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## Member News & Job Openings

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# Member News & Job Listings

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### Westchester Community Foundation for Strong Nonprofits Measuring Your Success: The Art and Science of Outcomes Measurement

The Westchester Community Foundation is partnering with Support Center to offer this series of four workshops highlighting important components of nonprofit capacity and management. Support Center works to empower nonprofits and social enterprises to transform their leadership and management and accelerate positive social change through Change Consulting, Professional Development and Executive Search and Transition services.



Many organizations measure outcomes in response to funder requirements. But outcome measurement is also a valuable tool for organizations to use internally. It can help create a common language and focus, guide internal discussions, and inform planning and decision-making.

Attendees of this workshop will gain:

- Knowledge of what outcome measurement is (and what it is not)
- An ability to differentiate and see the relationships between inputs, activities, outputs and outcomes
- Steps and frameworks for developing a meaningful and manageable plan at their own organization

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### Westchester Children's Association News

#### Westchester Children's Association Announces Allison Lake as New Executive Director

"We are delighted to announce the appointment of Allison Lake as Executive Director of Westchester Children's Association (WCA). Her new role is effective on July 1. As you may

know, Allison is well versed in WCA's priorities and history, joining us as program director in 1998 and then moving up to deputy director in 2008. During her time with the organization, Allison's achievements have been significant. Early in her tenure she directed a 90-member task force on children's health policy and led a five-year long CHIP campaign that successfully enrolled 10,000 children." [Read more here.](#)



### **Cora Greenberg's Retirement Party**

Join Cora as She Dances Her Way into Retirement at the CV Rich Mansion to celebrate Cora's retirement as Executive Director of Westchester Children's Association for the past 23 years. There will be plenty of food, drinks, and dancing all evening! Westchester Children's Association has grown and flourished under Cora's leadership and she will be greatly missed by everyone she's touched over the years. Walk-ins will not be allowed. [You must purchase your tickets in advance.](#)

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## **Westchester Library System Welcomes Joseph Puglia to the Board of Trustees**

The Westchester Library System (WLS) appointed Joseph J. Puglia of Yonkers as the District XV representative covering Yonkers to fill a vacant position with a term that expires 12/31/2019.



Joseph Puglia is a new resident of Yonkers and an active member of his Colonial Heights community. He recently retired after a 46-year career in education, having served in both the private and public sector as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal. His most recent position was as Principal in Port Chester. He holds an undergraduate degree in Philosophy from Iona College and graduate degrees in Educational Administration and World History from New York University and St. John's, respectively. Mr. Puglia and his wife Karen are the proud parents of two grown children and have 3 grandchildren. Mr. Puglia is looking forward to his new role as WLS Trustee and using his administrative experience to help guide the System in meeting its goals.

"Mr. Puglia's extensive background in education and administration will be an asset to our Board," said Terry Kirchner, WLS Executive Director. "We look forward to the unique contributions and new perspectives he is sure to bring." [Read more here.](#)

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## **Jennifer Flowers of Accreditation Guru Presents Seminar to National Audience at the Children's Defense Fund**

"Jennifer Flowers, founder and CEO of Accreditation Guru, delivered a well-attended, well-received seminar to members of the National Child Welfare and Mental Health Coalition at the national headquarters of the Children's Defense Fund in Washington, D. C. Several coalition members participated over conference call.



Entitled "Family First Prevention Services Act – Accreditation 101: Understanding the Accreditation Process for Qualified Residential Treatment Programs," the presentation covered the new law's impact on congregate care programs throughout the United States and outlined the basic steps and considerations these organizations must undertake to comply with the statute. [Read more here.](#)



## Get Ready For Summer With These Events From Our Members

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# MEMBER EVENTS

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### Annual LOFT Pride Festival 2018 Saturday, June 2nd

Westchester's first and only LGBT center is holding its third annual Pride celebration -- a free event filled with family-friendly entertainment, food trucks, activities, over 60 vendors and much more!

Performers will include Broadway Singers for Pride, queer/non-binary comedian and actress Lynae DePriest, award-winning drag performer Sutton Lee Seymour, New York's premier all women Brazilian drum line Fogo Azul, and surprise guests.



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#### Take Action with the Resilience Coalition - Wednesday, June 13th

Join us for a morning to screen and discuss implications of RESILIENCE: THE BIOLOGY OF STRESS AND THE SCIENCE OF HOPE, a film that delves into the science of Adverse

Childhood Experiences (ACES) and the national movement to prevent childhood trauma, treat Toxic Stress, and greatly improve the health of future generations.

## Community Housing Innovations Events

### Avoid Foreclosure: Meet Your Lender at CHI's Foreclosure Prevention - Thursday, June 7th

Save Your Home! Attend this FREE mortgage assistance workshop. Is your mortgage with Wells Fargo or Ocwen Financial Corporation? Have you missed one or more mortgage payments? Do you foresee not being able to make mortgage payments in the future? Are you living in fear of foreclosure? If you answered 'yes' to these questions, register here.



### Homebuyer Orientation - Wednesday, June 13th

Learn about CHI's services, the steps to homeownership, and the resources available to you. This session will also help you decide if homeownership is right for you. Homebuyer Orientations are held every month in Westchester.

### Bringing Families Home Annual Benefit - Thursday, June 28th

CHI is hosting *Bringing Families Home*, honoring Freedom Mortgage and Total Management Corporation for their support of our mission. *CHI Hero* Randolph McLaughlin is being honored for his work on civil rights and fair housing. Funds from this event support CHI's emergency, transitional and permanent housing programs, homeownership counseling and education, foreclosure prevention and the development of affordable housing. We are so appreciative of your generosity.

## Wine & Food Festival: An Evening with Westchester's Tastemakers Friday, June 8th

With seven events over seven days, Westchester Magazine's 8th Annual Wine & Food Festival is a celebration of gourmet food, exceptional wines, beer, spirits, mouth-watering burgers, and award-winning chefs. Join the more than 7,000 guests who will sip and savor, enjoy the county's finest plates and pours, mingle with Westchester's top chefs, sommeliers, and specialty food purveyors, and attend exclusive dinners, tastings, and demos. Wine & Food Festival is a not-to-be missed experience celebrating the culinary spirit of Westchester County. Join Feeding Westchester on Friday, June 8th for an Evening with Westchester's Tastemakers and silent/live auction. 100% of auction and designated ticket sales will benefit Feeding Westchester.



## Friends of Karen 40th Birthday Party At Rye Playland

Saturday, June 9th

Join us in celebrating four decades of bringing help, hope and support to over 15,000 children and their families in the NY tri-state area. Bring your entire family, friends and colleagues to enjoy the party festivities!



# Celebrating the Vision

## Pioneer Award

### **Dr. LaRuth Gray**



***Senior Adviser to the Executive  
Director Scholar in Residence  
New York University***

LaRuth Hackney Gray dedicates herself to improving the quality of education, as well as the quality of life for children. Dr. Gray currently serves as Scholar in Residence for the Metropolitan of Center Urban Education (Metro Center) at New York University. Prior to this appointment, she had served as Deputy Director of METRO Center and as an Affiliate Professor in the Administration, Leadership and Technology Program in NYU's Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development. She began her career in education as a teacher in the New Rochelle City School District and moved up in the ranks to become Chairman of the Language Arts Department. From there, she was named first as Principal, then as Director of Instruction and finally, Assistant Superintendent. She then joined the Abbott Union Free District as a Superintendent, retiring from superintendency in 1989.

In addition to numerous recognition and awards, Dr. Gray has been recognized by the Dean of NYU Steinhart with a Faculty Award for Outstanding Service; the National School Boards Association as one of the "100 Outstanding Educators in Small School Districts in North America"; the Congressional Black Caucus Education Brain-trust for her Excellence and Equity in Education; the American Association of School Administrators as one of the ten pioneering Sheroges for helping break the glass ceiling for women in Education in the Country for the last 3 decades.

Her growing list of publications includes: "The No Child Left behind Act: "Threats and Opportunities," Journal of Negro Education (2005), "White and Black Females in the Classroom," American Educational Journal (2000); "The Best For Our Children: The Sherburne Earville Story," Metro Center Press, New York University (1993); "Women of Color: In a Different Context" from An Action Plan for Equity in New York State Education Administration, New York State Congress of School Administrator Organizations Publications (1994) and the list continues.

She currently serves on the Board of Directors for two organizations: The New York Metro Library Council and The Westchester Library. She serves on the Board of Trustees for the Katonah Museum of Art and is a Westchester County Fair Campaign Practices Committee Member.

A graduate of Howard University, Nova University, and Columbia University Teacher's College, Dr. Gray is married to Joseph Morgan, who is also an educator. She is the mother of Diendra Gray Clark, a minister and Philip Gray, a certified CPA and a financial analyst.




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## Events From Our Members

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### Feeding Westchester Events

#### Taste of Ridge Hill - Thursday, May 24th

Taste of Ridge Hill is your passport to Ridge Hill eateries to sample a dozen signature flavors, all in one night! This year's event will take place in the brand new South Lawn at the corner of Market St. and Lembo Drive (near Whole Foods). Each participating restaurant will host a tent along with their beverage tasting partner. Plus, this year's event will also feature live music and entertainment! Ridge Hill will donate a portion of ticket sales to Feeding Westchester. For more information or to purchase tickets go to [www.ridgehill.com/tasteofrh](http://www.ridgehill.com/tasteofrh)



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**Free Youth Mental Health First Aid Training**  
**Thursday, May 24th and Thursday, May 31st**

In partnership with the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health, WJCS is pleased to offer this free life-saving training during Mental Health Awareness Month. Participants must attend both sessions to be certified and to attend the training.



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## Pro Bono Partnership Workshops

### Get on Board: How Nonprofit Board Service Impacts Your Community, Your Company, and You - Thursday, May 31st

Join us for a panel discussion at the HIA-LI Business Trade Show & Conference about the mutual benefits of nonprofit board service for nonprofits, businesses, and professionals. Topics will include the opportunities for positive recognition and reputation that board service brings; why certain businesses encourage board service; how nonprofits can benefit by being more connected to the business community; the benefits for businesses that connect with nonprofits; and how businesses can assist nonprofits. Come hear how members of the business community can get "on board" with a local nonprofit and start making a bigger impact today!



### Effective Boards and Board Meetings: Your Questions Answered! - Tuesday, June 12th

Do you sit on a nonprofit board? Are you confused about the roles and responsibilities of a nonprofit board member? Do you wonder how to make your board meetings more effective and efficient? Do you know how to use agendas, adopt resolutions, and keep minutes? At Pro Bono Partnership, we regularly receive all kinds of questions about boards, governance, and running board meetings. So we've put together this in-person workshop to answer some of our clients' most frequently asked questions. Join us to hear the answers – and bring your own questions!

## WEDC Spring Gala & Awards Ceremony Thursday, May 31st

Honoring 2018 Enterprising Women Award Recipients

- **Ale Frederico**, Vice President, Commercial Lending & Chair, Metro NY Diversity Council, TD Bank
- **Sallie Krawcheck**, CEO and Co-Founder, Ellevest, and Chair of Ellevest Network



# White Plains Library's fine idea: no fines for late children and young adult materials

**Richard Liebson, The Journal News** Published 6:00 a.m. ET June 11, 2018 | Updated 7:24 a.m. ET June 11, 2018



(Photo: file photo/The Journal News)

WHITE PLAINS — The White Plains Public Library announced this week that it will no longer charge late fees for children and young adult materials, making it easier for youngsters to continue checking out books.

"One of the most important things we do is to cultivate reading among young people — that's one of the things we're put on earth for," said Library Director Brian Kenney. "Research has shown that having books in the home is a critical factor in becoming a reader, but too many young people can't borrow books because of outstanding fines."

From now on, young people who check out materials from "The Trove" library for children or "The Edge" teen library will not be fined if they are late returning the books.

**ROCKLAND: Libraries pick local 'Book of the Year'** ([/story/news/local/rockland/2018/06/06/rockland-libraries-pick-local-book-year/672353002/](https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/rockland/2018/06/06/rockland-libraries-pick-local-book-year/672353002/))

**WHITE PLAINS: Library has new cafe** ([/story/news/local/westchester/white-plains/2018/05/03/everyday-healthy-cafe-making-debut-white-plains-library/577293002/](https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/westchester/white-plains/2018/05/03/everyday-healthy-cafe-making-debut-white-plains-library/577293002/))

Nonetheless, Kenney said, the materials are expected to be returned on time and the parents or guardians of the young people will be held responsible for making sure they are, or risk having their account suspended. Books or other materials that are not returned will be considered lost, and the patrons will be billed for the cost. Those with \$25 or more of lost materials will have their library privileges suspended until the books are returned or paid for.

Kenney said the Mamaroneck and Harrison libraries are adopting similar policies, which he said is part of a national trend. Research shows that the books generally are returned on time and that the lack of fines does encourage youngsters to check out more books, he said.

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## Budget crisis will end Yonkers libraries' Sunday service

**Ernie Garcia**, [elgarcia@lohud.com](mailto:elgarcia@lohud.com)

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(Photo: Ernie Garcia/The Journal News)

The Yonkers Public Library will eliminate Sunday service because of the city's budget deficit.

The library faces a 7 percent cut to its budget in Mayor Mike Spano's proposed 2018-19 budget, which takes effect July 1. That translates into an approximately \$700,000 reduction.

Most of the cuts were in the library's personnel services, according to an April 2018 management report submitted to the Yonkers Public Library's board of trustees, who are scheduled to meet on Thursday afternoon.

Currently the library offers Sunday hours at all three of its branches from noon to 5 p.m.

The Sunday hours are not offered in July and August, so the Sunday closures are expected to take effect in September.

The library's final budget is in the hands of the Yonkers City Council, which has scheduled a hearing on the library's budget for May 23.

The City Council must adopt the city budget by June 1.

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### **[More Yonkers news \(/story/entertainment/2017/11/22/black-friday-shopping-new-century-21-yonkers/821730001/\)](#)**

**[RATS: Yonkers residents overrun by rodents \(/story/news/local/westchester/yonkers/2018/04/09/rats-condemned-yonkers-store-plague-neighbors/486929002/\)](#)**

**[CENSUS: Yonkers opposes citizenship question in 2020 Census \(/story/news/local/westchester/yonkers/2018/04/06/yonkers-opposes-citizenship-question-census/490242002/\)](#)**

**[GOVERNMENT: Yonkers may lay off 200, cut services \(/story/news/local/westchester/yonkers/2018/04/05/yonkers-considering-200-layoffs/478741002/\)](#)**

**[SCHOOLS: Superintendent proposes 211 layoffs \(/story/news/local/westchester/yonkers/2018/04/10/yonkers-schools-layoffs-budget-gap/505037002/\)](#)**

**[REAL ESTATE: Website claims Yonkers rents rose 10.7 percent last year \(/story/news/local/westchester/yonkers/2018/04/05/yonkers-rents-rose-10-7-last-year-says-website/485518002/\)](#)**

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# New Rochelle: 'Save our library' petition gains traction

Nicholas Tantillo, [ntantillo@lohud.com](mailto:ntantillo@lohud.com) Published 11:43 a.m. ET April 5, 2018



(Photo: Nicholas Tantillo)

NEW ROCHELLE - Despite some residents' concerns for the future of the public library, the library's Board of Trustees said there are no plans to redevelop the iconic building in the heart of the city's downtown.

"As of today, there's no agreement," said New Rochelle Public Library Director Tom Geoffino, referring to ongoing discussions with developer RXR over the future of the library property, at 1 Library Plaza.

The site was identified in the city's 2015 master plan (<https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/westchester/new-rochelle/2016/12/01/new-rochelles-downtown-redevelopment-taking-shape/94606176/>) as a potential area for redevelopment. Although library officials say they've been in talks with the developer for two years, they

declined to say what the ultimate goal is.

Nonetheless, residents have created a petition (<https://www.thepetitionsite.com/361/154/816/save-our-library/>) discouraging the library's Board of Trustees from entering into a partnership with RXR.

**CLOSING: Fountainhead wedding venue to close its doors in June (<https://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/westchester/new-rochelle/2018/03/29/new-rochelle-fountainhead-close-june/471350002/>)**

**PUTNAM: Sexually transmitted diseases hit record high in county (<https://www.lohud.com/story/news/health/2018/04/04/sexually-transmitted-diseases-hit-record-highs/485069002/>)**

The petition is being pushed by Library United, a social activist group of New Rochelle residents that was created around the same time the 2015 master plan was approved.

"I learned to read on the library's steps," said Library United member Gordon Hiland. "I love the library, and that it's in downtown New Rochelle."

In response to the petition, a library board statement (<https://nrpl.org/about/board/>) said they "entered into these discussions with the sole goal of exploring a potential opportunity to provide our patrons and the residents of our city with an enhanced, state of the art, sustainable resource."

Most recently, the trustees discussed a deal with RXR that would have required the company to fund hiring a consultant to assess the value of the property. In exchange, RXR would get the rights to future development.

Library board President Chuck Burke declined to give more details of the discussions.

"Our statement speaks to the truth and the reality of where things are," he said.

Burke said a vote on the agreement has not been scheduled.

"When the board is prepared to vote on an agreement with RXR, we will post it on our website seven days in advance," he said.

Whatever happens, Burke said the library board will ensure that services aren't interrupted.

"This is between RXR and the library board," said New Rochelle Commissioner of Development Luiz Aragon. "We, the city, have no say and we don't want to push it in one direction or another. It's entirely up to them."

The library is valued at roughly \$12 million, according to the city's assessor office.

Hiland said he posted the petition online last month. It has received just over 300 signatures, a third of the way to its goal of 1,000.

"I hope the petition puts pressure on the library Board of Trustees to not sell this asset," Hiland said.

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