REVOLUTIONARY WOMEN
Honoring the Past
Fighting for the Future

Thursday, December 5
Albany Institute of History and Art
December 5, 2019

Dear Friends,

I am delighted to have this opportunity to welcome you to the Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy’s Revolutionary Women of New York Event. I hope you have a wonderful time tonight at the Albany Institute of History and Art as you celebrate the great women who have contributed to New York State history.

Tonight’s celebrations honor the Schuyler Center’s founder, Louis Lee Schuyler who was a pioneer in the 1800s with her work to advance policies to improve conditions for low-income and mentally ill New Yorkers. It is women like her and Eliza Schuyler Hamilton who paved the way for women today and I am very grateful for them. I would also like to acknowledge and thank Kate Breslin for her leadership and dedication to the Schuyler Center and New York State.

This celebration would not have been possible without your support, so I appreciate you for being here today. The Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy is well-served by your involvement, and I thank you for helping make a difference in the lives of others.

Best Wishes,

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Dear Friends:

Please accept my sincere greetings to all who have gathered for the Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy reception fundraiser.

This year’s celebration of Revolutionary Women at the Albany Institute of History and Art carries on the Schuyler Center’s independent, nonpartisan analysis and advocacy legacy. You can all be proud of your work with an exemplary group that serves and enhances our communities. Your efforts to assist disenfranchised children and families are truly appreciated by the citizens of New York State.

Louisa Lee Schuyler – great-granddaughter of Eliza Schuyler Hamilton – leveraged her talent, wealth and privilege to reform and build systems to reduce and prevent poverty and illness through the Schuyler Center. For nearly 150 years, the Schuyler Center has been a voice for the voiceless, advocating for children and low-income families in New York State.

Again, welcome everyone, and best wishes for a memorable event and your continued success.

Sincerely,

CARL E. HEASTIE
Speaker
Together we make a difference.

Manatt is proud to support the Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy and joins them in celebrating Revolutionary Women.
Louisa Lee Schuyler, born in 1837, dedicated her life to public service. She founded SCAA in 1872 to improve the wellbeing of people in poverty in State institutions. As stated by SCAA’s first Executive Director, Homer Folks, “Perhaps Miss Schuyler’s greatest characteristic was that of complete readiness to undertake the thing that needed to be done when convinced that was what needed to be done, wholly irrespective of the difficulties that seemed to be in the way.”

The Civil War shaped Louisa’s life. At its outset, Louisa, only 25 years of age, led the New York branch of the U.S. Sanitary Commission, to improve health, morale, and care of troops. In the fall of 1871, Louisa visited the Westchester County poorhouse, inspiring her to act, and in 1872 Louisa and her like-minded friends founded the State Charities Aid Association. SCAA helped create our nation’s first nursing school at Bellevue, the hospital for the poor in NYC. In 1875, SCAA advanced a bill called the Children’s Law, removing children from almshouses with adults and revolutionizing the way poor children were treated. After its victorious beginning years advocating for poor children, SCAA worked to aid mentally ill poor people, and eventually helped end preventable blindness in children. The work continued into the 20th century with an adoption placing agency, and now, with an organization lobbying for people who cannot afford lobbyists.

Louisa Lee Schuyler was a woman determined to improve the world and by creating SCAA, she ensured the longevity of her activism. On the 100th anniversary of her death, Homer Folks said, “Clearly we do not have to fight again the battles which Miss Schuyler won, but there are other phases of public health and public welfare which still need Miss Schuyler’s type of consideration and action.” To this day, nearly 150 years after our founding, we fight for the rights of New Yorkers with Louisa’s passion and tenacity.
SCAA TODAY:
HONORING THE PAST AND FIGHTING FOR THE FUTURE

The core principle of Louisa Lee Schuyler’s social program was that democracy could, and must, be made to work. She focused her efforts on organizing and giving a voice to disenfranchised communities and to inform and influence State policy. She believed government must be made to function well.

Today, SCAA has the same mission. We effectively share data and advocate evidence-based approaches and policies for the most disadvantaged New Yorkers. Every year, SCAA’s staff and board set policy priorities in the areas of health, child welfare, and family economic security.

SCAA President and CEO, Kate Breslin, helps power New York’s Medicaid social determinants of health and value-based payments for child reform initiatives. She is a state and national expert on shaping and leveraging Medicaid to advance the well-being of children and families.

As one of New York State’s 6,709 registered lobbyists, SCAA is singular in its focus on disenfranchised children and families. We are a leader in the statewide campaign to expand access to quality childcare and to strengthen the early childhood workforce. As a leading voice in child welfare, SCAA focuses on policies that strengthen families and prevent maltreatment and entry into foster care. With strong partners, we have secured a two-fold increase in State funding for pre-K and launched a full day pre-K initiative.

Public policy has a significant impact on people, families, and neighborhoods, especially those who live at the margins. Public policy directly affects the distribution of resources to individuals and communities. Public policy can make the ground fertile for opportunity or it can contribute to its desolation.

Every day, powerful special interests grip the attention of our politicians, often resulting in misplaced priorities and inequitable distribution of resources. This makes Schuyler Center’s work even more crucial. We fight for inclusion, not preferential treatment. We fight for the people who can’t afford their own lobbyists.
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1811-1863

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1788-1878

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1790-1869

George Lee Schuyler
1811-1890

Philip Schuyler
1836-1906

Georgina Schuyler
1841-1923
"I had rather make history than write it."
- Susan B. Anthony

NYeC is proud to honor revolutionary women today and every day.
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We join in celebrating revolutionary women.
HANYS joins the Schuyler Center in celebrating revolutionary women who are making a difference in the health and well-being of all New Yorkers.
NY has a rich History of Revolutionary Women

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“Women must become revolutionary. This cannot be evolution but revolution.”

Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm
1972 Presidential Candidate

Congratulations SCAA and all the revolutionary women yet to come!

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