



## October 2025

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Mark your calendars for our upcoming events—each one an opportunity to make an impact, meet inspiring people, and continue the work of empowering voters and protecting our democracy. Your participation is key to strengthening our collective voice!

### Highlights (details, below)

New Member wine and cheese reception  
Boston Public Library Tour & Lunch with Boston Public Radio  
No Kings Rally  
Afternoon Tea: Special Town Meeting Hot Topics  
Boston Women's 10K- Support Tanya Roy!

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## LWV Wellesley Engagement

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### Welcome Wine and Cheese Party

#### New Members to the League of Women Voters Wellesley

Please join us to meet other members of the LWVW and hear about upcoming events!

When: Thursday, October 16th, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Where: 14 Dover Road, Wellesley, 02482

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### Tour of the Boston Public Library and Lunch with Boston Public Radio

**October 17, 10:30-1:00**  
**700 Boylston St., Boston**

Join your friends (old and new) for a private tour of the Boston Public Library. Why a library tour? Most people don't know that the original purpose of libraries in this country was because Thomas Jefferson believed that an educated citizenry was essential for a functioning democracy; he believed that access to knowledge was crucial to an informed citizenry and empowered self-governance. He wrote "An informed citizenry is the only basis on which democracy can flourish". We will tour the new addition, digitization lab, and some very special rooms in the old McKim

**Building. This special tour will be going through restricted areas not usually seen by the public!**

After the tour, we will enjoy lunch together in the Newsfeed Cafe while watching the live broadcast of WGBH's Boston Public Radio.

Take the MBTA Green Line with us (leaving Woodland Station at 9:20am), carpool, or meet us at the main door of the BPL at 10:15. We need a count and will help coordinate transportation, so please let us know you're coming by emailing: [LWVWellesley2@gmail.com](mailto:LWVWellesley2@gmail.com).

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## NO KINGS RALLY

The No Kings Rally is more than just an event – it's a call for justice, equality, and a reminder that true leadership comes from the people.

Please join our local rally on Saturday, October 18th on the Wellesley Town Green.

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## Afternoon Tea: Special Town Meeting Hot Topics

October 23rd, 3:45pm- 5:00pm

Home of Rekah Sampath, 7 Wildon Road, Wellesley

Join fellow LWVW members for a cup of tea and to discuss the issues coming to special town meeting, which commences on Monday, November 3rd.

Special guests will be citizen petitioners, Anya Khera and Kourosh Farboodmanesh, and School Committee members Linda Chow and Niki Ofenloch.

Anya and Kourosh will share why they believe 17 year olds should be allowed to vote in Wellesley local elections. Linda and Niki will update us on plans for the Team Rooms at the Wellesley High School. Other town meeting articles are also open for discussion. To view the warrant, click [here](#).

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## LWVW Book Read

### Invisible Women, by Caroline Criado Perez

We invite you to join us as we discuss **Invisible Women: Exploring Data Bias in A World Designed By Men**. Details of the March discussion will be forthcoming, but now is a good time to start reading!

This book is available from the Wellesley Free Library in paper, e-book, or audio book.

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**Engage in LWV beyond Wellesley**

# LWVMA & Boston Women's 10K

On **Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**, history will be made as 9,000 runners/walkers from across the Commonwealth lace up for the 49<sup>th</sup> Boston 10K for Women.

**Tanya Roy, a LWVMA Board Member and member of our local League** will be representing the hard work our community has put into standing at the front lines of our democracy.

*"I am running on Team LWVMA@105 in the 49th annual Boston 10K for Women in support of the invaluable League of Women Voters of Massachusetts. I believe in the power of informed and active participation in our democracy and what organization better exemplifies this than LWVMA! The League deserves our support as it works tirelessly to ensure fair elections, expand voter access, and provide nonpartisan education on critical issues affecting our communities. By running this race, I'm not only celebrating women's strength and resilience but also helping to amplify the important mission of the League."*

We can support Tanya cross the finish line and fuel the vital work of the League of Women Voters MA, protecting democracy, empowering & educating voters, and preparing the next generation of leaders.

**Give a gift** to Tanya, every dollar raised fuels voter education and civic engagement.

**Send encouragement**- share messages of support that will motivate our team through the finish line.

**Cheer in person**- Come to Boston on race day - cheer on our League runners/walkers to victory and show the power of our movement!

**Spread the word**- encourage friends and family to give – spread the word in your networks!

Choose Tanya, or any teammate you'd like to support [HERE](#)

Together, we will ensure our Team LWVMA@105 runners/walkers cross the finish line knowing their League family & community are behind them!

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## Democracy in Your Hands

Join us in attending the virtual training series entitled Democracy in Your Hands, June - October 2025. This educational opportunity is part of the Unite and Rise initiative announced by LWVUS president Dianna Wynn in her 6/13/2025 email. This virtual training series will outline how Leagues can activate and mobilize their communities in this rapidly changing political environment and make a lasting impact.

The first three sessions of this five part series were held in June, July and August and were entitled Understanding Media Literacy, Championing Issues That Matter Most to You, and Understand the Three Branches of Government. [To watch the YouTube video of Understanding Media Literacy, click here.](#)

The remaining session:

Oct. 22, 3:30pm ET | Building Coalitions to Amplify Action

Find the upcoming agendas and more information on each session [HERE](#).

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## **SAVE THE DATE**

October 11: Boston 10K for Women

October 14: LWVW Board Meeting, 3:30-5:30PM, Upham School. All are welcome!

October 16: New Member Wine & Cheese reception

October 17: Tour of the Boston Public Library & Lunch with Boston Public Radio

October 18: No Kings Rally

October 23: Afternoon Tea: Special Town Meeting Hot Topics

November 3: Fall Special Town Meeting starts

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