



# The Voter

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## League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area

*100 Years*



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### **LWVPA November 26 Meeting**

## **Meet and Greet with Police Chief Patrick Jones on Topical Tuesday**

The Perrysburg League of Women Voters and Way Library will host Perrysburg Chief of Police Patrick Jones for a Topical Tuesday on Tuesday, November 26, at 7 p.m.

The Chief will do a presentation on the future of the Perrysburg Police Division, including his vision for Perrysburg and the department's new radio system.

Chief Jones oversees a division that employs 35 sworn officers and 13 civilian employees. His duties include personnel and resources planning, maintenance of division policies, the preparation and management of an annual operating budget and general oversight of all services and functions of the Perrysburg Police Division.



*Perrysburg Police Chief Patrick Jones being sworn in by Mayor Tom Mackin.*

### **Welcome New LWVPA Members!**

We would like to welcome some new members to the Perrysburg League of Women Voters.

Joining us are Christy Besozzi, Lyn Fleure, Carrie Cufir, Bette Ann Gilwee, Noah Bunting, Stephanie Mattoni, Tracy Wimberly, and Carol Wilson.

We are always happy to see new faces, and we welcome the opportunity to work with and get to know fellow community members.

Please take the opportunity to introduce yourselves to new members at the next Topical Tuesday, Brews and Views or other League event.



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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](https://my.lwv.org/ohio/perrysburg-area)**

## Board Letter

Happy Autumn League Members,

Did you know there are 30 League Chapters in Ohio? All 30 chapters fall under the umbrella of the League of Women Voters of Ohio (LWVO).

The LWVO communicates with each League member via email to inform us of action alerts, lobbying efforts for policy change, and how we, as a local chapter or as an individual, can get involved to affect change.

One piece of the LWVO's communication chain that you may not have taken part in is the All-Member Call. Held on the first Tuesday of each month from noon – 1:00 p.m., every League member can join the call and hear more in-depth info about current activities the League is championing.

For instance, the October call was about Dark Money and was fascinating. A guest speaker gave us background information on the “dark” TV ads we were seeing related to the Ohio energy referendum that was taking place at the time of the call. We learned about the LWVO's plans (and how we as local chapters can get involved) to combat Dark Money in Ohio. It was certainly a call that fired you up!

The subjects vary from month-to-month, and since it is an All-Member Call, and not open to non-league members, the LWVO often shares strategies and behind-the-scenes info that we would not otherwise be privy to.

You don't have to sign up. Just watch your inbox and a couple days before the scheduled call you will receive an email from the LWVO. It will have a phone and pin number you will use to make the call. You should be on a phone that you can mute. Non-League members should not be invited to join the call.

The League is very prompt in starting and ending the call on time, so it is easy to schedule into your day. Take advantage of the All-Member Call. You will find it a worthwhile “perk” of being a League member.

*Debra Greenley Gorman*

Director, Voter Services

### ***We Have a New Web Site Address!***

Please note the Perrysburg League's new URL is:

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



## Upcoming Meetings

**Tuesday, Nov. 26**— 7 p.m.

Patrick L. Jones, Chief of  
Perrysburg Police Department

**Tuesday, Dec. 10** — Noon

*Holiday Luncheon.* Carranor

Club, Lucretia Mott on

Women's Rights in the 1860's

**Tuesday, January 14, 2020**

— 7 p.m. *Health of Lake Erie*

*and the EPA Research Vessel,*

*Lake Guardian,* Amy Boros,

Hull Prairie Intermediate

School Science Teacher

**Tuesday, January 21** —

Noon *Annual Program*

*Meeting.* Luncheon.

MEMBERS ONLY.

**Tuesday, February 25** — 7

p.m. *The Suffrage Movement,*

*Particularly in Regard to*

*Women of Color,* Chelsea

Griffis, Associate Lecturer at

University of Toledo

**Tuesday, March 24** — 7 p.m.

*Current US Immigration*

*Policy,* Patty Hernandez,

Attorney for ABLE

**Tuesday, April 14** — 7 p.m.

*School Safety,* Brook Price,

Perrysburg Schools Interim

Asst. Supt.

**Tuesday, May 12** — *Annual*

*Meeting,* 11 a.m. Carranor

Club, *Luncheon,* Noon,

LWVPA Scholarship, 100th

Anniversary of LWV

*\* All programs will be at Way  
Library, unless otherwise  
noted.*

# Please Join Us For The Perrysburg League of Women Voters Holiday Luncheon



on Tuesday, December 10  
11:30 a.m. Registration and Social Time  
Noon Luncheon

Carranor Club, 502 E. Second Street, Perrysburg

Lucretia Mott will be visiting us to tell about her stand  
on women's rights in the 1860's and more of her activities.

Meal Choices: chicken marsala or vegetarian pasta

Cost: \$21 Please mail check made out to LWV Perrysburg Area to  
Nancy Kelley  
14650 Dexter Falls Road, Perrysburg, OH 43551

Any questions, call Nancy Kelley at 419-866-6013

Reservation Deadline: Thursday, December 5

Guests are welcome.  
Please invite prospective members.

## Thank You Perrysburg Businesses

*By Carol Hall,  
Natural Resources Committee*

The Natural Resource Committee will have called on 75 local merchants in Perrysburg and Perrysburg township by November 19. Our message: We are a grass roots committee from the League of Women Voters, and we are asking you to switch from plastic to paper.

What is amazing to me is how many merchants are already knowledgeable and already are using only paper bags, take home boxes, etc.

How can you help? Gratitude. Whenever a merchant uses a paper bag, please thank him for helping to save the planet. Thank the waitress who does not automatically pass out straws. Thank the merchant who asks if you need a bag. And of course, to all of us: Let's Bring our Own Bags everywhere! That even beats paper!

# LWV of Perrysburg — Our Beginnings

by Nancy J. Kelley

## Part 3 “1960’s”

### FROM THE VILLAGE VOTER (League newsletter)

**Feb.15, 1960** — An article with the title *League of Women Pool* appeared which seems relevant — “What makes a League discussion different? 1. It is not “just talk.” 2. Each member takes part. 3. It promotes the kind of discussion that unites rather than divides. 4. It develops agreement on which to base action. 5. It pools ideas, information, facts and action. “C’mon get in the swim!”

**Feb. 28, 1961** — After 9 years membership stands at 146 but not many attended the last general membership meeting. The proposed Local Program for 1961-62 is: 1. A study of the operating Expense and Building Needs of the PB School district. 2. A study of PB Area Growth and Services. NOTE — After the study the group decided that PB needs a new high school but the League does not support the 3-mill operating levy.

**April 8, 1962** — At the April 28, 1962 meeting there was unanimous support for the proposed high school, and the League voted to assist with passage of the bond levy in the May election.

**Nov. 15, 1962** — Babysitting provided at the Carranor during the meeting — “slippers are suggested to soften the patter of little feet.” (Note: on Oct. 15, 1963 babysitting still provided for the morning at 50 cents)

**Nov. 15, 1963** — June Kruger, Voter Service chair, completed, with the aid of many members, a compilation of all unregistered voters residing in Perrysburg Township. The information was given to both political parties. This was the first time ever attempted!

**Sept. 15, 1964** — Membership last year reached 164. Dues should be renewed. They are \$4.00 a year. Members should push husbands to join.

**Nov. 15, 1965** — It was noted that 68% of the registered voters turned out for the Nov. 2 Election — 69.9% City and 65% Perrysburg Township.

**March, 1969** — Annual Finance Drive needs help. Also, membership so far is 64 members so there is a need for people to renew their membership.

