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Hi

We hope you enjoyed our first newsletter and went to our Facebook page and liked it so you would see our weekly posts.

This month we are highlighting issues and organizations at the forefront of Louisiana's reproductive justice movement. Louisiana's Jewish women have been a solid and unrelenting force fighting for access to quality reproductive health care for all people.

On March 4, the [The Center for Reproductive Rights \(CRR\)](http://TheCenterforReproductiveRights.org) argued *June Medical Services, LLC* (the Shreveport Abortion Clinic) *v Russo* (the acting Louisiana Secretary of State) before the Supreme Court. CRR is fighting one of the many restrictions that the Louisiana State Legislature place on people seeking an abortion, called Targeted Regulations on Abortion Providers or **TRAP laws**, that place a financial and personal burden on women seeking abortion. This particular TRAP law demands that doctors have hospital admitting privileges within a 30-mile radius of an abortion clinic. Since abortion is one of the safest medical procedures women can get, most doctors don't

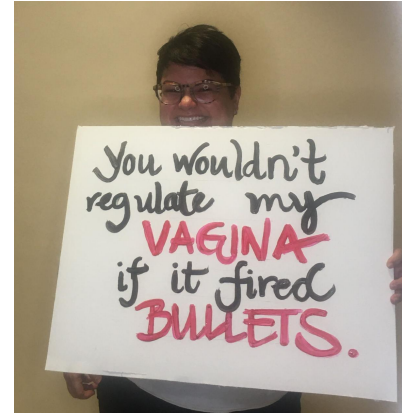
need or have admitting privileges. They do not use the hospital unless they have a wider practice. If this law goes into effect, the New Orleans Clinic and the Baton Rouge Clinic would close and the Shreveport clinic would soon close because that physician, who has admitting privileges because of a wider medical practice, is near retirement.

For more information on this case see [#MYRIGHTMYDECISION.ORG](https://www.myrighmydecision.org). The burden on people seeking abortion is immense.

New Orleans Abortion Fund (NOAF)

Rosalind attended **NOAF's Sip 'n Paint** in the **Advocates For Youth** Washington D.C. on March 2, I thought I would share some of the creative signs that people made at the event.

We learned that New Orleans is the incubator for TRAP LAWS for the entire nation. There are 89 laws restricting people's access to abortion in Louisiana. It costs a person approximately 489.00 to \$1,300 to get an abortion.



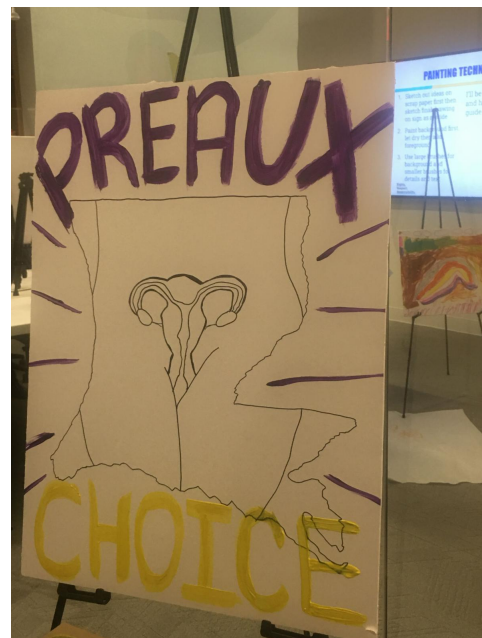
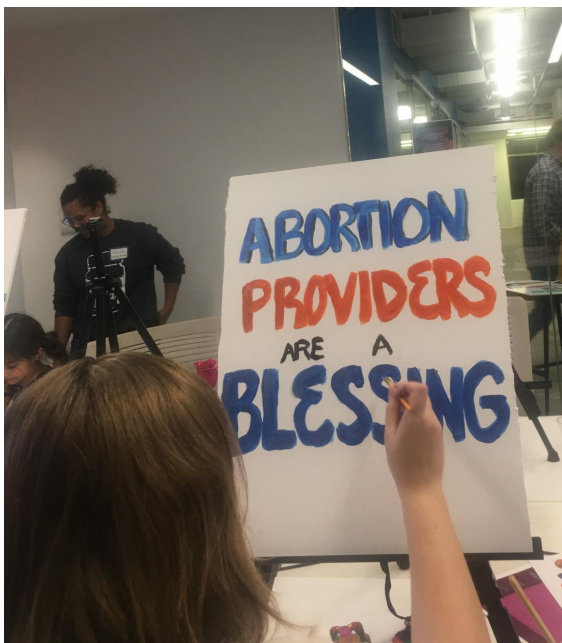
Donate \$500 today to **NOAF** so that one person doesn't have to crowd source their medical procedure. If you can't afford this amount, get with some friends and pool your money together to support one person. Or, donate to these other organizations working for people of every gender and economic so the they have access to quality health care.

New Orleans Abortion Fund

Center for Reproductive Rights

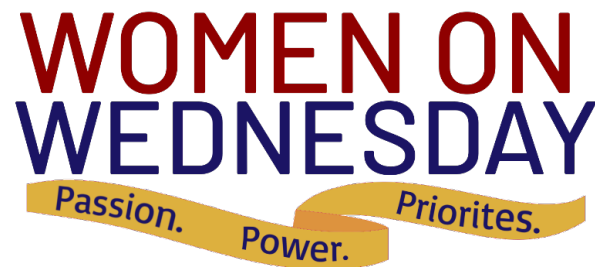
Lift Louisiana

Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast



Take Action

Women on Wednesdays is a bi-weekly advocacy campaign that advocates at the State Capitol to educate about key issues affecting women across our state and the impacts of proposed legislation. This is especially important while the Louisiana Legislature is in Session.



Women on Wednesdays will be held at the Louisiana State Capitol on the following dates: March 18, April 1, April 15, April 29, May 13, May 27
Sign up for the morning (10am-12pm), afternoon (1pm-5pm) or all day!

Additional News Coverage

- **Great article** by The Intercept about CRR's work in LA on *June Medical Services*
- **Article from The Lens** about TRAP Laws
- Good **overview article from Haaretz** about Jewish women in the abortion battle
- March 3 **Washington Post article** *Abortion case out of Louisiana a first test for Trump's Supreme Court justices*

Don't Miss Rosalind and Josh at Limmud!

We will be teaching our participants how to take oral histories.

Sunday, March 22 • 11:30am - 12:30pm
Uptown New Orleans JCC



Making History, Taking Oral Histories: New Orleans Jewish Women as a Case Study

This session is people who would enjoy learning how to take oral histories in both family, organizational and workplace settings. Using the Jewish Women's Archive "Story Aperture" we will teach participants how to take oral histories. We will ask questions in pairs and get comfortable with the oral history process. For more information go to Limmudnola.org.

Finally, in case you missed the February posts, here is a brief overview of the amazing Jewish women we highlighted.

Feel free to email or message us through our **Facebook page** to ask questions or suggest an organization to highlight. If you want to share a story or photo about the women we feature, go to <http://nolajewishwomen.tulane.edu/tell-a-story/>.



Edith Rosenwald Stern

Edith adopted New Orleans as her home upon her marriage to Edgar Bloom Stern, a native. No area of philanthropy was left untouched by Edith. She lent her support to education, the arts, health and civil rights. An advocate of early childhood education, she helped found Newcomb Nursery and Metairie Park Country Day. A collector of modern art, her works are the foundation for the contemporary art collection at the New Orleans Museum of Art. Her legacy is memorialized at Longue Vue House and Gardens. To read the full post, click [HERE](#).



Anne Skorecki Levy

Anne Skorecki Levy channeled her experiences of oppression to fight against bigotry and racism through education and political change. She was instrumental in stopping David Duke's election to the U.S. Senate. She now lends her storytelling talents to the World War II Museum and public schools. To read the full post, click [HERE](#).



National Council of Jewish Women Storytelling Program

Stories connect us to each other and foster more justice in the world through empathy and sharing. As leaders in the National Council of Jewish Women's Storytelling Program, Helene Levy Baginsky (1910-2004), Marjorie Isaacson Bissinger, and other Jewish women shared the gift of storytelling with children throughout New Orleans. To read the full post, click [HERE](#).



Jane Kessler Buchsbaum

Jane Buchsbaum began her work in New Orleans as a member of an interracial coalition to desegregate public schools called Save Our Schools. Buchsbaum was President of the Urban League during the Civil Rights movement and a member of the Community Relations Council (CRC) that integrated Audubon Park and the State Science Fair. To read the full post click [HERE](#).

Next month we'll highlight:

- ☐ Ruth Kullman
- ☐ Ruth Dreyfous
- ☐ Environmental Justice
- ☐ Celia Katz

Thank you for sharing in this journey and honoring these women's legacy with us. We look forward to all of the learning and sharing still to come.

Finally, we welcome [donations](#) as we continue to build out the site and respond to your ideas of how our project can benefit you and the larger New Orleans community.

Thank you for your time in reading this email and for honoring these women! You will, of course, have opportunities to subscribe and unsubscribe to newsletters and posts.

With appreciation,

Rosalind Hinton and Josh Scal

Curator, l'dor, v'dor Exhibition, and Communications Coordinator

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