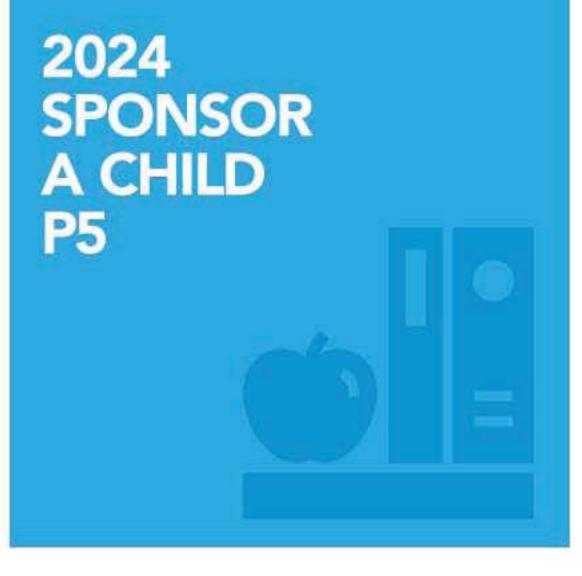
# NCJ S T L BULLETIN

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT FEBRUARY 2024

These past months challenged NCJWSTL to simultaneously support our brothers and sisters in Israel and maintain our impact on the lives of women, children and families here at home. We couldn't have managed all that without the wholehearted support of our members, volunteers and donors.

Since the October 7 attack, we've been in ongoing conversations with elected representatives, submitted letters to area publications, helped educate partner agencies about the conflict, participated in vigils and rallies, and raised funds for women-led nonprofits providing direct services in Israel.

#### Locally, we reached many significant milestones:

- The Resale Shop surpassed \$1 million in sales, sold over 170,000 items, and processed donations from 8600+ people.
- Our Advocacy team rallied, testified in Jefferson City, and spoke with lawmakers on issues like LGBTQ rights, reproductive freedom and protecting the initiative petition process.
- Monthly Lunch & Learns and weekly "5 Ways to Advocate" emails kept members updated on pressing issues.
- Healing Hearts Bank reached a cumulative microloan total over \$100,000.
- The Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Woman program convened 4 cohorts supporting individuals who have lost a life partner.
- Back to School! Store brought together 70 partner agencies and 500+ volunteers to provide coats, backpacks, school supplies and more to over 2,000 youngsters.
- Kids Community Closets stocked items into locations for 33 schools to access throughout the year.

#### We activated three exciting new partnerships:

- Volunteers coordinated with Angels Arms to outfit two homes for families with foster children.
- Employees of Nextstar Fox 2 helped prepare Back to School! Store merchandise during their annual Founder's Day of Community Service.
- Royal Banks of Missouri's partnership enabled us to double the printing and distribution of the Family Resource Guide to families and agencies across the community.

These amazing activities were only possible with our wonderful staff and the time, talents and treasure provided by all of YOU. We are so very grateful.

If you're feeling inspired to expand your NCJW involvement but not sure where to begin, I'd love to meet for coffee and conversation. Reach me through the NCJWSTL office at 314.993.5181 and let's set a date.



Nancy Litz, President NCJWSTL nnr@nancynixrice.com 314.803.4445





# TAKE ACTION FOR **ABORTION ACCESS!**

For several years now, NCJWSTL has partnered with the Missouri Family Health Council to ensure that everyone in Missouri could pursue the future they want, including if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant. One way to reach this goal is through Annual Contraception legislation, which would require health benefit plans that already provide coverage for prescription contraceptives to cover up to a one-year supply. Private health insurance plans often limit the supply of birth control a woman may obtain at one time, typically limiting access to a one-cycle or three-cycle supply.

One of the most successful, proven methods to increase birth control continuation and avoid unintended pregnancies is increasing the supply of contraceptives provided at one time. Birth control also has had a transformative impact on the

lives of women and families. Access to contraception enables women to finish school, stay in the workforce, and control the timing and spacing of their children. Last session, the Missouri House of Representatives greenlit legislation that would allow people to obtain a year-long supply of contraception at one time. Unfortunately, legislators set the measure aside and didn't get it across the finish line.

Four bipartisan annual contraception bills have been filed - SB821, SB1317, HB1874, and HB2190. You can see all the bills NCJW follows on our website. Please contact your Missouri legislators and urge them to pass these bills. For more information and to volunteer, please contact Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org.



National Council of Jewish Women

Many of NCJWSTL's core issues are in the news. Therefore, keeping our members up-to-date on the details through our Advocacy in Action Lunch & Learn series is a top priority.

Lunch & Learn programs take place on Zoom on the third Thursday of each month from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM CT and feature outstanding guest speakers on topics related to our advocacy work. The link to attend will be provided upon registering online at **ncjwstl.org**. There is no cost to attend.

## **UPCOMING SESSIONS**

MARCH 21, 2024

Women's History Month

**APRIL 18, 2024** 

The Elderly

MAY 16, 2024

Racial Equality

**JUNE 20, 2024** 

LGBTQ Community Issues

## SIGN UP FOR 5 WAYS TO ADVOCATE EMAILS



Do you want to stay up-to-date with what you can do to advocate on behalf of women, children, and families? Sign up to receive our weekly 5 Ways to Advocate newsletter to learn how you can take action with NCJWSTL. To receive 5 Ways to Advocate in your inbox every Monday morning, go to bit.ly/NCJWSTL5Ways.

# SHOW ME SHENANIGANS PODCAST

Do you ever feel like you want to do more to improve the lives of women, children and families in Missouri, but don't know how? Do you feel like figuring out how laws are made in Missouri?

NCJWSTL is excited to bring you our brand-new podcast, Show Me Shenanigans. During the Missouri legislative session, host Amy Kuo Hammerman will welcome a variety of guests, ranging from policy experts to actual legislators, who will discuss issues and bills that impact NCJWSTL's priorities of improving the lives of women, children and families.

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Let Amy demystify the legislative process while you clean, drive, or just relax. And don't worry, this is going to be fun. Access the podcast at ncjwstl.org/news-publications/#podcast.

Contact Heather Silverman at <a href="mailto:hsilverman@ncjwstl.org">hsilverman@ncjwstl.org</a> if you have any questions or topics you would like to see covered.

(Right) Show Me Shananigans hosts Jennifer Bernstein, Heather Silverman, Amy Kuo Hammerman



# LEADERSHIP

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# LEADERSHIP EDUCATION SERIES

We kicked off our Leadership Education Series this past January with EmpowerHER: Unleashing Your Leadership Potential. The event was hosted by Chairs Barbara Barnholtz and Lisa Oxenhandler, Mindy Grossmann, VP Leadership, and Nancy Litz, President.

Speaker Olga Kipnis taught attendees new skills and how to grow as a leader in the community touching on topics about confidence, overcoming failure, and self-love. **The next session in the series is scheduled for May.** 

# COMMUNITY IMPACT

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NCJWSTL's Kids Community Closet (KCC) kicked off the 2023-2024 school year with an in-person meeting at The Resale Shop to say "Thank You" to the KCC liaisons and to get everyone geared up for the upcoming school year. With 29 closets serving 33 schools in the St. Louis area, we are busy and grateful for our liaisons and partner schools. At the beginning of the school year – August and September – we distributed hundreds of uniform pants and shirts, regular pants and shirts, underwear, socks, belts and personal hygiene items. As the cold weather approached in early November, our liaisons delivered close to 1,000 coats along with hats and gloves to our partner schools. We continue to be in communication with our partner schools throughout the school year supplying them with the items they request. Our liaisons not only delivered the items requested, but they help put the items away and keep the closets organized.

Thank you to our co-chairs Diane Packman and Julie Hundman along with our 50+ KCC volunteer liaisons who are taking care of their closets all school year long.





#### Planning for the 2024 Back To School! Store is underway!

On November 15, the BTSS steering committee met at The Resale Shop to reflect on the 2023 event and begin planning for 2024. At this meeting, we had four stations set up: shoes, training, delivery, miscellaneous. Everyone was given sticky notes and pens and were asked to write down thoughts for what did and didn't work at each of those stations and post them appropriately. We then reviewed and discussed. There was a lot of conversation, great ideas, and suggestions for BTSS 2024.

Special thanks to this year's Back To School! Store Co-Chairs Alison Fox, Judy Grosz, Lauren Kraus, Sarah Beth Matt, and VP of Community Impact, Amanda Stein. Make sure to mark your calendars for the second annual hybrid 2024 Back To School! Store, scheduled for Sunday, August 4.

#### **SPONSOR A CHILD TODAY!**

Do you remember the excitement you felt getting ready for your first day of school?

The NCJWSTL Back to School! Store is committed to making sure that 2,000 elementary school children throughout St. Louis feel that same way! Now more than ever, St. Louis families need YOUR help providing their children with the essentials they need to be successful at school and excited to learn.

When you sponsor a child for \$180, you are helping each one be prepared to learn with confidence and self-esteem. Your support provides brand new backpacks, school supplies, coats, hats, gloves, shoes, socks, and personal care items. To sponsor a child, go to bit.ly/BTSSChildSponsor2024.

During this critical time, please consider increasing your gift. The need is ever-growing, and your contribution makes a difference in the lives of children in our community. Thank you in advance for your support, and to those who have already donated.

TOGETHER, WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN IN ST. LOUIS





Upon losing a life partner, the Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow Women program helps women create strong bonds with others who have also experienced loss. Groups meet on a continuous basis with new groups forming every few months. We had a WWW Strategic Planning meeting in November to review and discuss the current program as well as to explore new ideas as we continue to grow the program.

We'd like to thank Linda Sher, our volunteer coordinator, for all her hard work and dedication to the program as well as this year's Facilitators Linda Cohn, Patty Croughan and Harriet Lander and Co-Facilitators Dee Berman, Peggy Cohen Voss and Nedra Morose for supporting this important work.

Referrals are the lifeline of this program, if you or someone you know could benefit from this program, please contact Renée Sigel-Hearst, Director of Community Impact at rsigel-hearst@ncjwstl.org or 314.993.5181.



Our most recent event was held in November 2023 with 12 attendees from 3 different partner agencies. The women were greeted by our 12 enthusiastic NCJWSTL volunteers who paired off with each of them and helped them feel at home. The day started with lunch followed by a budgeting and savings workshop led by Suzanne Hough, Community Development Officer, of Carrollton Bank. Next, each of the participants was given a voucher to The Resale Shop and, along with their NCJWSTL volunteer, they had a wonderful time shopping for the perfect outfit and gifts. After their successful shopping adventure, the women were met in the conference room by Police Officer Cambra Pogue from the Creve Coeur Police Department for a Women's Safety presentation followed by candid questions and answers. Each woman left with a swag bag filled with personal hygiene items and, of course, some chocolate. Our next Project Renewal Event will be in Spring 2024.

Thank you so much to our NCJWSTL volunteers who truly make these women feel special in an unfamiliar space. Also, thanks to our Co-Chairs Amy Gallant and Joyce Kolker for consistently coordinating this special day, and Amanda Stein, VP of Community Impact for always showing up to help navigate transportation for the women.







(Above Left to Right) Shopping at The Resale Shop; Police officer Cambra Pogue from Creve Coeur Police Department; Suzanne Hough, Community Development Officer, Vice President from Carrollton Bank

# HEALING HEARTS BANK

The HHB supporters/bankers gathered in November for a thank you get together. Our crew is so dedicated and supportive of our borrowers that we just wanted to say thank you and we appreciate all you do. We had light bites, wine, and hugs.

A great time was had by all, and we thank our bankers/supporters as well as our Co-Chairs and Team Leaders, Arlene Baer and Patti Teper, along with the other Team Leaders, Marilyn Ratkin and Nina Needleman.

#### WE NEED YOU!

We need more Healing Hearts Bank volunteer bankers/supporters. No prior knowledge needed for this rewarding experience. Nor do you have to be Jewish or a woman. Our Healing Hearts Bank is expanding and we need additional volunteers. The flexible time commitment is about one hour per month with training approximately an hour in length. You'll learn how to review loan applications and support borrowers.

If interested, please contact Renée Sigel-Hearst, Director of Community Impact, at rsigel-hearst@ncjwstl.org or 314.993.5181.

(Top - L to R) Patti Teper, Monique Ray, Gay Lipman, Sue Inman (Bottom - L to R) Marilyn Ratkin, Karen Tabak, Nina Needleman





## ST. LOUIS DIAPER BANK

Diapers cannot be purchased with food stamps and are one of the most expensive items parents need. In partnership with Jewish Federation St. Louis Women's Philanthropy L'Chaim! event, NCJWSTL asked for diapers to support the "Bottom Line: Uplift the Youngest Members of our Community." Generous supporters helped us exceed our expectations! We delivered over 14,000 diapers to the St. Louis Area Diaper Bank.





(Above) Lori Ehlert, Development Manager, St. Louis Diaper Bank, Muriel Smith, Executive Director, St. Louis Diaper Bank, and Renee Sigel-Hearst, NCJWSTL, Director of Community Impact

# MEMBERSHIP





## **COFFEE TALK WITH SnL**

You're invited to join us for our virtual monthly coffee talks hosted by NCJWSTL's Past President, Susan Katzman, and Vice President of Membership, Lisa Gubernik. We will be sipping our favorite morning beverage and enjoying each other's company while discussing light topics. Each month we have a special guest!

Previous guests have included Emmy-winning music journalist Alan Light and the founders and co-owners of Lefty's Bagels, Doug Goldenberg and Scott Lefton.

Coffee Talk takes place on the fourth Tuesday of every month, 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM CT. Please register by visiting ncjwstl.org or calling the office at 314.993.5181. Once you are registered, you will receive the Zoom link necessary to attend Coffee Talk with SnL.



## **UPCOMING TALKS**

- March 26, 2024
- May 28, 2024
- June 25, 2024
- July 23, 2024

## RENEW YOUR NCJWSTL MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Make sure you're up-to-date with dues so you don't miss any of the action! With regular events and opportunities to meet, and multiple community impact and advocacy programs and projects, there's always a way to connect with others and make an impact with NCJWSTL

Whether you're getting involved with community impact programs like the Back to School! Store, events like Coffee Talk or Celebrating Women, or having in-district meetings with decision makers - you know you're making a difference in the lives of women, children, and families in St. Louis. It all begins with an NCJWSTL membership!

To join or renew, use our simple online form at bit.ly/joinNCJWSTL or contact Renée Sigel-Hearst at rsigel-hearst@ncjwstl.org or by phone at 314.993.5181.

#### WE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS\*

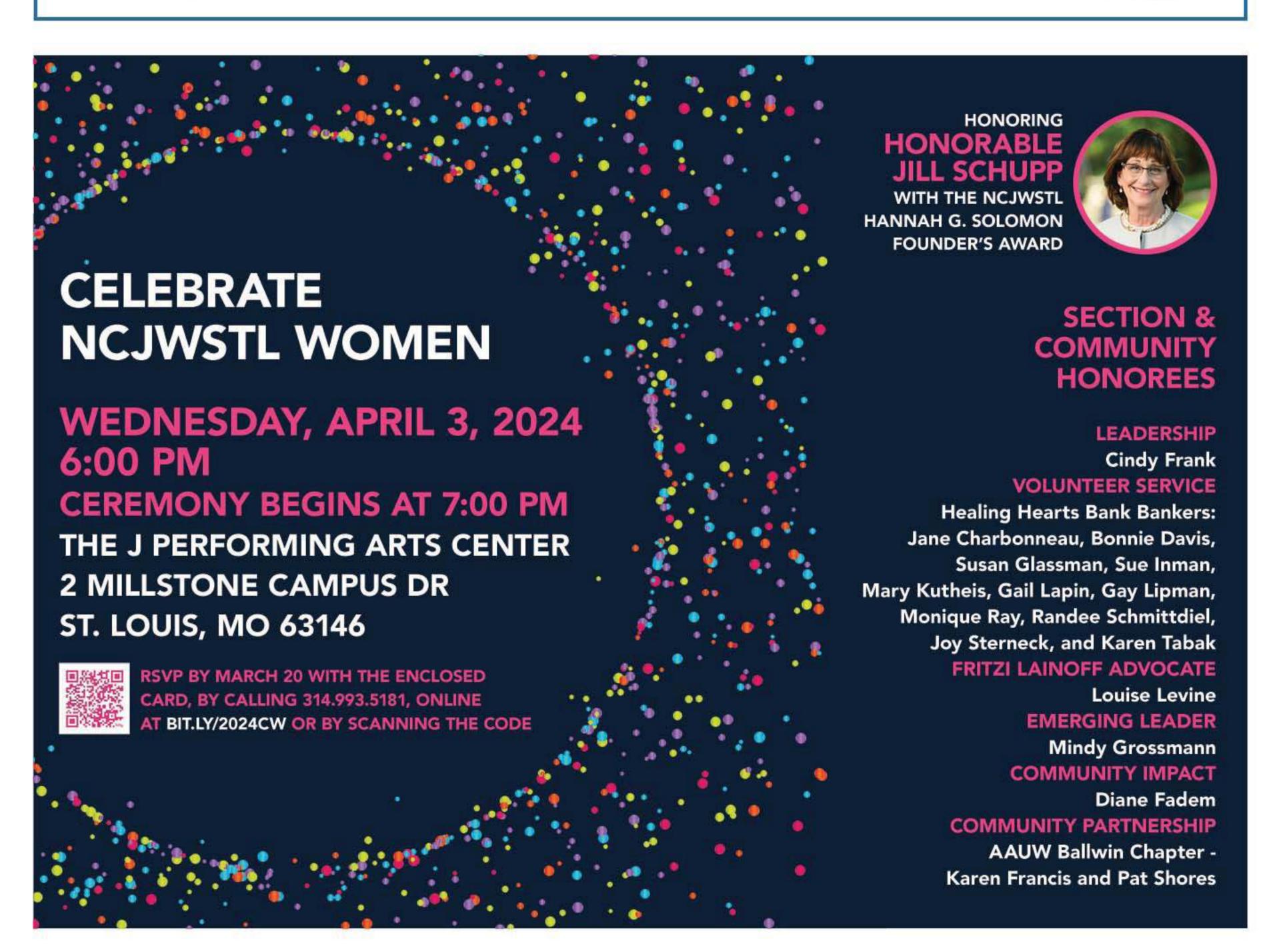
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### WE WELCOME THESE NEW LIFE MEMBERS\*

Jennifer Rosenthal, Jill Silverstein, Diane Friedman, Ronni Kaminski, Karen Aroesty, Sara Rose Forrester

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR NCJWSTL MEMBERS\*

Jane Goldberg \*as of January 5, 2024



# DEVELOPMENT





# THANK YOU, GRANTORS!

We extend our deepest thanks to the following individuals, organizations, and foundations who have contributed towards our work improving the lives of women, children, and families:

Berger Memorial Chapel; Books for STL Kids; The Dana Brown Charitable Trust; The Harlene & Marvin Wool Foundation; Harvey Kornblum Foundation; Insperity; Messing Family Charitable Foundation; Missouri Family Health Council, Inc.; Norman J. Stupp Foundation; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Redler; Saigh Foundation; The Sign of the Arrow; Siteman Family Charitable Fund; St. Louis Cardinals Community Fund; Stifel Foundation Inc.; Trio Foundation of St. Louis

# LEAVE YOUR LEGACY

#### **Keep NCJWSTL Thriving**

Planned giving, whether through an estate gift or a life insurance policy, ensures that NCJWSTL will maintain our financial capacity and strength for the next 125 years. Please consider including NCJWSTL in your will or estate plan. It's a simple way to continue a lifetime of support for our mission. We can make it easy by providing language for you, your attorney, and/or your estate planner. If you've already made a planned gift, be sure to let us know so we can add your name to our Legacy Circle. For more information, contact Ellen Alper at 314.993.5181, or by email at ealper@ncjwstl.org.

#### HAVE YOU MADE A LEGACY GIFT FOR NCJWSTL?

We're delighted to recognize and thank these individuals and families who are members of our Legacy Circle:

Darien & Stephen Arnstein, Lise & Lee Bernstein, Drs. Nanci & James Bobrow, Michelle & Gary Brooks, Gail & Charles Eisenkramer, Terry Duffy, Jane Goldberg\*, Lisa & Mark Gubernik, Amy & Zach Hammerman, Marlene & Harley Hammerman, Terry\* & Harvey\* Hieken, Gertrude Hulbert\*, David N. & Maureen M. Jordan, Betty Kagan, Karen Kalish, Toby & Irvin Katz\*, Susan Katzman, Lucy & David Levy, Sue Matlof, Sidney Martin\*, Sophie Martin\*, Wilma Messing\*, Nina Needleman, Sherri & Steve Newstead, Marilyn & Gary Ratkin, Carolyn & Larry Satz, Bruce Shapiro & Liz Guthrie, Nancy Siteman, Ruth & Alvin Siteman, Lucie Watel, Rochelle Weiss, Susan & Alan Witte (\*of blessed memory)



## TO MY NCJW FAMILY:

Thank you so much for your love and support over the past weeks. The loss of a child is unimaginable, and losing Emily is a life changing event. The culture of love, encouragement, and support that we have created at NCJW has made a difficult time much easier to manage.

Your tributes, food, help with shiva, plants, and cards enveloped our family and showed what an amazing community we have created together. I am so appreciative of all of you and the work we do together both personally and professionally. Thank you.

Love,

Ellen



## **COUTURIER 2023**

The 59th Annual Couturier was held October 18 - 21. This year's event was a BIG success, setting a new sales record! The Resale Shop served 1,345 shoppers and sold 7,655 items during the event.

Couturier 2023 was held in partnership with Hindman Auctions & Appraisals and STL Jewish Light. This partnership provided Couturier shoppers with an exclusive event gift bag along with extended event coverage online and in print created by STL Jewish Light.

Couturier, our largest fundraising effort of the year, is filled with opportunities to volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering for the 60th Annual Couturier, reach out to Jessica Duneman at jduneman@ncjwstl.org for more information.

**THANK YOU** to all our volunteers, staff, shoppers, and the 2023 Co-Chairs! We are looking forward to the 60th Anniversary in 2024!

Co-Chairs: Hillary Friedman, Amy Gallant, Susan Katzman, Carolyn Satz and Karen Silverman











(Clockwise from top left) Couturier shopper; Volunteers: Debbie Ahrens, Jo-Ann Goldstein, and Essie Rochman; Couturier shopper; Couturier shoppers in line; Couturier shopper

#### MARCH

11 **Executive Team Meeting** 

St. Patrick's Day Sale @ The Resale Shop 16 Lunch & Learn: Women's History Month 21

Coffee Talk with SnL 25

29-30 Dress & Suit Sale @ The Resale Shop

#### APRIL

April Fool's Day Sale @ The Resale Shop

**Celebrating Women** 

15 **Executive Team Meeting** 

**Lunch & Learn: The Elderly** 18

22 Earth Day Sale @ The Resale Shop

22 Erev Passover | NCJWSTL Office CLOSED at 1PM; The Resale Shop OPEN

Passover | NCJWSTL Office CLOSED; The Resale Shop OPEN 23

29 **NCJWSTL Board Meeting** 

#### MAY

Star Wars Day Sale @ The Resale Shop

Mother's Day Sale @ The Resale Shop 10-11

**Executive Team Meeting** 13

16 Lunch & Learn: Racial Equity

**NCJWSTL Board Meeting** 20

24-25 Memorial Day Sale @ The Resale Shop

Memorial Day | NCJWSTL Office and The Resale Shop CLOSED 27

Coffee Talk with SnL 28

#### JUNE

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10 **Executive Team Meeting** 

Shavuot | NCJWSTL Office CLOSED and The Resale Shop OPEN 12

14-15 Father's Day Sale @ The Resale Shop

Juneteenth | NCJWSTL Office and The Resale Shop CLOSED 19

**Lunch & Learn: LGBTQ Community Issues** 20

**NCJWSTL Board Meeting** 24

25 Coffee Talk with SnL

# TRIBUTES JULY 1, 2023 - JANUARY 15, 2024

Thank you to all of our tribute donors! The money raised through tributes is very important in helping us meet our goals and uphold our mission. Tributes are listed under the name of the person honored or remembered. Each tribute is keyed with the initials of the fund to which the contribution was made. The fund initials appear after the donor's name. Tributes received after the deadline for this publication will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin. You can set up a pre-paid, in house tribute account and know that you only need to call the office to make your tribute! For more information on making a tribute, visit ncjwstl.org/donate/tributes or call Miriam Schwab at 314.993.5181.

**KEY** 

BLUE TRIBUTE = 910 - 917

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(JB-WWW) Jean Stein Bloch Wife Widow

Woman Fund (AACT) Advocacy In Action (WES) Women's Emergency Services Fund

(SP) Section Priorities

(SLL) Leadership Legacy Fund (HHB)

(OACAP)

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Sharee and Mark Feldman (BTSS/KCC) .

Tucker Abeles I Bar Mitzvah

Bob and Debi Feit (BTSS/KCC)

Andrea Newstead (BTSS/KCC) .

Amy Abramson | Haley Abramson's

accomplishments

NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Joe Adams | Speedy Recovery

Ellen Alper (SP)

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Ellen Alper I birth of granddaughter, Sara Rose

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Darien and Stephen Arnstein (WES)

Lise and Lee Bernstein (WES)

Farilyn Hale (WWW)

Marlene Hammerman (SP)

Betsy Mehlman (SP)

Marilyn and Gary Ratkin (SP)

Marilen Pitler (SP)

Ellen Alper I Special Birthday

Sherri and Rick Goldman (SP)

Marlene and Harley Hammerman (WES)

Marilyn Ratkin (SP)

Emilie Schaffer (WES)

Darien Arnstein | NCJW National Board

appointment

Emilie Schaffer (AACT)

Alissa Arst | Birthday

Mitch Turoff (SP)

Arlene Baer | Happy Chanukah!

Marilyn Ratkin (HHB)

Ed Balk | Birthday

Marlene and Harley Hammerman (SP)

Melissa and Jon Baris | 25th Anniversary

Sheryl and Larry Zigler (BTSS/KCC)

Shirlene Baris (BTSS/KCC)

Jim and Amy Bennett | New granddaughter,

Aria Bayla Bennett

Sherri and Steve Newstead (BTSS/KCC)

Shira Berkowitz | Being featured in STL

Magazine's "People Working Toward

Solutions in STL" list

NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Dee Berman | Speedy Recovery

Charlotte Rosenblum (BTSS/KCC)

Jen Bernstein | Speedy Recovery after surgery

Sherri and Rick Goldman (AACT)

Emily Schaffer (AACT)

Ellen Alper (SP)

Lise Bernstein (AACT)

Dianna Fine (SP)

Farilyn Hale (WES)

NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Marilen Pitler (AACT)

Lorry Blath | Marriage of Grandson Landon

to Rena

Bob and Debi Feit (BTSS/KCC)

Nanci Bobrow | Recovery

Edie and Steve Feman (SP)

The Brandvein Family I L'Dor v'Dor Award

from Shaare Emeth

NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Terry and Joanie Brimer | Ella's Bat Mitzvah

Linda Kline (BTSS/KCC) .

Maxine Clark | Being featured in STL Magazine's

"People Working Toward Solutions in STL" list

NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Betsy Cohen | Being recognized by the

International Institute for their Mulitcultural

Pioneer award and by the Asian American

Chamber of Commerce as Connector of the Year

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Gayle Dorshow | Speedy Recovery

Chris Bomze (BTSS/KC)

Gail Eisenkramer | Speedy Recovery

Sherri and Rick Goldman (BTSS/KCC) □

Dianna Fine | NCJW Fritzi Lainoff Advocacy Award

Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) .

Karyn Fine | Retirement after 31 yrs of teaching

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# IN HONOR THANK YOUTHANK YOUTHANK YOU

Wendy Flusser | NCJW Fritzi Lainoff Amy Hammerman | Unsung Hero Award Sue Lapp | Speedy Recovery Zachary, Calvino and Advocacy Award NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Cindy and David Schuval (AACT) . Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Masa Hammerman (AACT) Joni and Alan Lebon | Marriage of son Andy Melissa and Wade Forrester | Birth of Sara Rose Emile Schaffer (AACT) Sherri and Rick Goldman (AACT) Nanci and Jim Bobrow (SP) Sally and Ken Katzif (BTSS/KCC) Cindy and Steve Frank (SP) Marlene and Harley Hammerman (WES) Peggy and Sam Lents | The Harris Frank Community Service Award from Shaare Emeth Sherri and Rick Goldman (SP) Susan Katzman (SLL) Emilie Schaffer (WES) Nancy Litz (SP) NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Emily Alper (AACT) The Ken Schwartz Family (AACT) Nancy Litz | Birthday Marlene Hammerman (SP) Noma Simon (SP) Emilie Schaffer (SP) Betsy Mehlman (SP) Susan and Alan Witte (BTSS/KCC) Dianna and Dick Fine (SP) Jill Gubin (SP) Darien and Stephen Arnstein (WES) Susan Dertke Hendin (SP) Marilen Pitler (BTSS/KCC) Bob and Barb Hoffman (AACT) Shelley Marglous | Speedy Recovery Cindy Frank | Being a great Board Buddy Jill and Allie Gubin (AACT) Sherri and Rick Goldman (BTSS/KCC) Michelle Hoberman I Speedy Reccovery Sarah Kirschner (BTSS/KCC) Sherri and Rick Goldman (BTSS/KCC) Enid Weisberg and Dr. Bruce Frank Sherri and Rick Goldman (BTSS/KCC) Bill Motchan | Speedy Recovery NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Susan and Alan Witte (BTSS/KCC) Shaheem Clark Hubbard | Daughter's Carolyn and Chuck Furfine I 65th Wedding swift recovery Nina Needleman | Happy Chanukah NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Anniversary Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Judith and Ted Isaacs | JSU Jewish Bonnie and Norman Solomon (BTSS/KCC) □ Stacey Newman | Speedy Recovery NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Susan Gilbert | Haley Abramson's Engagement honor Sherri and Steve Newstead | 50th Wedding accomplishments Linda Sher (WWW) □ Mr. and Mrs. Warner Issacs | Marriage of Emily NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Anniversary Dan Glazier I Being recognized as one of the and Daniel Polinsky Susan Reinglass (SP) Harriette Arkin (WWW) □ Top Fifty Missourians by Ingrams Lenore and Edwin Pepper I 70th Wedding Sheila Katz | Birthday NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Anniversary Ellen and Steve Alper (SP) Trish and Ken Goldman | Anniversary NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Betty and Buddy Rosenbaum (SP) Sally and Ken Katzif | 50th Wedding Anniversary Phyllis Langsdorf (BTSS/KCC) Sherri Goldman | Special Birthday Susan Reinglass (SP) Lenore Pepper I 90th Birthday Sherri and Mark Feldman (BTSS/KCC) Marcia King Susan Katzman (SLL) Marlene and Harley Hammerman (BTSS/KCC) Wealth Management Advisors (BTSS/KCC) Ellen Alper (SP) Sally and Ken Katzif (BTSS/KCC) Linda Sher and Phil Koppel I Wedding Emily and Daniel Polinsky I Wedding Gary Meltz and Kathy McDaniel (BTSS/KCC) Fran Axelbaum (WWW) Harriette Arkin (WWW) Marilyn and Gary Ratkin (HHB) . Nancy Cohen (WWW) Megan Price | Appointment to the Missouri Sherri and Steve Newstead (BTSS/KCC) Marilyn Cohn (WWW) Workforce Development Board Andrea Goldstein | Thank you for all you do for Jessica Diamond (WWW) NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Sam and Susan Gutovitz (WWW) Emily and Nick Quick | Wedding so many others Iris Shepard (WES) Anne Harbor (WWW) Georgee and Jeff Waldman (BTSS/KCC) Judy and Keith Grosz I 40th Anniversary llene Horenstein (WWW)■ Randee and Tom Schmittdiel (SP) Shirlene Baris (BTSS/KCC) Scott Sher (WWW) Marilyn Ratkin | Special Birthday Farilyn Hale | Speedy Recovery Phyllis Langsdorf Sherri and Rick Goldman (BTSS/KCC) Elissa M. Cahn (SP) Ellen Alper (SP) Wendy Flusser (AACT) NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Gail Lapin | Happy Chanukah Marilyn and Gary Ratkin Amy Hammerman I Thank you Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Dr. and Mrs. James Epstein (HHB) Lynnsie Balk Kantor (BTSS/KCC)

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Lee and Janet Rodgers | Hospitality Darien and Stephen Arnstein (WES) Donn Rubin | Being featured in STL Magazine's "People Working Toward Solutions in STL" list NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Lisa Samis | Birthday Max, Allie, Nora and Lucy Samis (AACT) Cindy and David Schuval (AACT) Eileen Schechter | Special Birthday Marlene and Harley Hammerman (WES) Gerry Schiller | 100th Birthday Jan Pass (SP) Audrey Shanfeld | 85th Birthday Betty Rosenbaum (SP) Dr. and Mrs. Jos. Schraibman | Happy Anniversary Phyllis Goldberg (CC) Miriam Schwab | Son's wedding Marlene and Harley Hammerman (SP) Phyllis Langsdorf (SP) Michelle Brooks (BTSS/KCC) Sheri Sherman I Inducted into the U City Hall of Fame Marlene and Harley Hammerman (BTSS/KCC) . Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Barbara Langsam Shuman | Grape Escape Clare and Robert Seelig (SP) Barbara Langsam Shuman | Documentary being featured in the film festival Ellen Alper (SP) Phyllis Langsdorf (SP) NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Nancy Siteman | Speedy Recovery Sherri and Rick Goldman (SLL) Ruth Siteman | Get Well Soon Hillary and Bill Friedman (SLL) Susan Katzman (SLL) Ellen Alper (SLL) NCJW Board and Staff (SLL) Rose-Lynn Sokol | Get Well Soon NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Skip and Elaine Spielberg | Being honored as "Champions of Change"

Michael Staenberg | Being featured in STL Magazine's "People Working Toward Solutions in STL" list NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Robin Stern | Special Birthday Sharee and Mark Feldman (BTSS/KCC) NJ and Bobby Sterneck | Anniversary Kenny and Lucy Schwartz (BTSS/KCC) Patti Teper | Get well soon! NCJW Board and Staff (SP) Patti Teper | Happy Chanukah Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Karen Tabak | Happy Chanukah Marilyn Ratkin (HHB) Roslyn Voellinger I Happy Chanukah Ellen Sherman and Barry Forman (SP) Roy Wagman and Barbara Singer | Anniversary Kenny and Lucy Schwartz (BTSS/KCC) • Ann Wagner | Appointment to House-Knesset Parliamentary Group

Faith and Bruce Waxman I 40th Anniversary
Marla and Gary Goldstein (BTSS/KCC)

Gail Wechsler I Receiving the Inaugural MAALL
Service Award and being recognized as a
co-coordinator of the MAALL Book to Action
project

Marilen Pitler (AACT)

Rochelle Weiss I Grandson's Bar Mitzvah
NCJW Board and Staff (SP)

Marilyn Young

Darien and Stephen Arnstein (WES)

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