

PLEASE ATTEND

CANDIDATE FORUMS!

The League of Women Voters believes that observing a face to face debate among opposing candidates provides an excellent opportunity for voters to judge which candidate(s) will best represent them.

Please join us in hearing from candidates currently running for office.

All times are from
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



For updated information
and Schedules
please visit:

<http://lwvbergen.org>

Bergen County League of Women Voters (ILO) Invites the Public to Attend Candidate Forums:

Tuesday, September 13, COUNTY CLERK

Westwood Borough Hall
101 Washington Avenue, Westwood
Invited: John S. Hogan (D) (incumbent)
and Hector Olmo (R)

Tuesday, September 27, SURROGATE

Westwood Borough Hall
101 Washington Avenue, Westwood
Invited: Incumbent, Michael Dressler (D)
and Robert W. Avery (R)

Thursday, October 6, SHERIFF

Bergen Technical High School
504 West Route 46, Teterboro
Invited: Incumbent Michael Saudino (D)
and Manuel V. Alfonso (R)

Thursday, October 13, FREEHOLDER (three seats)

Bergen Technical High School
504 West Route 46, Teterboro
Invited:
Thomas J. Sullivan (D) (incumbent)
Mary J. Amoroso (D)
Germaine M. Ortiz (D)
Maura R. DeNicola (R) (incumbent)
John J. Driscoll Jr. (R), and
Robert A. DiDio (R)
Demosthenes M. Backos (Libertarian)
and Peter J. Rohrman (Libertarian)

Wednesday, October 19, CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 9

Englewood Public Safety Complex
73-75 South Van Brunt Street, Englewood
Invited: Bill Pascrell (D) (incumbent)
and Hector Castillo (R)

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2016-2017

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®

PLEASE JOIN US AT TWO UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Will New Jersey Have Funds to Pay for Road Improvements?

Join us to learn about New Jersey's Transportation Trust Fund Authority. The TTFA was created in 1984. Its mission is to finance the cost of "planning, acquisition, engineering, construction, reconstruction, repair, resurfacing, and rehabilitation of the state's transportation system." The program will be held on Monday, September 19th, 7:00 - 9:00pm, in Tenafly's McCandless Room, located at 100 Riveredge Ave. Parking and entry in rear of building. Invited speakers

are Bergen County legislators who serve on the Transportation Committee.

LGBT Equality: Our Work Has Just Begun

The NVLWV will join the National Council of Jewish Women as a coalition partner in their annual advocacy forum, this year to be held on Wednesday, November 9 at 1:15pm at Temple Emeth in Teaneck. Guest speaker Steven Goldstein, Executive Director of the Anne Frank Center for Mutual Respect, in NYC, will be joined by a panel of experts.

DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPECTATOR SPORT AND NEITHER IS THE LEAGUE.

FIND VOTER INFORMATION

NEW



The League of Women Voters (US) has run VOTE411.org, an online voter guide, since 2006. It answers common questions about candidate qualifications, the ballot, polling places and administrative rules. Since its creation, nearly 20,000 websites have linked to the site and 25 million people have accessed its information.

This fall, LWVNJ will use Vote411 to cover all NJ Congressional races. The ILO (Bergen County League) will cover county races. Check it out. Refer your neighbors to it.



CALENDAR & NOTES

OCTOBER

Saturday 10/8/16 LWVNJ Fall Workshop, 9 am - 1:30 pm at Rider University, Daly Dining Hall 2083 Lawrenceville Road Lawrenceville, NJ 08648. Guest speakers and discussion will be about online voter registration and automatic voter registration: how it works in other states and the benefits of modernizing in NJ.

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 1: Deadline for mailed application for a vote by mail ballot to the County Clerk
Monday, November 7, 3 p.m.: Deadline for applying for a vote by mail ballot in person at the County Clerk's office.
Tuesday, November 8: GENERAL ELECTION DAY (Polls open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

NVLWV Board Meetings

Open to Members on Tuesdays at 10:00 am at the Garden Room at the Davis Johnson Park & Gardens, Corner of Engle Street & Westervelt Avenue in Tenafly on 9/13/16, 10/11/16, 11/8/16, 12/13/16, 1/10/17, 2/14/17, 3/14/17, 4/11/17, 5/9/17, 6/13/17, 7/11/17, and 8/8/17. Please join us!

SEPTEMBER

Thursday, September 15: Last day for a political party to fill a primary nominee vacancy

Tuesday, October 18: Last day to register or change voting address for general elections.



REGISTER TO VOTE

TO QUALIFY FOR VOTING, citizens **must be registered at least 21 days** before the election and be 18 years of age by the election. You may register to vote if you are 17 years old but cannot vote until you are 18. You *may* declare a party affiliation but are not required to do so until you want to vote in a primary.

REGISTRATION IS PERMANENT unless you change your name or address, but changes in party designation are permitted annually.

State law requires that sample ballots be mailed to all registered voters one week before each election.

October 18, 2016 is the last day to register in person with the town clerk or the county elections office.

REGISTRATION FORMS may be printed from the internet:

<http://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voting-information.html>

VOTING BY MAIL is available to all qualified voters. Once you apply for a vote-by-mail ballot, you will not be permitted to vote at the polls. Download a Vote-By-Mail ballot application:

<http://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voting-information-vote-by-mail.html>

If you are a Bergen County resident, the completed application should be mailed to:
Hon. John S. Hogan
Bergen County Clerk
One Bergen County Plaza, Rm 130
Hackensack, NJ 07601



The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

It operates through more than 800 state and local leagues in all 50 states, Washington, DC, Hong Kong, and the Virgin Islands.

The organization develops grassroots leadership and enjoys widespread credibility because it is strictly non-partisan.

www.lwvny.org

JOIN US NOW

WE ARE THE LWVNV!

Please JOIN US.

Membership is open to all women and men and includes membership in the national, state, and local organization. Membership runs from July 2016-June 2017 and is \$55.00 for individuals, \$75.00 for family and \$25.00 for students. **Please print out this form and return it, along with your check, to LWV Treasurer, Vicki Sidrow, One Horizon Road, Apt 1405, Fort Lee, NJ 07024. Please make your check payable to the League of Women Voters of Northern Valley ("LWVNV").**

Questions? lwvno.valley@gmail.com or call 201-947-0756

Download Form: lwvbergen.org/membership/

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____, NJ _____

Email: _____



c/o Vicki Sidrow, 1-Horizon Rd, Apt 1405, Ft Lee, NJ 07024



The LWV of Northern Valley is the organization where hands-on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement. Join us today!

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| Cresskill | Harrington Park | Park Ridge |
| Demarest | Haworth | River Vale |
| Dumont | Hillsdale | Tenafly |
| Edgewater | Leonia | Washington Township |
| Emerson | Montvale | Woodcliff Lake |

BALLOT QUESTIONS: TWO N.J. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS



NEW JERSEY STATE FLAG

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Imagine what our country would look like if every eligible American was registered to VOTE.

Two State Constitutional Amendments will be voted upon in November.

The **Gas Tax for Transportation Funding Amendment** will dedicate all revenue collected from gas taxes to transportation projects. Currently, 10.5 cents of the 13.5 cent tax on diesel fuel is appropriated for transportation projects, leaving three cents not explicitly dedicated. (The full 10.5 cent tax on unleaded gasoline is fully dedicated). Since the Transportation Trust Fund ran out of money on July 1, 2016, this amendment will bolster gas tax revenues. Placing the measure on the ballot was also a prerequisite for the legislature to raise the gas tax in New Jersey.

The second ballot initiative is the **Casino Expansion Amendment**. It would add two casinos in North Jersey, ending a four-decade monopoly in Atlantic City. Competition in surrounding areas led to seven years of dwindling revenue. Lawmakers expect the two casinos in northern New Jersey to revive the industry. Those who hold casino licenses in Atlantic City would have six months to draft proposals for the two new casinos. Each casino proposal would have to include an investment of at least \$1 billion. If the state failed to receive proposals under those guidelines within six months, license holders outside of Atlantic City would be permitted to submit proposals.