



Celebrating 50+ years of Fighting for Women's Rights

OUR CHAPTER NEWS

Summer 2021

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Did you know that Northern New Jersey NOW is one of the oldest NOW Chapters in the United States?

In the summer of 2022 we look forward to celebrating our 52nd Anniversary with a special summer event at Seneca Falls. Updates to follow!

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES AND CHAPTER ACTIONS: What Can You Do?

Northern NJ NOW members are activists. Join us in a chapter activity and meet our board. Look at the legislation and websites below and do one little thing today to further our goals for equal rights.

The ERA: When added to the Constitution, the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) will prohibit the denial of equal rights on the basis of sex as one of our foundational constitutional principles. The ERA has been passed by the necessary 38 states, and the attorney generals of the last 3 states to do so (Nevada, Illinois and Virginia) have filed an appeal with the U.S. Court of Appeals seeking a declaration that the ERA be ratified as the 28th Amendment to the Constitution. Deadlines set decades ago impede this process. On 2/13/2020, the House of Representatives voted to dissolve time limits on ratification, but the Senate still needs to do so as well.

Take Action and tell your senators that there should be no time limit on equal rights. Now that the House has voted, it's time for the Senate to act. Go to <https://erayes2021.org/> and Ask Senator Sinema to End the Filibuster; Urge Your Senators to Pass the ERA and Share Your Story

The Reproductive Freedom Act (S3030/A4848) is groundbreaking legislation that will protect the right to abortion care in NJ. The bills are bottled up in committee. Take Action and go to NOWNJ.org to find out what National Now is doing and what you can do to preserve our reproductive rights.

UPCOMING Northern NJ NOW CHAPTER EVENTS

- **August 11, 2021 7:30 pm EST**

A Virtual FEMINIST WALT THRU HARLEM: CELEBRATING REMARKABLE WOMEN

Leigh Hallingby, Licensed NYC Tour Guide & Past President of Northern NJ NOW, leads a virtual feminist walk thru Central and Spanish Harlem. The tour visits places where accomplished women are honored. Stops include murals and mosaics, statues, sidewalk plaques, building and commemorative street corners and illustrate the stories of women such as A'Leilia Walker, Nicholasa



Mohr and Zora Neal Hurston. Join us to take a look at Harlem, recently referred to by the NY Times as “New York’s most storied neighborhood,” from a feminist perspective. This 50 minute, live and virtual presentation, will be followed by a Q&A. Leigh Hallingby (she/her) can be reached at Harlemwalks.com or Harlemwalks@gmail.com. Contact diascat@hotmail.com with questions about this event.

Join us on **August 11, 2021, 7:30 pm EST** <https://bergen.zoom.us/j/83150484007>

- **August 27, 2021 7 pm EST**



FEMINIST BOOK DISCUSSION

**Lady Bird Johnson:
Hiding in Plain Sight**



Join us on **Friday, August 27th at 7 pm EST** for an in-person discussion of the Julia Sweig biography, *Lady Bird Johnson: Hiding in Plain Sight*.

Where: In-person, outdoors, at the home of Marissa Koziar in Nutley, NJ
BYOB your preference of alcoholic or non-alcoholic beverage. Snacks will be provided. In the event of rain, we will be meeting in-doors. Non-vaccinated, please wear masks if rain takes us indoors.

RSVP required to obtain address: marissa.koziar@gmail.com

- **September 26, 2021 from 2-5 pm SAVE THE DATE**

MEET THE Northern NJ NOW BOARD and support a local craft brewery! Join us at the Bolero Snort Brewery, 316 20th Street, Carlstadt NJ for great conversation and a great brew! More information to follow on our newly designed (work in progress) website and our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthernNewJerseyNow>

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT & WEAR YOUR PRIDE

Buy our **50th Anniversary T-Shirt** to make a statement and to support the chapter.



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Below mark how many of each size shirt you would like to purchase.

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Would you like to: (Check one)

- Pick it up shirts (\$16/shirt)- pick up location is in Leonia
- Have shirts mailed to you (\$21/shirt)- extra \$5 to cover shipping cost

Please return this form to **Mary Martire, 3 Winthrop Pl., Leonia NJ 07605**
Make checks payable to NNJ NOW

If you have any questions please email us at northernnjnow@gmail.com