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Achieving Change Together

May 2020 ClassACTions Bulletin

Thank you to those in the Class of 1973 and their families and friends who are working on the front lines of the pandemic throughout the world. Your efforts, sacrifice and caring are valued.

JUSTICEAID NEWS

- 1. Voices to Protect the Vote:
JusticeAid Virtual Concert, Monday, May 18 at 7pm EDT**



JusticeAid, ClassACT's sustained collaborator, hosts an online benefit concert in support of Election Protection on YouTube Premiere

Pull up your sofa, sit back and enjoy JusticeAid's spring concert *Voices to Protect the Vote*, featuring musical artists Paula Cole, David Hidalgo of Los Lobos, Leyla McCalla, David Shaw and Zack Feinberg of the Revivalists, and Kandace Springs. All donations during the concert will support JusticeAid's 2020 beneficiary [Election Protection](#) of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights under Law, and their work to insure safe, accessible elections for all.

[Click here to attend!](#)

[For additional information, click here!](#)

2. JusticeAid and Riverside Church Public Forum **June 14, 3pm and 8pm EDT**

JusticeAid and the Riverside Church are hosting an online Public Forum on Voter Suppression and Voter Rights. Featuring Stacey Abrams, New York congressional representative Hakeem Jeffries, a panel moderated by broadcaster Ray Suarez, and musical performances by Abena Koomson-Davis and the Resistance Revival Chorus, and pianist Matthew Whitaker.

VOTER & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVE

On May 23, over 150 classmates and friends joined the ClassACT Zoom Forum on Voter Suppression, hosted by the Voter & Civic Engagement Initiative. Panelists Kevin Benish, Myrna Pérez, Julie Houk, Steve Milliken, and Helen Hershkoff debated issues related to Voter Rights, Voter Suppression, Mail in Ballots, the future of the Judiciary, the future of our democracy, etc., and each recommended a “Call To Action”—constructive ways people can get involved.

Missed the panel? Go to our Voter Suppression [COVID-19 page](#) to see the videos of the panel produced by classmate **Rick Brotman**, as well as ways to get involved and resources gathered from our forum chat.

Want to get involved?


- Fill out our [Voter & Civic Engagement](#) survey if you're part of the HR'73 class.
- Fill out our [V&CE Short Participation Form](#) if you aren't HR'73 but want to help out!
- Contact us directly at voterinfo@classact.org for how you can help leading up to the November election.

CLASSACT'S IN THE AGE OF COVID-19 ZOOM FORUMS

#ClassACTForum

DR. PATRICIA POTTER DR. ROBERT WALDINGER HENRIETTA W. LODGE, LCSWR
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Why am I so cranky, sad, and worried?
Mental Health in the Age of COVID-19

ClassACT 

Class ACT is proud to present a series of Zoom forums utilizing the expertise of our classmates to examine various impacts of COVID-19 on our lives. Take a look at our website's [COVID-19 page](#). Watch Jono Quick discuss the pandemic. See the pandemic's impact on justice and voter suppression. Understand the effects of social and physical distancing on our mental and emotional health. View the numerous resources available that enhance understanding of these issues.

Forums we are currently planning:

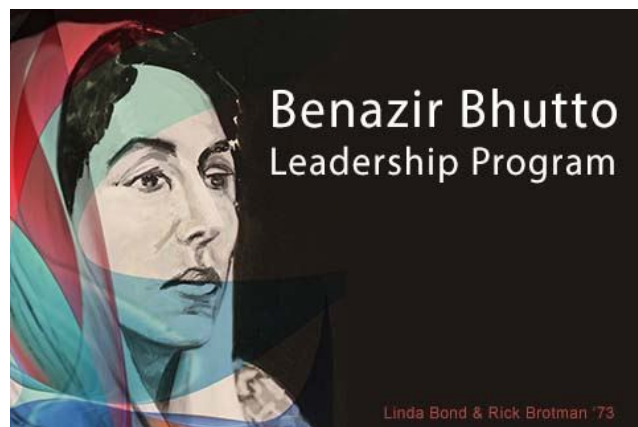
- June - **Sports in the Age of COVID-19**
- July - **Healthcare Inequalities in the Age of COVID-19**

Be on the lookout for specific dates, times and registration procedures.

EVENTS UPDATES

ClassACT's mission to create community among our class and positive change in the world is fostered by our collaborations and our events. Our events committee is working to provide us with opportunities for both. While our in-person gatherings are on hold for now, we are planning a Dayton/Cincinnati regional event involving baseball, breweries, art, aerospace, and the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center for 2021. Stay in touch.

BENAZIR BHUTTO LEADERSHIP PROGRAM



Benazir Bhutto Leadership Program Fellows are doing great things! Current fellow **Nadia Rehman** just organized a forum at the Kennedy School which examined the impact of COVID-19 on human rights in South Asia. We are proud of her work during these unprecedented times.

Also in process is planning for the 20/21 Benazir Bhutto Leadership Fellowship Program. Using fellowships, relationship-building, and public education as our tools, the Benazir Bhutto Leadership Program advances peace and human rights consistent with the principles espoused by our classmate Benazir--democracy, equality for women, reconciliation of religious and cultural differences, and education without gender or religious bias.

Interested in the program? Know someone who would be a good fit? Want to donate?

[Learn more here!](#)

Interested in helping ClassACT?

ClassACT is built on classmate participation and we are interested in having every classmate as a member of our ClassACT community. If you are interested in learning more about ClassACT and how you can be involved, please visit our [website](#) or send us an [email](#).

While encouraging the sharing of time and willingness to work together, ClassACT also welcomes financial support. To support our work in this way you can donate below.

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