



# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF GREATER CLEVELAND

## Monthly Member E-News - October, 2018

### CHALLENGING GERRYMANDERING, THE PURGE, AND MORE: A PANEL DISCUSSION ON VOTING RIGHTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018  
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 P.M.,  
PROGRAM RUNS 7-8:30 P.M.

MARKET GARDEN BREWERY  
LOWER LEVEL ROOM  
1947 W. 25<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
CLEVELAND, OH 44113

A CASH BAR AND COMPLIMENTARY  
LIGHT APPETIZERS AVAILABLE



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## Renew Your League Membership Now

[Go here](#) for renewal information.

## Important Voter Dates

**October 9:** Voter registration deadline

**October 10:** Vote by mail and early voting begins

**October 10 to November 5:**

[Go here](#) for the early voting schedule at the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections, 2925 Euclid Ave, Cleveland, OH 44115

**November 3, noon:** Absentee ballot applications must be received by the BOE

**November 5:** Absentee ballots mailed in the U.S. must be postmarked by this date.

**Election Day, November 6, 6:30 am to 7:30 pm:**  
Voting at the polls

Also, provisional voting at the Board of Elections

Absentee ballots returned in person must be received at the Board of Elections by 7:30 pm

For the full calendar, [go here](#).



Candidates in races throughout the state and county have been sent the League's Vote411 questionnaires. Responses are coming in, with more expected every day until early voting starts on October 10. **Marcia Goldberg, Siobhan Leftwich, Bill Bradley, and Bridget McHugh** are working to ensure that a majority of the issues that will be on ballots around the county will be included on the site. Issues range from tax levies and income tax increases to charter and zoning amendments

Go to [VOTE411 here](#). Let your neighbors/friends/coworkers/family know about this source of voting information, even if they live in other counties and states.

## **Voter Outreach**

League members have been very busy this election season registering voters, planning candidate forums, and creating community partnerships to bring educational events to the area. (Check out the upcoming events below.)

[Go here](#) to see what the League has accomplished so far and the many League members who have played a role in this success.

## **League Makes Progress with Cuyahoga County Charter Review Commission**

After observing the Cuyahoga County Charter Review Commission for the past year and proposing amendments to the county charter, we are proud that three of them have made it to the ballot:

- a charter amendment to establish the Agency of Inspector General and to provide for the appointment, removal, qualifications, and the powers and duties, including access to county information and subpoena power, of the Inspector General as the chief ethics officer of Cuyahoga County;
- an amendment to clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Personnel Review Commission and the Department of Human Resources, to prohibit discrimination in county employment on the basis of gender identity/expression, and to provide for the establishment of the unclassified service by general law and council ordinance;
- an amendment to provide the Department of Internal Auditing discretion to bill departments for the cost of conducting audits and adopting auditing standards.
- We are still working to get a campaign finance ordinance proposed after council voted not to include a campaign finance amendment on the ballot.

You can find more Observer Reports for other arms of Cuyahoga County government at [lwvgreatercleveland.org/CitizenInfo/Observer Reports](http://lwvgreatercleveland.org/CitizenInfo/ObserverReports).

## **Upcoming Events and Forums**

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

*Thursday, October 4, 6 pm - See the flyer at the top of this page.*

### **Candidates' Night for Ohio House of Representatives, District 9, Cuyahoga County, District 10**

*Thursday, October 4, 7-9 pm*

*Cleveland Heights Community Center*

*1 Monticello Boulevard, Cleveland Heights 44118*

### **A Forum on Proposed Changes to Cuyahoga County Charter Amendments**

*Saturday, October 6, 2-3:30 pm*

*Westlake Porter Library*

*27333 Center Ridge Road, Westlake 44145*

Featuring: The Honorable Ronald B. Adrine, Chair of the Cuyahoga County Charter Review Commission and other members of the Commission

Moderator: Marcia Goldberg, former LWVGC Co-President

*Sponsored by the Westlake Chapter of the League of Women Voters Greater Cleveland*

### **"Dark Money" Film and Discussion**

*Saturday, October 7, 7-9:30 pm*

*Westshore United Unitarian Church*

*20401 Hilliard Boulevard, Rocky River 44116*

"Dark Money" is a political thriller that examines one of the greatest present threats to American democracy: the influence of untraceable corporate money on our elections and elected officials.

There will be a discussion after the film.

The League is a co-sponsor of this event.

### **Ohio Ballot Beat**

*Monday, October 8, noon-1:30 pm*

*The City Club of Cleveland*

*850 Euclid Avenue, 2nd floor, Cleveland 44114*

The League of Women Voters Greater Cleveland is a community partner for this event. Register online at <https://www.cityclub.org/forums/2018/10/22/ohio-attorney->

general-debate and use the code LOWV18 for 20% off the price of the ticket.  
The debate will also be broadcast on WCPN.

## **Ohio Attorney General Debate at the City Club**

*Monday, October 22, noon-1:30*

*The City Club of Cleveland*

*850 Euclid Avenue, 2nd floor, Cleveland 44114*

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## **LWV Book Club**

*Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 7 pm.*

We will discuss the book *We Need to Talk: How to have Conversations that Matter* by Celeste Headlee. For the November location and information about future books and meetings, contact Wendy at [wdeuring@yahoo.com](mailto:wdeuring@yahoo.com).

## **The Election's Over: What did the voters say?**

*Tuesday, November 13, 7 pm*

*InfoCision Stadium, 5th floor, University of Akron*

*375 East Exchange Street, Akron 44304*

A panel of experts will analyze the results of the 2018 midterm elections and what can be expected regarding voting rights and other issues based on the composition of the houses of government.

Moderated by M.L. Schultze, former WKSU news director and reporter

Panelists include Dr. John Green, University of Akron and Greg Moore, NAACP National Voter Fund

Co-sponsored by the Bliss Institute, University of Akron, *Akron Beacon Journal/Ohio.com*, LWV-Akron Area, LWVGreater Cleveland, Common Cause-Ohio.

## **Chronic Pain in the Post-Opioid Era**

*Thursday November 15, 6:30 pm*

*Lakewood Main Library*

*15425 Detroit Ave, Lakewood, 44107*

Moderated by Brie Zeltner, *The Plain Dealer/Cleveland.com*

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