



NEWS FROM THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NEW ROCHELLE **MARCH 2020**

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MARCH CALENDAR

Tuesday 3/3 6:00 PM **Board of Ed Regular Meeting** at Jefferson School

Wednesday 3/4 6:00 PM **Municipal Arts Commission** at 90 Beaufort Pl, Annex B-1

Tuesday 3/10 3:45 PM **City Council, Public Hearings & Citizens to be Heard** at City Hall - Council Conference Room

Wednesday 3/11 7 pm **LWVNR Executive Board Meeting**, TBA

Wednesday 3/11 7:30 pm **Historical and Landmarks Review Board** at 90 Beaufort Place, Room B-1

Tuesday 3/17 6:15 PM **City Council Regular Legislative Meeting** at City Hall - Council Conference Room

Wednesday 3/18 9 AM **LWVNR Ballot Box** on WVOX 1460 AM

Friday 3/20 9:30 AM **LWVNR Coffee & Conversation**, NRPL Mtg Room

Tuesday 3/24 7:30 pm **Planning Board Meeting** at 90 Beaufort Place, Room B-1

Tuesday 3/31 6:00 PM **Board of Ed Special Meeting** at Barnard School

The League of Women Voters of Westchester, YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester and the Westchester County African American Advisory Board Present

The Untold Story: The Alienation of Black Female Suffragists and Women of Color

BATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020
1PM-4PM
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY



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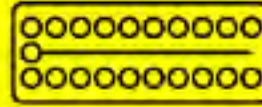
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North Dakota Tribes Score Key Voting Rights Victory

North Dakota officials have reached a settlement with two Native American tribes over the state's restrictive voter identification law.

The settlement, announced on 2/13, includes a legally binding consent decree to ensure that Native American voters are not disenfranchised. It is a major victory for the tribes and — pending formal approval by tribal councils — will resolve two lawsuits challenging the constitutionality of the law, which requires voters to show an ID with a residential address.

-NYTimes,
2/13/2020

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REST AT **VOTER**
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New Rochelle Viewing of Suppressed- the Fight to Vote



On February 8, In collaboration with New York Covenant Church, Mount Vernon Pelham-Indivisible, and Sister

District-Bronx/Westchester, over 100 attendees viewed this powerful documentary about voter suppression. The documentary was followed by inspiring presentations from LWVNR members Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Jen Lackard, Chief Strategist for [Re-EntryLink](#).

Ms. Stewart-Cousins made the point that voter suppression tactics are not limited to Georgia; her first campaign in Yonkers in 2004 suffered from all of the same tactics.

The Newsletter of the League of Women Voters of New Rochelle will report on any upcoming showings of *Suppressed - The Fight to Vote*, which is a must-see for anyone interested in voting rights.

Kemp Loses Vote Purge Suit

In an extraordinary and unexpected move, Federal Judge Eleanor Ross has declared Gov. Brian Kemp the loser in a lawsuit brought by investigative journalist Greg Palast to compel the State of Georgia to open up its complete files on the mass purge of over half a million voters from the rolls.

Surprising all parties, the judge ruled that Kemp's defense was so weak that no trial is needed. The judge acted "sua sponte" — on her own initiative, unrequested by Palast's attorneys.

Palast has been fighting Kemp to release his hidden purge lists and methods for six years. He said, "Kemp and the new Sec. of State of Georgia want to keep the lid on their methods for removing literally hundreds of thousands of low-income, young and minority voters on the basis of false information." 2/8/2020 **READ THE REST AT PURGE**





IN HER WORDS: SHE RESISTS

In France, [a woman](#) rallies thousands across the nation against a proposed fuel price increase and what feels like a tone-deaf, out-of-touch government. Her efforts quickly morph into what is now known as the [gilets jaunes](#), or “Yellow Vest” movement.

In Hong Kong a woman is blinded by a rubber bullet in a clash between police and protesters as she [fights to protect the city's freedoms and defend democratic ideals](#).

In [India](#), a woman bruised and battered by the authorities, emerges as the face of resistance against perceived threats to the country's secular constitution.

In Chile, [a song and dance about violence against women](#) catches fire around the world and turns into a protest anthem against corrupt power structures.

In Sudan, [a woman](#) in white, atop a car, captures the world's attention as she speaks out against the authoritarian president, Omar Hassan al-Bashir.

In all these places, women have been primary engines of change: staring down riot police officers on the front lines, cooking meals to sustain the crowds, organizing rallies and gathering intelligence. This, of course, isn't new. Women have been part of almost every resistance movement around the world at least since the start of the 20th century, said Erica Chenoweth, a human rights and international affairs professor at Harvard Kennedy School who has been [researching resistance movements](#). -NYTimes, 1/28/2020 **READ THE REST AT RESISTS**

Overturing 'Roe' Will Turn Every Abortion Into a Brutal Road Trip

According to the Guttmacher Institute, if *Roe v. Wade* were overturned or weakened, the average distance to an abortion clinic would increase by 388 percent. **SEE THE GRAPHIC.**

Deadly silence: what happens when we don't believe women

It's become a grim ritual among the women I know: as soon as there is news of another mass shooting, we wait to hear the inevitable story about the shooter's history of hurting women. (The shooter is always a man.) Sometimes he's been violent to his mother or grandmother. More often, police reports reveal his history of abusing his girlfriend or wife.

But almost always he practiced his violence on a woman long before he planned his massacre, and within a day of the slaughter we're sharing this history with impotent grief, asking again and again, *what will it take to take women's lives seriously? If we took women's lives seriously, if men who abused the women in their lives faced any kind of real consequences, would the people we are now preparing to bury be alive today?* -Guardian, 1/21/2020 **READ THE REST AT SILENCE**



JOIN THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NEW ROCHELLE

The League depends on the work and financial support of all of its members to carry out its programs. Membership is open to women and men of voting age. Joining our local league confers membership in the State and National Leagues, enables you to receive publications from all three levels, and provides the opportunity to be involved in local, state and national issues.

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LWVNR Radio Show Features Dare Thompson

The Ballot Box is the monthly WVOX 1460 AM radio show of the League of Women Voters of New Rochelle. Co-hosted by LWVNR members Tamar Tait and Nina Luban, the show features local, state, and national electoral issues and relevant civic matters. It airs live on the third Wednesday of the month from 9 am -10 am.

In honor of the centennial of the United States League of Women Voters, the special guest on February's Ballot Box was Dare Thompson, League activist since 1972 (right.)

Given that her work for the League has continued for almost half the League's existence, Ms. Thompson offered listeners historical background on the suffragists and passage of the 19th Amendment in 1920; League accomplishments over the decades; and personal recollections. She urged listeners to become involved with local level politics - to show up at community meetings and simply observe.



Dare Thompson

"Local meetings are where democracy begins," Thompson explained and is herself a case-in-point: local observing gradually gave way to local participation, and local participation led to Thompson's work as League activist and educator at national and state levels for close to a half century.

Dare Thompson has served as president of two state League boards, Rhode Island (1979-80) and more recently, New York (2015-19) where she remains active. She has served as a Vice President on the Ohio state board, as President of local League boards in at least 3 different states, and at the national level on the League's Long Range Planning Committee in the 1980's. Ms. Thompson currently represents the League on the NY Women's Suffrage Commission, chaired by Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul.

After airing, podcasts of "The Ballot Box" can be heard on demand on <http://lwvnewro.org/TheBallotBox.html>.



I Think Women's History Month Is a Mistake

For more than **three decades**, March has been designated as Women's History Month. You would think that a historian like me, would be heartened by this. But I am not happy about Women's History Month. I think it is a mistake, just as I think having a separate **Women's Studies** curriculum or building a **National Women's History Museum** in Washington, D.C., is a mistake.

It's not that I think feminine accomplishments should be ignored, that students should not be required to study and learn about them. But by allowing women to be shunted off to the side in this way — for no matter how impressive the academic department, or how large the museum, or how many previously unknown females are highlighted in the month of March, that is what we are doing — we ensure that women remain a *subset* of history rather than integral components of recognized major events. --Time, 3/23/18 [READ THE REST AT HISTORY](#)

Your Invited

League of Women Voters' Annual Luncheon

Friday, April 24th Noon
Catskills Beach Club
1004 Walton Avenue, Narrowsack, NY



Speaker: Ruth Bader Ginsburg - Senior National Correspondent, NBC News
Covering the News on the Agenda, Social Media and in Digital Landscapes &
Women's Health in the US While it Moves on Biggest Issues From President's Candidates



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Ruth Bader Ginsburg says deadline to ratify ERA has expired: 'I'd like it to start over'

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a long-time supporter of the Equal Rights Amendment, suggested recently that the deadline to ratify the measure as a constitutional amendment has expired and that the decades long effort must start anew.

"I would like to see a new beginning," Ginsburg told an audience at Georgetown University Law Center. "I'd like it to start over," she added.

Ginsburg was responding to a question from the moderator of the event, Judge M. Margaret McKeown of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, who asked whether there would ever be an Equal Rights Amendment on the federal level.

-CNN, 2/10/20 [READ THE REST AT ERA](#)



Take Action for Equal Rights


PASS THE ERA - THERE SHOULD BE NO LIMIT ON EQUALITY

Despite the significant legal and legislative advances that have been made in recent decades, women continue to face discrimination on the basis of sex. We continue to battle against unequal pay, workplace harassment, pregnancy discrimination, domestic violence, and limited access to comprehensive healthcare. It is not enough to treat the symptoms; we must address the root cause of inequality by amending the Constitution.


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Champion FOR Change

An Intimate conversation with **Barbara Bartoletti**



Join us as we celebrate and honor Barbara's 40+ years of accomplishments as the tireless advocate and full-time volunteer Legislative Director for the League of Women Voters of New York State.




Liz Benjamin, journalist and Managing Director of Marathon Strategies and former host of *Captain Tonight*, will interview Barbara about the highlights and challenges of her years working with the New York State Legislature. Come hear the stories and celebrate with us!

Tuesday, March 10, 2020
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Cultural Education Center
222 Madison Ave, Albany, NY 12230

5:30-6:30 p.m. Mingling and Appetizers	6:30-7:15 p.m. Armchair Discussion with Barbara Bartoletti and Liz Benjamin	7:15-8:30 p.m. Refreshments and Conversation
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LWV Coffee and Conversation Guest is David Rose, NRPL Archivist

David Rose, Archivist of the New Rochelle Public Library, will present and answer questions about the importance of archival preservation at Coffee and Conversation, an informal public program sponsored by the League of Women Voters, on Friday, March 20, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. at the Library, 1 Library Plaza. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. Afterward, City Historian Barbara Davis will lead a brief tour of the Women's History exhibit in the library's Lumen Winter Gallery.

Mr. Rose will discuss his work on the League archives and the career of Carrie Chapman Catt, an important suffragist who lived in New Rochelle and founded the League of Women Voters of the United States in 1920, the year of the passage of the 19th amendment to the Constitution giving women the right to vote. She also started the New Rochelle League in 1924. He will also explain the relationship between archives and history, and the process of archival preservation.



DAVID ROSE

Mr. Rose is a Certified Archivist of the Academy of Certified Archivists and a member of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference. His archival experience includes the New York Botanical Garden, March of Dimes, and New York State Museum. He has written the book *Friends and Partners: The Legacy of Franklin D. Roosevelt and Basil O'Connor in the History of Polio* and biographical articles on immunologist Robert A. Good of the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, Johns Hopkins surgeon Howard Atwood Kelly, musical composer John Cage, and molecular biologist Max Delbruck.



Our Environment Needs Us - Three Things You Can Do

Saving the climate means embracing alternatives to fossil fuels. Email Shelley Mayer at smayer@nysenate.gov to say THANK YOU for sponsoring the Fossil Fuel Divestment Act (S2126-A/A1536-A) and ask Senator Stewart-Cousins (scousins@nysenate.gov), Steve Otis (OtisS@nyassembly.gov) and Amy Paulin (paulina@assembly.state.ny.us) to sign on.

Decommissioning the Indian Point Nuclear Power plant was a great step - but the proposed decommissioning company, Holtec, has zero requisite experience - learn more [here](#). Honor County Executive George Latimer's efforts to protect our future by providing your comment, using this [link](#).

Thank County Board of Legislator Damon Maher ([here](#)) and Terry Clements ([here](#)) for their commitment to a 5 cent fee for single use paper bags - this is the final piece to ensure reduced waste when the plastic bag ban goes into effect March 1.

"We need to educate folks and then encourage them to go to the polls. Voter registration will ultimately create participation." ---Martin Luther King III

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!!



March, 11 am - 1 pm, except where noted

WCC - Mt. Vernon campus 3/5, 3/31

Eastchester High School

New Rochelle high School Tuckahoe High School

Yonkers School District 3/20 all day

The Ursuline School 3/24 Iona Prep Upper School

Iona College 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1

Monroe College Tuesdays and Thursdays

For information, email royjoanalex@yahoo.com

or call Joan at [914-715-3916](tel:914-715-3916)

'The young are our moral compass': US teens are getting out the vote

"Data shows that if you register young people, then get them to vote in their first two elections, they remain active voters for life. If they miss that first election, they disengage for 10 years."

For young people who grew up in the small towns near Fresno, California, where an untold number of families are undocumented, concerns that the early morning light could bring immigration officials to their doorstep is nothing new. The fear, it seems, has been there as long as the fields that two generations ago called to their grandparents and, later, became home to the United Farmworkers Movement that spread across California's Central valley.

"For me, immigration hits really close to home," said Jay, a 17-year-old senior at a local high school whose name the Guardian has agreed to withhold. "My parents are both undocumented and they've been deported before. So something that I really wanted to learn was how we can help them out," he said. --The Guardian

READ THE REST AT **YOUTH VOTE**

LEAGUE CABLE PROGRAM CITY PEOPLE AND ISSUES

This month, the LWVNR cable program, "City People and Issues," will replay interviews with Jill Friedman, Acting Regional Director of the American Jewish Committee, Westchester/Fairfield, on the role of the organization, and with Norma Drummond, Commissioner of Planning for Westchester County, on the importance of participating in the U.S. census.

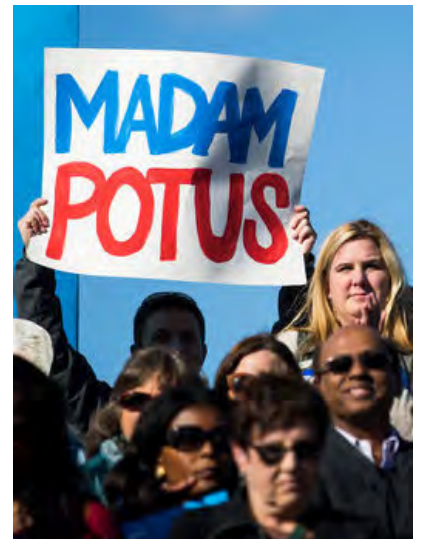
"City People and Issues" is on Optimum Channel 76 on Mondays at 7 pm and repeated on Thursdays, 9:30 pm. The program with Ms. Friedman will be shown during the weeks of March 2 and 16. The program with Ms. Drummond will be during the weeks of March 9 and 23.

After the first showing on Optimum, "City People and Issues" videos can also be seen on demand at www.vimeo.com/user24211396 or by clicking on www.vimeo.com/visitor and searching League of Women Voters of New Rochelle.

Surprise! Language is sexist.

It was in my first job as a reporter that a colleague clued me into a tiny linguistic rebellion she frequently incorporated into her writing — and one I've since adopted. It has to do with the word, "she."

Irrked by the fact that "man" is still often the default in the English language — think, *maestro*, *manning the command*, *freshman*, *ombudsman*, and the way we always say "men and women," or "he or she, but rarely "women and men"— I quietly make "woman" the default in my sentences, and hope the copy editors don't object.



So: A doctor must bill *her* patients. A scientist takes stock of *her* lab. The president must win the support of *her* constituency. And, side note, when I got married, I made sure my male partner and I were pronounced "wife and husband," not "man and wife." I never bothered to rant openly about this, assuming most people didn't want my lecture on the effects of gender bias in language. But what if I told you that simply reading the word "her" in those sentences above just cost you a third of a second in reading time?
--NYTimes, 1/31/2020 [READ THE REST AT LANGUAGE](#)

An Afternoon in Naturalization Court

"I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will bear arms on behalf of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform noncombatant service in the Armed Forces of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform work of national importance under civilian direction when required by the law; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God." ~ Oath of Allegiance

If you were born a U. S. citizen, you could easily live your whole life and never see or hear of Naturalization Court. On the other hand, if you are a LWV member, you could have a reserved front row seat and an opportunity to congratulate our newest citizens while encouraging each of them to register and to vote.



On February 6, I represented the League at Westchester's Supreme Court Naturalization Hearing for the swearing in of 124 new citizens. The Honorable Linda S. Jamieson, Supreme Court Justice was presiding, and she spoke to the soon-to-be citizens about their new civic responsibilities, noting that this marked their move from observers to participants. Judge Jamieson encouraged the new citizens to register immediately at the Board of Elections table, and to vote in all upcoming elections.

Westchester County Clerk and LWVNR member Timothy Idoni administered the Oath of Allegiance for the new citizens, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Each new citizen was awarded a certificate of naturalization and had a commemorative photo taken with the presiding officials. Then volunteers from the Daughters of the American Revolution and from the Jewish War Veterans Ladies Auxiliary joined me in congratulating each citizen and handing out American flags, flag lapel pins, and LWVW *Welcome New Citizens* brochures. It was truly heartwarming to be part of this life-changing occasion.

The New Rochelle League participates in the naturalization hearings at the Westchester County Courthouse in White Plains twice annually. LWV volunteers arrive around 1 pm, while the soon-to-be citizens are turning in their green cards, double-checking paperwork and applying for passports. The Hearings begin at 2 pm and last about an hour. If you are interested in attending a Naturalization Hearing, we'd love to have you join us. --Marilyn Brown

Susan B. Anthony's Jewish Sisters

February 15 marks the bicentenary of the American social reformer Susan B. Anthony. Deemed an "incomparable organizer" by historian [Eleanor Flexner](#), Anthony grew up in a Quaker family that possessed only a handful of history books. Yet these included two different editions, in two and six volumes respectively, of [the Jewish historian Flavius Josephus](#), who wrote during the reign of the Roman emperor Flavius Domitian to explain [Jewish history to non-Jewish readers](#).

Awareness of Jewish history was part of her upbringing, as Anthony fought to abolish slavery and promote equal rights for women and African Americans. In 1876, Anthony and colleagues began work on what became a massive six-volume "[History of Woman Suffrage](#)," in which public speeches are quoted referring to Jews in traditionally pejorative terms, but also from more enlightened, progressive points of view.

One reason that Anthony never echoed the occasional anti-Semitic comments of her abolitionist colleagues was her intense admiration for a women's rights predecessor [Ernestine Rose \(1810-1892\)](#). Born in Piotrków Trybunalski, Russian Poland, [Rose](#), the daughter of a rabbi who taught her Talmud, arrived in America in 1836, where she soon galvanized audiences with [vivid speeches](#) on married women's property rights and woman suffrage. -Forward, 2/14/2020

READ THE REST AT [JEWISH](#)



Regional Training Workshops for LWV Members

The League of Women Voters of NYS invites all members to come to training workshops being held throughout the state. Our local venue is Saturday, March 7, from 9:30 am-3:00pm, at 4 West 43rd Street, NYC. The cost, including lunch, is \$35. All members are invited to attend any or all of the workshops. All local League board members are strongly encouraged to attend at least part of the day. Lunch will be provided and will allow for informal networking among the attendees.

WORKSHOP TOPICS:

- 9:30 Registration and Welcome
- 10-11 am Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Beyond Just Race: How do we include more?
- 11:15 to 12:15 Two workshop sessions
 - Get Out the Vote: How do we get more people to vote?
 - After Parkland: How to keep the youth engaged?
- 12:30-1:45 Lunch and networking and legislative update
- 2:00 – 3:00 Two workshop sessions
 - Stats and Lines: Get everyone counted and represented fairly
 - Hot, Hot, Hot: Attracting and engaging your community with the League

These are a great opportunity to hear what other Leagues are doing, and how you can accomplish even more! Download the attached registration form and mail it in to the state office or register online at: https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/HOhq-CqnO8wQHrms7-w8Kg.

100 Years Ago, Congress Threw out Results of the Census



The 2020 Census hasn't even started – but it has already kicked off spirited fights. [A Supreme Court case](#), decided last year, blocked a Trump administration proposal to ask every respondent if they were a citizen.

Meanwhile, there are [three pending federal court suits](#) in which plaintiffs for civil rights groups and one city claim that the administration has not done sufficient planning or provided enough funding for Census 2020. Census 2020 is far from the first census to set off bitter political fights.

One hundred years ago, results from Census 1920 initiated a decade long struggle about how to allocate a state's seats in Congress. The political arguments were so bitter that Congress eventually decided they would not use Census 1920 results.

Could this happen again? --The Conversation, 2/4/2020 [READ THE REST AT CENSUS](#)

Westchester Releases PSAs About 2020 Census

Census 2020 is coming, and Westchester County Executive George Latimer kicked off the County's 2020 Census Campaign to make sure that every Westchester County resident is counted. --Patch, 2/11/2020 [Watch The Census and our Disabled Community.](#)

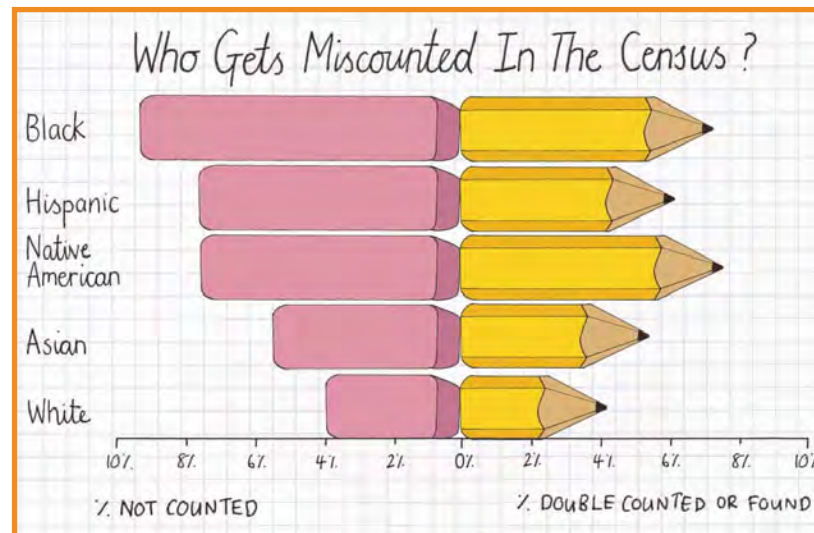
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2020 Census Watchdog Sounds Alarm Over Threats to Upcoming Count

A government watchdog sounded alarms on Wednesday over the [Census](#) Bureau's preparations for the 2020 census. A new report found that the agency's plan faced significant risks just a month before Americans can begin to respond to the critical decennial survey.



The report from the Government Accountability Office (GAO) highlighted numerous cybersecurity and technical challenges that could compromise the “cost, quality, schedule and security of the count.” --The Guardian, 2/12

[READ THE REST AT CENSUS](#)



A 100 Year Legacy: The Aftermath of the 19th Amendment

Museum of the City of New York 1220 5th Ave, New York, NY

Wednesday, March 4, 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Panelists:

- Glynda C. Carr is an activist, political strategist, and co-founder of Higher Heights for America
- Ellen Carol Dubois is a distinguished research professor in the History Department of UCLA.
- Allison K. Lange is an assistant professor of history at the Wentworth Institute of Technology.
- Tamara Winfrey-Harris (moderator) is a writer who specializes in the ever-evolving space where current events, politics, and pop culture intersect with race and gender.



To register: <http://mcny.org/event/100-year-legacy-aftermath-19th-amendment>

'Rolling back women's rights by 50 years;' changing definitions of domestic violence and sexual assault

The decision to change definitions of **domestic violence** and **sexual assault** has rolled back women's rights by half a century, campaigners have warned.

The Trump administration quietly changed the definition of both domestic violence and sexual assault back in April, but the move has only just surfaced. The change could have significant repercussions for millions of victims of gender-based violence.

The Trump Justice Department's definition only considers physical harm that constitutes a felony or misdemeanour to be domestic violence – meaning other forms of domestic violence such as psychological abuse, coercive control and manipulation no longer fall under the department's definition. Under the Obama administration, the definition was drastically more expansive and was assessed by domestic violence organisations. -Independent, 1/24/19

[READ THE REST AT DEFINITION](#)



Larchmont-Mamaroneck Local Summit



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: What is it? What can we do about it? Are we doing it?

Four panelists will discuss what the definition of domestic violence is. They will also give insight to the dynamics at work in offenders and victims within this cycle including demographics (breaking untrue assumptions), and responses (safe houses, counseling, legal responses, offender rehabilitation and prevention).

- Kym McNair, Director of Community Education and Organizing, My Sister's Place
- Quentin Walcott, Co-Executive Director, CONNECT
- Lt. Sandy DiRuzza, Mamaroneck Village Law Enforcement
- Susan Carroll, Director of Training, Outreach and Education, Pace Women's Justice Center

Tuesday, March 10

7:45 - 9:00 am

**Nautilus Diner, 1240 W. Boston Post Rd,
Mamaroneck, NY 10543**

\$9, for Breakfast

NEW ROCHELLE INFO

Student housing in New Rochelle to become housing for homeless

A four-story building next to Monroe College will be retrofitted to house the homeless in downtown New Rochelle.

Yonkers-based nonprofit Westhab leased the 52-room property at 21 Fountain Place in January with Palladium Management, the owner of the property. Westhab also signed an agreement with Westchester County to provide on-site management and social services for tenants.

Twenty-six units at 21 Fountain will be permanent housing for the homeless. The remaining 26 units will serve as temporary transitional housing to help move the homeless to permanent affordable housing. -LoHud, 2/6/2020 [READ THE REST AT HOUSING](#)

New Rochelle Keeps Aa2 Bond Rating

New Rochelle officials announced Monday that Moody's Investors Services has confirmed the city's bond rating at Aa2. New Rochelle has maintained this rating since being upgraded to Aa2 from Aa3 in January 2017.



According to Moody's, the sustained rating reflects the City's sizable tax base, strong fiscal management, ample reserves and liquidity, and a manageable debt and pension burden. Aa ratings mean that a municipality's bonds are high quality, and are subject to very low credit risk. The rating means the city can borrow money at low rates — and right now rates are historically low — for capital improvement projects, which saves taxpayers money. - PATCH, 2/3

[READ THE REST AT RATING](#)

New Rochelle takes transit-oriented development spotlight in Congress

New Rochelle's Commissioner of Development Luiz Aragon went to Washington on Jan. 16 to speak before a congressional subcommittee about bipartisan legislation known as the "Build More Housing Near Transit Act."

New Rochelle was selected as the only municipality in the country to participate in the session because of its record in transit-oriented development. --Westfair, 1/21/2020

[READ THE REST AT TRANSIT](#)

Dining in New Rochelle

There's a lot new going on in New Rochelle, especially when it comes to dining.

For starters, Carlo's, a red sauce restaurant has closed as did Joey's Cannoli. But as the old saying goes, when one door closes another opens.

And that means new dining options, among them a South American-focused coffee shop, a waffle cafe and the extension of a beloved eatery. Here's what you need to know. --LoHud, 2/12/2020

[READ THE REST AT EATS](#)

NRPL OFFERS FREE PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

The exhibit, "Notable Women of New Rochelle: An Historical Perspective," will be on display from March 2 - March 27 in the Lumen Winter Gallery. The exhibit will celebrate some of New Rochelle's nationally-recognized women, including three leading suffragists, and display items from the New Rochelle League of Women Voters' archives, recently gifted to the library's local history collection. Buttons, pamphlets, books of minutes, scrapbooks are a sampling of materials that trace the League's nearly 100-year history as a community anchor.

NRCA's Annual Members Show Variety Showcase will be held in the Ossie Davis Theater on March 8 at 3:30 pm. The Showcase will feature dance, spoken word, and music, with women in lead roles. A reception will follow.

On March 1st, from 3:00 - 4:00 pm, a classical concert performed by flutist Barbara Kortmann and pianist Irena Portenko will feature works of women composers of the 19th century. A dazzling program will include music written by European composers Clara Schumann, Luise Adolpha le Beau, Emilie Mayer, Dora Pejacevic, and Cécile Chaminade. The concert will be held in the Ossie Davis Theater and is made possible with funds from the Lillian Robbins-Rick Englander memorial Fund. A donation of \$2.00 is suggested.

The League of Women Voters' Coffee & Conversation on March 20, from 9:30 - 11:00 am, will feature David Rose, the newly-appointed archivist at the New Rochelle Public Library. The informal presentation will be followed by a Q & A session and a tour. Coffee and light breakfast fare will be served at the free program, which takes place in the first floor Meeting Room.

"A Hour with Harriet Tubman" will be presented in the Ossie Davis Theater on March 29 from 3:00-4:00 pm. This one-woman show, written and performed by Lucinda Carr, is a riveting glimpse into the life of Harriet Tubman, the Black Moses. The audience will "meet" characters on Harriet's journey from childhood to freedom, and experience the happy moments and heartaches of an unstoppable woman on a mission for freedom. Lucinda Carr has performed on stage, television, and film, while most often seen on commercials. The free performance is suitable for all ages.

Per(Sister): Incarcerated Women of Louisiana

Per(Sister): Incarcerated Women of Louisiana shares the stories of currently and formerly incarcerated women in Louisiana, and illuminates the myriad issues as identified and expressed by the women themselves.

Organized by the Newcomb Art Museum of Tulane University, the exhibition features the work of Louisiana artists who, using a multitude of mediums, interpret the journeys of 30 *PerSisters*—a title the incarcerated women have given themselves—before, during, and after prison.



FEB 21 - MAY 9 at the Ford Foundation Gallery, NYC fordfoundation.org/gallery

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7:30 PM- Speech Begins

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Date: Thursday, March 26th 2020 | 6:00pm

Location: VIP Country Club
600 Davenport Ave, New Rochelle NY 10805

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An intimate conversation with
Barbara Bartoletti



Join us as we celebrate and honor Barbara's 40 years of accomplishments as the tireless advocate and full-time volunteer Legislative Director for the League of Women Voters of New York State.

Lee Braxton, (journalist and Managing Director of Marathon Strategies and former host of Capital Insight), will interview Barbara about the highlights and challenges of her years working with the New York State Legislature. Come hear this interview and celebrate with us!

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Cultural Education Center

222 Madison Ave, Albany, NY 12238

5:00-6:00 p.m.
Registration and
Appetizers

6:30-7:15 p.m.
Interview Discussion
with Barbara Bartoletti
and Lee Braxton

7:15-8:30 p.m.
Refreshments and
Conversation

Drinks are Appointed by Mizuno, Wild, Blue and Bill D'Amico
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RSVP by Feb. 28, 2020

PURCHASE TICKETS

The League of Women Voters of New York State Education Foundation and the New York State Archives Partnership Trust invite you to help celebrate Barbara Bartoletti as part of the rich history of women's activism in New York State. For more information, including event details and ticket prices, visit www.lwvny.org, call (518) 465-4162 or email lwvny@lwvny.org.

HOPE Community Services Annual Gala

April 23rd, 2020

VIP Country Club in New Rochelle, NY

Honorees:

Spirit of Excellence Award ~Carole Troum

*Commitment to Service Award ~ Pastor
DeQuincey Hentz & Shiloh Baptist Church
and Pastor Wayne Francis & Authentic
Church*

*Mary Lou McNaney Founders Award ~
DeCicco & Sons*

Hero of HOPE Award ~ Harriet Overbeck

HOPE Community Services is pleased to invite the community to share in celebrating HOPE's service to the hungry and homeless of Westchester. Please join us and help support the vital work we do.

**Invitations and RSVP cards are
available at the HOPE website
www.hopecommunityservices.org**

Phoenix Fire Camp, in its 19th season, is a camp for young women who are interested in a career in fire service. This year's camp runs through the week of July 19 -24 in Utica New York.



Just a handful of women work in Westchester's 59 local Fire Departments as paid, professional career firefighters. Phoenix Fire Camp introduces girls to the challenging work of those heroes in fire and emergency services. This year the New Rochelle Fire Department is sponsoring one New Rochelle teenager to attend this program.

Please contact New Rochelle Fire Commissioner Andrew Sandor at 914-654-2211 or asandor@newrochelleny.com for more information. Visit <http://www.fswnys.org/phoenix.php> Deadline for applications is May 1st and Financial Aid is available.

Westchester Social Justice Forum:
Building Community Resilience

FEATURING
Fred Moten | The Blackshades
Derrick G. Almon | Mia Bental

12:00 PM | NETWORKING
1:00 PM | OPENING PLENARY
2:15 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION
5:15 PM | CLOSING

Eastview Middle School
White Plains

SUNDAY MARCH 29th, 2020
www.westchestersocialjusticeforum.org

Black Women and the 19th Amendment

Bernard and Irene Schwartz Distinguished Speakers Series

FEATURING Brent Staples, Just Friends

While the 19th Amendment is often celebrated as the beginning of female enfranchisement, what did its passage mean for women of color, who were still barred from voting on the basis of race? As America reaches the centennial of the 19th Amendment in 2020, Brent Staples discusses the history of a movement that ultimately achieved the right to vote for some women, but not all. The evening will conclude with a special performance by the vocal group Just Friends.



Brent Staples writes on a wide range of topics for the *New York Times* editorial board and was awarded the 2019 Pulitzer Prize for his essays on race and racism in the United States. **Just Friends**, a vocal group, has cultivated an enthusiastic following in the New York area since its inception in 1989. They have performed with the Dance Theater of Harlem, Alice Parker and Melodious Accord, and the Canadian Brass and have appeared on HBO, as well as at the Riverside Church.

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Ever wanted to write a sketch for Saturday Night Live?
Want to try your hand at stand-up comedy?
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This workshop will focus on finding your inner funny and spirit of play by exploring the basic principles of improvisation, comedy, sketching, and character. Participants will be acting and working on their feet as exercises and games in partnership, quick thinking, character creation and storytelling.

Wednesdays, March 4 - May 27 - Performances on May 20 & 27
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Thursday, May 14, 2020

6:00 pm Cocktail Reception & Silent Auction
7:00 pm Dinner, Dancing & Awards

Willow Ridge Country Club, Harrison, New York



Wartburg

One Heart, One Voice Chorus

A chorus for people with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia and their loved ones

Practice every Monday starting February 10 to May 4
(1pm-3pm in the Chapel (you may join at any time))
One Wartburg Place, Mount Kisco, NY

All are invited to the Spring Concert, May 9 at 11am in the Chapel


In partnership with Concordia Conservatory, Wartburg is pleased to offer a Creative Aging & Singing Learning program for those living with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia in our community to join together with their caregivers to connect through the power of music. The One Heart, One Voice Chorus shares, collaborates and remembers the joy of singing. Classes will take place in Wartburg's historic Chapel on one Mount Kisco campus. Each session will feature music, light refreshments and support for those with dementia impairment and their loved ones.



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Friday, April, 3, 2020

Breakfast & Awards: 8:00 - 10:00 AM
Networking Reception: 10:00 - 11:00 AM

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For more info, please visit
volunteernewyork.org/awards
or call 914-227-9307



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Wednesday, February 19, 2020
6:30 - 8:30 PM
595 W. Hartsdale Ave.
White Plains, NY 10607

You will learn:

- How to petition and/or work with local parties to be a district leader
- What to do once you are a district leader - your role and responsibilities

For more information
swacpac@gmail.com

Cocktails & Conversation



Immigration, the American Dream and the Politics of Unrest

Thursday, March 26th at 6:30 pm at Alvin & Friends Restaurant, 14 Memorial Highway in New Rochelle



New Rochelle Public Library Foundation will present an evening with renowned businessman and humanitarian, Farooq Kathwari, CEO of Ethan Allen and author of *Trailblazer: From the Mountains of Kashmir to the Summit of Global Business and Beyond*.

Joining the discussion will be Dr. Nayma Qayum, chair of Asian Studies at Manhattanville College.



Dr. Amy Bass, NRPL Foundation Board Member, historian and acclaimed author, will lead the discussion.

For more information, go to nrplfoundation.org

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Saturday, March 7th 2:30-4:00 pm

Trinity-St. Paul's Church Meeting Room
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New Rochelle NY 10801

This is an informational presentation, but if you are interested in banking with USALLIANCE, representatives will be on hand to help you set up an account.

Refreshments and prizes for children will be provided.

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Develop strategies to promote **cross-race** relationships in children



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WHEN: Tuesday, March 1, 2020
WHERE: Community Resource Center
134 Center Avenue, Mount Pleasant
TIME: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

WHAT: Are you getting parent alerts?

If it's a thing you're looking for, you'll want to make sure you're getting the right information. We'll be talking about how to use social media and other tools to stay informed and engaged. We'll also be discussing how to use these tools to help you better understand your child's world and how to help them navigate it. We'll be discussing how to use these tools to help you better understand your child's world and how to help them navigate it.

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Tuesday, April 7, 2020
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