

**TOMORROW, JANUARY 17 RSNS Social Action Meeting, 8pm.** All are welcome! Lots to discuss: Women's March, NYS Congress Agenda, HIAS, TANS, and much more!! Come join us and make a difference in our community and in the world!

• **SATURDAY, JANUARY 19 WOMEN'S MARCH NYC** Just like in 2018 and 2019, the official NYC Women's March is organized by the Women's Alliance, and **NOT affiliated in any way with the national Women's March organization.** More info [here](#). There is also a rally in Foley Square that is affiliated with Women's March, inc.

• **SATURDAY, JANUARY 19 WOMEN'S MARCH DC** More info [here](#).

• **WOMEN'S MARCH AND ANTI-SEMITISM** For those concerned about controversies surrounding the national Women's March organization, we'll provide one more opportunity, during **tomorrow night's RSNS Social Action Committee** for anyone who'd like to discuss this topic. [Here](#) are [links](#) to two helpful articles about the controversy, as well as logistics details about all marches.

• **THURSDAY, JANUARY 24 Planned Parenthood of Nassau County celebrates 46th anniversary of Roe V. Wade with a screening of RBG. 7:30-9:30pm, Bellmore Movies And Showplace, 222 Pettit Avenue, Bellmore, NY** Prior to the screening, PPNC President & CEO, JoAnn Smith, will briefly talk about Justice Ginsburg's critical role on the Supreme Court of the United States. She will also address how the recent appointment of Brett Kavanaugh, which has tipped the balance of the court, puts the future of *Roe v. Wade* — and the right to safe and legal abortion care — at risk of being gutted or overturned. Following the film, attendees are welcome to stay for a short Q&A with a panel of experts. Please join for what promises to be an informative and inspiring event. Plus, there will be FREE Popcorn & Soda and lots of PPNC & RBG swag for purchase!

General Admission: \$10 donation

Students: \$5 donation w/valid student ID.

RSVP [here](#).

• **SUNDAY, JANUARY 27 RSNS Tu B'Shevat Pot Luck Dinner & Seder!!**

Join us as we celebrate the Tu B'shevat - The Jewish New Year for Trees (aka Jewish Earth Day!) with a **pot-luck dinner** followed by a **chocolate Tu B'Shevat seder** featuring **music, meaningful readings, and of course delicious fruit!**

This program is **appropriate for adults**, and also **fun for the whole family!**

Please use the following link to **RSVP and tell us what dish you'll be bringing** to the dinner!

<https://tinyurl.com/rsnsseder2019>

• **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5 Join the NY Renews coalition in Albany for a statewide day of Climate Action & lobbying at the Capital!**

We can get the Climate & Community Protection Act (CCPA) for a **100% renewable New York** passed in 2019. The CCPA will invest in our communities hit first and worst by climate change and make sure that we create hundreds of thousands of good, green jobs for our state. **No previous experience lobbying your legislator required** - we'll give you an easy briefing on how to meet with your legislator and feel confident telling them why *you* care about a renewable,

healthier, safer future for our state. [Sign up here](#) and our team will match you to meetings with your state Assemblymembers and Senators. [RSVP](#) and NY Renews will be in touch about transportation -- there will be **free buses from Long Island**. Please reach out to [daniela@nyrenews.org](mailto:daniela@nyrenews.org) with any questions.

• **MAZAL TOV!!!** On the passage of **GENDA!!** Finally, after years of battling (it passed the State Assembly every year but was NEVER even brought to a vote in the State Senate until it passed yesterday), the most vulnerable members of the LGBTQ community will have equal protections from discrimination under New York State law.

• **BE A DRIVING FORCE FOR GOOD!** It is important for seniors to remain mobile to keep their social independence and reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness. **Sid Jacobson JCC's new Volunteer Driving Program** will support those who have limited access or are no longer able to drive. Drivers will provide transportation to programming at SJCC. Seniors must register in advance for a ride. Volunteers can select their rides using an easy computer-based system. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT SUSAN BERMAN, DIRECTOR OF CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, 516.484.1545 EXT. 202, [SBERMAN@SJCC.ORG](mailto:SBERMAN@SJCC.ORG)

• **DONATE DANCE CLOTHES FOR SOPHIA'S MITZVAH PROJECT!** Sophia Rosenberg's Bat Mitzvah is January 19th and for her Mitzvah Project she is raising money and **collecting gently used dance clothes for From Our Hearts To Your Toes**. There will be a **collection box for dance costumes in the lobby of RSNS**. Please see a letter from Sophia below for further details. Thank you in advance for your donations!

*Shabbat Shalom.*

*For my mitzvah project, I wanted to get involved with something that relates to my passion for dancing.*

*As many of you know, I have been dancing for 10 years and it brings me so much joy.! I spent a good amount of time searching to get involved with something meaningful that relates to my love of dancing.! When I came across "From Our Hearts to Your Toes", I knew I found what I was looking for. This Long Island-based organization collects new and gently used dance costumes, shoes, tights, and accessories, and donates it to dancers and dance studios who can't afford these items.! I have been extremely fortunate to never have to worry about having the things I need to dance. When I was little, and just starting to dance, I would say I was a pretty shy and reserved girl. As the years went on, I feel that I have gained more confidence and courage in my dancing and in my life in general. I would say that part of this was because I had all the necessary items to dance to the best of my ability and feel good about myself while doing it.*

*I reached out to friends and family explaining what I was doing and how they can help. I am so lucky to have so many people donate money and dance accessories to support this wonderful cause. After collecting so many costumes and accessories, I scheduled an appointment to go to "From Our Hearts to Your Toes" to bring in all the items.! As I was taking a tour of the space, I was thinking how amazing and special it felt to be able to help those in need. There were so many costumes, colors, accessories, shoes, tights and more and it was so fun to just be there. My mom and I stayed for several hours and helped unload, sort and organize all of the items.! It was such a great experience. I felt so proud*

*and accomplished, and I'm looking forward to volunteering again soon.! I couldn't have done it without the help and support of my family and friends.! A special thanks to the Fred Silverman Fund for their generous donation to my project.! Community service is such an important part of the Jewish faith, and I promise to continue to help those less fortunate wherever and whenever I can.*

*Shabbat Shalom.*

*Sophia Rosenberg*