

election up-date: COUNTY LEGISLATOR **LOIS BRONZ** DISTRICT #8

Bronz Uses Leadership Skills as Housing Chair

After a historic term as the first woman, African American and senior to become Chair of the County Legislature, Lois Bronz has focused her talents on her signature issue of affordable housing. Stating in a recent newsletter, "Housing is My Middle Name," she has continued her 12-year stint as Chair of the Housing Committee, making progress on a wide variety of seemingly intractable problems through inter-municipal agreements and diverse approaches to using county resources and technology. She now seeks re-election on the Democratic and Working Family lines to complete the job.

Lois has used the New Homes Land and Acquisition Fund to acquire land for development and approve millions of dollars for workforce projects and affordable family housing in 11 towns

and cities throughout Westchester. By meeting development costs through the Housing Implementation Fund and supporting the County's Housing Opportunity Commission, she has leveraged her position to meet neighborhood needs, with 748 units recently completed or under construction!

Lois has brought to the Housing Committee the benefits of many lessons learned and alliances forged while she was Chair of the County Legislature. Praised for her bi-partisan appointments during that time, she has translated the goodwill she achieved into a substantial growth of affordable housing for the middle and lower-class citizens of our County.

Lois noted, "I believe my unique position among County Legislators



will help me to continue my effective work as Housing Chair. A recent Rutgers study estimated as many as 4,000 units may be at risk. We must pursue a county-wide policy to ensure safe, adequate and affordable housing for all of our people."

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Bronz Finds Heartwrenching Plight in New Orleans Home

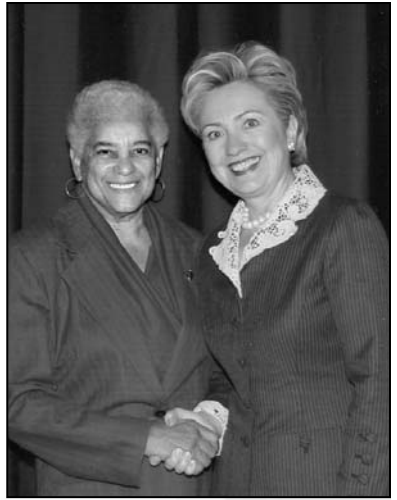
Legislator Lois Bronz grew up in the currently devastated city of New Orleans. The ninth of ten children, she enjoyed reading the newspaper to her father, who lacked a formal education. Lois noted, "His interest in politics encouraged me to learn about the impact of government on human needs and led to my lifelong efforts to promote citizen participation."



Today, Lois is working with fellow legislators and human service agencies to secure and deliver funds to the Katrina victims and provide up-to-date information and coordination for residents of the flooded areas.

Bronz Works Well at All Levels

Lois's ability to relate to almost every one on a personal basis, with empathy and understanding for their unique circumstances, helps her achieve real results for real people. Whether talking to potential Presidents, Senators or just a local constituent, she humbly considers others better than herself and treats everyone with respect and dignity. Lois is networking to make life better for Westchester County.



Bronz Celebrates Black History Month with Westchester Red Cross

On February 5, 2005, Lois joined nearly 200 other attendees to celebrate Black History month at an event sponsored by the Westchester Red Cross at the Fountainhead in New Rochelle. The sixth annual dinner honored prominent African Americans in many fields, especially Jerome Holland, the first black President of the American Red Cross. Ossie Davis, who had recently passed away, and Lois were previously honored.



Bronz, A Model for African Americans, Seniors and Women

Lois Bronz continues to provide a role model and inspiration for fellow African Americans, seniors and women. A wife, mother and grandmother, she maintains a rigorous schedule and, in addition to her position as Housing Chair, serves on the committees of Budget and Appropriations, Cultural and Ethnic Diversity, Education, Families, Legislation, Seniors and Transportation.

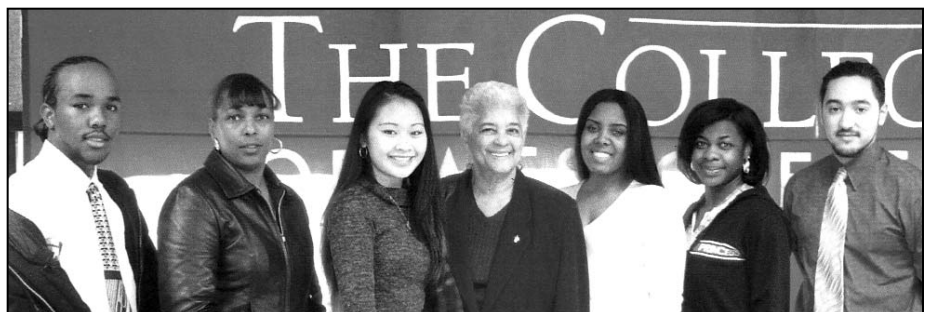
Her life story is truly remarkable. At a time when blacks and women still struggled against widespread prejudice and glass ceilings, she received a bachelor's degree from Xavier University.

and a Masters in Education from Wayne State University. After moving to Greenburgh, she taught math in the public schools and then ran for Town Board in 1973. She served there for 16 years, and then was elected to the Board of Legislators in 1993.

At the Board, she was a key figure behind landmark legislation creating the Westchester County Human Rights Commission to respond to hate crimes and discrimination. Today, Lois continues her role as an unrelenting advocate for many issues where the people's voice has been drowned out by the powerful, lobbyists or other corporate interests.

Bronz Inspires Students at College of Westchester

Lois recently spoke at the College of Westchester to give the students the benefit of her many years of achievement and struggle. She later received a thank-you letter stating, "You were so inspirational, and I believe that you could have heard a pin drop, while you were speaking." Bronz reminded students of the importance of setting achievable goals.



Bronz Pushes for Establishment of Westchester Community College Satellites

Lois Bronz has encouraged the establishment of Westchester Community College satellites to help make education readily available throughout the County. Local residents now benefit from facilities in Peekskill for information technology and graphic design; in Mount Vernon for food preparation and opening restaurants; in Yonkers for computer training and senior activities; and in Ossining for medical support. Lois said, "In the past few years, these satellites have made education accessible to a wide variety of citizens who may not have participated at other locations."

Bronz Demonstrates True "Family Values"

Lois has supported many programs crucial to the welfare of children and families. She has worked to strengthen protection from domestic violence and child abuse in justice, legal and service-delivery systems and to improve senior citizens' quality of life in housing, health, transportation and enrichment activities. Lois has secured funds for treatment of the mentally ill and shelters for the homeless. Alarmed by the erosion of the federal safety net, in place since FDR, she continues to seek out programs and initiatives to address both family and individual needs. Lois doesn't just talk about family values; she gets things done!

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Westchester Black Women's Political Caucus

Lines: Democratic Party, Working Family Party

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Bronz Protects Open Spaces

Lois believes, like liberty, environmental preservation demands eternal vigilance. She fights to maintain hard-won state and federal legislation for clean air and water, including protection of Long Island Sound and the Hudson River. Ahead of her time, she led the battle for aesthetic restrictions to prevent suburban sprawl and has helped preserve local open spaces. The South County Trailway is near completion for pedestrian and biking recreation, and areas such as Greenburgh's Taxter Ridge and Hart's Brook, and New Rochelle's Library Green will be preserved.

