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1. Join Us at August Regional Meetings

LWVO will once again be holding regional meetings across the state in August. Mark your calendars and plan to attend! We will offer two topics: 1) Campaign Finance; and 2) Sharing Ideas for Building a Stronger League. All meetings will be from 10:00am to 12:30pm. In order to RSVP, please click on the location of the regional meeting that you wish to attend.

Saturday, August 9th, 2014

10:00am-12:30pm

- [Southwest - Cincinnati](#)

Saturday, August 16th, 2014

10:00am-12:30pm

- [Central and Southeast - Columbus](#)
- [Northeast \(East Side\) - Akron](#)

Saturday, August 23rd, 2014

10:00am-12:30pm

- [Northwest - Bowling Green](#)
- [Northeast \(West Side\) - Greater Cleveland](#)

2. 2014 Voter Guide Information Packet Is Coming Soon

The Voters' Guide Information Packets for the 2014 General Election will be sent out to all League presidents, with a request to forward them to the current Voter Service Chair. Please note the important reminders at the beginning of the packet.

Included in the packet will be shared candidate instructions, candidate questions, best practices for voters' guides and information on separating voter-service activities from lobbying. As soon as the packet is available, you will be able to access it at www.lwvohio.org on the League Website under the "Member Area."

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The beginning of July, the lawyers at the ACLU representing LWVO, the NAACP and others filed a motion asking the Federal Court to order Secretary Husted to restore for this fall the early voting days and times that had been cut (evenings, Sundays, and the first week of early voting). The motion and all of its attachments are available on the ACLU website: <http://www.acluohio.org/naacp-et-al-v-husted-et-al-documents>. There will be a hearing on our motion on August 11 at 9am at the federal courthouse in Columbus.

4. Mark your Calendars!

a. LWV Ohio Calendar for 2014-2015

Many local Leagues and League members have requested a calendar of state League activities to help plan for the coming year. [Click here](#) to download the calendar for upcoming LWVO/EF events for 2014-2015. These dates are subject to change.

b. National Voter Registration Day Is September 23rd

September is National Voter Registration Month and National Voter Registration Day is on September 23rd. LWVO encourages local Leagues to plan their September voter registration drives and consider a big push on the 23rd.

5. New "Voting 1-2-3" Voter Information Available

NEW! Updated 2014 Voter Information resources are now available from LWV Ohio. Wondering what voting rules are in place this year? We have your answers!

- [2014 Changes to Ohio Election Law Factsheet](#)
- [Voting 1-2-3: 3 Ways to Cast Your Ballot](#)
- [Voting 1-2-3: For College Students](#)
- [Voting 1-2-3: Ohio Voter Registration](#)
- [Voting 1-2-3: Voter ID](#)

These free resources are available to download, print, or share online. Print copies may be ordered by contacting the LWVO office at 614-469-1505.

6. Join the new Education Forum Planning Committee

LWVO/ EF is looking for local League members who would like to be part of a committee to work on the Akron Beacon Journal Charter School Education project. The League's role will be to sponsor community forums to determine what the public thinks about education. The committee would help coordinate this project. We are looking for Leaguers who have a passion

for education and are able to devote some time to this endeavor. [Click here](#) to read more.

7. Welcome New Local League Boards!

New Boards have recently been chosen or will soon be selected to lead their local LWVs while outgoing Board members cycle off. We heartily welcome all new Board Members and truly thank the departing Board members for their service. Also, the LWVO requests that all Local Leagues send their updated rosters to the state office at lwvinfo@lwvohio.org.

8. Fundraising Tip of the Month

Women's Equality Day is August 26th. The anniversary of women's right to vote is a great time to remind supporters that our work is just as vital today and League relies on the generosity of our donors to continue this work.

9. LWV of Cleveland Donation Transforms LWVO Office

Thank you to the Cleveland LWV for their generous gift of office furniture and a donation from the Shirley Ann Babitt Fund to cover the costs of moving the furniture from Cleveland to Columbus. The furniture became available because the Cleveland office was closed in connection with the merger of the three Cleveland area Leagues. We are incredibly grateful and will think kind thoughts whenever we walk into our beautiful digs.

10. All-Member Conference Call

Our next all-member conference call will be held on Tuesday, **August 5, 12-1 pm**.

Topic: Youth Engagement and LWVUS Young People's Task Force (YPTF) Toolkit. Melissa Currence, a YPTF Co-Chair, will talk about the exciting work of the YPTF and their efforts in preparing the toolkit to help Leagues reach out to new generations of leaders.

CALL-IN NUMBER: 866-740-1260

PIN NUMBER: 4691505#

Please RSVP at lwvinfo@lwvohio.org to help us plan for the numbers of attendees. Thank you.

11. Free Publicity For Your Local League!

Free publicity! Got your attention? Good. The LWVO office wants to help promote local League events and membership.

Please send us your event announcements so that we can post and share them on the LWVO website and social media. The state League would also like to have on file the membership brochures for all local Leagues, so that we can do more to encourage anyone we come in contact with to join their local League.