

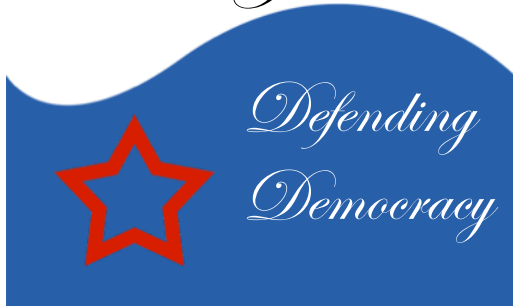


# The Voter

October 2022

League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area

100+ Years



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## In Memoriam

Lifetime League Member Lois Rubright passed away September 6 at Browning Masonic Community in Waterville. She was a very active member for many years and a past president of the Perrysburg League.

### October Topical Tuesday:

## Panel Will Tackle the Hot Topic of Media Literacy and Its Importance Today

The League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area and Way Library will welcome an expert panel – BGSU Librarian Colleen Boff, *Rossford Journal* Editor Beth Church, and Perrysburg High School Teacher Tim Kitson – on Tuesday, October 18, at 7 p.m. for a presentation on media literacy. The panelists will discuss the importance of media literacy in our lives and provide insight into their role in educating students and informing the public.

Colleen Boff has worked at Bowling Green State University (BGSU) since 1999. She began her career as the First Year Experience Librarian. In this capacity, she integrated information literacy into the first year curriculum and contributed to a variety of initiatives designed to retain and support first year students. She was the Associate Dean of



Colleen Boff

University Libraries at BGSU from 2012 through 2017. She currently serves as the Head Librarian of the Curriculum Resource Center and works with a team of three to provide outreach and instruction primarily to the students and faculty in the College of Education and Human Development.



Beth Church

Beth Church has served as editor of the *Rossford Record Journal*, a weekly newspaper that is part of the chain of four suburban newspapers of Welch Publishing Co. since 2004. She holds a Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Writing from Bowling Green State University and has served as a college writing professor since 2003.

Tim Kitson has been an English teacher at Perrysburg High School since 2011. He holds a Masters degree from Bowling Green State University.



Tim Kitson

This presentation is part of Way Library and the League's Topical Tuesday program.



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### **Mission Statement**

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan 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.

### **Web Site**

<https://my.lwv.org/ohio/perrysburg-area>

**The deadline for  
Voter articles is the  
25th of each month.**

## President's Letter



Happy Fall Dear League Members!

As you prepare your home for Halloween and Thanksgiving (pumpkin spice abounds!), have you given thought to how you are preparing yourself for the upcoming election? I think we are all aware of the state and local candidate races. I assume you spend time pouring over VOTE411 and our Voter Guide to understand candidate stances on issues that are important to you and your family. But did you know there are also 2 constitutional amendments on the ballot this year?

Both issues are considered **legislatively referred constitutional amendment** (LRCA). An LRCA is a proposed constitutional amendment that has been passed by our legislature and appears on the statewide ballot for voter ratification. Ohio requires voter approval before a proposed amendment becomes a part of the state's constitution.

The two issues on the November 8 ballot include:

**Ohio Issue 1**, To require courts to consider factors like public safety when setting the amount of bail.

**Ohio Issue 2**, To prohibit local government from allowing non-electors to vote.

Each issue will be listed on the ballot and will include 2 bullet points outlining the measure.

I am not sure if you are like me, but it is easy to be unprepared when seeing these issues on the ballot. Luckily, with just a little effort you can learn more. VOTE411.org has the complete issue language and includes pros and cons of a “yes” or “no” vote. Further, the Ohio Secretary of State website provides certified arguments for and against each issue as well as the certified explanation of the issue. <https://www.ohiosos.gov/legislation-and-ballot-issues/ballot-board/#ga>.

Please take some extra time to educate yourself before you head to the ballot box.

Thank you and best wishes for a wonderful October.

*Jacki Stedman*  
President

## Honoring the Past, Empowering the Future

Saturday, October 8, 10:30 a.m. to noon

Forest Cemetery

1704 Mulberry Street, Toledo, Ohio

The Toledo-Lucas County League of Women Voters (TLC-LWV) is planning a memorial celebration of one of their founding mothers, Olive Colton. She was a suffragist, writer, and feminist, the first woman in Toledo to vote in the school board election, as well as a founder of the TLC-LWV in 1921. During her lifetime she was honored by the league with the title of lifetime honorary president.

Miss Colton died in 1972 in Toledo at 99 years of age, unnoticed and unknown to the TLC-LWV. A local historian discovered her unmarked grave, giving the League the opportunity to right an egregious wrong. Dedication of a commemorative marker honoring Olive A. Colton and a tour of the cemetery featuring "Historic Women of Toledo" will follow the dedication. Announcement of a scholarship, the Cave Civic Award in honor of Mary Sue Deisher Cave will also take place.

Miss Colton's grave is in Forest Cemetery 1704 Mulberry Street, Toledo. Forest Cemetery is a historic Toledo cemetery and as such the roads are rough and parking might be complicated. Please arrive early and park on Mulberry St. For more information, visit the TLC League website at <https://www.lwvtoledo-lucascounty.org/>

### Exciting News and Invite for Saturday, October 8

Dr. Deborah Turner, President, Board of Directors, LWV United States, is coming to Toledo for a speaking engagement, and we are all invited to attend. LWV Toledo/Lucas County is presenting this event on Saturday, October 8, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the University of Toledo Recital Hall in the Center for Performing Arts Building, 1910 W. Rocket Drive, Toledo. The Performing Arts Building is number 13 on this map of the UT Campus: [Main Campus Map \(utoledo.edu\)](http://utoledo.edu).

**More Location Information:** The Performing Arts Building is located at 1910 W. Rocket Drive, Toledo (use for your GPS), at the corner of Towerview Blvd. and W. Rocket Drive. Enter the campus via the West Entrance off Secor Road onto West Towerview Blvd.

**Parking:** You may park in Parking Lot #12, across the street from the Center for Performing Arts. *Park only in parking spaces marked with yellow lines for this event.* DO NOT PARK IN THE WHITE-LINED SPACES – you will be ticketed if you park in the white-lined spaces.

**Carpool:** If you are interested in carpooling, either as a driver or a passenger, email [Debra.GreenleyGorman@gmail.com](mailto:Debra.GreenleyGorman@gmail.com) ASAP. If we have enough interest and drivers, we will let you know.

**Please Attend:** Give Dr. Turner a warm welcome. LWV Toledo/Lucas County has invited all League members from Ohio and Southeastern Michigan. Let's have a good representation from our League!



### Upcoming Meetings

For the most up-to-date information on League activities, click on ....

### [League Calendar](#)

**Sunday, Oct. 9** — 2 p.m. *Candidates Forum*, Viewing by television available at the Library.

**Tuesday, October 18** — 7 p.m. *Panel Discussion on Media Literacy*, PBHS Teacher Tim Kitson, BGSU Librarian Colleen Boff and Rossford Journal Editor Beth Church.

**Tuesday, November 22** — 7 p.m. Kathy Mull, Exec. Dir. of the Cocoon (Women's Shelter).

**Tuesday, December 13** — 7 p.m. *America's History in Our Backyard*, Ashley Philpot, Director of Fort Meigs..

**Wednesday, December 14** — 10 a.m., *Tour of Fort Meigs Museum*.

**Tuesday, December 6** — Noon, *Holiday Luncheon*, Hilton Garden Inn, Levis Commons.

**All meetings will be held at Way Library unless otherwise noted.**

**All programs will be announced on our web page and in *The Voter* as soon as the dates are secured.**

## LVW Candidate Forum Offers Public Opportunity To Ask Questions of Candidates in Two Upcoming Races

The annual Candidates Forum presented by the League of Women Voters Perrysburg Area and League of Women Voters Bowling Green will be held on Sunday, October 9, at 2 p.m. and offers the public an opportunity to ask questions of candidates for the Court of Appeals Judge District 6 and State Board of Education District 2 races.

Candidates for the Court of Appeals Judge, Tom Puffenberger and Charles Sulek, submitted all required paperwork and will participate in the Forum, as did candidates for the State Board of Education, Teresa Fedor and Sarah McGervey.

The Candidates Forum will be held virtually via livestream. Advanced registration is required by October 6, at [2022 Candidates Forum](#) or by going to the Way Public Library's Calendar of Events. In person viewing of the livestream is available at Way Public Library, the Wood County Library, and at other libraries to be determined. On-demand viewing (our most popular option) will be available a few days following the Forum via a link on each of the area's League of Women Voters' websites: [Bowling Green](#), [Perrysburg](#), and [Toledo/Lucas County](#).

The following races will also be on the November 8 ballot for some Wood County and Lucas County voters, but will not be represented during the forum: U.S. Congressional District 5, U.S. Congressional District 9, and Ohio House Representative District 75.

Candidates for U.S. Congressional District 9, Marcy Kaptur and J.R. Majewski, did not submit paperwork to participate in the Forum. U.S. Congressional District 5 candidate Bob Latta is unable to commit to participate and did not submit the required paperwork to participate. U.S. Congressional District 5 candidate Craig Swartz submitted all required paperwork to participate in the Forum. In Ohio House Representative District 75, candidate Haraz Ghanbari is unable to participate due to prior commitments, and candidate Jan Materni submitted all required paperwork to participate in the Forum.

The non-partisan policy of League of Women Voters precludes us from conducting a forum for any race when only one candidate running for the office will be present.

The LWV Perrysburg Area and LWV Bowling Green's annual Voter Guides will also be published this year. Candidate responses to questions prepared by the League, links to candidate social media, and more can be found at [Vote411.org](#) over the next coming days. The printed Voter Guide will be available in the *Perrysburg Messenger Journal* on October 5 and available in the *Sentinel-Tribune* on October 4.

### **Virtual Candidates Forum:** Sunday, October 9, at 2:00 PM **Three Ways to Be Informed**

- ✓ Livestreaming Day of Forum – [Registration Required](#)
- ✓ Livestream Viewing on Way Library's video screens Day of Forum –  
No Registration Required
- ✓ Available On-Demand at [LWVPA's Website](#) a few days after the Forum

### **Candidates Who Will Participate in the Forum**

- ✓ Court of Appeals Judge District 6
- ✓ State Board of Education District 2

**More Information at [LWVPA Homepage](#) and [Calendar](#)**



*Presented by  
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with Way Library*

# Want More Information on the November 8 Election?

Way Public Library has extra copies of the League's Voter Guide

and

Go to [Vote411.org](http://Vote411.org) to find out what's on your ballot.

At [Vote411.org](http://Vote411.org) you can also read additional Q&A with the candidates and find links to their websites and social media.



## Pertinent Dates for November 8 General Election

- 10/01/22, Saturday [Vote411.org](http://Vote411.org) available online
- 10/05/22, Wednesday Voter Guide published in Perrysburg Messenger Journal
- 10/06/22, Thursday Voter Guide extra copies available at Way Public Library
  
- 10/09/22, Sunday [Virtual Candidates Forum](#) at Way Public Library
  
- 10/11/22, Tuesday Deadline for voter registration for General Election
- 10/12/22, Wednesday Early In-Person Voting starts (see dates & times below)
  
- 11/07/22, Monday Postmark date for Vote-by-Mail ballots returned by U.S. Mail
  
- 11/08/22, Tuesday Election Day. Polls open from 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- 11/08/22, Tuesday Vote-by-Mail ballots not returned by mail, must be received by your county's Board of Election by 7:30 PM today

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### Early In-Person Voting

For Wood County residents, early voting takes place at:

Wood County Board of Elections

[www.co.wood.oh.us/boe](http://www.co.wood.oh.us/boe)

Wood County Courthouse,

One Courthouse Square

Bowling Green / 419-354-9120

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# Pertinent Dates for November 8 General Election *Continued from Page 5*

Weekdays, October 12 – 28: 8 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, October 29: 8 AM to 4 PM

Monday, October 31 – Friday, November 4: 8 AM – 7 PM

Saturday, November 5: 8 AM – 4 PM

Sunday, November 6: 1 PM – 5 PM

Monday, November 7: 8 AM – 2 PM

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## Vote-by-Mail

- ✓ ASAP send a completed absentee ballot application to your county Board of Elections.
- ✓ Follow the directions to complete and seal your ballot.
- ✓ Return your ballot by U.S. Mail, postmarked by 11/07/22; OR, deliver it in person to your county Board of Elections by 7:30 PM on 11/08/22.

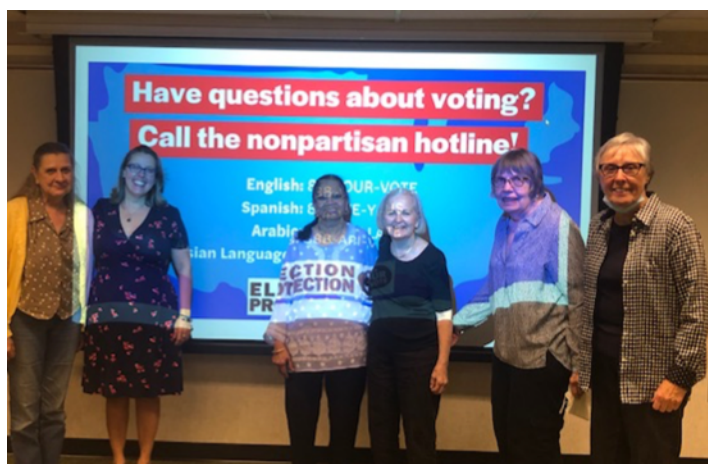
### **September Topical Tuesday with Jen Miller a Success!**

Thank you for turning out to see Jen Miller, Executive Director, League of Women Voters of Ohio, on September 13. We had over 35 interested league and community members from Perrysburg, Bowling Green and Toledo. Jen provided a historical look at the suffrage movement as well as updates on voter’s rights today. She emphasized the importance of the Election Protection hotline in answering questions for voters or reporting obstacles and overcoming barriers to voting. Visit the website for more information or to volunteer. <https://866ourvote.org/state/ohio/>

This Topical Tuesday was also the last event in Way Library’s *Let’s Talk about It* Suffrage program supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Thank you Natalie Dielman for her excellent work on the *Let’s Talk About It* series.



*Jen Miller*



*Ann Fabiszak Payne, Jen Miller, Leena Jhunhunwala, Sharon Dela-Hamaide, Carol Russell and Sue Brotje*



*Regional members joined Perrysburg for Jen Miller’s Topical Tuesday*

## ***Do You Want a Just Vote Please Sign?***

Have you noticed the “Just Vote Please” signs popping up in yards around town? Those are LWV signs! Email me today if you would like a sign(s) and we’ll plan to get it to you. (The sign is a “regular-sized” yard sign, 18” x 24” and comes with a frame.) *How does this help voters?* Reminds them to Vote, to submit their Absentee Ballot Application, or look up the early in-person voting calendar, or go to the polls on November 8.

Help Voters Today!

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