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Dear Members,

In 1891, Hannah G. Solomon was asked to organize the participation of Jewish Women in the upcoming World's Fair. When Hannah and her friends discovered they were expected to perform hostess duties, they refused. Soon after, she founded NCJW, changing the role of women and the nature of volunteerism forever.

Today we have the right to speak, have our voices heard and our opinions known. Thank you for responding to our annual fund drive. Your contributions help us continue our education, advocacy and community service projects.

We continue with our innovative programs. A special thanks to our board members who are chairpersons of combating human trafficking, the children's drama group, study sessions, advocacy and community service.

The NCJW-SF Section board of directors thanks you for your continuing support.

-Pat Greenstein

Calendar

February:

28 Visit Monique Arnon Antique Shop
Study Group Activity

March:

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19-20 Purim

24 "Jews of the South", Jewish Comm. Library
7 pm 1835 Ellis St, San Francisco

27 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire Centennial
Commemoration

30 "April Fools Concert" at the Conservatory
Children's Drama Group Performance &

31 Educational Luncheon at Temple Emanuel

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire A centennial commemoration in words and music, co-sponsored by NCJW-SF

**Sunday, March 27th, 1-3 pm at the Bureau of Jewish
Education Jewish Community Library,
1835 Ellis Street, San Francisco**

On March 25, 1911, a fire broke out on the eighth floor of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory in Lower Manhattan. One hundred and forty-six garment workers, mostly young female Jewish immigrants, were killed either by the blaze or from jumping out of windows, because managers had locked the stairwell doors and exits to keep workers from leaving early. The tragedy led to legislation requiring improved factory safety standards and helped to strengthen the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (ILGWU), which has fought for better and safer working conditions for sweatshop workers. NCJW was instrumental in advocating for the changes that followed this devastating event.

In this program commemorating the fire's centennial, Judy Baston will explore the Jewish responses to the tragedy, Professor Elaine Leeder will discuss the dramatic life of Rose Pesotta and the influence of other Jewish women, such as Rose Schneiderman, in the labor movement, and Jill Tallmer will lead the audience in Yiddish labor songs of the era, including *Dos Lid Funem Trayengl-Fayer* (Ballad of the Triangle Fire) and *Arbeter-Froyen* (Working Women).

Co-presented by the Jewish Community High School of the Bay, KlezCalifornia, NCJW San Francisco Section, the Progressive Jewish Alliance, and the Department of Jewish Studies at San Francisco State University.

Study Group Activities

Visit Monique Arnon's Antique Shop and Gallery

**Monday Afternoons: February 28th, March 7th,
and March 14th**

Are you interested in antiques? Do you want to see and learn about valuable pieces from the 1700's through Modern Times? Monique Arnon has a very special shop on Sacramento Street in San Francisco, and will talk about her unique items and have you learn about the art works that make up her valuable collection. She will be inviting guests on 3 Mondays: February 28th, March 7th, and March 14th.

Select the Monday afternoon you would like to attend by calling Sara Keyak at (415) 731-0348 or the NCJW Office at (415) 346-4600 to make an appointment to view Monique's wonderful gallery. Attendance is limited to 7 people each Monday, so please call early and reserve your space.

"April Fools Concert" At the Conservatory Wednesday, March 30th, at 8pm

Reserve now for the San Francisco Conservatory's special "April Fool's Concert" at 8:00PM Wednesday, March 30th, with Axel Strauss on the violin and Jean Michel Fondeneou playing the cello. Reservations for the free concert, which is part of the Faculty Artist series concert, call Sara Keyak at (415) 731-0348. The Conservatory is located at 50 Oak Street between Franklin and Van Ness Avenue.

How to contact NCJW-SF Section

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Watch our website www.ncjwsf.org for updates from our Section.

If you have any question, please call (415) 346-4600 or email us at info@ncjwsf.org

NEWS FROM OUR SECTION

Bringing in the Next Generation

On February 1st, a group of women participated in a NCJW-SF Section focus group. The goal of this gathering was assess the needs and interests of younger women. The meeting, chaired by Amy Bacharach and moderated by Eileen Goldman, led to a discussion with enthusiasm for NCJW-SF among this group of vibrant, intelligent young Jewish women. The women were asked which social justice issues pertained to them and were invited to share their ideas on how NCJW-SF could better reach out to them. One woman remarked that NCJW-SF is a strong tree, but there are branches that need to be filled. Future committee work will incorporate the suggestions from this meeting into new programming and outreach strategies. We hope to have another focus group in the near future to assist in the development of programs aimed at inspiring young women to action! NCJW-SF stand poised to energize the next generation. A big thank you to Linda Frank for opening her home to host the session and donating dinner and drinks for the participants.



Welcome to our new staff member!

NCJW-SF welcomes Sarah Appleman, our new Office Manager. Sarah is a UC Berkeley graduate with a major in Architecture who recently said to herself, "I've always been an activist - why can't this be my career?". Inspired by the "can-do" attitude of our founder Hannah Solomon, Sarah is looking forward to helping NCJW-SF in and out of the office.

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*In case we missed you, we are terribly sorry! You will be in the next issue.

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