

ANNOUNCEMENT

Merger of the LWV of the Harrisburg Area and the LWV of the Carlisle Area

We are pleased to announce the merger of the League of Women Voters of the Harrisburg Area with

the League of Women Voters of the Carlisle Area, effective May 15, 2023. In the past two years the two Leagues have increasingly worked together on programming and voter outreach projects, with great success.

Our partnership has been a strong and effective one for both organizations. We've exchanged resources and information, coordinated activities, and shared our energy and commitment to the mission of the League of Women Voters. Joining forces to unite our organizations and our service areas is the logical next step for both. For both organiza-



tions, our merger holds the promise of a fresh start, filled with energy, determination and renewed commitment to the work of protecting our democratic electoral process. Updates to website, social media handles, sites, email, etc. to follow.

We look forward to continuing our work together as *The League of Women Voters of the Pennsylvania Capital Region!*

LWVHA Annual Meeting was held on May 15th via Zoom. Our guest speaker was Dr. Joyce Davis, Opinion Editor of PennLive and the Patriot News. Agenda items were the Annual Meeting Report, last year's meeting minutes, League Bylaws, League Program and Proposed Area of Study, and League policies. Thank you to all who participated.

TEAM UPDATES & OPPORTUNITIES

If interested in joining a team, please email the team lead at lwvhbg@gmail.com.

<u>Communications Team</u> Check out our Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook social media platforms! All can be accessed through our website at <u>League of Women Voters of Harrisburg (lwvhbg.org)</u>. If interested in joining this team, please contact Krysta P.



Events & Programs Team This team is seeking member input on topics of interest to plan programs and events throughout the year. If you have suggestions or are interested in joining this team, please contact Sherry R (interim lead).

<u>Membership Team</u> This team aims to grow membership and engagement. We are currently at about 108 members. If interested in joining this team, please contact Rae N..

Nominations Team This team seeks nominees for the Steering Committee and board of officers. If interested in joining this team, please contact Deb E.

<u>Voter Services & Registration Team</u> This team coordinates and staffs voter registration drives in various local settings. If interested in joining this team, please contact Deb E. or Iris I..

<u>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Team</u> The LWVPA Equity Initiative Webinar on 4/24 addressed environmental justice which advocates communities should not be disproportionally exposed to adverse environmental/health impacts nor receive an inequitably low share of environmental benefits. Special observances in June include LGBTQ Pride Month, Caribbean American Heritage Month, and Juneteenth. If interested in joining this team, please contact Patty L.







Editor's Note: New Editor Wanted!

June will be my last newsletter. If you are interested in taking over, please contact me or Sherry R.. I'll gladly help interested parties get started. Please note the newsletter does not have to be monthly, nor does it have to be created by one person. Team effort is highly encouraged.



UPCOMING EVENTS

To register for LWVHA events and/or for more information, visit

Upcoming Events — League of Women Voters of Harrisburg (lwvhbg.org)



LWVPCA Partner Event: Power to the Hill (P2H) Juneteenth Voter Celebration Day

June 17, 9:45am-1:30pm in Harrisburg

Access Join P2H for their monthly Voter Engagement Day activities in the Allison Hill neighborhood of Harrisburg. Experienced canvassers team with volunteers to check in with neighbors, continuing to educate the community on why voting is important. For more information or to volunteer, visit Power 2 the Hill or LWVHA's Upcoming Events website.



LWVPA on PA Redistricting: Lessons Learned and Next Steps for Reform

May 31, 8:30pm-10:15pm via Zoom

Access The next redistricting cycle is just a few legislative cycles away, so work needs to begin soon on redistricting reform efforts. This virual panel discussion celebrates the successes and considers lessons learned, best practices, and questions of importance for future reforms. To register, go to Events — League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania (palwv.org)

In League, Sherry R, President, LWVHA, lwvhbg@gmail.com

Visit our website at League of Women Voters of Harrisburg (lwvhbg.org)

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