

#### **League in Action**

October 20, 2021

#### **President's Message**

We are coming to the end of yet another election cycle in Virginia. It can be exhausting especially after the tumult of 2020, however, this is yet another important election for Virginia. Remind people to vote - preferably early. Bug people! This week I reminded my dentist, hygienist and nail technician to get an absentee ballot....these are busy people with long hours! **Don't be afraid to bring it up.** Tell them to go to <u>Vote411.org</u> and get what they need. The last day to order an absentee ballot is Oct 22 - remind them that polls are open Sat and Sunday this weekend. **Print out the information below on voting and spread it around!** 

New members and anyone wanting to brush up on your League knowledge, save the date – Dec 12, 4 PM for our new member social. We really wanted to have this in person – we though we would be having many things in person by now – but we will go virtual. Safety is of utmost importance. Sigh.

**Please remember** if you are on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter, to "like" our pages and share, share the information our wonderful social media team under the direction of **Rachelle Walker** is churning out. This information is so important to spreading necessary election information.

Happy Halloween! 😝

Joan



**Anna Weber** doing voter registration at Paws on the Pike, and she got in a few doggie hugs too! Well, more than a few.....

### **Join Outreach Circle**

The League is utilizing Outreach Circle for advocacy purposes. This helps us not only reach members but easily record their responses. **To join** go to <a href="https://outreachcircle.com/SWX266">https://outreachcircle.com/SWX266</a> and click on "view actions" to sign up.

#### **November 2021 Election information**

The next election will be a General Election **November 2, 2021**.

Deadline to register to vote was October 12, 2021 for the General Election.

Check registration status and see what's on the ballot for your district at locality voter information websites (below).

#### To vote by mail -

All voters are eligible to vote a mail ballot. Voters must request a mail ballot.

Voters can request a Mail Ballot until Oct. 22, 2021.

Ballots for the November Election are being mailed starting Sept. 17, 2021

Ballots must be mailed be delivered in person by Nov. 2, 7pm or mailed with a post mark of Nov. 2nd and received by Noon on Nov 5th.

#### To vote early in person -

Early voting is open 45 days before all elections. All voters can vote at any early voting location. Early voting for the November General Election began Sept 17th.

#### **Vote Election Day -**

On Election Day, all Arlington polling places are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

You must vote at your assigned location.

**Vote Arlington - 2021 Election Guide** 

**See Arlington voter information here** 

**Vote City of Alexandria - 2021 Election Guide** 

See Alexandria voter information here



If you vote by mail you can track your ballot with Ballot Scout.

**Find information here - Arlington** 

Find information here - Alexandria

## The New Arlington DEI Committee

We are happy to announce the formation of the Arlington DEI Committee! Our goal is to assure that Arlington does all of its work through a DEI lens. **Our first step** is to develop what that DEI lens is!

**We can use your ideas and dedication** to full Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for our League.

Meetings are the second Mondays of the month at 11:00 AM. Email <u>LWVArlingtonva@gmail.com</u> for more information or to join!!

#### **EVENTS**

October 20 - TODAY!

## **Legislative and Litigation Priorities**

LWV's federal and state legislative and litigation priorities for the 2021–2022 fiscal year

Oct. 20 - 3 PM ET

Find out what the Legislative and Litigation Priorities are of LWV US on this zoom meeting.

**RSVP to get your link** 

# Freedom to Vote Relay - West Virginia - Maryland - Washington DC

Oct 23

# Freedom to Vote Rally - Washington DC

For more Relay/Rally information and to sign up click here



**Nov 14** 

# **LWV Virginia Advocacy Training**

Sun, November 14, 2021 - 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM EST

Brush up on your advocacy skills with LWV Virginia Advocacy Chair, **Denise Harrington**. Get ready for the 2022 General Assembly!

RSVP here

#### Save the date

# New Member Social Dec 12, 4 PM

-from LWV-Arl member **Julie Rosenberg** - Thanks Julie!!

#### TEMPLE RODEF SHALOM INVITES YOU

# Unheard Histories: Understanding Racism in our Communities

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

SEP 29 - OCT 20 - NOV 10 7:00-8:30PM

This three part webinar series is intended to help us learn about Black communities where we live and to see how these neighborhoods, and our neighbors, have been and remain subject to racist policies. Each session will provide historical context, dynamic storytellers and, importantly, calls to action to combat racist policies.

### See the flyer here

From Voter Services Chair **Don Gurney** -

# **2021 LWV-Arl/Alex Voter Registration Summary**

Between January and October 12, 2021 we registered a total of 86 people to vote at 55 separate events.

Read the Voter Services voter registration report here

# **Oct 7 Arlington Candidate Forum**



Moderator **Anne Murphy** conducting our Arlington candidate forum

## Oct 9 Alexandria forum for Mayor and City Council



**Lori Lataillade** – timer and **Marie Barnes** – moderator

#### **News from National**

# **VOTE411 Wins 2021 Nonprofit Communications Campaign of the Year**

PR Daily's Nonprofit Communications Awards grants VOTE411 two additional honors for best marketing campaign and visual storytelling

Read the press release here



# LWV Applauds the Senate's Introduction of the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act

Our freedom to vote remains under threat, and with the midterm election cycle just a few months away, we need the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act more than ever.

**Read the statement here** 

#### **Redistricting News**

### **C1 Congressional District Map and Partisan Fairness**

Read the LWV VA Redistricting Blog post here

### Meetings

Nov 21 - 2 PM - **Book Club** 

Chief Joseph and the Flight of Nez Pierce: The Untold Story of an American Tragedy
by **Kent Nerburn** 

Contact Joan <u>Joan@joanporte.com</u>

# **Look for next newsletter November 3**



**Seema Jain**, with her able assistant, **Shailee Jain**, as she times the Arlington candidate forum







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