



The Centre County LWV July Member Update

Your new Leadership Team is busy at work planning the events for the coming year. Note below the important dates for the upcoming election. It will be here before we know it. With COVID restrictions easing we are hopeful that we can participate in voter registration events in person in the coming months. If you are interested in becoming trained in voter registration and becoming a member of our **Voter Registration and Education Team**, please reach out to Sue Sargo at ssargo4@gmail.com. Sue is particularly interested in outreach to the senior communities within our county. Please let Sue know if you're interested in lending a hand with this initiative. The more volunteers we have the more events we can cover!

And we offer a special shout out to our outgoing Co-Presiding Officer, **Sue Sargo**, who served in that role for four years and will continue to be a member of our Leadership Team as Secretary. As with many members of our Steering Committee, Sue wears several hats, also serving as the lead on our Voter Registration and Education Team. Thank you, Sue, for all that you do for the League!

Centre County:

If you're a relatively new member to our League, you may hear from Deanna Behring who is shepherding our **New Member Involvement Team**. Working with our Membership Chair, Cindy Hahn, Deanna will be welcoming new members and orienting them to our League.

Plans for this fall's **Voter's Guide and Candidates' Nights** have begun. Please let us know if you're interested in helping with either of these important League initiatives.

Recognizing that the 2022 election cycle will be a busy one, we will not be sending out **postcards** to voters this fall but instead will dedicate those resources to next year's primary and general elections. Pennsylvanians will be

looking in 2022 at candidates for Governor, Senator, and Congressional races. As always our objective is to educate voters on the candidates and on the election process and increase voter turnout. If there are changes to the voting laws within our commonwealth, educating voters about new provisions will be of utmost importance.

If you're in downtown State College for **LION Bash** on September 8th, stop and say "hi" to Sara Bresler and Marion Sheridan who will be at the LWVCC table!

We're still looking for more brave souls to play the Jeopardy-style Constitution game on **Constitution Day**. Thank you, Mark Lafer, who volunteered to represent the LWVCC in the competition! Email us if you'd like to participate! Come out and cheer on our team from 1:00 to 2:30 on Sunday, September 26 on the outdoor patio of the American Legion Post 245, off Science Park Road and West College Avenue.

Pennsylvania:

We encourage you to read the [LWV of PA statement on SB735 and HB1300](#). Contact your state representatives and let them know that changes to the election code are matters for appropriate legislation and regulation. "Amending the Constitution should be reserved for enshrining rights, not imposing requirements."

LWVPA is a member of the [Open Primaries PA Coalition](#), a growing partnership of civic, community and business organizations committed to open and free elections in Pennsylvania that lead to responsive and accountable government. We encourage you to learn more about this important [issue](#).

An excellent resource of staying informed on the status of the [Redistricting Hearings](#) is hosted by FairDistricts PA. Fairly drawn redistricting maps are critical to fair representation in our commonwealth. Redistricting only happens once every ten years - after the census. Your support is vital!

National:

The LWV continues to advocate for [S1, the For the People Act](#), the John Lewis Voting Rights Act, and DC Statehood as proposed in [The Washington DC](#)

[Admission Act, S51](#). The Brennan Center for Justice offers an excellent [review of the state laws](#) that will restrict access to voting. Make your voices heard! Speaking of **making your voices heard**, Congressman Fred Keller, PA 12th Congressional District, will be holding a Telephone Town Hall on **Monday, July 26 at 7:30 PM**. Dial in at 866-641-6837 or listen live at keller.house.gov/live. Here is the link to sign up for the next [Tele-Town Hall](#) hosted by Congressman Glenn Thompson representing PA 15th Congressional District.

Your support of free, fair, and informed elections and your involvement in the League have never been more important! Thank you!

Important Dates:

August 7 - *15th Anniversary of Vote411*
August 17 - Steering Committee Meeting (noon)
August 18 - *101st Anniversary of the Ratification of the 19th Amendment*
September 8 - LION Bash in Downtown State College
September 21 - Steering Committee Meeting (noon)
September 26 - Constitution Day celebration and contest
September 28 - *National Voter Registration Day*
October - *Voter Education Month*
October 18 - LAST day to register for the November Election
October 19 - Steering Committee Meeting (noon)
October 26 - LAST day to apply for an absentee or mail-in ballot
Nov 2 - **MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

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