



## September 2024 Solidarity Newsletter

### A Note From Nada!

Greetings to all!

Summer has come and gone. I hope we all had a chance to rest and rejuvenate for the year ahead! All the issues that we care about are still very relevant today, and we need to keep on keeping on! Our members are currently involved with criminal justice reform and police accountability, food justice work, fair housing, climate justice and safe renewable energy, immigrant protection, solidarity with Indigenous Peoples, an end to militarism and drone warfare and the struggle for justice, equal rights and human dignity for all the inhabitants of Israel/Palestine.

Yesterday we had an amazing diverse and intergenerational crew at the office helping me to prepare the membership appeal mailing! Three children ages 7 to 10 helped out and their level of conversation was absolutely amazing! Our children give us hope for the future!

Please enjoy the newsletter and do come to our September 24th community potluck. See below for details regarding the WESPAC book club and please consider renewing your membership dues per the information below!

Sending my very best,

Nada

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### 2024 Membership Appeal

# WESPAC Foundation



## 2024 Membership Appeal

It is time for our 2024 Membership Appeal! We deeply appreciate the continued and vital support of our members as we near the end of our fiftieth year.

See [here](#) for a wonderful video on why folks continue to support our work.

See [here](#) for a digital copy of our 2024 Membership Appeal Letter.

Contributions can be made online or by mail. Please email [wespacfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:wespacfoundation@gmail.com) with any questions!

## WESPAC Solidarity Social

WESPAC is having a solidarity social potluck for connecting, a shared meal, movement mapping, and song. More details on the attached flyer!

**UNE WESPAC ESTE SEPTIEMBRE PARA...**

### SOLIDARITY SOCIAL!

(Para mejor conectar las muchas organizaciones comunitarias de Westchester además de crear un espacio de descanso y camaradería con otros que piensan como tú, WESPAC te invita a ti y los tuyos a nuestro **Solidarity Social Potluck!** Aceptaremos con gusto tu comida favorita, casera o empaquetada, y recuerda compartir los ingredientes para los que tienen restricciones dietéticas.

**Martes, 24 de Septiembre**  
6 PM

**Horario (llega cuando puedas!)**

Potluck y socialización: 6 - 6:30  
'Mapeo del movimiento': 6:30 - 7  
Solidarity Singers: 7 - 7:30

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**JOIN WESPAC THIS SEPTEMBER FOR OUR...**

### SOLIDARITY SOCIAL!

To better connect Westchester's many outstanding community organizations as well as to create a space for rest and camaraderie with likeminded peers, WESPAC invites you and yours to our **Solidarity Social potluck!** Feel welcome to bring your favorite dish, homemade or packaged, and remember to share ingredients for those with dietary restrictions.

**Tuesday, September 24**  
6 PM

**Schedule (come when you can!)**

Potluck and mingling: 6 - 6:30  
'Movement mapping': 6:30 - 7  
Solidarity Singers: 7 - 7:30

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## Concerned Families of Westchester (CFOW)



Concerned Families of Westchester is a peace & justice group organized in the wake of the 9/11/2001 events. We are based in the Rivertowns, from Yonkers up to Tarrytown. Each Saturday we have a vigil/demo in Hastings. We also have a [weekly newsletter](#) and a [Facebook page](#), and we meet frequently via Zoom. Our recent vigils have demanded an end to US support for Israel's war on Gaza. This month we joined with many other peace & justice groups across the country to demand "Not Another Bomb." No more weapons for Israel's war on Gaza. As this picture displays, we had a good turnout for this demo. To learn more about Concerned Families of Westchester, email [fbrodhead@aol.com](mailto:fbrodhead@aol.com)

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## Collective Liberation: Salt of the Earth Talk

Recently, WESPAC had the pleasure of hosting Palestinian and Jewish peace activists Osama Iliwat and Rotem Levin for a talk that charts the path toward the safety and collective liberation for all people of Palestine and Israel. Their work with Salt of the Earth is inspiring and the talk is well worth the listen. A Zoom recording can be found by clicking the image below, or [here](#):

A promotional graphic for a talk. At the top, the text "COLLECTIVE LIBERATION" is in large, bold, black capital letters, followed by "Salt of the Earth" in a slightly smaller, bold, black font. Below this, the text "a conversation with" is in a smaller, regular font, followed by "Osama Iliwat & Rotem Levin" in a bold, italicized font. The background features two stylized trees with intricate root systems. The roots of both trees extend downwards and then curve back up to meet at the bottom, forming a circular shape. At the bottom left, there is a calendar icon followed by the text "Wednesday, August 28th, 2024". At the bottom right, there is a clock icon followed by the text "7:00PM".

**COLLECTIVE LIBERATION**  
**Salt of the Earth**

a conversation with  
***Osama Iliwat & Rotem Levin***

Wednesday, August 28th, 2024 7:00PM

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# Ceasefire Rally, NYC 9.2.24

A number of WESPAC members participated in a recent peace rally for Gaza in Union Square on Labor Day! Photos courtesy of Andrew Courtney.



## Second Annual Conference on Building Anti-Racist Multiracial Community

September 27-29, 2024  
Rutgers Law School | Newark, NJ



Co-sponsored by Community & Transactional Lawyering Clinic of Rutgers Law School – Nwk

Multiracial democracy has been an emerging topic ever since Jan 6, 2021. As we plan our conference, we offer CSWAC's take on the topic.

### [We Support Multiracial Democracy](#)

Join us over 2-1/2 days as we meet, discuss, network, share knowledge, build relationships, and explore our shared purpose of building anti-racist multiracial community.

### [Registration is open!](#)

Dr. Kenneth V. Hardy will present the keynote!



Kenneth V. Hardy, Ph.D. is the President of the Eikenberg Academy for Social Justice, and Director of the Eikenberg Institute for Relationships in New York City. He is also a Professor of Family Therapy at Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Dr. Hardy has provided Diversity and Racial Sensitivity training and consultations to an extensive list of Health and Human Services agencies as well as a host of educational

institutions. He is a frequent workshop presenter, trainer, and consultant on the topics of cultural and racial diversity, trauma and oppression.

This is a conference for...

- People who are engaged in the practice of building multiracial community
- To dismantle white supremacy
- As an end to itself

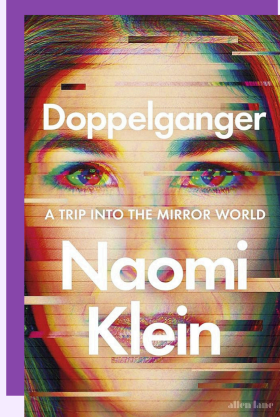
We welcome...

- Representatives of multiracial communities and organizations
- People with an anti-racist frame
- People who have studied how to build community across racial lines
- People who have built community across racial lines

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## **Join the WESPAC Liberation Book Club!**

## WESPAC Liberation Book Club: September Read



### Join our Liberation Book Club!

**We meet at the WESPAC Office**, 77 Tarrytown Road on the upper level, Suite 2W in White Plains, NY 10607 across the hallway from the State Farm Insurance.

Please email [ajz9tye@virginia.edu](mailto:ajz9tye@virginia.edu) if you are interested in joining us! This month, the **Wednesday group is reading *Doppelgänger* by Naomi Klein. We meet next Wednesday (9/11) at 7 PM.**

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## Westchester Cooperative Network

If you are part of a group that is seriously considering forming a worker owned business, the Westchester Cooperative Network can connect you with the necessary training, legal assistance and financial support to make this vision a reality! All details and the application form are available on our website at

<https://www.westchestercooperative.net/>



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