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**Assemblywoman Galef Visits Ossining High School to Recognize
Women's History Month and "Women Who Have Made a Difference"**
*CABLEVISION'S POWER TO LEARN AND THE HISTORY CHANNEL PARTNER WITH STUDENTS
TO ENHANCE HISTORY CURRICULUM*

March 22, 2010 – As part of Women's History Month, Assemblywoman Sandy Galef participated with students at Ossining High School last Friday to explore the lives of seven women they admire from around the world through an interactive program offered by Cablevision's Power to Learn, a multi-faceted initiative dedicated to integrating technology into education. Also participating in the program today was History Channel historian Dr. Kimberly Gilmore.

Students focused on the lives of Afghani social activist Meena Keshwar Kamal, political figure Eva Peron, Zionist Hanna Szenes, anti-Nazi activist Sophie Scholl, African singer Miriam Makeba, Ossining educator Zoila Tazi, and public servant Sandra Galef.

The students also participated in a live question-and-answer session with History Channel historian Dr. Kimberly Gilmore and discussed the importance of women's history and cultural diversity in education today with Assemblywoman Sandra Galef. Also present at the event were Ossining Town Supervisor Catherine Borgia, Ossining Village Mayor William R. Hanauer, Ossining Board of Education President Alice Joselow, Ossining Schools' Superintendent Dr. Phyllis Glassman and Ossining High School Principal Josh Mandel.

Assemblywoman Galef applauded Cablevision's Power to Learn for focusing on Women's History Month. "I especially enjoyed that this program recognized women from around the world, ranging from Afghanistan to Africa. Each of the women profiled was fearless and dedicated to the betterment of society. This program was a terrific way for the students here today to learn more about these impressive figures who have made a difference."

Ossining Town Supervisor Catherine Borgia noted, "The women studied define courage in that they chose to stand up for what they believed in. We are honored to have the privilege of 'walking in their footsteps' through the presentations today."

Ossining Village Mayor William Hanauer concurred, saying, "The women discussed have proven that change in society is possible when you follow your own true path. Each is a source of inspiration. While all are not household names, they deserve to be recognized."

Ossining High School Principal Josh Mandel, commented, "I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Cablevision's Power to Learn, in conjunction with the History Channel, for making this program accessible to our students. The women profiled changed the course of history in their own unique way and are worthy of study."

Power to Learn, Cablevision's nationally recognized education initiative, empowers K-12 learning in the tri-state area by making technology in the classroom useful and by facilitating the home-school connection. Power to Learn's "Triple Play for Education" is now available free of charge to more than 4,000 schools within the company's service area in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. This initiative gives students and teachers access to Cablevision's full suite of cable television, high-speed Internet and digital voice-over-cable services for educational use. In addition, teachers, students and parents benefit from innovative educational content and tools available on www.powertolearn.com, a broadband Web resource dedicated to facilitating K-12 learning and the home-school connection. "This is a great example of public/private partnerships and how they can really enhance education," said Galef.

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Assemblywoman Galef joins local elected officials Village of Ossining Mayor Bill Hanauer and Ossining Town Supervisor Catherine Borgia along with Ossining High School Students, teachers, educators and a Cablevision representative to celebrate Women's History Month.