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We wish Patricia Stevens the best as she and her husband Bob relocate to San Antonio. They will be missed. Patricia's new address: 1843 Wood Grove. San Antonio. TX 78232

Karmen Bryant, who served as president in the past, graciously agreed to take over the leadership reins for the reminder of our League year (January to May). Thank you Karmen for all

vou do for the LWV-Midland!





Terry Gilmour

Midland College Professor Government / Political Science

"Let's Talk Government" Thursday, Jan. 24 at 7pm Brew Street, 4610 N. Garfield

LWV-Midland member Terry Gilmour took American Government as an undergraduate from a Polish communist, and she said it was a fascinating class. Especially now there is always something going on at the federal level of our government. Terry believes current events make government "real" so join her in what is sure to be a lively discussion.

Calendar of Events

LWV Board Mtg 7:00pm 2512 Seaboard

Jan. 8

Let's Talk Government with Terry Gilmour 7:00pm

Jan. 24

Brew Street, 4610 N. Garfield



Wishing each of you a happy, productive and prosperous NEW YEAR! 2019 is sure to be an exciting year for the LWV-Midland.

Texas 86th Legislative Session starts Jan. 8, 2019.

NEW! \$5 Student Membership to LWV

This would make a great gift for any 18+ yr. old student in your life!

See form on last page of this Voter.

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The Voter — League of Women Voters of Midland

Thoughts for 2019...

What an extraordinary year 2018 was! New members joined, records were set for voter registrations and get-out-the-vote efforts, and we organized two candidate forums prior to the mid-term election.

The League of Women Voters envisions a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate. We are a nonpartisan nonprofit political organization working towards *Empowering Voters*. Defending Democracy.

We always need help whether it be your time, talent, desire, and yes, your monetary donations. Each of you knows what you can and can't do in these areas, and I'll ask you to please consider how you can best support our mission in 2019.

Karmen Bryant, Interim President of LWV-Midland

Nov. 12 "Making Democracy Work" Luncheon Honored Mayor Morales



In this photo features honoree Mayor Jerry Morales at the podium. About 60 attended the annual luncheon at the Midland Petroleum Club to celebrate the local leader who has helped to make democracy work. It takes a lot of people, time, and money to accomplish our mission of Empowering Voters and Defending Democracy. Many thanks to Emily Holeva and others for organizing this successful 2018 event.

Shout Out to Friend of LWV-Midland...

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donated to LWV-Midland Finance Campaign

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

LWVTX Lobby Days 2019

League Action in Austin Feb. 4 & 5

\$25 registration: LWV-TX, (512) 472-1100 or lwvtexas.org

\$139/night at Holiday Inn Austin Town Lake. Call to make hotel reservation: 1-888-615-0509. Code: LVVV.

Make plans to go and meet your State Senator Kel Seliger & State Rep. Tom Craddick.

Advocate for the issues we all care about!

VOTE411

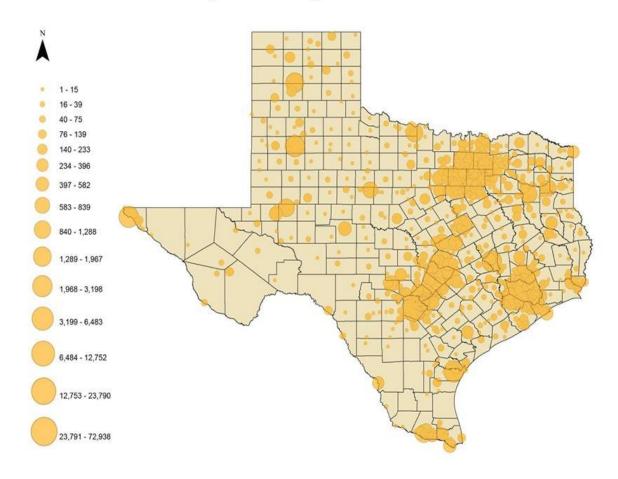
VOTE411.org is a "one-stop-shop" for election related information. This innovative voter resource provides non-partisan information to the public with both general and state-specific information.

Election rules differ state by state, and sometimes change from year to year. Using <u>VOTE411.org</u>, voters can confirm their polling location, check if ID is required, and see what their personal ballot will look like. Confirming this information before heading to the polls saves voters time and helps voters make more informed decisions.

The LWV has long been a trusted source of objective and nonpartisan election information. Since 2006, VOTE411.org has served tens of millions of voters. By entering one's home address on VOTE411.org, voters can see ballot questions they will be voting on, compare candidate responses to League questions and much more.

A League member collected the data and prepared this visual for Texas. This map certainly indicates that Texans used VOTE 411 during 2018.

Texas VOTE411.org Users During the 2018 November Election





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Your Membership Matters!

Today's Date:	
Your Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City and Zip Code:	
Preferred Phone #: Do y	ou TEXT? Yes No
Email:	
I'm enclosing a check made payable to the LWV-Midland for:	
□ \$50 Individual Membership	
□ \$75 Family Membership (two individuals in the same hous	sehold)
The name of the second person is	,
\$5 Student Membership (New)	
\$ Please add a Gift Membership for	
Mailing Address	
Phone #Email:	
How did you learn about us? Friend Social Media	Other
Best way to communicate with you? Email Phone/Text	Social Media
Please return this form and yo	our check
LWV-Midland, PO Box 7437, Midland,	TX 79708-0437
If you know of someone who might be interested in joining the contact information below or send email to: ealeman2011@g	
Name/Contact info:	

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