

The Gazette

Women's Rights Action Group



Olivia, front/center, holds award honoring her mother, Ellen DeYoung

Ellen DeYoung Honored

On 8/26/18, WRAG member Ellen DeYoung was honored in remembrance at the Women For: OC 38th Annual Suffrage Day event. Sheryl H presented her daughter Olivia with the award in honor of Ellen's tireless dedication to immigrants through her activism with the Friends of Orange County Detainees.

In her presentation, Sheryl noted: *"We have all probably used the expression, 'She was a lifesaver.' With her compassion, Ellen literally saved lives, changed lives, gave people hope, and became a resounding voice for those who were unable to speak for themselves. The news of Ellen's passing circulated quickly and messages were sent*

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"MAKE THE MOST OF

yourself by fanning the tiny, inner sparks of possibility into flames of achievement."

~Golda Meir

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GOT SNACKS?

WRAG will provide after-service snacks the last Sunday each month this year. Contact Karen to sign up!

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RUBY BRIDGES

First black child to attend a white elementary school, born 9/8/1954.

Happy Birthday!

MARK YOUR



CALENDARS!



September 20

Thurs. 5:30-7:30pm
Santa Ana

O.C. Planned Parenthood Advocacy Nights

Contact Co-Champions
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for carpool/other info.



September 30

Women's Rights Action
Group 12:45 to 2pm
Bourne Hall/St. George

If you are unable to attend but want to share ideas/ thoughts, email Karen at kbbingo@hotmail.com

from people all around the country, all around the world, who she had helped. All people whose lives Ellen had deeply impacted. Ellen wasn't loud, Ellen was persistent. . . Because in large part to Ellen, over 7,000 visits have been made to people in detention and about 200 people have been picked up and helped upon their release. Up until the very end of her life, Ellen worked from her bed to make calls, gather information and intervene to try and make lives better."



Please check out <http://www.friendsofocdetainees.org/> to learn more about this amazing program and how you can become a volunteer.

In Case You Missed It:

Upcoming Action Opportunity – TIYYA!!

Earlier this year the refugee mom's that TIYYA supports were treated to a Mother's Day event. Now it's WRAG's turn to bring a little pampering fun to the mom's! More details to come for this planned October event!

Check out this amazing organization:
<https://www.tiyya.org/>

In the News:

Creating HerStory - a website celebrating the women who create history

<https://creatingherstory.wordpress.com/>

The Netflix Documentary "City of Joy," out on 9/7/18, is centered around a "community in the eastern region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which helps women who have experienced rape and torture due to war in the area rehabilitate their lives and become leaders in their community."

<https://www.bustle.com/p/the-netflix-documentary-city-of-joy-spotlights-a-womens-rights-issue-americans-are-overlooking-exclusive-trailer-10060257>

For Women, By Women: A Sisterhood of Carpenters Build Tiny Houses for the Homeless

<https://www.yesmagazine.org/people-power/for-women-by-women-a-sisterhood-of-carpenters-builds-tiny-houses-for-the-homeless-20180817>

AN AMAZING TEAM! SHEILA, BEV, AND FRIENDS OF THE OC DETAINEES

Friends of Orange County Detainees has a couple of firsts that we would like to share with Tapestry. On August 10th, Sheila, a young lesbian woman from Uganda, was granted asylum here in the U.S. She had experienced beatings, rape, arrest and even the murder of her girlfriend. We are pleased to have played a small part in bringing her to safety. Bev Huff, Tapestry member and one of the founders of Friends of Orange County Detainees, recently became a fully accredited representative with the Dept. of Justice. She was the legal representative in immigration court for Sheila. Congratulations to Sheila and to Bev, we wish you many more legal successes.



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