

September 2013

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The Bulletin

Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati



First WCC Public Forum

SOCIAL AREAS OF CINCINNATI:

Trends in Education, Poverty, Unemployment, Race,
Women and Poverty, Children, and the Elderly

Monday, September 30 at 7:00 pm

September

GREEN

TIPS

From

Mary

Gerson



TIPS FOR YOUR CAR :

- Stop idling. For every 2 minutes of idling, you could have driven a mile.
- Keep windows closed when driving at high speed.
- Keep tires inflated.
- Remove excess weight from trunk.

~ Mary Gerson

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To be persuasive on policy matters, Woman's City Club members need access to good, reliable demographic data – and data analysis. Our first forum is a presentation of a five-decades-long solid academic study based upon US Census Bureau data.

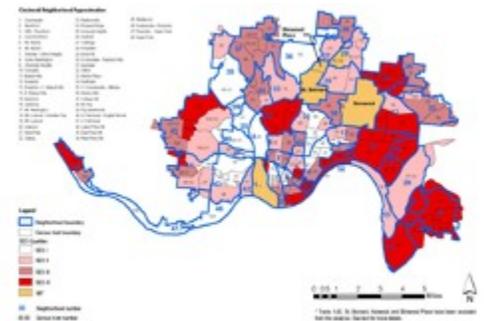
On September 30, Michael Maloney and Christopher Auffrey will describe the results of their study, "Social Areas of Cincinnati: An Analysis of Social Needs." They will detail the current situation and long-range patterns in education, poverty, unemployment, race, women and poverty, children, and the elderly. Topics covered will include the distribution of racial minorities, Appalachians, Hispanics, and foreign-born populations. The authors will present their conclusions and policy recommendations for the city and region, and will make available hard copies of their 200-page report. (Electronic copies are already available for your perusal online at socialareasofcincinnati.org).

The audience is invited to share comments and ask questions after the presentation. Light refreshments will be available.

Michael Maloney, a long-time member of WCC, is a community organizer, social researcher, consultant and activist. As a community organizer he has worked in Walnut hills, Over-the-Rhine, East End and Lower Price Hill. He has also helped establish programs in Northside, South Fairmount and Camp Washington. He was founding director of the Urban Appalachian Council in Cincinnati and headed



the Appalachian Area Office of Catholic Social Services of SW Ohio. He has taught Appalachian studies, planning, and philosophy courses at several area colleges and universities.



Sample map from the study: 2005-2009 Cincinnati Social Economic Status (SES)

The program will take place on Monday, September 30, at 7:00 pm at the First Unitarian Church, 536 Linton Street off Reading Road in Avondale. Ample free parking is available across the street from the church.

The program is free and open to the public but reservations are appreciated. To reserve, please call (513) 751-0100 or send an email to wcc@womancityclub.org

Christopher Auffrey is Associate Professor of Planning, University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning. Professor Auffrey holds degrees in Economics and Environmental Conservation and completed his PhD in Urban, Technological and Environmental Planning at the University of Michigan. His professional experience includes urban revitalization projects in Los Angeles and service in the Peace Corps in Paraguay.



A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings, WCC members! As we approach the end of summer – hard to believe – and barrel into fall, that busy time of year with school starting, organizations gearing up into full swing with meetings resuming, yes, we too have so much to do!

Your new Board met in July to continue with the great work that past President Jeanne Nightingale started and presided over. We are placing more emphasis on committees working autonomously, while insuring that committee goals align with our WCC core values and principles. Several committees have already met and started working on projects and programs. The Program Committee is presenting a program in September and busy planning more exciting forums on timely issues. The Status of Woman committee has met and brainstormed issues for action such as woman’s health and human trafficking.

The Environmental Action Group is continuing with monthly Sunday night programs on environmental challenges in collaboration with St. John’s Unitarian Universalist Church. Our Communications Committee is moving ahead full steam with finalizing the new website, making more strategic use of its Facebook page, and improving how we communicate with the public as well as with our members. Finally, the Feist-Tea committee has met to start planning

another Feist-tea event on December 8th, where we will honor especially feisty members (see attached flyer). That’s a lot of inspired effort being put forth by a lot of our talented people!

Meanwhile, the membership committee will be implementing new membership options to broaden our reach.

We are looking forward to a successful National Speaker event on March under the able leadership of Carole Donnelley and Jeanette Rost. We will be asking you all to generously support our annual fundraiser, with dynamic speaker Candy Crawley, as we get closer to the event.

The Centennial Committee, under the capable leadership of Beth Sullebarger and Lori Nuckolls, has had several planning meetings and developed a potpourri of special events and programs, culminating with a celebratory dinner on March 6th 2015.

This summer, Rachel Powell, our UC Master’s student has been meeting with WCC members, gathering information, documents, photos and diligently working on WCC history from 1965 – 2000 to be called “Lighting the Way Volume II”. The Wilder Foundation has generously given WCC



two grants to help with the expenses of the book. Please continue to check your files and bookshelves for any old WCC publications, documents, cook books, correspondence or pictures!

The Board and Committee Chair Retreat is scheduled for September 7th this year – later than usual to include more folks - but we will assess our current progress on the club’s financial health as well as review our alignment with WCC goals, policies and build excitement for our Centennial Celebrations!

Thank you all for your trust and confidence to allow me to preside over such a group of intelligent, enlightened and committed women!

Susan

CENTENNIAL PLANNING

MOVING TOWARD MARCH 6, 2015, OUR 100TH BIRTHDAY

Planning for the celebration for our Centennial Celebration has continued quietly but steadily throughout the summer months.

Our 100th birthday will be an occasion to celebrate past accomplishments and, with our past as inspiration, shape a new vision for the Club’s future. The Centennial will be a theme for our programming in 2014 and 2015.

The main event will be a celebratory dinner on Friday, March 6, 2015, so put that on your calendars! By happy coincidence, March is National Women’s History Month, which provides an opportunity to place WCC’s history in a national context.

Rachel Powell, our Club historian, has been hard at work digging into our archives, analyzing our documents, and collecting stories from members. Barbara Wolf, our

videographer, has begun taping interviews for a video presentation based on oral histories from our membership.

The actual writing of the second volume of the WCC history will begin in the late Fall. So it is not too late to send in your personal stories, memories, photos, letters, documents, reports, programs, newspaper clippings, etc, related to your experience with Woman’s City Club. We want to include all our voices in this record of the Club’s long and impressive history.

Please bring your material into the office or email documents to Jeanne Nightingale, liaison between Rachel and the membership.

Next meeting of the Centennial Committee will be Tuesday, September 10 at 1:00 pm in the 2nd floor conference room of Mt Auburn Presbyterian Church.

~ Lori Nuckolls , Chair, Centennial Committee

A NEW SPIN ON CANDIDATES' NIGHT— THE ROOKWOOD GROUP'S "FINDING COMMON GROUND" MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 AT 6:30 PM

The Rookwood Group (that includes Woman's City Club), wanted to design a Cincinnati City Council event to help voters pick which candidates vying to lead the City are most likely to be effective serving on Council in the new four-year term environment. What resulted was a truly innovative forum to take place September 23. The

public is invited to share their perspectives on neighborhood development and observe how well the candidates listen, respond candidly to their concerns, and work together. The forum will engage Council candidates to hear citizen voices, create possibilities for consensus, and demonstrate ability to collaborate with other candidates.

This unique event will take place Monday, September 23 at St. John's Unitarian Universalist Church, 320 Resor Avenue in Clifton. Reception will start at 6:30; the program at 7. Free parking is available at Clifton School, reached off Clifton

Spread the word—this interactive event will be an exciting and informative evening!

The Rookwood Group, the event's sponsor, includes AIR, Inc. the Cincinnati Association, Citizens for Civic Renewal, the League of Women Voters, the Urban League, and Woman's City Club.

Please see the event flyer at the bottom of page 13.

NEW! "CITY CONVERSATIONS"

A new series of monthly programs called *City Conversations* has been inaugurated by the WCC Membership Committee. These gatherings will be held the third Tuesday of each month at the First Unitarian Church on 636 Linton Street in Avondale from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. They provide a regular opportunity to network and socialize in an informal setting with members, friends, and invited speakers, and to exchange ideas on current topics that impact our lives.

September's *City Conversation* will be on **Immigration Reform**—see below. In October, the topic will be on "**Prisons for Profit**," and in November we will discuss the status of **Race Relations** in Cincinnati. Please join us for these continuing series. Light refreshments will be provided.



Photo by Steve Pavey, used with permission.

First in the Series of "City Conversations" **IMMIGRATION REFORM:** Many Ways of Serving an Immigrant Population Tuesday, September 17

7:00 to 8:30pm

Location: First Unitarian Church, 636 Linton St., Avondale

Paula Jackson, Rector of Church of Our Saviour (Episcopal), will facilitate a discussion on immigration at the first City Conversation on September 17. She will comment on her ministry, in partnership with her parish, which involves advocacy for and direct engagement with people who have been marginalized due to immigration status (as well as racism, homophobia, and poverty). She tells a compelling story.

Reverend Jackson will also touch on immigration reform: "Since I'm spending so much time these days knockin' at Boehner's door, maybe I'll talk a little about the Senate immigration bill, how different that is from "amnesty," who it leaves out (i.e. most of the immigrants I know), and why it's important still to advocate for it."

The event will take place from 7-9 pm at the First Unitarian Church, 636 Linton Street in Avondale. Ample parking is available across the street.

Rev. Jackson earned divinity degrees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville and the General Theological Seminary in New York City. She was ordained Deacon in the Episcopal Church in 1985 and priest in 1986, in the Diocese of Kentucky. She has served urban parishes in Lower Manhattan, Louisville, and Cincinnati, for over 30 years and has been Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Mt. Auburn since 1990.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES

For nearly a century now WCC has offered civic programs designed to educate, encourage, and equip citizens so that together we can secure a more just and more sustainable community for us all. Our mission has been to strengthen the role of the citizen's voice in the governance of our city.

Through our public forums and informal conversations, we foster meaningful dialogue and share information on important and often controversial city and state issues. By taking courageous stands as a Club on issues that are congruent with our values, we provide strong civic leadership. It is through our Civic Engagement Initiatives that we reach out to the community seeking ways of making our collective voices more powerfully heard.

WCC's Civic Engagement work is implemented on three levels:

- Through Action Group projects.
- Through collaborations with other civic organizations.
- Through researching models of good citizen engagement and envisioning a stronger, more authoritative Civic Sector in Cincinnati

THREE ACTION GROUPS

Catalyst for Achievement Action Group



CAAG continues its multi-sensory language arts tutoring program to ensure children at risk have a fighting chance of making a success of their lives. **Read more on page 5.**

Status of Women Action Group



Status of Women addresses a wide range of women's empowerment issues. The group will focus this year's work on supporting agencies that serve Woman's Health and Family Planning. **Read more on page 5.**

Environmental Action Group



This group works on projects that green the urban environment and elevate eco-awareness. It promotes ordinances that protect the City against frack-waste injection wells and offers a series of monthly public conversations that address climate change as a crisis of human conscience urging innovative response. **Read more on page 6.**

CURRENT COLLABORATIONS

- WCC works closely with the *Rookwood Group*, a collaborative effort of nonprofit organizations committed to working together to improve citizen engagement in our city and region. This group is organizing an interactive citizen-candidate forum this election season (see flyer for at the bottom of page 13).
- WCC is working in collaboration with the LWV to design a Junior Membership program called "ACT ONE" to sustain our ever-aging memberships with a new generation of civic leaders. See page 12.
- Finally, the WCC research team is actively working with a group of community leaders engaged in implementing the *Cincinnati Plan* and expanding active citizen participation in city decision-making. This group – the *Citizen Engagement Action Team* – has drafted *A Proposal to Create a Flourishing Culture of Citizen Engagement* for adoption by the City of Cincinnati by December of 2013. WCC along with other organizations and community councils will be asked to pass a resolution in support of city council adopting the proposed policy and principles.

NEWS FROM THE ACTION GROUPS

Catalyst for Achievement Action Group: Literacy Tutoring for Kindergarten Continues



I'm writing this at the moment that 50 years ago Martin Luther King Jr. spoke of his "dream." I can't think of any better way to realize that dream than by providing education to children who enter school on an uneven playing field. Woman's City Club has a history, long before involvement in the kindergarten tutoring program, of tutoring and mentoring children to empower them to read, write and understand language. For the last six years you have done so through the Making Sense of Language Arts programs for kindergartners at Rothenberg and Winton Hills elementary schools. (Additional members volunteer with a spin-off program sponsored by First Unitarian Church in the South Avondale schools.)

Last year, as in years past, children who entered kindergarten with below average language skills ended the year able to read and write simple words and tell and understand stories. We have the opportunity to continue this legacy this year. And we are always seeking new tutors.

Tutoring takes place:

- Tuesdays (possibly switching to Wednesday) at Rothenberg at noon.
- Thursdays we will be tutoring at Winton Hills at 11 AM.

The commitment is one hour per week to make a life-long difference in the life of a child! Orientation and training for tutors will take place sometime this month. If you would like to learn more, please contact Linda Wihl at 477-3428 or L.Wihl@womanscityclub.org.

Spread the word!

Literacy makes all the difference in the world. Prisons are full of those who can't read. Social challenges face those who can't read in much greater proportion than those who can read. So let people know how important this is. How our return on investment of time, talent and treasure is greatest when invested in teaching young children to read. So sit on your porch and watch the kids in your neighborhood walk by. Ask them what books they're reading. Offer to read to those who have no response. Care and show you care! Raise your voice in protest of cuts to early childhood education. Be the villager that helps to raise the children in your corner of the universe.

We have never been an organization that hides its light under a bushel basket. So keep that tradition alive. There are so many who need the light you shine! ~ Linda Wihl

Status of Women Action Group: Family Planning and "Off the Streets"



The Status of Women Action Group invites members to join and participate. We are a group committed to taking action and becoming involved while having an enjoyable time as we move toward our goals.

Our immediate action goal is to support the "Off the Streets" program in collaboration with Anna Louise Inn, Cincinnati Union Bethel, and the Freedom Center. We have met with Mary Carol Merton to learn how WCC can help. While the current status of funding seems to be in place, we may be called to write letters of support for the "Off the Streets" program which was developed by the police who partnered with CUB for the purpose of offering prostitutes a safe haven and the chance of a better lifestyle. We will continue working with public awareness committee of the End Slavery Now to help abolish human trafficking.

In the spring, our action goal is to hold a public rally or demonstration in support of women's health and family planning. We intend to strengthen our voices by joining with Women Helping Women, the Rape Crisis Center and Planned Parenthood, offering to support the services these agencies offer women.

If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact me, CJ Pierce, at 513-309-0506. Our next meeting will be September 3rd at the Crossroads Community Church at 5:30. We are planning a light snack and beverage meeting. We may go to dinner afterwards.

Meanwhile we invite WCC members to join the Women's Rally on October 2 at the Statehouse in Columbus: *We Won't Go Back: Stand Strong With Ohio Women*. See the flyer on page 9. (Car pools will be organized. ~ stay tuned.)

~ CJ Pierce, Co-Chair Status of Women

Environmental Action Changing CO₂urse: Local Solutions to Global Climate Change



In August, the sixth of our 4th Sunday series – *Changing CO₂urse: Local Solutions to Global Climate Change* – was devoted to learning about local watershed conservation with Matt Trokan of the Sierra Club. WCC and the LWV are cosponsors with St. John’s Green Sanctuary Partners.

Did you know that Ohio leads the nation in Combined Sewer Overflows, and that Cincinnati is the third worst city in the country?

Cincinnati’s Mill Creek is the nation’s most polluted river and it is still plagued by sewage overflows. The Clean Water Act requires the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati to reduce sewage overflows.

A combined sewer overflow occurs when storm water from houses, roads and parking lots enters the sewer, mixes with sewage and then overflows directly into our streams and rivers. Sewage overflows threaten our health and the health of our environment. The Sierra Club has organized a Water Sentinel program to train volunteers to monitor the quality of our local rivers and streams. We are urged to write the Metropolitan Sewer District asking them to make clean water a priority for all Ohioans. We all live downstream. Let’s stop flushing money down the drain!

On **September 22** 7-9 pm, we will screen an award-winning documentary called *Bag It: Is Your Life Too Plastic?* A film about plastic bags evolves into a wholesale investigation into plastic’s effects on our oceans, environment, and bodies. We see how our crazy-for-plastic world has finally caught up to us...and what we can do about it.

On **October 27**, Prof, Kathleen Smythe of Xavier University will speak on *Innovations in Agriculture: How we must redesign farming practices to sustain our future on the planet.*

The series has offered a forum for discussing topics such as building community resilience as we transition away from the carbon economy; Cincinnati’s Union Cooperative Initiatives; the Transition Town movement, and watching the drama of climate change at the earth’s poles.

Future topics will include labeling genetically modified foods, impacts of meat production on the environment, home-scale permaculture design, zero population, and environmental justice. ~ Jeanne Nightingalle, Co-Chair Environmental Action

TWO BENEFITS FOR THE ANNA LOUISE INN



**Style & Steps for OTS
Wednesday, November 13
6:30-9:00 pm
Macy’s downtown**

Benefit for “Off The Streets” which helps women move from prostitution to safety, recovery, and reintegration.

Style show with local celebrity models; shopping with a 20% discount; free shipping & gift wrap available.

Register at www.cinunionbethel.org or call 513-768-6930.

Early bird registration \$32.

ACT ONE

HANDS-ON CIVICS IN CINCINNATI

NEW JOINT JUNIOR MEMBERSHIPS APPROVED BY WCC AND LWV

The Boards of Woman's City Club and the League of Women Voters each approved a proposal to collaborate on offering a one-year membership at no cost to young women and men who are 18 to 35 years of age. Mentoring a new generation of members will help sustain our clubs' future as we move into a new century. Young members will benefit from nearly two centuries of civic experience as represented by both clubs, opportunities for peer and

intergenerational networking, leadership training and access to community leaders, a deeper understanding of current city and state issues, a chance to study and develop a point of view, and a solid platform upon which to become active participants in civic affairs.

ACT ONE is accepting applications until September 30, 2013 from women and men aged 18-35 who are interested in joining both organizations for one year at no cost. This inaugural

program will run for approximately 12 months starting October 2013 and will feature mentoring, opportunities for civic engagement, and tailored networking events during the year of the program.

Applicants will be asked to submit a short paragraph of 200 to 300 words responding to the question, "In what ways are you interested in securing a more just and livable community? How would you like to influence public

policy?" WCC and LWV will encourage this new body of young members to bring their own concerns to the table and organize projects or programs around these concerns. At the end of the year, new members can choose to belong to either club, or both, at a reduced rate until their 36th birthday.

Please send your applications to actone@lwcincinnati.org. (Number of memberships offered will be limited to twenty for each organization.)

Snail Mailers

Two reliable volunteers needed to help the WCC office.

SNAIL MAILER #1 will print out the Weekly Update on her home computer and mail it out to a list of under 20 members who lack email. Office can supply addressed and stamped envelopes.

SNAIL MAILER #2 will come into office to pick up printed Bulletins approximately 6 times per year, and mail them to those same members. (Can print them at home if you prefer!) Again, envelopes can be provided. Contact wcc@womanscityclub.org to secure one of these enviable positions. ~ Marty Harrington, Office Manager



MEMBER PROFILE: MELISSA CURRENCE

Woman's City Club could use 100 more young women like Melissa Currence. She totally "gets" that part of our mission is to teach community activism, and she joined WCC to learn from some of the best. Not that Melissa was a neophyte when she joined. She had already served as president of the League of Women Voters and was on the League's state board for two years.

(She joined the League at age 18, as early as she could. You have to be a registered voter to join.) Of course, the League also offered her seasoned leaders like our own Alice Schneider (a former president of the WCC as well as the League) and Linda Wihl, former office manager of WCC. It was Linda who recommended WCC to Melissa.

"Linda talked to me about the tutoring that WCC does. I admire that and want to support it. I was also familiar with WCC through the National Speaker Series. I've been an admirer of WCC for quite some time."

Melissa has joined the Membership Committee. Her focus is on getting young women, and men, to join WCC and see the value in the Club.

"When I go to committee meetings, I get shown the ropes by people who know so much. But they also listen to what I have to say. That is important to me."

Melissa Currence works for the Greater Cincinnati Foundation as Interactive Media Manager.

WCC BOOK GROUP TO DISCUSS *MY BELOVED WORLD* BY SONIA SOTOMAYOR

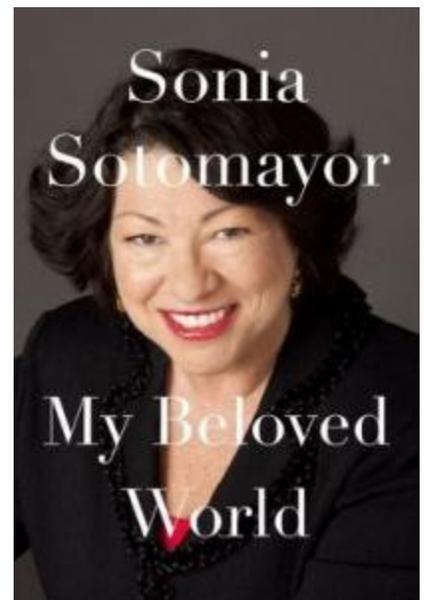
When: **Saturday morning, October 19, at 10 am.**

Where: 854 Rue de la Paix #B-10, Joy Haupt's home.

We hope this advance notice will give you a chance to get into the book. All are welcome.

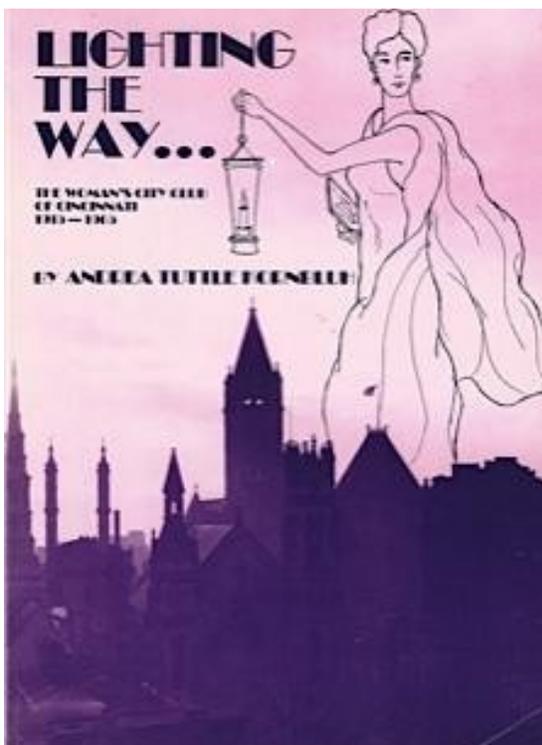
About the author:

The first Hispanic and third woman appointed to the United States Supreme Court, Sonia Sotomayor has become an instant American icon. Now, with a candor and intimacy never undertaken by a sitting Justice, she recounts her life from a Bronx housing project to the federal bench, a journey that offers an inspiring testament to her own extraordinary determination and the power of believing in oneself.



From a Review by Michiko Kakutani published in the NY Times 1-21-2013:

“Through evocative, plain-spoken prose Justice Sotomayor engages in an earnest, soul-searching look back at her childhood as the daughter of Puerto Rican parents and at her education and years as a lawyer. She provides a visceral sense of what it was like to grow up with a dysfunctional family, overshadowed by her alcoholic father’s unpredictable behavior, and what it was like to grow up in the Bronx in the 1960s and ’70s, in a neighborhood where stairwells were to be avoided (because of muggers and addicts shooting up), and where tourniquets and glassine packets littered the sidewalks.”



NOW BEING ORGANIZED WCC HISTORY BOOKCLUB

Those who are new to WCC, or those who have not read the first volume of our history – *Lighting the Way 1915 to 1965* by Andrea Tuttle Kornbluh – are invited to join a reading group.

Others are of course welcome to come refresh their recollection and share stories with the newcomers.

Please let Jeanne know of your interest
by emailing
j.nightingale@womanscityclub.org.

Join the Coalition - We Won't Go Back

- Doctors Organized for Health Care Solutions, DOChS
- The American Association of University Women-Cincinnati
- Physicians for Reproductive Health
- League of Women Voters OHIO
- Cincinnati Women's Political Caucus
- Woman's City Club of Cincinnati
- National Organization for Women
- Planned Parenthood Advocates of Ohio
- National Council of Jewish Women/Cleveland
- Cleveland National Organization for Women
- Toledo National Organization for Women
- American Association of University Women-OHIO
- Mahoning/Trumbull Women's Coalition
- Cuyahoga Democratic Women's Caucus
- Central Ohio Women's Caucus
- Clermont County Coalition of Women
- Warren County Democratic Women's Club
- National Council of Jewish Women, Columbus
- Coalition of Women Voters, Stark Co.
- Ohio Women's Action Network
- Cleveland Stonewall Democrats
- Shaker Heights Dems
- Hamilton County Women
- Feminist Majority
- Innovation Ohio
- Equality Ohio
- NARAL Ohio
- Progress Ohio
- Preterm
- Democratic Voices
- Ohioans for Democratic Values

Speakers

Ellie Smeal, President of Feminist Majority Foundation

Terry O'Neill, President of National Organization for Women

Stephanie Kight, President of Planned Parenthood Ohio



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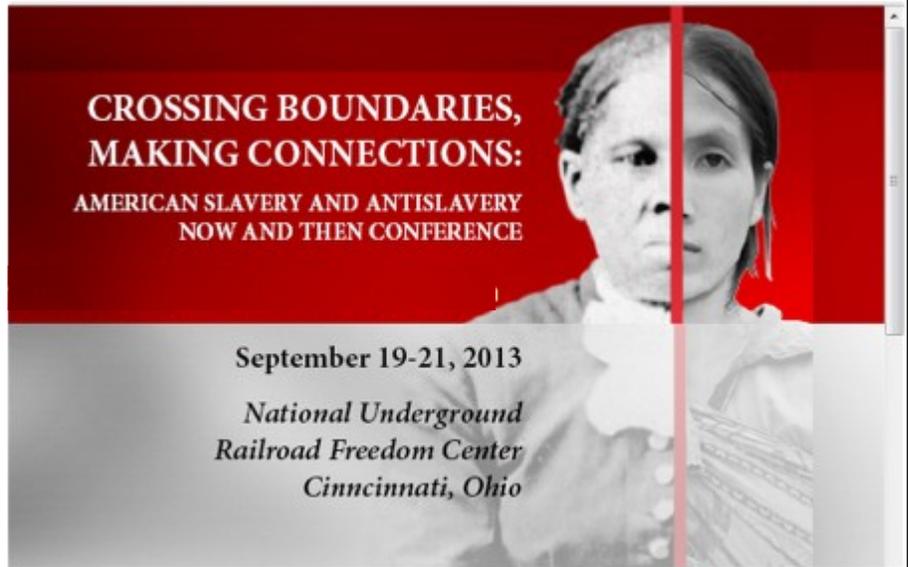
HISTORIANS AGAINST SLAVERY

FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE
September 19-21, 2013

National Underground Railroad
Freedom Center
Cincinnati, Ohio

Free, but Register Early!

historiansagainstsavery.org



style & steps for OTS

MODELS INCLUDE:

{	Jean-Robert de Cavell	Ruthie Keefe	}
	Annabelle Arejola	Joe Rigotti	
	Isabella Lachey	Lea Lachey	
	Spring Starr Pillow	Marvin Butts	}

Proceeds benefit
OFF THE STREETS
a Cincinnati Union Bethel
program that helps women
move from prostitution toward
safety, recovery, and
community reintegration.

please join us for
style & steps
for OTS

a fashion show and cocktail hour
to benefit *Off the Streets*SM

Wednesday, Nov. 13th, 6:30-9pm
The fashion show will begin at 7pm
Macy's Fountain Place
505 Vine Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

{ Enjoy a private shopping experience at Macy's with a 20% discount on everything in the store (except cosmetics and fragrances). Free shipping and gift wrap available. Hors d'oeuvres by Jeff Thomas Catering. }

Tickets are \$40, \$32 for early birds.
Please visit www.cinunionbethel.org to register.

a portion of your registration is tax-deductible



SAVE-THE- DATE

The Woman's City Club

Cordially Invites You to Our

**ANNUAL
"FEIST-TEA" TEA**



Mark your calendar

December 8, 2013

1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Join us in Celebrating four Feisty Women!

At The Barrington of Oakley
Cincinnati, Ohio

Contact information: Ruth Cronenberg
Woman's City Club: 513-751-0100
wcc@WomansCityClub.org
Website: WomansCityClub.org

Fundraiser: 501 c (3)

Calling those who are ages 18-35!

ACT ONE

HANDS-ON CIVICS IN CINCINNATI

League of Women Voters of the Cincinnati Area and Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati are proud to announce **Act One**, a joint membership initiative for young women and men aged 18-35.

WHEN YOU BECOME A MEMBER OF ACT ONE, YOU GET:

- ✓ Free memberships to Woman's City Club & League of Women Voters
- ✓ Leadership Training and Access to Community Leaders
- ✓ Peer and Intergenerational Networking
- ✓ Opportunities for Civic Engagement to add to your resume
- ✓ Access to two centuries of Cincinnati civic leadership experience
- ✓ A Deeper Understanding of City, State and National Issues

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Those interested can apply by emailing a response to this question in 200-300 words to actone@lwvcincinnati.org: "In what ways are you interested in securing a more just and livable community? How would you like to influence public policy?" We will contact you if you are selected.



League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization encouraging informed and active participation in government. It influences public policy through education and advocacy.
lwvcincinnati.org



Woman's City Club is a leading nonpartisan civic organization established in Cincinnati in 1915. Programs are designed to educate, empower, and equip citizens so together we can secure a more just and more livable community for us all.
womanscityclub.org

BAG IT! Is Your Life Too Plastic?

September 22

Changing CO₂ urse Series

Cosponsored by WCC, the League, and St John's UU Church

Location: St John's, 320 Resor in Clifton

Try going a day without plastic. In this touching and often flat-out-funny film, we follow "everyman" Jeb Berrier as he embarks on a global tour to unravel the complexities of our plastic world. What starts as a film about plastic bags evolves into a wholesale investigation into plastic's effects on our oceans, environment, and bodies. We see how our crazy-for-plastic world has finally caught up to us...and what we can do about it.

Coming Soon!

October 27: *Innovations in Agriculture:*

What do we need to do to survive on this planet?

Speaker: Prof. Kathleen Smythe,

Professor Environmental Sustainability, Xavier University.



Plastic Bags Lady: Nancy Sullivan with Brewster Rhoads

Cincinnati City Council Election 2013 Interactive Candidate-Citizen Conversation Finding Common Ground

Monday Sept. 23

6:30 Reception

7-9 p.m. program

St. John's Unitarian
320 Resor Avenue
Park at Fairview School
(off Clifton Ave.)

COME SHARE YOUR PERSPECTIVES ON
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT

And see which candidates
can listen and work together.

This forum will engage candidates to:

- Value citizen voices,
- Create new possibilities,
- Demonstrate collaboration with other candidates.

Complimentary light refreshments will be available.

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Calendar of WCC Events

Friday 9-6-13

ICE-CREAM SOCIAL for the Anna Louise Inn

4:30-6:00 pm
Lytle Park, downtown

Saturday 9-7-13

WCC Board Retreat

8:30 am—3:00 pm

Tuesday 9-10-13

GREENING CINCINNATI: Candidates' Forum

5:30 pm
Environmental forum for city council and mayoral candidates. Location: Northside Tavern, 4163 Hamilton Ave. Forum begins at 6:00 pm.

Wednesday 9-11-13

Space Sharers' Lunch

12:00 noon
Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church, The Geier Room

Tuesday 9-17-13

CITY CONVERSATIONS: Immigration Reform

7:00 pm
Discussion leader: Paula Jackson, Episcopal Pastor and community activist. Location: First Unitarian Church, Linton & Reading Roads. See page 3.

Sunday 9-22-13

CHANGING CO₂urse: "BAG IT: Is Your Life Too Plastic?"

7:00 pm
Location: St John's UU Church at 320 Resor. See page 6.

Monday 9-23-13

FINDING COMMON GROUND: Candidate-Citizen Conversation

7:00 to 9:00 pm
St. John's UU Church, 320 Resor Ave. See page 8

Monday 9-30-13

SOCIAL AREAS OF CINCINNATI:

Trends In Education, Poverty, Unemployment, Race, Women, Children And Elderly

7:00 pm
Location: First Unitarian Church, Reading & Linton Roads. See page 1.

Wednesday 10-2-13

WE WON'T GO BACK Rally for Reproductive Rights

11:30 am
Rally on the Statehouse Steps in Columbus, OH. See page 9.

Sunday 10-27-13

CHANGING CO₂urse: Innovations in Agriculture

7:00 pm
Professor Kathleen Smythe leads discussion. Location: St John's UU Church, 320 Resor Ave. See page 6.

Wednesday 11-18-13

Style & Steps ~ Benefit for Off The Streets

6:30-9:00 pm
Location: Macy's downtown. See page 10.

Sunday 12-8-13

FEIST-TEA Celebrating Feisty Women

1:30 pm
Hold the Date. See page 11.



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