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[test] The Communicator: August Updates from the State League

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Message from the Presidents

Dear League Members,

August is always a busy month of savoring the summer days before the ramp up for the upcoming fall events. And here at the LWVPA, we are no different!

Our committees have been already actively planning. We have established a Search committee for our new Executive Director. (Thank you for your input – we greatly appreciate it!) In addition, we have a Transition committee working diligently to outline best practices so we have a smooth turnover once the new ED is selected.

Thank you for participating in our local Listening Sessions. They have been insightful and a great opportunity to understand all the amazing activities occurring in your local leagues. If you haven't had a chance to schedule and would like to, please email samantha.anthony@palwv.org to coordinate.

As we look ahead to September, we are hitting the ground running with several webinars and opportunities. See below for details and to register!

Thank you again for your dedication and support of the LWVPA. We need each other to make Democracy work for everyone!

In League,

Mary Grill and Maria Delgado-Santana

LWVPA Co-Presidents



Rae Neubaum registers voters with her dog Charlie. We wish Rae all the best in her retirement!

Updates from the State League

- Our beloved office administrator Rae Neubaum has retired from the state office after over a decade of dedicated service to the League. We wish Rae all the best and thank her for all she's done for League members and Pennsylvania voters!
- Local Leagues are encouraged to sign up for National Voter Registration Day 2023, coming up on September 19! Partner with LWVUS and LWVPA to get out the vote across the state. [Click here for more information and to sign up.](#)
- Ballot Box Basics, LWVPA's civic education series, returns this fall! [Click here to register](#) for our events on the judiciary, municipal government, and more! Our first webinar is on September 12 at 5:30 PM.
- On July 31, LWVPA filed a brief in an important Pennsylvania Supreme Court case regarding voter privacy. [Click here to read our statement.](#)
- LWVPA Board Member Kathy Cook has written an article about the consequences of hydrogen hubs in Pennsylvania. [Click here to read more.](#)
- A reminder to local Leagues to fill out the [2023 League snapshot](#), and sign up for an [LWVPA listening session](#). Email samantha.anthony@palww.org with any questions.
- In the new virtual work environment, we are moving to a coworking space in Harrisburg to better suit our needs. ***Mail should now be sent to: League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania 922 N 3rd Street, 1st Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17102.***
- Need help understanding League tools? Contact staff member Sam! She'll be available on Thursdays between 9 and 5. If you need technical assistance or have a question, please email

samantha.anthony@palwv.org to schedule a meeting.

LWVPA Seeks Executive Director!

With the upcoming departure of Executive Director Meg Pierce, the League seeks a dynamic, experienced, and hands-on Executive Director to lead our organization during a time of steady growth and strategic transformation. Supported by the League's Board of Directors, this position is responsible for carrying out the League's mission – to empower voters and defend democracy across Pennsylvania. [Click here to read more about the position.](#)



Upcoming Grant Opportunity: Reimagine Sustainability Week

This fall, the Reimagine program will hold its first ever "Reimagine Sustainable Development Week." This event will celebrate current sustainability projects in all Pennsylvania counties and assist counties in developing these projects further.

In collaboration with the Reimagine Program, the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania is pleased to offer a small grant program open to all local Leagues and Member at Large (MAL) Units to support locally based environmental sustainability projects for Reimagine Sustainability Week. Projects could include support of existing initiatives or the creation of new ones. Some examples include walk audits, solar tours, gardening presentations, sustainable dining, and presentations on various topics.

These grants are monetary support and acknowledgement of your League's commitment to increasing environmental sustainability in your community. Projects should take place in partnership with Reimagine Sustainability Week, October 9-15.

You can find more information on the *Reimagine Sustainability Week* grant process and the application materials [here](#). The application form can be found [here](#).

The deadline to apply for funding is September 1, 2023. Recipients will be notified no later than September 15, 2023. **Please note that funds may not arrive before Sustainability Week. However, funds may be retroactively applied.**

League Presidents or designated League representatives are invited to join an informational call on August 17 at 5:30 PM to learn more about this funding opportunity. [Register here to attend.](#) If you are not able to attend, please email samantha.anthony@palwv.org to request a recording.

We encourage all Leagues to take advantage of this exciting funding opportunity!

Local League Highlight: LWV of Central Delaware County Awards Local County Libraries



For their 2023 Outstanding Community Service Awards, the LWV of Central Delaware County presented Delaware County Libraries with the 2023 Outstanding Community Service award for their help in promoting Vote411 across Delaware County. [Click here](#) for the full article from The Delaware County Weekly.

Upcoming Events

September 12, 5:30 PM: Ballot Box Basics: Combatting Mis-and Disinformation

The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania is pleased to present Ballot Box Basics: Information Every Voter Needs, a free webinar series open to the public. Our September 12 program will feature the League of Women Voters of Greater Pittsburgh for a discussion on combatting mis and disinformation. [Register here to attend.](#)

September 20, 5:30 PM: Ballot Box Basics: The PA Judicial System

Our September 20 program will feature Our September program will feature [Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts](#) for a discussion on the PA Judiciary. [Register here to attend.](#)

October 9-15: Reimagine Sustainability Week

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This is an exciting opportunity for Leagues to collaborate with community members and partner organizations to show the incredible progress Pennsylvania citizens have made towards sustainable communities. This will be a week of collaboration and education for the betterment of all.

Want to get involved? Please get in touch with Heather Harr, heatherharr007@gmail.com, to schedule a consultation on planning a sustainability week for your chapter.

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