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# GREENWICH VOTER

MAY 2018

## FROM THE STEERING COMMITTEE

The LWVG has been busy!

We opened the program year with a successful Legislative Picnic at Andy and Nancy Duus's lovely home. The lack of a CT budget dominated the discussion. Many events were scheduled for the Fall:

Voter Services was particularly busy this local election year with debates/forums and an expanded *Voter's Guide*. Our Enhanced Electronic *RTM Voter's Guide*, an innovation, was extremely well received. We thank Cathy Steele and Kathy Burgweger for their invaluable assistance.

Cocktails and Conversation continues to be a popular program format. The October 11 meeting with Dr. Jill Gildea, Superintendent of Schools, was attended by many members of local boards as guests. At November's Cocktails and Conversation, a group heard Fran Pastore, founder and CEO of the Women's Business Development Council, speak about her work. In other programming, renowned Harvard Business School professor, Dr. David Moss, led a unique and very well-received event based on his new book *Democracy: A Case Study*, on November 13.

In 2018, continuing the successful program run, the LWVG has presented several stimulating events. We hope you were able to attend a number of them. These included three Cocktails & Conversation get-togethers. In January, at the first of these, former State Rep. Robert Steele laid out the case against further casino developments in CT. March brought us transportation activist Jim Cameron discussing CT's Transportation Crisis: Taxes, Tolls & Traffic. In April, Diane Fox, LWVG member and Chair of the Greenwich Preservation Network, spoke about preserving historic buildings and the threat to our neighborhoods from the proposed high-speed rail development and I-95 expansion. In other programming, we look forward to *Imagining the Future: An Economic Vision for Our Town, State and Region*, a panel discussion. The event, open to members and the public, will be held April 24 in Greenwich Library's Cole Auditorium. We thank Deirdre Kamlani, Nancy Aborn Duffy and Aya DeSimone for their program work. The Program Team also welcomed Janet McGuigan as a new member of the committee.

The Greenwich League's annual Program Planning Meeting was held in February at the home of Joanne Stavrou. Over coffee and dessert, we reviewed and affirmed by vote the two State positions on school vouchers and internet/media. Jonathan Perloe updated us on advocacy efforts for the National Popular Vote. Cyndy Anderson reviewed the state of play on RTM advocacy,

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
OF GREENWICH  
ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

RIVERSIDE YACHT CLUB  
102 CLUB ROAD • RIVERSIDE, CT

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

KEVIN R. CONVEY

QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM

*"The Crisis in Media and the  
Future of the Fourth Estate"*

5:30 – ANNUAL MEETING

6:30 – RECEPTION (CASH BAR)

7:30 – DINNER AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER

LOOK FOR YOUR INVITATION IN THE MAIL!

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# League of Women Voters of Greenwich 2017-2018 Board of Officers and Directors

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## *From the Steering Committee, continued*

about which there is more below. We voted to maintain our two long-standing local positions (housing and water/Long Island Sound) as active. Marija Mikolajczak was approved as LWVG Specialist on environmental issues.

The LWVG's RTM advocacy effort is now two-pronged. First, we are conducting a redo of last year's survey of RTM members, necessitated by the large number of new members. Secondly, we are reaching out to District meetings, RTM's Governance Committee meetings and members to explain the League's 14 recommendations. League members have been asked to help by phoning or emailing their District Chair and RTM representatives to request them to fill out the survey. This kind of grass-roots advocacy is an important part of our mission, and we appreciate the support of those who pitched in with these efforts.

Coming up, on May 16 we will hold our Annual Meeting and Dinner. For details, see page one, and for information about our keynote speaker, see the following page. For July, Voter Services will organize the ever-popular Legislative Picnic, at which we will once again hear from our local officials.

Our membership has grown! On January 31, we reported a membership of 369 members to state and national chapters, a sizeable increase over last year. At the same time, a worrying number of long-standing members have yet to pay their dues. We thank the wonderful Membership Co-chairs Rita Baker and Barbara O'Shea for their efforts.

For the 2018-2019 year, our Nominating Committee, chaired by Nancy Duffy and Deirdre Kamlani, has proposed a new slate of officers and directors for approval (see page six). The Steering Committee thanks them. During the year, we welcomed to the Board Anne-Marie Hesser, who has been busy in the newly-created role of Youth Outreach Coordinator.

In closing, the Steering Committee would like to recognize, once again, the hard work of our Editor/Graphic Designer Marla Laney and our Webmaster and Constant Contacts creator, Elise Hingson. In addition, thanks go to our postcard team of Joan Faust and Madeleine DeVries. Finally, our appreciation goes out to the many others who have contributed in ways, big and small, to our League's successful year. We welcome and encourage all members, new and of long standing, to reach out and take part. As always, the website at [lwvg.org](http://lwvg.org) is the place to go to find out more.

Jara Burnett  
Claudia Carthaus  
Liz van Caloen



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. It was founded in 1920 as an outgrowth of the 72 year struggle to win voting rights for women.

## VOTER SERVICES ACTIVITIES

Voter Services kicked off the year with a well-attended **Legislative Picnic** at the home of Nancy and Andy Duus. All legislators attended, except for Scott Frantz. The major topic of conversation was the lack of budget for Connecticut and the fiscal situation.

In September we participated in the **National Registration Day** at the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club.

**Debate/Forums** were held in the fall as follows:

- **September 5: BET Republican Pre-Primary debate**, Town Hall, moderated by Kay Maxwell of Stamford. All RTC-endorsed candidates and one petition candidate were present.
- **October 10: Board of Education Forum** co-sponsored by the PTA Council, Greenwich High MISA auditorium, moderated by Jara Burnett. All five candidates attended.
- **October 11: Board of Education**, co-sponsored by the Byram and Chickohominy Neighborhood Associations, Hamilton Avenue School, moderated by Jara Burnett. All candidates attended.
- **October 17: Board of Selectmen**, co-sponsored by the Round Hill Association, Round Hill Community House, moderated by Jara Burnett. All candidates attended.
- **October 24: Tax Collector Town Hall**, moderated by Jean Rabinow of Bridgeport Area League.
- **October 29: RTM Meet and Greet** at Central Middle School. A new venture for the League saw a great RTM candidate turnout.

### **Voters' Guides:**

*Voter's Guide 2017*, published as an insert in the *Greenwich Time*, was published on Friday, November 3. All information was also available on the League and *Greenwich Time* websites.

An enhanced, electronic *RTM Voter's Guide* was posted on the League website, a first. It contained names, addresses, bios, answers to two questions and a photo of those candidates who chose to participate. Ultimately, more than 220 of the 270 candidates were listed.

### **Get Out the Vote:**

We submitted a **Letter to the Editor** regarding registration deadlines and details for obtaining an Absentee ballot, and participated in interviews with the *Greenwich Time* and WGCH, urging voters to come to the polls.

**"Just Vote"** signs were again placed at various locations a few days preceding the election.

We also publicized the locations for the elections to the **Town Committees** in late January.

**Voter Registration Days** are held in the Spring at Brunswick, Greenwich Academy and Greenwich High School.

## Annual Meeting Keynote Speaker



Our Annual Meeting and Dinner will be held this year on May 16 at the Riverside Yacht Club. Look for your invitation soon!

We are delighted that our keynote speaker will be Kevin R. Convey of Quinnipiac University's Department of Journalism. Mr. Convey has enjoyed a long career as a journalist and editor, and is author of a forthcoming book about the contemporary newsroom.

Kevin R. Convey is an assistant professor of journalism at Quinnipiac University and former chair of the university's journalism department. He serves on the University's Academic Integrity Board, as chair of the School of Communication's Policy Committee, and as a member of the QUWAC Steering Committee and the Irish Studies Committee. Prior to joining Quinnipiac in August 2014, he served as an adjunct professor of journalism at New York University and the City College of New York, while earning a master's degree in entrepreneurial journalism at the Graduate School of Journalism at the City University of New York. The degree followed a 35-year career in journalism, including posts as editor in chief of the *Daily News* in New York and editor in chief of the *Boston Herald* and editor in chief of Community Newspaper Company in Needham, Mass., where he was responsible for the editorial operations of more than 100 community weeklies and four suburban dailies.

He is the author of the forthcoming book, *The Digital Editor: A Complete Guide to Contemporary Newsroom Leadership, Management, and Organization*, scheduled for publication by Rowman & Littlefield in 2019.

## THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

*Your contributions help us  
to continue our educational  
and advocacy work.*

Caroline Adkins  
Nelson and Carolyn Bonhein  
Ashish and Leslie Bhutani  
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Ken and Nancy Duffy  
Laura Erickson  
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Elise Friend  
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Hillary McGuire  
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Susan Nova  
Barbara O'Neill  
Barbara O'Shea  
Liz Perry  
Adriana Phillips  
Bunny Prokop  
Alma Rutgers  
Margaret Simon  
Pam Sloane  
Chris and Joanne Stavrou  
Cathy Steel  
Joan Thakor  
Cindy Treadwell  
Hervé and Liz van Caloen

## Proposed Bylaw Revisions to be voted on at the Annual Meeting

*The proposed changes are housekeeping items to bring us in sync with  
the new membership category changes from the National League as well  
as other legal language.*

### BYLAWS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GREENWICH

As amended June 1999, June 2005 and June 2013

(Text to be deleted is crossed out. Text to be added is in bold italics.)

#### III. MEMBERSHIP

##### Sec. 2 - Types of Membership.

Voting Members. ~~Persons~~ **Citizens** at least ~~16~~ **18** years of age who join the LWVG shall be voting members of the ~~LWVG Greenwich League,~~ the LWVCT and the LWVUS; ~~(1) individuals who live within an area of a local League may join that League or any other local League; (2) those who reside outside of the area of any local League may join a local League or shall be members-at-large; (3) those who have been members of the LWV continuously for 50 years or more shall be honorary life members excused from the payment of dues.~~ **The LWVG Board may at any time create or remove categories of voting memberships.**

#### V. OFFICERS

##### Board of Directors

Sec. 3 - Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors by reason of resignation, death, or disqualification of an Officer or elected Director may be filled, until the next Annual Meeting, by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors. ~~Three consecutive absences from a Board Meeting of any member, without a valid reason, shall be deemed a resignation.~~

#### VI. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 5 - Distribution of Funds on Dissolution. ~~In the event of a dissolution for any cause of the LWVG, all moneys and securities owned by the LWVG shall be paid to the LWVCT.~~ **Upon dissolution of the LWVG, the Board will, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities and obligations of the LWVG, dispose of all of the assets of the LWVG in such manner as the Board will resolve, to the LWVCT, provided that the LWVCT qualifies at the time of this League's dissolution as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law), and provided further that the LWVCT is at that time an eligible recipient under the bylaws, rules and procedures of the LWVUS. If the LWVCT is at that time not qualified as exempt, the LWVG will dispose of its assets in accordance with all then applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations, and any then applicable bylaws, rules, and procedures of the LWVUS.**

# PROGRAM PLANNING REPORT

In February, the Greenwich League held its Program Planning Meeting at the home of Joanne Stavrou. Dessert and coffee was served, and over 25 members attended. After a brief explanation of the program process, members voted to affirm the two ten-year LWVCT positions: School Vouchers and Internet/Media. Jonathan Perloe updated the members on the advocacy on National Popular Vote, another LWVCT position.

Locally, members voted to maintain as active two long-standing positions: Affordable Housing (as revised by the Annual Meeting in 2017) and the Water positions including Long Island Sound and Drinking Water Supply and Protection. Marija Mikolajczak was appointed Environmental Specialist. RTM Advocacy remains the action priority for 2018-19. Cyndy Anderson provided an update on the action so far and outlined the strategy for the coming months.

## Proposed LWVG Program Position Affirmations to be voted on at the Annual Meeting

*In advance of the Annual Meeting, we would like to inform you of the following proposed affirmations to our Program Positions which were presented to the Members at the Program Planning Meeting and approved by that group:*

### Active Positions:

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

#### WATER: LONG ISLAND SOUND AND DRINKING WATER SUPPLY AND PROTECTION

### Action Priority:

#### RTM

If you have any questions, please contact Jara Burnett at 203-637-9244 or cdb299@aol.com

*If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting, the Proxy form to the right may be used.*

*Please mail to:*

**LWVG (PROXY)  
P.O. Box 604  
Greenwich, CT 06836**

## May 16, 2018 - ANNUAL MEETING OF LWVG AND LWVGEF

I authorize the Secretary of the Board to cast my vote as follows:

1. To elect the Slate as submitted by the Nominating Committee.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
- 1A. To elect the Slate as amended by any changes approved by the membership.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
2. To vote for the Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
- 2A. To vote for the Budget as amended by any changes approved by the membership.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
3. To vote for the Proposed Program Position Changes.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
4. To vote for the Proposed Changes to the Bylaws.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:
5. For any other matters that may come before the membership.  
FOR:       AGAINST:       ABSTAIN:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Elizabeth Behnke  
 Danielle Blaine  
 Chantal and Samahre Coffy  
 Paige Davis  
 Carol Gellos  
 Barbara Gnaedig  
 Mareta Hamre  
 Jamie and Mariah Hesser  
 Ava Hingson  
 Aaron Hull  
 Susan and Scott Jaffe  
 Isadore Johnson  
 Sabine Kelley  
 Miriam Kreuzer  
 Andrew Lesueur  
 Kristine Lowe  
 Victoria Lund  
 Janet MacKenzie  
 Melaine Miller  
 David Nelson  
 Christine Parsons  
 Jonathan Perloe  
 Amanda Perrin  
 Adriana Riles  
 Kimberly Salib  
 Anne Sampson  
 Karin Shetty  
 Marjorie Smith  
 Robert Stark  
 Linnea Stenberg  
 Gregory Zorthian

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GREENWICH 2018-2019/20 SLATE OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS**

Listed below is the slate of officers and directors to be submitted for election for the operating year 2018-2019. **Persons to be elected this year are in bold type and their biographies begin on page 7.**

### OFFICERS

<b>President</b>	<b>Jara Burnett</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
Vice President, Advocacy	OPEN	2018-2019
<b>Co-Vice-Presidents, Program</b>	Aya De Simone	2017-2019
	<b>Janet McGuigan</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
<b>Co-Vice Presidents, Voter Services</b>	<b>Joanne Stavrou</b>	<b>2018-2020*</b>
	OPEN	
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Caroline Adkins</b>	<b>2018-2019*</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Hillary McGuire</b>	<b>2018-2019*</b>

### DIRECTORS

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Rita Baker</b>	<b>2018-2020</b>
	<b>Barbara O'Shea</b>	<b>2018-2020</b>
Development	Michele Kinner	2017-2019
<b>Communications</b>	<b>Liz van Caloen</b>	<b>2018-2019*</b>
<i>Greenwich Voter</i> Editor	Marla Laney	2017-2019
Webmaster/Constant Contact	Elise Hingson	2017-2019
Events Coordinator	Pamela Toper	2017-2019
<b>Youth Outreach</b>	<b>Anne-Marie Hesser</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
<b>Directors-at-Large</b>	Lynn Garelick	2017-2019
	<b>Louisa Greene</b>	<b>2018-2019*</b>
	Deirdre Kamlani	2017-2019
<b>Nominating Co-Chairs</b>	<b>Nancy Duffy</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>
	<b>Deirdre Kamlani</b>	<b>2018-2019</b>

Nominating Committee:  
 Michele Kinner  
 Amy McGrath  
 Adriana Phillips

We welcome nominations for the open positions "from the floor by any voting member, provided the consent of the nominee shall have been secured."  
 (Bylaws, Article VIII, Sec. 2).

Nancy Duffy and Deirdre Kamlani  
 Co-Chairs, Nominating Committee

\*These board members have extended their terms by one or two years.

# WHO'S WHO ON THE 2018-2019 SLATE



**Caroline Adkins**  
**Secretary, 2018-2019**

Caroline is a psychologist with a doctoral degree from Columbia University and is a Professor Emeritus from Hunter College, City University of New York, where she was Director of Graduate Programs in

Counseling. Currently she is Vice President of the Institute for Life Coping Skills. She is the Mental Health Specialist for the State League and has served as Chair of the Greenwich League's Public Health Committee. Caroline has been a Board member of Greenwich's Adult and Continuing Education Programs and has served on the Public Policy Committee of the YWCA. She also has served on the Board of Trustees of the Round Hill Community Church in Greenwich.



**Rita Baker**  
**Membership Co-Director, 2018-2020**

Rita is a Greenwich native who grew up in backcountry and now resides in Old Greenwich. She attended Greenwich Public Schools and received her B.A. from Duke University and her M.A. from Columbia.

Known to her students as "Frau," Rita taught German (and some French and ESL) at Greenwich High School for 37 years before retiring in 2012. She was also a learning facilitator and instructional coach helping new teachers work towards tenure. Rita enjoyed sharing her love of world languages and cultures by presenting workshops to World Language faculty in Greenwich and around the state on curriculum development, technology integration, teaching strategies and classroom management. Rita has been an active volunteer at St. Paul's Episcopal Church serving on the Vestry and as President of the Day School Board, as well as at the Riverside Yacht Club, where she chaired the Junior Sailing and Admissions Committees and served as a Governor. She is presently a member of the Selectmen's Nominations Advisory Committee. Rita and her husband, Merl, are the proud parents of two adult children, Jessica and Charles. They all enjoy traveling and spending time at their apartment in Berlin, Germany.



**Jara Burnett**  
**President, 2018-2019**

Born in Prague, Jara came to the U.S. via France and Canada. She attended Czech and French schools, receiving a Baccalaureate in Modern Languages and Philosophy from the College de Nice, France. Jara received

a Certificate from the Harvard Radcliffe Graduate Program in Business Administration. Other studies include participation in Masters Programs in Juvenile Justice and Government Administration at the University of New Haven. Jara became a U.S. citizen and League member in 1964 and has worked as a community volunteer since then. She has served in various capacities on state and local League boards: currently as VP,

Voter Services and President, 1980-82. Jara was elected to the League state board in 1982 and served in numerous capacities including VP, Public Issues and Voter Services Chair and served as President from 2005-2010. Current League positions include serving on the LWVG Steering Committee and a co-VP, Voter Services. As a Director of the LWVCT, Jara serves as League Services and Debate Coordinator. Other community activities include past service as director of Greenwich Adult Day Care, President of the Riverside Association and past board member of The Youth Shelter. She has also served two terms on the RTM and five terms on the Board of Estimate and Taxation. Jara is married with three grown children. Other activities include sports, travel, reading and music.



**Nancy Aborn Duffy**  
**Nominating Co-Chair, 2018-2019**

Nancy is a 37-year resident of Greenwich. She earned a degree in education from Boston University. After college, Nancy taught for five years in the Arlington, MA Public Schools before moving to Greenwich

in 1980 with her husband, Ken. She served as President of Greenwich Newcomers and has been an active community volunteer on the Boards of the YWCA, Brunswick School and Greenwich Academy Parents Association. Currently, Nancy is a docent at the Bruce Museum and Vice-President of the Round Hill Association. She is a part-time executive at her family's business in NYC. Nancy and Ken are the parents of three adult children who live and work in the New York area. Leisure time is enjoyed pursuing travel, exercise, art, and politics. Introduced to the League at a young age by her mother who was active in the organization for over 50 years, Nancy is delighted to be a member of the LWVG Board.



**Louisa Greene**  
**Director-at-Large, 2018-2019**

Louisa has a passion for three things: her extended family, her career as the Director of Development and Marketing at the Avon Theatre Film Center in Stamford, CT, and her volunteer work for Mount Holyoke College,

the Greenwich Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Perrot Memorial Library, the Junior League of Greenwich and Christ Church Greenwich. Louisa graduated from Mount Holyoke College with a B.A. in art history and earned her Masters degree in Social Work from Columbia University. Louisa has lived in Old Greenwich for over 25 years and has been a development and marketing professional for numerous non-profits, including the Perrot Memorial Library Assn., the YMCA of Greenwich, the Essex Library, the Episcopal Diocese of CT, and the Avon Theatre Film. She is married to Warren K. Greene, president of American Investors and a long-time Greenwich volunteer. She is the proud mother and grandmother of an extended family, including Andrew, Charlotte, and Warren, Jr.

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**Anne-Marie Hesser**  
**Youth Outreach Director, 2018-2019**

Anne-Marie moved to Greenwich ten years ago with her husband and three children. She received her Master's Degree in Education from the University of Pennsylvania, where she also began her career in educational and documentary television. She was honored to work on many award winning programs, including one that earned her an Emmy Award. Anne-Marie's interest in Art History eventually led her to the Metropolitan Museum of Art where she worked as a docent in the Education Department and the American Art department. She now works for Greenwich Education Group and volunteers with many community organizations including Christ Church, Brunswick Parents Association, and the Greenwich Academy Parents Association.



**Deirdre Kamlani**  
**Nominating Co-Chair, 2018-2019**

Dr. Deirdre Kamlani is an academic researcher, policy advisor and former banking executive who has lived and worked in the US, Europe and Asia. She spent 22 years at JP Morgan where she built and led businesses in a number of areas including leveraged lending, institutional asset management, loan syndications, and credit risk policy. Dr. Kamlani completed her PhD at the London School of Economics, and her academic research remains focused on financial crisis, sovereign default and financial regulatory reform. In addition to heading the Policy Action Network for Economics, Finance and Regulation, Dr. Kamlani has been an issues director, policy advisor, researcher and treasury manager on a number of political campaigns. She received her BA, summa cum laude, from Columbia University in Philosophy and Economics, and she earned her MSc (Hons.) and PhD from the London School of Economics. Dr. Kamlani and her husband, Suneel, moved to Greenwich in 2001.



**Janet Stone McGuigan**  
**Co-Vice President, Program, 2018-2019**

Janet, along with her husband, Peter, and sons, Peter and James, lives in Old Greenwich. Prior to returning to Greenwich after a three-year sojourn in Bryn Mawr, PA, Janet and her family also lived in Brussels, Belgium, Summit, NJ and Dublin, Ireland. She is a volunteer with the PTA Council of Greenwich, Greenwich United Way Community Planning Council, Junior League of Greenwich, Boy Scout Troop 9 and Greenwich High School Band Boosters. When she is not volunteering or keeping up with her active family, Janet enjoys travel and book discussions. Janet earned bachelor degrees in civil engineering and economics from

Cornell University, and a master in public policy from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. After graduating she worked for a number of years in Washington, DC for Resources for the Future, an environmental economics think tank, as a policy associate, and for Resolve: Center for Dispute Resolution, as an associate mediator. While living in Brussels she interned for the European Commission, authoring white papers on environmental liability. Janet is delighted to be joining the LWVG board.



**Hillary McGuire**  
**Treasurer, 2018-2019**

Hillary, a CPA and graduate of Lafayette College with a degree in economics, has lived in Greenwich since 1987. Since leaving the accounting field professionally, she has enjoyed volunteering her time to her children's schools and town organizations, such as the PTA, Parents Together, and Greenwich Adult Day Care, often serving in the capacity of treasurer. In 2003, Hillary started a business specializing in college application preparation and consultation. Enjoying her work with students and families, Hillary volunteers as an adult mentor and SAT tutor with Let's Get Ready, assisting underserved students who are often the first in their families to go to college. Hillary and her husband, Jim, live in Riverside and have two grown children who live and work in Manhattan and Greenwich. She enjoys needlepoint, tennis, paddle, golf, and Bridge. Hillary has been LWVG Treasurer since 2012.



**Barbara O'Shea**  
**Membership Co-Director, 2018-2020**

Barbara is a graduate of Marywood University where she studied Fine Arts. A career in fashion copywriting at Washington, DC's renowned Julius Garfinkel & Co. at 14th and F Streets led to her love of the city. After raising two daughters, she began her real estate career with Merrill Lynch Realty on Long Island. A move to Greenwich in the '90s brought her first to William Pitt Real Estate and later to Sotheby's International Realty, where she continues her work as one of its Senior Global Real Estate Advisors. As a long-time resident, Barbara has taken leadership roles in the community including as a Vestry Member of Christ Church, and a Board Member of Greenwich Pen Women. She is currently a Board Member of The Greenwich Arts Council, where she has deep connections. Her serious interest in photography keeps her active in local and regional exhibitions where she has been recognized for her work. A special memory is returning to Washington, DC to attend the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama. Her daughters Megan and Melissa live and work in the area. Grandchildren Conrad and Georgina light up her days.

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**Joanne Stavrou**  
Co-Vice President,  
Voter Services  
2018-2020

Joanne has lived in Riverside for 23 years with her husband

Chris. She graduated from Lehman College CUNY where she majored in sociology and psychology and was a member of Alpha Kappa Delta. Their children Alexander and Fiona now live in Manhattan. She is involved with the NY Pops and has been on the Board of LWVG for the past six years. Joanne enjoys travel, photography, hiking and yoga.



**Liz van Caloen**  
Communications  
Director  
2018-2019

A longtime Riverside resident, Liz now lives in Stamford. She

is a graduate of Colby College, where she majored in Asian studies. With graduate degrees from Princeton and NYU, Liz joined asset manager Scudder, Stevens and Clark in their Tokyo office as an investment Analyst. In the 90's, she returned to New York to head up Scudder's Japan Fund. Eventually Liz's duties expanded to include Pacific Basin/Asia funds. This brought a great deal of travel, from Mumbai to Seoul to Sydney. After Scudder was bought by Deutsche Asset Management, Liz was named Managing Director of that organization. She appeared frequently on television and radio, and was interviewed in *Fortune*, *BusinessWeek*, *Bloomberg*, *The Wall Street Journal* and others. Now retired, Liz still enjoys travel; she and husband Hervé van Caloen have visited many countries together. She has two grown daughters, Caroline and Jennifer, and a step-son Charles.

## LWVG 2018-2019 Budget Committee Report

Dear Members:

The Budget Committee is pleased to present for approval the budgets for the League and Educational Funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year (see pages 10 and 11). In accordance with our financial goals, each budget reflects a level of cash sufficient to support the activities of the upcoming year and two years beyond. Please review the statements and direct any questions you may have to a member of the budget committee.

The League Fund supports the activities that fall within the League's status as a 501(c) 4 organization, primarily those related to membership and lobbying. As such, dues and contributions to the League are not tax deductible. Your membership dues allow our local league to publish *The Voter* newsletter, conduct studies of interest to our community, lobby for League positions, maintain the website, pay operating expenses, hold the holiday and new member parties, and satisfy our obligation as a grassroots organization to support the state and national Leagues. For the upcoming year, we project a stable level of membership and plan to continue member services and traditional celebrations like the holiday and new member parties. As always, the League's obligation to support the work of the national organization makes up a significant part of our budget and, as such, it is increasingly important to maintain membership levels and collect dues on a timely basis.

The Educational Fund is a 501(c) 3 organization; monies in this fund support activities that are educational in nature, and donations to the fund are tax deductible. Through your generous support of our annual appeals, the Greenwich League presents its series of monthly programs and the popular Cocktails and Conversations, holds candidate debates, runs voter registration drives, creates publications such as our *How to Run for Greenwich Elective and Appointive Offices*, the nonpartisan *Voter's Guide*, and, this year a special guide to help the community navigate the widely contested RTM election. In 2019, we are again committing significant funds to programs as we bring in expert speakers and panels to discuss topics of interest to members. We hope this generates interest and increased membership in the organization.

Once again, thank you for your support of the Greenwich League. We look forward to seeing you at our Annual Meeting and Dinner.

Sincerely,

LWVG Budget Committee  
Tina Lindstet, Chair

Hillary McGuire, Kath Burgweger, Jara Burnett

## League of Women Voters of Greenwich Cash/Budget Report

Cash Balance 6/30/17	\$31,924			
	7/1/16-2/28/18	2018 Budget	Difference	Proposed 2019 Budget
<b>Cash Inflows</b>				
Annual Dinner (net):	(919)	500	(1,419)	500
Annual Dinner Income	-			
Annual Dinner Expenses	919			
League Contributions				
Membership Dues	10,250	18,500	(8,250)	17,000
Interest Inc	2	4	(2)	-
<b>Total Cash Inflow</b>	<b>9,333</b>	<b>19,004</b>	<b>(9,671)</b>	<b>17,500</b>
<b>Cash Outflows</b>				
<b>Advocacy:</b>				
Local Lobbying		25	25	250
National Lobbying		-	-	
State Lobbying		-	-	
Total Advocacy		25	25	250
<b>Membership:</b>				
Holiday Party	109	250	141	150
Misc. Supplies	-	200	200	200
Renewal Drive	406	200	(206)	400
Join Us Brochure	-			200
New Member Party		100	100	
Total Membership	515	750	235	950
<b>Operations:</b>				
Fin. Sup. LWVCT PMP	3,255	4,340	1,085	5,115
Fin. Sup. LWVUS PMP	6,312	8,416	2,104	9,957
Convention Expenses		2,500	2,500	0
Insurance-D&O/League	12	312	300	312
Secy of State Filing Fee		50	50	50
Secy or Treas Expense	-	20	20	20
Stationery	-	200	-	
Bulk Mail	-	300	300	300
Postage/PO Box	-	125	125	125
Safe Deposit Box	-	110	110	110
Telephone	200	300	100	300
Total Operations	9,779	16,673	6,894	16,289
President's Stipend	68	100	32	75
<b>Member Services:</b>				
Constant Contact		130	130	130
Website	230	230	-	230
Greenwich Voter	483	950	467	950
<b>Total Cash Outflow</b>	<b>11,075</b>	<b>18,858</b>	<b>7,783</b>	<b>18,874</b>
<b>Net inflow (Outflow)</b>	<b>(1,742)</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>(1,888)</b>	<b>(1,374)</b>
Cash as of 2/28/18	\$30,182			

# League of Women Voters of Greenwich Ed. Fund Cash/Budget Report

Cash balance 6/30/17	\$23,366			
	7/1/17 - 2/28/18	2018 Budget	Difference	Proposed 2019 Budget
<b>Cash Inflows</b>				
Restricted Contributions/Grants	3,128	-	3,128	
Contributions - Unrestricted	9,263	6,000	3,263	7,500
Interest Inc	1	-	1	0
<b>Total Cash Inflow</b>	<b>12,392</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,392</b>	<b>7,500</b>
<b>Cash Outflows</b>				
Annual Appeal Exp.	749	300	(449)	750
President's Stipend		-	-	
<b>Operations:</b>				
LWV US PMP		-		-
Sec. or Treas. Expense		-		-
D & O Insurance				-
Sec of State filing fee	-	50	50	50
Supplies	-	50	50	0
Charge reversed in July	-			
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Program:</b>				
Forums & Workshops	3,386	5,000	1,614	5,000
Supplies, Postage	299	800	501	500
<b>Total Program</b>	<b>3,685</b>	<b>5,800</b>	<b>2,115</b>	<b>5,500</b>
Studies		25	25	0
<b>Publications:</b>				
<i>How to Make It Happen</i>	-	130	130	100
<b>Total Publications</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Voter Services:</b>				
Debates	417	100	(317)	150
Legislative Picnic	-	150		
<i>Voter's Guide</i>	3,669	1,600	(2,069)	1,700
<b>Total Voter Services</b>	<b>4,086</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>(2,236)</b>	<b>1,850</b>
<b>Total Cash Outflow</b>	<b>\$8,520</b>	<b>8,205</b>	<b>(315)</b>	<b>8,250</b>
<b>Net Inflow (Outflow)</b>	<b>3,872</b>	<b>(2,205)</b>	<b>6,077</b>	<b>(750)</b>
<b>Cash balance 2/28/18</b>	<b>\$27,238</b>			



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Auditorium, Henry R. Luce Hall  
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 34 Hillhouse Avenue, New Haven, CT

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 contact the LWVCT office at 203-288-7996 or [league@comcast.net](mailto:league@comcast.net)



**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

March with the League in the Old Greenwich Memorial  
 Day Parade on May 28. Join other organizations in this  
 community event sponsored by the Old Greenwich Fire  
 Department. Line up by 9am on Sound Beach Avenue and  
 Lincoln, then march along Sound Beach to Binney Park.

Easy way to show the flag!

Call Jara Burnett at 203 637-9244 or email  
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**Join the LWVG!** It's easy! You may download a membership form from our website, [www.lwvg.org](http://www.lwvg.org), and mail  
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