



THE VOTER

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN
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President's Letter

Democracy is on the line!

Historically if the Court makes an activist decision that is counter to the Constitution, history, and democratic opinion, then Congress responds with legislation that clearly re-establishes our rights. The recent Supreme Court decision is a clear demonstration of its power to affect our daily lives and highlighted again how dysfunctional Congress has become. Our representatives need to figure out how to break the congressional log jam.

Voters will turn out, especially if they understand their power and how to exercise it.

- We are here to educate voters new to Texas and first-time voters on the steps needed to register and to vote.
- We are here to help voters understand what Suspense means and how to fix it.
- We are here to increase voter turnout with simple messages about how to vote and why.
- We are here to work with other groups to leverage their efforts.
- And we are here to do a better job of communicating with you about how you can help. Please watch our website and sign up for our blogs, watch for volunteer opportunities on the Participate > Volunteer page, and watch our social media.
- The power of our volunteers working together makes a difference.

Are you interested in the environment and/or are you a friend of Genie Fritz?

Genie Fritz joined LWVD in 1952 – so she has been a member for 70 years! She was president of LWVD from 1963-1965; served as a resource person to LWVTX in poverty programs and school finance; was awarded the Virginia Macdonald Leadership Award in 1999; and served as president of the Women's Southwest Federal Credit Union. She also shared two honors with her husband, Ned: the North Texas Master Naturalist Dragonfly Award in 2014; and the naming of the Ned and Genie Fritz Buckeye Trail in the Great Trinity Forest. I invite you to visit the Ned Fritz Legacy Project: An Online Biography website to add your memories to this history. Please also give Genie a call or email. [Visit The Ned Fritz Legacy Project to learn more.](#)

Please welcome our two newest Board members: Annette Anderson and Cathy Estrada are our new Susan B. Anthony Co-Chairs. Thank you, Cecilia McKay, last year's Chair of Nominating, for bringing them to the Board. The Board unanimously approved their appointments at the June Board meeting. Becky Brakke will again serve as Chair of the Silent Auction and Cecilia McKay will serve as event project manager. Please find the award nomination forms in this issue of the VOTER.

LWVTX hosted its convention from April 8 through 10. The Dallas League sent 8 delegates: Madge Cruse, Miriam Foshay, Robin Lederer, Cecilia McKay, Harry Swanson, Sandy Thornton, Nell Watts and me. Immediate Past President Grace Chimene is taking a well-deserved rest and Joyce LeBombard is the new LWVTX President. North Texas is well represented on the new Board with Elaine Wiant (LWV Dallas) as Treasurer, Elisabeth MacNamara and Charlotte McKenzie (LWV Collin County) as Vice Presidents, Julie Espinoza (LWV Collin County) and Diane Gil (LWV Tarrant County) as Directors. One of the items of business adopted is a study on how bills in the 87th Legislature affected voter list management which will be chaired by Robin Lederer. Another piece of local news is that Dallas has agreed to host the 2024 LWV Texas convention. Cecilia McKay has volunteered to serve as the local project manager. . One of the highlights of the convention was the Paint the Town Vote awards dinner. The keynote speaker was Isabel Longoria who was the elections administrator in Houston. Awards were given to Ms. Longoria and Michael Scarpello (Dallas County), Heider Garcia (Tarrant County) and Bruce Sherbet (Collin County).

LWVUS hosted its biennial convention from June 23-26, 2022. 1000+ delegates from all 50 states and DC joined either virtually or in person to attend a panel featuring female leaders in the voting rights movement; march in support of abortion justice at the Denver Capitol building; elect a 2022-2024 Board of Directors; and share our goals for the next two years.

I attended in person and am grateful that I was able to participate in several very informative caucuses (all were also recorded); advocate for more focus by LWVUS on immigration; and was honored to be with and meet others from Texas. Thank you for being a member and friend of LWVD and thank you for being a volunteer!

In League,
Diane Tasian, President

Welcome To Our New League Members!!

ANNETTE ANDERSON
CYNTHIA BECKER
HILAREE CASADA
KAREN CHAPPELL
CATHERINE ESTRADA
RANDI GORDON
JUDY GRAHAM
LESLI GRAY
NEIL GRIFFITH
HEATHER HALL
ANNA HITHERSAY
KELSEANNA HOLLIS-HANSEN
ERIN LAURINE
ESTER LORIA
BRIAN MARTINEZ

DONNA MEEKS
JENNIFER NEAL
MARJORIE ORNELAS
BETTY PETTWAY
MARTHA REYNOLDS
MARSHA ROSENBERG
KIMBERLY ROYAL MARTINEZ
BARBARA SAURER
LISA SHERROD
CHRISTINA SMITHERS
LEONORA STEPHENS
VERA SUAREZ
SUE TURNER
LINDA WILKERSON

Don't forget to update your online profile via
our website.

Donor Honor Roll

During the FY 2021-2022, the following people and organizations contributed \$100 or more to the League of Women Voters of Dallas. These gifts reflect an awareness in our community of the important work that the LWV-D does in protecting the right to vote, ensuring that elections are administered fairly, promoting nonpartisan redistricting, and minimizing the influence of money in politics. Please join me in thanking the following:

\$5,000+ Cecilia Boone, Michael Sorrell

\$2,500+ Carol Barger, Robert and Shannon FitzGerald, Suzi Greenman, Julie Lowenberg, Rebecca Sykes, Dr. Berge and Diane Tasian, Linda Wassenich

\$1,500+ Michael Ablon, Jeana Foxman, Dr. Catalina Garcia, Katherine Homan, Kathleen Irvin, Ron Kirk, Bridget Lopez, Cheryl Pollman, Staci Reznik, Jan Sanders, Elaine Wiant

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\$100+ Paige Elphingstone, Cindy Kozmetsky, Robin Lederer, Madeline McClure, Joan Ridley, Diane Risser, Pat Sabin, Sandy Thornton, Molly Van Ort, Mary Vogelsson

LWVD Calendar

August - September 2022

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to Noon.	LWVD Office hours; (the office is closed on national holidays)
Office contact information:	6060 N Central Expwy, Ste 500 Dallas, TX 75206 214 688-4125, info@lwvdallas.org
Office physical location:	If you are visiting the office, please go to Reception on 5th Floor. The receptionist will direct you to the office which is on the 2nd Floor.
Most standing meetings take a break during the summer. There will be a meeting coordination meeting in August and this schedule may change. Please watch the website Event Calendar and Friday Updates for current information.	Advocacy Interest groups: Dallas ISD Education - First, Third, Fourth Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion - Third Monday, at 6:00 p.m. Environment Issues - Please see events with Susybelle Gosslee and Public Citizen Health Care Issues group, second Monday, 6:00 p.m. Housing - Third Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. Redistricting - Second Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Voter Service and Voter Rights - Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. Membership Connections , third Wednesday, at 7:00 p.m. Neighborhood Unit meetings - second week of the month
FOR OBSERVERS:	DISD Board of Trustees meet once a month on the fourth Thursday. Dallas City Council meets on the second and fourth Wednesday. Dallas County Commissioners Court meets on the first and third Tuesday.

If you would like to become a Volunteer Deputy Registrar please go to <https://www.dallascountyvotes.org/training-and-education/volunteer-deputy-registrar-program/> to learn your options.

*Dallas County Elections
1520 Round Table Drive, Dallas, TX 75247 (near Stemmons & Regal Row)*

AUGUST 2022		NO VOTER. NO Unit, Advocacy interest group or Membership meetings. Plan GOTV/voter registration activities and candidate forums
TBD		Summer workshops for Texas Leagues
TBD - late August	lunch time	Unit meeting planning, La Madeleine at Mockingbird & Central
2	Tuesday	National Night Out (various parks and venues)
3	Wednesday	Board reports due. Please post to Document Library Board folder.
August 6, 1965	Saturday	Anniversary: The Voting Rights Act was adopted providing protection of voter registration and voting for racial minorities.
6	Saturday, 10:00 am - Noon	LWVD Board Meeting (League members welcome) Please go to Event Calendar at www.hnvdallas.org to sign up.
15	Monday	September VOTER articles due
August 18, 1920	Thursday	Anniversary: 19th Amendment - Women's Right to Vote is ratified by Congress
26		Women's Equality Day. The 19th Amendment was certified part of the Constitution on August 26, 1920.
27	Saturday, 9 a.m.	Calendar Planning, office Board Room 2nd Floor

DATE	DAY / TIME	EVENT / LOCATION
SEPTEMBER 2022		Dallas County Elections Voter Registration Awareness Month National Hispanic Heritage Month September 15 to October 15
1	Thursday	September VOTER mailed and emailed
1	Thursday	First day of scheduled giving for North Texas Giving Day
3	See September 10	Board meeting moved to avoid Labor Day holiday.
5	Monday OFFICE CLOSED	Labor Day. Federal holiday
5 (Estimate)	Monday	Vote411/Voter Guide: Candidates receive link to questions for Nov. 8 Uniform Election
Unit Meetings are typically in the second week of the month. This will be updated after the August planning meeting.		Unit Meeting - Southside
		Unit Meeting - Edgemere Dallas
		Unit Meeting - Far North Dallas
		Unit Meeting - Lovers & Inwood
7	Wednesday, Midnight	Board reports due. Please post to Document Library Board folder.
10	Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - Noon	LWVD Board Meeting (League members welcome) Please go to Event Calendar at www.hnvdallas.org to sign up.
15	Thursday	October VOTER articles due
16	Friday	Citizenship Day and Constitution Day Observed
20	Tuesday	National Voter Registration Day
21	Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.	Membership Connections meeting.
22	Thursday	Fall Equinox.
22	Thursday	North Texas Giving Day
25	Friday	American Indian Heritage Day, Texas state holiday. Three American Indian tribes have reservations in Texas: Alabama-Coushatta, Tigua and Kickapoo. The Lipan Apache Tribe headquarters is in McAllen, TX.
26	Monday	Rosh Hashana (Jewish holiday)
29	Wednesday, Midnight	Board reports due. Please post to Document Library Board folder.

Reminders!

The League's "Voters Guide" provides facts on voting and candidates. The guide is online at VOTE411.org, in English en Español.

The "Your Elected Officials" brochure has national, state and local contact information for Dallas County voters in English and en Español.

In person and online (lwvdallas.org), we provide clear and accurate, information on the new voter laws.

Follow the League on Social Media!



We thank you for your continued membership and support of our programs.



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Nominate an Awardee!

It's The Time Of Year When We Need Your Help Identifying Our 2023 Award Recipients!

The League of Women Voters of Dallas Requests your help identifying the 2023 Susan B. Anthony Award Recipient and the 2023 Eleanor Sutherland Volunteer Award Recipients.

Please nominate an individual who exemplifies the spirit of Susan B. Anthony: her independence, persistence, and dedication to obtaining equal rights for all. For the Eleanor Sutherland Volunteer Award Recipient, we are looking for an individual who has demonstrated outstanding efforts and achievements as a volunteer and whose service has made a significant impact on the Dallas community.

Nomination Forms are attached at the end of this edition of the VOTER.



2023 Susan B. Anthony Award Nomination Form

Past Recipients

1997 - Elizabeth Cowles*
1998 - Cathy Wilkins-Moffitt
1999 - Joanne Hill*
2000 - Elizabeth Johannaber*
2001 - Catalina Garcia-Gary, M.D.
2002 - Rebecca Russell Sykes
2003 - Suzanne Ahn, M.D.*
2004 - Vivian Castleberry* and Louise Raggio*
2005 - Patricia Patterson
2006 - Essie Reed*
2007 - Laura Estrada
2008 - Virginia Bulkley Whitehill*
2009 - Cecilia Guthrie Boone
2010 - Julie Lowenberg
2011 - Ellen K. Solender*
2012 - Jan Sanders
2013 - Beverly Mitchell Brooks, Ph.D.
2014 - Hon. Harryette Ehrhardt, Ph.D.
2015 - Hon. Ann Margolin
2016 - Regina Montoya
2017 - Debbie D. Branson
2019 - Susybelle Lyons Gosslee
2020 - Lois Finkelman
2021 - Natalie Jenkins Sorrell
*Deceased

*This award is presented annually to
a person who exemplifies the
characteristics of*

Susan B. Anthony

*her independence, persistence,
determination and dedication in
obtaining equal rights for all.*

Criteria:

- The awardee must attend the **February 9, 2023**, Susan B. Anthony Luncheon to receive the award.
- The nominee must have significant history of leadership initiatives, accomplishments and contributions to the advancement of equal rights for all.
- The nominee's political or other orientations should not be considered as factors in the selection of a winner.
- The nominee must not be serving in or actively running for a partisan office.
- The award recipient must allow recognition in the LWVD website and other publications.

Complete nominations must be received by **September 1, 2022**, to be considered.

Nominator and Nominee Contact Information:

Nominator Information

Individual/Organization Submitting Nomination:
Contact Name:
Address:
Telephone Number:
Email:

Nominee Information

Name of Nominee:	
Title/Position:	
Company/Organization:	
Business Address:	
Business Phone:	
Home Address:	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Email:	

Questions required to be answered as part of the Nomination:

Please limit answers to two pages.

1. Give examples of the nominee's community achievements to obtain equal rights for all.
2. Explain how the nominee persevered in the face of adversity to achieve goals.
3. What are some of the nominee's leadership initiatives focusing on women's rights?
4. Show evidence of leadership initiatives at the local, state or national level.

Reminders to complete the nomination:

- Add a biography.
- Include no more than two letters of recommendation.
- All attachments must be legible.
- Documents submitted with the Nomination Form will not be returned.
- An organization or individual may submit more than one nomination for consideration.
- **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.**

Return the Nomination Form and any other attachments by September 1, 2022, via:

Email: lwvdallas@sbcglobal.net

Mail: LWV Dallas
Susan B. Anthony Award
6060 N. Central Expressway, Suite 500
Dallas, TX 75206

For further information, contact Cecilia McKay or
League of Women Voters of Dallas at (214) 688-4125



2023 Eleanor Sutherland Volunteer Award Nomination Form

Past Recipients

2018 - Nancy Lubar & Richard Marcus
2019 - Will Toler
2020 - Karla Garcia
2022 – Jeana Foxman

The League of Women Voters of Dallas established a Champion Volunteer category in 2018 to recognize the efforts and achievements of Volunteers in the Dallas Community.

Criteria:

- Must be available to attend the Susan B. Anthony Luncheon on **February 9, 2023**
- Must be at least 21 years old.
- Must demonstrate service and commitment to the community by volunteering.
- May be nominated by an organization, a colleague, or may self-nominate, on the basis of her or his own volunteer work.
- Nominee may not be an employee of the nominating or affiliated organization(s).

Nominator Information

Individual/Organization Submitting Nomination:
Contact Name:
Address:
Telephone Number:
Email:

Nominee Information

Name of Nominee:	
Title/Position:	
Company/Organization:	
Business Address:	
Business Phone:	
Home Address:	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Email:	

Questions required to be answered as part of the nomination:
Please limit answers to two pages.

1. Describe the Nominee's volunteer activities in the Dallas Community, including length of service.
2. Describe the need for the Nominee's service.
3. Describe the difference that the Nominee's service made to the community. Who was positively affected and how?

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