

NCJW Annual Leadership Celebration

A Toast to Leadership

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

7:00 pm

Zoom



Program



A Toast to NCJW CNS

Debbie Vietinghoff, NCJW CNS President



A Toast to Leona Z Rosenberg

Marilyn Cohen, NCJW Chicago Past President



A Toast to Leadership

Carole Levine, Sammie Moshenberg and Anna Rubin



A Toast to the NCJW Board of Directors

Melissa Prober, NCJW CNS Executive Director



A Toast to the Future

Jan Schwartz, NCJW CNS Director of Fundraising

Thank you to the 2020-2021 Board of Directors

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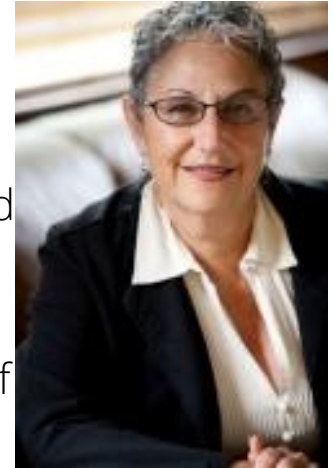
Lisa Goldberg

Julie Newman

Amy Rubin

Carole Levine

Carole Levine is a principal consultant at Levine Partners, providing consulting services to small and medium-sized nonprofit organizations. She has held senior management positions in four national nonprofits: The National PTA (Deputy Executive Director); Communities in Schools (Vice President of Expansion and Technical Assistance); The Family Resource Coalition (Director of Technical Assistance); and National Lekotek Center (Director of Development). Carole holds a BA in education and political science from Washington University, and an M.Ed. in Early Childhood Leadership and Advocacy from National Louis University. Carole has served on the boards of numerous organizations, holding national positions on the board of National Council of Jewish Women and on the International Council of Jewish Women. She is currently the Chair of Courts Matter Illinois, serves on the board of Chicago Women Take Action and is active on the Promote the Vote Illinois Coalition. Carole is passionate about purposeful work, justice for all, advocacy and her family (which includes 6 amazing grandchildren!).



Sammie Moshenberg

Sammie Moshenberg is an independent consultant working with progressive organizations to help strengthen grassroots capacity and engagement. Prior to starting her consultancy in 2014, she was director of Washington operations for the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) for whom she worked for more than 30 years. As head of the organization's Washington, DC, office, Moshenberg was instrumental in creating NCJW's BenchMark judicial nominations campaign among many other grassroots advocacy campaigns. Moshenberg received NCJW's Hannah G. Solomon Award, was named one of Women's eNews "21 Leaders for the 21st Century" in 2008, and was listed three times on the Forward Fifty list of influential Jewish leaders. She participated in the executive cohort of the Selah program led by Rockwood Leadership Institute trainers. A doting grandmother, Moshenberg is active in her home community in Alexandria, VA, and in Cape Town, South Africa, where she has a second residence. Moshenberg holds a master's degree from Loyola University of Maryland and a B.A. from Shimer College in Illinois.



Anna Rubin

Anna Rubin is Lead Organizer at the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs. She rejoined JCUA in 2017 after working as the Avodah Organizing Fellow in 2015-16. In the intervening year, Anna worked as a National Field Organizer with Interfaith Worker Justice, organizing around issues of worker rights and immigration justice across the country. For the past three and a half years she has been organizing JCUA's base around immigration justice campaigns, as well as working with JCUA's Congregation Partner Network and North Suburban Organizing Team. Anna is a graduate of Princeton University with a degree in Religion and Judaic Studies, and is also Lake Michigan's #1 fan.



Leona Z Rosenberg

Leona Rosenberg served as president of NCJW Chicago Section from 1980-1983, but her legacy will continue for years to come. She was the last surviving co-founder of Thresholds, a social services organization she started under the auspices of the National Council of Jewish Women that provides services to people with mental disorders and substance abuse problems.



Thousands each year receive treatment due to Leona's initiative, passion and leadership. During her years with NCJW, Leona also helped guide us to new service projects in the areas of senior assistance, juvenile justice, employment and support, and violence against women.

Leona was selfless and constantly put other people first. She was a mentor and a friend and set an example for generations of NCJW leaders to come. NCJW Chicago North Shore was the beneficiary of a generous gift from Leona's estate which is being used to launch the Leona Z Rosenberg Leadership Initiative. See page 10 for information about the initiative and how you can become one of Leona's Leaders!

What Makes a Good Leader?



Leona Z Rosenberg Leadership Initiative

NCJW makes change happen. Over 125 years of driving social change is rooted in our faith-based mission of justice for all. Our winning team of motivated leaders, advocates and volunteers influence decision makers, impact their communities and create lasting change. NCJW provides the opportunity for volunteers to become leaders and now, through the generosity of Past President Leona Rosenberg, we can train a new generation of NCJW leaders through our two-part initiative.

NCJW L.E.A.D.S (leadership exploration and development series)

NCJW LEADS will provide in-depth leadership development and training to existing NCJW leaders and potential leaders. The goal is to build confident NCJW leaders ready to take on greater roles and responsibility within our section and within our community.

NCJW L.I.F.T.S (leadership impact fellowship training series)

When women lead, change follows. NCJW has been leading the way for over 125 years. But it is not enough to lead unless we also lift - lift up other voices, lift up the next generation, NCJW LIFTS brings together an annual cohort of 8-10 women* who seek professional growth, relationship-building opportunities, and a higher level of leadership within the NCJW. LIFTS is a leadership initiative that

Thank You to our Inaugural Class of Leona's Leaders

Leona's Luminaries

Marilyn Cohen

Carole Levine

Stacy Saef

Leona's Legends

Cathy Carmody

Ilana Platt

Terry Vismantas

Debbie Vietinghoff

Leona's Ladies

Robbie Schreiber

Andrea Amend

Ellen Gussin

Jill Lexier

Donna Fishman

Sue Rifas

Visit ***<https://ncjwcns.org/leonas-leaders>***
for more information and to donate

NCJW is Guided and Inspired by Jewish Values:

Kaavod Ha Bri'ot: Respect and Dignity for all Human Beings

Talmud Torah: Education and Awareness

Tzedek Tzedek Tirdof: The Pursuit of Justice

NCJW 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, & families & by safeguarding individual rights & freedoms.

NCJW was founded to ensure safer and healthier lives for all those in need. Its earliest work focused on advocating for child labor laws, fair housing, health and education, and fighting for voting and civil rights. Over 125 years later, our priorities remain the same. NCJW members are outspoken champions for progressive policies at the federal, state, & local levels. Over the years, NCJW's collective voice has changed the world for the better – improving the lives of women, children, & families in the US & Israel.

In July 2021, we will be launching an interactive timeline of our amazing history. Visit **<https://ncjwcns.org/about/history>** after July 15 for more information and to learn more about NCJW.