

BLACKLINE

Black Women's March: Continuing the Legacy of Harriet Tubman
Saturday, April 7, 11:00 AM, Tappan Zee/Mario Cuomo Bridge to
Memorial Park, Nyack, Kickoff at CVS Lot (Bway & Rt 119), Tarrytown
Led by #BLMHudsonValley & #100Sistas. We March Out of Love, Care and Concern for Our People. Allies welcome. Donate [HERE](#) to make the march more accessible to people with disabilities. For more info: callblackline.com



Holocaust Remembrance Program, Saturday, April 7, 2:30 PM,
Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 468 Rosedale Ave,
White Plains.

The Westchester Community for Humanistic Judaism invites you to attend their special Holocaust Remembrance program. Reb Aliza Erber will speak about her and her family's life in hiding and in the Dutch resistance. All are welcome. www.wchj.org/.



Town Hall with NY State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman
Sunday, April 8, 4:00 PM, White Plains Presbyterian Church,
39 North Broadway, White Plains

NYCD16 Indivisible, whose mission is to enable constituents of NY's 16th Congressional District (northern Bronx and lower Westchester) to engage with our elected officials, is co-hosting a "State of the Resistance" forum with AG Eric Schneiderman as keynote speaker. RSVP StateoftheResistance2018@gmail.com or call 917-463-3990.



**An Evening to End Solitary Confinement, Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 PM,
WESPAC 77 Tarrytown Road, Suite 2W, White Plains**

The UN has defined solitary confinement as a form of torture. Cynthia Williams, a 2015 Beyond the Bars of Justice Fellow at Columbia University, will speak about the NY Campaign for Alternatives to Isolated Confinement and will inspire us to get involved and effect positive change. WESPAC has copies of [*Hell is a Very Small Place: Voices from Solitary Confinement*](#) available to purchase and read to learn more. Free will offering. Contact: wespacfoundation@gmail.com, 914-449-6514.



**Friends of the Congo at WESPAC, Thursday, April 12, 7:00 PM
WESPAC 77 Tarrytown Road, Suite 2W, White Plains**

Over six million Congolese have been killed in the past few years (more than half of them under the age of 5) due to proxy wars being fought in the Congo for access to the country's vast natural resources. Maurice Carney, Executive Director of [Friends of the Congo](http://www.friendsofthecongo.org), speaks about the militarization of the African continent, the scramble for natural resources, and the people's resistance movements.



Divest from the War Machine

**Rally & Teach-In for Peace and Economic Justice, 11:00 AM,
Saturday, April 14, Greenwich Commons,
290 Greenwich Ave, Greenwich, CT**

Rally speakers will address the many destructive consequences of the wide and rapidly expanding gap between rich and poor. Carpools are being organized from White Plains. Contact: wespacfoundation@gmail.com, 914-449-6514.



**“Inside Iran,” talk with Medea Benjamin,
Friday, April 13, 7:00 pm, First Unitarian Society of Westchester,
25 Old Jackson Ave, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY**

The threat of war involving the U.S. and Iran, and possibly more nations, has increased with President Trump’s appointment of John Bolton as National Security Advisor and Michael Pompeo as Secretary of State, according to noted human rights activist Medea Benjamin, author of the forthcoming book [*Inside Iran: The Real History and Politics of the Islamic Republic of Iran*](#). Ms. Benjamin, co-founder of [CODEPINK/Divest from the War Machine](#), has been awarded the U.S. Peace Memorial Foundation's Peace Prize; the Gandhi Peace Award; and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Peace Prize from the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Ms. Benjamin’s talk is co-sponsored by the Social Justice Team of the First Unitarian Society of Westchester, Concerned Families of Westchester, Jewish Voice for Peace-Westchester, and WESPAC Foundation. The talk is part of Ms. Benjamin’s mobilization for peace this spring, which includes an appearance at the Greenwich (CT) [Rally & Teach-In for Peace and Economic Justice](#) on Saturday, April 14, and at the [Spring Actions](#) Anti-War Rally in New York City on Sunday, April 15.

UNDOING RACISM



Undoing Racism® Community Organizing Workshop
Thursday, April 19 – Saturday, April 21
Ethical Culture Society, 7 Saxon Wood Rd, White Plains

The Westchester Martin Luther King Institute for Nonviolence and the Westchester Coalition for Police Reform are proud to sponsor an intensive workshop conducted by the *People's Institute for Survival and Beyond*, www.pisab.org. Training information and Registration: <https://m.bpt.me/event/3323789>.

How Can We Undo Racism®?

The fabric of racism is inextricably woven and constructed into the founding principles of the United States. Racism was done and it can be undone through effective anti-racist organizing with, and in accountability to the communities most impacted by racism. The People's Institute believes that effective community and institutional change happens when those who serve as agents of transformation understand the foundations of race and racism and how they continually function as a barrier to community self-determination and self-sufficiency. This nation has always reflected rich diversity from the innumerable multitude of indigenous cultures that inhabited and sustained this land prior to arrival of European explorers to our present composition. Yet, unequivocally, whites continue to fare significantly better than all people of color. In our workshops, we analyze power and how it is used to maintain this racial divide, in hopes of achieving equity and equality across all cultures and races.

PLEASE JOIN US
FOR AN EVENING
HONORING AND
CONTINUING THE WORK
OF CONNIE HOGARTH

NAVIGATING THE RIVER OF DREAMS:

A DISCUSSION WITH A HUDSON VALLEY DREAMER

AND A FORMER BORDER PATROL AGENT



**SATURDAY
APRIL 21, 2018**

6:00PM-8:00PM

Panel Discussion

Q & A and Refreshments to follow

Francisco Cantú's book available to purchase

JCC of Mid-Westchester
999 Wilmot Road
Scarsdale, NY 10583

SPEAKERS:

Laura Garcia, Hudson Valley Dreamer, Racial Justice Manager, YWCA
Orange County

Francisco Cantú, Former Border Patrol Agent, Author of "The Line
Becomes a River: Dispatches from the Border"

MODERATOR:

Ralph Marash, Board Member, Lower Hudson Valley Chapter, NYCLU

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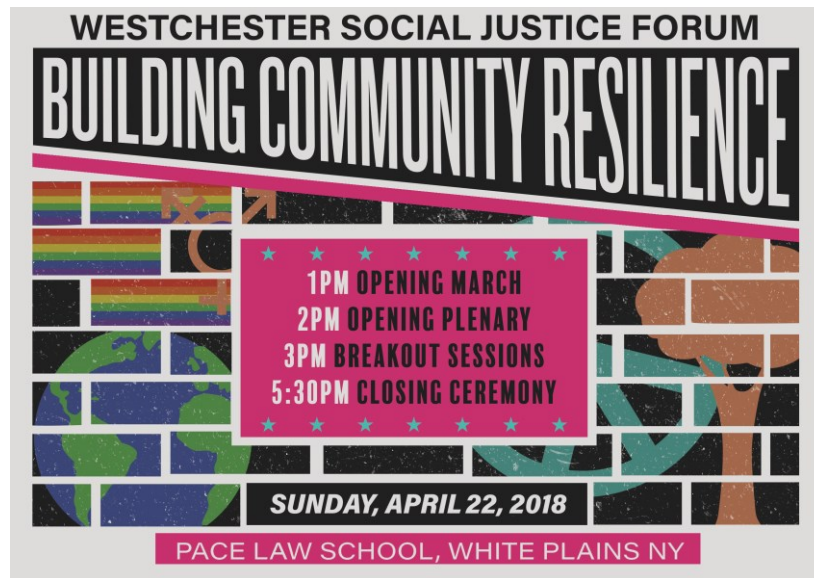
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Navigating the River of Dreams, Saturday, April 21, 6:00 PM, JCC of Mid- Westchester, 999 Wilmot Rd, Scarsdale

Join the New York Civil Liberties Union for a panel discussion with a Hudson Valley Dreamer and a former Border Patrol agent. A Q&A and refreshments will follow. Admission \$10 / Students free. RSVP by Wednesday, April 18.

<https://www.nyclu.org/en/events/navigating-river-dreams-discussion>



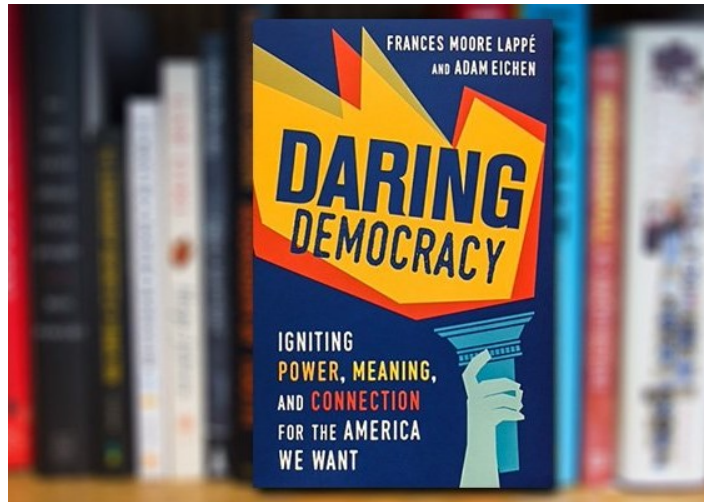
**Westchester Social Justice Forum
Sunday, April 22, 1:00 PM
Pace Law School, White Plains**

Join community organizations in Westchester for a social justice forum to exchange ideas and information, foster solidarity, and celebrate our work to create a more just and equal society. The day will include a people's march, workshops on organizing for social and ecological justice, and a cultural celebration! <https://www.westchestersocialforum.org/> or Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WestchesterSF/>

STAND AGAINST RACISM

**Our Power, Our Mission, Our Future, Panel Discussion,
Thursday, April 26, 9:00 AM,
Westchester Community College's Gateway Center**

Presented by YWCA White Plains & Westchester Community College. As civil rights are eroded for communities of color, we look forward to focusing this year's Stand Against Racism on supporting full access and engagement for women and girls of color in the political process. Panelists include: Ariana Quinones, Rutgers University's Program Coordinator for BOLD Women's Leadership Network; Kitley Covill, County Legislator District 2; and Youth Representatives from WCC and YWCAWP. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/our-power-our-mission-our-future-tickets-44377567499>



Democracy Resources
from the UUA Common Read book “Daring Democracy”
(In quote marks are search terms for finding the indicated website)

“democracy Initiative” - democracyinitiative.org

Good for identifying national and local campaigns to join.

“move to amend” - movetoamend.org

Connects a coalition of organizations and individuals “building a vibrant democracy that is genuinely accountable to the people, not corporate interests.”

“reclaim our democracy” – reclaimourdemocracy.org

Reclaim Our Democracy is a group based at First Parish UU in Concord, MA, working on the issues of escalating inequality and the corrupting influence of money in politics.

“democracy spring” – democracyspring.org

“Democracy Spring is a civil resistance movement organization committed to ending the corruption of big money in politics and protecting the right to vote for all people.”

“democracy awakening” – democracyawakening.org

“Coming together to awaken a democracy that is accessible to all and is not beholden to big money interests.”

“electoral justice project” – ejp.m4bl.org

The Electoral Justice Project of the Movement for Black Lives started last November 2017. They’re doing good building. The project “seeks to continue a long legacy of social movements fighting for the advancement of the rights of Black folks through electoral strategy. We recognize that electoral work alone will not change the conditions plaguing Black communities, but we believe that Black people deserve a loving and strategic political home to seek transformational political change.”

“women voters,” “women voters Westchester” – lwv.org, www.lwv.org

The League of Women Voters: “Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.”