



# NEWSLETTER

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### Annual Ice Cream Social at the September Meetup.

*Meet members and join the discussion about our plans for the upcoming year.*

#### Wednesday, September 27, 7pm

Let's make some history! Jennifer Wilson, LWVNYS Program and Policy Director, will tell us about legislation that will need our attention. Bring a friend (free!) and no RSVP needed! Join us as we tackle challenges. Location is the Community Room, Adirondack Trust Office Building, Saratoga Springs (*enter from top floor of parking garage; see map on website*)

Note: This Meetup date has been changed from the regular 3rd Wednesday time, which conflicts with Rosh Hashanah and the Islamic New Year. Future Meetups will be on the 3rd Wednesday.



### The New Charter Proposed for Saratoga Springs

*Learn about the Charter before you vote in November*

#### Thursday, September 21, 7pm

Panelists (*all are members of the Commission*):

**Gordon Boyd**—founder of EnergyNext, Inc., former NYS Assembly staff member.

**Minita Sanghvi**—assistant professor, Management and Business, Skidmore College.

**Barbara Thomas**—community activist, retired health clinic director.

Dutcher Community Room,  
Saratoga Springs Public Library

Moderator: Pattie Garrett (LWVSC)

### A Constitutional Convention?

To help you understand the rules, the delegate selection process, the risks, and the benefits, LWV will be hosting a forum coming in October, so you'll be prepared to vote on the issue on Election Day. Speaker will be Jim Malatras, President of the Rockefeller Institute of Government, (*dates and details will be posted on our website*).

### October is the month for Candidate Forums

*Malta, Milton,*

*Saratoga Springs, Wilton*

Dates and details will be posted on our website as events are set up. Check frequently.

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*The LWV of Saratoga County does not support or  
oppose any candidate or political party. We sometimes  
take positions on non-partisan issues. This has been the  
League's policy for 97 years.*



# Meetups are back! Together, we are stronger!

Meetups are a way for us to come together to explore, understand and advocate for issues that matter to us. Future topics may include voter reform legislation, and women's issues, but we want your input! If you want to facilitate a meetup and/or suggest a topic, contact Lori Dawson at [lddawson12@yahoo.com](mailto:lddawson12@yahoo.com)

All Meetups are held at the Adirondack Trust Office Building community room located at 35 Church Street. See directions and map at <http://www.lwvsaratoga.org/calendar.htm> Meetups are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7pm except in September when the membership committee kicks off the year with our annual member orientation and ice cream social on September 27th.



## *What's in the Works?*

During our program meeting, members discussed topics to present at our public events. There were many wonderful ideas and we were all enthusiastic about the upcoming year. One of the ideas is to plan public events that will focus on issues that impact our democracy. The first of those issues will be Voter Suppression.

We hope you will help as we finalize plans. Mark your calendars and keep in touch via our website and social media. Our tentative schedule is as follows:

- September 21:** Public Forum on Proposed City Charter for Saratoga Springs
- September 26:** National Voter Registration Day
- September 27:** Member Meetup: Membership Kick-off with Ice Cream Social (*on 4th Wednesday due to Rosh Hashanah*).
- October 18:** Member Meetup
- October 19:** Votes for Women—joint program with SSPL, at noon (*details page 11*).
- October:** Public Info Event on Constitutional Convention Ballot Question
- October:** Candidate Forums

**November:** Issues that impact our democracy: Voter Suppression

**November 15:** Member Meetup: Death with Dignity, do we concur with the position of LWV of Utah?

**December 20:** Member Meetup

**December:** Holiday Party!!

**January 17:** Member Meetup

**January:** Issues that impact our democracy: Civil Discourse

**February 21:** Member Meetup

**February:** Issues that impact our democracy, TBA

**February or March:** Famous Person Fundraiser

**March 21:** Member Meetup

**March:** Issues that impact our democracy: TBA

**April:** County Government/ Sewer Sludge

**May 16:** Member Meetup

**May:** Annual Meeting

**June 20:** Member Meetup

The Book Club meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month. (*See schedule of dates, locations and books on page 10.*)

# Highlights from the LWV NYS Convention

By Pattie Garrett

Five members of the LWV of Saratoga County attended the LWV NYS Convention in Liverpool, Barb Thomas, Ann Kril, Linda McKenney, Sue Ransom, and Pattie Garrett. On the way to the convention, we swung by Susan B. Anthony's house in Rochester and paid a visit to the cemetery where she is buried. We felt inspired. "Failure is Impossible."

One of the benefits of attending convention is sharing experiences and ideas with others. In one of the sessions I attended, we discussed how to keep new members engaged. I discovered that local leagues are holding meetings similar to our meetups. Other ideas included, matching new members with a mentor or returning member. It was stressed that it's important to make new members aware of tools available, something we've heard from our new members.

I was very excited to hear our keynote speaker, Sally Roesch Wagner. Her presentation, *The Rest of the Story of the Suffrage Movement*, focused on Native Americans, Haudenosaunee, traditional Iroquois. In Seneca Falls, Matilda Joslyn Gage, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Lucretia Mott learned from their neighbors, the Haudenosaunee. This is where the women got their vision of a better world. The Haudenosaunee's concept of everyday decency, nonviolence, and gender justice must have seemed like the promised land. The clan mothers nominate the male chiefs who go on to represent their clans in the Grand Council. Wagner listed the qualification: "First, they cannot have committed a theft. Second, they cannot have committed a murder. Third, they cannot have sexually assaulted a woman."

## Other news from the convention:

Barbara Bartoletti and Aimee Allaud retired. Jennifer Wilson is the Director for Program and Policy.

Update on numbers: The LWVNYS has 3,430 members. We have 146 members making us the 5th largest in the state.



Vote 411 was a big success during this past election year, with LWVNYS at 176,974 sessions (people logging in) and 143,822 new users. We had 2,118 sessions. Three other cities had a larger usage.

Results from the LWVNYS showed that our members see our mission as voter services, ethics, and lobbying

Delegates adopted a post-convention concurrence on Death with Dignity that local Leagues must weigh in on. (We'll be holding our meeting to decide if we concur at the November Meetup).

For more on the convention visit: <http://www.lwvny.org/convention.html>

## Thanks to our Contributors

Janet Conti	John and AC Riley
Belinda Cunningham	Doris Stoll
Josie Pasciullo	Margie Van Meter
Marian Potter	Diane Whitburn

## Welcome New Members:

Arleen Farber	Anne Needham
Kimberly Harvish	Karen Patton
Danielle Lepper	Shelly Tabakman

# Votes For Women: *Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial*

Mark your calendar for this special event. On Saturday, November 4, 2017 at 5pm in the Cultural Education Center in Albany, the LWV of NYS Education Foundation and the NYS archives Partnership Trust will hold a reception celebrating the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote in New York State. The State's Museum's "Votes For Women" exhibit will open that same day.


## Dates to know:

- NYS women secured the right to vote on November 6, 1917
- LWVNYS was founded on November 19, 1919
- LWVUS was founded on February 14, 1920
- The 19th Amendment to the US Constitution was officially certified on August 26, 1920

*Tickets are available at*  
[https://secure.lglforms.com/form\\_engine/s/7MenLR3YUpmX2yVcmFXCcg](https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/7MenLR3YUpmX2yVcmFXCcg)

## More information:

<http://www.lwvny.org/programs-studies/womens-suffrage/2017/Votes-for-women-flyer.pdf>



**PLEASE JOIN US!**






The League of Women Voters of New York State Education Foundation and the New York State Archives invite you to a special opening reception of Votes for Women: Celebrating New York's Suffrage Centennial.

An exhibition organized by the New York State Museum to commemorate the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote in New York State.

**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 4, 2017  
5:00-8:00 PM**

Purchase tickets at [www.lwvny.org](http://www.lwvny.org)  
Proceeds benefit the education programs of the League of Women Voters of New York State Education Fund and the New York State Archives Partnership Trust.

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM | CULTURAL EDUCATION CENTER  
222 MADISON AVENUE, ALBANY, NY 12230

## She will be Missed

Rita Balmuth, a founding member of the League Of Women Voters of the Saratoga Springs Area (which morphed into our current LWV Saratoga County) died this past May 21st at the age of 86. As Millie Green says, we grieve "our loss of a person who loved her family, friends, city, and her faith, and worked tirelessly, for a lifetime, for justice, equality and inclusiveness, with humble deeds of great significance, which she would wave off as "just life". We particularly honor her, and her husband Dan, for opening their doors to members of a Russian delegation that the League sponsored – and for recruiting their daughter Susan to serve as our Voters' Service chair.

# *Kathy Koebrich gets Catt Award!*



At the Annual Meeting Kathy Koebrich was honored by being presented with the Carrie Chapman Catt award by last year's winner, Terry Lowenthal. The award is given each year to someone who has provided outstanding service to the League of Women Voters of Saratoga County. As Terry said:

“Kathy Koebrich has served our league in many and varied ways and she has done it with grace, charm and a “warm” smile. When she accepts a responsibility, we all know it will get done, done well—and on time.”

She's been an instrumental member of our voters service committee. A trained moderator, she's dealt with a variety of circumstances some of which were more volatile than others and demanded poise and composure. Both of which she has in spades.

She organized 2016's very successful famous person fundraiser highlighting Nelly Taft.

When the idea of participating in the National Voters' Registration Day arose, it was Kathy who stepped forward and volunteered to chair it. And what an effort it was: recruiting and organizing sites and volunteers. 5 libraries, 2 bank locations, 5 YMCA locations AND all the volunteers and equipment necessary to staff those sites.

She's served as a delegate to LWVUS convention in Dallas. She has lobbied in Albany. She's helped to organize our booth at the farmer's market. She helped with last year's Earth Day program. And, while she was busy helping and organizing, she was also serving 2 terms as secretary for LWVSC .

One of the things of which Kathy is most proud is her presidency of the West Point ladies reading club. The year of her presidency, the theme was Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Our suffragist foremothers would be very proud of Kathy, as is the LWVSC!

## **Public Officials to Speak to Senior Issues**

The Saratoga Springs Mayor's Seniors Advisory Committee has set the date for a community forum, Public Officials Speak to Senior Issues. It will be held from 1:30 – 3:30 pm at Empire State College, 2 Union Ave, Saratoga Springs, on Monday, September 18, 2017.

Chair Barbara Thomas announced that public officials attending are Congressman Paul Tonko, Senator Kathleen Marchione, Christopher Rhodes (representing Senator James Tedisco), Mark Luciano (representing Assembly member Carrie Woerner), Supervisor Peter Martin, Supervisor Matt Veitch,

Mayor Joanne Yepsen, Commissioner of Public Safety Chris Mathiesen, Commissioner of Public Works Anthony Scirocco.

The Saratoga Springs Senior Advisory Committee is a non-political committee, appointed by the Mayor, representing the senior citizens of Saratoga Springs. League members Cliff Ammon, Peter Martin, Dee Sarno, Ann Shepard and Barbara Thomas are among the committee members. The forum is free and everyone concerned about senior issues is encouraged to attend. Door prizes and light refreshments will be provided.

# Volunteers Needed

The League of Women Voters of Saratoga County is excited to once again be part of a national effort to strengthen our community by registering hundreds of voters on Tuesday, September 26th, 2017,



also known as National Voter Registration Day. [www.NationalVoterRegistrationDay.org](http://www.NationalVoterRegistrationDay.org) Last year we set up registration tables at 12 sites throughout Saratoga County. Thanks to volunteers like you, we registered over 100 voters and many others took registration forms and absentee ballot applications home with them. We were also available to answer questions about voting and the upcoming election. Both the Saratoga County LWV and the Organ Donor Program received great visibility – we even got some radio and television coverage!

As a non-partisan coalition of organizations, National Voter Registration Day is the perfect opportunity to get involved no matter what party you support or which issues matter most to you.

Voter registration is not just important, it's also fun and gratifying. And you can join us! If you value civic participation and are willing to take a few hours for one day to help make the bonds of our communities stronger please consider joining us on NVRD!

**To sign up for a two hour shift at any of the following locations contact Kathy Koebrich at [k718malta@hotmail.com](mailto:k718malta@hotmail.com).** Please indicate your preferred location and include a phone number so that we can call to schedule your volunteer hours. A training session will be held on Sept. 14th from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation Church in Saratoga Springs for those who have never registered voters before or would like a refresher short course. Please try to attend the training – it will be fun.

**Schuylerville Public Library** 10 am – NOON, and 1 pm - 5 pm.

**Town of Ballston Community Library** 10 am – 2 pm

**Clifton Park – Halfmoon Public Library**

10 am – 8 pm

**Saratoga Hospital** 7 am – 3 pm

**SUNY Adirondack Wilton Campus** 9 am – 6 pm

**Skidmore University (Case Center)** 9 am – 5 pm

**Ben & Jerry's Saratoga Springs** 2 pm – 6 pm

**Bow Tie Cinemas (Saratoga Springs)** 4 pm – 8 pm

P.S. If events aren't your thing, no big deal. Just don't miss out on the most important part of National Voter Registration Day – take 30 seconds to make sure you're registered to vote at your current address. <https://voterlookup.elections.state.ny>.

## Saving on Landfilling!

**Save the Date: Saturday, October 21, 2017**

**Saratoga Recycles Day!** at the Saratoga High School parking lot from 9 am to 2 pm.

It's not too early to begin to save your old clothes, coats, shoes, textiles, rags, sheets, towels, quilts and comforters. Save your yarn, notions, trims, ribbons, fabric. Or old bicycles for repair and reuse. \*Electronics are \$5.00 charge per household. (Not accepted, old TVs or computer monitors).

The U.S. throws away an average of 25 BILLION pounds of textiles a year. That's about 82 pounds of waste per person, per year. Of that, 15% is donated or recycled, 85% ends up in a landfill. We can do better! Sponsored by Sustainable Saratoga. For more information call 518-368-2350

Louise Golub, our environmental chair, points out that we can all start saving these things that aren't easily recycled on a weekly basis, but are acceptable to the vendors who will be coming to Saratoga High School on Saturday morning, October 21.



**2017-18 Board (L-R): Ann Kril, Steve Koebrich, Mary Lou Classen, Charlotte Druschel, Barb Thomas, Linda McKenney, Sue Ransom, Pattie Garrett, Terry Lowenthal, Darnell Rohrbaugh, Louise Golub, Donna Dardaris. Not shown: Carol Fallon, Carol Glansberg.**

# LWV of Saratoga County’s Annual Meeting, June 3, 2017

Our annual meeting featured Ron Deutsch, the Executive Director for Fiscal Policy Institute. His presentation shed a light on the people left out and not considered in the budget. With holes in the safety net and social programs disappearing, the future is dim for those without economic means. Fortunately, Ron was upbeat and inspired us to speak out on these issues.

Congratulations to Kathy Koebrich, our 2017 Carrie Chapman Catt Award winner. (see page 5)

We were delighted to meet our Students Inside Albany, Freya Birkas-Dent and Samantha Ellis, both from Schuylerville Senior High School.

**Members approved:**

- Changes to our bylaws, reflecting our steering committee which replaces a president.
- Our new local position on Governance of Local Governments, and agreed to continue with our positions on Solid Waste, Emergency Services, and The Roles, Responsibilities and Oversight of Saratoga County IDA, SEDC and Prosperity Partnership.
- The budget for 2017-18.
- Voted in the slate of officers and directors proposed by the nominating committee (*listed in Contact Us, p 2*)

## *Naturalization Ceremony at Saratoga Battlefield*

*By Donna Dardaris*

**I**t was a beautiful day at Saratoga Battlefield National Park! Nineteen new citizens, five registered to vote on the spot, others said they would fill out forms at home and mail in. Several people picked up registration forms for others who were not at ceremony (children, spouse, etc.). The most popular item on our table was the pocket-sized version of the U.S. Constitution and the second most popular was the LWV Saratoga brochure – many people picked up one or more for themselves, family, friends and one woman took several to hand out at the next meeting of her DAR group. Hope they all follow through and become members! All in all, a great day!

*Picture by David Dardaris,*





# Voter Registration

Mary Lou Classen is in charge of coordinating all Voter Registration Activities for LWVSC.

For the months of Sept. and Oct. Janice Burns will be scheduling the Farmer's Market dates. She will have a mail chimp sent to let people know so they can sign up if they can work any of those days. She has also scheduled a table for Irish Fest.

Kathy Koebrich is in charge of National Voter Registration Day on Sept 27. She will be asking for many volunteers for that day. If you know you can help, let Kathy know. This will save her some work.

Barb Thomas will be scheduling volunteers for the Peace Fair (September 24th) where we'll also be offering voters a chance to register.

Francine Rodgers has scheduled a day at the CPH library and will need volunteers.

Ahead of us we still have reading responses, bugging candidates to respond, reaching out to party chairs, digging up email addresses, posting our news on the website, and a lot of other things, but a great committee helps to ensure a great result.

--Ann Marie Pendergast and Francine Rodger



# Vote411

We are pleased once again to be providing Vote411 to our community. Candidates have thanked us for providing this opportunity for them, we hope people will go to the guide for information. We expect to have some of the races we are covering printed in local newspapers, but details on that are not yet firmed up. We will have all the races on our website, [www.lwvsaratoga.org](http://www.lwvsaratoga.org) in late October OR you can go to [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org) and enter your address to see what will be on YOUR ballot. We expect to publish our races during the last two weeks of October. Candidates can respond right up until Election Day and their responses will be on line immediately, so if you know anyone who is among the missing , do encourage them to join in.

We will also have information on the three ballot issues there as well as the candidates running for county offices, and those running in the towns and cities in Saratoga County.

Thanks to our committee for their help in entering candidates (we had 150), entering races, proof reading our lists, finding race descriptions.

# Do we concur with the LWV Utah position on Death with Dignity?

Join us at the November 15 Meetup to discuss the pros and cons of the issue.

Prepare for the discussion by reading the LWV Utah study now. The Utah study provided information about laws in the five states currently allowing terminally ill persons to request physician aid in dying, as well as a detailed history of death with dignity through the ages. A pdf of the Utah Study can be found on our website in the section on Studies.

The Utah Position, which would become the New York position, reads as follows:

1. The League of Women Voters believes state laws should grant the option for a terminally ill person to request medical assistance from a relevant, licensed physician to end one's life.
2. The League of Women Voters believes such legislation should include safeguards against abuse for the dying and/or medical personnel.

More information will be posted as the date draws nearer. This is very likely to be a hot topic in the legislature in 2018.

## 2017-2018 Book Club Selections

The Book Club meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm, (*except luncheons at 1pm*).

Visit the Book Club tab on our website for the links to short videos related to these books.

### Sep 14 Clifton Park Library:

OIL AND HONEY : THE EDUCATION OF AN UNLIKELY ACTIVIST By Bill McKibben.

### Oct 12 Saratoga Springs Library:

ONE NATION UNDER GOD:  
HOW CORPORATE AMERICA INVENTED  
CHRISTIAN AMERICA By Kevin Kruse

### Nov. 9 Saratoga Springs Library:

KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON  
THE OSAGE MURDERS AND THE BIRTH  
OF THE FBI By David Grann

### Dec 14 Thirsty Owl 1:00 (*not confirmed yet*) BOOK CLUB LUNCHEON

### Jan 11 Clifton Park Library:

PLOT TO HACK AMERICA. By Malcolm Nance

### Feb 8 Clifton Park Library:

BLINDSPOT: HIDDEN BIASES OF GOOD  
PEOPLE By Anthony Greenwald

### Mar 8 Clifton Park Library:

STRANGERS IN THEIR OWN LAND By Robert  
Wright & Arlie Hochschild

### April 12 Saratoga Library:

EVICTED By Matthew Desmond

### May 10 Clifton Park Library:

EARNING THE ROCKIES By Robert Kaplan

### June 14 Rodger Residence:

Pot luck luncheon 1:00

## Podcasts, Apps and More

*By Pattie Garrett*

There's been a flurry of interesting podcasts to listen to in the car, relaxing, or busy working out. Download them to your phone or visit them on their website.

### Podcasts:

#### **What Would Alice Paul Do?**

I love the name. This is a series of podcasts from the LWVUS. The authors share stories tips and how-tos to make sure you have the tools and confidence to actively engage your community.



<https://www.alicepaulpodcast.com/podcast/>

#### **Civics 101**

Do you think you need a refresher in civics. Maybe we all do. This is the perfect time to bone up on civics you learned in school and may have forgotten. These podcasts are a guide to what you need to know and when it matters most.

<http://www.npr.org/podcasts/51250870civics-101>

### Apps:

#### **Voices**

LWV of New York State has launched a new partnership with Voices, a political advocacy app that shares action alerts from the League directly to your phone. These action alerts will allow you to quickly call, email, or tweet at your legislator with the touch of a button. The alert will provide you with a sample script, email, or tweet and give you the power to lobby on these issues quickly and easily. Download the app on your phone using this link: <https://tryvoices.com/lwvnys> or search "Voices: Political Advocacy" in the Apple App Store or Google Play on your cell phone.

<https://tryvoices.com/lwvnys>

*Let us know if you have a favorite app or podcast series.*

# The 100th Anniversaries Committee

The 100th Anniversaries Committee, Linda McKenney (*Chair*), Janice Burns, Mary Lou Classen, Beverly LaBarge and Deb Peck Kelleher, is working on a variety of events for 2017. We'd love to have other members join us and welcome any ideas you have!

We are coordinating with the Brookside Museum in Ballston Spa to bring the New York State Suffrage Traveling Exhibit to Saratoga County.

We are participating with the Celebrating Suffrage Committee in Glens Falls. On October 19, they are recreating the 1900 New York State Woman Suffrage Convention, held in Glens Falls in 1900. See below.

We've been in contact with the State League offering our assistance at the reception they are sponsoring on 11/4, the evening before the Statewide Suffrage Centennial Conference in Albany.

We've contacted the organizers of the History Fair held in Washington County on 9/30 and are waiting for a reply as to our possible participation.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**September 23** - Pineview Cemetery Tour 10am-1pm  
Women of Glens Falls & Queensbury 21 Quaker Road, Queensbury, NY 12804 Participants are guided through the cemetery as actors from the Glens Falls



Community Theatre bring to life the stories of 7 women. 6 walking tours; 2 golf cart tours. \$12/person, \$8 for children 12-16; under 12 are free. Reservations are strongly recommended as many tours fill up fast. Call 793-2826 for more info. or to reserve.

**October 19** – at Noon -Votes For Women: 100th Anniversary of Suffrage in New York, Saratoga Springs Public Library 49 Henry Street, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Join us for a talk by Natalie Taylor, Political Science professor at Skidmore College, about the key players and changing political strategies that led to success in New York State and eventually nationally. Taylor will talk about the moral arguments advanced by Susan B. Anthony and early suffragists, and the evolution of political strategies over time, including Carrie Chapman Catt's "Winning Plan" that focused on winning the vote state-by-state, and Alice Paul's more militant tactics at the federal level. Free. Co-sponsored by the Saratoga Springs Public Library and the League of Women Voters of Saratoga County

**October 21** 1:00-4:00 pm - 1900 Statewide Suffrage Convention, First Baptist Church of Glens

Falls, 100 Maple Street, Glens Falls, NY 12801. Experience the excitement of the 1900 New York State Woman Suffrage Convention, held in Glens Falls in 1900. This is a program sponsored by a collaborative of local area organizations. For more information, contact Kim Harvish at the Chapman Museum, 793-2826. Free.



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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**September**

- Tuesday, 9-12-17, Primary Election, noon–9 pm
- Thursday, 9-14-17, Book Club, CPPL, 1:30 pm
- Monday, 9-18-17, Public Officials Speak to Senior Issues, ESC, 2 Union Ave, SS, 1:30 pm
- Thursday, 9-21-17, Proposed New Charter for SS, Community Room, SSPL, 7 pm
- Sunday, 9-24-17, Peace Fair, Presbyterian NE Congregational Church, SS, noon–4 pm
- Tuesday, 9-26-17, National Voter Registration Day, various locations, all day & evening
- Wednesday, 9-27-17, Meetup: Ice Cream Social, ADK Trust Office Bldg., 7 pm.

**October**

- Thursday, 10-12-17, Book Club, SSPL, 1:30
- Friday, 10-13-17, last day to register for general election
- Wednesday, 10-18-17, Meetup, ADK Trust Office Bldg., 7 pm
- Thursday, 10-19-17, Votes for Women: 100th Anniversary of Suffrage in NY, SSPL, noon–1 pm
- Watch website for Candidate Forums during October*

**November**

- Saturday, Nov 4, LWVNY Reception for opening of Votes for Women exhibit at the NYS Museum, 5–8 pm, \$50 or more, this is a fundraiser. Includes private access to the exhibit.
- Tuesday, 11-7-17, Election Day, polls open 6 am to 9 pm
- Thursday, 11-9-17, Book Club, SSPL, 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, 11-15-17, Meetup: Death with Dignity Concurrence, ADK Trust Office Bldg., 7 pm

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