



LWVUS

Mission Statement:

Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

Vision Statement:

We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.

The LWV does not support or oppose any candidate or political party.

Mark Your Calendar

OCTOBER

Oct. 8, South Kitsap Unit meeting, 10 a.m., Port Orchard Library; Bremerton and CK members welcome

Oct. 24, North Kitsap Unit meeting, 10 a.m., Poulsbo Library; Bremerton and CK members welcome

Oct. 24, Bainbridge Island Unit meeting, 10 a.m., Bainbridge Island Library; all members welcome

Oct. 31, New member welcome potluck, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Island Lake Community Center

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2018 General Election Forums

When: Wednesday, Oct. 3
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Kitsap County Administrative Building 619 Division St., Port Orchard

What: 26th Legislative District
Who: State Representatives
Position 1: Connie FitzPatrick; Jessie L. Young
Position 2: Joy Stanford; Michelle Caldier
State Senator: Emily Randall; Marty McClendon

When: Monday, Oct. 8
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Where: Poulsbo City Hall Council Chambers 200 Moe St. SE, Poulsbo

What: Initiative I-1631, Carbon Fee
Initiative I-1634, Soda/Grocery Tax

When: Wednesday, Oct. 10
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Kitsap County Administrative Building 619 Division St., Port Orchard

What: Kitsap County Coroner: Russ Reuther; Jeff Wallis; Jennifer Chamberlain
South Kitsap School District Levy

When: Monday, Oct. 15
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Kitsap County Administration Building 619 Division St., Port Orchard

What: Initiative I-1639, Gun Safety
Initiative I-940, De-Escalate Washington

When: Monday, Oct. 16
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Where: Poulsbo City Hall Council Chambers 200 Moe St., Poulsbo

What: Kitsap County Auditor: Paul Andrews; Richard Huddy

23rd Legislative District
State Representative: Sherry V. Appleton; Becky Erickson

When: Tuesday, Oct. 18
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Where: Bainbridge Island City Hall Council Chambers 280 Madison Ave., Bainbridge Island

What: Public Utility District No. 1
Commissioner District 3: Heather Pauley; Nate Andrews

23rd Legislative District
State Representative: Sherry V. Appleton; Becky Erickson

When: Thursday, Oct. 11
Time: 6 p.m.
Where: Norm Dicks Government Center 345 6th St., Bremerton

What: 35th Legislative District
Who: State Senator: Irene Bowling; Tim Sheldon
State Representative
Position 1: Dan Griffey; James Thomas
Position 2: David Daggett; Drew C. MacEwen

Let's Celebrate Our New Members! Did you know that League of Women Voters of Kitsap has grown by almost 70 new members over the last two years? That is truly reason to celebrate, and to come together to meet each other and share our

diverse perspectives! Therefore, the Board invites everyone, long-time and newer members, to a Let's Celebrate Our New Members! Potluck from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Oct. 31, at Island

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## President's Corner

It's October and we have a lot going on! The Forums Committee has been hard at work and the General Election Forums schedule is complete. We will have seven forums covering numerous state and local candidate races as well as state and local issues from Oct. 3 through Oct. 18. We encourage all our members to attend one or more of these forums and volunteer to help out if possible. Please contact Kim Abel or Shelley Kneip for the Bremerton/Port Orchard forums, Catherine Ahl for the Poulsbo forum or Maurie Louis for the Bainbridge forum if you are able to help.

Let's celebrate our new members! We have almost 70

new members over the last two years and are going to celebrate that on Oct. 31 with a potluck lunch at Island Lake Community Center, which is located between Poulsbo and Silverdale. This will be a fun event — a chance to meet our newer members and give everyone a chance to get acquainted. Please plan on attending.

As the weather begins to cool and the rain starts again, we are fast approaching Election Day. Participating in voting is both a cherished right and also a responsibility. Let's all encourage everyone we know to educate themselves on the issues and candidates and to remember to get those ballots mailed or put in drop boxes.

Myra Howrey, LWVK President

### Observer Team

Annette Maxson has resigned as chair of the Observer Team due to obligations outside of LWV Kitsap. If you have an interest in coordinating the efforts of the Observer Team, please let Myra know.

### LWV 101

The next LWV 101 will be in November. The date and time to be announced. New members will be notified by email.

### Board Snippets

— 9/08/18

1. Jeannie Allen and Gail Sackman were appointed to the Nominating Committee.
2. We now have 160 members
3. Myra will email members with unpaid dues to encourage them in prompt payment.
4. Program Committee is working on development of upcoming meeting topics.
5. Forums Committee is finalizing candidate and ballot issue forums for October.

### Health Care Committee

Please contact Pam Hamon if you are interested in being on the health committee. We will be planning the March public meeting on the Opioid crisis.

### League Website

Our current website manager, Maurie Louis, has begun the major project of rebuilding our website using WordPress instead of the

## One Call For All

One Call for All (OCFA) supports more than 100 local nonprofit organizations on Bainbridge Island and other parts of Kitsap County. The League of Women Voters of Kitsap benefits from donations to OCFA because all donations go to our LWVWA Education Fund account that funds all our Voter Service and Public

technology it is currently built in. WordPress is a more common technology that will make it easier to find new website team members in the future with the skill needed to help manage the site. This is a major project that may take up to a year. Maurie would like to know if there are any League members at all knowledgeable of WordPress or friends of members able and willing to volunteer to help with the project. Contact Maurie for information at maurie.louis@comcast.net.

### Civics

Get informed before you vote by attending a presentation at Kitsap Regional Library in Poulsbo. It will be from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. September 29 at the library's community room.

Let's get local!

Catherine Ahl and Shelley Kneip from the Kitsap League will hold forth on and answer questions about:

- The ballot;
- Initiative and referendums;



Education programs. The Red Envelope Campaign occurs early each October and we encourage donations to help support us.

- Job descriptions for different listed offices;
- Candidates and where you can find out more about them; and
- The primary election process in Washington State; two top winners move forward.

### Dues are Due!

Your dues for the League year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 are due now. You should have been mailed a dues renewal notice in June. Please contact Carol Larsen if you did not receive your notice. Prompt payment of dues makes it possible for us to publish the Member Directory in a timely manner. Thanks for your cooperation.

### LWVK Units

- **SK Unit**  
The South Kitsap Unit now meets on the second Mondays at 10 a.m. at the Port Orchard Library. We have programs related to interests such as citizenship training and test questions, the Constitu-

tion, how bills become laws in Washington, and books, such as "Impeachment: A Citizens Guide" and the like.

### ■ NK Unit

The North Kitsap Unit meets from 10 a.m. to noon at the Poulsbo Library; Bremerton/Central members are welcome; for information, contact Pam Hamon

### Items Needed for The Stella Maris Women's Shelter

The shelter is hosted by St. Vincent De Paul. Reach the shelter by calling 360-373-4505.

#### Items needed include:

- Aluminum Foil, Plastic Wrap, Gallon-Size Freezer Bags, Sandwich Bags;
- 13-Gal White Tall Kitchen Garbage Bags (Drawstring Only);
- 39-Gal Black Garbage Bags (Drawstring Only);
- Liquid Laundry Soap;
- Fabric Softener Sheets;
- Dishwasher Soap (Tablets);
- Dishwashing Liquid;
- Antibacterial Hand Soap (Can Be Bulk);
- Antibacterial Wipes;
- Kleenex/Paper Towels;
- Stainless Steel Cleaner;
- Pledge Multi Purpose Dusting Spray;
- Windex, Clorox, Comet, SOS Pads
- Weiman's Liquid Polisher (For Stoves);
- Women's Razors; and
- Sponges (Green Scrubber/Yellow).

#### Please none of the following:

- Tampons, Toilet Paper, Shampoo, Conditioner, Tooth Brush or Paste.

# *Sold-Out Event Benefits KIAC*

Our League filled a table at the Sept. 8 Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center Dinner & Auction at Kitsap Golf and Country Club in Bremerton. League attendees at this table were Carol Larsen, Connie Syapin, Maurie Louis, Shelley Kneip, Shirlee Clarke, Ann Strosnider, Judy-Rae Karlsen and Rochelle Harma. Other League members who attended included Kimi Kinoshita, Emily Randall and Bremerton Mayor Greg Wheeler and his wife Sunny.

The event grossed \$55,801 for KIAC and attracted a sold-out crowd of 160 guests and 20 volunteers. The keynote speaker was Jorge L. Baron, executive director of the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project. Attendees had many opportunities to support the work of KIAC, including bidding on silent and live auction items, buying raffle tickets and dashing for desserts.

— Annie Strosnider



## *Bowling for League!*

Our League is hosting an event of Holiday Bowling to raise funds for our education and outreach programs. Meet us at All Star Lanes in Silverdale at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. Have fun bowling with fellow members, bring your family bowlers or/and bowling friends with you. We'll even provide bumper lanes, if needed.

The cost is \$20 per person for two hours of fun Bowling for League. This includes shoes and balls. Of that amount, \$10 will support our education fund.

Contact Jeannie Allen, jallen360@gmail.com for any questions and/or reservations by Nov. 28. Please send your payments to LWV Kitsap at P.O. Box 1524, Poulsbo, WA 98370.

## *Save the Date: KC Human Rights Conference*

The 2018 28th Annual Conference for Human Rights is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 7, at Olympic College. Check back here for further details in the future. To view the 27th Annual Conference for Human Rights, which was Dec. 15, 2017, go online to <https://vimeo.com/248520986>. Thank you to the staff and crew at Bremerton Kitsap Access Television for filming the event.

This year's theme is "Building Community in a

Polarized World: Celebrate our Togetherness."

Once again, we will present awards to an individual and a group who have made a difference in human rights in our county. Please contact Judy Arbogast at [judy.arbogast@gmail.com](mailto:judy.arbogast@gmail.com) if you have individuals and/or groups you would like considered for the awards.

We also are are looking for community members with proposals for presentations at our annual conference.

— Judy Arbogast

### CELEBRATE

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Lake Road, Poulsbo.

The purpose of this event is to listen to the newer members.

The Board would like to give them the opportunity to express what direction they want League to take and how they want to participate.

### ON THE WEB

*Find our local League news, meeting notices, reminders and publications on our Facebook or our website, [www.lwv-kitsap.org](http://www.lwv-kitsap.org). Be sure to 'like' us on Facebook.*

## *ACLU Remember to Vote*



Photo by Sue Hughes

Sue Hughes hosted an ACLU Remember to Vote Postcard Party on Sept. 9. Attendees wrote notes of encouragement on 500 postcards and then enjoyed a delicious potluck lunch. Attending were: Myra Howrey, Gail Sackman, Connie Syapin, Susan Daniel, Gary Beanland, and Ann and Chris Smith.

### *Meet Our New Members*

**Jacqueline Bailey** joined the League on the prompting of her friend Rosalind Renouard in addition to feeling the need to help get out the vote in this crucial mid-term election. She has lived in Kitsap County for 25 years and has interests in all things that League does. She is retired and has degrees in microbiology and business and combined the two into a career in sales for a major national clinical lab. Jacqueline has been married for 48 years to Steven and they have two children, ages 35 and 30.

**Kay Daling** was prompted to join League because of a desire to do something in the present political climate, but wanted to be non-partisan. She has lived in Kitsap County for 29 years and is especially interested in voter registration. Kay is an orchestra teacher for Central Kitsap School District and is involved with the Bremerton Symphony, Washington Old Time Fiddlers and on the Silverdale Dog Park board. Kay is married to Michael and has two children and two grandchildren.

The current political situation prompted **Kami Amestoy Lee** to join the League. She has visited friends and family on Bainbridge for more than 20 years and has lived on the island since January. Her special interests in League are voter registration, doorbelling and phone banking. She is retired, but most recently works with Doctors Without Borders (eight years, six missions as a field administrator). Other community involvement includes Island Volunteer Caregivers, Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center and the National Women's Political Caucus. She has a son and a daughter; her son has a daughter age 1 year 8 months and expecting a son in November.

## *Help Guide the Future of Media in Kitsap County*

League members Maurie Louis and Ann Strosnider attended the kickoff meeting of a long process of negotiating new cable television franchise agreements between Kitsap County and Wave Broadband and Comcast. The county is seeking public input on the future of cable service, community media, and technology needs for the next 10 years. This process will help identify future services that residents, schools, community groups, businesses and local government want included in the new cable franchise agreements.

The next step will be a series of focus groups. These groups will gather information from participants through brainstorming and completing an online questionnaire. There is no charge, and refreshments are served. If you're interested, select the group that is most appropriate or convenient and RSVP online. All groups cover the same information but focus more closely on the community in the title. RSVP online at [kcowa.us/focusgroups](http://kcowa.us/focusgroups) or contact George Geyer at [ggeyer@co.kitsap.wa.us](mailto:ggeyer@co.kitsap.wa.us) or (360) 337-4404.

### **Wednesday, Oct. 24**

Kitsap County Administration Building  
619 Division St., Port Orchard

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.: Government, Business and Technology  
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.: Community Education

### **Thursday, Oct. 25**

Silverdale Water District

5300 NW Newberry Hill Road, #100, Silverdale

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.: Nonprofit and Faith-Based Organizations

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.: Arts, Culture & Heritage

### *Kitsap League Board*

<b>President</b> Myra Howrey	<b>Voter Editor</b> Barb Willock	<b>Position 3</b> Gail Sackman
<b>Treasurer</b> Adrienne Davis	<b>Position 1</b> Shelley Kneip	<b>Position 5</b> Jeannie Allen
<b>Secretary</b> Karen Faye	<b>Position 2</b> Martha Burke	<b>Position 6</b> Ann Strosnider

## *Immigration in Kitsap County*

Immigrants, as they always have, are working hard in our county, indeed our whole country. However, because of the recent changes in federal immigration rules, many of today's immigrants are uncertain whether hard work will be enough to ensure security for themselves and their families.

Hundreds of Kitsap residents, as well as a number of our local agencies, are affected by these immigration rules changes. For Kitsap County to continue to be a welcoming place, it is important that citizens inform themselves about immigration laws and about the experiences of the people who have to navigate them. Please help us spread the word about LWVK's upcoming forum on immigration, and please plan to attend and bring guests!

**What: Immigration Today:** How are federal rules changes affecting local immigrants and agencies?

**When:** Nov. 10

**Time:** 1 to 3 p.m.

**Where:** Norm Dicks Government Center, 345 6th St., Bremerton

**Speakers:** **Mitchell Riese**, Washington State Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Unit  
**Ray Garrido**, Legal Services Director, Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center  
**Martitha May**, Director of Mesa Redonda and Co-Founder of Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center

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## *Manchester Community Development Project*

Are you interested in County government or local planning? Kitsap County Department of Community Development has requested the League's assistance in a pilot project in Manchester, called "Talk Kitsap." The project will involve meeting and interviewing Manchester residents about their community, learning what their likes and dislikes are, what the community might need, what they value about their community, and where improvement is needed.

League members team up with one of two college interns to conduct these interviews. After the interviews are completed, the County will use this information to develop a long-term community plan. If all goes well, DCD then will move on to Suquamish with the same process.

DCD requested the League's assistance for two reasons. First, the League is a respected and trusted organization. League members have assisted in other planning efforts over the years with various local governments. Second, the county would prefer to have the interviews conducted by "non-governmental" representatives, to reduce or avoid mistrust in government.

Members already involved in this project include Shelley Kneip, Jeannie Allen and Sue Hughes. It is anticipated that interviews will begin in late September.

If you are interested, please contact Shelley Kneip, Sue Hughes or Ann Smith for a more detailed description of the project.

— Shelley Kneip and Sue Hughes

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### NOVEMBER

**Nov. 10**, Public Meeting: Immigration rules changes and effects on Kitsap agencies and residents, 1 to 3 p.m., Norm Dicks Government Center, Bremerton

**DECEMBER** — TBA

**JANUARY** — Program Planning

**FEBRUARY** — Culverts; public meeting

**MARCH** — Opioid Use Disorder; public meeting

**APRIL** — TBA

**MAY** — Annual meeting

## *Regularly Scheduled Events/Meetings*

### *Unit Meetings*

Be sure to check with your unit leader for any schedule changes.

**Bainbridge Island:** 4th Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon, downstairs meeting room of Bainbridge Library; contact Maurie Louis

**North Kitsap:** 4th Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m., location TBD; Bremerton and CK unit members are welcome; contact Pam Hamon

**South Kitsap:** 2nd Monday of the month, 10 a.m. at Port Orchard Library; Bremerton and CK unit members are welcome; contact Adrienne Davis

### *Board Meetings*

The board meets the first Saturday of each month. All League members are welcome.

### *Dues*

Your dues renewal notices should have arrived in your mailbox in July. If you've not already done so, please return with payment as soon as possible to be included in the member directory.