

THE BULLETIN

February 2018

PUBLIC FORUM FOR FEBRUARY

CLEAN SLATE: Wiping Out Criminal Justice-Related Barriers to Employment

Sasha Naiman, Deputy Director, Ohio Justice and Policy Center

When: Tuesday, February 27, 5:30 - 8:30

**Where: United Way
Conference Room,
Reading Road**

Besides serving as Deputy Director, Sasha Naiman directs OJPC's Second Chance Project, a statewide Clearing House that helps people overcome criminal records-based barriers through free legal services, policy advocacy, and community education. Additionally,



Sasha Naiman

Naiman educates employers, workforce developers, and social service providers about hiring people with criminal records. Most recently she launched OJPC's project to help survivors of human trafficking expunge criminal records and fully reintegrate them into society.

She will tell us about the new proposed legislation – HB 56 and SB 4 – that promises to expand options for human trafficking survivors. Trafficked women often have committed minor offenses (such as prostitution) which makes it almost impossible to get a job and move on, even after they have participated in a recovery program such as Off the Streets. This legislation would help increase expungement options. We may be able to help get HB 56 and SB 4 passed by signing petitions.

~ Susan Noonan, VP Programs

GREEN TIPS

Over the years I have given tips on what to do or not do with paper and plastic.



Changing our wasteful behavior is more difficult. We have doubled our landfill waste in the last 30 years with food waste. What can we do to minimize our food waste?

- ◆ Become more environmentally conscious.
- ◆ Become more aware of our purchases.
- ◆ Compost our food and make new soil.
- ◆ Learn how to make life-style changes.

~ Mary Gerson

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The Monthly *e-Bulletin* keeps us connected with our membership, our network and our community. The next issue will appear MARCH 1. Deadline is February 23.

~ Editorial Board: Jeanne Nightingale, Sarah Gideonse, Jo-Ann Albers, and Anne Skove

WCC's NATIONAL SPEAKER FORUM 2018: MOMENTUM BUILDS AS TICKETS GO ON SALE

Tickets are now on sale for the April 16 National Speakers Forum with international expert and journalist Martha Raddatz. Her topic, "**What In The World: Global Hot Spots and US Foreign Policy**," becomes more relevant every day. Members and friends should look for their invitation to purchase tickets, available at different levels, and at the same time to contribute to the work of Woman's City Club. Be sure to make your reservations early, as Memorial Hall has limited space.

We have sent 85 letters to local organizations asking them to cosponsor this year's National Speakers Forum. Do you work for an organization that would like to get eight lecture tickets and two VIP reception tickets at a bargain price? Let Sarah Gideonse know at 513-871-6927.

Ms. Raddatz' book, *A Long Road Home: A Story of War and Family*, will be available for sale. If you buy a VIP ticket you will have an opportunity to speak with Ms. Raddatz at the reception. ~ Dot Christenson



Woman's City Club of Greater Cincinnati is proud to present

MARTHA RADDATZ

Chief Global Affairs Correspondent
for ABC News

As the featured speaker at our 25th annual
National Speaker Forum and Fundraiser

"What in the World:
Global Hot Spots and U.S. Foreign Policy"



Monday, April 16, 2018
7:00 pm
Memorial Hall
1225 Elm Street,
Downtown Cincinnati

The United States is faced with multiple foreign policy challenges — the US role in conflict areas, nuclear threats, terrorism, trade, immigration, and policy disagreements with other countries. The country lacks consensus about the best way forward. Who better to help us sort through what is happening and help us understand than Martha Raddatz!

Raddatz has covered national security, foreign policy and politics for decades — reporting from the Pentagon, the State Department, the White House, and war zones around the world. She is known for her extraordinary and often exclusive reporting from conflict areas, and the emotional detail of her stories.

Join us for what is sure to be a remarkable evening!

Forum tickets on sale
January 2018
at womanscityclub.org
Or call Memorial Hall
is 513-977-8838

Lecture: \$40
Private reception with
Ms. Raddatz following
lecture: \$100

Information on
organizational
cosponsorships:
513-871-6927



Ms. Raddatz is the author of a best-selling book, *The Long Road Home: a Story of War and Family*. This past fall, the National Geographic channel aired an 8-hour miniseries inspired by the book.

Episodes are available for screening at <http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/the-long-road-home/>



MARIAN SPENCER – KEEP ON FIGHTING

Join biographer **Dorothy H. Christenson** for a talk about her friend and Cincinnati Legend **Marian Spencer**.

Christenson authored the book *Keep On Fighting: The Life and Civil Rights Legacy of Marian A. Spencer*.

Spencer is a former Vice Mayor of Cincinnati and the first African American woman to be elected to City Council. She is well known as a civil rights pioneer. Both Spencer and Christenson served as Presidents of Woman’s City Club.

When: Saturday, February 10, 2:00 pm.

MEMBER PROFILE: JANET BUENING

Janet Buening joined the Woman’s City Club after attending the 2009 National Speaker Forum. “I looked around the room and saw so many of my friends; I figured this was a good group I should be part of, and that has proved to be very true!” she said.

A native Cincinnati, Janet grew up in Mt. Washington and moved to Hyde Park in 1972. She earned three degrees from the University of Cincinnati: BA in English, BS in secondary education and MA in professional writing.

Janet is the writer/editor of *Stirring the Pot*, the new WCC cookbook. She serves on the National Speaker and program committees. She was on the Centennial and Communications committees and, for a time, edited the *WCC Bulletin*.

Her first job was teaching in the Cincinnati Public Schools. She also taught in parochial schools. From 1989 to 1996 at Baldwin Piano & Organ Co., she directed *Anybody Can Play*, a preschool music program in Cincinnati. She coordinated national ACP and was copy writer and researcher for its marketing and advertising department. “Once, while wearing a pink tutu, I sang *You Are the Sunshine of My Life* to a guy in a gorilla suit; after that, there really wasn't anything I was afraid to try or too embarrassed to do,” she said.

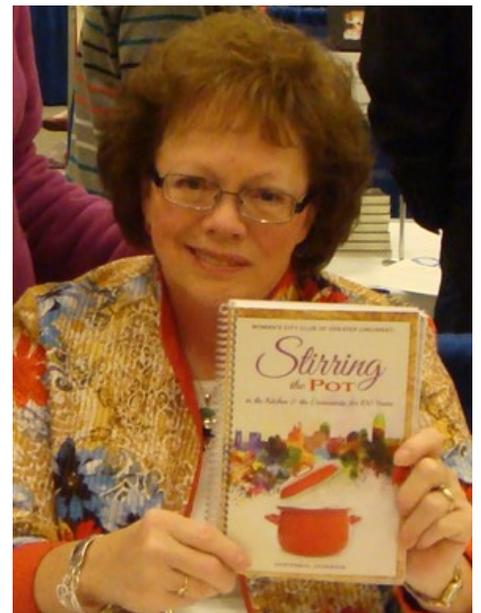
Janet wrote a regular op/ed-human interest column for the *Eastern Hills Journal*, beating out Jim Knippenberg and Cliff Radel for an SPJ column-writing award one year.

Still freelancing for Forward Movement, since 2006 she has been a certified trainer for CET, teaching Step Up to Quality and Ohio-approved professional development classes to early childhood educators. “Aside from spending time and having adventures with family and dear friends,” she said,

“my greatest joy is putting together the pieces to get good things done: calling on a lifetime of professional and volunteer knowledge/experiences and a wide and deep group of friends, colleagues, business contacts, and random acquaintances to solve community issues, create new programs/entities, make a difference in a way that matters.” She’s done a lot of that.

She and her husband, Greg, have three adult children. Her daughter **Anne Buening** now serves on the WCC board and did research for the cookbook.

~ Jo-Ann Huff Albers



ACT ONE REJUVINATES ITS LEADERSHIP

ACT ONE

HANDS-ON CIVICS IN CINCINNATI

The ACT ONE program, begun in 2013, brings Woman's City Club and the League of Women Voters together in a joint initiative to attract a new generation of young people and young ideas to our century-old organizations.

Now, beginning in 2018, the ACT ONE planning committee has decided to step up its activity and recruitment by modernizing its social media and redesigning its events. **Melissa Rowland** and **Rebecca Elliot** are working with **Susan Steele** and **Jeanne Nightingale** to initiate the transition to new ACT ONE leadership. We will keep you informed as we proceed.

ACT ONE offers us all a unique opportunity to network across the generations, share viewpoints across our memberships, and join our voices as active participants in civic affairs.

~ Jeanne Nightingale

WHAT IS SUPER HEROINES, ETC. ?

Come to an event hosted by the Cincinnati Chapter of the Super Heroines, Etc. and find out! ACT ONE member **Carolyn Noe** invites you to come to a **Galentine's Day Fundraiser Tuesday, February 13, 7 - 10 pm** at The Rook OTR, 1115 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202.

Super Heroines, Etc. empowers women to embrace their inner nerd by providing safe spaces for enjoying nerdy activities as well as discussing women's representation in media. At this event we are seeking volunteers to register voters and assist attendees in creating a mini civic engagement guide (materials & instructions provided). Available shifts: 6:30 - 8:30 pm and/ or 8:30 - 10:30 pm.

The inspiration for this event is Galentine's Day from the TV show *Parks & Recreation*. It's all about ladies celebrating ladies. The event is open to anyone who thinks this is a cool concept. We will also be running games, giving people postcards to a famous lady who inspires you, and offering more empowering activities. The reason we are focusing on voting and civic engagement is to fulfill our mission via this event and because the main character of P & R is very involved in civic engagement. The event is meant to raise a little money for Super Heroines, Etc.

We'd love to have representation from ACT ONE. For more information, email me at Carolyn.noe@gmail.com. Or direct message me on Facebook: Act One - Hands on Civics in Cincinnati [ac-tonecincy@groups.facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/actonecincy). Thanks!

~ Carolyn Noe, ACT ONE



Changing CO2urse: Local Solutions to a Global Crisis

Saturday, February 24 at 6:30 - 8:30 pm

St. John's UU Church, 320 Resor, Clifton

Doors open at 6:00 pm for socializing and snacks.



Laure Quinlivan, former member of Cincinnati Council, will show her PBS documentary "Cincinnati LEEDs the Nation." This half-hour documentary tells the story of amazing achievement by our City as first in the USA to build a Net Zero Energy police station, deeply engaging community from the beginning.

This film, cosponsored by Woman's City Club, is timely since taxpayers will soon be funding a new District 5 police station. Inexplicably, the city is not following the District 3 model for the new District 5, declining to engage citizens and choosing the site without their input. Neighborhoods served by District 5 Police include Camp Washington, Clifton, Mt. Airy, College Hill and Northside. Shouldn't these residents have the same opportunity with D-5 that west sides had with the new District 3? Watch the film and you'll understand why it's so important. Then, consider calling council members to request they take action....before it's too late.

For more on the film and District 3: www.CincinnatiLEEDstheNation.com

~ Jeanne Nightingale, Co-chair WCC environmental Task Force

TWO EXCITING WCC PROGRAMS IN JANUARY

MORE THAN A DREAM: DREAM ACT 2018

Still living in limbo – not knowing from day to day what might happen to them or their family members – these resilient young people continue to speak out. WCC was fortunate to hear DACA recipients **José Cabrera** and José Sanchez on January 17th. Without Dreamers, there is no dream!

Their message is heartbreaking, but they remain optimistic, hoping that our Federal Government will pass a Dream Act before their time runs out. **José Cabrera** talked about the benefits from the Dreamers who contribute to the economy, their families, their own communities and our country. We need to restore and enhance the DACA initiative and create a path to citizenship for the 800,000 Dreamers who are anxiously waiting.

Meanwhile, call and email your legislators to support the Dreamers and ask them to co-sign the Dream Act with your reasons listed. This free public forum was co-sponsored by the Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center, The Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center, YES (Young Leaders for immigrant Rights), and the Social Justice Committee of the First Unitarian Church.



José Cabrera

Photo by HarrietKaufman

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THRIVING CINCINNATI PROGRAM



Abby Radford, Amanda, and Katie Schad

Photos by Harriet Kaufman

On January 26, Thriving Cincinnati presented its second program to celebrate an innovative employer who does the right thing: Nehemiah Manufacturing Company. Nehemiah was founded in 2009 with the mission to build brands, create jobs, and change lives.

Led by a team of seasoned CPG executives who have a proven track record of success and share a passion for making a positive impact in our community, Nehemiah is committed to bringing manufacturing jobs back to the inner city of Cincinnati to stimulate community development and economic growth. Nehemiah is led by CEO, Dan Meyer. Dan has over 30 years of consumer packaged goods experience and has held senior management positions with large, multi-national companies.

Nehemiah works closely with the City of Cincinnati, community leaders and social service organizations to select our location in the West End / Over-The-Rhine area of Cincinnati, surrounded by neighborhoods with

high unemployment and limited entry-level job opportunities. It teams with a number of local social service agencies in close proximity, including CityLink, St. Vincent DePaul, Jobs Plus, and City Gospel Mission, to identify and develop employees, called team members.

The presenters at the program were **Katie Schad**, a social worker who heads the Beacon of Hope Business Alliance consisting of 40 companies who provide jobs to Nehemiah graduates and others who want second-chance employment; **Abby Radford**, a Xavier intern in social work; and **Amanda**, a client who has overcome many barriers to become a line leader in the manufacturing plant. A “second chance” was given to everyone regardless of employment barriers -- the especially rewarding path that this innovative company offers. Nehemiah Manufacturing and Beacon of Hope Alliance do change lives!

~ Susan Noonan, V.P. Programs



Susan Noonan, Jo-Ann Albers, Amanda, and Ursula Bess



Thriving
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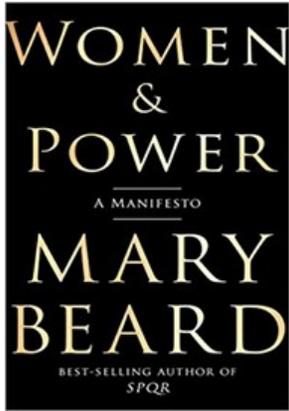
WCC BOOK CLUB TO DISCUSS TWO BOOKS IN MARCH

10 am, Saturday, March 17, 2018

Home of Harriet Kaufman, 366 Terrace Ave, Clifton

For directions and to RSVP, call Harriet at 513-751-6381

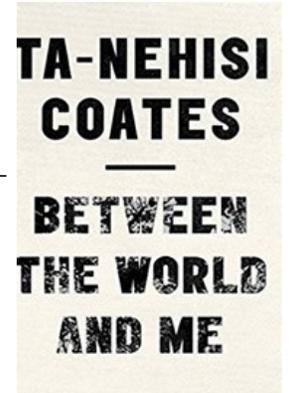
Or email her at hlkaufman@fuse.net



Women & Power by British classicist Mary Beard is a pocket-size book that comprises two of Beard's public lectures. In *Women & Power*, she traces the origins of misogyny to its ancient roots, examining the pitfalls of gender and the ways that history has mistreated strong women since time immemorial. It arrives at a moment of heightened awareness of the silencing Beard describes. She also suggests remedies. Published 2017; 99 pages.

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates is hailed by Toni Morrison as "required reading." She describes this award-winning work as "a bold and personal literary exploration of America's racial history by the single best writer on the subject of race in the United States." (*The New York Observer*) Published in 2015.

~ Sarah Gideonse



WOMEN'S MARCH IN CINCINNATI: "FIGHTING FOR OUR DAUGHTERS"



On the first anniversary of Donald J. Trump's presidency, thousands marched in the streets of Cincinnati to denounce his views and his administration. Organized by United We Stand, the marchers gathered at noon on Saturday, January 20, outside the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, shouting refrains that included "Love Not Hate Makes America great" and "Love Not Fear - Everybody's Welcome Here!"

Black Lives Matter Cincinnati held a complementary event, an educational forum at the Peasley Center. Although BLM considers women's liberation essential to black liberation, they chose not to participate in Cincinnati's Women's March. They felt that the women's marches held nationwide in 2017 have been co-opted by supporters of the Democratic Party. It objected in particular to the use of "vote" in the subtitle of women's march. The "Hear Our Vote" theme excludes marginalized people of all ethnicities and narrows its focus. BLM preferred the theme of "Hear our Voice" as the broader call. Voice can include voting for those who can – which is not true the other way around. They felt their concerns were pushed aside. One white political activist and arts promoter living in OTR, Margy Waller, refused to be part of a Woman's March that does not include an important civil rights group in Cincinnati.

~ Jeanne Nightingale

NEWS FROM OUR NETWORK

The following items are listed because they may be of interest to our members in keeping with our mission to educate, empower and engage citizens. A listing does not imply that Woman's City Club sponsors, endorses or has a studied judgment about the event, speakers, or content.

END SLAVERY CINCINNATI will hold an Anti-Human Trafficking Conference on February 2, 2018. They are partnering again with the American Red Cross to hold the conference at the American Red Cross (2111 Dana Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45207). Online registration will close Monday, January 29. Please go to endslaverycincinnati.org to register.



Join community members, local officials, League members, supporters and democracy lovers to celebrate informed and active participation in government.

League of Women Voters of the Cincinnati Area's

Making Democracy Work Celebration

Saturday, February 10, 2018

Luncheon – 12:30 pm-2:30 pm

Networking and Silent Auction starts 11:30 am

Includes presentation of

2018 Making Democracy Work Award to

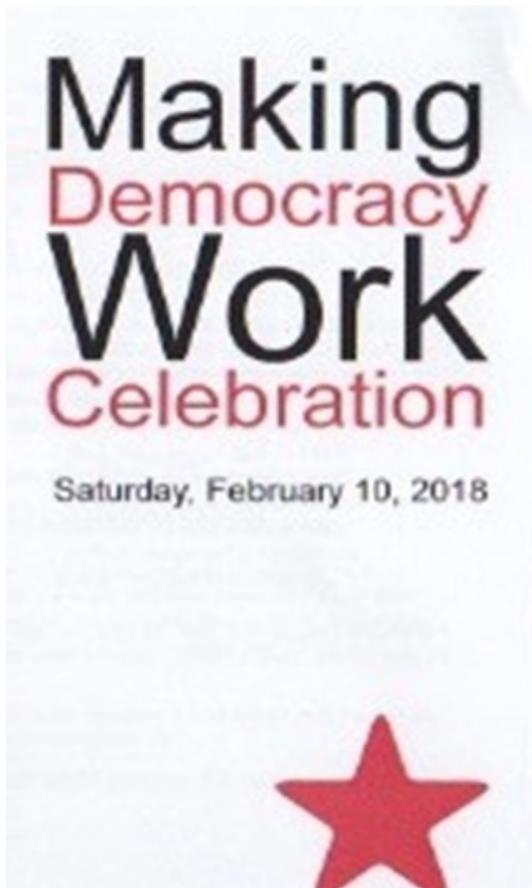
Lydia and Noel Morgan

The Phoenix

812 Race Street

Cincinnati, OH 45202

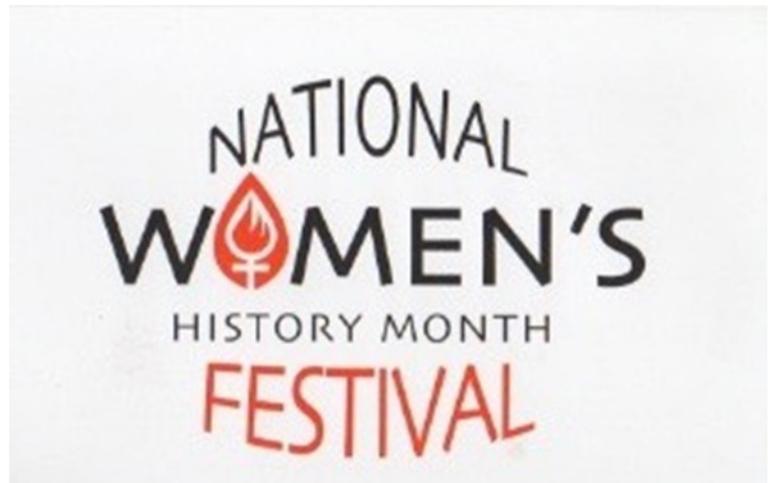
RSVP by Feb. 5, 2018 online at lwvcincinnati.org



MARCH 3 – 18

CELEBRATING THE ARTISTRY OF WOMEN

Continue the “March” into March
As we celebrate our Herstory
Music Literary Arts Artisans
LUNAFEST Film Festival
www.AliveArts.org
info and Tickets



Preserving Ohio's Place in the Civil Rights Movement



20th Century African American Civil Rights Movement in Ohio: Evaluating and Nominating Historic Properties Symposium

Saturday, February 3, 2018 1-4 P.M.

**National Underground Railroad Freedom Center,
50 East Freedom Way, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202**

Discovery Room #1

Owen & Eastlake, a historic preservation firm in Columbus, Ohio, is working to identify historic places in Ohio associated with the African American Civil Rights Movement. This research will result in National Register of Historic Places documentation that will be used to guide future National Register nominations concerning civil rights in Ohio. The public is invited to the symposium to share stories and themes associated with civil rights in Cincinnati and southwest Ohio.

For more information or to RSVP please contact: rkrupp@oweneastlake.com

This project is being funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Park Service African American Civil Rights Grant Program.

Are you disillusioned by the inability of many to grasp the seriousness of a warming climate?

Do you believe we can still work together to make a difference before it's too late?

AWAKENING THE DREAMER CHANGING THE DREAM

Saturday, February 3
9 am to 1:30 pm



This half-day interactive workshop has been delivered to hundreds of thousands of participants by skilled facilitators in over 80 countries. How do we change the dream of the modern world?

**Join us for a reflective discussion.
Create a shift in human consciousness**

We will look squarely at where we are as a human family and explore how we can bring forth a socially just, spiritually fulfilling, and environmentally sustainable presence on this planet.

A light lunch will be provided. RSVP

WHEN: Saturday, February 3, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm.

WHERE: St. John's Unitarian Universalist Church, 320 Resor Avenue, Clifton

SPONSORS: *Green Sanctuary Partners* and *Pachamama Alliance*

RSVP: Jeanne Nightingale (513) 295-2603 or Jim Vogt (859) 468-4994

**"The world has enough for everybody's need but not enough for everybody's greed"
-- Mahatma Gandhi**

INFO: <https://www.pachamama.org/engage/awakening-the-dreamer>

FILM: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MoXJZ_3-J9w

- Our Mission:** Woman's City Club is committed to building a strong Greater Cincinnati community through educating, empowering, and engaging all citizens to participate in promoting the common good.
- Our Vision:** We envision a just and sustainable community where all citizens are engaged as informed stakeholders in the shaping of our shared future.
- Our Values:** Collaboration -- Citizen Empowerment -- Civic Literacy -- Equity and Justice -- Children and Youth on Positive Trajectories to Achieve their Dreams and Lead Constructive Lives -- A Thriving City of the Future.

Calendar of WCC Events

Saturday, February 10, 2:00 pm:

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Clean Slate: Wiping Out Criminal Justice - Related Barriers to Employment. United Way, 2400 Reading Road.

Saturday, March 17, 10 am: WCC Book Club meets at home of **Harriet Kaufman** in Clifton.

Monday, April 16, 2018, 7:00 p.m.: National Speaker Martha Raddatz, *"What in the World: Global Hotspots and U.S. Foreign Policy."* Memorial Hall, 1225 Elm St., 45202.

Friday, May 25, 2018: Seasongood Luncheon.



WCC COMMITTEE MEETINGS

For the latest schedule of Committee Meetings, check our Website Calendar at womanscityclub.org (click on the "Calendar & Events" tab at the top)

CINCINNATI CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

For an updated list, go to the City website at cincinnati-oh.gov/council/.



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