

December 2023 "eVoter"



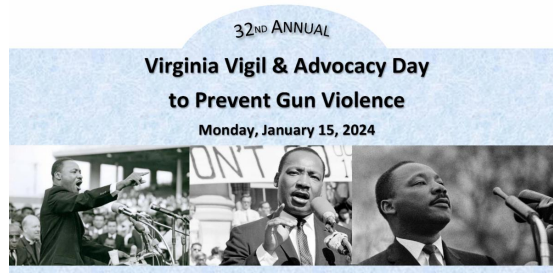
**Gun Violence Prevention Committee
Annual Yearly Vigil December 9th
at Noon
on The Downtown Mall Central Place**

GVP Committee will hold their **annual yearly Vigil** for the victims of Sandy Hook Elementary School and all other victims of mass shootings on **December 9 at noon** on the Charlottesville Downtown Mall.

It is a very short event and **absolutely all are invited** for a ringing of the bell and a few moments of thoughtful reflection. For those who wish, join us for lunch after the vigil.

For more information please contact Maggie Hoover
(Maggie.hoover@gmail.com) or Beth Alley (Beth.alley@gmail.com)

Please mark your calendars! League members, families, and friends are all invited as we join other Charlottesville Gun Violence Prevention groups for the Annual Martin Luther King Vigil on January 15th in Richmond. **There is no charge for the bus that will take us to and from the vigil.** We will send the sign up link for the bus once it is available. This is a great opportunity to share the day with like-minded people, hear inspirational and moving speeches, and along with others, meet our legislators.



JOIN the Virginia Center for Public Safety, its partners, and our Virginia Community as we honor the memory and teachings of a great civil rights leader who was killed by gun fire. We will also honor the lives of all Virginians killed by gun violence and invite you to commit to reducing gun violence by raising your voice for responsible gun laws.

Monday, Jan. 15th, 2–5pm

Virginia State Capitol

2–3pm Vigil at the Bell Tower

3–5pm Advocacy at the New General Assembly Building



For questions, please contact us at info@va cps.org or 757-423-8801



HOLIDAY PARTY!

It's a Party and You Are Invited!
Our Annual Holiday Party
Wednesday, December 13th, 2023
3 to 6 pm

At the home of Susan Roberts
595 Glengarry Court, Earlysville, VA 22936

Drop by for a quick holiday hello and **feel free to bring an appetizer or dessert** if you would like.

Questions please email: Carolyn Fitzpatrick cupojo_carolyn@icloud.com

Pre session

Join the LWV-VA for our Annual Pre-Session

You will learn about the legislative priorities of the League and our partners. This

is an important annual event for all league Members.
This year's Pre-Session will be virtual.
Wednesday, December 6, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

This years list of guest speakers and partners is terrific.

*For more information and to register
[click this link](#)*

Women's Legislative Round Table (WLRT) Jan.10th 2nd WLRT -Jan.17th

Learn about what is happening in the first part of the 2024 General Assembly
Session

Both are hybrid sessions- In person in Richmond or Online

Register on the link above after January 1,2024 for these Round Table Sessions

International Relations/Federal Gov't Report

By Rice Wagner

On November 15th the International Relations/Federal Government Committee met and discussed our new topic on Israel. We will continue this topic Topic will be a continuation of November meeting on Israel.

My Promised Land by Ari Sharvit as an excellent source of factual information on Israel.

There will be no meeting in December.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 24th - noon to 2 pm at Northside Library. For more information about the IR/FG committee, contact Rice Wagner, email: ricew123@icloud.com.

LWV CVA Community Engagement Committee News

by Lisa Hilgartner, Community Engagement Director

In tandem with Meg Heubeck's work at The Center for Politics , Meg, Stephanie Lowenhaupt and I met a Delegation from Kazakhstan to discuss Election Integrity in Virginia and the US in general on November 8th. Thanks to instant Russian translation we were able to communicate how elections operate here and they told us how elections operate in Kazakhstan.



Update your LWV CVA 2023-24 Handbook:

Welcome New LWV CVA Member!

Susan Gallander, 1417 Farrow Hill Ct., Charlottesville, VA 22901

email: susan.gallander@me.com

Save the Date for Program Planning

Our annual Program Planning Meeting to be held at the
Northside Library
February 3rd 2024 from 10 am to 1 pm

Come and discuss what our focus will be on our advocacy issues.
This is a great way to learn more of how The League of Women Voters
works and how we choose how we will work on these issues.

Preparatory information will be available by mid January.

Questions? Contact Katie Angioletti at katieangioletti@gmail.com

LWV CVA Calendar of Events for December 2023 - Mark your Calendars!

League of Women Voters of Virginia Legislation Pre-Session - Virtual -
Wednesday, December 6- 9AM to 3 PM

Gun Violence Prevention Committee - Vigil - Downtown Mall - Saturday
December 9, noon: Beth.alley@gmail.com

LWV CVA December Holiday Gathering: Potluck Dinner - Susan Roberts' Home - Wednesday, Dec13, 3-6 PM !!!!
contact Carolyn Fitzpatrick for more information cupojo_carolyn@icloud.com

LWV CVA Board of Directors Meeting - January 17th from 3 to 5 pm via ZOOM . Link will be sent out by mid January
contact Meg Heubeck for more information - email: mfh2n@virginia.edu

Annual Martin Luther King Gun Violence Prevention Vigil in Richmond Monday, January 15, 2 to 3 and 3-5 PM

Natural Resources Committee Meeting for January
Contact Linda Goodling linniecg740@gmail.com

International Relations/Federal Govt - Meeting - Northside Library on Wednesday January 24th , noon to 2 pm.
Questions: contact Rice Wagner 386-527-5392 at rice123@icloud.com

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