## Women of Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation

# A Note from Your President Peggy Nelson



We are excited to be kicking off another year of creating connections and making memories, while offering support to our Temple and our members. The dictionary defines "support" as a "thing that bears the weight of something and keeps it upright." We think that is what Women of NVHC can offer to you. We want Women of NVHC to be a place where friends become family. We are a community, a place to feel like you belong. A place to gather and share food, laugh, and talk, and a place to catch you when you need to cry. We can be all these things, and we want you to join us. With all of us, we will make NVHC a thriving, giving, warm and friendly place.

Our membership drive kicks off in August, but we welcome new members throughout the year. Whether you are new to the community or a long-time resident, we'd love for you to join us. We are an inclusive community for all NVHC women – married, partnered, single, divorced, or widowed – with or without children – Jewish and non-Jewish – we want to welcome you all to our thriving group! We hope you'll take advantage of all we have to offer, and become an integral part of our vibrant and supportive community. And, if you are a new NVHC member, we welcome you with one year of free membership to our Women of NVHC group!

We invite all of you to join us to further our mission of promoting camaraderie, esprit de corps, spirituality, and participation in tikkun olam. We support one another, our Temple, and our extended community through a variety of activities, and with acts of loving kindness. We are always looking for innovative ways to offer opportunities and events that will encourage celebrating, learning, and giving to all Women of NVHC. Please do not hesitate to contact me with an idea, an interest, or a new way to make connections; we welcome your thoughts and help in developing new opportunities. Now is the time to join us and become a part of our community.

Join the Women of NVHC; make deep and lasting connections, and feel the warmth and support of belonging to this great group of Women. We are here to support you! We look forward to welcoming you to our activities soon!

L'Shalom, Peggy Nelson

Women of NVHC President - Email us at: <u>WomenofNVHC@nvhcreston.org</u> Learn more about us at: <u>www.nvhcreston.org/connect/social-groups/sisterhood</u>

# Women of NVHC - Celebrating, Learning, Giving with Acts of Loving Kindness

### **Social Events and Programs**

- ♦ Chocolate and Champagne
  - ♦ Museum Tours
  - ♦ Cooking Demos
- ♦ Wine and Food Tastings
- ♦ Theatre and Concerts
  - ♦ Holiday Parties
- ♦ Membership Luncheons and Dinners
  - ♦ Jewish Film Festival
  - ♦ Book Discussions
  - ♦ Special Speakers
  - ♦ Intergenerational Events
  - ♦ End of Year Brunch

#### **Fundraising**

- ♦ Judaica Shop
- ♦ Chanukah Boutique
- ♦ Passover Boutique
- ◆ Cooking Up Camaraderie Events
  - ♦ Mah Jongg Tournament

#### Gifts & Donations

- ♦ NVHC Music Program
- ◆ Early Childhood Activities
- ◆ Summer Camp Scholarships
  - ◆ Special Temple Projects
- ◆ Special Religious School Projects
- ♦ B'nai Mitzvah, Confirmation, Conversion and New Baby Gifts

Women of NVHC – A Place to Celebrate, to Learn and to Grow, and to Give through Acts of Loving Kindness

## Spirituality

- ♦ Women's Passover Seder
- ♦ Chanukah Celebration
- ♦ Jewish Themed Programs

## Tikkun Olam

- ♦ Greater Reston Community
- ♦ Women Giving Back (WGB)
  - **♦** Cornerstones
    - ♦ Coat Drive
  - ◆ Support the Girls
  - ♦ Knitting and Crocheting Donations