



# The Voter

May 2023

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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **LWVWA 2023 Convention**

Thursday, May 4th - Sunday, May 7th, 2023 Holiday Inn Express, 4525 Convention Pl, Pasco **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN-UP !!**

Details at: [lwvwa.org/Convention-2023](http://lwvwa.org/Convention-2023)

### **LWVK 2023 Annual Meeting**

Tuesday, May 16 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Meeting - Lunch - Keuynote Speaker

Hybrid at Vibe CoWorks, 19225 8th Ave.

Suite 201, Poulsbo

### **Voting Rights are Human Rights**

#### **LWV Kitsap with Kitsap County Council for Human Rights**

Wednesday, May 24, 6:00 - 7:30pm

Eagle's Nest, 221 NE Walker Rd, Poulsbo

**Moderator** - Kim Abel, LWV-Kitsap member and former president

**Panelists** - Annika Turner (Director of KIAC), County Auditor Paul Andrews

Representative Tarra Simmons, John Allen (Kitsap County Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee)

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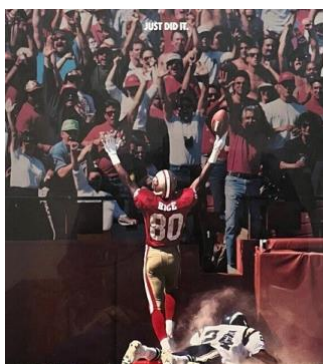
### **Attend a Board Meeting Anytime**

Members are always encouraged to attend the monthly board meetings at 10 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month. The Zoom link is in the description of each board meeting entry on the calendar posted in the For Members section of our website at <https://www.lwv-kitsap.org/members-only/>

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## **I Did It !**

My two-year term as president is ending and I was asked to write an article for this month's Voter. As I was driving from Bainbridge to Shelton one morning, earlier this month, I was thinking about it, and I was suddenly hit with the very comforting sense of "I did it."

I'll admit I'll be ready to take a little vacation of some sort but more than a feeling of relief that it's done is the feeling I have that I did my part. I did it. It reminds me of a 20" x 30" poster I once had of my favorite football player Jerry Rice. It was a camera shot of him holding the football up in the air after catching his 101st touchdown pass. At the time, and perhaps now as well, the Nike sportswear slogan was "Just Do It." At the top of the Jerry Rice poster is the line "Just Did It." I saved the poster rolled up in my closet for several years and framed it when I got my degree. Again, "I did it."

Several years ago, our League did a big postcard campaign to get Kitsap voters to vote. I promised to address a certain number of postcards and when I was done, I again had that sense of "I did it."

The League is full of members who have experienced this sense of "I did it." Maybe they stood on a corner for one hour with a sign urging passing cars or pedestrians to vote. Maybe one was sitting in their car in their garage just after delivering event posters to the library when they felt that "I did it" feeling. I'm thoroughly enjoying this sense of "I did it." A member doesn't have to be the president or a board member or a committee chair to experience the "I did it" sensation. Every little thing a member does to help us do what we do comes with that sense of "I did it". I urge everyone to keep their eyes and ears open for opportunities to do these little things (or big things) so you can feel the "I did it" sensation that I'm feeling now. As Nike's slogan says, "Just Do It!"

Maurie Louis, Outgoing President

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## LWVK Annual Meeting May 16th!

One of the LWVK's most important meetings of the year is right around the corner! This year's LWVK Annual Meeting will be a hybrid meeting. The in-person event will be held at Vibe CoWorks, 19225 8th Ave NE #201, Poulsbo, WA 98370, in the Summit Space.

Doors will open at 9:30am with coffee and pastries available. The formal meeting will begin at 10:00am. ChocMo will be catering lunch, see details below.

Following the formal meeting, at 12:30pm the keynote speaker will be County Commissioner Katie Walters. Zoom link information will be forthcoming for members that prefer to attend remotely.

Please consider joining us in person to renew acquaintances and generate some new energy for our programs. **Space is limited to 50 participants, 25 seats remain! Please let Robin Muir know if you are planning to attend in person and if you would like lunch at [sumuirhom@gmail.com](mailto:sumuirhom@gmail.com).**

ChocMo Boxed Lunches include a choice of sandwich, choice of fruit, house chips, bottle of water, and a cookie for \$25/pp. Sandwich and fruit choices are:

### **Choice of Sandwich\***

**Vegan Cauliflower Sandwich** on Nigella focaccia bun, beer battered cauliflower steak, tomato confit, and guacamole.

**Reuben Sandwich** on rye, house corned beef, Swiss cheese, and sauerkraut.

**Schnitzel Sandwich** on brioche bun, breaded Mangalitsa pork, Dijon mayo, and coleslaw.

**Cubano Sandwich** on ciabatta, salami, roasted pork, ham pickles, garlic aioli, and Swiss cheese.

\*Gluten free bread is available upon request.

### **Choice of fruit**

Banana Apple Orange

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## **So, What's a Striker Amendment?**

The League of Women Voters of Washington provides excellent support to its members through the Legislative Newsletter that we receive in our email inbox most Sundays. This information is provided by several LWVWA Advocacy and Issue chairs. The Newsletter offers Action Alerts and Updates on legislative issues and gives members the opportunity to learn about and act on a wide range of proposed legislation in the state House and Senate. However, understanding and following how legislation moves through the Washington State legislative bodies can be both challenging and confusing! A recent example for me was the term striker amendment, seen in several current bill amendment status documents.

According to the Washington State Legislative Terms and Glossary page and The University of Washington, Office of Planning & Budgeting, a Striker is defined as an "Amendment removing everything after the title and inserting a whole new bill." If a bill has passed both chambers, but was changed by the second house, the bill returns to the original house for a vote to concur. The bill could also be sent to a conference committee if the original chamber does not agree to changes. The impact of strikers, amendments, and substitute bills can have significant effects on proposed legislation and the LWVWA positions of support for or opposition to a piece of legislation.

A recent example of this effect is 2SHB 1550, which pertains to proposals for a Transition to Kindergarten program. This bill acknowledges the importance of Early Education programs for children before they enroll in public school kindergarten programs at age 5. The original bill was supported by the LWVWA issues chair. However, when the bill passed the House and was sent to the Senate, a striker amendment was proposed by members of the Senate. This striker amendment caused pushback from some in the Early Education community, to the point that the LWVWA changed their position from support to oppose! So now we wait to see how this all plays out!  
Rhonda Fairgrieve

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## An Interview about Homelessness

LWVK Member Susan Griggs with Regina Adamson met to discuss what led her to homelessness, the challenges she faced, and her thoughts on changes that could help change the cycle. The following is a transcript of that discussion.

**Susan Griggs:** Regina, I would like to interview you in order that League members can understand better the individuals who are not able at this time to have a home to live in. Would you please tell me something about your early life?

**Regina Adamson:** I was born in the Philippines and moved to the United States with my parents when I was one and a half years of age. I was a very active and curious child and would find a way to get into situations where I was unsupervised. For example, I drowned in a body of water when I was very small. My mother found me and was able to revive me and get all the water that I had swallowed out of my little body.

I was a girl who did not feel comfortable wearing a dress and having long hair. I also did not enjoy playing with 'girl' toys but rather enjoyed playing with 'boy' toys. This was very difficult for my parents to handle, and I always felt like they couldn't accept me as I was. In their efforts to get me to cooperate, they were physically abusive and spoke to me in a very derogatory way. In school, my discomfort with dressing like a girl or playing 'girl' games resulted in much bullying and alienation from the other students.

Since I did not feel accepted by anyone around me when I was a child, I rebelled and copied my parents' behavior by smoking cigarettes and drinking beer when I was around 5 years old. By the time I was 10 years old, I was drinking hard liquor and by 12 years, I was smoking pot and experimenting with hard drugs. My parents gave me an ultimatum to stop using illicit substances or move out. I thus ran away from my home in Bremerton, dropped out of school, and moved to Seattle where I lived on the streets, went to libraries to get warm and read about things that interested me, and went to bars with people who were impressed by the conversations on the subjects I had read.

**Griggs:** What health problems have you experienced, and how did you get help for these?

**Adamson:** In addition to dying when I drowned as a little girl, I died on other occasions as a result of drinking too much. On one occasion, I drank and appeared to be dead for about two days before I recovered.

I knew there was something wrong and so I went to the hospital in Bremerton a few times to find out what was wrong. The medical staff just looked at me and thought I was looking for drugs, and so they just told me to leave and did not medically evaluate me. When I went to the hospital in Seattle, they found a tumor in my stomach, and took care of this. They also diagnosed me with a degenerative disc and arthritis in my spine. They discovered that the paralysis on my left side was the result of nerve damage caused by a blow to a spot in my neck. They also found out that I had experienced a number of strokes.

**Griggs:** How did you manage to care for yourself and get the money you needed to survive?

**Adamson:** I learned life skills as I grew up, and to have integrity, independence, and servitude. With these tools, I worked hard doing side jobs every day, such as landscaping, housecleaning, auto detailing, moving, any odd jobs that I could do. I could never do these things daily on a schedule but could do them as side jobs a couple of times a week. They enabled me to pay my bills, which gave me some self-esteem. Eventually, my determination led me to open a store like Pike Place Market in Bremerton in 2017. It is still open to this day, and I go there daily to provide a hub so the Kitsap Community can have a low-cost location to start a business, sell products, hold events, have something to do, and obtain free resources or services daily.”

**Griggs:** How did you get out of your life of living on the streets and stop using drugs?

**Adamson:** I talked to my mother when I was in middle school. She told me that Child Protective Services was upset that I was not attending school and had threatened to take away my siblings and me unless I started going to school. I did not want this to happen to my siblings, so I traveled daily from the Seattle streets by ferry to Bremerton to go to school and then returned to Seattle at night.

My life spiraled downward as I went to school, continued to live on the streets, was unable to get much sleep, and used drugs to cope with my difficulties and emotions. When I was 21 years old, I finally reconciled with my mother with the help of a counselor. This counselor helped me to get diagnosed by medical authorities with brain damage and neurological problems. After that, I obtained disability benefits and stable housing. My biggest obstacle then was that people were taking advantage of me since I was too gullible to recognize that they were being nice to me in order to use me. My second largest obstacle was maneuvering the system. Help was and still is not as available as advertised, especially since the tendency of persons in my position is to just wait for the help to fall in our laps, and service organizations give the runaround, pass the buck, and lose information, and this is very stressful and overwhelming for persons in this situation.

**Griggs:** What would you advise social service organizations to do to help people who have had the problems that you have had so that they can get off the streets and lead a stable life?

**Adamson:** Stop enabling the people. Do not give out free food, but have the benefits be something that the people can earn. The homeless need a halfway house with full support, restrictions, and rules. They need programming such as living at a halfway house, where they have to do work and thus, be able to gain dignity and self-esteem.

**Griggs:** What else would you like the League members to know about the people who are homeless and are unable to receive the resources for having a consistent shelter?

**Adamson:** Many times, it is a learned behavior through generations. Other times it is a result of poor choices with consequences. The homeless need to learn how to make better choices, and we need to have options that are available. In addition, the shelters need to have better labor-ready systems (i.e., you have to sign up to go to a job, you are provided breakfast, a background check is done so as to verify you are currently not wanted by the police, you have to go and work at your work site, you have to be evaluated, and then you are able to stay at the shelter at night).

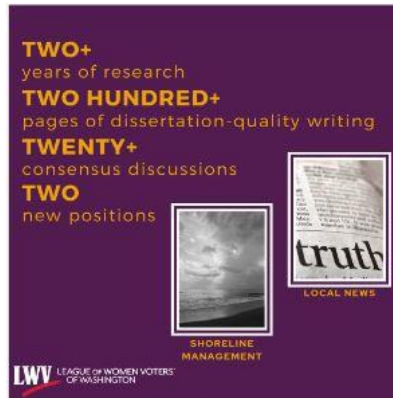


**Griggs:** Thank you, Regina, for your willingness to be interviewed so that we are able to understand better the individuals who are houseless.

Susan Griggs as the interviewer and Regina Adamson as the interviewee.

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## The LWVWA Adopts Two New Positions

The League of Women Voters of Washington Board of Directors adopted two new positions on April 10, 2023, after League members throughout the state spent over two years researching, publishing studies, and reaching consensus. The two positions can be found on the LWVWA website at [Local News \(view PDF\)](#) and [Shoreline Management \(view PDF\)](#) positions.

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## How to Solve a Housing Crisis

At the March 25th panel on affordable housing, organizer and moderator Martha Burke laid out the problem neatly: The average house in Kitsap County sells for \$500,000 but the average family income here can afford about half that amount. She went on to say, “We have a gap. We should be building about 3,600 new houses a year just to keep up.”

With demand unrelenting, bills in the Legislature have popped up like dandelions after a



spring rain. In fact, more than 50 have been considered for this session, according to the Sightline Institute.

Missing middle solutions – ADUs (accessory dwelling units), townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, quads, and small apartment buildings – are getting a lot of attention, and not just in Washington. Missing middle housing is regarded as the low-hanging fruit that can create what some call “gentle density.”



In Portland, architect Brian Cavanaugh designed a small, affordable housing project called **Jarrett Street 12**. It offered subsidies for first-time home buyers and good access to transit. In 2019, it won an AIA Small Project Award. Jarrett Street’s 12 units average 580 square feet. The building footprint comes in at a compact 3,900 square feet, significantly less than a typical single-family lot of 5,000 square feet.

Choosing a modular building, Cavanaugh stressed, cuts down on construction time by about 40 percent. In fact, 80 percent of construction was done in the factory, which allowed multiple facets to be tackled at the same time. This is unlike the requirements of traditional stick-built construction, where the schedule demands a certain order and bad weather can cause slowdowns. The individual factory modules were hoisted into place by a crane in just two days.

What is “Affordable Housing” Anyway?

In his 2018 campaign pledge, Bremerton Mayor Greg Wheeler vowed to increase affordable housing. The promise was intended not just for homeowners but for renters, too. According to HUD (the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development), the Area Median Income, or AMI, in the Bremerton/Silverdale area is \$102,000. Affordable Housing includes both Workforce Housing and Deeply Affordable Housing. Deeply Affordable: Income of \$51,000 or less Workforce Housing: Income of \$51,000 to \$82,000 Market Rate: Income of \$82,000 and above

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## The Way to Gentle Density

Wheeler’s basic prescription is to allow more housing types. Namely, missing middle housing, such as ADUs, townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, and quads—the types of

housing made scarce by exclusionary, single-family zoning, but were once commonplace in neighborhoods everywhere.

Wheeler admits that ADUs, especially, are one of the things of which he is most proud. Departing from very restrictive rules previously, ADUs are now embraced by the City. Some of the notable changes: Two ADUs per lot, owner occupancy not required, maximum size relaxed, simplified design standards, one ADU without parking allowed, and acceptance of existing structures being more easily converted to ADUs. Mayor Wheeler champions the idea of “futureproofing” houses, the ADU in the basement or the garage-to- studio conversion, or wheelchair-accessible standards, for example. These can be ready solutions for multi-generation families or allow for future rental income.

But it doesn’t end at ADUs. Density has nearly doubled in Medium and High-Density residential areas and there is more flexible density in the General Commercial zone. Manufactured homes can be smaller, to fit on a city lot more easily.

Wheeler says permits are “going crazy” in Bremerton, and across the water, Seattle has seen an astounding jump in permits, too. So much so that Seattle is now building more ADUs than single-family houses, claims the *Seattle Times*. “Almost 1,000 ADUs were permitted last year, up from 280 in 2019. That’s a 250% increase.” As to the need, “The state must add 55,000 homes per year over the next 20 years to meet demand.... And more than half must be affordable to low-income residents, and new homes are needed at all income levels....”Of course, Seattle is a very large city in crowded King County. While Kitsap also begins with a K, there is little else in common. Still, the twin themes are the same: A dizzying backlog of unbuilt homes, and the poignantly pressing need for affordable places to live.

Maybe that puts us all in the housing solutions business.

#### RESOURCES:

LWV-Kitsap: *Affordable Housing for Those in The Middle* YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wwJMMVjDbx8&t=147s>

Seattle Times: <https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/politics/seattle-is-now-building-more-adus-than-single-houses/>

Suzanne Schreiner, LWVK Member and Voter Team

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## Know Your County: Kitsap

A founding document of the League of Women Voters of Kitsap See more at [www.lwv-kitsap.org/advocacy/know-your-county/](http://www.lwv-kitsap.org/advocacy/know-your-county/)

The first edition of Know Your County: Kitsap was printed in 1966 as a result of a study conducted during the formation of the Kitsap League. In 2005, the League issued its seventh edition. When the Bremerton/CK Unit began meeting in 2018, Judy Friedburg-Nerf, who was part of the team that produced the 2005 revision, encouraged the B/CK unit to revisit the booklet.

At the 2019 Annual Planning Meeting, our unit proposed a project to learn about how county government works and how it intersects with other organizations that provide services to the citizens of Kitsap County. The board approved this as a unit project, and we began conversations with local government and community leaders.

Our original proposal suggested the publication of articles about a “particular aspect of government and the intersection with stakeholders.” So, in 2022, we formed a B/CK sub-committee to put some of the information we learned into a report. While we gathered information about many of the topics featured in the 2005 booklet, we decided to concentrate our first collection of articles on the elected Kitsap County officials and the various government departments that serve the citizens of the county. Our committee began with members Debi Barner, Raejean Bridges-Avalos, Maureen Cervinsky, Linda Streissguth, Carol Larsen, Connie Marchant, Janice McLemore, Amanda Rodgers, and Pat Troxel, and their various contributions are greatly appreciated. The county is currently reviewing our report. Stay tuned for an updated PDF on our website.

### Know Your County: Kitsap 2023—Phase One

In April, we completed our county government research and created a report reflecting what we learned. While all the information in our phase-one report is available online, we believe that this report gives an overview of the workings of our county government by bringing the information together in one place.

Each of the county elected and department officials graciously either reviewed the material personally or gave us a contact person to review and approve the various articles. Karen Goon, the County Administrator, gave generously of her time and answered our many questions.

The report is presented as a PDF. We have posted it on the League website. [www.lwv-kitsap.org/advocacy/know-your-county/](http://www.lwv-kitsap.org/advocacy/know-your-county/) The document has internal links that take the user between different sections of the report and the table of contents. The county government flow chart has internal links that take the user to the specific page discussing a particular office/department. The document also contains "external links" to an office/department website and allows the user to contact the office via an email address. If you have questions about how the PDF works, please contact Maureen Cervinsky.

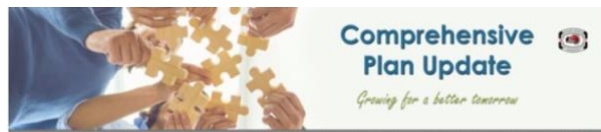
## Know Your County: Kitsap—Phase Two

The committee produced more research than is included in this report and plans to continue working on a second phase, including information about Kitsap’s history, special purpose districts, cities, tribes, agencies, coalitions, and more. We invite anyone interested in researching a topic to join us when we resume our work.

Our committee is meeting in person on May 2, at 5:30pm, at the Pearl on Oyster Bay. If you are interested in joining us or would like more information, please contact Raejean Bridges-Avalos or Maureen Cervinsky

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## Kitsap Comp Plan Update - Last Call for Comments!

Share your thoughts for any chapter of the Comp Plan Update that interests you! Comments on existing Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies due by June 1, 2023, submit via comment box in each chapter. [Comprehensive Plan Chapters \(kitsapgov.com\)](#)

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## Committees

### DEI



In April, the DEI Committee held a book discussion on *My Grandmother’s Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies*, by Resmaa Menakem. We learned that it is important to work within our cultures before we try

to integrate with other racially diverse cultures. The author indicated that our deepest emotions activate a single bodily structure called the “soul nerve or the vagus nerve,” which is connected to our “lizard brain.” These cause a nonvoluntary reaction and bypass our cognitive brain, or our thought process. The author provided exercises to help “settle our body,” and some found them helpful. One person indicated, however, that she needed to modify the exercises so they would be more effective for her. We found out

about the different types of traumas that individuals experience, and that the traumas that our ancestors experienced are passed down to us in our DNA.

On June 16th, we will hold another webinar in our series, "Voices of Kitsap County." This webinar will be with individuals from the Suquamish Tribe, including the Tribal Council Chief, Leonard Forsman. There will be more information about this webinar including a flyer provided. All League members are encouraged to attend and to invite friends to come as well. An additional webinar with the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe is also being organized.

Plans are underway to have an Educational Presentation in the fall with a panel of Kitsap County experts discussing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) and Resiliency Protective Factors. Teachers in our Kitsap County Public Schools have had professional training on ACES and how to provide a trauma-informed environment for students who have had Adverse Childhood Experiences.

Our DEI meetings are held virtually on the first Friday of the month from 10 to 11:30am. Look on the LWVK website or contact Susan Griggs, at 509-668-2888 or [susan.griggs0803@gmail.com](mailto:susan.griggs0803@gmail.com) for more information. Susan Griggs, DEI Chair, [susan.griggs0803@gmail.com](mailto:susan.griggs0803@gmail.com)

### Early Education: 0 to 3



The 0 to Three Committee has been following the bills pertaining to childcare and early learning during this 2023 Legislative Session. We particularly support Working Connections Child Care bills and would like to report during our PowerPoint presentation with the Kitsap Democratic Women's Club that they have been adopted. This presentation will take place on April 26th.

Earlier in the month, members of the committee observed Kitsap Regional Library's 0 to 18 month reading program at both the Poulsbo and Kingston libraries and thoroughly enjoyed watching the readers of tomorrow get a head start on learning. Looking forward to May, we will have a Zoom meeting with a representative of the Program for Early Parent Support on May 2nd. This organization is active in King County but not in Kitsap County. The Committee is interested in learning more about the organization. Our next regular meeting will be on Thursday, May 18th.  
Rosalind Renouard

### Healthcare



The Healthcare Committee's next meeting is scheduled for May 12th at 12:30pm. All League members are welcome to attend. If you would like to join this committee, attend an upcoming meeting, or would like more information, contact Leni. Leni Skarin, Healthcare Committee Chair

### MELD



MELD is an acronym for Membership, Engagement, Leadership Development. Some history perhaps? This program began in 2005 with the National League wanting to support and strengthen emerging League



leadership, membership recruitment and League visibility. MELD in Washington State grew out of this initiative. Our state has 4 PODS each consisting of 4-5 local League representatives. Each POD meets once a month to share successes and challenges facing their local League. I represent our Kitsap League and plan to share information in upcoming Voters and ask you to let me know if you have questions, concerns, and ideas for improving the program. Your input is valued and encouraged.

**Volunteer Opportunity:** Would you like to get more involved in the League? MELD is a friendly, informative small group that meets to exchange ideas and share news from around the State. If you are curious, and want more information on this fun opportunity, reach out to Carol. She welcomes your questions and inquiries. Contact Carol Larsen at clarsen88@gmail.com.  
Carol Larsen, Chair

## Membership



Alicia Vause and Carol Larsen are working on creating a new online League handbook that will be available for new members and those who are interested. The handbook is still in the review process but will be posted within the next month. Carol Larsen, Chair

## Planning



In the next two months we will have several opportunities to get together in person or via Zoom webinars. Listed below are the events we have planned through the end of May.

Mark your calendars for **April 27th at 7pm for a Zoom Webinar** featuring Chad Enright, Kitsap County Prosecutor, and Thomas Weaver, attorney and author, for a discussion of *The Rule of Law and the History of the Electoral College*. This webinar will be moderated by Cindy Black, Executive Director of Fix Democracy First. These topics are important components of our recent election experiences, and the evening should be a compelling discussion. Registration is not required.

Our annual meeting will be a **hybrid meeting on May 16th**. We will hold the in-person meeting at the Summit Space at Vibe CoWorks. A catered lunch will be available from ChocMo, as well as morning coffee and pastries. Our keynote speaker will be County Commissioner Katie Walters. See "LWVK Annual Meeting May 16th!" above for more information.

LWV-Kitsap is partnering with the Kitsap County Council for Human Rights to present an in-person event, Voting Rights are Human Rights. This panel discussion will be held on May 24, 2023, from 6:00 to 7:30pm, at the Eagle's Nest on Kitsap County's Fairgrounds. Kim Abel, LWV-Kitsap member and former president, will be moderating the event. Confirmed speakers include Representative Tarra Simmons, John Allen (Kitsap County Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee), Annika Turner (Director of KIAC), and County Auditor Paul Andrews.

The League is tasked with assisting in the collection of question cards, providing voter registration materials, and sharing other voter information materials. Partnering with other groups helps us to be better known in our community and furthers our mission of informing the electorate. If you would like to volunteer

to assist during this event, please let Robin Muir know (sumuirhom@gmail.com).

The last of the *Voices in the Community* webinars is tentatively scheduled for **June 16th**. Our guest will be Chairman Leonard Foresman from the Suquamish Tribe. This event is still tentative.

The Planning Committee meets the third Monday of each month from 10am - 11:00ish. All are welcome to attend.

Robin Muir

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## UNIT UPDATES

### **Bainbridge Island**

On May 24th at 10am, the Bainbridge unit will hear from Maggie Rich, Public Policy Specialist of Housing Resources Bainbridge. She will talk about current policies at the local and state level that affect housing and that may impact the efforts for more affordable housing. This meeting will be held via Zoom and the Zoom notice will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Colette Crosby & Delight Willing, Co-Chairs

### **Bremerton/Central Kitsap**

**Change of time and location for the Bremerton/CK Unit meeting:** The B/CK unit will meet at **10:30am**, on Saturday, May 20, at the Sylvan Way Branch of the Kitsap Regional Library. Those wanting to attend remotely may do so via Zoom. We'll return to the United Way Conference room and our 10am start time in June. If you have any questions, contact Maureen Cervinsky  
Maureen Cervinsky, Chair

### **North Kitsap**

The North Kitsap unit meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 10:30am in the Poulsbo Library community room. The next occasion is May 24th. We will discuss League events (recent, past, and future), plus anything that is of interest to you. Join us in person or through

Zoom. Check the website calendar for Zoom connection information. Contact Carol Larsen for further information clarsen88@gmail.com.

Carol Larsen, Interim Unit Leader



## South Kitsap

South Kitsap Unit: The SK Unit meets the second Tuesday of the month at 10:30am via Zoom. Contact: Janet Stegemeyer, jans@oz.net, 360-471-9470.  
Janet Stegemeyer, Chair

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## Mark Your Calendar

These events and dates come from the League's calendars displayed on our website. The events that are open to the public appear on the [Public Calendar](#) linked to from our home page at <https://www.lwv-kitsap.org/>. Events that are for members only appear on the [Members Calendar](#) that is displayed in the [For Members](#) section of the website. (This calendar also shows the events open to the public.) Go to the appropriate calendar to get the most up-to-date information, including **Zoom links**. If you are an event's organizer use the members only [Request a change or addition to the LWVK calendar](#) to add/modify/delete your event.

**Purple** means LWV of Kitsap Public Calendar

### **Thursday, May 4th – Sunday, May 7th, 2023**

2023 LWVWA State Convention

Where: Pasco, WA

### **Fri May 5, 2023**

10am DEI Committee

Where: Zoom

### **Tue May 9, 2023**

10:30am SK Unit Meeting

Where: Zoom

### **Fri May 12, 2023**

12:30pm Healthcare Committee

Where: Zoom

**Mon May 15, 2023**

10am Planning Committee

Where: Zoom

**Tue May 16, 2023**

10:00-12:30 pm Annual Meeting HYBRID Meeting

Vibe CoWorks, 19225 8th Ave NE Suite 201, Poulsbo

(Doors open at 9:30am, Morning Beverages and pastries served)

12:30pm Keynote PUBLIC Webinar Commissioner Katie Walters

**Thur May 18, 2023**

10:00 am 0-Three Committee Meeting

**Sat May 20, 2023**

10:30 am Bremerton/CK Unit Meeting – Change in time and location for this meeting,  
See Bremerton/CK Unit report for more details.

Where: Zoom and Sylvan Way Branch of the Kitsap Regional Library

**Wed May 24, 2023**

10:00 am Bainbridge Island Unit Meeting Where: Zoom

10:30 am NK Unit Meeting

Where: Poulsbo Library community room

6:00 pm Voting Rights Are Human Rights

LWV Kitsap with Kitsap County Council for Human Rights

Where: Eagle's Nest, 221 NE Walker Rd, Poulsbo

**Tue June 13, 2023**

10:30am SK Unit Meeting Where: Zoom

**Wed June 28, 2023**

10am Bainbridge Island Unit Meeting Where: Zoom

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