



The League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area

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The LWV is a nonpartisan organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Membership in the League is open to women and men of voting age. Annual dues, not tax deductible, are \$45 individual, \$60 for two in one household and \$24 for students. To join, send your check to: Ann Speer, Treasure, 706 Ridgewood Road, Huntington, WV 25701. Check is to be made out to the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area.

CANDIDATES MEETINGS

April 7, 7 pm. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 721 12th Ave. Candidates for magistrate, county commission, sheriff, county clerk. Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and Southside Neighborhood Organization.

April 12 (corrected date), 6 PM. Woodlands Retirement Community. Candidates for circuit and family court judges; county commission, and sheriff. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

April 10, 7 pm. WVPBS and April 12, 7 pm, April 13, 9 am and 2 pm. WV Channel. Candidates for WV Supreme Court Justices, Rebroadcast.

May 5, 7 pm. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 721 12th Ave. Candidates for circuit and family court judges; board of education. Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters and Southside Neighborhood Organization.

ELECTIONS DATES

April 19 - Deadline for Voter Registration

April 24 - Herald-Dispatch Election Voter's Guide hard copy; online when the candidates respond to the questions. This project is a cooperative venture with the League of Women Voters.

April 27-May 7 - Early Voting

May 10 - Election Day - 6:30 am-7:30 pm.

EXCESS LEVIES ELECTION

The primary ballot in Cabell County will include a number of continuing excess levies that support essential services. Voters have supported these levies for many years so these levies are not new taxes. Excess levies must be voted on every 5 years and it takes a 60% approval rate for the levies to pass.

These agencies coordinate their efforts thus enhancing their individual services. Besides providing for the day-to-day needs the agencies plan and work together to ensure safety and services at big events.

The Cabell County Emergency Medical Services operates eight stations, 17 ambulances, and 911, and is involved with any emergency and emergency preparedness.

The Cabell-Huntington Health Department provides many services. Some of the programs include: Disaster Preparedness, Disease Control/Epidemiology, Clean Indoor Air Regulations Enforcement, Environmental Services - Food Service Establishments permits and inspections, Sanitation, Water Wells, Mobile Home Communities, Disease Prevention and Control such as prevention of TB, sexually transmitted diseases, and diseases transmitted through the use of needles in drug abuse, Rabies control and prevention, Vaccinations for preventable diseases, Programs for family planning and cancer screenings

Green Acres and Autism Services - Located in Lesage, WV, Green Acres provides services and support for skill development for developmentally disabled adults in Cabell, Mason, Lincoln and Wayne counties. The services help the client function at their maximum potential including achieving basic skills and work experience.

Senior Citizens Projects and Programs

Mass Transit - The Tri-State Transit Authority (TTA) operates in Cabell, Wayne, Lawrence, and Boyd counties, subsidized by federal grants and each county and city that uses its services. Voters in Huntington will vote on the TTA levy on the Huntington ballot as well as on the county ballot.

Fire Protection and Economic Development - The levies provide funds to the volunteer fire departments and the city of Huntington's fire department. Funds from the excess levy also are allocated to water projects in the county. Regular county income is not adequate to fund these important services. Therefore, the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area supports passage of the excess levies so that our county can continue to provide these essential services.

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THE BALLOT

The ballot is exceptionally long this year. Names of the candidates will be listed twice in the Herald-Dispatch, and are on the Secretary of State's and the Cabell County Clerk's websites.

All justices, judges, and magistrates will be elected at the primary election on a non-partisan ballot. Magistrates in Cabell County will run in 7 divisions, circuit court candidates will run in 4 divisions, and family court judges will run in 3 divisions. Voters will select a candidate in each of the divisions.

In the Cabell County Board of Education election several of the candidates are running in magisterial districts that have a continuing member of the board. In those districts only one candidate can be elected.

Rules for elections to the parties' national conventions are: **Republican National Convention Delegates** - 31 of West Virginia's 34 delegates to the Republican National Convention will be elected in the West Virginia Presidential Primary. The delegate candidates will be individually listed on the ballot along with their presidential preference. The candidates receiving the most votes in each contest will be elected. See the WV Party's website for more information.

Democratic National Convention Delegates - West Virginia was allocated 33 delegates and 2 alternates. It will use a proportional representation system based on the results of the Primary's Presidential Preference. See the WV Party's website for more information. **Other Parties** - The Mountain Party and Libertarian Party candidates are also eligible to be on the November ballot and will be nominated at conventions.

National, state, and local candidates will also be nominated for the November general election.

Reminder - Those who are registered non-affiliated may choose in which party they wish to vote in the primary election.

TEAM FOR WV CHILDREN

On April 28 the TEAM for WV Children will celebrate its 30th Anniversary by honoring Martha Woodward and the Junior League of Huntington at its annual fund raising dinner. (Tickets available from TFWVC) Martha chaired the original JL project, the Huntington Child Abuse Task Force, putting together organizations in the area to talk to one another in an effort to address the problem of child abuse and neglect. At that time there was no unified approach to the subject. After years of work on the part of many the TEAM was created in 1986. Then other groups began forming around that. Success followed success and today we can be proud of our county's and our state's efforts on behalf of children.

OTHER DATES

April 22 - Earth Day Celebration at Marshall University
May 21 - 2nd Annual Sustainability Fair @ Wild Ramp & Central City gazebo, 10am-4pm, The League will set up a table at the Fair.

May 23 - 7 pm, Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church. Judge Patricia Keller will speak on Drug Court.

DUES NOTICE - The financial year for the League of Women Voters started on April 1. Dues for 2016-17 are payable to the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area; single members - \$45; two members in a household - \$60; and full time students - \$23. New members may pay their dues at half price. You may mail your check to Ann Speer, 706 Ridgewood Rd., Huntington, WV 25701.