



League in Action

20 December 2023

Presidents' Message

Connie and I wish all of you an enjoyable holiday season. We hope you are able to use this time to take care of yourself with deep rest and relaxation. To that end, only a few items for the newsletter:

Special Election 9 January: ALEXANDRIA MEMBERS There is a special election on 9 January 2024 for School Board District A. Early voting has already started, click here:

[Alexandria School Board Special Election](#) 9 January 2024. Please help us out by forwarding your Vote411 questions as soon as possible to lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com.

Save the Date: 4 February 2:00-4:00pm LWVAAC annual Program Meeting at Walter Reed Community Center. All members are encouraged to come! More details will follow; for now, please mark your calendars for Sunday, 4 February.

Save the Date: **7 February** LEAGUE DAY! Leagues throughout the Commonwealth gather in Richmond for our annual advocacy event. More details to follow.

2024 General Assembly Legislative Session: 2024 Virginia legislative session gavel on Wednesday, 10 January. You'll want to keep these websites handy:

[Legislative Information System \(LIS\)](#) Use this site to follow legislation through both houses.

[Virginia General Assembly](#) Use this site for a more comprehensive portal to the legislature.

LWVAAC Business Cards: We now have business cards for LWVAAC. There are no names on the cards so everyone can use them. If you would like 5-20 cards please write to Connie Potter. Note how many you would like and where to mail them. (Contact Connie Potter, 13cpotter@gmail.com)

Special Note on **2024 Winter High School Voter Registration:**
Winter High School registration will be from 16 January – 29 January. Details will be provided via a separate all-member email. Please note that we need extra help this year!

Reconstitution of \$15,000 Legacy Gift Committee: LWVAAC

received a generous \$15,000 donation in 2023. After some delay, we are reconstituting the Legacy Gift Committee to develop a plan for using the gift in a manner consistent with the donor's request. **Ann Sharp** will be leading this effort. We invite the original members who are still interested in this effort and we are opening the invitation to all other LWVAAC members that are interested in participating in this important effort. Please email Pam Berg (pberg16@comcast.net) if you are interested in participating in this effort. (Note: Even if you participated in this effort previously, still send an email.)

We'll see you in the New Year!

Pre Sessions in Arlington and Alexandria

Local Legislative Pre-Sessions were held in Alexandria and Arlington in recent weeks. These events are a great opportunity for constituents to express their views on issues important to them.



Photo by Don Gurney

Arlington legislative representatives (left to right) Senator Adam Ebbin, Senator **Barbara Favola**, Delegate **Patrick Hope**, Delegate **Alfonso Lopez**, Delegate

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League member **Chris DeRosa**



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League Member **Anne Murphy**



Photo by Pam Berg

Alexandria's legislative representatives (left to right) Delegate **Alfonso Lopez**, Delegate **Elizabeth Bennett-Parker**, Senator **Adam Ebbin**, Delegate **Charniele Herring**

Women's Legislative Roundtables

Our Women's Legislative Roundtables (WLRTs) will be hybrid this year as they were last year. Because this is a “long” session of the General Assembly, the WLRTs will run from the first day of session, Jan. 10, 2024 until March 6, 2024. They will be one hour long, from 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM.

All events will be hybrid except the March 6 wrap up which, like last year, will be only virtual. The in-person segment will take place in the new Virginia General Assembly Building, 201 North 9th Street, 7th Floor North Meeting Room, Richmond. At each WLRT, we will have speakers update us on our various legislative priorities.

[See the schedule and RSVP today](#)

Arlington County Public Input 2025 Budget.

The Arlington County Manager's Office has invited the public to provide input on the 2025 budget.

This feedback/input opportunity is open until **Friday, 22 December.**

[Arlington County Public Budget Input 2025](#)

Questions? Please contact: Sarah Tracey, Director of Public Engagement, Arlington County Manager's Office, stracey@arlingtonva.us Office: 703-228-3269

LWV VA December 2023 Virginia Voter

[Read the Voter here](#)

LWVAAC Member highlighted in Arlington Magazine

Chris DeRosa has been profiled this month in *Arlington Magazine's* holiday series on altruists in our neighborhood for her work in helping citizens become voters by assisting them in attaining valid IDs. Valid IDs enable participation in many aspects of community life.

[See "These Are the Helpers in Your Neighborhood" \(December 18, 2023\) by Helen Partridge in Arlington Magazine](#)

LWVAAC BOOK GROUP

Arlington/Alexandria City League Book Club is chaired by **Joan Porte**. Want to join? **Email Joan** at joan@joanporte.com. **Book Club meets every third Sunday at 2:00 PM** via Zoom (link will be provided).

The next meeting will be **Sunday, 21 January**, at 2:00pm.
Our next book is *Indigenous Continent* by **Pekka Hämmäläinen** .

Look for next newsletter January 3



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