

LEADING AS THE LEAGUE

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LWVSCDE can help support the ERA!



The League of Women Voters-US has supported and pushed for ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) since it was first passed by Congress in 1972. In January of 2020, Virginia became the 38th and final state needed to ratify the ERA. As the ERA has met all requirements to be added to the US Constitution, **the League is pushing for it to be officially recognized as the 28th Amendment!**

Click on this link to send a letter [urging President Biden to instruct the Archivist to certify and publish the ERA](#). Further info on the ERA can be found at [LWVUS ERA](#).

Peace Week, Saturday, October 19- Sunday, October 27



The LWVSCDE and Chesapeake Bay Girl Scouts Troop 665 collaborated on a Delaware Peace Week project that was on display in October in the Lewes Public Library lobby including poems, short essays and artwork. Each Scout participant earned the Democracy and Citizenship Action badge. Ida Rowe, who organized the effort stated that it demonstrated how a collaborative and multigenerational community effort can promote and communicate peace.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 10AM-1PM

ALL-MEMBER MEETING

LWVSCDE: ALL HANDS ON DECK

SOUTHERN COASTAL LIBRARY, 43 KENT AVE., BETHANY BEACH

Bring a sack lunch

**Look for our keynote speaker announcement
in the January Newsletter!**

LWVSCDE HOLDS FIVE CANDIDATE FORUMS



*Governor's Forum candidate & volunteer photos donated by Wallace Hutchinson, Professional Photographer

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The LWVSCDE hosted five candidate forums from September 26 through October 29 for voters to meet the candidates vying for state and county offices in the Nov. 5 election. Sessions included candidates vying for various seats – Sussex County Council District 3, Senate District 6, and House of Representatives District 4 and District 20 – along with a statewide gubernatorial forum. At these well-attended forums, candidates answered written questions from the audience. All sites were accessible and American Sign Language interpreters were present at each forum. Over 500

people attended forums in person and another 500 people watched on YouTube. Online access to Vote411.org provided candidates' written responses to questions on pertinent issues such as climate change, homelessness, gun violence, women's choice, immigration, drug addiction, education as well as other specific issues. Thank you to the more than thirty volunteers who gave their time and those who contributed to these forums.

POSTCARDS



LWVSCDE encouraged registered voters in other states to get to the polls by writing personalized postcards as a reminder. Postcard writing supplies were provided thanks to Ida Rowe, and Lisa Malone hosted the group pictured here at her house.



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH FILM FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER

Monday Evening, March 24, 2025

Cinema Art Theater

Plan on responding to requests from event co-chairs Lisa Welle Malone and Donna Davis as planning gets underway.

Thank you to Denise Mueller for her work on this newsletter. Look for our next edition toward the beginning of January.

Want to know more about LWSCDE?

Get acquainted with the Board and its members as you find out more about what LWVSCDE is up to. Board meetings, held on Zoom, are open to all members as well as to the public!

Next meeting is Monday, 1/13 from 7:30pm - 9pm via Zoom

Get a link by emailing Website Administrator [Martha Rothenberg](#).

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