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A Faith in the Future. A Belief in Action.

NCJW Installation of Officers for 2006



Bonnie Herst
Incoming President, Career Branch



Diane Statham
*Incoming President,
West Houston Evening Branch*



Joy Wagman
*Incoming President,
Concerned Young Women Branch*

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Presidium's Message

By the time that you receive this Bulletin, the presidium will have almost served a term. It has been a very busy year and fulfilling for us. Our only regret is that Janet Frost was not able to participate in the duties of the presidium after complications due to open heart surgery this past fall. We are grateful that she continues to recover and look forward to her involvement soon in many of our activities.

We have 75 new members that have joined Greater Houston Section. All of our programs have been outstanding. The Bulletin has been a work of art with very comprehensive articles along with many published outside articles. We have worked hard to increase our name recognition in the community. We have so many wonderful community service projects that we have supported throughout the year thanks to the success of our major fundraiser, the Starlight Ball. Through the generosity of our members, other Sections, families, and friends, we were able to establish the Katrina Assistance Fund which has already helped five families devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Our special interest groups have increased dramatically with a tremendous following for each. We have tirelessly worked through public affairs/advocacy to have our collective voice heard and make a difference in our community, country, and world. We have printed a new Directory this year and will publish any submitted corrections in each Bulletin. Our revised Bylaws and Policies & Procedures have been approved by our National organization. We continue to build our general member e-mail listing and encourage any of our members to send us your e-mail address for inclusion.

In September, the presidium, Branch presidents, and our national commissioners attended Leaders' Retreat in New Jersey. Sixteen of



Janet Frost, Marcia Pappert, Eileen Silverman, Gloria Gordon

our leaders attended Leadership Conference in Chicago in March and are eager to maintain the momentum that we have seen and felt this year.

With the identified need for change, our strategic planning process is well underway. Our hired consultant has had several meetings with our leadership as well as focus groups to help us identify the necessary changes that we will have to make to ensure our continued success. On-line questionnaires are also going out to board members as well as general members for additional input. If we don't have your e-mail address and you would like to

participate, please send it to ncjwhouston@yahoo.com.

We have received a lot of help from our wonderful Branch Presidents Arlene, Pam, and Sallye, along with the Section Board as well as the Branch Boards. And a very special thank you to all of our past presidents who have made themselves available to us this year and have been so supportive of all of our efforts. To everyone who has worked on behalf of NCJW Greater Houston Section, our deepest appreciation.

Eileen, Gloria, Janet, and Marcia



Programming

Election of officers for 2006-07

Election of officers for 2006-07 will be held at the next general meeting on April 28th, 2006. The nominating committee has worked diligently to fill the positions needed to ensure the continued smooth operation of the Greater Houston Section. Those in attendance will also vote on newly revised by-laws and policies and procedures. E-mail ncjwhouston@yahoo.com or call our voice mail at 713-667-5694 if you would like to receive a copy.

After taking care of business, the group will enjoy a presentation by Alison Cook, restaurant critic for *The Houston Chronicle*. She'll tell us about her background, how she got to be a restaurant critic, the criteria she uses to judge, some juicy "inside stories" about the business, including fascinating anecdotes, observations and insights. We're looking forward to an exciting morning on the 28th.

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, May 10th, for our annual installation dinner. This year's event will be held at the Hotel Derek, 2525 West Loop South (at Westheimer) at a cost of \$35 per person. There will be complimentary valet parking, providing easy access for all. Hope to see you there.

Halley Trevas
Co-VP for Programming

Diane Statham Incoming President, West Houston Evening Branch

Diane Statham has been a member of NCJW since 2003. She has served on the West Houston Evening Branch Board as VP-Public Affairs, has chaired the Investment Committee of the Greater Houston Section and has participated in our Gala Fundraising Event. She has attended Day on the Hill and Washington Institute where she contributed to the advocacy efforts of our Section.

Diane belongs to and participates in two synagogues, Temple Sinai and Congregation Beth Yeshurun. Also, she has been active with the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston on their Mission to Israel 2005, Collage Luncheons, and on Super Sunday 2006.

Diane has a financial planning practice as a franchisee with Ameriprise Financial. She holds a B.A. in Political Science/History and an M.B.A with concentrations in accounting and finance. She is both a CPA and CFP (Certified Financial Planner). She is proud to be a graduate of the JCC Melton School and holds a certificate of completion from Hebrew University in Adult Jewish Learning. >

Joy Wagman Incoming President, Concerned Young Women Branch

Joy Wagman is thrilled to be taking on the presidency of Concerned Young Women. She has been an active member of CYW for the past 5 years, serving as Programming Vice President, Recording Secretary, and helping out with everything in between. She had also attended this year's National Leader-

Upcoming Events

April

- 24 Daytime Book Circle – 9:45 A.M.
- 24 WHEB Program Meeting – 7:30 P.M.
- 25 Evening Book Circle – 7:30 P.M.
- 26 CYW Board Meeting – 7:00 P.M.
- 28 Section Program Meeting – 9:30 A.M.
- 30 CB Lee K. Feine/ Daniel Mattis
Scholarship Brunch – 10:30 A.M.

May

- 1 Section Board Meeting – 9:30 A.M.
- 1 WHEB Board Meeting – 7:30 P.M.
- 3 CYW Monthly Event – 7:00 P.M.
- 8 WHEB Book Circle – 7:30 P.M.
- 9 CB Board Meeting – 7:30 P.M.
- 10 Installation Of Officers – Hotel Derek 6:30 P.M.
- 11 Relax And Relate – 7:00 P.M.
- 16 CB Program Meeting – 7:30 P.M.
- 22 Daytime Book Circle – 9:45 A.M.
- 24 CYW Board Transition – 7:00 P.M.
- 30 Evening Book Circle – 7:30 P.M.

June

- 5 WHEB End Of Year Dinner – 7:30 P.M.

*CB - Career Branch, CYW - Concerned Young Women,
WHEB - West Houston Evening Branch,
Section - Greater Houston Section NCJW*

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Programming

Hannah G. Solomon Awards Luncheon



Honorees: Kathryn Peek and Hana Ginzburg

Dr. Kathryn Peek's very specific focus on women's health issues and **Hana Ginzburg's** adventures in preserving our environment might have surprised Hannah G. Solomon (1858-1942). However, the recipients of the 2006 Hannah G. Solomon Awards who addressed these 21st century concerns and made a profound difference would have been admired and appreciated by the founder of National Council of Jewish Women.

At its annual Hannah G. Solomon Awards Luncheon held at The Houston Racquet Club on February 26, members and guests learned how and why Dr. Peek founded the Texas Medical Center Women's Health Network and brings awareness of the unique health needs of women to the Texas Legislature caucus and to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Women's Health. The audience also had the opportunity, to meet and applaud Hana Ginzburg, creator of the Armand Bayou Nature Center and the founder of the Nature Discovery Center in Bellaire. She continues as an activist in addressing environmental issues facing the

community. The honorees were introduced by **Dr. Joey Weiner Fisher**, a past honoree, and **Cookie Portnoy**, a past president of the Greater Houston Section.

National Council of Jewish Women Greater Houston Section is especially appreciative of the generous contributions received in honor of these women and their accomplishments. Event co-chairs **Rosine Chappell** and **Ann Oppman** thank the steering committee, and are most grateful to the following for their help: **Barbara Entman-Synnott** (publicity), **Terry Hausner** (invitations and programs), **Ann Reva Jacobson**, **Bernice Kaufman**, **Barbara Sadof**, **Halley Trevas** (mailing), **Ronnie Harrison** (centerpieces), **Arlene Baker** (set up of registration and hostessing) with help from **Diane Dante**, **Carol Goldfarb**, **Eileen Muslin** and others.

We are also grateful to Charlotte Goldberg who voluntarily taped the event and gifted each of the honorees, as well as NCJW, with a tape. Last but not least, the support and guidance of **Eileen Silverman**, Presidium member, and **Beverly Sufian**, past honoree, were essential. >



Back: Dr. Joey Weiner Fisher, Gloria Gordon, Marcia Pappert
Front: Ann Oppman, Eileen Silverman, Kathryn Peek, Hana Ginzburg, Cookie Portnoy and Rosine Chappell

**HOUSTON SECTION OF
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
2005-2006 SLATE OF OFFICERS**

Greater Houston Section Slate

Co-Presidents

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Halley Trevas

VP Community Service

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Open

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Calendar

Marcia Pappert

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Hospitality

Zahava Haenosh
Bonnie Edelstein

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Membership - Diane Dante
Fundraising - Phyllis Ullman

Special Interest

Marion Rosenwald

Advisors

Evelyn Leightman
Marcia Pappert

For over a century, NCJW has been at the forefront of social change. NCJW members and supporters 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 — impacting the lives of women, children, and families in the US and Israel.

**HOUSTON SECTION OF
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
2005-2006 SLATE OF OFFICERS**

**Career Branch
Slate**

President
Bonnie Herst

Adm. In. Assistant & VP
Open

VP Programming
Leda Karchmer
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Linda Suib

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Jan DiGann
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Ann Oppman
Lena Malacoff

VP Public Relations
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Corresponding Secretary
Brenda Sherman

Liaison
Bernice Kaufman

Advisor
Pam Geyer

Director Hospitality
Bernice Loftus

**West Houston Evening
Branch Slate**

President
Diane Statham

VP Administrative
Kathy Silverberg

VP Membership
Karen Olener
Diana Sechler

VP Community Service
Open

VP Programming
Terrie Roth

VP Fundraising
Jennifer Muslin Claridge

VP Public Affairs
Rachel Garner

VP Public Relations
Nancy Reingold

Treasurer/Financial Secretary
Deborah Zale

Corresponding Secretary
Dale Eisenshtat

Recording Secretary
Ann Glasser

Special Interest / Book Circle
Marsha Block

Programing Hospitality
Open

E-News
Pat Farnell

Public Affairs/News Alerts
Estelle Weissburg

Fundraising/Tribute Cards
Roslyn Metchis

Advisor
Arlene Baker

Directors
Eileen Muslin
Linda Katz

**Concerned Young
Women Branch Slate**

President
Joy Wagman

VP Communications
Heidi Balentine

VP Community Service
Jill Chesnick
Melissa Peskin

VP Fundraising
Meagan Friedman
Robyn Burck

**VP Membership &
Corresponding Secretary**
Rebecca Block

**VP Membership & Financial
Secretary**
Terri Duchen

VP Programming
Elysa Goldman
Emily Lepow
Morgan Warren

VP Public Affairs
Jennifer Handy

Recording Secretary
Shoshana Katzeff

Treasurer
Robyn Glasser

Relax & Relate
Hannah Love
Tamara Cohen
Sarah Gibbs

Director
Francyne Jacobs

Advisor
Sallye Wolf

Branch News

Career Branch

President's Message

These past two years as President of Career Branch have been very special to me. I thank my Board team for their hard work; and I thank all the volunteers who've helped to make the year go well.

A summary of some of our accomplishments this year:

- 1 At the beginning of the fiscal year, we had our transition Board meeting that included goal setting for the year.
- 2 We kicked off the year with a big membership event that featured Bill Balleza, News Anchor of Channel 2, who gave us the "real" story of how the news gets prioritized and reported.
- 3 We had several different kinds of fundraising events that we've had in previous years, which included a trip to Louisiana, and a "Stay at Home Event". We have one or two more planned as this goes to print.
- 4 Programming has been excellent, with many innovative speakers at our monthly membership meetings, and the joint meeting with West Houston Evening Branch.
- 5 At press time, Community Service is diligently working on our annual Scholarship Luncheon (renamed from Lee K. Feine Scholarship Luncheon). This year we established the Daniel Mattis Scholarship Fund in memory of Anita and Al Mattis' son. We have contributed to other causes, including Hillel to support their Shabbat dinners.

I want to especially thank all those who do behind-the-scenes work to make all these events happen (and any events I may have inadvertently overlooked), including our Directors and all the other Board and committee members.

I'm still feeling inspired and motivated by the Leadership Conference in Chicago, in March, which 16 of us attended from Houston. Our presence is noticeable at these national events. If you haven't gone, I really encourage you to go to one of the yearly events. We learned much and we hope to use the knowledge and skills to further our work here, and help guide us through our strategic planning.

Some highlights for me were: being in the presence of strong and solidly connected Jewish women with the same values and goals, and stands on social change issues.

Some of the issues/topics we participated in included:

- 1 The organization is strong and solid at the National level with a lot of advocacy taking place in Washington. The organization is changing, with strategic planning that has developed in the past couple of years coming to fruition. It's noticeable and things are moving forward at the National level, as well as locally.
- 2 Breakout sessions on tools to bring back to help our sections and branches work more efficiently and effectively.
- 3 We heard from the NCJW representative in Israel who started the Women's Studies Program at Tel Aviv University, and how the work there focuses on sexism within the society and the religion.
- 4 There were issue-based breakout sessions, where we got new ideas from hands-on tools, working within a framework of exchanging ideas and brainstorming such issues as separation of church and state, and stem cell research, reproductive choice, as well as others.

As my presidency winds down, I don't intend to be a passive past-president. I'm proud to be a part of this wonderful organization, and work with so many progressive women. Thank you all.

Pam Geyer, President
Career Branch

Branch News

Career Branch

Career Branch Announces a New Scholarship

A college scholarship will be awarded annually by National Council of Jewish Women Career Branch to honor the memory of **Daniel Lee Mattis**.

Daniel, the son of past president of NCJW Career Branch **Anita Mattis** and her husband **Alan Mattis**, passed away in 2004 at age 21. Daniel was a senior at the University of Houston. He was a kind, selfless, good-natured young man, who loved and found the best in all people. He exemplified the values and beliefs of NCJW, embraced Jewish family values, advocated to improve the quality of life for women, children and families, and strived to ensure individual rights and freedom for all.

Daniel volunteered at the Veterans Administration and at the University of Houston, providing guidance and assistance where needed.

It is Career Branch's honor and pleasure to contribute an annual tuition scholarship to a deserving candidate who will fulfill Daniel Mattis' promise and dreams.

Proceeds of sales of Daniel Lee Mattis Tribute Cards, as well as individual donations to the fund, will be the basis for the award to be presented at Career Branch's annual luncheon. This April 30th, and in future years, NCJW Career Branch will be proud to award scholarships in memory of both Dr. Lee K. Feine, who re-activated NCJW in Houston, and in memory of an exemplary young man, Daniel Lee Mattis.

For Tribute Cards contact Carol Goldfarb – 713-726-8745, or Caroleo382@aol.com >

Career Branch – West Houston Branches

Annual Joint Meeting – Outstanding

On Tuesday, March 21st, Career Branch and West Houston Evening Branch held their annual joint meeting at the home of Barbara Elk.

The highlight of the evening was an outstanding talk about religious diversity in Houston and religious tolerance globally and personally, by Dr. Jill Carroll, Assistant Director of the Boniuk Center for the Study and Advancement of Religion and Tolerance at Rice University.

A stimulating and engaging speaker Dr. Carroll gave her audience, which consisted of over 45 members and guests, much to ponder regarding their own actions, speech and thoughts. Having her address NCJW's joint meeting was something special. >

Community Service Projects

The Community Service Vice Presidents and their committee will be considering projects for next year. Please submit a completed application for funding new or existing projects by June 30, 2006. Applications need to be completed for any requests whether they are for volunteers only, for funding, or for both.

You may request an application from Judy Rosenstock at 713-621-3630 or Tlcdrjudy@aol.com.

Please send completed applications to Judy Rosenstock, 1000 Uptown Park Blvd. #141, Houston, TX 77056

Freshen up your cooking routine with

The Urban Gourmet II

A cookbook full of recipes from NCJW members and friends

Created by the Concerned Young Women branch of
National Council of Jewish Women

ORDER YOURS NOW FOR MOTHERS DAY!

A great gift for moms, grandmas, sisters, in-laws and friends, the CYW cookbook containing 350 new recipes offers appetizing and unique fare that is sure to whet your appetite... and urge you to *leap* into the kitchen!

Don't miss this great opportunity to indulge in the art of cooking while supporting CYW's community service projects!

Just fill out the form below and return it via mail (with a check).

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

I would like to order _____ cookbooks at **\$20** each.

Package deal: I would like to order _____ Urban Gourmet I and II for **\$35**.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ made payable to **NCJW-CYW**.

Please charge \$ _____ to my credit card:

Type of Card: Visa MC

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

Please mail form and payment to Elysa Goldman, 5151 Edloe, #11310, Houston, TX 77005.
Questions? Contact Elysa at concernedyoungwomen@yahoo.com or 713-248-7771

Orders may be placed at any time throughout the year.

Branch News

Concerned Young Women

President's Message

I cannot believe my two years as President are coming to a close! It is hard not to think about how my personal life has paralleled during this time.

When I took office in May 2004, I had been dating my now fiancée for eight months... eleven months shy of our engagement. We were learning a lot about each other, testing our compatibility and building a healthy foundation.

Everything mentioned is essential to the workings of a thriving board... and it rings true especially with the solid leadership of Concerned Young Women. I could not be more pleased with how much we have accomplished and what the future holds.

Our success would not have been possible without my incredible Board... **Rebecca Block, Dena Buchalter, Stephanie Burdine, Jill Chesnick, Meagan Friedman, Robyn Glasser, Elysa Goldman, Jennifer Handy, Hannah Loev, Heather Pesikoff, Melissa Peskin, Lynda Sanders, Tiffany Schreiber, Brenlee Selchen, Joy Wagman and Jennifer Weiner.** Thank you so much for your dedication, creativity and especially, your time as a volunteer. I cannot thank you enough!

Because of our top notch programming, including our most recent community service project with Brighter Futures and Hope Stone, Inc., we are 100 members strong with great potential. Next year's slate of officers comprises four of our 25 new members, 5 general members and ten current board members.

I know CYW's next president **Joy Wagman** will see to it that her goals come to fruition: (1) Grow membership; (2) Implement exciting new programs and partnerships; and (3) Do her part to develop the future leadership of NCJW Greater Houston Section.

In a short time, we will welcome new leadership onto the Board as well as bid farewell to a few officers whose terms are ending. During this transition process, I look to the seasoned board members to help prepare these new leaders for their roles. I am looking forward to working with everyone this coming year... as Advisor!

Sallye Wolf, President
Concerned Young Women



*Sallye Wolf, Jill Chesnick
and Joy Wagman present
Greater Houston Section check to
Brighter Futures representative,
Ardis Eichhorn*

Branch News Concerned Young Women

Concerned Young Women Team Up With Hope Stone, Inc. To Host Teens From Planned Parenthood's Brighter Futures

On March 15, 2006, the Concerned Young Women Branch of NCJW joined nearly 20 teens from the Brighter Futures program of Planned Parenthood for an evening of dance at Hope Center, the dance studio of Hope Stone, Inc.

Brighter Futures is a holistic teen pregnancy prevention program that engages approximately 20 students daily in an afternoon program that includes: job club and career awareness; family life and responsible sex education; medical services; mental health services; education assistance and tutoring; performing and expressive arts; and lifetime sports.

Hope Stone, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose mission is to present performance art to the Houston community through their dance and theater ensemble, their dance classes and their outreach program for children at risk. Executive Director Jane Weiner, a professional dancer and choreographer, led the groups in a series of warm up exercises and then invited them to create their own dance by piecing together segments of dance patterns.

Participants from both groups enjoyed the opportunity to spend the evening together and to express themselves artistically. Concerned Young Women and Brighter Futures would like to thank Jane Weiner for sharing her artistic talent and the space at the Hope Center to create a wonderful evening for all who participated.

Rebecca Block
VP, Communications
Concerned Young Women



Concerned Young Women members, Sallye Wolf, Lori Slater, Joy Wagman, Rebecca Block, Francyne Jacobs, Jill Chesnick, Leah Abrams, and Melissa Peskin pose with Ardis Eichhorn (Brighter Futures - bottom left), several Brighter Futures kids and Jane Weiner (Executive Director, Hope Stone - bottom right).

Branch News

West Houston Evening Branch

President's Message

*"We shall not cease from exploration,
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time." – T.S. Eliot*

That is the way I feel now as my Presidency draws to a close. When asked to take the office of President, I felt honored and surprised and a little bit concerned that I did not know enough about NCJW to lead adequately. But **Gloria Gordon** and **Eileen Muslin** were there to provide sound guidance, and in time I absorbed what I needed to know about our amazing organization. However, I am still learning.

It has been an exciting, stimulating two years. I leave with feelings of ambivalence. I've enjoyed the meetings; I have enjoyed the new friendships; I have been invigorated and energized by the work we've done together. I've even come to terms with my computer.

My work as a member of our Section and Branch is not over; there is much I will have time to do now that I'm not busy with details. But it is hard to give over the reins to another even though I know Diane Statham will do a fine job. It's like sending your child off to college; I'm not responsible, but it's hard to let go.

I was fortunate to have had a wonderful Board during both years. **Kathy Silverberg** was my right hand and was always one step ahead of me. I told the Nominating Committee I would take the position only if I had strong Programming VP's. **Marsha Block** and **Ann Glasser** hit the ground running and never looked back.; they were fantastic. And **Debbie Simon** complemented them by acting as hostess. **Diana Stechler** took great minutes; I received them almost before I got home from the Board meeting. **Jennifer Muslin Claridge** and **Linda Katz** kept the money rolling in, in spite of the Chanukah candles and the Entertainment Books; and now we have a Gourmet Club. **Pat Farnell** was spectacular as the editor of our E-Newsletter. It was a successful way to communicate to all our members, and I am so pleased she got it started during my term. It also gave our Board members an opportunity to communicate directly with our general members.

Diane Statham kept us aware of public affairs and always was willing to follow through when asked; she stood out at Day on the Hill. **Estelle Weissburg** saw to it that we all received Action Alerts and anything else connected with advocacy. Thanks. **Nancy Reingold** saw to it that the activities of our Branch were publicized in the Jewish Herald Voice and in other local papers. Great work, Nancy. **Karen Westall** and **Dale Eisenshtat** sent out all our invitations in a timely manner which was much appreciated.

Deborah Zale juggled a new baby, a job outside the home, a husband's new business and Treasurer/Financial Secretary—no easy task. And my thanks to **Debbie Detke** for taking over as Treasurer when desperately needed during my first year. Thanks to **Terrie Roth** for always being available as Community Service VP and for sparking the Pet Pals project that I know will grow bigger and better as the years progress. And to **Eileen Muslin** for keeping the Book Circle humming and for keeping us well read. **Linda Katz** and our dear **Beth Daniel** worked hard and successfully in finding new members for our Branch my first year, and **Faith Lewis** and **Karen Olener** were there to bring in new members my second year and to keep everything shipshape during our general meetings. **Dale Eisenshtat** took care of our Yad b'Yad cards. She also was my Advisor whenever I yelled "help". And thanks to **Rachel Garner** who worked diligently with her committee and **Beverly Suffian** to get information from our members for the new Directory.

And so the train is nearing another station. I'll be working, among other things, on our new project (pending approval) of an annual citywide essay contest for Jewish high school women, tentatively entitled The Voice of Young Jewish Women.

It has been a fabulous journey.

Arlene Baker, President
West Houston Evening Branch

Branch News

West Houston Evening Branch West Houston Celebrates 25 Years

Dale Eisenshtat Received the Isabelle Novitt Award Presented by Eileen Muslin

Twenty-five years have gone by very quickly. We have come a long way from a few of us sitting in my living room looking for a way to be a part of NCJW and not have to spend forty minutes in a car.

We have worked together, played together and celebrated the growth of west Houston! We have held a potluck supper, a progressive dinner, a Mediterranean evening with Israeli dancing, a barbeque and square dance, an evening at Radio City Music Theatre, and even a tour of Jewish Houston. We are such a diverse group that perhaps I will be able to convince the committee to go to the rodeo!

One of the wonderful things that has come out of our twenty-five years is the Isabelle Novitt Award. The past recipients are **Terrie Roth, Gloria Gordon** and me, **Eileen Muslin**. For those of you who don't know, Isabelle Novitt was my mother. So you can understand how much this award means to me. I had the pleasure of presenting this award to a very special person. One who needs many shoes and exhibits a positive attitude and concern for others.

Dale Eisenshtat is a wife, mother of two, and a woman who has worked full time for ExxonMobil for 15 years. For all this effort she certainly needs jogging shoes.

For almost 19 years Dale has held almost every position on the WHEB board including Programming VP, Membership VP, Administrative VP, Recording Secretary, President, and Advisor, and now serves as Corresponding Secretary. She received the National Emerging Leader Award in 1990; attended 2 National Conventions and 2 Leadership Conferences. For all of these efforts she wears ballet slippers in order to dance in the several directions it takes to make these programs work.

Several years ago Dale created the West Houston e-newsletter in order to keep all of us aware of what is happening in our branch. She developed our Yad b'Yad tribute card as a fundraiser; has participated in the Holocaust Education Project, Preparation for Adult Living, Call to Protect, Expanding Your Horizon in Math & Science, and our newest project "PetPals." Here she initiated her golden retriever, Casey, as a pet therapy dog. They visit seniors in nursing homes and help them "heal." It was Dale that developed this special award because of her admiration and love for Isabelle Novitt. What do you think about her football shoes? She has used them to help kick off all of these programs and projects.

A comment from *my mother*—Yes, Dale has done all these things. But, if my mother was describing Dale, she would say that this woman is a lady. And a lady always wears the right accessories and this is the shoe for Dale. >



*Dale Eisenshtat with past recipients,
Gloria Gordon, Terrie Roth,
and Eileen Muslin.*

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ship Conference in Chicago.

Joy is a native Houstonian and received her Bachelor's degree in Marketing and Management from Tulane University. In her professional life, Joy serves as Director of Membership & Marketing for the University of Houston Alumni Organization. In this role, she manages the organization's marketing and membership solicitation efforts. She has additional professional experience in public relations, communications, and community affairs.

Joy currently serves on the Jewish Federation's Young Adult Division Steering Committee and has past experience on the boards of the Tulane Alumni Association, Kappa

Alpha Theta Alumnae Association, and Friends of Teach for America.

She is looking forward to growing CYW's membership, implementing exciting new programs and partnerships, and doing her part to develop the future leadership of NCJW Greater Houston Section. ≥

Bonnie Herst Incoming President, Career Branch

Bonnie Herst, an emerging leader in the eyes of others, is excited and nervous as she emerges into the position of President of Career Branch. She has been a member of CB for 8 years. She has served as Recording Secretary, Corresponding

Secretary, Fund-Raising Vice President, Administrative Vice President and has attended Washington Institute.

Bonnie is a native Houstonian. She received her Bachelor's degree in Education from North Texas State University and her Master's degree in Education from the University of Houston. She has taught school for 36 years, 9 years with Beth Yeshurun Day School, and the last 21 years with HISD.

Bonnie is anticipating her own personal growth as well as Career Branch's growth as we expand, unify, and try new ways of helping others. ≥

Community Service

Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA)

AVDA originally began as a group of NCJW volunteers who interviewed abuse victims and helped process their protective orders in the waiting room of the District Attorney's Office. When the District Attorney's office could no longer accommodate our volunteers and turned away 50-100 victims each week, the NCJW volunteers organized, hired a contract attorney, and founded AVDA in 1980.

Now AVDA has moved back downtown and has truly come full circle. The new office, located at 1001 Texas at Main, is officially open and at an opportune time. AVDA is a few blocks away from the District Attorney's Office, where AVDA client advocates will again be on-site each day to process the 50 – 100 applicants per week who are turned away without even being seen, and to provide alternative ways to get protective orders for those who might otherwise be turned away.

Look for an invitation to come for an Open House for you to see the new offices.

AVDA also still needs the following items for the new office. If you can help or know someone who can, please contact Jackie Pontello at AVDA at 713-224-9911.

- Microwave
- Bar stools if 24" or lower to slide under counter
- Dishes
- Entertainment unit
- Couch
- Artificial plants



Barbara Elk, Eileen Silverman, Glenda Kirshbaum, and Deedee Ostfeld presents a check to Jackie Pontello, center, Exec. Dir. of AVDA .

Community Service

Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (HCDVCC)



Charlotte O'Sullivan

As the Harris County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council celebrates its tenth year of service to the community, it is entering an exciting, new era. The council has hired an Executive Director to facilitate its community-wide domestic violence collaboration efforts and oversee an expansion of the council's activities. Charlotte O'Sullivan is a native of the Houston area and holds a Masters Degree in Education from Harvard University. She is committed to partnering with the board to create a strong impact in the Houston area. "I am thrilled to have been selected by the council and look forward to working towards improving services for victims and preventing violence in families."

Charlotte has the experience, education and leadership skills to lead the council forward. Before coming to the council, Charlotte worked at Catholic Charities as Operations Manager and Coordinator for the Strengthening Refugee Families Program, a program whose goal was to help refugees achieve self-sufficiency through education. She has extensive experience writing grant proposals, managing private and federal funding and facilitating other aspects of a nonprofit.

Charlotte credits a personal experience for motivating her to embark on this opportunity with the council. "In my work at Catholic Charities, I met some refugee families affected by domestic violence, and it was the children who really impacted me. Despite differences in culture, they had one thing in common: they had fear in their eyes. It brought back memories of my own childhood, when my father would throw furniture, break windows and threaten my mother in unimaginable ways. I could really empathize with these kids. My vision for the council is that we will lead the way for true collaboration among public and private agencies. Only in this way, will victims of domestic violence truly be served." >

Joy of Reading

Do you love children? Do you have empty nest syndrome? Do you long for grandchildren but they live in another state or haven't made the scene yet? Then come get your fill with some adorable little "treasures" once a month with our Joy of Reading Program.

The Joy of Reading is NCJW'S hands-on community service project where we bring new books and read to, and play with children who are enrolled in the House of Tiny Treasures. These are not our own kids who are accustomed to the finer things in life, but are the children of homeless parents who have either re-entered the workforce or currently participate in job training programs. And they could really use our help.

The House of Tiny Treasures is the only licensed child care facility in Houston/Harris County to serve homeless children. It is a project of SEARCH (Service and Emergency Aid Resource Center for the Homeless), an agency established in 1989 to help provide Houston's homeless with services, day shelter and resources they need to successfully re-enter society. Living in shelters or on the streets, the children undoubtedly got a poor start in life. At HTT they are given a chance at a better life with love, nurturing, education, as well as dental screenings and check-ups, immunizations, psychological evaluations and counseling, and speech and language therapy if needed.

We plan to visit The House of Tiny Treasures next month on May 8. We usually carpool from the JCC and read to the children from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Please call Sandy Harris at 713-721-1414 or email SDHarr@houston.rr.com to be included in this worthwhile project.>

Public Affairs

NCJW Leadership Conference 2006

For those of you who have never attended an NCJW Leadership Conference, you've missed out! The 16 of us who traveled from Houston to Chicago in March for the conference thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, learned a great deal about NCJW and the religion-state debate, met like-minded women from all over the country – and to top it all off, got to enjoy some snowy weather!

Nancy Swerdlow Kipnis, National Vice President and Conference Chair, set the tone for the conference: "At a time when the present looks bleak and the future uncertain, we must dedicate ourselves to repairing the world, shard by shard. We must recommit ourselves to be the progressive leaders who ask the questions that need to be asked, and thus become part of the solution."

Over the next several days, we heard impressive speakers such as Ellen Malcolm (Founder and President of EMILY's List), Rev. Barry Lynn (Executive Director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State), Judge Rosemary Barkett (US Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit), and too many more to name.

Even more educational than the speakers were the breakout sessions we attended, where small groups of women learned about issues like religion in schools, same-sex marriage legislation, and women's rights in Israel. We had the opportunity to brainstorm about what we can each do in our hometowns to advocate for the issues and raise awareness among our members and local legislators.

There was so much more to the conference, and I know that any of the attendees would be happy to talk to you about what she learned. Here are conference highlights from several of our Houston women:

- *The excitement and satisfaction of working with so many bright and articulate women and recognizing that all of NCJW speaks with one voice (Arlene Baker).*
- *Being in the company of so many like-minded social change activists who are making a change in society and the world (Pam Geyer)*
- *Meeting NCJW women from around the country and learning about their local programs (Robyn Glasser)*
- *The skill building session on the whys and hows of collaboration and coalition building (Amy Grossman)*
- *Getting a sense of pride in an organization that is forward thinking and reinvents itself (Eileen Muslin)*
- *Hearing Barry Lynn, who managed to be both funny and profound (Marion Rosenwald & Eileen Silverman)*
- *Learning new ideas for different types of partnerships with other organizations (Kathy Silverberg)*
- *Being in the company of intelligent, highly motivated, like-thinking progressive women (Debbie Simon)*
- *Coming up with a viable local coalition initiative around which we can build energy and momentum (Diane Statham)*
- *Attending valuable training sessions with incoming presidents from around the country and exchanging ideas with members of other young women's branches (Joy Wagman)*
- *Realizing how substantial and powerful NCJW is (Sallye Wolf)*



Being at the conference also helped us realize that we can take pride in and have ownership of everything that NCJW does on a global, national, state and local level – our Women & Gender Studies graduate degree program at Tel Aviv University, the advocacy efforts of our Washington Office, and the many programs of our Greater Houston Section.

All in all, it was an exhilarating, educational, and inspiring several days, and we're all thrilled that we attended. **Mark your calendar for Washington Institute – March 18-20, 2007!**

Article by Joy Wagman

NCJW members who attend the NCJW Leadership Conference in Chicago (back row) Diane Statham, Halley Trevas, Gloria Gordon, Amy Grossman, Arlene Baker, Kathy Silverberg, Debbie Simon, Pam Geyer, Joy Wagman, Eileen Muslin (front row) Robyn Glasser, Lynda Sanders, Eileen Silverman, Marion Rosenwald, Sallye Wolf and Jan DiGann (not shown)

Public Affairs

NCJW Public Affairs

Hannah's Issues met on March 19th and viewed the DVD entitled "**Are We Becoming A Theocracy?: The Rise of Dominionism in the United States Government**" The tape was produced by TheocracyWatch, Center for Religion, Ethics and Social Policy, Cornell University. The tape made some chilling points about the rise of the Religious Right and their objectives. Below are some excerpts from their website www.theocracywatch.org.

- 1 The term dominion means control over, in this case control over all the democratic institutions in this country. Christians are mandated to gradually occupy all secular institutions until Christ returns.
- 2 "Our aim," according to Pat Robertson at a banquet in 1984, "is to gain dominion over society."
- 3 John F. Sugg writes in the Weekly Planet, Tampa, Florida, March 2004: Dominion theologians ... preached ... that it was Christians' job to take over the world and impose biblical rule. Christ would not return, they said, until the church had claimed dominion over all of the world's governments and institutions ...

The Christian Reconstruction movement was spearheaded in 1973 when a Presbyterian Minister, **Rousas Rushdooney**, published *Institutes of Biblical Law*, a 800 page three-volume book on the application of the Ten Commandments to modern society. Rushdooney explains:

- 1 G-d's covenant with Adam required him to exercise dominion over the earth and to subdue it under G-d according to G-d's law-word.
- 2 Rushdooney invites his followers to subdue all things and all nations to Christ and His law-word.

While the beliefs of Christian Reconstructionists are very extreme, there are striking parallels between the core ideas of the movement and the current administration policies:

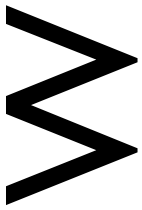
- 1 The federal government should recede into the background through massive tax cuts.
- 2 Churches take over responsibility for welfare and education. (Faith-based initiatives and school vouchers are paving the way)
- 3 Capitalism should be "unfettered" by regulations (This is where the Religious Right has married big corporations by opposing environmental regulations, working safety requirements, civil rights laws, and by attempting to immunize corporations from lawsuits)
- 4 The U.S. Constitution should conform to Biblical Law.

NCJW believes that religious liberty and the separation of religion and state are constitutional principles that must be protected and preserved in order to maintain a democratic society.

- 1 Breaching the wall of separation endangers our diverse society as a whole and places religious minority groups, including the Jewish community, in jeopardy.
- 2 NCJW strongly opposes the expenditure of public monies to support private religious institutions or sanction religious discrimination in any form.
- 3 Federal law prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of religion. As partners with the government in providing social services, faith-based organizations have always followed the same anti-discrimination rules as secular social service agencies.
- 4 The President's "faith-based initiative" would change the law to allow religious discrimination in hiring at agencies — including faith-based organizations — that provide social services supported by government funds.
- 5 NCJW believes it is critical that any social service programs receiving federal funds follow civil rights laws, including those that prohibit religious discrimination in employment practices. ≥

You can never forget the people who change your life. You become a different person, and everything you do is slightly altered by what they taught you."

— Ryanna Porter



SPEAK YOUR MIND WITH YOUR MOUSE

Take action on www.ncjw.org
To Save Religious Freedom!

- Step 1-** Log onto www.ncjw.org and select "Sign Here to Save Religious Freedom"
- Step 2-** Enter your contact information
- Step 3-** You may check if you would like to receive periodic updates or action alerts and topics that interest you
- Step 4-** Select "Sign Now" to sign the petition below
- Step 5-** E-mail amyg@houston.rr.com if you would like to receive timely action alerts from our Texas SPA's

Sign Here to Save Religious Freedom

With a single sentence — "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." — the Bill of Rights set religious liberty in the foundation of our nation and created the critical wall separating religion and state.

Increasingly, that wall has been breached by the members of the religious right, who have had a disturbing degree of success inserting their views in public policy. As a result, though there are close to 2,000 faith groups active in America, we now often answer to the belief system of one.

Biased policies are being enacted on issues ranging from reproductive freedom and contraception, to stem cell research, private questions of life and death, and, even, the education of our children. Our nation is at a crossroads. It is time for all of us to speak out to defend ourselves, our futures, and our fundamental freedoms.

Take a stand today! Sign the petition below to speak out to your legislators.

Full Petition Text:

I urge you to do everything in your power to protect religious freedom. The Bill of Rights guarantees each of us living in America the free expression of our own religion, all religions, or no religion at all. It protects us from the government establishment of a particular faith. And, in turn, this safeguard provides the foundation for the critical wall separating religion and state.

More and more, this wall has been breached. And now, though there are close to 2,000 faith groups active in this country, one belief system is dictating public policy for everyone. This encroachment endangers our diverse society as a whole and places women and religious minority groups, in particular, in terrible jeopardy.

From its very beginning, America has been a place of religious freedom. And preserving that freedom is critical to maintaining our democratic society. I call on you to defend religious liberty and the separation of religion and state today. For if we lose one right, we can truly lose them all.

Signed by:
[Your name]
[Your address]

Special Interest Groups

SPECIAL INTERESTS...WHAT ADDS SPICE TO OUR LIVES.

Do register for anything that sounds interesting and remember
Art Lovers/Sunday Matinee/Gourmet-a-GoGo includes spouses always, guests when possible.

Book Circles

Daytime Chair Mildred Teitelbaum 713-723-5333 (mildredt@earthlink.net)
Meets fourth Monday at 9:45am
April 24: *War Trash* by Ha Jin

Evening Chair: Joy Friedman, 713-729-2255 (bobjoy6015@sbcglobal.net)
Meets last Tuesday at 7:30pm
April 25: *The Orientalist: Solving the Mystery of a Strange and Dangerous Life*
by Tom Reiss

W.Houston Evening Chair: Eileen Muslin, 281-496-4388 (emuslin@houston.rr.com)
Meets second Monday at 7:30pm
April 17: *The Quality of Mercy*, now available at Blue Willow

Mah Jongg Anyone?

Chair: Sandy Harris, 713-721-1414 (sdharr@houston.rr.com)
Meets first Monday at the JCC

*Tables for beginners and pros, with a helping hand. Learn strategic skills,. improve your logistics and have fun at the same time.
Call Sandy for details.*

Art Lovers

Chair: Marion Rosenwald with assistance of Ann Oppman: Save May 17th pm
Meets quarterly, so get on the mailing list 713-621-7308 (hankmarion@cs.com)
*We check out our many galleries to broaden our horizons and/or shrink our wall space.
Evenings over wine and cheese. Watch the mail for early May function.*

Sunday Matinee

Chair: Linda Rabinowitz, 713-729-5631 (hrabinowitz@houston.rr.com)
See top plays in our top theatres at group rates. 3 or 4 performances during the season, but Linda always keeps informed of theatre schedules, so something may pop up in the middle of summer.

Gourmet-a-Go-Go

Chairs: Marion Rosenwald, Terry Hausner, Brenda Sherman 713-621-7308
Meets quarterly on Sunday evenings. Good food, good conversation. So join us!

OUR TWO ISSUES-ADVOCACY GROUPS WITH GREAT SPEAKERS AND DISCUSSIONS

Hannah's Issues

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You just missed a powerful presentation "Are we becoming a Theocracy?"
Meets Sunday mornings with top speakers on "our" issues with a discussion group to follow.

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Chair: Jennifer Handy 832-858-6319 (gilah@aol.com)
This group is involved in some great projects that Hannah would approve of.

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We welcome our new life
and annual members:

NEW MEMBERS

Bari Herzstein
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Beverly Langston
Nancy Frank Nuzzo
Sarina Piha-Paul
Tammy Plumb



Marcia Pappert, Diana Howard, Gloria Gordon, Eileen Silverman—our presidium presenting a check to JCC staffer Diana Howard for Senior Adult Shabbat Dinner Program. NCJW underwrites the expense for monthly Shabbat dinner programs at the Jewish Community Center. The fund was established in memory of beloved member Dora Solomon.

*“Success is the sum of small efforts,
repeated day in and day out...”*

—Robert J. Collier

Your Legacy Begins Today

National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Houston Section cordially invites you to honor your ideals and NCJW's values by becoming a Life Member.

The perfect opportunity to make a lifelong connection to the organization that gives voice to your values and continues to improve the lives of women and children locally, nationally, and in Israel. We hope you will join us on this special journey.

Your support makes a difference, one life at a time.

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I accept your invitation to become a Life Member of NCJW/Houston

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In Honor of

- Evelyn & Dan Leightman**— 40th Anniversary
Barbara and Raymond Kalmans
- Rae Rogul**— 95th birthday
Diane and Morris Dante
- Heather & Daniel Pesikoff**—birth of Isabelle
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- Robyn Glasser**—her engagement to Paul Hoekstra
CYW Branch
- Brenlee & David Selchen**—birth of Hayley
CYW Branch
- Jane Weiner**—for an inspirational and fun evening with Brighter Futures
CYW Branch

Speedy Recovery

- Marcia Pappert**
Ede and Bruce Weiner
Sunny and Lee Horowitz
- Judy Rosenstock**
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- Ruth Rabie**
Ede and Bruce Weiner
- Janet Frost**
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- Mike Karchmer**
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Ede and Bruce Weiner
- Donna Price**
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In Memory of

- Ida Roberts** —Ferne Winogard's mother
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Eileen and Dan Silverman
- Ruth Rabson**—Deborah Lipman's mother
Cookie Portnoy

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- Ronnie and Al Harrison**— on your 40th anniversary
Leda and Mike Karchmer

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- Moshe Vardi**
Leda Karchmer
- Janet Frost**
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Pam Geyer and Moshe Geyer
- Mike Karchmer**
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In Memory

- Deborah Lipman**—loss of your mother Ruth Rabson
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Carol and Leo Goldfarb
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Pam Geyer for Career Branch
- Shoshana Traxler**—loss of your father, Stanley Udess
Lucille Gidseg
Ronnie and Al Harrison
- Judy Myers**—loss of your father
Leda Karchmer

NCJW Priorities...

- ✓ Advance the well-being and status of women.
- ✓ Advance the well-being of children and families.
- ✓ Enhance the quality of Jewish life.
- ✓ Ensure and advance individual and civil rights.
- ✓ Support a secure Israel and well-being of all its people.

A Reminder to All NCJW Members:

Tribute cards are available to all NCJW Section functions. For your convenience, pick up some return envelopes so you can mail an order and check for a tribute card when you are thinking of it. Your tribute card will be mailed promptly and announced in the next Bulletin. The total amount of the tribute card is credited towards our Section's Program Support Assignment.

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1. You don't go to the store, write them, stamp them, or mail them
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3. They suit any event
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**Just call our new contact
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E-mail (trubin7338@sbcglobal.net) and take life easy.

It's Personal

MazelTov

Betty Clark – birth of twin granddaughters
Diane and Morris Dante – daughter's marriage
Peri and Aaron Fink – daughter's engagement
Ann and Michael Glasser – daughter's engagement
Robyn Glasser – engagement
Rosita and Jose Goldberger – birth of grandson
Celine and David Hecht – grandson's Bar Mitzvah
Bernice and Jordan Loftus – grandson's Bar Mitzvah
Mindi Wachtel – son's Bar Mitzvah
Ede and Bruce Weiner – birth of granddaughter
Judy Yambra – on becoming the president of Beth Yeshurun
Diane Statham – Bat Mitzvah
Evelyn Leightman – birth of twin grandsons
Heather & Daniel Pesikoff – birth of daughter
Robyn Glasser – her engagement
Brenlee & David Selchen – birth of daughter
Sallye Wolf – upcoming wedding
Leah Premazon – birth of grandson
Shelley Braunfeld Sorkin – birth of son

Get Well

Ruth Rabie
Judy Rosenstock
Marcia Pappert
Donna Price
Janet Frost

Condolences

Sophie Bormaster – death of husband
Sandy Frieden – death of stepfather
Rosita and Jose Goldberger – death of father
Lois and Lary Kupor – death of mother
Debbie and Eric Lipman – death of mother
Sharyn W. Shirley – death of grandmother
Ferne and Joel Winograd – death of mother

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 — Benjamin “Dizzy” Disraeli



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