

SPECIAL SECTION ON GUN CONTROL

See below for all the ways you can join RSNS members in standing up and speaking out against gun violence in our communities!

• SATURDAY, MARCH 24: THREE MARCHES (Local, NYC, National):

• **LOCAL:** The Port Washington Clergy are organizing a **Port Washington-based march and rally:**

6-6:30 pm - Gather at corner of Campus Drive & Port Washington Blvd

6:30 pm - March up Port Blvd to the United Methodist Church of Port Washington

7:30 pm - Vigil and Call to Action on the front lawn of the United Methodist Church. Hear from Schreiber students, local clergy, and elected officials, including Town Supervisor Judi Bosworth, Councilwoman Dina M. De Giorgio, and Assemblyman Anthony D'Urso.

• **NEW YORK CITY:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/169251153856272/>

• **ONAL (DC):** <https://event.marchforourlives.com/event/march-our-lives-events/8738/>

RSNS members: meet at Port Washington train station for the **7:42am LIRR that gets to Penn at 8:27am**

Amtrak NY to DC Northeast regional #155 at 9:05am, arriving in DC at 12:45pm

Amtrak DC to NY Northeast Regional #158 at 6:10PM arriving at Penn station at 9:45pm

Make sure to buy your Amtrak tickets NOW, before they sell out!

Please contact RSNS coordinators Judy Levine (jludwiglevine@gmail.com)

or Carol Blumenthal (carollblumenthal@gmail.com) with any questions and to tell us that you're going!

• **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14** The next meeting of the **Nassau chapter of the Sierra Club**. Contact Emily Klass (wepkaplan@gmail.com) for more information.

• **THURSDAY, MARCH 15** RSNS is a partner, through the Port clergy association, of a community-wide effort called **Laundry Love**. Each month, volunteers from each church and synagogue assist low-income residents in a **free night of laundry at PW Super Laundromat (4 Manorhaven Boulevard), from 5:30 to 8:30pm. If you'd like to volunteer tomorrow**, please email the coordinator, Maureen Peraza (MPeraza@optonline.net) and indicate whether you would prefer to work from 5:30 – 7:00 (arriving by 5:15 please) or from 7:00 – to 8:30 (arriving by 6:55 please).

• **SATURDAY, MARCH 17 Plant A Row for the Hungry** is co-sponsoring with the Port Washington Library a renewal of the very successful program we offered last March. **2-4pm at the Port Public library**. They will discuss the art of Square Foot Vegetable Gardening as well as how to create compost right from your homes!

• **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28 "What is the Movement for Black Lives?" A Conversation with Professor Bianca C. Williams, Wednesday, March 28 at 7:30 pm, in the Art Gallery, UU Congregation at Shelter Rock, 48 Shelter Rock Road, Manhasset.** Bianca C. Williams, Phd., is a black feminist cultural anthropologist, and studies topics related to race, gender, and activism, including black feminist leadership and pedagogy, most recently in the Black Lives Matter movement. She is Associate Professor in the Anthropology Program at the CUNY Graduate Center, NYC. No charge, but registration required by Friday, March 23 at www.uucsr.org/Bianca

• **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 Wine and Cheese for Refugees** Bob Schwartz & Ellen Brown are having a wine and cheese party at their home (120 Huntington Road in Port Washington) at **7:30PM** to provide information as well as raise funds to **re-settle a Syrian family**. This is part

of our [ongoing campaign](#) with Najda Now, and fellow congregant Adam Haber will be there to answer questions as well. Please **email Bob (schwartz@pipeline.com) to rsvp**, or with any questions.

• **MONDAY, APRIL 23 Albany Day for New York Climate Action** Governor Cuomo says New York is a “leader” on climate change. However, the reality is that **New York is drastically behind** on our renewable energy goals, environmental justice, and more. Join this **energetic and family-friendly march** and rally outside the Capitol building that will include an opportunity to participate in a civil disobedience action. This will be the largest climate rally ever directed at Cuomo in Albany. The Long Island Progressive Coalition will have **buses** leaving from Nassau County. [RSVP today!](#)

SIGN AN ONLINE PETITION FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM IN NEW YORK STATE!

The New York Jewish community — including Bend the Arc, JFREJ, and T'ruah — is standing with people directly affected by the jail crisis to demand crucial criminal justice reforms this year. Add your name. http://www.bendthearc.us/ny-jail-reform?recruiter_id=30419

• **ACCOMPANY IMMIGRANTS TO COURT DATES** Are you interested in protecting innocent undocumented immigrants in our community? The immigrant organizer for Long Island Jobs With Justice is Victoria Daza, and anyone from our congregation who wants to **get added to the email notification for accompaniment** can send her a request: lijwj01@gmail.com The role is to bear witness and provide a show of support from the larger community. Contact Robin Sigman for more info.

• **SOCIAL JUSTICE SEDER RESOURCES (the list is growing)!**

- [Click here](#) for the AJWS's 2018 Passover resources.
- [2018 Haggadah supplement](#) from HIAS
- [Shalom Center's](#) 50th anniversary MLK Freedom Seder
- If you want [fair trade](#), [kosher-for-Passover chocolate](#) that's not made by child slave labor, [click here](#) to purchase T'ruah/Equal Exchange's offerings, and for fair-trade themed songs and Haggadah supplement for your seder!
- Check out Hazon's [food justice Passover resources](#), including this year's supplement on [eggs and animal welfare](#).
- There are a [plethora of social justice Passover resources](#) on the website of the Religious Action Center.

• **PROM BOUTIQUE 2018!** An opportunity to clean your closets and **get rid of prom and other dressy dresses you no longer need, along with shawls, evening bags, dress shoes and costume jewelry**. We are asking people to **bring these items (dresses on hangers, jewelry in zip lock bags) to RSNS from March 1-21**. [Volunteer opportunities](#) abound from April 12-15 in terms of setting up, (wo)manning the event and breaking it down. Registration for volunteers is mandatory and is [online](#). Teenagers cannot actually work at the event so as not to embarrass the recipients of the dresses. BTW, they can use **adult dressy dresses**, too, since their vision extends beyond prom to all end-of-year events. **Last year, 3511 girls from 49 schools and at-risk programs benefitted from this drive**. Any questions? Contact Susan Bourla via the synagogue office (rsnsassistant@optimum.net)