

LWVNEW DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

VOTER SERVICE

THANK YOU!

Your LWVNEW membership helped make it possible for us to educate and inform voters all year long – but especially in the lead-up to the November general election. Also, because your dues also go to the Leagues of the U.S., New York State, and Westchester County, you helped educate & inform on a large scale.

*For those of you who volunteered to help out with specific events, **an extra THANK YOU!***

HOW EXACTLY DID WE HELP?

>CANDIDATE FORUMS

Our fall candidate forums sure looked different from the ones we've held in previous years! All were held virtually; voters could submit questions in advance and then watch the livestream or view the video on demand. We put all of the video links on our website, as well as links to forums and Q&As done by local media outlets. This was especially important in the case of locally contested races in Lewisboro and North Salem, where Covid and technology worked against us in being able to put on forums.

>VOTER REGISTRATION

We held voter registration drives on National Voter Registration Day in September, with volunteers at several locations, and then one last drive in Mount Kisco right before October's registration deadline. In addition to registering voters, we fielded questions and supplied people

with absentee ballot applications.

>PRINTED VOTERS GUIDE & VOTE411.ORG

LWVNEW sent the printed version of the Voters Guide to its members and donors. The online version was available at Vote411.org; the information submitted to the League by candidates appeared at Vote411, as well as in the printed guide.

>EMAIL INBOX

We fielded numerous questions via email this year, far more than ever before. Some examples:

>A couple who had registered to vote but had not yet received any sort of confirmation from the Board of Elections was wondering what to do. We suggested that they contact the BOE directly (and directed them to our website for BOE contact information) but advised them first to check their registration status at Vote411.org. They did and they were both registered.

>A voter asking if they could use a voter registration form to change their party affiliation. The answer was yes – but the party change would not go into effect until after the election. (We reminded them, though, that they could vote for any candidate of any party in the general election.)

>A person who had mailed in their absentee ballot was wondering if there was a way to track it. Unfortunately, New York State does not have a system for voters to track their ballots. New York City does, as does Albany County, but not the entire state. We suggested they call the BOE.

These are just a few of the questions we fielded.

>WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

LWVNEW kept voters updated via our Facebook and Twitter accounts, posting pertinent information and links, as well as regularly directing voters to our website. Facebook engagements were up significantly. Twitter remained flat.

OTHER

ELECTION RESULTS

Winners of contested races:

- >US President & Vice President:
Joseph Biden and Kamala Harris
- >US Congressional District 17:
Mondaire Jones
- >US Congressional District 18:
Sean Patrick Maloney
- >New York State Senate District 37:
Shelley Mayer
- >New York State Senate District 40:
Peter Harckham
- >New York State Assembly District 93:
Chris Burdick
- >Lewisboro Town Board:
Richard Sklarin
- >Lewisboro Town Justice:
John Pappalardo
- >North Salem Town Board:
As of this newsletter, Katherine Daniels had a small lead over Bob Daros.
- >Supreme Court Justice:
Sam Walker
Robert Ondrovic
Alexandra Murphy
E Loren Williams
- >Family Court Judge
Nilda Horowitz
Michelle Schauer

Winners of uncontested races:

- >Westchester County D.A.:
Mimi Rocah
- >Bedford Town Justice:
David Menken
- >Mount Kisco Village Trustee:
Karen Schleimer
Anthony Markus
- >Mount Kisco Town Justice:
Mark Ferrell

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The pandemic has made gathering for lunch (and hosting a speaker) untenable. We hope to resume our annual holiday tradition next year.

We hope that you are able to enjoy this holiday season, despite the challenges presented by Covid-19.

Stay safe and hang in there!

*Happy
Holidays*



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The League of Women Voters,
a nonpartisan political organization, encourages
informed and active participation in
government, works to increase understanding
of major public policy issues, and influences
public policy through education and advocacy.

Our Voting Districts

Bedford

US Congressional: 18 (currently Maloney-D)

State Senate: 37 (currently Mayer-D)

State Assembly: 93 (currently Buchwald-D)

County Legislative: 2 (currently Covill-D)

Lewisboro

US Congressional: 18 (currently Maloney-D)

State Senate: 40 (currently Harckham-D)

State Assembly: 93 (currently Buchwald-D)

County Legislative: 2 (currently Covill-D)

Mount Kisco

US Congressional: 17 (currently Lowey-D)

State Senate: 40 (currently Harckham-D)

State Assembly: 93 (currently Buchwald-D)

County Legislative: 2 (currently Covill-D)

North Salem

US Congressional: 18 (currently Maloney-D)

State Senate: 40 (currently Harckham-D)

State Assembly: 93 (currently Buchwald-D)

County Legislative: 2 (currently Covill-D)

Pound Ridge

US Congressional: 18 (currently Maloney-D)

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