The Y’s Women Newsletter

STAY TUNED!

We have another great season planned for 2019-20. Here are just a few of the speakers and topics that are coming up:

- Barbara Kellerman, PhD, Harvard Kennedy School – Women and Leadership
- #MeToo Movement for Women’s Rights – Three Cohen & Wolf attorneys
- Dawn Henry – Climate Reality Project
- Sister Maureen Fleming – Human Trafficking in CT and NE Corridor
- Tom Scavone – Westport School Orchestra / Orphenians
- Broadway actress / singer / songwriter Stacie Morgan Lewis
- Actress / Actor Couple Jill Eikenberry and Michael Tucker
- Lindsay Felderman – Life as a Gay Woman and Owner of a Well-Known CT Brewery

Enjoy the summer!

Reminder: Spring Picnic and Annual Meeting

Monday, June 10
12:00 noon
Temple Israel

If you haven’t already registered and paid, you cannot attend. No walk-ins, please!

SATELLITE GROUPS
(Y’s Women Members ONLY)

Book Group 2 will meet Thursday, June 6 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm at Panera Bread, located in Westport at 1860 Post Road East (next to Home Goods). The book to be discussed is Outline by Rachel Cusk, and the discussion will be led by Eileen Rosen. Please contact Arlene Bloom at bloomah@sbcglobal.net or 254-9096 to RSVP.

Book Group 3 will meet on Friday, June 14 at 10:30 am at Panera Bread to discuss All Things That Cease to Appear by Elizabeth Brundage. Copies are available at the Westport Library for early pickup (the Library will be closed from June 3-22 to get ready for its Grand Reopening). Questions? Contact Doris Levinson at drjlevinson@gmail.com or 227-3371.

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The **Movie Club** will meet on Wednesday, June 19 at Panera Bread in Westport. We plan to meet informally at 1:00 pm and begin discussion at 1:30. Our two discussion movies are *The Mustang* and *Rocketman*. *The Mustang* currently is playing at Norwalk’s Garden Cinema and the Bethel Cinema, but it may leave these theaters soon. Showings of *Rocketman* are expected to begin at the end of May.

*The Mustang*, which received a 94 percent rating on Rotten Tomatoes, tells “the story of Roman Coleman, a violent convict, who is given the chance to participate in a rehabilitation therapy program involving the training of wild mustangs. [It] finds fresh perspectives in a familiar redemption tale brought brilliantly to life by powerful performances from Bruce Dern and Matthias Schoenaerts.”

*Rocketman*, which received a 100 percent rating on Rotten Tomatoes, is a 2019 biographical drama based on the life of musician Elton John. “The film tells the story of Elton John’s life, from his years as a prodigy at the Royal Academy of Music, through his influential and enduring musical partnership with Bernie Taupin, as well as his struggles with depression, substance abuse, and acceptance of his sexual orientation.”

If you wish to be added to the email list for future events, please contact Margaret Mitchell at 255-9094 or margaret06824@yahoo.com. New members and all other interested participants are welcome.

**Solos** will celebrate summer with a crepe food truck party on Friday, June 28 at the home of Ann Lloyd, 8 Hilly Field Lane, Westport. Drinks and snacks will be served at 5:30 pm, and crepes at 6:30. Send your $30 check to Joan Weinstein – Solos, 46 Tannery Lane South, Weston, CT 06883. Please call Joan at 227-7304 or email her at 46tannery@sbcglobal.net so we can get a head count.

Also, Solos members will meet for dinner at 5:45 pm at Compo Beach (at the picnic tables to the right of the cannons) **on two Tuesdays per month during the summer**. Bring dinner and a beverage for yourself and a little something to share – like cookies, soup, potato chips, you get the idea. You will NOT need a beach sticker; just tell the guard at the gatehouse that you are a Y’s Woman. The dates are June 4 and 18, July 9 and 23, August 6 and 20, and September 10 and 17.

**Wisest Investment Group:** Do you find the stock market puzzling? challenging? interesting? Come join our investment club, the Wisest Investment Group. We meet the fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 am to noon at the Westport Senior Center. In up markets and down markets, our members have learned how to research and invest – today our portfolio includes companies as diverse as Delta Airlines, PayPal, and Alibaba. For more information, call or email our president, Lois Block, at loisblock@optonline.net or 984-8222.

**Lunch and Trivia** will meet at the 597 Westport Avenue apartments on Thursday, June 20. Please call or email Arlene Bloom at 254-9096 or bloomah@sbcglobal.net or if you’d like to join this fun group!

**THANK YOU!**

Thanks to the generosity of our Y’s Women, 143 pounds of diapers and clothing were delivered to the Bridgeport Rescue Mission as a result of the April Showers drive.
Carpool and Go!

Carpool and Go enthusiasts, prepare to explore a new location on Thursday, June 13, when we drive to Yonkers, New York to visit the Untermeyer Conservancy and Gardens. This wonderful spot is divided into several sections, including a Walled Garden, the Vista, Color Gardens, the Temple of Love, and the Sundial Garden. Though left in ruins for many years after the death of founder Samuel Untermeyer, this oasis is once again dazzling garden lovers with the brilliant design created with ideas from Marco Polo Stufano, Founding Director of nearby Wave Hill. Following our 11:00 am guided tour, we’ll lunch back in Norwalk at Sedona, 515 West Avenue.

We’ll meet in the Trader Joe’s / Wells Fargo Bank parking lot at 9:15 am for a 9:30 departure. Reserve your space by calling Jill Meyer at 226-4310 or emailing her at jill@awayfortheday.net, and mail your check for $4 payable to Jill Meyer to 40 Owenoke Park, Westport, CT 06880. Please consider volunteering to drive, as drivers are always needed and welcome. There will be an $8 cash reimbursement to your driver.

Directions: Take the Merritt Parkway southbound. The Merritt becomes the Hutchinson River Parkway as we cross the state line into New York. After passing a sign for the Cross County Airport, move into the left lane to merge onto the Cross County Parkway. In five minutes, move again to the left lane to merge onto the Saw Mill Parkway. Take Exit 9 off the Saw Mill onto Executive Boulevard. Go up the hill and take a left (south) onto North Broadway. The garden is located at 945 North Broadway in Yonkers, 914-613-4502. Once on the property, we can park next to the community center.

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Charlene Boyer’s cell: 203-434-2953

TRIPS

THIMBLE ISLANDS: Thursday, July 11

Join us for the Y’s Women trip to the Thimble Islands, including a two-hour guided boat tour. We will take a bus from Westport, make a stop at Branford’s Bishops Orchards (which includes a winery), stop for lunch at The Chowder Pot III, then enjoy our two-hour island cruise. The price is $84 per person all-inclusive. A detailed flyer will be emailed soon, and you may contact Jennifer Barron at clanbarron@optonline.net or 227-5264 for more information. This trip is sure to be a sell-out, so sign-up early!

PORTUGAL IN DEPTH: 11-DAY TOUR, September 12-23

This in-depth land tour of Portugal begins and ends in Lisbon and circles the country. Several Y’s Women members have sighed up for this exciting trip, which is being offered through Westport-based Travel Exchange. Our travel contacts are Fran Thomas and Dorothy Fox, both Y’s Women. They may be reached at 221-3500. If you are interested in the trip, contact Fran or Dorothy and they will be able to give you all the details.