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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



As members of the Richmond Metro League, we can work with Leaguers across Virginia by joining LWV-VA advocacy groups. The role of these groups is to help identify and develop legislative and regulatory reform and identify educational opportunities for interested members.

Looking toward the opening of the General Assembly session, consider what issues you may want to work on - a subject to which you bring expertise, or perhaps there's an issue you've always been drawn to and want to learn more about. In any event, you'll be teaming up with like-minded people on the state league board and in some or all of the Virginia local leagues.

The League of Women Voters, at the national, state, and local levels, takes action on an issue or advocates for a cause when an existing League position supports the issue or speaks to the cause. Read about the LWV-VA state positions that support these advocacy groups at <https://lwg-va.org/action/lwg-va-positioned-for-action/>.

I encourage all our members, long-time and newer members, to join a LWV-VA state advocacy group and get involved. You can join a group or learn more about any of these groups at <http://bit.ly/LWVCommitteeSignUp>. All meetings are virtual and will continue to be to facilitate state-wide meetings of members.

### LWV-VA Advocacy Groups

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Affordable Housing           | Child Care        |
| Domestic Violence            | Education         |
| Voter Access                 | Election Security |
| Diversity, Equity, Inclusion | Environment       |
| Campaign Finance Reform      | Justice           |
| Gun Violence Prevention      | Redistricting     |
| Transportation               |                   |

--- Lynn McMartin



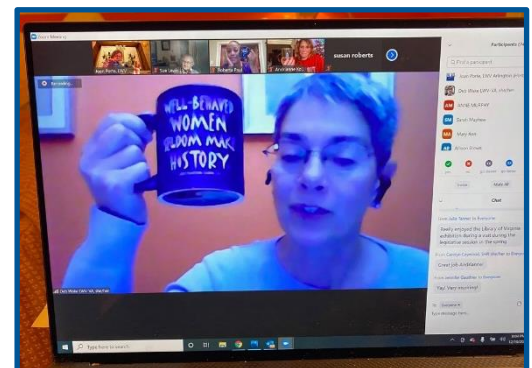
**CALENDAR**

Date	Event	Time	Location
December 2020			
15	LWV-RMA Board Meeting	3:00 pm-5:00 pm	Zoom
16	LWV-RMA DEI Committee	11:00 am-12:00 pm	Zoom
18	LWV-RMA Election Modernization - Observation Teams	12:00 pm-1:30 pm	Zoom
18	<a href="#">Holiday Happy Hour</a>	5:30 pm-6:30 pm	Zoom
January 2021			
19	LWV-RMA Board Meeting	3:00 pm-5:00 pm	Zoom
13	General Assembly 2021 Session convenes		Virtual
13, 20, 27	Women’s Legislative Roundtable	8:30 am-9:30 am	TBD
27	LWV-VA League Day		TBD
28	LWV-RMA DEI Committee	11:00 am-12:00 pm	Zoom
February			
3	Women’s Legislative Roundtable	8:30 am-9:30 am	TBD
16	LWV-RMA Board Meeting	3:00 pm-5:00 pm	Zoom
25	LWV-RMA Black History Month Commemoration: Black Literature Read-In	1:00 pm-3:00 pm	Zoom
28	LWV-RMA DEI Committee	11:00 am-12:00 pm	Zoom

Please check the [calendar on our website](#) or the Mini-Leaguer for events scheduled after this issue was published.

**Save the Date!** LWV Virginia’s State Convention will take place **May 22-23, 2021**, at Hilton Alexandria Mark Center in Alexandria, VA. Watch for details about registering to attend this event.

The **Mini-Leaguer** comes to your inbox on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. Thanks to VP Carol Stephens, this email brings you the latest information about coming events. To make sure the “Mini” gets to your inbox, add [communications@lwv-rva.org](mailto:communications@lwv-rva.org) to your Contacts.



LWV-VA President Deb Wake toasts the League’s 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Zoom

## WHAT'S COMING UP

## Advocacy Program Planning



## Annual Advocacy Program Planning Meeting

Saturday, January 23, 2021

10am – 1pm via Zoom

Wondering what the League does and what you can do in the League? Be part of the all-member meeting when we plan our advocacy action for the upcoming year.

**The featured speaker for our session will be Rev. Benjamin P. Campbell**, Pastoral Associate at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, civil right activist, founder of Richmond Hill spiritual retreat center, and author of *Richmond's Unhealed History*, about which reviewers have said

Writing as a local pastor, theologian, and modern-day prophet, he exposes the ugly truth of Richmond's past and how the injustices of earlier periods haunt metropolitan Richmond today. Yet, he argues, what better place than Richmond for those unaware of the truth, those scarred by it, and those who deny it to listen to each other and engage in an honest conversation about the past and the inequities that divide the city today. Could not Richmond, Campbell asks, model for the rest of the country how truth-telling can lead to redemption and reconciliation? This is a unique book that should be required reading for every Richmonder, better yet, every American.

--- John V. Moeser, Senior Fellow,  
Bonner Center for Civic Engagement, University of Richmond.

In addition, we have three goals for this meeting. **First**, to review LWV Richmond Metro's advocacy positions. Do we have positions we want to delete, update, study, restudy, and/or advocate over the next year?

**Second**, we will review the state League's advocacy positions in preparation for the LWV-VA Convention in June 2021. Are there new issues that should be studied at the state level? Do current state positions need updating? Are there positions/issues that should have priority for action? Are there positions that should be removed because they no longer apply or have been accomplished?

Both the Richmond Metro and LWV-VA positions can be found through this link: <https://www.lwv-rva.org/lwv-positions/>

**Third**, we will plan our LWV-Richmond Metro advocacy activities for the year. These might include educating ourselves through committees, providing public forums for discussion and education, developing educational materials, organizing letter-writing efforts, providing guest commentary to newspapers, testifying to local boards and commissions, developing educational materials, or lobbying local elected officials.

Throughout, we will have some fun and catch up with League friends.

For more information, contact Karen Rosenblum, 1st Vice President for Program.

--- Karen Rosenblum

# Black History Commemoration

## A BLACK LITERATURE READ-IN

### THE 2021 BLACK HISTORY COMMEMORATION



SPONSORED BY

The League of Women Voters  
Richmond Metropolitan Area

Saturday, February 27, 2021

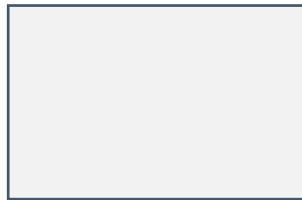
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Via

ZOOM



THE PUBLIC IS INVITED!



In 2021 the LWV-RMA goes literary during Black History month. The annual Black History Commemoration will be a **read-in of Black literature**. Black History Month evolved from Negro History Week, instituted in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, an American historian. It was celebrated on a date between the birthdates of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. At this joyous celebration, poems and prose by noted black writers were recited, and the meetings always ended with the singing of spirituals and the Negro National Anthem. This was a way to remind black people of the cultural aspects of their race.

The 2021 LWV-RMA Black History Commemoration is scheduled as a Zoom gathering on **Saturday, February 27th, at 1:00-3:00 p.m.** In the tradition of the original black history week, members of the LWV-RMA and some of our partner organizations will read short selections—prose or poetry—by Black writers. Participants are urged to volunteer themselves as readers. Readers will have ten minutes each to read a selection. There will be an

opportunity after each reading for audience response—comments or questions.

If you want to read a selection but would like a suggestion about what to read, check out these websites: “10 Most Famous Black Poets and Their Best Known Poems” at <https://learnodo-newtonic.com/famous-black-poets> or “Famous Black Writers” at <https://www.biography.com/people/groups/black-writers>. Let Mabel Wells or Virginia Cowles know if you plan to join as a reader or a listener so that we can put you on the Zoom notification list. We hope that you will participate in this event.

--- Virginia Cowles



## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee is developing a DEI Policy for the Richmond Metro League that is derived from the [LWV-US DEI Policy](#). It will remind us to view all of our activities through a lens that aims to eliminate barriers to participation by any person. The DEI Policy will be submitted to the Board for approval and will be published on our website. The Committee appreciates the strong support of our President, Lynn McMartin, in furthering DEI goals.

Twenty-four members of our League attended a panel discussion hosted by the Committee on October 22. Entitled “LWV-RMA, Then and Now”, the meeting heard reflections from long-time members Elizabeth Smith, Mabel Wells, Virginia Cowles, and Lynn Johnston. Their memories of the challenges of embracing diversity over our history gave us much to think about. Thanks to Alice Tousignant for serving as moderator for the panel.

We are making plans for a group discussion of a book by Dr. Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins, former President of LWV-US, titled “**The Untold Story of Women of Color in the League of Women Voters**”. Watch for more information about this meeting, to which all members will be invited.

The LWV-US website has many resources for exploring DEI principles. You can browse these resources at <https://www.lwv.org/league-management/diversity-equity-inclusion>.

--- Doris Bey

## Legislative Action

### Women’s Legislative Roundtable

Every year during the Virginia General Assembly Session, the LWV-VA provides a nonpartisan forum once a week on Wednesday mornings to discuss public policy and legislation. We invite legislators and leaders of non-profit groups to talk about their priority issues and legislation. We also invite LWV-VA Issue Group leaders to talk about their advocacy.

This year our WLRTs will be held virtually on Zoom on **Wednesdays, 8:30am**, starting January 13. We have a short Session this year, only 4 weeks, so we will have 4 meetings.

The LWV-VA Legislative Team has made a tentative schedule of WLRTs with topics as follows:

- Jan. 13 Voting Rights (make permanent this year’s Covid-related voter access changes), 100 % Right to Vote, Felons’ Rights
- Jan 20 Campaign Finance Reform, National Popular Vote Compact, Voting Rights Act (Pre-clearance in Virginia)
- Jan 27 **League Day**: Criminal Justice Reform (including legalization of marijuana, marriage equality), Education, Broadband Access
- Feb 3 Environment Issues, Final Bills

\*Please note that topics for WLRTs are subject to change.

--- Mary Crutchfield

## WHAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED

Hats off to our members! Congratulations, Richmond Metro Leaguers! Look at all you accomplished in the last three months!

### Vote411

- Sent **survey questions** to all candidates in local elections. A record high of 76% responded.
- Sponsored **two billboards** – on Hull Street and Hilliard Road—to capture the attention of underserved voters.

### Voter Information Fact Sheets – English and Spanish

- Wrote fact sheets and distributed more than 4,000 paper copies to 120 organizations, including the Chesterfield Food Bank and Meals on Wheels.
- Efforts targeted those least likely to vote – Richmond Metro citizens who are low income, people of color, youth, and the elderly.
- Sent electronic versions to local housing groups, which distributed them to tenants and clients, and to the Virginia Housing Alliance for statewide distribution.
- Posted fact sheets on our website, Facebook, and Instagram accounts, and also provided them to LWV-VA and local leagues across Virginia.

### Electoral Board Observation

- Observed a dozen local Electoral Board meetings in four localities. Reports from our 25 member-observers became the basis of information on Early Voting and Drop Box locations on LWV Richmond Metro website.

### GOTV Car Parade

- Launched a Get Out the Vote Car Parade Oct. 1, driving our decorated cars through VCU, Downtown, Jackson Ward, Virginia Union University, and the Museum District.

### Sandwich Boards

- Created five Sandwich Boards with up-to-date registration and voter information.
- Hosted them at Ellwood Thompson Grocery, Carytown Starbucks, the Jewish Community Center, and one at Superior Radiator Coil in Chesterfield at their request.

### Posters

- Hung more than 30 poster-size fact sheets in Richmond and Ashland businesses.

### NBC News Channel 12 Call Bank

- Answered voters' questions on-air the night before and morning of the election and held a special training session for our participating volunteers.

### Postcards

- Wrote over 600 postcards in support of Virginia's Constitutional Amendment establishing a bipartisan redistricting commission.

### Panel Discussions

- Challenges of Youth Voter Turnout
- The Old Dominion Meets the 21st Century
- The League, the Legislature, and Legislative Actions

### Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- Launched Richmond Metro's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEI) and managed the LWV-VA DEI initiative.
- Hosted a panel discussion with trailblazers on the topic, "The History of Diversity in the LWV Richmond Metro – Then and Now."

### Affordable Housing

- Led the LWV-VA Affordable Housing Study.
- Presented it at the Governor's Housing Conference and to four local leagues.

### Regional Transportation

- Read transportation planning documents and attended virtual meetings in preparation for advocacy.

### LWV Richmond Metro YouTube

- Launched our very own baby YouTube station.

### Two Social Hours

- Celebrated ourselves.

### LWV-VA Legislative Preview Session

- A record 25 members attended the Pre-Session!

--- Karen Rosenblum

## Membership & Engagement

A very warm welcome to all of our new members! And a sincere thank you to all of our Leaguers who have been engaged in the activities that work toward being Defenders of Democracy.

We've been working to get to know as many of our members as possible. It helps to know a little about you, as well as how you'd like to be involved in the League. There are many ways to participate and if any of our members are looking for how best to use their talents, please let us know.

Throughout this publication there are committee reports and each of these committees would appreciate member involvement. Check the Mini Leaguer that comes out every two weeks for dates, times of and contact information for meetings and other events. And if you're simply looking for a way to be with other members, please join us for a Happy Hour!

The Membership and Engagement Committee meetings were on hold the last couple of months since many of our members were working on voter service activities. But in January we'll begin to meet again. We welcome your joining in.

Happy Holidays and may you and all the people you love and who love you be safe!

### Member Meetings: Preparation for Legislative Advocacy



While some of us are still catching our breath from work during the election, others are starting to focus on the upcoming General Assembly session, and the bills that it may consider.

For Leaguers who expressed an interest in the legislature and for those who are recent newcomers to Richmond, we were pleased to host a presentation by Dr. Toni Michelle Travis, Professor of Government and Politics and former Chair of African American Studies,

George Mason University. Speaking on "*Government and Politics in Virginia: The Old Dominion Meets the 21st Century*," Dr. Travis shared her extensive knowledge and insights, showing how the Byrd era continues to influence policy in our state. One long-time Leaguer wrote, "This was one of the best League programs I have ever heard." We hope to recruit Dr. Travis to speak at future programs.

During our second event, Mary Crutchfield, LWV-VA Legislative Coordinator, gave an overview of how the legislature works and where to go for information on what's happening during a session. Julia Tanner, LWV-VA Action Coordinator, discussed the legislative priorities of LWV-Virginia and how members can advocate for laws that are important to them. These priorities include:

- Helping people access voting
- State level preclearance of practices restricted under the federal Voting Rights Act
- 100% Right to Vote — Virginia Constitutional Amendment
- Campaign Finance Reform
- National Popular Vote Compact
- More Broadband Coverage

If you want to know more about some of these topics, check the Mini Leaguer for educational programs we'll sponsor in the future.

--- Jeanne D'Ascoli

## Election Modernization

### Election Law Position Study

The report for Part 2 of the Election Law Position Study was distributed to local Leagues throughout Virginia on November 14. The local Leagues will review and provide feedback by February 1, 2021, so that the study and positions can be posted in time for the 2021 Convention scheduled for May 2021. The Part 2 report includes ranked choice voting and voter suppression. Karen Rosenblum, VP Programs, has scheduled the Richmond Metro review for Saturday, December 12th and shared the report with all members.

### Electoral Board Observation Teams

We have operating Observation Teams in Richmond, Henrico, Chesterfield and Hanover. Canvass meetings, an Electoral Board public meeting beginning the day after Election Day, were attended in Richmond and Henrico. Two of the localities in our region had COVID 19 outbreaks after the election. Due to the City of Richmond's inability to complete provisional ballot counting, the State Board of Elections had to postpone state certification of the election scheduled by law for Monday, November 16, 2020. Our next project is a locality comparison report which will be made available to the Electoral Boards of all localities.

--- Jane Newell

## Committees

### Voter Services

VOTE411 By the Numbers in 2020:

- 9 Years LWV Richmond Metro Area has created an electronic voter guide on VOTE411
- 46 Candidates in Richmond city races covered in 2020
- 76% Response rate for Richmond city candidates
- 4 Candidates for Congress covered (CDs 4 and 7)
- 46 Additional candidates in neighboring localities covered for LWV Virginia
- 6,919 Number of users of VOTE411 in the Richmond metro area in September and October
- 44,620 Number of users in Virginia in September and October
- 1,500 Bookmarks printed and distributed by Voter Service committee
- 4 PDF posters emailed to our four local library systems for use in their branches
- 2 Amazing billboards advertising VOTE411 (a first this year)
- 1,000,000 **Thanks** to all who helped this year!

--- Evelyn Glazier



Hull Street



Hilliard and Staples Mill



## Affordable Housing

For the past year and a half, the LWV-RMA has been leading and working on the LWV-VA Affordable Housing Study, which is almost complete. We are now turning our attention to the affordable housing needs and solutions in the Richmond region. The RMA Affordable Housing Committee has met once and is planning to meet monthly for the next six months. The Committee is focusing its efforts on a review of the Richmond Regional housing report that was completed in early 2020 and an analysis of the existing Comprehensive Plans in each County and Richmond City to determine how each jurisdiction plans to meet its affordable housing needs in the near future. We will develop goals and specific advocacy strategies based on the results of this review and analysis.

If you're interested in participating in the Committee, please contact Alice Tousignant.

--- Alice Tousignant

## Transportation



These are encouraging and exciting times for transportation in the Richmond region. The recently created Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA) promises new state funding as well as the ability to borrow in support of large transportation projects. The Richmond Region Transportation Planning Organization (RRTPO) is engaged in its long-range plan, which will frame which projects move forward. The Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Transit Vision has focused on extending three GRTC routes with more frequent service

into Henrico and Chesterfield in the near future. The LWV-RMA Transportation Committee is following these developments in order to advocate strategically for our priority—pedestrian safety for transit users. Our work supports social justice and environmental justice. Many thanks to those of you who have responded to transportation surveys. We need your help in reaching our goals.

--- Virginia Cowles

## Communications

### Communicating with members and our community is not just for election times!

Leaguers, *we are hip*. We have our own custom website, Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube. That's more social media than I personally have, and I'm a millennial! If you aren't hearing about all of the stuff that the League is up to, check out these sources. If you don't feel like your League voice is being heard, we need you at our Communications Committee meetings.

On our Facebook page, these were the most popular posts of the month:

1. "Virginia political leaders name 8 legislators who'll serve on new Redistricting Commission" (Virginia Mercury)
2. "Richmond causes delay in election certification" (VPM)
3. "For female economists, Janet Yellen's treasury secretary nomination marks another inspiring first" (Washington Post)

--- Anna Mason

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## Issues and Advocacy

### Firearms Safety Legislation

Last Spring the LWVVA Firearms Safety Task Force celebrated the passage of 21 pieces of legislation passed by the VA legislature to strengthen firearms safety laws. We have been lobbying for these bills for many sessions and this was a great accomplishment for the League and all our coalition partners.

One of these laws enables localities to enact firearms restrictions that are more encompassing than state law. They can now ban guns in public buildings, parks, libraries etc., as well as on streets where rallies requiring permits are taking place. Previously state law barred localities from passing their own gun control measures, which enabled the armed protestors in the Charlottesville tragedy.

The law went into effect on July 1 and county and city governments have moved swiftly to enact their local ordinances. Already the following jurisdictions now have new firearms safety protections: Richmond, Alexandria, Arlington, Charlottesville, Falls Church, Newport News, and, just last month, Fairfax County. This encompasses a large percentage of the most populous areas in the state. Virginia has come a long way this year!

Remember: this type of local authority is constitutional. Justice Scalia wrote that the Second Amendment allows for laws restricting the carrying of firearms in public places, such as schools and government buildings.

Two other pieces of legislation that went into effect July 1 are the expansion of background checks to private gun sales, including gun shows and online, and reinstatement of the One Handgun a Month Law. In the last few months, over 150 attempted gun purchases were denied due to felony convictions and approximately the same number were denied for reasons which qualify as prohibited purchases.

Our hard work is keeping guns out of dangerous hands, but we still have a long road to travel to ensure firearms safety for all of us.

--- *Natalie Testa*

### Bankrupting the Business of Human Trafficking

Rosalee Keech, the LWVUS Chief Observer to the United Nations, was an organizer and panelist on a program about the demand side of the Human Trafficking equation. I attended this discussion virtually on December 1, 2020. According to The International Labour Organization, the \$150 billion illicit industry of Human Trafficking affects 24.9 million women, men, girls, and boys.

Along with raising awareness about this issue, Keech says that we, as members of civil society, can watch our own purchases and investments to not fuel the demand. What are the anti-trafficking policies of companies that we purchase from on a routine basis? Are we knowledgeable about our government's implementation of anti-trafficking policies? The goal is to engage in activities that bankrupt the traffickers with the premise that there will be a never-ending supply of victims if this industry is allowed its illicit profits.

I thought it was very interesting that the day after this meeting, December 2, 2020, there was an article in the paper about a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. It dealt with a lawsuit about holding Nestle, USA, and Cargill, Inc. liable for the exploitation of child slaves on Ivory Coast plantations that supply the food makers with cocoa.

Again, one thing we can all do is to increase our awareness about this issue.

--- *Lorraine Waddill*

## ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

### Welcome New Members!

Since September 1, 2020, twenty-one new members have joined our Richmond Metro League. Please extend a warm welcome to all of these enthusiastic Virginians:

Kim Bausum-Brown  
Marilyn Breslow  
Angela Carmichael  
Linda Certner  
Leigh Eicher  
Liz Herlich  
Cheyanne Hunter

Shannon Jamison  
Cynthia Losen  
Kathleen Lowry  
Margaret Meyre  
Kristin Oberg  
Jean Peters  
Nancy Priddy

Terri Royster  
Bethany Sharpe  
Anni Sherman  
Sharon Theiner  
Shannon VanStraten-Sund  
Mary Vickerman  
Tanya Williams

### In Memoriam: Dottie Vye



Dorothy Ruth Vye, 87, of Richmond, departed this life with her husband of 61 years holding her hand on October 26, 2020. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Born in Aldan, Pennsylvania, she was active in church, sports, Girl Scouts, AAUW and the League of Women Voters. She was a community leader and activist in education and environmental issues especially land use. She insisted on organic health food and read labels to avoid artificial colors and preservatives. While in high school, she was a majorette and played flute in the band, sang in the choir and was inducted into the National Honor Society. She earned a B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan and a M. Ed from Temple University. She played three varsity sports in high school and excelled in field hockey at the collegiate level. She was even invited to play in two National USA field hockey tournaments. While at Temple, she was the Head Women's Basketball Coach for two years. After leaving Temple, she continued her dedication to girls' sports as a basketball and field hockey coach and referee. She will be remembered for her lively, friendly nature. She will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Lloyd J. "Bud" Vye, two children, and two grandchildren. If you would like to dedicate a memorial in Dorothy's name, please do so to the AAUW Fund at <https://www.aauw.org>. American Association of University Women is a 135-year-old non-profit which helps to promote economic equity for girls and women.

--- From the Richmond Times-Dispatch Oct. 31, 2020.

### Photos



Mary and Penny working the polls



One of our sandwich boards



## CONTACTS

How can YOU get involved? Our Richmond area league is active all over the democracy space. Send an email to [communications@lwv-rva.org](mailto:communications@lwv-rva.org) and we'll connect you with the Board officer or Committee chair whose portfolio matches your interests.

Topic	Contact
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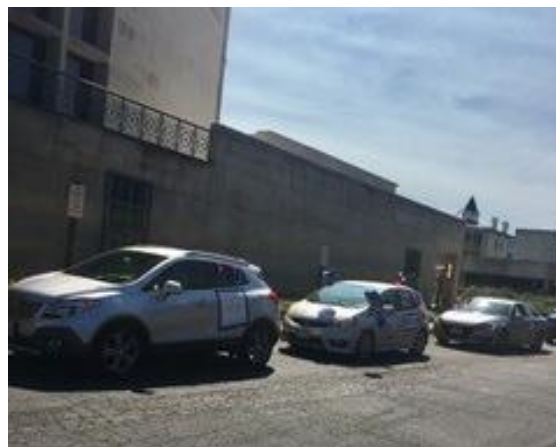
*The League is proud to be nonpartisan, neither supporting nor opposing candidates or political parties at any level of government, but always working on vital issues of concern to members and the public.*

*We work to encourage informed and active participation in government and influence public policy through education and advocacy.*

*Views expressed by non-League links are not necessarily those of the League. These links are provided as a service to readers.*

*The content of this newsletter is subject to LWV-RMA Bylaws, guidelines, and policies.*

### Get-Out-The-Vote Car Parade October 1




**JOIN OR RENEW MEMBERSHIP**

Please join or rejoin the League of Women Voters of the Richmond Metropolitan Area.

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 – June 30. Membership in the LWV-RMA also confers membership in the League of Women Voters of Virginia and in the League of Women Voters of the United States. Membership is open to all U.S. citizens of voting age.

**New members who join after December 31 pay half the dues amounts shown below.**

To join or renew online and pay with PayPal, visit the League of Women Voters of the Richmond Metropolitan Area’s website at <http://www.lwv-rva.org>, or print and complete the form below and send with your check by postal mail.



<u>Membership Type</u>	<u>Annual Dues</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> One member	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> Two members in one household	\$85
<input type="checkbox"/> Student member	\$20

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of household member, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to support the LWV with a contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Interests:

<input type="checkbox"/> Voter Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Equal Rights Amendment
<input type="checkbox"/> Poll Observation	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> Health
<input type="checkbox"/> Election Modernization	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing	<input type="checkbox"/> Legislation
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	

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