



## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF GREATER CLEVELAND

### Monthly Member E-News - September, 2018

#### General Election is November 6

[Go here](#) for important dates.

#### Voter Registration Heats Up

LWVGC has been working to register voters, both adults and students, but still needs your help. Here's what you can do:

- Go to the voter registration training session this **Saturday, September 1** at 2 pm at Cleveland Heights/University Heights Main Library, 2345 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights. RSVP to **Roz Peters**, 216-932-2649, or **Patricia Carter**, [h\\_bound@ameritech.net](mailto:h_bound@ameritech.net).
- [Go here](#) for the full calendar of events that we plan to cover and volunteer to help.
- Find events in your area and contact Roz or Patricia to put them on the calendar.
- [View the powerpoint](#) for registration procedures.



Patricia Carter, Delores Davis & Mary Rice of the East Cleveland Chapter

## **VOTE411 Coming Soon!**

As you prepare to vote and talk to people about voting, be sure to check out the League online voters guide, VOTE411. Information on local issues and candidates will be ready to go by mid-September.

[Here's the link](#) to find everything you need about the races on your ballot, various candidates' positions on the issues and a printable "ballot" to take with you to your polling place.

## **High stakes testing in public education- Committee needed to create concurrence proposal**

While LWV of Ohio has strong education positions covering school funding, vouchers, charter schools, education standards, and the state board, there are no positions to address high-stakes testing, which, in recent years, the state of Ohio and many other states have used in attempts to improve K-12 education, often as a substitute for other investments.

This is a significant void in LWVO's education positions. Rather than improving education, many experts maintain that one-time tests used both to determine high school graduation and to evaluate teachers and schools have been harmful both to students and to our public education system.

Instead of proposing a full study, we hope to find relevant positions from other state Leagues to create a concurrence proposal for presentation at the LWVO convention in May. For this, we need a committee to research relevant positions from other state Leagues and develop the proposal. The committee would meet and complete its work this fall in order to send its proposal to the LWVGC board at its October or November meeting. If approved, the proposal would then be distributed to other Ohio Leagues for their consideration at their January program planning meetings.

Any interested LWVGC member can join this committee. Please contact **Susie Kaeser** ([susankaeser@sbcglobal.net](mailto:susankaeser@sbcglobal.net)) or **Maryann Barnes** ([mbarnes9515@gmail.com](mailto:mbarnes9515@gmail.com)).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Candidate Forums

Details of candidate forums are in the works. Check your email and [lwggreatercleveland.org](http://lwggreatercleveland.org) (right side of page) for updates.

### Upcoming Live Public Policy Forums

*All are free and open to the public.*

#### ***Tonight!***

***Wednesday, August 29, 2018, 7-8:30pm***

*"Ohio's school report cards: What do they really tell us? What should they? A discussion about how we evaluate our schools"*

*moderated by **Patrick O'Donnell** Plain Dealer Education reporter*

*Cleveland Heights High School (small auditorium)  
13263 Cedar Rd, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118*

*Cosponsors: Cleveland Heights University Heights PTA Council, Plain Dealer/Cleveland.com. CWRU Lifelong Learning, League of Women Voters-Greater Cleveland.*

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***Thursday, August 30, 2018, 7-8:30pm***

*Waste and Recycling in Cuyahoga County or why you can't "wish-cycle" your way to sustainable waste management*

*Fairview Park Branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library  
21255 Lorain Rd, Cleveland, OH 44126*

*A talk by **Diane Bickett**, Executive Director, Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District*

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**Wednesday, September 12, 2018, 7-8:30pm**

*"How to Reduce Gun Violence in Ohio"*

CWRU Campus Tinkham Veale University Center  
11038 Bellflower, Cleveland, 44106

moderated by **Peter Krouse**, Reporter, Cleveland.com

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Incorporated, Greater Cleveland Alumnae Chapter, League of Women Voters-  
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**Thursday, September 13, 2018, 7-8:30pm**

*"Why should I vote? What's at stake in the November election?"*

Cleveland Heights/University Heights Public Library Main  
2345 Lee Rd, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

moderated by **Harry Boomer**, Channel 19

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League of Women Voters-Greater Cleveland and Heights Public  
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**Wednesday September 26, 2018 7-8:30pm**

Shaker Heights Mayoral Candidates Forum  
Shaker Middle School Auditorium  
20600 Shaker Blvd , Shaker Heights, OH 44122

**Thursday October 4, 2018 7-8:30pm** (Light appetizers will be  
served and there will be a cash bar beginning at 6pm.)

*Challenging Gerrymandering, the Purge, and More: A Panel  
Discussion on Voting Rights*

Moderator, **Gary Daniels**, Chief Lobbyist for the ACLU

**Freda Levenson**, Legal Director of the ACLU of Ohio

**Jen Miller**, Executive Director of the Ohio League of Women  
Voters

**Andre Washington**, President of the Ohio A. Philip Randolph  
Institute

*Market Garden Brewery (lower level)  
1947 West 25thSt, Cleveland 44113*

***Saturday October 6, 2018 at 2pm***

*Whats on the ballot Nov 6?*

*Cuyahoga County Charter Amendments:*

*A forum to help understand the proposed changes*

*Westlake Porter Library*

*27333 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake, 44145*

*Moderated by **Marcia Goldberg**, former LWV-Greater  
Cleveland Co-President*

*featuring*

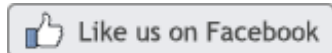
*The Honorable **Ronald B. Adrine**, chair of the Cuyahoga  
County Charter Review Commission, and other members of the  
Commission.*

*Attendees may also verify their voter registration and collect a  
mail-in ballot application before or after this meeting.*

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