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Vision Statement: We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.

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"The summer night is like a perfection of thought."

-Wallace Stevens

Read your VOTER with your calendar next to you so you can write in the meetings immediately. You are what makes the League a success!

Meetings & Events



Lentil Festival

Date: Friday, August 16 (evening)

Contact: Bobbie Ryder; 509-432-9619

Board Meetings

Date: Fourth Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.; August 27, 2019; September 24, 2019; October 22

Location: Daily Grind, back room

Chair: Bobbie Ryder; 509-432-9619

goodbye, august hello, september

September Meeting

Date: **THURSDAY**, September 5, 2019

Program: Back to League; Lunell Haught-new LWV WA State President

Location & Time: Home of Bobbie Ryder

6:00 p.m. dinner, 7:00 meeting

Contact: Bobbie Ryder

Address: 800 NW Greyhound Way

Please RSVP: ryderbobbie@gmail.com or 509-432-9619.

Brown Bag Meetings

When: 3nd **TUESDAYS** of the month; noon





Location: Neill Public Library (Hecht Room)

Upcoming Topics:

September: Speaker and date being confirmed. Stay tuned .



Brown Bag October 15: Updates on housing and poverty from Community Action Center and Poverty Awareness Task Force

Contact: Judy Stone; 595-0187

Note: There will be no October Evening Meeting as Forums take place that month.



November Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2019Time: 7:00 p.m. with reception to follow.Program: Rob Curley, Editor of the Spokesman Review Co-hosting with Murrow College

Book Club

Selection: Refuge: Rethinking Refugee Policy in a Changing World by Betts & Collier

This is also WSU's selection for the Common Reading Program.

Dates, Times, Locations of discussion and/or shared events TBD.

Please contact Libby Walker (509-432-4756) with ideas.

Upcoming Events (in More Detail)



Back to League

The Back-to-League meeting will be held THURSDAY, September 5 at the home of Bobbie Ryder. She lives at 800 NW Greyhound Way and her house is on the hill just past the PHS football field. Look for a long rock-filled driveway.

The potluck will begin at 6 pm—please bring a dish to share!—and our special guest will be Lunell Haught who is the newly elected president of the Washington State League of Women Voters. President Haught will be asked to share her thoughts on the future of the League. There will be reports from several of our active programs such as The Observer Corp, Voter Services, etc.

This is an excellent evening to bring a friend or other potential league member! It is also the perfect time to renew your membership! \$65 individual. \$90 Family (couple). Students continue to be free this year!



Centennial Activities

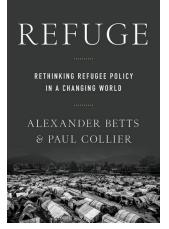


We will bring two inspiring performers to Pullman. **Catherine Cummings**, a nationally recognized theatrical story-teller, will perform her one-woman show, "Women of Strength and Courage." At the convention, we caught a glimpse of Cummings who is very dynamic in her role as Eleanor Roosevelt, and this is the portrayal she would perform in Pullman. We are in for a treat! In addition to a public performance, the School District will be approached about inviting Cummings to perform in appropriate grades.

In addition, we will invite **Eve Abram**, a story-teller, actress, and speaker, who will portray Dr. Nettie Craig Asberry, a very early African American suffrage leader in Tacoma who helped found the Tacoma NAACP and the Washington State Association of Colored Women's Clubs. Asberry refused to wait for black women to be given the right to vote until after it was given to white women. There is interest at WSU in cosponsoring Abram's visit in February or March during Black History Month or the Women of Achievement Celebration. The Elson Floyd Center is being considered as a possible venue.

The Cherry Sisters Revival, a local three woman band, is also being considered for a performance. This group takes its name from a group of five sisters from Marion, Iowa who traveled widely during the late 19th century and performed a notorious vaudeville touring act for ten years including a brief time on Broadway. The Pullman group has been asked to develop music that would be appropriate to this time period.

Book Club/Common Reading Program



Our League's fledging bookclub hopes to expand participation by utilizing Washington State University's Common Reading selection. Libby Walker has been in touch with Karen Weathermon from this program about the possibility of co-sponsoring a speaker next year related to immigration concerns. Karen is very excited about working with us and has suggested a group called the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project. The Director is Jorge Baron. This group was mentioned recently in the Daily News. Please contact Libby (<u>libbywalker9@icloud.com</u> or 509-432-4756) regarding your thoughts regarding this exciting idea.

At this point, there is no date set to gather and discuss the book--but start reading!

Updates & Information

Harvard Case Studies News



Photo of Colfax teachers Andrew and Ronda Penwell. In a few weeks the Penwells travel to Harvard University to learn about the Harvard case-study method for civics education. Paste this link in your browser to read the article that previously appeared in the Whitman County Gazette.

https://www.wcgazette.com/story/2019/06/27/news/penwells-selected-for-harvardstudy/29528.html

Message from Observer Corps

Our Observer Corps is 13 strong, observing 10 agencies. One of those, the Pullman City Council, meets



weekly at 7pm on Tuesdays. That's a heavy load for one Observer. See Can you help and work with her to attend some of those meetings? Contact Judy Stone at judy.stone.bandaid@gmail.com

Finance drive Results!

Thank you for your generosity! We raised \$3825 in the Finance Drive, with members contributing \$2365 and non-members \$1460.



If there is someone—individual, family, or business—that you think should be on our potential donor list next year, please contact Libby Walker (<u>libbywalker9@icloud.com</u> or 509-432-4756).

TWIL (This Week in League)

Sign Up and Open Up: Keeping Our LWVWA Community Informed!

TWIL (*This Week in League*) is THE way friends and members get the inside scoop on neighboring Leagues and the State League issues, ideas, and events. It is quick to scan, there are <u>copies archived</u> on the <u>For</u> <u>Members</u> section of LWVWA.org. The goal is to have 100% member subscribers, and 95% of them regularly opening the link to check it out. If you have signed up for this and aren't getting it check your spam filter. If you haven't signed up for it, or you aren't sure, <u>sign up here</u>.

Not Sure How to Login to the "Members Only" Section of LWVWA.org?

Here is a quick refresher on how to do this:

- 1. Visit the website: <u>www.lwvwa.org</u>
- 2. Click on "FOR MEMBERS" in the menu bar—it is on the far right.
- 3. Click on the "Log in" link in the gold bar. (Alternatively, you can also click on the "Log in" link in the purple section of the footer on any page.)
- 4. Enter your email and password and click on the blue "Log in" button.
 - a. If you have forgotten your password (or never had one in the first place!), click on the "Forgot password" link to the right of the blue "Log in" button.
 - b. On this page, enter your email address and then type the (somewhat difficult to read) characters that appear in the grey box into the "*Code" section.
 - c. This will generate an email to that account that contains a new password for you to use. If you get an error message that tells you "Email not found," contact Amy at apeloff@lwvwa.org or (206) 622-8961 and she will help you.
- 5. Once you are logged in, you can now access the members only content. If you click on "FOR MEMBERS" in the menu bar now, either a submenu will appear for you to use to navigate, or, it will take you to the "For Members" page where a new menu will appear under the main menu that will give you access to the restricted content.

A Selection of Memories

July 4th Johnson Parade





current TRY (Directory of Elected and Appointed Officials). The League received lots of applause and cheers.

A Big Thank You to everyone who marched and the eight Leaguers who spent an afternoon pasting on the paper tags.

2019 Washington State League of Women Voters Convention- Libby Walker

Bobbie Ryder, Anne Lewis, Deb Olson, and Libby Walker attended the State League Convention at the Murano Hotel in Tacoma from June 6-9, 2019. We took two nice displays - one with pictures showing many of our chapter's activities and another which featured early women suffrage leaders from the Pacific Northwest. Thank you, Judy Stone!

There were many interesting and timely speakers including Chris Carson, President of the LWVUS, Rob Curley, Editor-in-Chief of the Spokesman-Review, Kym Wyman, Washington State Secretary of State, Eva Abram, who portrayed Dr. Nettie Craig Asberry, and Michelle Duster, great granddaughter of Ida B. Wells (who was pictured on our display). Lunell Haught from Spokane was elected President of the Washington State League of Women Voters and will be our guest at our September Back to League meeting. *Also of note, the proposed increase in the PMP failed to pass.*





NEW! Complete List of Board Officers:

President: Bobbie Ryder, 509-432-9619; Vice-President: Sue Hinz, 509-332-1168; Secretary: Alice Schroeder, 509-334-2470; Backup Secretary: Libby Walker, 509-432-4756; Treasurer: Paul Spencer, 509-332-6699; Voter Service: Deb Olson, 509-595-0333 & Helen Catanese; hncatanese@gmail.com; Observer Corps Chair: Judy Stone, 509-595-0187; Brown Bag Coordinator: Rotating; Voter Editor: Anne Lewis, 509-334-1075; Webmaster: Paul Spencer, 509-332-6699; Social Media: Bobbie Ryder, 509-432-9619; Community Outreach: Libby Walker, 509-432-4756; Community Update Editor: Susan Daniels, 509-332-6699; Membership: Judy Stone, 509-595-0187; Finance Coordinator: Libby Walker, 509-432-4756; Finance Drive Thank-Yous: Lenna Harding, 509-332-7749; Nominating Chair: Open!

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