

ELECTION DAY REMINDERS



Voters can still register at their polling places on Election Day. If you or your friends are uncertain about where your polling place is, check out the website <u>WWW.VOTE411.ORG</u> where you can enter your address to find your polling place, learn about candidates, and print out a sample "ballot" as a reminder to take with you to the polls on Election Day.

The 8th nonpartisan *Maine Easy-to-Read Voter Guide* for the 2016 elections is also available online at <u>HTTP://WWW.LWVME.ORG/VOTERGUIDE.HTML</u> for last-minute help with understanding national and state candidates' positions, the pros and cons of the 5 Maine State ballot referendums and the transportation bond issue.

OPEN BOARD MEETING

The next **Board meeting** for the LWVPA will be on **Thursday, November 10, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm** at **DiMillo's Restaurant**, Long Wharf off Commercial St., Portland. LWVPA Board meetings are open to the public and members are encouraged to attend.

WHINE AND WINE PARTY

Join us on November 15, 2016, from 6 to 8 PM for a multipartisan Whine and Wine Party to say farewell to election 2016. The Party will be at Peloton Labs, 795 Congress Street, Portland. Guests speakers include: JOHN BRAUTIGAM (Ballot Specialist – League Of Women Voters ME), MEREDITH BURGESS (representing the Republican point of view) and CYNTHIA DILL (representing the Democrat point of view). Whine, wine and refreshments will be provided by LWVPA.





HOLIDAY PLANS

A Holiday Celebration is scheduled for **Thursday, December 15th**. Please mark your calendars and join us for our Holiday Party at Elaine DiGiovanni's home in Portland's West End. Let's celebrate together! Details to follow.

BOOK DISCUSSION TO WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR

We will be partnering again with the Portland Public Library for a noon, brown-bag book discussion on January19, 2017. Several non-fiction books are currently being considered, and the decision will be made at the November 10th Board meeting. The committee aims to select books that relate to League Principles and Programs and are also timely, well written, and non-partisan. The final choice will be announced in the December newsletter. Past choices that have led to lively discussions include Jimmy Carters' *A Call to Action* and John Paul Stevens' *Six Amendments*.

VOTER REGISTRATION CONTINUES

Through the end of October 2016, we have registered 350 **new citizens** at citizenship ceremonies. This represents 50% of the new citizens taking part in these ceremonies. In addition, we registered 407 new voters at Voter Registration events in area high schools and similar locations, for a year-to-date total of 757 new voters.

LWVPA will continue to attend US Naturalization Ceremonies throughout the year to register new citizens. These ceremonies are unfailingly moving. If you would like to participate, contact Peg Balano at <u>PBALANO@MAINE.RR.COM</u>.

Are you are looking to get more involved? Click here for a list of ways to make a difference.