

End of Summer 2011 E-Bulletin



League of Women Voters of Falls Church

*A Voice for Citizens and
A Force for Change in the United States*

The League of Women Voters of Falls Church is a nonpartisan organization that serves the citizens of Falls Church City through encouraging informed and active participation in government, working to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influencing public policy through education and advocacy. For more information, go to www.lwvfallschurch.org.

Dear League Members,

We've dealt with the summer's heat and now we've got to get ready for the Fall political season that is heating up without any help from the weather. The calendar is filling up with League events, so be sure to look at the website, www.lwvfallschurch.org, and see other articles in this bulletin to see the details of what's happening.

Our own Sara Fitzgerald will be the featured speaker at our kick-off event on Thursday, September 15 at 7PM at One More Page Books in Arlington, discussing her recently published book.

The Fall Festival and Taste of Falls Church is Saturday, September 17th. As always, the League will be there with our booth dispensing voter service information. This is a great way for new members to see how the League operates and if you haven't already contacted Edie Snyder, Voter Services Chair to volunteer, her email is editholmes@aol.com. Also on September 17 in Richmond, the LWV-VA will be holding fall workshops. There are some workshops that could be very beneficial to us; if anyone is interested, please let me know. It's a one day meeting, and I certainly hope that some of you will consider going. The link to the information in the Virginia Voter is [here](#). At our October 4 Board Meeting, we will begin the planning for the holiday party, scheduled for Sunday, December 4th. All members who are interested in working on this fun event should plan to attend the planning session. More about this later, but keep in mind that the event needs you to succeed! Also, at the beginning of the October 4th Board Meeting, we will be reviewing the consensus questions for the LWV-US Education Study. Background material and further information will be sent out shortly. The committee on the Arts Study approved at our annual meeting has been busy all summer. The consensus meeting is October 11 at ArtSpace at 7:30 PM. Background materials and consensus questions are available on our website, by clicking on this [link](#).

Voter Services is what we do best, and we'll continue that tradition with a meeting about the upcoming referendum on the election date change and a chance to meet the candidates for the General Assembly. We're in the process of putting that program together and the details will be available soon. Mark

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your calendars for October 20th. Program will be held at the Community Center at 7:30pm.

As you can see, we've got a busy Fall ahead of us. Take advantage of being part of the team that makes these events happen. Let me know how and what you want to do to be involved with the organization that has made a difference in Falls Church for the last 60 years.

I'm waiting to hear from YOU at ellensals@aol.com.

Sincerely,
Ellen Salsbury
President

League Kick Off Event, Thursday, September 15 at 7pm

The League will kick off its 2011-12 program year with an event featuring a discussion and signing of a new biography of a nationally known female political leader written by one of its members.

The event, which will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday September 15 at One More Page Books, will include a presentation by Sara Fitzgerald, author of the new biography "Elly Peterson: 'Mother' of the Moderates." League members are encouraged to invite their friends to this event.

One More Page Books is located at 2200 N. Westmoreland St. in Arlington, across from the La Cote D'Or restaurant. Metered parking is available on Westmoreland Street, and free parking is available in the "retail" spots in the garage behind the store. There is an entrance to the store from the parking lot. RSVPs are not required, but are appreciated, to sarafitz@aol.com.

Fall Festival, Saturday, September 17th

League Booth will have information on election details. We need volunteers. Contact Edie Snyder at Edithholmes@aol.com to sign up.

LINKS TO LWV-VA

To access the Summer 2011 Virginia Voter, go to www.lwv-va.org. You'll find a complete list of workshop presentations to be given at the Fall Workshop in Richmond on September 17.

To access the members only page, please click on the following [link](#).

Help Wanted!

Is there anyone out there who could do some work on our LWV-FC Facebook page? It's all set up but needs to have information added. This isn't a big job and will need very little work. Contact Ellen Salsbury at ellensals@aol.com, if you can help us out with this. At this point we have ONE friend and probably won't get anymore if we don't update the page!

The LWV-VA has a new Facebook page. To view their page, please click on the following [link](#).

2011-2012 Calendar

Please click on the following [link](#), for the complete calendar

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Here are a few of the upcoming events:

October 4, 2011

Board Meeting

October 11, 2011

Consensus meeting on our local Arts Study. Join us at ArtSpace at 7:30pm.

October 20, 2011

Meeting about the upcoming referendum on the election date change and a chance to meet the candidates for the General Assembly

November 8, 2011

Election Day. Check website for further information, by clicking [here](#).