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## A Message from the President

The State Convention in Fredericksburg was fantastic! Our LWVAAC delegation included both long-standing members and new faces. Thank you to everyone who participated (photos below)!

There was something deeply grounding about being surrounded by people who share a common sense of purpose. We're already looking ahead to the next State Convention in Roanoke in 2027!



*Convention Floor*

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*(From left to right): Phoebe Scarborough, Janet Boyd, Pamela Berg, Joan Porte, Michelle LaBonte, Chris DeRosa, Kari Anderson, Krysta Jones. Not shown: Susan Lewis, Meg Tucillo, and Connie Potter.*

### *On the Agenda*

- LWVAAC needs a new Membership Coordinator! Interested? See details below.
- Sign up to be part of LWV-VA's official state study on women's rights!

### *Upcoming Events*

- **June 19:** Juneteenth Community Day
- **June 22:** LWVAAC Book Club - Tyranny of the Minority
- **June 25:** Congressional Constituent Services event at the Arlington Public Library
- **July 1:** Virginia Department of Elections Voter Registration Training (online)
- **July 13:** Virginia Department of Elections Voter Registration Training (in person)

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## **Juneteenth Community Day at Metropolitan Park**

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Challenging Racism will once again host **Juneteenth Community Day** at Metropolitan Park in Arlington on **Thursday, June 19, from 4 to 7 p.m.** This year's event is presented in partnership with the NAACP Arlington Branch, Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy, Black Heritage Museum of Arlington, and the Arlington Historical Society.

This family-friendly gathering commemorates the emancipation of enslaved Africans and honors the rich culture, heritage, and contributions of African Americans. It is a time for reflection, celebration, and community connection.

The afternoon will feature live music, cultural performances, food, engaging activities for all ages, and remarks from special guest speakers beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Join us in celebrating the strength, resilience, and enduring spirit of those who have fought, and continue to fight, for justice and freedom.

Please consider using public transportation. Be sure to [register here](#) and invite a friend to join you.

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## Civics Education Series: How Congressional Offices Help Constituents

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## CONGRESSIONAL CONSTITUENT SERVICES



**WED. JUN. 25**

**6:30 P.M.**

**CENTRAL LIBRARY AUDITORIUM**

Join us to learn about how and when  
to connect with your congressional office.

The District Chief of Staff for  
Congressman Don Beyer (VA-8) will talk about  
the services and support available to constituents.

*In partnership with the League of Women Voters of Arlington-Alexandria City.*

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Join the Arlington Public Library and the League of Women Voters of Arlington and Alexandria City on **Wednesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m.** for the next event in our civics education series.

Noah Simon, District Chief of Staff for Congressman Don Beyer (VA-8), will explain how congressional offices support constituents—from casework to community outreach—and how you can access these services.

This nonpartisan event is open to all constituents.

### Volunteer Opportunity: Membership Coordinator

We're looking for a new Membership Coordinator! Lisa Backer will be stepping into the role of Vice President on July 1, and we're seeking a dedicated volunteer to carry forward her great work supporting our members.

As Membership Coordinator, you'll be the welcoming face of our League - connecting with new and returning members, using our Chapterspot roster to reach out to renewals and recently lapsed members, and helping everyone feel engaged and appreciated. You'll collaborate with the Board to create

outreach.

Interested in strengthening our League community? Reach out to us at [lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com](mailto:lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com).

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## Volunteer Opportunity: Help Update LWV-VA's Position on Women's Rights



At the recent State Convention in Fredericksburg, LWV-VA members voted to update the League's position on **women's rights**, and we're looking for volunteers to be part of the official state study!

The current position can be found in the [LWV-VA Positions for Action document](#) (scroll to the bottom of page 15).

This is a wonderful opportunity to get involved in one of the League's most important traditions: participating in a study that forms the foundation of our advocacy work. Many of you will recall that we reviewed two studies this past year, *Right to Vote* in the fall and *Judiciary* in the spring. Now, you can be part of one from the ground up.

No prior experience is needed, just a willingness to contribute consistently, engage thoughtfully, and take the process seriously. If you enjoy research, discussion, and learning, this is for you!

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By joining, you'll be part of a time-honored League tradition, and you'll learn a lot along the way.

## Voter Registration Training - Required for All Volunteers

All League members who participate in voter registration must complete annual training each July.

### Monday, July 1 | 7:00–8:30 p.m. | Online

Hosted by the Virginia Department of Elections, this virtual training covers the basics of voter registration. To register for this session, [RSVP here](#).

### League-Specific Session: 8:00–8:30 p.m.

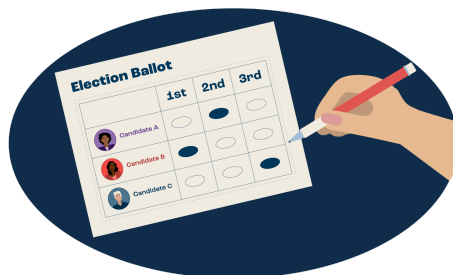
Immediately following the state training, LWV Virginia will host a short session on how to conduct nonpartisan voter registration events. To register for this League-only session, [RSVP here](#).

### Saturday, July 13 | Afternoon (Time TBD) | In Person

Join us for in-person training at the Unitarian Universalist Church, led by Arlington County Registrar Gretchen Reinemeyer. The address is 4444 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22204.

[2025 Voter Registration Training \(Sign Up\)](#)

## Help Us Make Ranked Choice Voting a Success in Alexandria!



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**Outreach in Alexandria.** It's a great way to get involved and make a real impact.

Interested? Email us at [lvarlingtonva@gmail.com](mailto:lvarlingtonva@gmail.com) to learn more and sign up!

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## Help Shape the Future of LWV-VA – Join the Fundraising Committee!



With membership funds now going primarily to the national and state levels, **local fundraising has never been more important** for keeping our work going strong.

We're looking for **1–2 volunteers** to join the **LWV-VA Fundraising Committee**. You'll play a key role in shaping statewide fundraising strategy and advising our LWVAAC Board on how to grow our local resources.

Interested? Email [lvarlingtonva@gmail.com](mailto:lvarlingtonva@gmail.com) to learn more or get involved.

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## LWVAAC June Book Club Pick: *Tyranny of the Minority*



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LWVAAC's next Book Club meeting is on Sunday, June 22 from 2 to 3 p.m. This month's pick is *Tyranny of the Minority* by Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt, which argues that America's outdated political institutions enable minority rule and threaten democracy, urging urgent reforms to preserve a truly multiracial democratic society.

**Note:** We're shifting our usual meeting date for June from Sunday, June 15 (Father's Day) to Sunday, June 22. This change is for June only — we'll return to our regular schedule of meeting every third Sunday every other month starting in July.

Are you interested in joining LWVAAC's Book Club? Email [lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com](mailto:lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com) for more information and meeting details.

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## Look for the next newsletter 2 July!

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