LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS* OF NORTHEAST WESTCHESTER

LWVNEW JUNE 2020 NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL MEETING LET'S GET 2020-2021 BUSINESS DONE: PLEASE WEIGH IN!

The 2020 Annual Meeting cannot happen in person due to the Covid-19 situation. The board has decided that this year's focus belongs on getting the business done that is mandated and required by the bylaws: approving the proposed budget, the proposed slate, and the proposed Outlook for Work for the coming League year. The current year, 2019-2020, ends on June 30; LWVNEW needs to have a budget, slate, and programs approved before the end of the month.

By now, you should have received the aforementioned items. They were attached to an email along with a meeting agenda and a year-end report. Please look everything over (again, LWVNEW providing you with lockdown reading material!) and join the VIRTUAL Annual Meeting on Monday, June 29th. The time of the meeting is still TBD but you will soon receive a notification with the start time, as well as instructions on how to participate. If you have not received the aforementioned materials, check your spam folder to see if there is an email from LWVNEW. If not, contact us at LWVNEW@gmail.com.

VOTER SERVICE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS 2020

School board and budget votes are rescheduled for **June 9th** and are being done by mail. If you are a registered voter and

have not received a ballot, contact your school district as soon as possible. The deadline to return your ballot to your school district is June 9th and unlike most other election deadlines, it is not a postmark deadline – it is a receipt deadline, so leave yourself time! All the information on the budgets and candidates is at our website. Go to https://lwvnew.org/elections-voting and scroll down to SCHOOL BOARD & BUDGET VOTES, then click on your school district.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY IS *ON,* STATE & FEDERAL PRIMARIES SET FOR JUNE 23

After the State Board of Elections cancelled New York's Democratic Presidential Primary, a federal court has overturned the decision and that decision was subsequently upheld...so the New York presidential primary is back on. And there are still other important state and federal primaries that day.

VOTE 411

The League's election website, Vote 411, serves in part as a virtual version of the League's paper Voters Guide. A great feature: enter your address to see who and what will be on your ballot! www.Vote411.org

AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING: FORUM FEATURING THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 17 DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY CANDIDATES If you reside in Mount Kisco, you are part of US Congressional District 17. The Leagues of

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Westchester County and Rockland County co-sponsored a virtual forum featuring the crowded field of Democratic Primary candidates.

Watch it here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cdyWWIR-VaWy5Gp-K1U0blYbuUtpDr7B/view

AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING: FORUM FEATURING THE WESTCHESTER D.A. DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY CANDIDATES

The LWV of Westchester County sponsored a virtual forum featuring the Democratic Primary candidates.

Watch it here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VE2GzGUx 6tKs-kU_QMyy2Pfpws5BVfj4/view

AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING: FORUM FEATURING THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 93 DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY CANDIDATES

The LWV of New Castle sponsored a virtual forum featuring the AD93 Democratic Primary candidates.

Watch it here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZiiSspZ sjLU

ABSENTEE VOTING

UPDATE! Recent Executive Orders issued by Gov. Cuomo will allow all New Yorkers to vote via absentee ballot for the June primary AND will ensure all registered voters in NYS receive an absentee ballot application by mail. The return will have the postage paid. **June 16 is the last day to postmark an absentee ballot** *application.* June 22 is the last day to apply *in person* at your county Board of Elections Voters may also download an application if they wish:

English:

https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov. com/images/stories/pdfs/2015absenteer.p df

Spanish:

https://citizenparticipation.westchestergov. com/images/stories/pdfs/2015absenteespa nish.pdf

Questions?

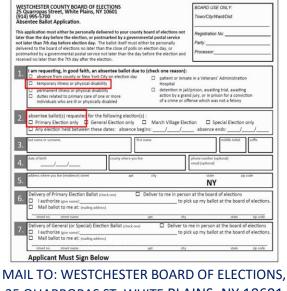
Westchester County Board of Elections:

- > Main # 914-995-5700
- > Absentee Ballots 914-995-5285
- > Registrations 914-995-5713
- > <u>boe-westabsentee@westchestergov.com</u>

ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION INFO

>CHECK BOX FOR 'TEMPORARY ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY' IN SECTION 1 >CHECK BOX FOR 'PRIMARY ELECTION ONLY' IN SECTION 2 >FILL OUT SECTIONS 3 THROUGH 6 >LEAVE SECTION 7 BLANK (IT PERTAINS TO THE GENERAL ELECTION)

>SIGN AND DATE



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How will I receive my absentee ballot?

Absentee ballots will be sent to the voter's residence address unless otherwise requested by the voter. Delivery of absentee ballots to voters still remains the same, via mail or in person. There is no change in the return methods.

What will I receive with the absentee ballot?

After applying for an absentee ballot, you will receive:

1. Absentee Ballot: must be filled out (no signature here) and inserted into:

2. Ballot Envelope: Must be sealed, then signed and dated and inserted into:

3. Pre-addressed, postage-paid Return Envelope: Postage has been provided on the envelope

June 22 is the last day to postmark an absentee *ballot*. June 23 is the last day to deliver an absentee ballot *in person* to the BOE.

MESSAGING SERVICE

It's not too late to sign up for the NYS League's text alert system! The service has kept voters up to date on changes related to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Stay Up to Date on Voting Changes Related to COVID-19 in NY



Text <u>VoteNY</u> to <u>474747</u> to receive updates from the League of Women Voters of NYS and stay in the know on all things voting in 2020.



VOTER REGISTRATION

Local college student Sorvina Carr, who registered to vote as a high school student at one of our Fox Lane voter registration drives, emailed LWVNEW earlier today to see if we would be interested in registering voters at a peaceful protest in Bedford. As of this newsletter, LWVNEW is planning to participate in the June 6 *Rally Against Racial Injustice* and is in the process of putting together a responsible voter registration drive that is mindful of social distancing and other Covid-19 precautions. Bedford Village Memorial Park, 65 Greenwich

Road, Bedford - Saturday, June 6, 1:00 pm

<u>OTHER</u>

HELPFUL STATE & COUNTY WEBSITES DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

https://health.westchestergov.com https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE EMAIL UPDATES FROM YOUR TOWN GOVERNMENT

- > <u>https://bedfordny.gov</u>
- > <u>https://www.lewisborogov.com</u>
- > <u>https://mountkiscony.gov</u>
- > <u>https://www.northsalemny.org</u>
- > <u>https://www.townofpoundridge.com</u>

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL UPDATES FROM COUNTY & STATE REPS, GOVERNOR

><u>https://westchesterlegislators.com/subscri</u> <u>be-to-district-2-enews</u>

><u>https://www.nyassembly.gov/mem/David-</u> <u>Buchwald/enews</u>

><u>https://www.nysenate.gov/questionnaires</u> /shelley-b-mayer/sign-receive-news-

updates-senator-shelley-mayer

><u>https://www.nysenate.gov/questionnaires</u> /pete-harckham/sign-receive-news-and-

updates-senator-harckham

><u>https://now.ny.gov/page/s/coronavirus-updates</u>

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<u>REMINDERS</u>

WEBSITE LWVNEW has a new website! www.LWVNEW.org

CENSUS

If you have not already done so, complete the 2020 U.S. Census. www.2020Census.gov

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