

2021 Primary Elections! June 8 Democratic Party Election - Open to all registered Virginia voters. [Note: There is no Republican primary on June 8. Virginia's Republican Party held a "Convention" to choose candidates on May 8.] Races for both parties include selecting candidates for November elections:

- Governor of Virginia
- Lieutenant Governor
- Attorney General
- Delegates to the Virginia General Assembly's House of Delegates
- Within the city of Charlottesville and neighboring Albemarle County, there are two City Council seats, three City School Board seats, City Commonwealth Attorney, three Board of Supervisor seats, and three County School Board seats up for election this year. Other counties in the Charlottesville Area will have similar local seats up for election.

June 8 – Democratic Party Primary: Open to all registered Virginia Voters

"Early Voting in Person" began Friday, April 23

May 28 (5 pm) - Deadline to Request Absentee Ballot to vote by mail

- **Call your local Registrar's office (phone numbers below) and request an "Absentee Ballot Application."** It will be sent to you in the mail.
Phone Numbers for area registrars:
City of Charlottesville – 434 970 3250
Albemarle County – 434 972 4173 [Voter Advisory: see page 7 of this newsletter]
Fluvanna County – 434 589 3593
Greene County – 434 985 5213
Louisa County – 540 967 3427
Nelson County – 434 263 7190
- **OR, you can apply for an Absentee Ballot—by going online:**
<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/> and follow the prompts to apply for an Absentee Ballot.

For general information about Virginia voter registration and elections, go to Department of Elections website, www.elections.virginia.gov (or call 804 864-8901 or 800 552-9745, 8 am to 5 pm weekdays.)

For more voter and elections information, go to *The League of Women Voters* website: vote411.org

LWV CVA 2021 Annual Business Meeting Report by Pat Cochran, President

This year's LWV CVA Annual Business Meeting was held virtually by zoom on Sunday, May 2, 2021, with Sue Lewis, LWV CVA Voter Services Director, presiding. Previous to the Meeting, members were mailed the Annual Packet. Readers appointed were Kerin Yates and Jean Minehart. Carolyn Fitzpatrick, LWV CVA Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting. Voting was as follows:

The following "Action" items were **Approved** by members (there were no "Nays"):

- Operating Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022
- Local Program for 2021-22
- Local Program Updates and Revisions for 2021-22. [These updates will appear in the 2021-22 Member Handbook due for publication this summer.]
- Slate of new LWV CVA Officers, Directors, and Committee Members – see below.

We welcome newly elected:

Officers (2 years) July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023:

Vice-President: Carol Cutler

Treasurer: Melanie Arthur

Elected Directors (2 years) July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023:

Community Engagement: Lisa Hilgartner

Voter Services: Susan Roberts

Nominating Committee (1 year) – July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022:

Sue Lewis, chair

Rice Wagner

Mary Stamps White Committee (3 years) – July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024:

Karen Christiansen

Note: LWV CVA Annual Board Retreat – June 16. The retreat has been scheduled as an in-person meeting at The Greencroft Club. New Board members are invited! An agenda will be emailed prior to the meeting.

LWV CVA May/June Calendar

For Information about LWV CVA Committees holding virtual meetings contact:

Voter Services – Sue Lewis, swlcville@gmail.com

Justice Reform – Kit Murphy McNally, murphymcnally@gmail.com

Natural Resources – Muriel Grim, msgrim2012@gmail.com

International Relations/Federal Govt – Marge Cox, margevfcox@gmail.com

May 22-23 – LWV-VA Convention – Eventbrite registration at lww-va.org

June 8 – Virginia Primaries

June 16 – LWV CVA Board Retreat – The Greencroft Club - details forthcoming



It's time to renew your League of Women Voters Membership!

Our membership year is based on the fiscal year, so your **DUES ARE DUE July 1, 2021.**

Member Annual Dues:

Individual Membership: \$65

Household Membership (two persons at the same address): \$90

Student Membership: Free to students who are at least 1/2 time

Life Members (persons who have been members for 50 years or more): No dues

Please note: Members who join (or renew) after the first day of the fiscal year and before four months prior to the start of the fiscal year shall pay full dues. If you became a member in the four months prior to the start of the fiscal year (i.e., March to July 1, 2021) you do not have to pay dues for the coming fiscal year. Life members and students have no dues.

Mail your check (payable to *League of Women Voters*) to:

League of Women Voters

P.O. Box 2786

Charlottesville, VA 22902

Or pay by credit card: Go to our website, lww-cva.org, open the dropdown menu "Explore the League" and click on "Join the League/Renew Your Membership."

Be sure to let us know of any changes to your email or mailing address and/or phone number, as we are preparing the 2021-22 Member Handbook for publication this summer. You can do this by email: lww@lww-cva.org. Or print the slip at the bottom of this page and return it with your check.

Thank you for being/becoming a member of the League of Women Voters!

Questions? Please email: lww@lww-cva.org

Pat Cochran, President, LWV CVA

Change of Address, Email, and/or Phone Number as follows (please print):

LWV CVA Member Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

Meet our newly elected LWV CVA Board and Committee Members for 2021-22

“In Their Own Words”

Officers (2 years: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023)

Carol Cutler, Vice-President

This is my second two-year term as LWV CVA Vice-President. I look forward to continuing my role as Program Planning chair. My background is as follows:

Home: Albemarle County (40 years total), Wytheville, VA during second marriage, and Wash DC-MD area for grad school/research

Family: Two sons and daughter in VA and MD; 4 grandchildren, ages 23-16; cat Granite

Education (formal): UVa (BS, MS nursing), Catholic U. Of America (PhD, nursing, 1998)

Work: Clinical practice, research, teaching

Hospitals: SVMHI, WSH, NIMH, UVa Public Health: Albemarle, Nelson Counties

Schools of Nursing: WCC, JMU, VCU nursing faculty

LWV-CVA: Member since 2016, IR/Federal Government Committee;

LWV CVA Program Planning chair

Other: Mill Creek North homeowner, member of writing groups, member Rivanna Master

Naturalists and Charlottesville Area Tree Stewards

Interests: politics, theology, astronomy, geology, hiking

Melanie Arthur, Treasurer

My name is Melanie Arthur and I recently joined the Charlottesville Area chapter of the League of Women Voters. I live in Albemarle County and graduated from the University of Virginia in 2019. Foremost interests of mine include environmental preservation, local agriculture, equitable health access, and social justice issues. I'm looking forward to getting to know members of the League, learning more about the League's many initiatives, and the opportunity to serve as the chapter's Treasurer.

Elected Directors (2 years: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023)

Susan Roberts, Voter Services Director

I joined the League about 2004. I had been interested for a long time, but didn't think I had time. When my last child was in high school, I finally did it. I have served as our local League secretary and as membership chair. I have been active in community affairs for quite a while mostly in schools. I have been on several county school committees. I have been a PTA president and volunteered quite often at my children's schools. I have also led children's, teens', and women's groups for my church along with being community liaison. I am so glad to be a member of LWV CVA because of the good work we do and the many wonderful and interesting people I have met. I am also grateful for all I have learned by being a member.

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Elected Directors (2 years: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023)

Lisa Hilgartner, Community Engagement Director

I am married and live in Batesville. I have two daughters who live on the west coast. When they were in elementary school, both were involved with Girl Scouts and I became a leader. During that time I also became the PR person for the Girl Scouts being trained by national PBS specialists. My area was the same five-county area served by our LWV CVA. After working at Social Security Administration as a local claims rep in 1992, I returned to college and earned a Masters Degree from Mary Baldwin College which led to a 20 year career as 4th and 5th grade teacher in the Albemarle County School System. After retiring I felt a need to be civically involved and became an Election Official for Albemarle County. I joined the League of Women Voters shortly after Illinois had approved the Equal Rights Amendment. I wanted to make Virginia the 38th state to ratify the ERA and be part of an organization that made a difference and help the public be more informed. This led to my participation with the Community Engagement committee where I felt I could be most help.

Nominating Committee (1 year: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Sue Lewis, chair

League Experience

- Joined LWV in Arkansas in 1968, served on local and State board in Arkansas
- Joined LWV CVA in 1976, served as President '84-'86, board member at various times, Voter Services since 2019, incoming Nominating Committee chair
- Served on LWV-VA State Board since 2009 (Action Director, Membership Director, Leadership Development Director, 1st Vice President, President (2017-2019), current Nominating Committee chair

Community Involvement

- Graduate of Leadership Charlottesville, Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership
- Served on boards of Piedmont Council of the Arts, FOCUS, LCAA
- Appointed to Charlottesville Planning Commission ('86-'94, chair ('92-'94); Blue Ribbon Commission on Race, Memorials and Public Spaces; Human Rights Commission
- Officer of Election for City of Charlottesville

Professional

- Retired Financial Advisor (UBS, PaineWebber, A.G. Edwards) 25 years' experience
- Other work as bank teller, computer programmer, engineering aide

Personal

- Widowed since 2014 (Ed Lewis)
- Two adult children, 4 adult granddaughters, 4 great-grandchildren (between 5 years and 2 months)
- Member Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

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Nominating Committee (1 year: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Rice Wagner

I was born in Vermont, raised in Culpeper, Virginia, and spent the last 50+ years in Volusia County, Florida. While attending Stetson University I also spent a year at the University of Madrid. In addition to my BA, I have an MS from Nova University.

Besides teaching for 32 years, I have also been a photo stringer for AP and a flight attendant for United Airlines (a job I began at the age of 50). As a retiree I have spent the last six years volunteering, writing, photographing and establishing a home in Culpeper as well as my condo in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Reading and travel are passions of mine as well as being politically 'aware' and active. And of course my children and grandchildren are the loves of my life.

I am a member of both the Volusia County and Albemarle LWV's groups and have helped with Hospice and a community thrift store as well as CRI (Culpeper Renaissance Inc.). Currently I am on the boards of the Museum of Culpeper History and the Brandy Station Foundation.

It is a joy for me to be a part of the Charlottesville LWV's and especially to find a group of kindred spirits.

Mary Stamps White Committee (3 years: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024)

Karen Christiansen

I graduated from Arlington Memorial High School (Vermont) in 1968. That Fall I began a lifetime career of administrative secretarial and general accounting services until 2012 when I moved from Vermont to Crozet. At various times between 1973 and 2012 in Sandgate, Vermont, I held elected or appointed positions of Auditor, Cemetery Commissioner, Town Clerk (includes election administrator position), and several other project committees.

Shortly after moving to Crozet, I met Michele Kellermann who introduced me to the League of Women Voters. My main League interest focuses on voter services, but I stay informed in other areas. I am an Election Official for the City of Charlottesville.

The League of Women Voters of the Charlottesville Area thanks the following individuals for their donations to our annual 2021 Fund Drive which were received in the last month:

Members Operating Fund: Charlotte Gibson, Diane Inman

Members Operating & Education Funds: Audrey Dannenberg

Non-Members Operating Fund: Charles Rotgin, Jr., Josephine Roberts, Linda Hanson

Non-Members Education Fund: Patrick Tolan & Virginia Evans

Minutes from Electoral Board meeting for Albemarle County – May 13, 2021

Report submitted by Kerin Yates, LWV CVA Electoral Boards Observer Corps

Early voting is now taking place for the June 8 Democratic Primary in the 5th Street County office building located at 1600 5th Street, Charlottesville, 22902.

[Democratic Primary Sample Ballot](#)

Early Voting Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 5 pm

Saturday May 29: 8:30 am to 5 pm

Saturday June 5: 8:30 am to 5 pm

Voters may also apply for a mail-in ballot, or go to their regular polling place on Tuesday June 8 to cast a ballot. [Check out our "How to Vote" page for more information.](#)

There is no Republican primary on June 8. Republican Party held a “Convention” to choose candidates on May 8. [Contact the Albemarle County Republican Committee for information.](#)

Voter Advisory: Albemarle County Public Schools will be in session on Election Day, Tuesday, June 8, 2021. If you plan to vote on June 8, be aware that **if your polling place is at a public school**, you may be voting in a different room and using a different entrance due to COVID restrictions. Please be alert for signs directing you to a new voting location. **There is also likely to be traffic congestion during times when students are being dropped off in the morning or picked up in the evening** (see below).

Next Albemarle County Electoral Board meeting is on May 26 at 9 am. Contact Lauren Eddy for link to meeting if you would like to observe. ledy@albemarle.org

Arrival/Dismissal Traffic at Albemarle County School Polling Places on June 8th

<u>School</u>	<u>Arrival Traffic</u>	<u>Dismissal Traffic</u>
Elementary Schools (except Woodbrook, Brownsville, and Hollymead—see below)	7:15 - 8:15 am	1:45 - 2:45 pm
Woodbrook ES	8:15 – 8:45 am	3:00 – 3:45 pm
Brownsville ES, Hollymead ES	7:15 – 10:00 am	1:45 – 3:45 pm
Jack Jouett MS	7:15 – 10:00 am	1:45 – 3:45 pm
High Schools	9:15 – 10:00 am	4:15 – 4:45 pm



For all of your
voting questions, go
to Vote411.org



Minutes from Electoral Board meeting for Louisa County: May 3, 2021
Report submitted by Karen Davenport, LWV CVA Electoral Boards Observer Corps

Registrar's Report – Cris Watkins

Update on Office Relocation: Chris did check, but no update at this time.

Legislative Report - All new laws have been approved by the Virginia Legislature and signed by the Governor. They will become law by July 1. It was also noted that they will have to get signs made that say NO GUNS to be posted at polling places.

Election Official Surveys - Election officials will be given questionnaires to complete re processes during elections.

Split Precinct Waiver for November Election - Louisa County has a number of split precincts. Redistricting will address this issue, but the redistricting process will not be anywhere near completion by the election this November. The Registrar will be requesting a waiver.

Temporary Precinct Move - The Voluntary Fire Dept that is the Louisa #2 precinct will be undergoing improvements, and will not be available for the election. The Board voted to move the precinct to the local elementary school.

Early Voting Report - It is going well. As of today, May 3, 280 voters have voted by mail or in person.

Other Reports - It was noted that the new Dem Tech equipment has not *fully* arrived. There are inserts that are missing. Someone has gone to obtain the missing parts, but at the time of the meeting, he had not reported back in. There was discussion regarding Sunday voting, but nothing was decided.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Louisa County Electoral Board will next meet on June 2, 2021 at Noon.

LWV CVA Child Care Committee Report by Beth Kariel

Locally, the child care committee has communicated with *ReadyKids* about the fact that there are not enough placements in centers for children who are eligible for subsidies. We are considering what we can do to encourage more centers to participate in the subsidy program. The state league child care issue group is beginning to look at policy themes.

For information about the LWV CVA Child Care Committee, contact Beth Kariel, email: bethkariel9@gmail.com.

LWV CVA International Relations/Federal Government Committee News

By Gerry Kruger

The International Relations/Federal Government Committee met virtually on April 21 and continued their reports about women heads of state around the world. **Kit McNally** and **Shirley Payne** presented the leaders of Trinidad and Tobago and Estonia.

From Kit we learned that Paula Mae Weekes is the first female President of Trinidad and Tobago. Although she is the President, her powers are nominal. The head of the government is the Prime Minister. The President is elected by the Electoral College, which consists of the full membership of both houses of Parliament.

President Weekes, who is a 65-year-old native West Indian, came from a wealthy family and went to the finest schools, eventually receiving a Bachelor of Laws degree. Her journey to become President included many years serving in the judiciary as a judge. As President she is Commander in Chief of the defense forces. Her primary focus, however, is the rights and education of women and girls. She travels around the world giving speeches about lifting up the women and girls in her country.

Many natives of Trinidad and Tobago are descendants of slaves who worked on sugar cane plantations. Today much of the nation's wealth is derived from its large reserves of oil and natural gas.

Since 1945, after World War II, the country has had universal suffrage. It won its independence from Great Britain in 1962.

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Shirley reported on two female leaders in Estonia—the President, Kersti Kaljulaid, and Kaja Kallas, who is the Prime Minister. Estonia is a small country, 41% of the size of Virginia. It has been occupied by the Germans, the Danes, the Swedes, and the Poles and won its independence from Russia and Germany in 1920. After World War II, Russia brutally murdered the native Estonians, replacing them with Russians. In 1991, with the collapse of the Soviet Bloc, they won independence. Today one-fourth of the population is Russian. Estonia has the highest literacy rate in the world, and its citizens enjoy universal health care and free education. They are recognized as experts in technology and cyber security.

As President, Kersti Kaljulaid will serve a five-year term and is allowed to run for a second term. She is the first female President and also the youngest. She considers herself a conservative liberal—conservative in regard to economics and liberal in her support for the less fortunate. Estonia is also very supportive of start-ups.

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LWV CVA International Relations/Federal Government Committee News

By Gerry Kruger

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The Prime Minister Kaja Kallas, was a member of the Reform Party, which is considered center right. She is also pro-business and pro-entrepreneurship. She appointed 14 cabinet members, and six are women. Primarily concerned with industry, research, and energy, she has both a law and MBA degree.

The IR/FG invites you to join us as we continue our program on female heads of state. Our May 19th meeting will also be virtual.

CORRECTION: Please note there was an error in the April "International Relations/Federal Government Committee News" article about Myanmar. The third paragraph should begin: "On February 1, 2021, the military leaders arrested her (Suu Kyi) along with her top lieutenants."

From the LWV CVA Gun Violence Prevention Committee

"WEAR ORANGE – June 4th"

June 4th is National Gun Violence Awareness Day where we honor the lives of people in the United States affected by gun violence and demand an end to this crisis. After Hadiya Pendleton was shot and killed in 2013 at the age of 15, her friends and family organized in Chicago to honor her life by wearing the color orange and this has become nationally observed each year on the first Friday in June to remember lives lost to gun violence and to raise awareness about this public health crisis..

Every day, more than 100 Americans are killed with guns and more than 230 are shot and wounded. These survivors are faced with a life-long process of physical and emotional healing. Gun suicide claims the lives of over 23,000 people in the United States each year. More than 14,000 people die in gun homicides. The United States gun homicide rate is 25 times higher than that of other high-income countries.

Firearms are the leading cause of death for children and teens in the United States. Every year, more than 3,000 children and teens are shot and killed, and another 15,000 are shot and wounded – an average of nine children and teens shot and killed and 42 shot and wounded every day. Fifty-eight percent of American adults or someone they care for have experienced gun violence in their lifetime. Approximately three million American children witness gun violence every year. (Statistics from Everytown.org)

Stand up, speak out and wear ORANGE the weekend of June 4th. Together, we can build a future free from gun violence. For more information about "Wear Orange – June 4", contact Maggie Hoover, email: maggie.hoover@gmail.com

LWV CVA Natural Resources Committee Report by Muriel Grim

The Natural Resources Committee meeting was held on April 27, 2021. The next NRC meeting will be Tuesday, May 25, at 1:00. The Comprehensive Plan book club May meeting topic will be on Chapter 10, Transportation.

We will follow up with the LWV-VA Environment Issue Group about planning a Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) presentation at a meeting that will be open to statewide LWV members who have an interest in climate change policies.

Liz Palmer reported that almost all of the easements for the water supply pipeline have been acquired and that any time there is construction along the route portions of the pipe are put in place.

Discussions included:

Governor Northam's Executive Order 77 issued March 23, 2021

<https://www.governor.virginia.gov/media/governorvirginiagov/executive-actions/EO-77-Virginia-Leading-by-Example-to-Reduce-Plastic-Pollution-and-Solid-Waste.pdf>

By July 21 all state agencies will stop using, buying, or selling disposable plastic bags and "single-use plastic and polystyrene food service containers, plastic straws and cutlery, and single-use plastic water bottles".

Within 6 months state agencies will develop plans to phase out the buying, selling, or distribution of all nonmedical single-use plastic and polystyrene objects and to find appropriate alternative replacements that are reusable, compostable, or recyclable. All of these non-medical single-use plastic and polystyrene objects will be eliminated by December 31, 2025.

Location of large solar panel installations needs careful consideration: all environmental costs and benefits must be considered when choosing any site. This led to a discussion of information about who, the state or local governments, regulates what.

Housing

LWV-CVA will begin to study and advocate about housing policy:

- Stacy Pethia provided us with a copy of the draft of the new Albemarle Housing Policy
- the Virginia LWV has done an affordable housing study; the report should be presented in May
- we will start meeting with environmental organizations to learn what work is being done on policies related to housing

For more information about the LWV CVA Natural Resources Committee, contact Muriel Grim, email: msgrim2012@gmail.com.

LWV CVA Justice Reform Committee Report

“Seminar Tackles Justice for Women”

By Kit Murphy McNally, chair, LWV CVA Justice Reform Committee

There was bad news that needed to be heard, but more good news on the state and local level as three experts took to zoom on April 18 for the LWV CVA Sunday Seminar *Women in Prison: A Problem, Not a Solution*.

Sponsored by the LWV CVA Justice Reform Committee, the Seminar opened the window to a critical reform study taken on by the Committee in conjunction with the League. The seminar (available for viewing on YouTube at: <https://youtu.be/7G22oNoob7Y>) featured **Alex Kajstura**, Legal Director, Prison Policy Initiative; **Claire Guthrie Gastanaga**, Executive Director Virginia ACLU; and **Areshini Pather**, Deputy Commonwealth Attorney, Charlottesville area.

Looking at raw data, Virginia stands out with the highest number in the world of women incarcerated in its jails, according to Kajstura. Reform efforts nationally are failing women, she said. However, the Virginia Legislature made strides in the recent session to reverse some of the laws leading to the arrest, detention and conviction of women, ACLU’s Gastanaga said. Even closer to home, Pather, a public defender for 6 1/2 years and now prosecutor, described ACES, Adverse Childhood Experiences, which contribute to trauma leading to engagement with the criminal justice system. The goal is to identify trauma and work with providers to provide treatment in lieu of incarceration.

Too many women — 2/3 with a child under the age of 18 — await trial in our regional jails, 25% charged but not convicted. Unlikely flight risks, the women have a median income of \$11,000 a year facing a median bail bond of \$10,000. Thus they are more likely to be held pretrial, which makes them more likely to be sentenced, Kajstura explained.

Gastanaga cited the dearth of community resources throughout the state creating higher risk for women via homelessness, substance abuse, job instability, and domestic violence.

She pointed to recent legislative victories in Virginia that will ultimately begin to balance some of the imbalance for women — the legalization of marijuana; increase in the level for larceny from \$500 to \$1,000 (the ACLU lobbies for a minimum of \$2,000); and the repeal of jury sentencing.

Other reforms the ACLU supports include expungement of criminal records, possibly excepting capital murder; pretrial diversion; expungement of past marijuana convictions; and for those who are incarcerated, expanded phone and video contact for family preservation.

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Bringing the issue of incarcerated women closer to home, Pather focused on pathways to prison for women. Three out of 4 women are arrested for drug possession, followed by larceny and child abuse, she said.

Addiction underscores many of the actions resulting in arrest for women in Virginia, she noted. ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) identifies trauma experienced by women and girls and attempts to divert them from the justice system for treatment in lieu of incarceration, she said.

Closing on an encouraging upbeat, Pather said justice reform is in sharp focus locally under the leadership of Albemarle and Charlottesville Commonwealth Attorneys Joe Plantania and Jim Hingely.

The LWV-CVA Justice Reform Committee is undertaking a study of changes made and changes needed in Virginia’s criminal system regarding women and girls. If interested in joining, contact committee chair. Kit McNally <murphvmcnally@gmail.com>

SAVE THE DATE!

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF VIRGINIA VIRTUAL STATE CONVENTION

DEMOCRACY FOR ALL – NOW IS THE TIME

Saturday, May 22 and Sunday, May 23, 2021

Speakers include Dr. Carolyn Jefferson Jenkins, author of “The Untold Story of Women of Color in the League of Women Voters.”

Workshop topics include: DEI, Student Members, Criminal Justice, Voting Rights and Behavioral Health.

Mixing and mingling virtually with other League members!

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**Contact Pat Cochran for
more information,
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Pat Cochran,
LWV CVA President

Michele Kellermann
LWV CVA Newsletter Editor

**Meetings and Events for May/June 2021:
Mark Your Calendars Now!**

Date/Time	Event	Place	Contact
Wed., May 19, 10 am	LWV CVA International Relations/ Federal Govt Meeting	Zoom meeting	For further information, contact Marge Cox, margevfcox@gmail.com
Wed., May 19, 3 – 5 pm	LWV CVA Board Meeting	Zoom meeting	For further information, contact Pat Cochran, patcochranlwvcva@gmail.com
Sat.-Sun., May 22 - 23	40 th LWV-VA Biennial Convention	Virtual Meeting; \$50 registration	For further information, Eventbrite registration at lwv-va.org
Tues, May 25, 1 pm	LWV CVA Natural Resources Committee Meeting	Virtual Meeting	For further information, Muriel Grim, msgrim2012@gmail.com
Fri., May 28, by 5 pm	Last Date to request application for an Absentee Ballot for June 8 Primary Elections	Contact your registrar	See page one of this newsletter.
Fri., June 4	“Wear Orange” - Charlottesville Coalition for Gun Violence Prevention		For more information contact Maggie Hoover, maggie.hoover@gmail.com
Tuesday, June 8: 6 am to 7 pm	Primary Elections: Democratic Party – Open to all registered Virginia voters	Your precinct!	For further information, go to www.elections.virginia.gov/registration
Fri., June 11, 11 am	LWV CVA Justice Reform Committee Meeting	Virtual Meeting	For further information, contact Kit Murphy McNally, murphymcnally@gmail.com
Wed., June 16, 10 am to 3 pm	LWV CVA Board Retreat	The Greencroft Club	For further information, contact Pat Cochran, patcochranlwvcva@gmail.com
Sat., June 19	Charlottesville Coalition for Gun Violence Prevention – Tabling event	Charlottesville Downtown Mall	For more information contact Maggie Hoover, maggie.hoover@gmail.com
Tues., June 22, 1 pm	LWV CVA Natural Resources Committee Meeting	Virtual Meeting	For further information, Muriel Grim, msgrim2012@gmail.com