

Please note: There will be no 5 Ways to Advocate next week.

Join the Jewish Community for the Interfaith Service and Pride Parade



When: Sunday, June 29 | 10:00 AM Service and 12:00 PM Parade

**Where:** Downtown (details to be provided by JCRC)

**RSVP** Here

Join our partners at JCRC in an Interfaith Show of Support for the LGBTQ+ Community.

June is PRIDE month, and JCRC is once again participating in the PRIDE St. Louis Interfaith Service and Grand Parade and they want YOU to be there too!

JCRC is convening the Jewish community to join with local faith partners and recommit to the belief that we are all created in the image of God, B'Tzelem Elohim.

Please <u>click here</u> if you are interested in participating so JCRC can have your contact information and pass along updated information about the day's activities.

Note: The safety of our community is a priority and JCRC has been in regular contact with the PRIDE St. Louis security team to address all of our security needs and concerns - along with Scott Biondo, Jewish Federation of St. Louis Director of Security.

2025 Supreme Court Review: Key Rulings, Public Perceptions, and Constitutional Debates

When: Tuesday, July 8 | 4:45 PM

Where: Zoom RSVP Here

The National Constitution Center and the Center on the Structural Constitution at Texas A&M University School of Law present a U.S. Supreme Court review symposium featuring leading constitutional law scholars and commentators who will analyze the Court's most significant rulings of the term.



Participants include Jonathan Adler of William & Mary Law School, Jess Bravin of The Wall Street Journal, Jan Crawford of CBS News, Daniel Epps of Washington

University St. Louis School of Law, Sarah Isgur of The Dispatch, Frederick Lawrence of Georgetown University Law Center, Fred Smith Jr. of Emory University School of Law, Stephen Vladeck of Georgetown University Law Center, Daniel Walters of Texas A&M University School of Law, and Keith Whittington of Yale Law School.

In addition to discussing recent decisions, panelists will explore the role of the media, the president, and other political actors in shaping public perceptions of the Court. Moderators include Katherine Mims Crocker of Texas A&M University School of Law, Neil Siegel of Duke Law School, and Jeffrey Rosen of the National Constitution Center.

Please <u>click here</u> to register for what will certainly be an enlightening webinar!

# Act NOW to Stop Antisemitism and Hate in all forms: Pass the Improving Reporting to Prevent Hate Act



Violent antisemitism is escalating. From the brutal murder in Washington, DC to the terrifying attack in Boulder, Colorado just before Shavuot, Jewish communities are under threat — and regularly experiencing antisemitic hate. No community should have to live in fear.

In order to effectively address this spike in hatedriven violence, we need an accurate and complete picture of hate crimes in the US. We cannot fight a

problem that we cannot see, and yet many law enforcement agencies around the country do not properly record or report hate crimes.

The <u>Improving Reporting to Prevent Hate Act</u> is exactly what our communities need to protect ourselves and each other from the ongoing threat of hate-fueled violence. This bill will improve hate crime reporting and response by requiring law enforcement to report hate crimes to the FBI every year.

Please <u>click here</u> to urge your Members of Congress to pass the Improving Reporting to Prevent Hate Act to protect all communities from hate!

### **Tornado Relief Efforts Continue**



The St. Louis Public School District was heavily affected by the devastating tornado that hit some of the most vulnerable areas of our community; several school buildings have been closed due to damage and many families have been displaced or are still living without electricity and other basic needs.

 $\square$ We are collaborating with the St. Louis Public Schools Foundation to support the families of SLPS! Please join us in collecting supplies for students and families.  $\square$ 

# Please join us in purchasing supplies for students and families. We are seeking donations of NEW items only:

- **1** from our <u>Amazon Wish List</u> and have the supplies sent to our address at 295 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141.
- **2** Contribute a **monetary donation** or mail a check to the address above, and we will purchase what is needed.

If you have questions, please reach out to Renée Sigel-Hearst, Director of Community Impact, at <a href="mailto:resident-nearst@ncjwstl.org">resident-nearst@ncjwstl.org</a>.

# ADD YOUR NAME and Help Us Oppose Censorship of Our Public Libraries

Protect Missouri's Libraries! Join the Right to Read Coalition by **clicking here**.

For those who have already joined, thank you! Check our member list to see who supports us...and if you've already joined by clicking here.

Right to Read is a statewide coalition of 1,000 individuals and nearly 100 organizations. The coalition opposes legislative, state policy, or other efforts to restrict access to materials at public and school libraries.



Censorship denies our First Amendment rights to access books that reflect our diverse community:

- Missouri ranked third nationally in 2023 for the number of books banned at school libraries.
- 60% of banned books in the U.S. include characters of color and discussed issues of race and racism or presented LGBTQ+ characters or themes.

Laws and policies enacted recently have led to book bans and harmful regulations on our libraries. **We expect more censorship efforts in Missouri in 2025.** 

Add your voice to thousands of Missourians to fight censorship and book bans!

### **Get FREE Emergency Contraception at NCJWSTL!**



NCJWSTL is thrilled to announce that we have partnered with the <u>Missouri Family Health Council</u> (MFHC) to distribute **FREE emergency contraception kits**! This effort is vitally important in the wake of last year's Supreme Court decision overturning Roe vs. Wade, especially in states like Missouri where abortion is illegal. Everyone should have the right to determine when and if they wish to start a family, and emergency contraception is vital in preventing unwanted pregnancies.

Also known as the morning-after pill, or by the brand name Plan B, the emergency contraception pill is an over-the-counter form of birth control that can be taken up to five days after unprotected sex to avoid pregnancy. The goal of this effort is to reduce geographic and financial barriers Missourians face in accessing emergency contraception pills.

While supplies last, MFHC, NCJWSTL, and other partner organizations are offering free EC kits to anyone of any age. Feel free to stop by the NCJWSTL office to pick up your kit - for you or a loved one.

If you have any questions, please contact Jen Bernstein at <a href="mailto:jbernstein@ncjwstl.org">jbernstein@ncjwstl.org</a>. You can also order an emergency contraception kit by mail by <a href="mailto:clicking here">clicking here</a>.

#### **Take Action & Join the A-List**

Now more than ever you will want to ensure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2025! Join us as we stand together and speak out about the issues that matter most.

#### Together we can make a difference!

A-List sponsorship ads sustain our collaborative efforts to educate the community and elected officials about issues integral to our mission, such as birth control access and voting rights. The full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2025.



- **\$18** includes your name in the ad.
- \$54 makes you an Advocate Plus with your name in bold.
- \$72 makes you a sponsor with your name distinguished in color.

<u>Click here</u> to see the A-List flyer. <u>Click here</u> to see the latest A-List Ad. Join the A-list <u>here</u>.

## **Interesting Reading**



If the budget reconciliation package before the U.S. Senate becomes law in the coming weeks, reproductive health advocates say the provision that would cut federal funding to Planned Parenthood clinics could serve as a backdoor nationwide abortion ban, eliminating access to 1 in 4 abortion providers.

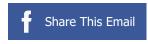
<u>Click here</u> to read Kelcie Moseley-Morris and Sofia Resnick's article from the Missouri Independent, "Planned Parenthood at Risk of Closing Hundreds of Clinics Across the Country."

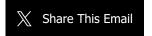
Not yet a member of NCJWSTL? <u>Click here</u> to become part of a growing network of courageous and compassionate individuals who improve the lives of women, children, and families every day. You don't have to be a woman or Jewish to join!

Donate to Support NCJWSTL & Transform Our Community

















NCJWSTL | 295 N. Lindbergh Blvd. | St. Louis, MO 63141 US

<u>Unsubscribe</u> | <u>Update Profile</u> | <u>Constant Contact Data Notice</u>



Try email marketing for free today!