

League of Women Voters
of Dallas

VOTER



A nonpartisan organization that encourages informed participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE LWV TEXAS CONVENTION

Kerrville, TX, April 27-29, 2018

- LWVD was represented by six delegates: Susybelle Gosslee, Julie Lowenberg, Cecilia McKay, Eileen Rosenblum, Diane Tasian, and Linda Wassenich. In addition, two members from Dallas serve on the State Board. Elaine Wiant is President and Miriam Foshay is Treasurer.
- Members from LWVD who were elected to the state board for 2018-2020 are Eileen Rosenblum as a Vice President and Miriam Foshay as Treasurer.
- Delegates voted to review and update two positions: Criminal Justice and Capital Punishment and Land Use.
- Membership has increased statewide by 18%.
- The LWV Texas VOTER has been replaced by the monthly Action News, which is totally online.
- The state board voted to create a new 501(c)(3) organization which will replace the LWV-TEF. At convention, delegates voted to move the functions and most of the assets of LWVTX to this new corporation, which is temporarily being called Lone Star League of Women Voters (LSLWV). This conversion will be complete upon receipt of the approved paperwork from the IRS.
- The state PMP for students has been eliminated, following the lead of LWVUS.
- Linda Wassenich was honored with the President’s Award, given by Elaine Wiant, for her 48 years of membership in the League, including 29 years serving on the Dallas, Texas, or national board. Her 13 years on the state board stands as the longest tenure for any state board member.
- Randall Buck Wood received the Defending Democracy Award at the banquet on Saturday night for his work in defending voting rights and equalizing funding for public schools in Texas.

SAVE-THE-DATE

LWVD General Meeting Privatization of Public Schools

Thursday, August 30, 2018
Midway Hills Church
(more details to follow)



There are no Unit Meetings in July or August.

The next **Unit Meetings** are **September 11 & 12**.

Please see the **CALENDAR** for further details.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

2nd Quarter VOTER - July 2018

By the time you get this issue of the VOTER we will have attended the 53rd National Convention in Chicago. One of the issues of discussion was the Transformation Roadmap.



For the last few years and for the foreseeable future, the League of Women Voters has been and is focused on organization-wide transformation. The goals of this process are to strengthen the organization at every level, position our brand as a current and future-looking organization, as well as increase the League's visibility and mission impact.

This process has engaged league Leaders at every level of the organization over the past year and a half and has resulted in our Transformation Roadmap.

This document outlines key initiatives and activities that will position the League toward our above goals.

The discussion is ongoing and I want to share the first Transformation Roadmap document for your information. [See Attachment] Your comments are welcome. You can direct them to me at cemck@swbell.net.

We have already secured the venue for the 23rd Annual Susan B. Anthony Luncheon. It will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2019, at the Lakewood Country Club. It is not too early to help with the planning of the event.

If you would like to participate in the planning committee, contact either co-chair:

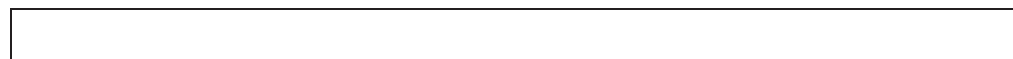
Rebecca Acuña at Rebecca.acuna@gmail.com or
Lisa Sherrod at lcsherrod@yahoo.com.

Please join me in congratulating immediate Past President Eileen Rosenblum who has been elected as a Director to the LWV Texas Board. Way to go Eileen!

I wish you a good summer, stay hydrated, informed on issues and encourage citizens to vote!

Sincerely,

Cecilia McKay
President - League of Women Voters of Dallas



A D V O C A C Y

Joppa Freedman's Town Association

Uplifting the Joppa Community

April 16, 2018

League of Women Voters of Dallas
6060 N Central Expressway #500
Dallas, TX 75206
lwvdallas@sbcglobal.net


RE: Thank You

Dear League of Women Voters of Dallas:

The Joppa Freedman's Town Association (JFTA) would like to thank the League of Women Voters of Dallas for its support in fighting for environmental justice, health and fair housing in Joppa by speaking out on March 28th against zoning that would have brought more batch plants to Joppa. When it comes to protecting the health of families, not much else is more important. We invite you to follow JFTA on social media learn more about our continued efforts to uplift the Joppa Community. If you have any questions feel free to reach us at JFTADallas@gmail.com. Again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Temeckia Derrough, President
The Joppa Freedman's Town Association

<p>ADVOCACY STATEMENT presented at the May 9, 2018, City of Dallas City Council meeting by Diane Tasian, LWVD Program VP.</p> <p>My name is Diane Tasian, my address is ---. I am here as a member of, and on behalf of, the League of Women Voters of Dallas.</p> <p>The League of Women Voters of Dallas supports fair, affordable housing for all who need it, supplied throughout the region by the combined efforts of all government entities and the private sector. We have held this position for decades; and, in 1996, added a focus on affordable housing and increased accountability for public funds.</p> <p>Please note that when I use the term "affordable housing" it isn't just housing for people of median income. The League's position clearly says "affordable housing for all who need it" which includes the</p>	<p>continuum of affordable housing for households of median-income, through low-income, to the homeless.</p> <p>Housing is a complex issue fraught with emotion; and, in Dallas, it has been the focus of significant litigation. We have inherited the effects of bad planning (often with federal funding attached) which, combined with our history of racism, has given us a divided city with stark differences between "the Haves" and "the Have Nots".</p> <p>We applaud the City for focusing on the housing crisis; for facing the reality that the solutions are our responsibility; and look forward to additional developments as new data is available, such as the Regional Housing Assessment being conducted at UTA.</p> <p>We thank you for conducting the</p>	<p>housing policy process with transparency and accountability. These are principles upon which the League places a high priority.</p> <p>We recommend you support this policy which embraces Fair Housing and encourages home ownership and will build a more workable relationship with landlords. We urge you to support the staff in further development of policies that reinvigorate neighborhoods at risk of further decline and go further to protect the owners and tenants in those areas at risk of the negative effects of reinvestment. These are the very people who have persevered against incredible odds to hold their communities together.</p> <p>We stand beside you, applaud you for being open to solutions, and hope we can help.</p> <p> Diane Tasian LWVD Program VP</p>
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PROGRAM & EDUCATION

LWVD 80th ANNUAL MEETING PICTURES

Our esteemed president, Cecilia McKay, will have a recap of the 2018 LWVD Annual Meeting for the next VOTER. In the meantime, here are some pictures from the annual meeting for your enjoyment.



Elizabeth Walley & Cecilia McKay present the Myrtle Bales Bulkley Award to Sandy Thornton



Dr. Theresa Daniel & Cecilia McKay present the Virginia Macdonald Award to The Hon. Toni Rose



The new 2018 - 2019 LWVD Board



SBA Co-Chairs Rebecca Acuña & Lisa Sherrod with LWVD President Cecilia McKay



Rebecca & Lisa enjoying a laugh with members and the "I Wish the League Would" cards

V O T I N G M A T T E R S

ANNOUNCEMENT! STUDENT-DRIVEN VOTER REGISTRATION & TURNOUT

In August 2018 Dallas County Community Colleges and the League of Women Voters of Dallas are introducing a new friend, Inspire US. Inspire US is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that supports **Student-Driven Voter Registration and Turnout in high schools across the country**. In the last three years they have helped more than 48,000 high school students from 321 schools in nine states register to vote with students in those states voting at a higher rate than the statewide average of their peers.

Inspire is expanding to the Dallas area and has funding to support 25-30 school campuses in 2018-19. Our goal is to help make this as easy as possible for schools, and we will also provide district- and school-level voter registration and voter turnout reports to share impact.

Inspire US will be up and running on all DCCCD campuses by spring 2019. As part of the Inspire US rollout, the League will be working alongside them beginning in August 2018.

**If you are interested in helping with
Voter Registration with
the Dallas County Community Colleges -**

**Please email Karen Bassett,
LWVD Director of Voter Registration,
at kbassettdallas@gmail.com.**

She will need your name, email address, and phone number. If you would like to request a specific campus, we will do our best to accommodate.

LWV DALLAS GEARING UP FOR NOVEMBER VOTERS GUIDE: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



November will be upon us before we know it. Your league has already begun planning to produce a Voters Guide for this key election. Once again the League will cover every race on the ballot, from Senator and Governor down to Constable and JP. If it's on the ballot, it's in the LWV Voters Guide.

The guide requires significant work behind the scenes and Vote411 coordinator, Dorie Cranshaw, is looking for volunteers to help with the effort. LWV Dallas needs 8-10 volunteer candidate "**Wranglers**". Each wrangler will be assigned a small group of candidates to contact (we provide phone numbers and emails) and urge their participation in the Voters Guide. The job requires about a 4-6 hour time commitment spread over 3 weeks in September.

This is something you can definitely do from home during the day or evening as your schedule permits.

Through dogged determination and persistence, LWV can boast a 76% candidate response rate for the legislative and judicial races this spring. We hope to do at least as well for the fall election. The product of the group's hard work will be available on the www.Vote411.org website which provides a personal ballot for each voter and will be available in early October.

**If you would like to serve as a candidate
"wrangler" in the upcoming election**, please contact **Dorie Cranshaw** directly at doriebigd@aol.com or [214-358-7282](tel:214-358-7282).

V O T I N G M A T T E R S

**TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 6, 2018
GENERAL ELECTION**

Last Day to Register to Vote	OCT 09, 2018
First Day to Vote Early	OCT 22, 2018
Last Day to Receive Applications for Ballots by Mail	OCT 26, 2018
Last Day to Vote Early	NOV 02, 2018
Election Day	NOV 06, 2018



"VOTE TODAY" SIGNS

Get your reuseable, double-sided "VOTE TODAY" signs now to have in time for the November 6 General Election.

We only have about 20 left. They are \$5 for (1) sign or \$20 for (5) signs.

If you would like to have your signs delivered, contact Bill Betzen at bbetzen@aol.com or [214-957-9739](tel:214-957-9739).

Vote Today



D E V E L O P M E N T C O R N E R


DONOR HONOR ROLL

Patron Donors: Susan and Leonard Cedars, Elaine Wiant, Katherine McGovern, Sally Branch, Eileen and Harvey Rosenblum, Linda and Mark Wassenich, Carol Winkleman, Lucy Polter, Joy Mankoff, Patricia Houck and Lyssa Jenkins

Memorials: Julie Lowenberg, Jan Sanders, and Linda Wassenich in memory of Helene Greenwald

In Honor Of: Chris Guldi for the President's Award, Sandy Thornton for the Bulkley Award, The Hon. Toni Rose for the Macdonald Award, Bill Betzen for Get Well wishes, and in appreciation of Cecilia McKay, by Linda Wassenich

Scholarships: Mary Ann Redmond, Linda Wassenich, Lakshmi Pratap, Shirley Cooper, Jane Pak, Madeleine Crouch, Sandy Thornton and Sheri Campbell, and Lucy Polter

Undesignated Contributions: Sally Branch, Harryette Ehrhardt, Gwen McKinney and Patricia Crumley  By Linda Wassenich


HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE (to the League of Women Voters) LET ME COUNT THE WAYS

You have read about remembering the League in your will. This method of giving is called a planned gift.

However, we have many other ways to make a gift to the League. You can make a gift in honor of someone for their birthday, an award, a special event such as an anniversary, the birth of a grandchild, in appreciation for something someone did. The list could go on and on. Many people have everything they need, and such a gift would be particularly meaningful.

When you make a gift of this nature, we notify the person whom you designate. (Please provide a name and address, if possible.) In doing so, your gift becomes significant not only to the League but also to the person you are honoring or remembering.

Another way to support the League is to join or renew your membership as a patron or benefactor member. The extra amount that you pay stays here to support the work of the Dallas League as it registers voters, conducts candidate forums, publishes the *Voters Guide* and *Your Elected Officials (YEO)*, studies public policy issues, and speaks to government bodies.

Instead of giving something that may be recycled or put away and forgotten, you give to the League and make an impact.  By Linda Wassenich

M E M B E R S H I P

In Memoriam

~ *Helene Greenwald* ~

December 23, 1922 – April 28, 2018

We were sad to announce the passing of Helene Greenwald, a League of Women Voters member of 73 years. Helene was a multi-faceted woman whose unassuming manner hid a steely resolve and enduring strength.

Helene's was a full life, well lived, and a service celebrating her life was held on May 2 at Temple Emanu-El, 8500 Hillcrest Road.

*The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations
be made to NCJW, LWV Dallas, or the NTFB.*

If you would like to reach her daughter, please email Janet Eickmeyer at jeickmeyer@gmail.com
For a full obituary go to <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/by/greenwald/helene>



*We Would Like to Give a Warm Welcome
to NEW League Members*

who have joined since the last VOTER -Yvette Castilla || Brittney Farr ||
Cynthia Halatyn || Dorothea Ocker || The Hon. Monica McCoy Purdy ||
Kathey Carreiro || Patty Garcia || Amy Low || Mercedes Fulbright ||
Taylor Danser || Ruth Klein || Elizabeth Rose

If you see a name you recognize, invite them to your unit meeting in September, the general meeting in August, a forum, a voter registration event or any other activity you think they may enjoy. Welcome new members!

LWVD MEMBERSHIP DUES were increased at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Effective June 1, 2018, dues are as follows:

Individual Member - \$75/per year

Student Member - \$25/per year

Household Member - \$112.50/per year

Patron Member - \$150/per year

(Individual mem \$75, + Additional
Household Member \$37.50)

Benefactor Member - \$500/per year

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR THE 2018 LWV DALLAS ANNUAL MEETING - The LWV Dallas officially has 324 members (*as of 2/1/18*). This is a slight decrease from last year. We are the second largest League in Texas.

In order to support the effort to grow membership, the LWVTX and LWVUS will no longer charge PMP for students. This will support the effort to recruit young student activists. The decision to reduce the payment to zero was made as a result of the student activism following the Parkland shooting in Florida.

It has been left to the local League to define who qualifies as a student. Setting local student dues has also been left to the discretion of the local League. Respectfully, Eileen Rosenblum PhD

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The current, updated LWVD Membership Directory is online. Please let the office know if you are a League member and would like a printed copy or if you have any changes to your contact information.

Call [214-688-4125](tel:214-688-4125) or email lwvdallas@sbcglobal.net.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

LONG-TIME MEMBER "GENIE FRITZ"

This year Genie Fritz celebrates 66 years with the League of Women Voters of Dallas! Genie was introduced to the League by a friend who encouraged her to become a member in 1952.

Genie moved to Dallas in 1945. Prior to that, her father's job assignments brought her to Argentina, Guatemala and many other places overseas, where they lived. Back in the U.S.A. Genie attended the University of Texas where she met her husband Ned, they had been married 64 years when he passed away in 2008.

She became a resource person for the League and was chosen to travel throughout the country to learn about poverty programs. Genie was selected for her experience in poverty issues and also because she spoke Spanish, a Legacy from her Mexican grandmother. Genie also participated in the Overseas Education Fund established in 1947 by the League of Women Voters to help women organize in order to solve their problems and overcome barriers to their full participation in the social, political, and economic lives of their societies.

Genie served as President of the LWV Dallas and was also on the Board of LWV Texas serving as a resource person in Poverty Programs and School Finance. The LWV Dallas awarded her the Virginia Macdonald Leadership Award in 1999. She credits the League with her personal and professional development.

Genie was president of the Women's Southwest Federal Credit Union, president of the Greater Dallas Housing Opportunity and was involved with the Girl Scouts.

She has been recognized for her decades of work in Texas conservation and environmental concerns. She shared the North Texas Master Naturalist Dragonfly Award with her late husband Ned Fritz. Genie and Ned created many of the agencies that ensure preservation and environmentally sound treatment of many of the great parks in Texas. She still maintains that hers was a "supporting role" but those who worked with her say Genie was the force behind their conservation efforts.



During her stellar career as a conservationist and her lifetime of service to help lift others to become leaders in their communities, Genie managed to have four daughters in six years! Her daughters say their mother was the picture of ethics, integrity and hard work and taught them through good example. Genie lives in Dallas, has seven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

We are honored to know Genie Fritz and thank her for her many years of service to the League and the community.

 Submitted by Cecilia McKay
LWV Dallas President



HAPPY BIRTHDAY GINNY!

Long-time League member Ginny Whitehill's 90th birthday is on July 9th! She would love to receive a card from you!

Virginia B. Whitehill
C.C. Young Overlook, Apt 207
4833 W. Lawther Dr.
Dallas, TX 75214

MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

BOARD MEMBER KATHERINE SAVERS McGOVERN joined the LWV Dallas Board in June 2017. For a number of years, she has been involved with the League of Women Voters, with efforts to register voters, efforts to engage voters and others in discussions of public policy and common good issues, and in efforts to get people to vote.



Katherine retired from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the United States Attorney, Dallas Division, April 2011 after approximately 21 years as an Assistant United States Attorney responsible for representing the interests of the United States of America in significant civil litigation. After retirement and a vacation to England and France, Katherine was elected as the 2012 Democratic nominee for Congressional District 32 against incumbent Pete Sessions. While not successful, Katherine gained significant knowledge and understanding of the concerns, interests and expectations of the people living in CD 32. In 2016, Katherine was a Delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

On occasion, she has been a public speaker before the Dallas City Council and the Dallas County Commissioners Court on public policy issues pending decision. Katherine has served as a Dallas County Election Judge in numerous elections since 2008 and is a deputy voter registrar. She is currently President, Preston Royal Library Friends, and is an active supporter of the Dallas Public Library. Over the years, Katherine has been a volunteer with the North Dallas Shared Ministry.

Katherine currently practices law limited to civil matters. She maintains a highly selective practice designed to focus on using her knowledge and skills effectively.



MEMBER LAGNIAPPE



(left to right: *Laura Estrada, Cheryl Pollman, Rep. Rafael Anchia, Carol Barger and Cecilia McKay*)

These four League members bid on dinner with Representative Rafael Anchia at the LWVD Susan B. Anthony Luncheon's Silent Auction. The dinner was held at Lucia's in Bishop Arts on April 11, 2018.

Representative Anchia was the consummate host, the food was fabulous and the conversation was delightful and inspiring. Our most sincere thanks go to Rep. Rafael Anchia for his support of the League of Women Voters of Dallas.

~ Sincerely, Cecilia ~

I am still delighting in my thoughts of dinner last night! Thanks to Rep. Anchia for his support of the LWV, the delicious and fun evening, and to each of my dinner companions for the lively and interesting dinner conversation.

I know that our paths will continue to cross again and again, and I look forward to seeing you soon.

~ Warmly, Cheryl ~

HEROIC AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN

Sojourner Truth (nee Isabella Baumfree) 1797-1883. Born into slavery, she was a popular speaker in the 1840s with the abolitionist movement and in the 1850s on women's suffrage. Her most famous speech, *Ain't I a Woman*, was given in 1851 at a women's rights convention in Ohio.

Elizabeth "Bessie" Coleman 1892–1926. Unable to gain admission to American flight schools because she was black and a woman, Coleman went to France for lessons. On June 15, 1921, she became the first woman to earn an international aviation license and the world's first licensed black aviator.

She returned to the U.S. and began teaching other black women to fly, giving lectures and performing at flying exhibitions.

HEROIC NATIVE AMERICAN WOMEN

Lyda Conley (Wyandot) 1874-1946. The first woman admitted to the Kansas Bar, she is also the first Native American female attorney and first Native American woman admitted to argue a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. She challenged the sale and development of the Huron Cemetery in Kansas City, Kansas, now the Wyandot National Burying Ground.

Wilma Pearl Mankiller 1945-2010. She was the first woman elected chief of the Cherokee Nation. In college she became involved in the movement for Native American rights and for women's equality. As a community organizer for the Cherokee Nation, she won grants for social welfare programs and tribal business interests. For her achievements, she was named *Ms. Magazine's* Woman of the Year in 1987 and awarded the Medal of Freedom in 1998 by President Clinton.

M E M B E R L A G N I A P P E

IN DEFENSE OF THE LEAGUE

I've heard several comments lately about the League of Women Voters that made me cringe. The gist of the comments is that the League is "lightweight", a social organization not a serious one, that Leaguers don't really want to get things done.

The comments have come from people I respect – serious, socially aware people who are out in the community knocking on doors, writing letters, organizing demonstrations and canvassing for candidates. Why are they so critical of the League? Why do I see things so differently?

I gave the matter some thought and realize that there are a variety of ways that people and organizations contribute to the community. One particular form of social engagement is activism. Activism is the most intense way to contribute, and also the most visible. Activists seek to bring about social change by vigorously and publicly advocating for or opposing issues or policies or candidates. Activists are great. They heighten awareness, generate enthusiasm, and help to define issues. Activists are often associated with political campaigns, working their hearts out for the candidates they believe in. They are the visible promoters of causes like civil rights, women's rights and gun control. The people I've heard who expressed criticism of the League are activists.

In truth, we do a lot. Our Voters Guides are recognized everywhere and loved. We register voters, conduct educational programs and candidate forums, do serious research and advocate for public policy. Most recently our focus has been on the education of young voters because the need is so great. At the state and national level, Leagues have been major parties in the legal battles to protect the vote. We should be very proud of these accomplishments.

What all our activities have in common is that they are peaceful and orderly. We take great pains to ensure that our information to the public is competent. We are careful that political candidates understand we will not let our personal preferences spill over into our League work. Public organizations like schools trust us to be unbiased, competent, and disciplined to let us in the door. We cannot work with politicians or public institutions unless they are confident we will not embarrass them without cause or disrupt their flow. The League's need to be able to work in a variety of politically charged and sensitive settings is unique, I believe.

I also believe that, because our activities are measured and peaceful as opposed to intense and noisy, it appears to some activists that we are not serious or that we are not doing anything, which is not correct. Our style is different, and intense activists will not always recognize what we do. We accomplish a lot and our work is valuable to the community.

We might, however, take their criticisms as a sign we need to be more aggressive in letting people know what we're up to. If we're proud of what we're doing, we should brag a bit. Letters to the editor, op-eds, public appearances, social media campaigns – all these would be helpful. We're more than just photo ops at luncheons. We're not out marching in the streets like our suffragette ancestors, but our vast network of Leaguers is as busy as ever, making democracy work!

 Submitted by Elizabeth Walley



M E M B E R L A G N I A P P E

**LEAGUE BOARD MEMBER LISA SHERROD
JOINED AN AIPAC DELEGATION VISIT TO ISRAEL IN APRIL**

During the trip the group met with members of The Knesset and Palestinian leaders to discuss current and historical political issues impacting the region.

Additionally, the group visited the Holocaust museum in Jerusalem, schools in Tel Aviv and attended a Shabbat dinner hosted by a former Ambassador.

M E M B E R L A G N I A P P E

IN AFFIRMATION OF VOLUNTEERISM

Volunteerism is good for the soul. Do you ever feel that something undefined is missing from your life? We humans have a need deep down inside to do something worthwhile, to give back to the community that has been so good to us. It's also part of our legacy. The desire to leave the world a better place is nearly universal. Volunteering for a worthy cause can fill that need.

Of course we cannot always be there when the call for volunteers comes. These days more than ever our lives are filled almost to capacity with family, school and work. Sometimes the biggest challenge is getting enough sleep. "8 hours for work, 8 hours for sleep, 8 hours for what we will", the mantra of organized labor from the 1880's, is often just wishful thinking.

But sometimes the clouds part and time magically appears that is available for volunteer activities. May I suggest that the League of Women Voters of Dallas is an excellent cause that is always desperate for volunteers. Think of the League's mission:

"The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy."


What could be more worthwhile than helping to "**make democracy work**"? Government touches nearly every part of our daily lives. It is how we as a people accomplish all the things we could not do as individuals. It can work for good or for ill. Our goal is to see that it works for the greater good.

Volunteers for the League have a lot of options. You can work from home, on the phone, help political candidates submit their information for the Voters Guide, help with fundraising, help produce educational reports and programs, register voters in an array of settings, and educate new voters as to the process and why it is so important.

If you are feeling the call to give back and those clouds have parted if only for a short time, give us a call.

The League's main number is [214.688.4125](tel:214.688.4125).
You can also email us at lwvdallas@sbcglobal.net.

CALENDAR & EVENTS

<p><u>2018 LWVD VOTER Schedule</u></p> <p>3rd Quarter VOTER - July, Aug & Sept (upcoming information for Oct, Nov & Dec)</p> <hr/> <p>4th Quarter VOTER - Oct, Nov & Dec (upcoming information for Jan, Feb & Mar 2019)</p> <p>We would love to have you contribute articles and pictures.</p>	<p><u>Due Dates</u></p> <p>Sept 4, Tuesday</p> <hr/> <p>Dec 4, Tuesday</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER UNIT MEETINGS</p> <p>"Alternative Facts and Social Media"</p> <p>⌘</p> <p><u>Sept. 12...10:00 am</u> Wednesday Morning Unit</p> <p>----</p> <p>Meadows Conference Center Piney Woods Room 2900 Live Oak Street Dallas 75204</p> <p>⌘</p> <p><u>Sept. 13 ...9:30 am</u> Thursday Morning Unit</p> <p>----</p> <p>The Episcopal Church of St Thomas the Apostle 6525 Inwood Road Dallas 75209</p> <p>⌘</p> <p><u>Sept. 1311:30 am</u> Far North Dallas Unit Eileen Rosenblum 469.879.8801</p> <p>Egg and I 15203 Knoll Trail corner of Arapaho & Montfort/Knoll</p> <p>⌘</p> <p><u>Sept. 13 ...6:30 pm</u> Thursday Evening Unit Arline Pitt 972.243.3966 Angela's Café 7979 Inwood Road @ Lovers Lane Dallas 75219</p>
<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Save The Date!!!</p> <p>Women's Equality Day Celebration Wednesday, August 22, 2018 12:00 Noon, City Hall</p> <p>Women's Issues Network Invites you to join us in celebrating the 98th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment giving American women the right to vote.</p> </div>		

SAVE - THE - DATE

23rd Annual Susan B. Anthony Luncheon
Thursday, February 7, 2019
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lakewood Country Club
6430 Gaston Avenue
Dallas 75214

<p>Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program Good Neighbor #: 2917 1st Quarter Payment: \$102.84</p>	<p>Donate While You Shop! www.Smile.Amazon.com Click "change your charity", Type "League of Women Voters of Dallas"</p>	<p>NEW: Kroger Community Rewards Community Rewards #: 95073 Quarterly Payment: \$37.99</p>
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JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Legend:	UNIT MEETINGS	LWVD CALENDAR
	GENERAL MEETINGS	JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2018
	VOTING, ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION	
JULY 2018		NO Unit Meetings, No General Meeting NO July Board Meeting
2 - 3	Monday	VOTER 2nd Quarter published. Mail and email.
4 - 6	Wednesday-Friday OFFICE CLOSED	Independence Day
19	Thursday 6:00pm	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
AUGUST 2018		NO Unit Meetings
4	Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 gathering 9:00 - 12:30pm meeting	LWVD Board Meeting and Retreat "How to Be a Better Board Member" 14916 Havenshire Place, Dallas, TX 75254
5	Sunday	Friendship Day
9	Thursday 6:00pm	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
9	Friday 5:00pm	SUSAN B ANTHONY Award Nominations DUE
21	Tuesday	Senior Citizens Day
22	Wednesday 12:00 noon	98th Women's Equality Day Celebration - Attendees encouraged to wear white. Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla St., 6th Floor - Flag Room (<i>LWVD is a sponsor.</i>)
26	Sunday	98th Women's Equality Day
30	Thursday 6:00pm	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
30	Thursday (Time TBD)	LWVD General Meeting - Privatization of Public Schools (more to follow) Midway Hills Church
SEPTEMBER 2018		
1	Saturday 10:00 - Noon	LWVD Board Meeting (League members welcome) Meadows Conference Center, 2900 Live Oak Street, Dallas 75204
3	Monday OFFICE CLOSED	Labor Day
4	Tuesday	VOTER 3rd Quarter (July, August, and September) articles DUE
9	Sunday	National Grandparents Day
11	Tuesday	Patriot Day
12 - 13	Wednesday - Thursday	LWVD Unit Meetings - Alternative Facts and Social Media
13	Thursday 6:00pm	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
15	Saturday 11:00am	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
17	Monday	Constitution Citizenship Day
20	Thursday 6:00pm	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
20	Thursday	NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY
21	Friday	International Day of Peace
22	Saturday 11:00am	Volunteer Deputy Registrar Class Health & Human Services Bldg., 2377 N Stemmons Fwy., Room 627
23	Sunday	Fall Equinox
25	Tuesday	National Voter Registration Day
25 - 27	Tuesday - Thursday	LWVD General Meeting - Voting Information (these days reserved)
28	Friday 11:00 - 1:15	Annie's List Luncheon featuring Cecile Richards Sept. 28, 2018 at Fairmont Dallas, 1717 N Akard St., Dallas 75201
30	Sunday	LWVD Calendar Planning Meeting for Spring 2019 at Diane Tasian's home 2 - 4 pm; League members welcome - RSVP to Diane

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