



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF KENT

Dear Fellow Leaguers,

What a pleasure to serve as your president over the past year as we celebrated LWV-Kent's 65th anniversary and worked together on so many meaningful activities to "Make Democracy Work". I look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting on Saturday, June 1st when we will reflect on the past year and make plans for 2019-2020. Our next year will be very special as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment and the founding of the League of Women Voters of the United States.

This correspondence has information about 2019-2020 dues as well as a description of the many other ways you can support LWV-Kent. Most of what we collect in dues (\$57) is sent to LWV-United States and LWV-Ohio to support the important work they do on our behalf and to make the League of Women Voters the vibrant, nationally respected organization it is today. We have been able to keep our local dues the same for many years thanks to the additional financial support from members of the community and LWVK members. As you are able, I hope you will contribute both your time and your treasure to support our many activities.

I look forward to an exciting year ahead. Thank you. Stacy Yaniglos, President

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS – KENT
DUES 2019-2020

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Land Line phone _____ Cell phone _____ E-mail _____

*** Please indicate your preferred phone.

Dues enclosed (CHECK PAYABLE TO LWV KENT; LWV Kent is a 501(c)(3); membership dues and contributions are tax deductible to the extent provided by law):

\$60 _____ \$30 (additional members of household) _____ \$5 (student) _____

Pay as you are able: \$ _____ (see reverse for details) Contribution \$ _____

Other contribution options (See descriptions on reverse)

Senior Book Award Contribution \$ _____

Helen Dix Scholarship Contribution \$ _____ (Make your check payable to The Portage Foundation.)

We always need volunteers. Check where you would be able to help:

Voter Registration _____ Voters' Guide _____ Candidates' Forums (Face2Face) _____ Membership _____

Program Committee _____ 100th Celebration _____ Social Media _____ Refreshments _____ Calling _____ Other _____

Please provide names, e-mails, and addresses of potential new members.

Return to Gail Pytel, Treasurer, 613 N. Willow, Kent, OH 44240 or pay on-line at my.lwv.org/ohio/kent

SENIOR BOOK AWARD

This award is made to a graduating senior from Theodore Roosevelt High School in Kent who is planning to continue her/his education. The annual award has been \$500 and is based on academic achievement, community involvement and an essay addressing an issue of interest to the League. Funds for the scholarship are provided by annual gifts from the membership of LWV Kent.

HELEN DIX SCHOLARSHIP

The League of Women Voters of Kent established a scholarship in memory of Helen Dix, a founding member of the League of Women Voters of Kent. When she died in the Fall of 2013, she was the last surviving charter member. The League of Women Voters was formed in 1920 to help women take a larger role in public affairs as they won the right to vote. Helen was instrumental in furthering LWV's mission in Portage County from LWV Kent's organizational meeting in 1953 throughout the rest of her life. Helen was passionate about the importance of education and its accessibility to an informed citizenry. This scholarship is available to non-traditional female students at Hiram College and Kent State University, institutions which she supported in a variety of ways for many years.

The scholarship fund was initially funded by contributions from the Dix family, the members of LWV Kent and members of the community. A \$1,000 scholarship is awarded annually. We are asking for contributions so that we can continue to grow the endowment.

PAY WHAT YOU CAN DUES OPTION:

The cost of our \$60 annual individual dues has been identified as a potential barrier to a strong, diverse membership. At the Annual Meeting on June 3, 2017 League of Women Voters of Kent members voted to add a "Pay What You Can" option that is being used by other Leagues. Essentially members pay what they can afford. The standard dues amount remains \$60 for an individual and League members who are able are encouraged to donate to the member fundraising drive. This approach balances itself to cover the dues that are required for funding our state and national organizations. Member donations help to make this possible.