

NEWSLETTER

January 15, 2019

2019 LWVW Calendar (through June)



Saturday, January 19, Women's March, 10 am - 2 pm on the Boston Common (see below for more details)

Thursday, January 31, 7 pm:

Dessert with Jeff Azano-Brown, the new RDF Superintendent in the Chapel at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 309 Washington Street. Don't miss this opportunity to talk with RDF Superintendent Jeff Azano-Brown about what is new at Wellesley's Recycling and Disposal Facility, including its new Food Waste Drop-Off Pilot Program. Learn about the RDF's business initiatives and how China's refusal to accept plastic recyclables has affected Wellesley's recycling program. All League members are welcome; please feel free to bring a guest.

Tuesday, Februrary 12, 1 - 3 pm: Board Meeting at Tanya Roy's home. All members welcome to attend.

Thursday, Februrary 28, 6:30 - 9 pm: Meet the Candidates Night at the Wakelin Room of the Wellesley Free Library. Free and open to the public. Meet and greet at 6:30, program starts at 7.



Tuesday, March 5: Town Elections

Tuesday, March 12, 1 - 3 pm: Board Meeting at Kim Maire's home. All members welcome to attend.



Thursday, March 14, 7 - 8:30 pm: Massachusetts in the Woman Suffrage Movement: Revolutionary Reformers at the Wakelin Room of the Wellesley Free Library. Free and open to the public

Friday, March 15, noon - 2 pm: Brown Bag Lunch with Elected State Officials (tentative). Location TBD

Thursday, March 21 (evening) and Sunday, March 24 (afternoon): Town Meeting Prep Sessions at the Community Room of the



Wellesley Police Station

Monday, March 25, 7 pm: First Session of Annual Town Meeting at Wellesley Middle School

Tuesday, April 9, 10 am - noon: Board Meeting at Ann Rappaport's home. All members welcome to attend.

Tuesday, May 7, 10 am - noon: Board Meeting, location TBD. All members welcome to attend.

Wednesday, May 15, 6 pm: Annual Meeting at Helen Stewart's home. All members welcome to attend.

Sunday, May 19, 1 pm: 51st

Annual Veteran's Parade. Mark your calendars and plan to march with the Wellesley League! This year's theme is the 75th anniversary of D-Day.

Friday - Saturday, June 7 - 8, LWVMA 2019 Convention in Westford, MA

Monday, June 10, 7 - 9 pm: Board Meeting, location TBD. All members welcome to attend.

Voter Services Needs You!

LWVW volunteers provide ongoing voter registration support in welcoming up to 1000 new citizens at the Naturalization Ceremonies in Lowell from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm. The citizenship candidates are inspiring and the experience is very rewarding. Upcoming dates: February 20, June 5, and August 21. Please contact Erry Johnson if you're interested in attending.

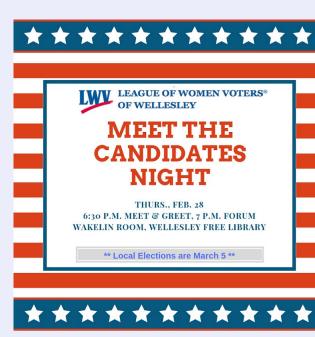
> Volunteers wanted for Meet the Candidates Night, on Thursday, February 28. The LWV needs help with many roles: publicity, set up, clean up, greeters, sign in, nametags, hospitality, refreshments, time keepers, retiree recognitions - it goes on! Please contact Erry Johnson if you're able to help out (starting around 6:15 pm), and please encourage your neighbors and friends to plan to attend. It promises to be an interesting evening with contested races for many offices.











By Susan Clapham and Irene Flint, BQP Study Committee cochairs

As part of the statewide LWV initiative to study the Ballot Question Process, our local group held its consensus meeting on Sunday, January 13, at the Wellesley Free Library. Nearly 20 questions were presented to the group for discussion and evaluation. The results of this meeting will now go to our local LWV board for approval, and then be sent in to the state league to become part of the information LWVMA uses to

STUDY OF BALLOT QUESTION PROCESS

League of Women Voters of Massachusetts Fall 2018 – Winter 2019

Wellesley Consensus Meeting January 13, 2019 Arnold Room, Wellesley Free Library



decide whether to take a position on a particular issue or to work actively to effect a change in current law.

Many thanks to all who participated: Marlene O'Brien, consensus meeting facilitator; Ellen Hallett, consensus meeting recorder; and in particular to hard-working committee members Laura Brown Mackinnon, Althea Gliick, Anne Rippy Turtle (ex officio) and Ann Rappaport. Ann's time and efforts in preparing the PowerPoint presentation were especially appreciated!



Please consider joining the LWV Board next year. Submit your name and areas of interest by February 10 to: Althea Gliick, Jean Childs or Ellen Hallett.

We Want You!

Women's March Returns!



This worldwide day of action, taking place on the weekend before the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, lifts up the ongoing work in the struggle for civil rights for so many communities. The 2019 Boston Women's March Honorary Chair is Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley. If you are interested in attending the march, register here. Rep. Alice Peisch will be sponsoring a bus if there is sufficient interest. The bus will leave Farms station at 9 am and leave Boston as close to 2 pm as possible. Anyone who wishes to take it must respond by 10 am on Tuesday, January 15th and she will confirm whether there was sufficient interest on Wednesday, January 16th. RSVP to Alice if you would like to take the bus.

Massachusetts Library Association Legislative Breakfast

Friday, January 25, 7:45 - 9 am at the Wakelin Room, Wellesley Free Library, co-hosted by State Rep Alice Peisch, State Senator Cynthia Creem and Senator-Elect Becca Rausch. Advocacy events provide an opportunity to encourage our patrons, friends, family and community members to meet our representatives and speak up for library funding. This event is open to the public and may be of interest to League members.



HUNNEWELL FEASIBILITY STUDY PUBLIC FORUM #2

Tuesday January 29, 2019 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM Hunnewell School Gymnasium



The School Building Committee invites you to join us for an update on the feasibility study including progress on educational programming, site exploration, sustainability goals and swing space.

- Hear the study architects present concept design options for a new or rebuilt school.
- Break into small groups to ask questions, discuss and provide feedback on the short list of options tentatively selected for detailed study.
- Learn about the next steps in the process and opportunities for further input.

For more information:

Go to *wellesleyma.gov/1162/Hunnewell-School-Feasibility-Study* View Tentative Short List of Concept Design Options Email us at sbc@wellesleyma.gov

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