



Kitsap League Board

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League Field Trips

Have you ever wondered what goes on at your City/County council meetings? What about our local school district, port district or park and recreation district? Members have attended these in the past, and shared their experiences at unit meetings or through other means. Informal "field trips," as they used to be called in my school days, are meaningful ways to become more informed of how they operate and affect us all. Contact Carol Larsen if you are interested in attending, have suggestions for places to visit and possibly having lunch or dinner in conjunction.

Mark Your Calendar

OCTOBER

Oct. 5: Poulsbo Library hosts discussions of the issues of the Presidential debate the evening before; 6:30 p.m. LWV/K moderates.

Oct. 6: General Election Forum, 5:30 p.m., 26th (position 2) and 35th Legislative District Representatives (positions 1 and 2); Kitsap County Commissioners Chambers, 619 Division St., Port Orchard.

Oct. 8: Board meeting, 10 a.m., Poulsbo Library.

Oct. 10: Field Trip to Kitsap Behavioral Science Services (formerly Kitsap Mental Health), 1 to 2:30 p.m. Contact Carol Larsen.

Oct. 12: South Kitsap unit meeting, 9 a.m., in the upstairs room of Coffee Oasis, Port Orchard. Contact Adrienne Davis.

Oct. 13: General Election Forum, 6:30 p.m., 26th Legislative District Representative (position 1); Kitsap County Commissioners Chambers.

Oct. 16: Central Kitsap unit meeting,

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LWV/K Candidate and Ballot Issue Events Fall 2016 - Volunteer Opportunities -

League is shining this election cycle. Please put the events below on your calendar and share with your friends.

Your help is needed at each event. Please contact Kim Abel at kimabellwvwa@gmail.com to volunteer.

What: Thursday, Sept. 29: League moderates a forum with partners Kitsap Area Agency on Aging. Short presentation on the issues facing Legislators in Olympia due to the "AgeWave," followed by questions to candidates for the Legislature in the 23rd and 26th

Districts as well as County Commissioner candidates.

Where: Kitsap County Commissioner Chambers, 619 Division St, Port Orchard

Time: 5:30 p.m., arrival; 6 start

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Wednesday, Oct. 19

LWV/K is hosting a General Meeting on ballot issues: I 732; I 735; I 1433; I 1464; I 1491; I 1501 and the Kitsap Transit Sales Tax Measure. We will meet from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Oct. 19 at Sheridan Park Community Center, 680 Lebo Blvd., Bremerton. (see page 3 for information)

President's Corner

November 8 is almost upon us and our Voter Service Committee and many members and volunteers are busily working on voter registration and candidate forum planning. Information on forums can be found on page one of the Voter. Please plan to attend and if you are able to help with any of the forums, contact Kim Abel. We will have our October General Meeting on October 19 and will be 'debating' the ballot initiatives and the transit tax.

We still need volunteers for I 1735 (gun restrictions; pro and con), I 732 (carbon tax; pro and con), I 735 (asking Legislature to ask Congress to overturn Citizens United; con), and the Kitsap Transit passenger ferry tax – pro and con. Please let



Photo by Myra Howrey

Sue Hughes, Gail Sackman, Myra Howrey, Susan Daniel, Judy and Bill Matchett and Ann and Chris Smith attended this year's 'Brunch With the Abels'. A good time with fabulous food was had!

me know if you want to volunteer.

On August 28, nine Kitsap Leaguers joined Kim and Bob Abel for 'Brunch

With the Abels' – a yearly event provided by them as an Annual Meeting fundraiser. This year the theme was "Straits of Gibraltar Luncheon," which included such treats as Pimm's Royal Cup, smoked fishes with Italian and Greek olives, Cataplana: Razor Clams, Chorizo, Onions and Tomatoes (Portugal), and Meskouta - Yogurt Cake (Morocco). As always, thanks to Kim and Bob for an exceptional day. As you can see from the photo, we had a fabulous time.

Interested in the Civics Education requirement and how county school districts are complying? If you want to be part of a committee to visit your local school district to do this research and report back to the membership, please let me know.

Myra Howrey
LWV/K President

Calendar

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9:30 a.m., Coffee Oasis on Naval Avenue.
Contact Phyllis Mann.

Oct. 17: General Election Forum, 6:30 p.m., Kitsap County Commissioners, position 2 and Kitsap Transit passenger ferry tax; Norm Dicks Center.

Oct. 18: General Election Forum, 6:30 p.m., Kitsap County Commissioner, position 2 and 23rd Legislative District Representative, position 1; Poulsbo City Hall, 200 Moe St. NE.

Oct. 19: General Meeting on ballot issues; 9:30 a.m. to noon, Sheridan Park Community Center, 680 Lebo Blvd., Bremerton.

Oct. 20: Poulsbo Library hosts discussions of the issues of the Presidential debate the evening before. 6:30 p.m. LWV/K moderates.

Oct. 24: General Election Forum, 6:30 p.m., Kitsap County Superior Court Judge, position 5 and Kitsap PUD Commissioner, position 1; Norm Dicks Center.

Oct. 26: Bainbridge unit meeting, 2 to 4 p.m., home of Lydia Olsen. Contact Maurie Louis.

Oct. 26: NK Unit meeting, 10 a.m., Coffee Oasis, Poulsbo. Contact Pam Hamon.

See How Your Mental Health Tax Dollars Are Hard at Work

We have been invited to a 40-minute meet-and-PowerPoint overview of the Kitsap Behavioral Science Services (formerly Kitsap Mental Health) and a 30-minute tour of the campus from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10. There is a five person maximum for the tour although unlimited persons are welcome to participate in the Meet-and -PowerPoint overview with Director Joe Roszak. Lunch before the event can be planned as well. Respond to Carol Larsen if you are interested in attending.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER

ONLINE: OCT. 10

Kitsap County Auditor's Elections
Division Voter Registration Deadlines

- * Online voter registration and address changes can be made until Oct. 10 to be on time for the Nov. 8 General Election.
- * New Washington voters registering in person in our Port Orchard office (619 Division St.) have until Oct. 31 to be on time for the Nov. 8 General Election.
- * Members of the military who are new Washington voters have until 8 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 8, to register.

Online: MyVote.wa.gov

Email: auditor@co.kitsap.wa.us

Fax: (360) 337-5769

Board Snippets — 9/10/16

1. Rescheduled the September 21 visit the Commissioners field trip to 1 p.m. for the first budget hearing. Lunch prior with a budget process overview.
2. Discussed the ballot issues General Meeting — some volunteers still needed to give pros and cons.
3. November meeting will be on the subject of Immigration.
4. December meeting will be a visit to the Suquamish Event Center to hear about tribe outreach to the community.
5. January meeting will be program planning.
6. February meeting will be Law Enforcement in the 21st Century.
7. Voter registration and candidate forum efforts were reviewed.

Units Meet

Bainbridge Island: 4th Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. at different members' homes; contact Maurie Louis.

North Kitsap: 4th Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. at Coffee Oasis in Poulsbo; contact Pam Hamon.

Central Kitsap: 3rd Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at Coffee Oasis on Naval Avenue in Bremerton; contact Phyllis Mann.

South Kitsap: 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m. at Coffee Oasis (upstairs) in Port Orchard; contact Adrienne Davis.

LWV/WA Initiative Endorsements

■ I-1433 Initiative Measure No. 1433 concerns labor standards.

This measure would increase the state minimum wage to \$11 in 2017, \$11.50 in 2018, \$12.00 in 2019, and \$13.50 in 2020, require employers to provide paid sick leave, and adopt related laws.

(http://sos.wa.gov/_assets/elections/initiatives/FinalText_954.pdf)

■ I-1464 Initiative Measure No. 1464 concerns campaign finance laws and lobbyists.

This measure would create a campaign-finance system; allows residents to direct state funds to candidates; repeal the non-resi-

dent sales tax exemption; restrict lobbying employment by certain former public employees; and add enforcement requirements.

(http://sos.wa.gov/_assets/elections/initiatives/FinalText_997.pdf)

■ I-1491 Initiative Measure No. 1491 concerns court orders temporarily preventing access to firearms.

This measure would allow police, family, or household members to obtain court orders temporarily preventing access to firearms by persons who, because of mental illness or other factors, may harm themselves or others.

(http://sos.wa.gov/_assets/elections/initiatives/FinalText_1016.pdf)

Events

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Where: Kitsap County Commissioner Chambers, 619 Division St., Port Orchard

Time: 5 p.m. arrival; 5:30 start

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Time: 6 p.m. arrival; 6:30 start

What: Monday, Oct. 17: LWV/K General Election Forum for Kitsap County Commissioner (position 2) followed by the Kitsap Transit Sales Tax Measure.

Where: Norm Dicks Government Center, 345 Sixth St, Bremerton

Time: 6 p.m. arrival; 6:30 start (commissioner); 7:30 (Transit measure)

What: Tuesday, Oct. 18: LWV/K General Election Forums

hosting the candidates for Kitsap County Commissioner (position 2) followed by the candidates for the 23rd Legislative District (position 1). Contact Catherine Ahl (360-697-7924) to help.

Where: Poulsbo City Hall, 200 Moe St. NE

Time: 6 p.m. arrival; 6:30 (commissioner); 7:30 (Leg.)

What: Wednesday, Oct. 19: LWV/K General Meeting: Members take on the Pro and Con regarding the statewide and Kitsap Ballot Issues: I 732, Carbon emission tax; I 735, Amendment to the Constitution re: Money in Politics; I 1433, Labor Standards and Min. Wage; I 1464, Gov't Accountability and Campaign Finance; I 1491, Extreme Protection Orders; I 1501, Seniors and Vulnerable Individuals; and Kitsap Transit Sales Tax Measure, **Where:** Sheridan Community Center, 680 Lebo Blvd., Bremerton

Time: 9:30 a.m.

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Where: Norm Dicks Government Center

Time: 6 p.m. arrival; 6:30 start (Judge); 7:30 (PUD)



We received \$800 for this year's campaign. Many thanks to all who donated! Thank you notes have been sent to all donors. LWV/K is so lucky to have such a reliable source of revenue for use in our educational meetings and campaign forums.

ON THE WEB

Find all our local League news, meeting notices, reminders and publications on Facebook or our website, www.lwv-kitsap.org. Be sure to 'like' us on Facebook.

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Membership Levels

_____ **\$60 Basic Membership**

_____ **\$90 Household Membership**

(2 or more members at the same address)

_____ **\$110 Carrie Chapman Catt Member**

(founder of League of Women Voters)

_____ **\$160 Jo Huey Member**

(first president of LWV/K)

_____ **Donation to Education Fund**

(only donations to the Education fund
are tax-deductible)

_____ **\$30 Student Membership**

(includes State and National Membership)

_____ **Additional donation** to support our
local Kitsap League

Please make checks payable to LWV/Kitsap.

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NOTE TO MEMBERS

Dues are payable in July.

Members are notified well in advance.

I want to receive my Voter (newsletter) by _____ email or _____ regular mail.

(Full or partial scholarships are available upon request.)