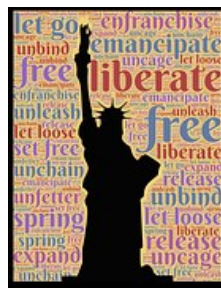
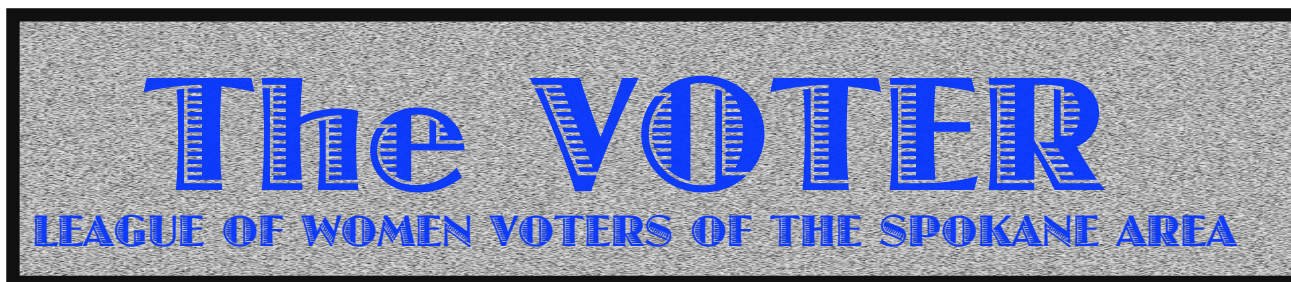




GENERAL MEETING
IMMIGRATION
APRIL 9
11:15 AM TO 1PM
2404 N. HOWARD



ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 21, 6PM
Look for "The Call!"



IMMIGRATION April 9 General Meeting

We will have two speakers at our meeting for April on immigration. Councilman Breann Beggs will discuss two immigration issues that have been in the local news in the last few months:

- the ordinance passed by the City Council in October requiring immigration officials to obtain a warrant or the mayor's permission before entering city property such as the Intermodal Center, which may be unenforceable because of federal law; and
- the 2014 ballot initiative empowering Spokane city employees to participate in immigration enforcement that was recently shot down by the Washington Court of Appeals.

Immigrants, Ellis Island,
George Grantham Bain, c 1910, loc.org



Our second speaker will be a representative from the US Border Patrol, Spokane Sector giving us an overview of their mandate (what that office is supposed to do and what it's prohibited from doing); how their job has changed in the last few years; and how they decide where to deploy their resources.

Susan Gray

Voter Services

Spokane League trained volunteers are actively registering new voters!

Citizenship Oath Ceremonies: Our League's trained volunteers are partnering with the Elections Office to register new citizens at 29 Citizenship Oath Ceremonies this year. So far since January, 11 League members have registered 190 new citizens. They and others are currently scheduled to register new citizens through August. The schedule for Fall is open to all returning and new volunteers.

City-wide Homeless Connect Event: Sylvia Oliver reached out to the hundreds of people who are homeless at the day-long Homeless Connect, providing information and registering 15.

SCC Women's History Month: Beth Pellicciotti and Susan Hales represented the League at Spokane Community College Women's History and Women's Suffrage events in March, educating many and registering eight students.

Community Court and Spokane Public Library: The League continues to engage with and register people who are homeless and/or with prior felonies at the Community Court held weekly at the downtown Spokane Public Library. Ten have registered this year.

New Upcoming Gonzaga Prep Event: League trained volunteers will register GPrep Seniors at Bev Austin's and Lisa Kuhar's special Civics Education presentation at GPrep on April 24.

Outreach to Diverse Populations: The current schedule of voter registration events will be expanding this year with outreach to diverse populations through the League's participation in Spokane Public Library's National Disability Voter Registration Week activities (July 15 - 19) and correspondence with Lucy Barefoot, Secretary of State, Voter Registration Coordinator. Anyone interested in working with organizations serving those who are underrepresented, and partnering on voter registration, please email Susan Hales.

LWV State Convention - Voter Service Workshops: For all interested in expanding our outreach and moving into *Get Out the Vote* activities, see what great Convention workshops are in the works.

- Voter Service Workshop: *From Voter Registration to Get Out the Vote* (Friday, June 7, 10:45-12:15)
- Voter Service Panel at Plenary Session: *Making Democracy Work - Voter Service to Action and Back* (Friday, June 7, 3:30 - 4:00)
- Voter Service Workshop: *A Deep Dive* (Saturday, June 8, 10:15 - 11:45)
- The State Convention is June 6 - 9 in Tacoma. We could learn so much from other Leagues and, also, gain valuable contacts as we move forward. See <https://lwvwa.org/Convention-2019> for registration and further information.

Susan Hales

Calendar

APR 9: Immigration, 11:15 @ 2404 N Howard.

MAY 21: Annual Meeting, 6PM. Place to.be Announced.

JUN 6-9: State Convention in Tacoma.

JUL 16-20: Vietnam Veterans of America Convention.

Any postings for LWVSA Facebook page?

Send to sylvia.oliver@gmail.com.

Civics Education

The Washington State chapter of LWV in Clark County has a website titled, Civics is Fundamental (<https://lwvclarkcounty.org/civics-is-fundamental/>). Katherine Murphy, who has developed the chapter’s civics program and this website, started her outreach work in her local high school. She also was an early-on mentor for much of the civics outreach work done by our Spokane chapter’s Civics Education Committee. So, with thanks to the inspirational work of Katherine Murphy, here are some of the upcoming high school opportunities in civics education for the Spokane LWV chapter:

Rogers High School: Susan Gray has partnered with an AP teacher at Rogers High School, Beth McGibbon, to mentor students on editing and revising research papers. Suzi Johns has recently joined Susan Gray in this project. Chapter members who would like to meet one-on-one with a high school student on Monday, April 15 and/or Monday, April 22 from 12:30 – 1:30 pm, should contact the Rogers AP teacher, Beth McGibbon, at bethm@spokaneschools.org or 509-354-6696.

Gonzaga Prep: Lisa Kuhar, the parent of a Gonzaga Prep student, and Bev Austin, a former Gonzaga Prep counselor, have formed a partnership with this high school. On Wednesday, April 24, these two League representatives will present to seniors on the civic engagement and the importance of voting. They will share the program with a speaker from Gonzaga University, who will present on life after high school. Susan Hales, Voter Services, is coordinating volunteers from our chapter to do voter registration for this event.

Civics Education in District 81 High Schools: This coming May and June 2019, chapter members will present on the importance of voting and offer voter registration to seven District 81 high schools. Several members, new to the work this spring, have gone through training on presentations: 1) how to deliver, with a nonpartisanship approach, the importance of voting, 2) the need for very mobile students to continually update mailing addresses for ballots, and 3) the mechanics of voter registration in the high schools. Many thanks to the 18 high school volunteers listed below:

Bev Austin	Marilyn Darilek	Gretchen McDevitt
Prakash Bhuta	Susan Gray*	Marji Mitchell
Denise Campitelli*	Susan Hales	Sylvia Oliver
Mardell Cochran	Eric Henningsen*	Beth Pellicciotti
Cathy Crum*	Lisa Kuhar*	April Redden*
	Judy Krueger	Judy Silverstein
		Jan Wingenroth

*Members new to the project this spring

Please contact Beth Pellicciotti (pelliccmb@gmail.com or 219-688-7263) for more information on any of these civics education projects.

Beth Pellicciotti

Experience Democracy in Action - VVA Election Volunteers Needed

Please consider volunteering to help with the elections our local League will be handling for the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) National Convention on July 19 at the Spokane Convention Center. The initial round of voting and ballot counting will take place on Friday, July 19. If needed a run-off election will be held on Saturday, July 20. A minimum of 25 volunteers are needed on Friday and a smaller number on Saturday only in the event of a run-off. We hope to have enough volunteers to divide into two shifts on Friday - the morning shift will distribute the ballots and the afternoon shift will count the ballots. You may sign up to work one or both shifts. The VVA will provide volunteers with morning snacks, box lunches and parking at the Davenport Grand Hotel. They will also be making a generous donation to the League for our assistance.

The VVA has utilized local Leagues to conduct the Board and Officer elections for each of their conventions since 1985. The Leagues we have spoken with have found it to be a rewarding experience. **If you are able to assist with this important project, please contact Jan Carrington at jancarrington7@gmail.com or 509-844-1795 indicating your availability for Friday morning, afternoon or both shifts and whether you would also be available on Saturday in the event of a run-off.**

Thank you for your anticipated support!

Jan Carrington, Lisa Kuhar, & Mary Hughes
LWVSA-VVA Convention Co-Chairs

Board Members: Pam Behring, President/Voter Editor; Sally Phillips, Treasurer; Susan Gray, Secretary/Forum Organizer and Susan Hales, Voter Services
Off-Board: Sylvia Oliver, Facebook; Mary Hughes, Web Page; Beth Pellicciotti, & Suzi Johns, Civics Education.

Visit our web page lwvspokane.org to keep informed.

Yes, I want to join/renew membership in LWV/Spokane Area.

Membership Type:	
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