

Local Social Justice Events

as of Thu Jun 21, 2018

Book Discussion - *Deep Denial: The Persistence of White Supremacy* Fri Jun 22, 7:30pm, WESPAC Foundation, 77 Tarrytown Road, Suite 2W, White Plains

"Deep Denial," documents the 400-year racialization of the United States and how people of European descent came to be called white. Author David Billings focuses on the deeply embedded notion of white supremacy, and tells us why we remain a nation hard-wired by race. Contact: Sandy Bernabei (sandy.bernabei@gmail.com). Free and open to the public.

Rivertowns Community Conversation: Families Belong Together Fri Jun 22, 4:30pm South Presbyterian Church, 343 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry

How can we support the immigrant children detained in our community? Most of us have only recently learned that two of our local institutions are housing young immigrant children who have been separated from their families. These institutions, their staff, and work are well known to us and well regarded, and yet these separations are actively causing trauma. How can we engage? Representatives from the Hudson Valley Community Coalition will be in attendance. South Presbyterian: 914-693-0473. familiesbelongtogether.org.

Deep Canvassing Against Racism Training in Local Communities Hosted by Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) Westchester

This is a training to prepare people to go door knocking in majority white neighborhoods and talk with white people about racism. This training is geared towards white folks, recognizing our responsibility to do anti-racism work in white communities, but is open to everyone. Immediately following the trainings, we will go out canvassing to engage in conversations. The conversation begins around reparations and seeks to engage in deep listening. Please bring your own lunch or \$5 to get shared pizzas. RSVP: surjwestchester@gmail.com.

***Deep Canvassing Against Racism Training: Katonah
Sat Jun 23, 11:00am – 4:00pm,
Katonah United Methodist (Community Room), 5 Bedford Rd, Katonah***
Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/376808222806122/>

Deep Canvassing Against Racism Training: Dobbs Ferry
Sun Jul 1, 11:00am – 4:00pm
South Presbyterian Church, 343 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry
Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/251240772092294/>

"Breakfast" Run, Sun Jun 24, 7:00am,
First Unitarian Society, 25 Old Jackson Ave, Hastings-on-Hudson

Come help us prepare food, pack clothes, and distribute and interact with the homeless in NYC. Breakfast Runs are the perfect time to introduce kids and youth to the practice of service to others. You can also support us with donations of clothing and food. Contact: Art Lowenstein (arthur.lowenstein@gmail.com), Annie Patton (annie.k.patton@gmail.com).

2018 Pride March, Sun Jun 24,
UUs Gather 11:30am, 8th Ave and 16th St, New York City

Join the UU Congregation of the Hudson Valley (UUCHV), Croton, and other local UUs at this year's NYC Pride March. Limited number of admission wrist bands available.
Contact: Tony Arrien (arrien@optonline.net) or Jim Russell (jrussell@pace.edu).

MLK Intitute's Beloved Community Dinner
Mon Jun 25, 6:00 – 8:30pm
Memorial United Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Ave, White Plains

Our last gathering with our beloved Coming Home program participants. We celebrate their graduation and encourage them on their next chapter. Bring a dish or money donation.
RSVP: 914 949-6555 or connect@mlkwestchester.org. eventbrite.com/e/beloved-community-dinner-june-25-tickets-46701012987?aff=erelexpmlt

Families Belong Together Rally
Sat Jun 30, 1:00pm
White Plains Federal Courthouse, 300 Quarropas St, White Plains

Hosted by Indivisible Westchester, <https://www.familiesbelongtogether.org/>. The executive order the President signed on Jun 20 keeps kids imprisoned indefinitely, and doesn't reunite thousands of separated families. But it does show the administration is reacting to public pressure, so we will continue to increase our pressure for justice to say that families belong together—and free. <https://act.moveon.org/event/families-belong-together/20294/signup/>

There's Still Time to Give the Gift of Reading

Research shows that six books is all it takes for a child to maintain their reading level in the new school year. Together, we can help. Westchester UU congregations have partnered with @DaymakerGiving, a kid-to-kid donation platform, to provide books to specific individual children in need with a simple click. While the summer might feel long, **this chance to give is ending on Friday, June 29**. Help us give at-risk kids in our neighborhoods the boost they need to be ready when school starts again - visit daymaker.com/g/westchesterUU.
