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president of the Cranbrook Peace Foundation.

The Simons papers are held at WSU's Walter Reuther Library.

Currently, he is working with the NAACP and the Birmingham Temple on a national project to replicate the Rev. Martin Luther King's "Beyond Vietnam" speech in 100 places. The speech was first given on April 4, 1967, the day King was murdered.

STILL GOING STRONG

Simons grew up in Detroit and attended Congregation Shaarey Zedek as a boy. Later, he was a member of the Birmingham Temple, where he is still connected. He and his wife live in Southfield, and they have two sons.

Simons continues to be active with Peace Action of Michigan, the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights and the NAACP. You may see him on a Monday afternoon at a busy Ferndale intersection with a small group of activists holding up signs saying "Honk for Peace." Simons has been part of this weekly

group for years, hoping to inspire those who pass by to care about peace.

He also enjoys speaking to school and other groups about social justice and activism, conveying an unyielding commitment to peace and equal rights with warmth and charm.

Roeper senior Leora Bernard, daughter of Dennis and Hadas Bernard of Birmingham, will present Simons' award. Senior Ellie Moskowitz, daughter of Leslie and Rabbi Michael Moskowitz, will present an award to keynote speaker Bryan Stevenson, executive director of the Equal Justice Initiative.

Other honorees are Shamayim "Mama Shu" Harris, who is working to rebuild her blighted Highland Park neighborhood, and Sally Booth, in her 90s, who played an integral role in establishing the school. ♦

The 2017 Roeper Gala & Golden Apple Awards Ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at the Royal Oak Music Theater. Visit RoeperGala.preclickbid.com for ticket information.



Volunteer Opportunity For Students

B'nai mitzvah students are invited to join Jewish Family Service in making Parcels for Patients from 1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12, at JFS in West Bloomfield. The students will package traditional Purim goodies and craft Chemo Care Kits to keep people occupied during their treatment. Contact Michael Kelmenson at mkelmenson@jfsdetroit.org or (248) 592-2264 to register. ♦

NCJW/Greater Detroit Youth Awards

National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section (NCJW/Greater Detroit) is proud to continue the tradition of honoring exceptional high school students who demonstrate leadership within the Jewish community by awarding scholarship funds through its annual Jewish Youth Awards. All high school seniors may apply.

Applicants must prepare a personal essay, demonstrate leadership in the Jewish and/or secular communities and be available for a personal interview the morning of Sunday, April 23.

Applications are due Tuesday, Feb. 28, by noon to the NCJW/Greater Detroit office, 26400 Lahser Road, Suite 306, Southfield, MI, 48033.

Eight finalists will be recognized at the Jewish Youth Awards Ceremony, Tuesday, April 25, at 7 p.m. First place receives \$3,000; second place, \$1,500; third and fourth place, \$500 each; and four honorable mentions, \$250 each.

Funding is provided by the Dina and the late Herman Brodsky Jewish Youth Awards Fund and the late Esther and the late Nathan Katz Jewish Youth Awards Fund. ♦



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