

NEWSLETTER

5/6/17 SPRING-SUMMER ISSUE

62ND
BIENNIAL
CONVENTION
ATTENDED BY
LWVNV
MEMBERS
SATURDAY,
4/29/17.





Debate on Amendment to Increase Cap on State Staff Salaries; L>R: Minna Greenberg, Sandra Matsen, Budget Committee Chair, MAL: President Nancy Hedinger LWV Morristown Area at Podium.



Mina M. Greenberg President, Bergen ILO



Luncheon Break!





BUDGET PRESENTATION: Sandra Matsen, Budget Committee Chair

LWV of Northern Valley 2016-2017

Officers Lucy Heller, 1st VP Nike Bach, 2nd VP Fran Molnar, Secretary Vicki Sidrow Treasurer Vi Ruschman, Membership

Elected Directors
Lorraine Cohen
Naomi Epstein
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PHOTOS WANTED!
NEXT SUBMISSIONS
DEADLINE: 8/4/17
Please submit Articles to:

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VOTE BY MAIL

Vote by Mail ballots are available for any registered voter for any election. You do not need a reason to request a Vote by Mail ballot, but once you apply for one, you will not be permitted to vote at the polls. To receive your Vote by Mail ballot by mail, your County Clerk must receive your application 7 days prior to the election. You may also apply in person to your County Clerk until 3:00 pm, the day before the election.

If you have questions about obtaining or using a Vote by Mail ballot, please contact the League of Women Voters of New Jersey at 1-800-792-VOTE.



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10/26 MOVIE:

The NV League will cosponsor, along with Northern NJ National Organization for Women, the Reproductive Justice Committee of the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, Urban League for Bergen County Young Professionals, and the YWCA of Bergen County the screening of the movie *Equal Means Equal* on **October 26** at **7PM**, at the Unitarian Society in Ridgewood, 113 Cottage Pl. Doors open at 6:30PM. The movie examines real-life stories and precedent setting legal cases having to do with a varie-

ty of issues affecting women including workplace harassment, domestic violence, and the healthcare system.

Roberta Francis, current ERA Education consultant for the Alice Paul Institute, will moderate a discussion following the film. Roberta was a former Director of the NJ Division on Women and has worked for 40 years on a broad spectrum of women's issues from education and pay equity to reproductive rights and violence against women.

5/9, 5/11 & 5/18: PRIMARY DEBATES

State law mandates that any candidates who qualify for matching funds must participate in at least two primary debates. Candidates who choose not to seek matching funds but commit to raising and spending at least \$430,000 can also participate.

The first two debates -- one for Democrats and one for Republicans -- will be held on Tuesday, May 9, at Stockton University in Galloway Township, per a schedule released by the state Election Law Enforcement Commission. The first debate will be 6:30 p.m., followed by the second at 8 p.m.Stockton officials will randomly decide which party goes first. Both debates will be

broadcast live on Facebook.

The second Democratic debate will be held two days later, **Thursday**, **May 11** while the second Republican debate will be held a week after that, **Thursday**, **May 18**. Both will be held at NJTV's studios in Newark, both debates will begin at 8 p.m. and both will be broadcast live by NJTV, NJ Spotlight, WNET and C-SPAN.

You can visit <u>www.VOTE411.org</u> to learn more about candidates. The League of Women Voters of New Jersey will be asking gubernatorial and legislative primary candidates policy questions and posting their responses.

NEW JERSEY VOTERS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION ON JUNE 6TH.

www.VOTE411.org OR http://www.njelections.org/index.html to confirm voting locations and times.

A primary is an election which allows members of a political party choose a candidate to represent them in an upcoming election. NJ is a closed primary state. This means that only those voters who registered for a party may vote in the election. Unaffiliated voters can register with a political party up to and including Primary Election Day. You may file a **Party Affiliation Declaration Form** with the Commissioner of Registration/Superintendent of Elections for your county by mail or in person. If you choose

to, you can also declare your affiliation at your polling place on Primary Election Day.

At this time, there are at least 14 candidates running to succeed term-limited Governor Chris Christie. Elected on a joint ticket will be NJ Lieutenant Governor. Christie's term runs out in January.

In addition to choosing a governor, all 40 State Assembly seats and all 40 state Senate seats are up for election.

The filing deadline for the primary election was April 3, 2017.

For further information about New Jersey elections, visit https://ballotpedia.org/ New Jersey elections, 2017



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 2017 -June 2018 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 <u>Download Form</u>: lwvbergen.org/ membership/

Name:	
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CALENDAR & NOTES

Email:

JOIN IN OUR MEMBER ACTIVITIES:

If you would like to get involved in Voter Service activities, please contact Nike Bach Nike.Bach@gmail.com 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.

CALENDAR:

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 May 16 - Voter Registration dead-5/9/17, 6/13/17, 7/11/17, and 8/8/17.

Please join us!

May 9 – First Gubernatorial primary debate (Democratic and Republican parties). Additional debates: May 11 and May 18. See article in this issue for further information.

line (to vote in primary)

May 19 - Reservations due for **NVLWV** Annual Dinner

June 1, 5:30 p.m., NVLWV Annual Dinner Meeting at Classic Quiche, 330 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck

June 6 - NJ Primary Election

Oct 26, 7PM, screening of movie Equal Means Equal at the Unitarian Society in Ridgewood, 113 Cottage Pl. Doors open at 6:30PM

Nov 7 - General Election

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

Estelle Padawer passed away April 12, 2017 in Fort Lee. She was 89 and a long-time member of the League, a doer, a poet, and an environmentalist. One of the last Northern Valley League activities she volunteered for, until ill health prevented her from pursuing, was as a member of our Environmental Committee. A celebration of her life was held in the peace garden in Leonia on April 17. Donations may be made, in her memory, to the Environmental Defense Fund.



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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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New Milford Alpine Englewood Bergenfield **Englewood Cliffs** Northvale Cliffside Park Fort Lee Norwood Closter Hackensack Old Tappan Cresskill Park Ridge Harrington Park Haworth River Vale Demarest Dumont Hillsdale Tenafly

Edgewater Leonia Washington Township

Emerson Montvale Woodcliff Lake

TO:

DINNER MEETING TO BE HELD ON JUNE 1

Members and guests are invited to attend the Northern Valley's 71st Annual Meeting on **Thursday**, **June 1** at Classic Quiche in Teaneck. Our guest speaker is **Helen Archontou**, who is completing her sixth year as CEO of the YWCA of Bergen County. Based on her nearly 20 years of experience advocating on behalf of children and adults, Helen will share ideas about ways to reduce sexual violence on college campuses. She will also comment on the challenges facing federal education law in the current administration (such as enforcing Title IX).

Please send in your reservation by May 19.

Guest(s) _

ANNUAL MEETING RESERVATION

Classic Quiche

330 Queen Anne Rd, Teaneck, NJ
Thursday, June 1, 5:30 P.M.
Speaker: Helen Archontou, CEO, YWCA of Bergen County
Dinner: \$30 per person
Guests welcome

Phone _____

Make check payable to LWVNV (add to Note: NV Annual Dinner).

Enclosed \$____

Send form and check to Shirley Shapiro, 292 Highwood Ave. Tenafly, NJ 07670 If you cannot mail this form in on time, call Shirley at 201-568-0787

