



Services

Friday Evenings

February 1
Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30 pm

February 8
Kabbalat Social
Responsibility Shabbat 7:30 pm

February 15
Early Shabbat Service
Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm
7:30 pm

February 22
SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND
Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30 pm

Saturday Mornings

February 2
Yitro 10:00 am
Bar mitzvah of Koby Hartman

February 9
Mishpatim 10:00 am
Bat mitzvah of Catherine Walsh

February 16
T'rumah 10:00 am

February 23
SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND
T'tzaveh 10:00 am
Bat mitzvah of Rachel Forrest

CRC Mock Mitzvah

electronic signup

[http://crcmockmitzvah.
eventbrite.com/](http://crcmockmitzvah.eventbrite.com/)

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An Exploration of Purim: Deepening Identity and "Finding Home"

Jewish tradition teaches that when the messiah comes there will be a Shabbat that never ends and we will not have the need to celebrate any of our holidays except Purim. Why Purim? Because the ultimate lesson of Purim is about idolatry. It's about clearing away the layers of illusion that get in the way of our knowing what is real.

This Purim we will have the unique opportunity to explore the layers of our identities with artist Siona Benjamin. I remember when I first met Siona and witnessed her breathtaking work. I fell in love with her piece, "Finding Home," and it now hangs in my office. Having grown up in a predominantly Hindu and Muslim society in India, having been educated in Catholic and Zoroastrian schools and now living in America, Siona and her work push us to explore our own spiritual borderlands to "find home." Every piece, including the exquisite Megillah of Esther that will be unveiled at CRC this Purim, evokes many challenging issues including identity, immigration, motherhood, and the role of art in social change.

Our Spiritual Enrichment weekend with Siona will Begin **Friday night** as we learn about the story of the Jews of India and continue for a **Shabbat Lunch and Learn** on all things Purim based on the extensive study she did to create the Megillah. For **Purim on Saturday night** we will celebrate with "Rang de Nila," "Color Me Blue" and learn more about the lore of Purim and the secrets found along the borders of her scroll.

There will also be a megillah reading with the appropriate irreverence! On Purim we poke fun and laugh at what seems most sacred realizing that if we can name it and know it, it is not God.

And on **Sunday morning** Siona will help us take what we have learned to articulate our own identities with art and narrative.

The wisdom of the holiday cycle teaches that without really celebrating Purim by letting go of the illusions and trappings of idolatry and those things that enslave us, we can never really "leave the slavery of Egypt" behind and be ready to celebrate the challenge of freedom that comes with Passover. Without Purim there can be no Pesach. Without the deep dive of Purim that shakes us up at our core we cannot be ready at Pesach to leave what keeps us stuck behind and set priorities that will make the world better not worse, that will take us forward not backward, that will make our path to the Promised Land clear.

And this year we will have the added joy of celebrating and learning with my dear friend Siona as she shares with us the colorful and beautiful journey of finding home.

Leading up to Purim to prepare us for this journey I will teach **three sessions on Tuesday nights as part of our University series**. We will study the Megillah and the midrash for a greater understanding of why, of all the holy days, we will always have the need for Purim!

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Mazel Tov to ...

- ★ Grace Levens on her bat mitzvah
- ★ Beverly and Eric Berla on the birth of their granddaughter
- ★ Rick Isserman on beginning his term as Chair of the Holy Ground Collaborative
- ★ Michael DiPlacido on attaining the Master Teacher level in the Teacher Certification program of the Central Agency for Jewish Education in St. Louis

Sincere Condolences to...

- ★ Michael Mindlin, Elizabeth Kurila, Max and Meg Mindlin on the death of their mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother, Fayette Mindlin
- ★ Stephen Skrainka on the death of his brother and our member, Robert L. Skrainka
- ★ Tracy Kondla on the death of her mother, Bonnie Kondla
- ★ Diane and John Terranova on the death of Diane's father, Hilmar M. Lohmann
- ★ Lena Fish on the death of her father, Yuriy Fish
- ★ Julie Kaplan, Josie and Ezra Shifrin on the death of their husband and father, Henry Shifrin

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Happy Purim and love,
Susan

These are the three traditions we observe at Purim:

- 1) To hear the Megillah (Scroll of Esther) read. This year on Saturday night, February 23 at 7:00 pm.
- 2) To make *shalach manot*, simple gifts for friends and neighbors – still time to sign up for CRC's exchange (see page 3).
- 3) To offer *matanot l'evyonim*, gifts for the needy.

Also, for our little ones, as has become our tradition, our 7th grade class will make a great **carnival on Sunday, February 24 at 1:00 pm.**

*Save the date!***St. Louis Jewish Legacy Tour****Sunday, April 7, 12:30-4:30 pm**

What's Jewish about the Old Courthouse? The Old Cathedral? The Arch? Forest Park and the 1904 World's Fair? Where was the first Jewish worship service held in St. Louis? The first synagogue site? Learn the answers to these questions and many more on our St. Louis Jewish Legacy Tour, conducted by St. Louis historian Linda Koenig.

The bus will leave CRC at 12:30 pm sharp on Sunday, April 7, and will return to CRC at 4:30. This tour is suitable for adults, and children over 10 years old. Reservations are required by March 26. More information coming.

CRC 3rd Fridays

6:00 pm, CRC Sanctuary
February date: Friday, February 15



Join us! Our 3rd Friday services continue! Come every third Friday of the month for an early and brief Shabbat service. This is a service for our entire CRC family--young, old and everyone in between!

Want to spend Fridays with CRC, but 7:30 pm doesn't work? This service will be complete by 7:00 pm and our weekly 7:30 pm service will follow.

Movies with the Rabbis Series

Popcorn will be served. Rabbis will lead and guide the discussion.

Sunday, February 10, 3:00 pm
'The Chosen' with Rabbi Ed

All films will be screened in the Multi-purpose room.

Questions? Contact Jennifer Fishering, Assistant to the Rabbis at 361-1564, ext. 101 or jenf@centralreform.org.

LGBT Early Valentine's Party**Friday, February 8, 6:00 pm**

Let's get together and celebrate Shabbat, good food, each other, and...**a Chocolate Fountain!** (It will almost be Valentine's Day after all!) CRC will provide challah. Please bring the following to share for about 12 people: (A-E) wine, (F-L) vege side dish or salad, (M-Z) vege main.

Please RSVP to maggie@centralreform.org.

**Sign up for CRC's Shalach Manot Exchange!****What is Shalach Manot and why do we do it?**

The Book of Esther tells us how to observe Purim: "To observe days of feasting and gladness, and a time for sending gifts to one another and presents to the poor." (Esther 9:22)

From this verse we learn the three customs observed for Purim:

1. The joy that surrounds the reading of the Megillah of Esther along with the parodies or Purim shpiels
2. *Matanot l'evyonim* – presents to the poor. This often takes the form of contributions to charity.
3. *Mishloach manot (shalach manot)* – gifts to friends.

How does it work at CRC?

1. Sign up to participate by Friday, February 8. You can sign up by filling out the online form at www.centralreform.org/purim.
2. You will be contacted by Thursday, February 14 about the CRC member household to which you will deliver a basket. We'll give you the household's address, contact information, and any dietary restrictions. (We will try to match households located near each other.)
3. Prepare and deliver two gifts between Friday, February 22 and Sunday, February 24:
 - a. Friendship basket or bag – deliver to your assigned household. It's not about spending money! Please don't spend more than \$20-25... but it's fine to spend less!
 - b. Tzedakah gift – deliver non-perishable food items to CRC or directly to the Jewish Food Pantry (or another food bank).
4. You will also receive a basket between Friday, February 22 and Sunday, February 24.

What should I put in my gift basket or bag?

The only real guideline is that your gift should include at least two different foods. Here are some ideas:

- Hamantaschen (Purim cookies – available at Whole Foods & Kohn's; or a recipe of your own!)
- Crackers, cookies or brownies
- Candy
- Grape juice, wine or coffee
- Card, notes or kids' crafts

Remember – the mitzvah is the giving, not the spending – so we can be creative and have fun!

Questions? contact Jen Fishering at 361-1564 ext. 101 or jenf@centralreform.org.

**A note from Mitzvah Corps:**

It is flu season and we have chicken soup! We also have vegetarian soups. We don't want anyone to get sick, but if you are in need of a little Jewish penicillin, please contact one of us and we will deliver the soup, and anything else that you need, right to your door. Don't be shy. We are here to help.

Hopefully, you will stay well, but if not, just call or email:

Debbie Polinsky (314) 726-6589
debbiepolinsky@gmail.com

Wendy Bell (314) 725-9106
tinkerbellwb@gmail.com

Or you can always call the Mitzvah Corps line at (314) 361-1564, ext. 313.

Passover Seders

Diversity Seder
Saturday, March 30, 6:00 pm

LGBT Seder
Friday, March 29, 6:00 pm

Men's Seder
Thursday, March 28, 6:00 pm

Second Seder
Tuesday, March 26, 6:00 pm

Women's Seder
Wednesday, March 27, 6:00 pm

4 spiritual enrichment weekend

Mark your calendar for an unforgettable Spiritual Enrichment Weekend at CRC February 22-24, 2013



Artist Siona Benjamin will join CRC and lead our community in a weekend full of art, spirit and learning. The themes and energy in Siona's work will guide our Purim weekend. We are thrilled to welcome and get to know Siona and her multi-faceted work.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 7:30 pm - Shabbat Shabbang

Join our regular Kabbalat Shabbat Service and hear Siona speak about the Jews of India and multicultural Jewish identity. Join us afterwards for a very special vegetarian Indian oneg.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 12:15 pm - Lunch & Learn

A refreshing feel to a monthly CRC favorite. Bring your lunch and join Siona Benjamin in the CRC Library to talk about all things Purim, including diving into the text of the Megillah.

7:00 pm - Rang de Nila (Color Me Blue) Purim

Making of the Megillah & Megillah Reading

Join Siona and CRC Rabbis for a

multimedia presentation on the research and making of the Megillah. After Siona takes us on this journey, we will read from her stunning Megillah – a favorite Purim tradition. We will explore the midrash and myth that adorn the megillah and deepen the story.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 10:00 am - Inspired identity collage: An Art Workshop

Part workshop, part craft project, and part art salon, during this terrific event, we will build multi-dimensional collages incorporating fragments of beautiful art supplies along with materials chosen to represent our various identities – via religion, gender, sexuality and everything else that makes us up.

Questions about the weekend's events? Please contact Jennifer Fishering at 361-1564, ext. 101 or jenf@centralreform.org



About Siona

Siona Benjamin is a painter originally from Bombay, now living in the US. Her work reflects her background of being brought up Jewish in a predominantly Hindu and Muslim India. In her paintings she combines the imagery of her past with the role she plays in America today, making a mosaic inspired by both Indian miniature paintings and Sephardic icons.



She has her first MFA in painting and a second MFA in Theater set design. She has exhibited in the US, Europe and Asia.

Siona was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship in 2010-11 for an art project titled: *Faces: Weaving Indian Jewish Narratives*. Research for this project has been conducted in India. First exhibit has been planned for April 2013 at the Prince of Wales museum in Mumbai, India.

Her work has been featured in: The New York Times, The Chicago Tribune, The Philadelphia Inquirer, The Jewish Week in NYC and NJ, The Boston Globe, Art in America, Art New England, Art and Antiques and Moment magazine.

To see some of her work: www.artsiona.com.

5 lifelong learning

Post-Service Shabbat Classes:

12:15ish

First Saturdays: Lunch and Learn with the Rabbis

Second Saturdays: Torah Study with Will Soll and Michael Getty

Third Saturdays: Musar with Felice Joyce and Basic Judaism with Maggie Duwe

Fourth Saturdays: Chanting with Debbie Harris and Torah Study with Will Soll and Michael Getty.

Contact Maggie Duwe, Interfaith/Outreach Coordinator at 361-1564 ext. 112 or maggie@centralreform.org for more information on the following programs:

Friday Torah Study

Fridays, 2:00 - 3:15ish pm

Join us as we continue our journey and discussion of Deuteronomy. Torah Study's emphasis is on reading the Torah, primarily in English, with Hebrew explanations. Our discussions don't strictly follow the portion. We always find enough in every portion to last us several weeks.

Basic Judaism

Saturday, February 16, 12:15ish pm

It's almost Purim! The Talmud says: "When the month of Adar arrives, our joy increases." Let's gather together and learn what the fun of Purim is all about. Call Maggie Duwe to RSVP or for more information. New Adult Beginning Hebrew Class.

Adult Hebrew

Starting Monday, February 4
11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Please join us for the newest Beginning Hebrew class. We will learn the alphabet and how to read some beginning

words. You will be amazed at how much you will understand! Please RSVP to maggie@centralreform.org.

Interfaith Workshop Series

Please join us for a series of informative interfaith workshops, including time for discussion and getting to know each other. We meet on the 3rd Sunday of every month from noon-2:00pm.

Sunday, February 17, 12:00 noon

Topics will include: What does my religion mean to me? Why is religion important in my life? Why is religion important in our life as a couple? What about kids?

To register or more information about this series, please contact Maggie Duwe.

Hebrew Chanting with Debbie Harris

Fourth Saturday of every month
12:30 pm (except in February)

Join us in cultivating this modern Jewish practice, created by Rabbi Shefa Gold, which quiets the mind, opens the heart and leaves one feeling connected and receptive to the Divine Mystery.

University Series

All Classes are at 7:00 pm, Tuesdays

February: (1st three Tuesdays) – Rabbi Susan Talve – Purim (in preparation for Siona's visit)

March: (1st three Tuesdays, 4th Tuesday is Second Seder) – Rabbi Randy Fleisher – Passover

April: – Rabbi Dale Schreiber – Topic TBD

May: – Rabbi Ed Harris – Couples topics (instead of a couples retreat)

Grade Level Shabbat Dinners

3rd and 4th Grade Shabbat Dinner

Friday, February 8, 6:00-7:30 pm

Meet other CRC families, get to know our rabbis and Hebrew School teachers! We'll provide some main dishes. Please bring a side dish to share (last names A-M) or a desert (last names N-Z). No pork or shellfish please. RSVP if possible to Amy (amyraivin@gmail.com) or Priya (priyasudor@gmail.com). Looking forward to meeting you all!

Pre-K and Kindergarten Families

Sunday, February 10, 12:30-3:00 pm

We will host a family lunch and activity time for the pre-k and kindergarten Shabbat classes. This is an opportunity for kids and parents to get to know each other outside of class time. Specifics are coming shortly. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Matt Shatzman at mattshatzman@yahoo.com or (314) 397-3775.

SAVE THE DATE

CRC 5th Grade Hebrew Class Shabbat Dinner

Friday, April 26, 2013

More details and RSVP information to come. We could use a few more parents to help. If you are willing, please contact Caryn Fine at finecaryn@gmail.com.



If you're looking to reduce energy in your home, one of the first places to start looking is your water heater. Whether you use a gas or electric heater, it is likely that heating water accounts for the single biggest use of energy in your home. For some folks, reducing this energy usage means switching to a solar heated tank or an efficient tankless heater. But you can find energy savings in a variety of ways with a traditional heater as well.

CRC 9th graders learn about advocacy from CRC member and State Representative Stacey Newman



- Get a tank that fits the size of your family. Having an enormous tank for 1-2 people is wasted energy.
- Don't set the temperature hotter than manufacturer recommendations. It wastes energy and also makes you vulnerable to scalding. Also don't forget to set the temperature to "vacation mode" when you are going to be out of town.
- Perform regular maintenance to keep heating elements free of mineral buildup. This is especially important in areas with hard water.
- Wrap the heater with an insulation blanket to help retain heat. This is especially helpful if your heater lives in a chilly basement.

Purim Carnival

Sunday, February 24th 1:00-3:00 pm Megillah telling at 2:00 pm

Come have fun with games, prizes, costumes, music, stories and yummy Hamantaschen at our annual Purim Carnival. The bouncy Purim castle will be back too!

A Message from Essie

As Purim approaches, my mind turns to community and the importance of being part of one or many. Share what you have and celebrate together! Being part of a community also means helping those in need. Helping can mean to spend time with someone in a home for the aged, volunteer at a food pantry, clear a garden or build one at a shelter for the homeless or battered, give money and/or food to the hungry . . . One person can make a huge difference in the life of another. Caring acts really count!

Simple as A-B-C:

Act on the future: for yourself, your children and the community

Be part of a community: help, celebrate and be kind, often

Care for others: your presence is a present and your time is a gift

Live with intention and plan your life: being Jewish, being a Parent, being a Friend or Partner . . . do it everyday!

There will be NO Shabbat School on Saturday February 16th. Spring Break for CRC Religious School is from 3/16 - 3/27.

Make room for peace in your life and in the world, Essie Mitchell, Director Religious School



Learn about the Proposed Medicaid Expansion

Missouri has an unprecedented opportunity to expand Medicaid to provide health insurance to single parents and childless adults who earn up to 138% of the federal poverty level, or about \$26,000 for a family of three. CRC has joined the grassroots campaign to pass this expansion because We believe this expansion is both the right thing to do and the smart thing to do for Missouri. Here are just a few of the reasons why:

- Today, 877,000 Missourians currently have no health insurance. Expanding Medicaid will allow 260,000 of our hardworking neighbors to gain insurance. A recent study shows that expanding coverage could even save the lives of as many as 6% of the people who enroll.
- Missouri currently makes it harder than almost any other state to qualify for Medicaid. Under today's rules, a single mother of two can't qualify for basic health care through Medicaid if she makes anything more than \$3,504 per year - just 18% of the poverty line. Our state spends hundreds of millions on tax breaks for big corporations; surely we can make a serious investment in ensuring that all Missourians have access to affordable health care.
- A recent study showed that expanding Medicaid will create 24,000 new jobs in the first year alone.

For more information on the proposed Medicaid expansion, and the campaign to pass it in Missouri, please visit www.momedicaidcoalition.org.

Medicaid Expansion Volunteers Needed!

The grassroots campaign to expand Medicaid in Missouri is looking for volunteers.

Throughout the rest of the legislative session, we will be holding regular phonebanks, calling people who support increasing access to health care to put them in touch with their elected officials. We need volunteers to make these phonebanks a success!

St. Louis phonebanks will be held on the following dates. Locations will vary by date; sign up and we will tell you where to go. No experience needed - you will receive training and a script when you volunteer.

To sign up for the following shifts, please contact Jen Bersdale at jennifer@centralreform.org or 361-1564 ext. 116.

Wednesday, February 6, 5:30-8:30 pm

Tuesday, February 12, 5:30-8:30 pm

Wednesday, February 20, 5:30-8:30 pm

Tuesday, February 26, 5:30-8:30 pm

Wednesday, March 6, 5:30-8:30 pm

Tuesday, March 12, 5:30-8:30 pm

9th Grade Service

Friday, March 1, 7:30 pm

February 14-17, CRC's 9th grade class will be traveling to Washington, DC. While they are there, they will lobby their U.S. Senators and Representatives on marriage equality, gun control, and protecting anti-poverty programs in the federal budget.

On March 1, at a very special Shabbat service, our students will share their lobbying speeches with our congregation and talk about their experience

learning to be advocates in Washington, DC. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from CRC's newest voices for justice!

Shabbat Walk

Saturday, February 2, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Please meet us at the Visitor Center in our magnificent Forest Park

If you need a ride, call Andrea at (314) 791-2944 (cell)

Tu BiSh'vat, our love of trees and nature, and a pristine park. A perfect blend to welcome in the spring as the sap begins to flow in late winter! A short briefing, a quick bite at the cafe/warm drink, or bring your own lunch, and DRESS APPROPRIATELY for the weather. Our first walk may be 45-60 minutes (or shorter!) in the Muny/Deer Park area. (Ice on roads? Cancelled. Rain? Bring umbrella. Snow? OK.) For Community, Spirituality, and Health. Humor is always welcome! For more info, contact: Andrea Kaiser, braveheart.stlouis@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Workshop

Sunday, March 10, 1:00-3:00 pm

This workshop is mandatory for sixth grade students planning b'nai mitzvah and their parents. Even if you have had one child through the b'nai mitzvah process, come see what is new.

If you have questions, please contact Essie at 361-1564 ext. 118 or essie@centralreform.org.

tributes

General Fund

NANCY POLLACK

In honor of the openness CRC presents to the St. Louis Jewish Community

SHARON AND BOB HOLLANDER

In memory of Sharon's uncle, Meyer Chapnick

In memory of Kathy Davenport's mother, Clarice Leneave

In honor of the engagement of Jake Talve-Goodman and Josie Rosenthal

RENEE WINTER

In memory of Lisa Graivier Barnes' father

In honor of Rabbi Susan and Rabbi Randy for a lovely Chanukah celebration

KARIN MCELWAIN-WEST AND SUSAN KASHUBECK-WEST

In honor of Lisa Mandel's Bat Mitzvah

CRC'S 9TH GRADE CLASS

In honor of Stacey Newman and with many thanks

CAROL AND MICHAEL STAENBERG

In honor of Barb and Harvey Citerman's 45th wedding anniversary

BARBARA AND HARVEY COTLAR

In honor of the bat mitzvah of Grace Elizabeth Levens

SHARON AND BOB HOLLANDER

With healing prayers for Laurie Lieberman

SUSAN SPIEGEL AND STEWART HALPERIN

In memory of Yuriy Fish, father of Lena Fish

In memory of Robert Skrainka, brother of Stephen Skrainka

RACHEL DELSTON AND MATT BYRON

With thanks to Rabbi Susan and Rabbi Randy for a beautiful baby naming ceremony for Charlie

KIMBERLY GELLMAN

In memory of her beloved grandmother, Florence Mufson

HENRY AND PATTY SCHVEY

In honor of the birth of their second grandson, Julian Malcolm Bennett to daughter Jerusha Schvey and Robb Bennett

DAVID AND JAMIE SENTNOR

SYLVAN LANDAU

WINIFRED FRELICH

FELICE AND GERRY JOYCE

Rabbis' Tribute Fund

JON AND LEENIE BECKER

In honor of Rabbi Susan's birthday

In honor of Rabbi Randy's birthday

ELAINE TEPPERMAN

In memory of Dorothy Kotok

Helene Frankel and George Boniface

David and Connie Weiss

Tal Simmons

In memory of Natalie Simmons

ALAN AND MERLE FREED

To honor Rabbi Susan for her consistent willingness to help whoever asks

LEONARD AND DEBORAH VINES

With thanks to Rabbi Randy for the naming ceremony for their granddaughter, Ella Lillian

KIM ROSENFELD

To honor the memory of Peter Einstein

ELAINE TEPPERMAN

With healing prayers for Ellie Osheroff

HIRAM AND CHERYL MARTIN

With gratitude to Rabbi Susan for being such a comfort to them

CALLA SMORODIN

In memory of Mel and Sally Klearman

MARCY AND DALE BRODSKY

With gratitude to Rabbi Susan

In memory of Harold Keyser

ROBERT AND ANN SAMUELS

With gratitude to Rabbi Randy for officiating at the wedding of their son, Ben to Xiaoning

DEBORAH STERN

In honor of Nathan Cohen's birthday

KATE AND TODD COLTON

With thanks to Rabbi Randy for their wedding ceremony

THE GEROWIN FAMILY

With thanks to Rabbi Susan for her prayers and comfort during a difficult time

STEVE FRIEDMAN AND MEREDITH HANIS

With gratitude to Rabbi Randy for his friendship and for an amazing marriage ceremony

RICHARD GOLDBERG

In memory of Janet Goldberg

PAUL WAGMAN AND ELSY CARDONA

With thanks to Rabbi Susan for preparing them for marriage and for performing a fabulous ceremony

SHELLI KASTIN AND FAMILY

With thanks to Rabbi Talve for her many kindnesses over the years

HADASSAH AND BUDDY LEBMAN

In honor of Jacob Talve-Goodman's engagement to Josie Rosenthal

JEFF SPECTOR AND AMY CAMPBELL

With thanks to Rabbi Randy for officiating at their marriage ceremony and to CRC for hosting the wedding

MATTHEW AND EMILY HAWTHORNE

With thanks to Rabbi Randy for a lovely baby naming

MARK SILVERSTEIN

ANN ALTER

MICHAEL AND DANA ALTER

yahrzeits

February 1 21 Sh'vat

CHARLES E. DAVENPORT

Father of Michael Davenport

IDA FRIEDMAN

Grandmother of Eric Friedman

EDWARD KNIZE, JR.

Father of Patricia Denlow

CECILE POTICHA

Mother of Shirley Poticha

SAMUEL TEPER

Father of Patti Teper

ESTHER WOLF

Grandmother of Marcia L. Miller

February 2 22 Sh'vat

EVA LAMBERG

Grandmother of Shirley Poticha

GENE PATTIZ

Father of Denise Bogard

February 3 23 Sh'vat

JACK BLAZER

Grandfather of Gail Wechsler

IRENE LEDERMAN

Remembered by Ronald and Ginny Weil

MORRIS LENGA

Father of Margie Kahn

*ALEXANDER PERMUTT

Son of Sally Barker and the late Alan Permutt

GARY POSCOVER

Cousin of Sharon Hollander

JOYCE ANN ROBERTS

Mother of Paul Roberts and Michael Roberts

February 4 24 Sh'vat

ALBERT CARPEY

Brother of Dorothy Mayer

BENJAMIN FRAUENGLAS

Brother of Bobby Frauenglas

HAROLD FRIEDMAN

Father of Andrea Friedman

MAX GREENBERG

Uncle of Steven Engelhardt

ABRAHAM LAPOFSKY

Grandfather of Elaine Lapofsky Kesten

MILDRED LOOMSTEIN

Mother of Jack Loomstein

BERNARD SIRKIN

Father of Nancy Weigley

February 5 25 Sh'vat

ANN CULLINANE

Mother of Michael Cullinane

SOLOMON FEINBERG

Father of Bernie Feinberg

*SOLOMON GERSHMAN

*Husband of Bettie Gershman
Father of Jeff Gershman and Diane Levine*

LESTER HANDELMAN

Grandfather of Karen Handelman

SOL KLADERMAN

Father of Karen Phon

ELAINE RUTH LEVITT

Aunt of Hannah Roth

GERTRUDE PACHECO

Friend of Michael Getty and Brian Vetruba

JEROME J. SCHORSCH

Father of Linda Cohen

February 6 26 Sh'vat

SARAH GILLERMAN CHERVITZ

*Mother of Nancy Brown
Remembered by Harold Kravin*

SAMUEL FRANK

Father of Mark Frank

HAROLD "PAT" GOLDBERG

Father of Jonathan Goldberg

DOROTHY LANG

Mother of Fran Lang

NORMA C. LAPOFSKY

Mother of Elaine Lapofsky Kesten

GARY PEGG

Uncle of Carrie J. Pegg

*DARWIN PORTMAN

*Husband of Carol Portman
Father of Bob Portman*

February 7 27 Sh'vat

SONIA GAFFNEY

Mother of Lisa Orden Zarin

I. JACK GRODSKY

Remembered by Gloria Grodsky

RICK GRODSKY

Husband of Gloria Grodsky

LILIAN WEINSTEIN

Grandmother of Amy Fleisher

February 8 28 Sh'vat

ERA GREIMAN

Mother of Gerald Greiman

*MARILYN TALVE

*Wife of Mark Talve
Mother of Rabbi Susan Talve*

February 9 29 Sh'vat

SUSANNAH ELLEN BIBER

Sister of Deborah Wafer

SAUL "CHICK" BROWN

Father of Susan B. Piontek

*ANN HUSCH

Mother of Joan Mass

*CAROL TELDON

Wife of Gerald Teldon

February 10 30 Sh'vat

HYMAN BINOWITZ

Father of Shirley Soule

BEATRICE K. SCHWARTZ

Remembered by Lois Miller

LOUIS SILVERGLAT

Father of Alan Silverglat

ADOLF SPIEGEL

*Grandfather of Miriam Raskin
and Susan Spiegel*

February 11 1 Adar

EBBA FAGERSTROM

Grandmother of Ron Fagerstrom

JOHN WATERS FRENCH

Friend of Sheila Michaels

SHIRLEY DUNIE GOLDBERG

Mother of Harriet Blickenstaff

GOLDA GOLDSTEIN

Grandmother of Linda Cohen

PEGGY HELLMAN

Aunt of Ben Senturia, Jr.

SAUL LEWIS NYMARK

Father of Niki Nymark

JERRY WEISMAN

Father of Doug Weisman

February 12 2 Adar

VIVIAN BECKER

Mother of Jon Becker

SAM HOROWITZ

Father of Larry Horowitz

FLORINE WEISS

Mother of Debbie Solom

EUGENE WOLF

Father of Rick Wolf

February 13 3 Adar

DOROTHY BOGARD

Mother of Robert Bogard

*FRAYNE BOGNER

Wife of Stuart Bogner

GUSTAVE GAERTNER

Grandfather of Spruce Fraser

WILLIAM KESSEN

Father of Anne Lowell

BERTHA LITMAN

Mother of Ruth Block

LILLIAN MENTZ

Aunt of Susan Schlichter

*NEIL SANDBERG

Husband of Ellie Jacobs

DEBORAH STONE

Sister of Julianne Stone

EDWARD "PETE" WIRTHLIN

Father of Susan Wirthlin-Mass

February 15 5 Adar

ANDREW ENGSTER

Son of Karen Margo

SHIRLEY FISHBONE

Mother of Robert Fishbone

BARBARA GRANT LAWRENCE

Mother of Madge Treeger

DOROTHY "DOT" NEUSTADT

Mother of Nancy Goldstein

GLORIA STERLING

Mother of Abbie Frank

DR. ELMER WAGMAN

Father of Paul Wagman

SYLVIA ZANDER
Aunt of Howard Nathanson

February 16 6 Adar

MARY BRANDT
Mother of David Brandt

*DAVID GREBLER
*Husband of Debbi Grebler
Father of Joshua and Joel Grebler*

BERNIE MAYER
Husband of Dorothy Mayer

DAVID PORTMAN
Remembered by Carol Portman

FAUSTINO VITA
Father of Orietta Kohn

February 17 7 Adar

SYLVIA CHERVITZ
Mother of Paula Meyer

CLARA CITERMAN
Mother of Harvey Citerman

SYLVIA HIRSCHFIELD
Aunt of Robert Hollander

KENNETH HYMAN
Husband of Frances Hyman

BETTY RENNARD
Mother of Gary Rennard

February 18 8 Adar

SARAH GORDON
Mother of Florine Zimmerman

MARY BEIMEL POLLACK
Grandmother of Sharron Pollack

BENJAMIN ROSEN
Father of Edward Rosen

February 19 9 Adar

ESTHER ADELSTEIN
*Mother of David Adelstein
Grandmother of Cheryl Adelstein*

ESTELLE RASKIN
Mother of Larry Raskin

JOSEPH SCAMMON
Father of Connie Joseph

SEYMOUR WEINTRAUB
Father of Fran Weintraub

February 20 10 Adar

LESTER (BUD) HOLTZMAN
Father of Ellen Langston

MONTE B. NISSENHOLTZ
Father of David Nissenholtz

February 21 11 Adar

CHARLES BINOWITZ
Uncle of Shirley Soule

MICHAEL KRAFT
Father of Stephen Kraft

JACOB KREISMAN
Grandfather of Shirley Soule

ARTHUR RADE
*Brother in law of Jack Oglander
and Amy Wartman*

JEROME (JERRY) SCISSORS
Father of Carla Scissors-Cohen

RICHARD M. WEISS
Father of Richard Weiss

February 22 12 Adar

HERBERT DAVISON
Father of Daniel Davison

*MARGARET (MAGGI) MACKLE
Our member

February 23 13 Adar

ANNIE CAPLAN
Grandmother of Leslie Caplan

GRACE FINKEL
Mother of Michael Finkel

February 24 14 Adar

WILLIAM GREENBERG
Uncle of Steven Engelhardt

BEVERLY KRAUS
Sister of Rosalie Franklin

JO ANNE PAPIN
Sister of Linda Thomson

VICTOR ROSENBLUM
Father of Warren Rosenblum

February 25 15 Adar

STEPHANIE CARROLL
Sister of Louis Carroll, Jr.

JEREMIAH GUTMAN
Friend of Gail Wechsler

LISA HEYMAN
Sister of Ruth Heyman

*DORA EMILY MAGRATH
Daughter of Linda Holtzman

BERNARD ROTH
Father of Hannah Roth

STANLEY ZEID
Father of Leonard Zeid

February 26 16 Adar

RUTH M. HEXTER
Mother of Christopher Hexter

SYLVIA HYATT
Grandmother of Susan Kronemer

*MORRIS KARFELD
Father of Rita Gram

WALTER M. NEWMAN
Brother of George Newman

WIL SCHOOMER
Brother of Paul Schoomer

WOLF VESPER
*Father of Ilene Osherow
Grandfather of Ruthellen Osherow*

February 27 17 Adar

JACK GRODSKY
Father in law of Gloria Grodsky

LOUIS ROGGINS
Father of Bunny Shopper

DOROTHY SILVERBERG
Mother of Alan B. Silverberg

February 28 18 Adar

BERNICE ADAMSON
Grandmother of Susan Haynie

BARBARA BLANK
Sister of Ira Blank

GAIL BOPP
Aunt of Jessica Brod

MORRIS CARPEY
Father of Dorothy Mayer

LOUIS DEALL
*Husband of Betty Deall
Father of Renee Deall*


HAROLD FELDMAN
Father of Kathleen Sitzer

RANDY OSHEROFF
Brother of Nicole Osheroff-Bollinger

MICK PATTON

Beneath the Veil: an Encounter with Israel - October 6-18, 2013

Through the lens of the camera and through the lens of the spirit with Rabbi Susan Talve and photographer Stewart Halperin. For more information, contact danny@keshetisrael.co.il or or 646-358-4058.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 10:00 7th Grade - Purim Carnival Prep 1:00 5th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Workshop	28 12:00 Adult Hebrew 12:30 Mahjongg	29 7:00 University Series with Rabbi Jim	30 4:00 Religious School	31	1 2:00 Torah Study 6:00 Adult Hebrew 7:30 Shabbat Service	2 8:45 Torah Study 9:30 Family Service 10:00 Religious School 10:00 Shabbat Service and bat mitzvah of Koby Hartman 12:30 Lunch and Learn with the Rabbis 1:00 Shabbat Walk - meet at Visitors' Center in Forest Park
3 	4 11:30 Adult Beginning Hebrew 12:30 Adult Intermediate Hebrew 12:30 Mahjongg	5 7:00 University Series with Rabbi Susan	6 4:00 Religious School	7 7:30 Board Meeting	8 2:00 Torah Study 6:00 LGBT Pre-Valentine's Day Dinner 6:00 3rd/4th Grade Shabbat Dinner 6:00 Adult Hebrew 7:30 Social Responsibility Shabbat Service	9 8:45 Torah Study 9:30 Family Service 10:00 Rainbow Connection Religious School 10:00 Shabbat Service and bat mitzvah of Catherine Walsh 12:15 Talmud Class 7:00 CRC Mock Mitzvah Fundraiser in Chesterfield
10 10:00 9th Grade 12:30 Pre-K and Kindergarten Class Lunch 1:15 8th Grade to Trinity Soup Kitchen 3:00 Movie with the Rabbis	11 11:30 Adult Beginning Hebrew 12:30 Adult Intermediate Hebrew 12:30 Mahjongg	12 7:00 University Series with Rabbi Susan	13 9th Grade begins its trip to Washington D.C. 4:00 Religious School	14	15 Confirmation Class begins its trip to NYC 2:00 Torah Study 6:00 Adult Hebrew 6:00 3rd Friday Shabbat Service 7:30 Shabbat Service	16 8:45 Torah Study 9:30 Family Service 10:00 Shabbat Service 12:15 Basic Judaism 12:30 Lunch and Learn Book Club 1:00 Grief Support Group
17 8:15 7th Grade - serve breakfast at Ronald McDonald House 12:00 Interfaith Workshop 5:15 7th Grade - serve dinner at Ronald McDonald House	18 11:30 Adult Beginning Hebrew 12:30 Adult Intermediate Hebrew 12:30 Mahjongg	19 7:00 University Series with Rabbi Susan	20 4:00 Religious School	21	22 SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND 2:00 Torah Study 6:00 Adult Hebrew 7:30 Shabbat Service with special guest, Siona Benjamin	23 SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND 8:45 Torah Study 9:30 Family Service 10:00 Religious School 10:00 Shabbat Service and bat mitzvah of Rachel Forrest 12:15 Lunch and Learn with Siona Benjamin EREV PURIM 7:00 Megillah Reading and Siona Benjamin Presentation
24 SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT WEEKEND & PURIM 10:00 Inspire Identity Workshop with Siona Benjamin 12:00 7th Grade Class Carnival Volunteers 1:00 Purim Carnival	25 11:30 Adult Beginning Hebrew 12:30 Adult Intermediate Hebrew 12:30 Mahjongg	26	27 4:00 Religious School	28	1 2:00 Torah Study 6:00 Adult Hebrew 7:30 Shabbat Service with 9th Grade	2 8:45 Torah Study 9:30 Family Service 10:00 Rainbow Connection Religious School 10:00 Shabbat Service 12:30 Lunch and Learn with the Rabbis



CRC MOCK MITZVAH

cocktails, mocktails, music & you!
dancing through the decades like you're 13 (again!)

February 9, 7:00 pm — St. Louis Motor Sports

Cocktails & dinner
Festive attire

Mock Mitzvah is not only a night to have fun, build community and be 13 again, it is a CRC Giving Tree event. This fundraiser is critical for CRC to continue its holy work of providing sukkat shalom for our children, our friends, and our city; please consider what extra you can do so that no one is left behind. For example:

- \$36 challah for Oneg
- \$200 books for the library
- \$500 for education programming
- \$1000 scholarship for Confirmation trip

All donations are welcome and will be used to support CRC programming.



Mock Mitzvah RSVP - Return by January 25

Suggested ticket price—\$75 per person

Number of people attending

Total cost of tickets \$ _____

Giving Tree donations \$ _____

Total contribution \$ _____

Name _____

E-mail _____

Type credit card _____

Credit card number _____

Credit card expiration date _____

If you would like your Giving Tree donation to sponsor a specific item (challah, books, education, Confirmation trip), please note here:



We also accept checks made out to CRC with Mock Mitzvah 2013 on the memo line.

Mail your RSVP to:
Central Reform Congregation
5020 Waterman Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
Attn: Mock Mitzvah 2013