



We are glad to see the longer days and warmer weather! Lots on the calendar in the coming weeks and we hope to see many of you at the events listed below!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MARCH

- **Women's History Month Celebration** Tuesday, March 28, 5-7:30 PM, Gloucester Stage Company, 267 E Main St., Gloucester. Tickets available; link below.
- **Candidates Night** Thursday, March 30, 5:00 PM, Zoom recording becomes available

APRIL

- **Town Meetings** Saturday, April 1 - Hamilton meets at 9:00 AM at HWRHS Auditorium; Wenham meets at 1:00 PM at Buker Elementary.
- **Town Elections** Thursday, April 6, 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM
- **Walk & Talk** Saturday, April 15, 10:30 AM, Location and contact TBD, but mark your calendars!
- **New Member Get-Together** Wednesday, April 26, 6:00 PM, Dacia's home, 12 Puritan Rd., Wenham

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- **Book Group** Tuesday, May 16, 7:00 PM, Wenham COA, 10 School St.

WHAT'S NEWS:

 **CANDIDATES NIGHT/TOWN ELECTIONS** - Our Zoom event will be recorded on Wednesday, March 29th and made available for viewing the next day **AND WE STILL NEED YOUR QUESTIONS!**

The only contested race in the upcoming election this April is for the Wenham Select Board. What do you want to know to help make your choice? Candidate questions help voters make informed decisions ahead of Election Day, and **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

How you can help:

- What would you ask a candidate? **Submit your question(s)** to LeagueHW@gmail.com no later than March 26. Please use "Question for Candidate Night" on the subject line.

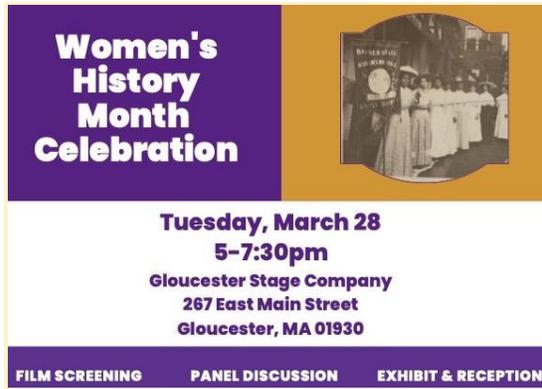
- **Spread the word** about Candidates Night and share the recording when it's available.
- The Hamilton and Wenham **Town Elections are Thursday, April 6 - make a plan and vote!**

All questions will be selected by the League and asked by the moderator. Please keep in mind that we may not be able to ask all questions that we receive and may need to combine your question with others that are of a similar topic. We also request that the questions to be submitted be neutral and unbiased to minimize the need for editing. Thank you for your help!

 **CIVICS BEE 2023!** - The Bee was a smash hit! It felt great to be back. Look for photos to be added to our website soon! We had nearly 200 folks attend and our winners were literally, confidently, called The Winners. We had to go to a tiebreaker to determine 2nd (The Bee Buzzers) and 3rd (Team Hadley) places.



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH - SPECIAL EVENT



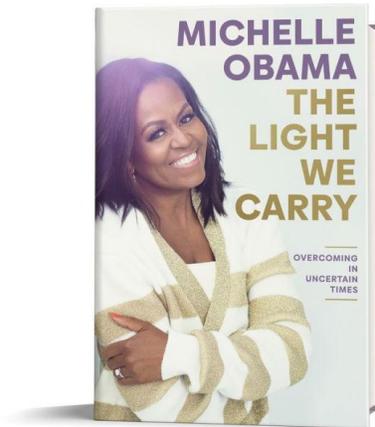
LWVMA is teaming up with local North Shore Leagues and other organizations to present a **Women's History Month Celebration** at Gloucester Stage Company on **Tuesday, March 28, 5-7:30 PM.**

The evening will feature a screening of Suffrage100MA's film "The Fight for Women's Suffrage: Looking Back, Marching Forward" followed by a panel discussion and reception.

Proceeds support the inaugural Massachusetts Civics Project Showcase in June.

[Tickets are \\$25 Available through LWVMA.org](https://www.lwvma.org)

 **BOOK GROUP** - We will meet on Tuesday, May 16th at 7pm at the Wenham COA to discuss our next book selection: Michelle Obama's *The Light We Carry: Overcoming in Uncertain Times*. Grab a copy and join us! (We have one copy left for \$20; [email MJ Brown](mailto:MJBrown) if you'd like to purchase!)



#1 BESTSELLER - *NEW YORK TIMES, USA TODAY*
ONE OF *TIME'S* 100 MUST-READ BOOKS OF 2022

In an inspiring follow-up to her memoir *Becoming*, former First Lady Michelle Obama shares practical wisdom and powerful strategies for staying hopeful and balanced in today's highly uncertain world.

There may be no tidy solutions or pithy answers to life's big challenges, but Michelle Obama believes that we can all locate and lean on a set of tools to help us better navigate change and remain steady within flux. How do we build enduring and honest relationships? **How can we discover strength and community inside our differences?** What tools do we use to address feelings of self-doubt or helplessness? What do we do when it all starts to feel like too much?

Learn more at [Goodreads.com](https://www.goodreads.com)

NEW AND ONGOING INITIATIVES:

There are ways to get involved with the League that fit every schedule. If you want to be a part of any upcoming efforts, or have an interest in joining the Steering Committee or a subcommittee, please let us know. **You can reply to this email, or contact us at LeagueHW@gmail.com.**

→ **Speaker/Forum Series** - This is such an exciting initiative and a chance to get in on the ground floor of something we really hope has a long life in the community! We have been awarded a generous grant by the Local Cultural Council and are working in partnership with the HW Library to create a speaker series on topics of local interest including:

- Water Resources & Conservation
- Media Literacy
- Affordable Housing
- Civics 101
- Local Print Journalism (as a cornerstone of democracy)
- Sustainability

Have ideas? Potential speaker contacts? Want to help organize or take the lead on an event? Let us [know your thoughts](#).

→ **Voter Registration** - Interested in helping at future drives? Have a location or event idea where we can register voters? [Drop us a line!](#)

→ **Book Group** - Have a good read you'd like to share and discuss with a group of smart, friendly, and engaged Leaguers? [Let us know](#). We'd love to crowd-source our next reads!

→ **Walk & Talk** - We usually meet at 10:30 on the third Saturday of the month and walk for about an hour, enjoying some of the natural beauty around the area as well as each others' company! Our next walk is Saturday, March 18, location TBD. Have a favorite walk location? [Share it with us](#) and maybe we can enjoy it together.

Interested in becoming a member? Let us know or simply have them [join online!](#)