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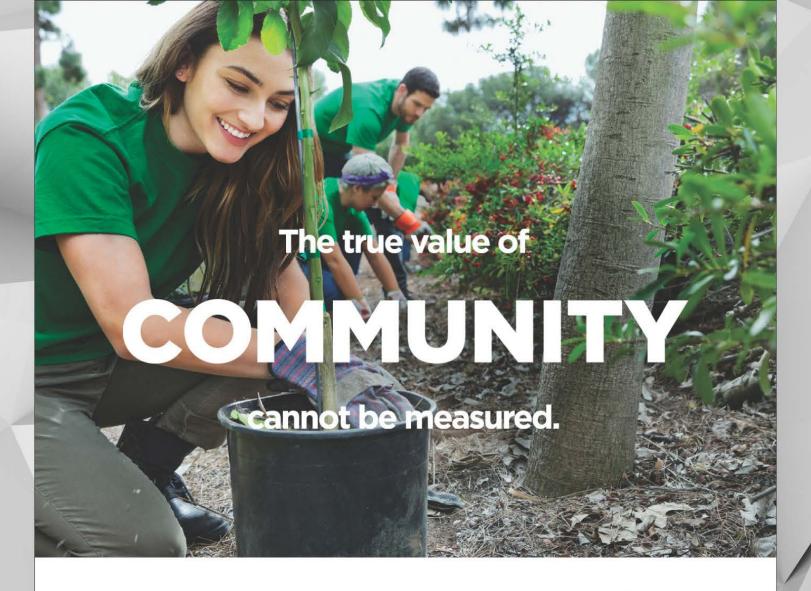
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#### A Letter From Your Co-Chairs

Dear Supporters and Guests,

Welcome to What She's Made Of! We are so excited to be together, and celebrating how one courageous act can accelerate the possibilities for all women! The WNY Women's Foundation transforms systems, culture, and policy to create opportunities for each woman to thrive. Tonight, we are excited to share a conversation with Kathrine Switzer about how, as the first woman to register and run the Boston Marathon, Kathrine changed the landscape for women across the nation, and claimed a seat at the table.

We look forward to an evening spent honoring the price of courage and the belief of equality. It is crucial, now more than ever, that we remember that advancements for women are recent moments in history. And while we have come so far, we have so much further to go. It is days like today that we are able to celebrate the accomplishments of one, and see the impact on many. We are proud to continue Kathrine's legacy of championing equal opportunities for women. She is the embodiment of all we hope to do at the WNY Women's Foundation.

As Co-Chairs of this event, we would like to thank our CEO, Sheri Scavone, her staff, and our Committee, whose dedication and passion brought this event to life. Thank you also to our Board members, especially Chair Hon. Lenora Foote Beavers, for their commitment to our mission. Thank you also to our amazing speaker. Most of all, we thank you – our sponsors and guests. It is with your support that we can bring change within Western New York and beyond. Your commitment to advancing economic mobility for all women is a commitment to a better and brighter future. As we approach the end of our 25th year serving the WNY community, we are excited to keep looking forward, continuing to grow, and fighting for the changes we know are possible!

We believe this is a unique and special time in history for women, and tonight we celebrate the incredible strides made possible when women join together.

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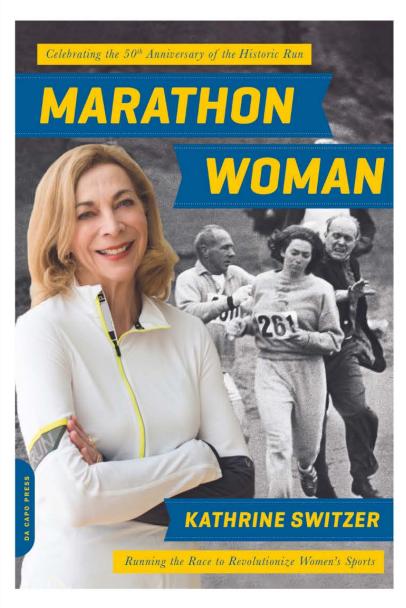
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# Meet Our Keynote Kathrine Switzer



Iconic athlete, sports and social advocate, author, and Emmy award-winning television commentator, Kathrine Switzer was the first woman to officially enter and run the Boston Marathon. She was instrumental in making the women's marathon an official Olympic Event (1984) and empowering millions of women to run.

She founded 261 Fearless, Inc, a nonprofit named after her old Boston Marathon bib number that empowers women through running. And she continues to run herself, even running the Boston, New York City and London marathons at age 70. She has been honored widely for her achievements, most importantly being inducted into the USA National Women's Hall of Fame for creating positive social change.

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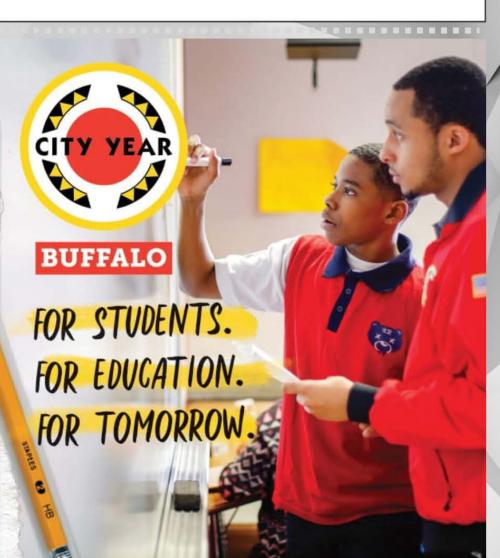






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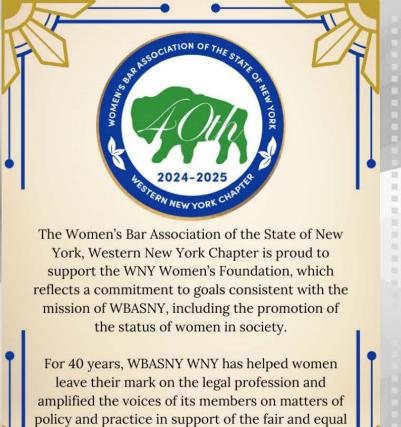
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