

## The Centre County LWV Member Update

Spring has finally arrived! And not a moment too soon. But although life has some resemblance to "normal" now, we still must remain vigilant, get vaccinated, wear a mask in public places, maintain social distancing and wash our hands frequently. Please stay well!

We're trying a new format for our updates. Let us know what you think!

## **Centre County:**

Candidates' Night will be held via Zoom on Thursday, April 29, at 7:00 pm. You can watch the program live on C-Net Channel 7 or watch a recorded video later on our website:

<a href="https://www.entrecounty.org">www.entrecounty.org</a>. Local offices represented include: District Attorney, a District Judge,

Borough Councils, Mayors, Township Supervisors and School Board members. Candidates in contested primary races have been invited to participate. Those candidates running unopposed have not been invited to our primary candidates' night, but will be included in our fall candidates' night.

**ACTION**: We are seeking questions for the races represented. Please email questions, with the specific contest noted in the subject line, to <a href="https://www.uvcentrecounty@gmail.com">www.uvcentrecounty@gmail.com</a>. We will make every effort to include them that evening!

Our **postcard campaign** is now underway. The goal is to educate thousands of non-affiliated and independent voters about their right to vote on the PA constitutional amendments on the primary ballot on May 18. To vote for candidates, voters must be affiliated with either the Democratic or Republican party. The last day to change party affiliation or register to vote is **May 3**. A list of voters, postcards and postage are being provided to volunteers who are willing to address the postcards, write a sentence encouraging the voter to vote, and drop them into the mail by the conclusion of the campaign on **April 23**.

**ACTION:** To participate in this safe and no-contact campaign, please email us at <a href="https://www.no-contact.com/www.no-co

We've updated our SPRING 2021 ELECTIONS FLYER with critical info and deadlines (available on our website: <a href="https://www.ncg">www.ncg</a>) in coordination with the Centre County Office of Elections. Copies have been distributed to food banks, senior living residences and other places we have identified.

**ACTION:** Please print and share the flyer and post in any spot you think is appropriate. The more visibility the better!

Our **banner add-ons** are scheduled to go up soon on the lamp posts in downtown State College. Be sure to take a look, take a picture and send it to us or post on instagram with the hashtag #LWVCC,

We anticipate that our **Voter's Guide** will be published in the Centre Daily Times and on our website in May prior to the election.

### Pennsylvania:

These proposed Pennsylvania **constitutional amendments** will be on your ballot this primary election:

- 1) Pennsylvania Legislative Resolution to Extend or Terminate Emergency Declaration Amendment
- 2) Pennsylvania Emergency Declarations Amendment
- 3) Equal Rights Regardless of Race or Ethnicity Amendment

Learn more about the pros and cons of these amendments on our website and on Vote411.org.

The LWVPA is co-sponsoring a series of presentations entitled, *End Prison Gerrymandering* in *PA: Unfair district lines take away power from impacted communities.* A Zoom presentation focused on North Central PA will be held on April 15. Click here to learn more and register <a href="https://actionnetwork.org/events">https://actionnetwork.org/events</a>

#### **Important Dates:**

- **April 20** LWVCC Steering Committee meeting, 12 noon via Zoom. All members are welcome to attend. Email\_lwvcentrecounty@gmail.com to receive a link to attend.
- **April 29** Candidates' Night -7PM on C-Net Channel 7
- **May 3** Last day to register to vote, change party affiliation, name or address. Visit <a href="mailto:centrecountyvotes.com">centrecountyvotes.com</a> to register or make changes. You must be affiliated with the Democratic or Republican party to vote for candidates. But all registered voters can vote on the PA constitutional amendments
- **May 11** Last day to apply for an absentee or no-excuse mail-in-ballot. Visit <u>centrecountyvotes.com</u> to apply.
- **May 18** Primary Municipal Election. Polls open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Mail ballots must be received by the Elections Office by 8:00 pm (postmarks do not count).

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