

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE HUNTINGTON AREA

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MEMBERSHIP MANIA

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Our local League will collect dues of \$50 for one member and \$75 for two household members between January-July 2024. Starting in early 2025, the LWWUS (National) will start collecting dues for all the local Leagues. We are asking current Huntington League members to please invite people to join the LWW.

A Deeper Dive into Membership issues:

Our dues for 2024 will remain the same as this year. These dues are divided between Local, State and National League.

Starting in early 2025, LWWUS will start collecting dues for all the local Leagues. A big advantage of this change is the convenience of being able to pay dues digitally. Under this new procedure, LWWUS plans to make a member's membership expiration date to be one year from the date a member's dues were last received. We will share more details on the process and rates, once they become available.

In case you wonder, our local League and State League will be provided their operating funds from National. This will relieve our local treasurer from hours of extra work.

LWW of the Huntington Area's Board has decided that due to digital privacy concerns, we will protect our members' privacy and limit sharing contact information with League board members and the members of appropriate LWW committees. However, we will share the members names with all the local League members, next month.

We hope you will encourage those you know to join the League of Women Voters.

Here are some talking points about League membership:

- The LWW has a strong, respected reputation for supporting voters' rights and providing accurate voter education. The organization was started in 1920, springing from the Women's Suffrage Movement and passage of the 19th Amendment. Its purpose was to provide the information needed for new voters to be educated, effective, and wise voters.

- Members are provided with valuable information about issues impacting our communities, state and country.
- Members promote fair elections by providing candidate forums, voter registration opportunities, and voter education.
- Members can receive calls-to-action for support or opposition of legislation or government actions, based on our official LWV consensus positions.
- Members vote for the LWV of the Huntington Area's officers and Board members.
- Members can officially represent the LWVHA.
- Members' dues help fund the activities of the local, state and national LWV.

Please encourage people who like the League, but don't want to join, to support us as donors. The benefits of donating are:

- Donors receive the LWV newsletters and gain the satisfaction of supporting an organization that is issue-driven and provides non-partisan information.
- Donations made directly to the LWV of the Huntington Area stay within our local League and benefit our community.
- Donations made to the national LWV Education Fund (LWVEF) are tax deductible, since the LWVEF is a branch that is a 501 (c)(3) organization.
- Donors help fund our activities, without any obligation to become actively involved.

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE LIBRARY/PARKS SUIT

By Betty Barrett

At this time, we are waiting for the hearing in court. All necessary paperwork was filed, and the hearing will be held in Cabell County Courts, before Judge Howard. When more is known, we will let you know. I am sure the Herald Dispatch will cover this important case very closely.

Finance Drive By Betty Barrett



It takes money to keep an organization of volunteers going. Thus, the League of Women Voters of Huntington asks our friends and members to send any amount to fund such projects as election information and lists of elected officials that we wish to contact. Letters have gone to friends and some members who have participated in past years. Now we remind our members that they too can be financial friends.

Non-deductible checks for general expenditures for the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area may be sent to treasurer Carolyn Bagby, 79 Bradley Foster Rod, Huntington, WV 25701. If you would like your contribution to be tax-deductible, write it to the League of Women Voters Education Fund, to Carolyn who knows where to send them. They will be used for programs that are eligible by this area League.

If you wish, your check may include your membership dues, which are \$50 for an individual, \$75 for two members in the same household. Thank You.

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