presentation that includes informative and colorful materials, food-related giveaways, and someone to assist seniors if they want to apply for SNAP.

Volunteers are needed to expand EWS! Join with other volunteers and become an EWS! Presenter. Caring about the well-being of older adults, the ability to speak to a group, and a very small knowledge of nutrition are needed to participate. Training by Kyra (who is the best!) is provided. Presentations are scheduled about once or twice a month. You will be asked to commit to at least two during the year.

A recent expansion of the program includes giving attendees fresh produce. If you love to shop, this is the job for you! Volunteers are needed to obtain the produce and deliver it to either the program site on the morning of the presentation or to the Texas Hunger Initiative Coordinator the day before. This is a very easy way to show you care.

For more information, please contact the NCJW office at info@ ncjwdallas.org or 214.368.4405.

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# Congratulations Kathy & Alan Freeman on your Golden Wedding Anniversary

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Congratulations to Kathy & Alan Freeman on your 50th Wedding Anniversary

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In honor of Kristen Fagelman on receiving the Emerging Leader Award

Robin Zweig

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Bette W. Miller

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As of October 31, 2017

# Fund Development

NCJW Greater Dallas has a tremendous reputation for Community Service. We have played a leading role in serving the Dallas community throughout our 105 year history. If there is a need in the community that involves women, children and families we jump right in, find a solution and move forward. History has shown that in many cases, once a program is well established, we pass it on to partners in the community to operate as a stand-alone nonprofit. Dallas CASA is one example. We then investigate the next area of critical need where we can make a difference.

Soon we will celebrate this proud history at our annual Birthday Luncheon on January 18, 2018. We are grateful for all of our members and supporters who contribute and help us raise these funds every year.

Today, revenues from our Birthday Luncheon are our major source of income to support our operating budget. Additional sources of revenue include membership dues, foundation and corporate grants, in-kind donations and individual gifts. We also rely on annual allocations from six Tribute Funds whose monies are designated for their restricted purpose. These funds are: The Grace L. Florence Fund (services for the elderly), The Rita O. Black Fund (family life), The Minnie Hexter Milk Fund (feeding the hungry), The Reba M. Wadel Scholarship Fund (scholarships for social work students), The Hippy Fund (supports our early childhood education project), and The Israel Granting Fund (supports NCJW's work in Israel). Contributions to these funds are an easy and thoughtful way to honor someone, to thank someone, or to express sympathy on the loss of a loved one. We also are fortunate to have two endowed funds that support our work: the S.H.A.R.E. Fund for new or expanded education, community service or public affairs projects, and the ENDOW Fund.

However, in order to have a greater impact in our community and to ensure our future, we must broaden our base of support and create a year-round development plan with multiple strategies. So where and how do we do this?

The two Vice Presidents of Fund Development are tasked with overseeing this responsibility We, along with our Fund Development/Membership Consultant, Executive Director, and Board of Directors are working very hard on developing a plan to ensure that we will be financially sound for the next 105 years. In the near future, you will be hearing about a project whose goal is to have significant individual yearly donations. It is the hope that over time this concept of sustained giving will allow us to make a greater impact in our community. Future ideas may include some kind of social enterprise or community fundraising event.

With your help and commitment, NCJW will continue to be just as strong in the future as it is today. Our goal, as the Fund Development VPs, is for NCJW to have greater resources enabling us to do more volunteer work to fulfill the unmet needs of the Greater Dallas Community.

Elaine Bernstein and Erin Zopolsky - Co-Fund Development Vice Presidents

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### December

- 5 Executive Committee Meeting-JCC/Mankoff Meeting Room, 10 AM 12 PM
- 7 3rd Nominating Committee Meeting 10:00AM 12:00PM Home of Phyllis Somer
- 12 Board of Directors Meeting- JCC Fruhman Hall, 10 AM 12 PM
- 13 Hot Topic & Volunteer Fair "Literacy & Immigration" Sara Papert & Cheryl Pollman
- 13 First night of Chanukah
- 14 Hot Topic & Volunteer Fair TBD
- 25 Christmas Day Office Closed

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- 9 Executive Committee Meeting JCC/Mankoff Meeting Room, 10 AM 12 PM\*\*
- 11 PACE Orientation for Project Chairs 10:00 12:00- ICC
- 15 Martin Luther King Day Office Closed
- 18 105th Birthday Luncheon Hilton Anatole Dallas, 11:30 AM 1 PM, featuring: Shiza Shahid, co-founder of the Malala Fund
- 30 Open Board Meeting & General Meeting Speaker: Beatrice Kahn President, NCIW, Inc.

### **February**

- 13 Executive Committee Meeting– JCC/Mankoff Meeting Room, 10AM-12PM\*\*
- 22 Hot Topic & Volunteer Fair TBD In partnership with the Dallas Holocaust Museum
- 28 PACE Committee Orientation JCC 10:00 12:00

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