



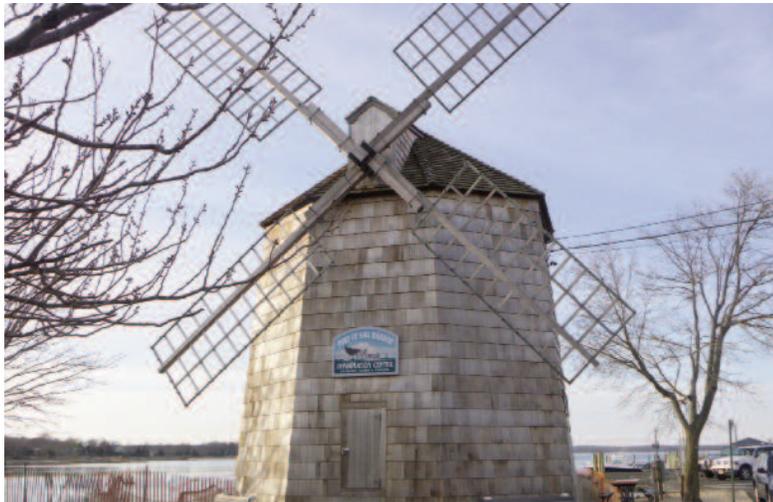
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Narrated Walking Tour Of Sag Planned

On Thursday, May 22, enjoy a one-mile women’s history walking tour of historic Sag Harbor, led by village historical raconteurs Tony Garro and Annette Hinkle. This event was planned by the talented group (the Special Events Committee, headed by Gladys Remler and Joanne Samborn) that brought you Sylvester Manor and Riverhead Revival. Now they’re doing the same for this historic whaling village.

Parking in all-day spots on Main St. near John Jermain Library and Whaling Museum, here’s the schedule:

10:30 a.m. Meet at Sag Harbor Whaling & Historical Museum for a 90-minute walking tour, featuring the lives and historic homes of Annie Cooper Boyd, now the site of Sag Harbor Historical Society; Mrs. Russell Sage, Sag Harbor Suffragist and famous philanthropist; Anna Westfall and her finishing school; and Betty Friedan, author of *The Feminine Mystique*.

12-12:30 p.m. Tour the Sag Harbor Whaling Museum.

12:30-2 p.m. Lunch and shopping on your own

2:15 p.m. Hear Deputy Mayor Robby Stein speak about Sag Harbor and Its Future at Sag Harbor Municipal Building. Cookies will be served.

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LWVH Annual Meeting

May 4 - 10:30 am

Southampton Cultural Center

Pond Lane, Southampton

(see page 17 for details)

Tour of Historic Sag Harbor

May 22 - 10:30 am

Tour of SoMAS

June 16 - 5:30 pm

(see page 17 for details)

ALL ARE WELCOME

The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons

Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Diversity Policy

The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, in both its values and practices, is committed to diversity and pluralism. This means that there shall be no barriers to participation in any activity of the League on the basis of economic position, gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin or disability. The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision-making. The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons subscribes to the belief that diversity and pluralism are fundamental to the values it upholds and that inclusiveness enhances the organization's ability to respond more effectively to changing conditions and needs. The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons affirms its commitment to reflecting the diversity of the East End.

Membership

Any person who supports the mission of the League may become a member.

The Voter Newsletter

The newsletter of the Hamptons League, *The Voter*, is dedicated to bringing useful information, background, perspective and commentary on public policy issues confronting League members and other community citizens in Southampton and East Hampton, Suffolk County and the State of New York. It explores the work of the League to promote positive solutions, and it empowers people to make a difference in their communities.

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President's Message

by Judy Samuelson

A year ago, as newly-elected Co-President I talked about my hopes for strong membership support and increased participation. My hopes were realized! This year exceeded expectations in so many ways: popular fundraising events; meetings that brought the community valuable information about health care, the environment, local government and more. On a personal note, this year brought the privilege of a warm friendship and easy working relationship with my co-president, Glorian Berk. Getting to know the committee members has been another joy.

In 2013-14, the Education Committee gained a number of strong new members, thanks to Judi Roth's vigorous leadership, and they've done great projects. The Health Committee has a new Chair, Valerie King: they plan to keep the community informed and to urge public officials and health facilities to do more, especially in mental health services. The Special Events Committee put on two dynamite fundraisers and is working on others. Voter Services did their usual sterling job registering voters, sponsoring debates and disseminating voter education materials far and wide, on foot and electronically.

Going month by month, in June, we sponsored a guided tour of Sylvester Manor, the oldest plantation on Long Island. It happens we were lucky to visit this Shelter Island treasure on one of the ten most beautiful days of the year. In July, we took a break.

August, September and October saw us switched into high gear with voter registration and debate-related activity. We continued our visits to the federal courthouse in Islip where League volunteers continue to register nearly 65% of the new citizens being sworn in. Also in September, many of us, accompanied by friends, enjoyed an extremely well-planned tour of the Riverhead downtown revival.

Members, guests and some elected officials had a good time at our annual holiday party in December. Board members supply the food and LWVH provides beverages. In 2013, we were fortunate to have Ann Sandford and Jerry Korman host the event in their charming Sagaponack home. Each year, we ask guests to bring a check for the charity the board selects. The 50 League members and their guests contributed \$1275 for the food pantries in Springs and Southampton.

In January, we enjoyed a good turnout for our program planning meeting, with results you've already heard and read about. February was too horrible to discuss: snow forced cancellation of our beloved Winter Blahs lunch, as well as nearly every scheduled meeting for the League and others.

In March, Larry Cantwell, East Hampton's new Supervisor joined reelected Southampton Supervisor Anna Throne Holst for a well-attended public meeting to share goals and concerns of the two towns. Our audience had an opportunity to ask

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Panel on Public Health Center Draws Full House

by Naomi Epstein

Our April 9 member meeting titled “How Access to Healthcare is Changing on the East End” was held at the Rogers Memorial Library. Panelists shown above left to right were Dr. James Tomarken, Suffolk County Health Commissioner; Anne Kauffman Nolon, MPH, President and CEO of Hudson River Healthcare; and Robert Chaloner, President and CEO of Southampton Hospital. About 75 people attended, including County Legislator Jay Schneiderman as well as additional representatives from Hudson River Healthcare: Emily Fetterhoff, Director of Advocacy; Carlos Ortiz Practice Management; and Jim Sinkoff, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

MORE SERVICES, MORE HOURS, AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION

Health Commissioner Tomarken said that the rationale for closing of the County Clinics in East Hampton and Southampton and the choice of Hudson River Healthcare to run the new clinics was that a Federally Qualified Health Provider (FQHC), licensed by the state and regulated by the state and federal government was better able address access to care, and expanded services issues for the population being serviced. The State Health Department recommended Hudson River Healthcare.

Service at new clinic in Southampton will be provided every day. Hours are nine to five Friday through Monday. On Tuesday they will be open from eight to seven, Wednesday nine to five and Thursday nine to seven. Transportation is available. There is a bus stop in

front of the Health Center with service on the hour when the clinic is open. There is a van for pick-up and a plan to establish shuttle service when they get their second van. In addition they have just negotiated a contract with a taxi service. Vans and taxi will be handicapped accessible.

Health services provided at this time in addition to primary medical services are OB/GYN, Pediatrics, Dental, Family Planning, Behavioral Health provided by a licensed Social Worker, and WIC (Women, Infants and Children). At present Hudson River Healthcare is not licensed in Suffolk to do Substance Abuse Treatment, but they will do referrals and are aware of the need. All insured and uninsured will be accepted as patients. Southampton Hospital will collaborate with the new Health Center. They will provide the laboratory services, intend to work on expansion of primary services with them and eventually have all medical records linked. The hospital’s emergency services will serve everyone.

SERVICES EXTENDED THROUGH MEETING HOUSE LANE PRACTICE

The hospital has managed to expand physicians services from Westhampton to Montauk with the establishment of the Meeting House Lane Physicians, a group now numbering 35 doctors. A major expansion of medical teaching was launched with the Osteopathic Residence training at the hospital. Osteopaths are more focused on primary care which is what this community needs. It is hoped they will stay here after training.

In 2019 there will be one accrediting body for both types of doctors. When the final agreement with Stony Brook is completed Medical Residents from Stony Brook will rotate through the program. Southampton would like to participate in the Stony Brook psychiatry residency program. The main goals for the hospital are to recruit doctors across medical specialties, teach, complete their electronic medical record system and build a new hospital when agreement with Stony Brook is completed.

The Health committee thanks the Library, panelists and committee members who helped put together the presentation.

Editor’s Note: In May, Naomi Epstein leaves the chair of the health committee in new chair Valerie King’s capable hands. Thank you Naomi, for a great job well done.



Photos by Arlene Hinkemeyer

Voter Services Committee Report

Help Improve Election Process: Join The Studies

by Carol Mellor

New York State's (NYS) voting record is abysmal by several measures. For years, New York has had one of the lowest voter participation rates in the country, ranking 44th out of 51 in turnout in the 2012 federal election. The Pew Charitable Trust and MIT have recently released an Election Performance Inc. which ranked voting in NYS 47th overall on a variety of criteria designed to measure performance of the voting system. We have the dubious honor of being one of six states to be in the bottom quartile for elections administration in 2008, 2010 and 2012.

As you probably know, the state league is undertaking two studies. The Hamptons have elected to participate in both. The first is a reconsideration of the state league position against term limits for our state wide officers and state legislators, and the second looks at the at the process of appearing on party lines on the general ballot via: (1) New York's closed primary system, (2) fusion voting (cross-endorsements), and (3) Wilson-Pakula certificates. Anne Marshall and Carol Mellor are heading up these studies and have decided to consider them in tandem.

We have assembled a terrific study committee consisting of involved, curious and enthusiastic league members. More participants are heartily welcomed. Our plan is to split the study materials among the members so that each person reads a portion of the material and

shares at the monthly meetings what he or she has learned with the other committee members. Our goal is maximize the absorption of the material while not overwhelming the individual members with reams of reading material. That way we hope that we will all master the material in time for our July member meeting, when we will share what we have learned with the general membership and the public.

CONCENTRATING ON TERM LIMITS

It seems clear that the general public is in favor of terms limits. The Wall Street Journal reported last year that a poll found voters overwhelmingly favor legislative term limits after news broke of federal corruption cases involving state legislators. About 82% of New York state voters said they favor term limits, according to the Siena College poll. Gov. Andrew Cuomo has said he does not personally support legislative term limits, but has acknowledged that he would raise the idea in discussions during his efforts to find legislative solutions to address corruption in the capital.

One of the questions we will have to ask ourselves is whether term limits would have a deterrent effect on public corruption.

Here are some basic facts about the use of term limits in other state legislatures.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

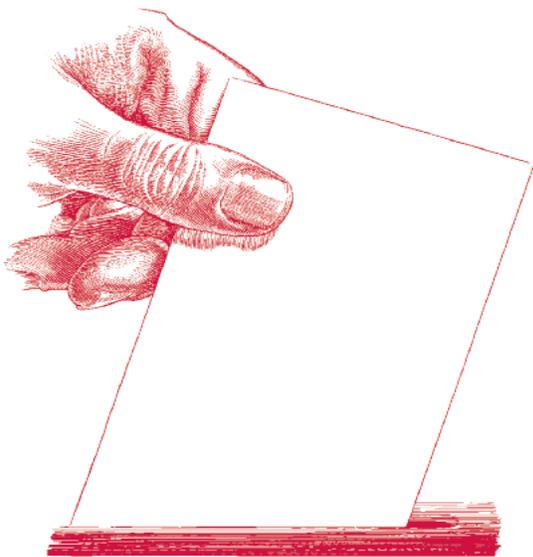
How many states have legislative term limits?

Presently, 15 states have term limits for legislators. In all, 21 states have passed legislative term limits at one time or another, but the limits have been repealed or declared unconstitutional in six of those states. In Massachusetts and Washington, they were held unconstitutional by the state supreme courts in the late 1990s. Oregon's supreme court held that state's legislative term limits unconstitutional in 2002, and the state legislatures in Idaho and Utah repealed term limits in 2002 and 2003, respectively. Wyoming's term limits were held unconstitutional by the state's supreme court in May 2004.

Why don't more states have legislative term limits?

Most of the states that have term limits got them through the citizen initiative process. Only 24 states have the initiative process, and nearly all of those already have term limits or have voted them down already. Two initiative states—Alaska and Illinois—have never voted on legislative term limits because their initiative process includes restrictions that preclude such a measure from making it to the ballot. Two other initiative states, Mississippi and

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A Video Workshop Stresses Importance of Voting

by Judi Roth

By the time you receive this issue of *The Voter*, a highlight of the Education Committee's Spring agenda will be completed, because on Friday April 25th, LWVH hosted 16 high school students at a video workshop to "Promote the Vote." Students from Southampton, East Hampton, Bridgehampton and Pierson High Schools were represented. The Ross School was on break and Westhampton Beach held their prom that night or our group would have been larger.

Our team of professionals included Charles Certain (SEA-TV) and Frank Cento (theater/film director who works with Southampton Youth Services and teaches video). They taught the students how to produce a "message video." The students were asked to write and produce a one-minute video on one of four "concepts" on promoting the vote: 1) a video with no dialogue, just signs; 2) a video based on "I'm only one vote. My vote isn't important"; 3) a video from the history of voting; and 4) "I'm too busy to vote! Really?!!!" The workshop was held at the Southampton Cultural Center. League facilitators including Martha Potter, Sylvia Baruch, Nancy Walters-Yvertes, Jane Dell, Beth Barth, Nada Barry, Arlene Hinkemeyer, Judy Samuelson and Ursula Lynch.

OTHER PROJECTS KEEP COMMITTEE BUSY

As part of the Suffolk County Voter Registration drive, in May, Martha Potter and I will be presenting VOTE 18 to a class in East Hampton High School and to multiple classes of seniors in Riverhead High School. In June, we go to the BOCES Literacy Program in Riverhead on June 6th. Judy Samuelson, Beth Barth and other members of the Voter Services Committee will help the students register.

We're also sponsoring two students for Students Inside Albany in May—we'll tell you all about it in our July issue of *The Voter*.

AND THE BETTY DESCH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD GOES TO...

It will go to one of the Betty Desch Scholarship applications submitted by worthy high school seniors who are college-bound. A committee including Beth Barth, Sylvia Baruch, Martha Potter, Anne Marshall,

Nancy Walter-Yvertes and I will have the pleasure of reading these applications and the pain of selecting one scholarship recipient. The Scholarship check for \$1,000 will be presented to the winner at our Annual Meeting on May 4th.



HELP IMPROVE ELECTION PROCESS

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North Dakota, have voted on legislative term limits in the past, and the measures failed to pass. In states without the initiative process, it would require an act of the legislature to create term limits. This has happened just twice—the Louisiana legislature voted to impose term limits on itself in 1995 (Louisiana is the only term limits state that does not have the initiative process), and the Utah legislature voted in 1994 to impose term limits on itself. The Utah move was an effort to head off a more restrictive term limits ballot initiative, and the Utah legislature has since voted to repeal its term limits.

What are the effects of term limits on state legislatures?

It is difficult to draw general conclusions about the effects of term limits, because there is significant variation not only among the types of legislatures that have term limits, but also among the limits themselves. For instance, the way term limits affect a large, professionalized legislature like California is very different from the way they affect a smaller, part-time legislature like Arkansas. More restrictive limits, like California's lifetime limit of 6 years in the Assembly and 8 in the senate, tend to produce more dramatic results than less restrictive limits, like Colorado's consecutive limit of 8 years in each chamber.

LWVH Board of Directors

Highlights from April 2, 2014 Board Meeting

INFORMATION ITEMS

Sue Wilson and Arlene Hinkemeyer spoke at the Westhampton Air National Guard meeting during March Women's History month.

The League is co-sponsoring the April 23rd Water Quality Stakeholders meeting in conjunction with The Nature Conservancy. Sue Wilson reported that since two State Senate and Assembly bills have been removed from the Long Island Clean Water Partnership, LWVNY has agreed that LWVH can join the coalition as a partner and co-sponsor the event with The Nature Conservancy. The board voted to do so.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- * Annual Meeting - May 4 10:30 am
 - o Bagels, cream cheese, pastries and coffee will be served.
 - o Glorian read the Nominating Committee recommendations to the Board. The slate was accepted. Terri Davgin will present them at the Annual Meeting. Bylaw changes were read to the Board and accepted. Barbara McClancy will read them at the Meeting.
- * April 9 6 pm Member Meeting Rogers Library. Health Committee forum. Naomi will moderate. Judy and Valerie to bring refreshments.
- * April 23 Water Q. Stakeholders meeting. Board voted to support our co-sponsorship.
- * LWVSC Annual Meeting May 12. Speaker: Regina Calcaterra, Executive Director Moreland Commission.
- * June 16 5:30 pm Member Meeting at Marine Science Center, Southampton campus, Stony Brook. Natural Resources committee in charge.
- * We discussed the Anne Arundel County study proposal of a 20/20 National League evaluation. We agreed to leave the decision of support up to our delegates. At Carol's suggestion, Judy will write to the AA County League indicating we are considering supporting their proposal.
- * On July 14th our member meeting at Bridgehampton Library will cover the studies on term limits and ballot access

- * The Consensus for these studies will take place on November 14th at Bridgehampton Library.

- * On September 8th, our meeting will focus on the NYS constitutional amendment on redistricting in 2020. Issue is on ballot in Nov. 2014.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- * Government/Health meeting all set for April 9th.
- * Natural Resources will host June 16th meeting at the new Marine Sciences Center in Southampton with Chris Paparo, the Exec. Dir. as speaker.
- * Education briefed us on upcoming Video Workshop on April 25th and requested additional funding which was approved. Also funds approved to send two students to Students Inside Albany. Continuing to set up voter registration drives for Suffolk County grant.
- * Voter Services is working on studies (see above) and going to Board of Elections on April 16th with Suffolk County Board.
- * Estelle reported that Membership dues notices have gone out for early birds and we went over names of past due members.
- * Arlene highlighted Publicity for supervisors meeting in March.
- * Judi, for Gladys, went over the Special Event day scheduled on May 22nd for the Sag Harbor salute.
- * On the *Voter*, Judi, Estelle, Arlene and Judy volunteered to rotate editorship, editing two issues each. We came to the conclusion that we must seek paid help for the design/layout of the *Voter*. All agreed to contact whomever they might know to find such a person. Articles for the May/June issue are due by April 15th.

The Board wishes Gladys and Anne Marshall (twin fractured shoulder sufferers) a speedy recovery.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on June 4, 5:30 PM at the Bridgehampton Bank.

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Note: Meeting dates and times are published several weeks in advance and are subject to change. Please contact the Chairs or visit our website at www.lwvhamptons.org for updates. If you don't see a meeting for a committee of interest, contact the Chair of that committee. Contact information is listed on last inside page of The Voter and on the website, www.lwvhamptons.org.

May 4 - 10:30 AM Sunday	LWVH Annual Meeting	Southampton Cultural Center, Pond Lane, Southampton
May 6 - 10:00 AM Tuesday	Natural Resources Committee Meeting	Hampton Library, Bridgehampton
May 15 - 12:30 PM Tuesday	May Study Committee Meeting On Term Limits & Ballot Access	Hampton Library, Bridgehampton
May 22 - 10:30 AM Thursday	Tour of Historic Sag Harbor	Meet at Sag Harbor Whaling Museum For Reservations: Contact Gladys Remler 631-288-9021
June 4 - 5:30 PM Wednesday	LWVH Board Meeting	Bridgehampton National Bank, Bridgehampton
June 16 - 5:30 PM Monday	LWVH Member Meeting	Tour and Lecture, SoMAS (Southampton School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences) Shinnecock Hills, Southampton
TOWN BOARD MEETINGS		
May 1 - 6:30 PM	East Hampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Courtroom, 159 Pantigo Rd., East Hampton
May 13 - 1:00 PM	Southampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Board Room, Southampton Town Hall, 116 Hampton Rd., Southampton
May 15 - 6:30 PM	East Hampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Courtroom, 159 Pantigo Rd., East Hampton
May 27 - 1:00 PM	Southampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Board Room, Southampton Town Hall, 116 Hampton Rd., Southampton
June 5 - 6:30 PM	East Hampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Courtroom, 159 Pantigo Rd., East Hampton
June 10 - 1:00 PM	Southampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Board Room, Southampton Town Hall, 116 Hampton Rd., Southampton
June 19 - 6:30 PM	East Hampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Courtroom, 159 Pantigo Rd., East Hampton
June 24 - 1:00 PM	Southampton Town Board Meeting	Town Hall Board Room, Southampton Town Hall, 116 Hampton Rd., Southampton



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League of Women Voters of Suffolk County 46th Annual Convention

Monday, May 12, 2014

11:00am-2:30pm

Please arrive by 10:45

Mama Lombardi's
400 Furrows Rd, Holbrook, NY 11741

**Don't miss this
informative and
enjoyable event!**

**Call Naomi Epstein
after May 2 for
last-minute registrations.**

enjoy a delicious four course meal and hear

Regina M. Calcaterra

Executive Director

NYS Moreland Commission

to Investigate Public Corruption

Agenda:

11:00 Business Meeting

12:15 Luncheon Begins

1:15 Award Presentations

1:30 Keynote Address: Regina Calcaterra

\$35 for LWV members in advance- \$40 non-members & all at door

Please make checks payable to LWVSC and mail to:

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Reservations must be made before May 2

to ensure that you will have a place at this event

Natural Resources Committee Report



See You At School Of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences On June 16

by Glorian Berk

The Natural Resources Committee invites you to join us on Monday June 16, 2014 at 5:30 PM, when our LWVH monthly member meeting will be at Stony Brook's Southampton School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences (SoMAS). Christopher Paparo, the Director of the newly opened facility, will lead a tour of the facility and talk about the programs offered. A Q&A will follow.

Chris Paparo comes to SoMAS from a position as Senior Aquarist of the Long Island Aquarium, now Director of this new facility. He is also a well-known nature photographer – check out his website: “Fish Guy” at fishguyphotos.com.

SoMAS is housed in a silver LEED-certified building on Old Fort Pond in Shinnecock Hills. In keeping with Stony Brook Southampton's environmental mission, the Marine Sciences Center was constructed with sustainable design innovations such as energy recovery of ventilation air, day lighting of all normally occupied spaces, a low static pressure ductwork system, high-efficiency lighting and a super-insulated exterior wall assembly. The facility will be used for education (graduate programs in marine science and an undergraduate semester at-sea program), research and outreach.

The marine station is also home to a fleet of research vessels including the R/V Paumanok, a 44-foot ocean-going vessel used for coastal research, the R/V Shinnecock, a 35-foot platform craft used for sampling

local bays and estuaries and the R/V Peconic, a 45-foot catamaran, houseboat-style vessel for operation in protected bays and rivers.

So, please plan to join us for what should be a very interesting evening. And bring your friends. If we're lucky, it will be a warm, beautiful evening!

Recycling for East End Residents

by Julie Burmeister

My incentive for compiling a list of recyclable materials was to prevent them from being tossed into our landfills and poured down our sinks and toilets where their degraded byproducts might enter our ground water, wetlands and waterways. I thought that it would be convenient for residents to have a list of recyclable materials and their recycling locations made available at the transfer stations and on community websites. Thus began my research for this project. Although my efforts mainly center on the Town of Southampton, I am hoping that community members will make additions and spread its scope throughout the East End.

The list contains 50 materials ranging from animal beds to vehicles and includes the locations where they can be recycled with addresses, phone numbers and/or websites. Some examples:

- East End residents will find that they can recycle boats, wire coat hangers, detergents, packing peanuts, medicines, medical needles, sheets, copper wire and plastic nursery pots.
- Five charities will pick up recyclables from our doorsteps, but a word of advice, do not leave them by the curb or someone else may take them.
- Some of the materials like appliances, batteries, home electronics and plastics have several subcategories which dictate where they can be recycled.

We have all experienced confusion at the transfer stations, wondering which container to use. A friend of my daughter who lives in Switzerland was confronted by a policeman, who fined her for putting an envelope in the wrong bin. Hopefully we will not go that far, but the US needs to make a more serious investment in recycling waste products. In the meantime local communities will have to take the lead. Stay tuned for the list I'm still compiling of what can be recycled and where.

Recent and Upcoming Events



LWVH Members Lead Workshops At State Event

Three LWVH members gave hour-long workshops at the March 29 LWNYS Regional Training Meetings on Saturday, March 29, at Cold Spring Harbor Library, for Leaguers in Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester Counties. Arlene Hinkemeyer (not pictured), formerly LWNYS PR Director, spoke on “Visibility and Media Relations.” Above, left: Carol Mellor, a current LWNYS Board member, spoke on “Advocacy and Issues.” Above, right: Current LWNYS Board member Susan Wilson spoke on “Fundraising: Minimal Pain, Maximum Gain.” Photos by Arlene Hinkemeyer.

Mark your calendar:

LWVH 37th Annual Meeting on May 4

Don't miss this important and enjoyable event. Included will be our yearly business meeting, where we reaffirm or amend our positions, vote on our budget and elect new directors and officers. You will hear about the proposed programs, (i.e., action items) we will work on. Because we're a grassroots democratic organization, you will vote to approve items and can make suggestions from the floor.

Our guest speaker is Jay Schneiderman, who is always an informative and candid guest speaker.

We're planning a brunch this year, as well as the usual pleasure of mingling with new and old friends. Members and guests from the community are equally welcome. Sorry, only current LWVH members can vote. See you May 4 at 10:30 at the Southampton Cultural Center, Pond Lane, Southampton!



Jay Schneiderman, featured speaker

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questions...and they certainly did! Some of us signed up for two studies, led by Anne Marshall and Carol Mellor. Together, the studies will explore ways to improve the election process and candidate selection in New York State. We'll present our findings this summer and hold a consensus meeting in November.

Our April members meeting, co-sponsored by the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton, was even better attended. About 75 people heard about plans for the new public health center located in the old Meeting House Lane nursing home. It will be open to all, with a sliding scale of fees for the uninsured, and will offer mental, dental (eventually) and primary care as well as transportation to the site.

Stick with us, and it will never be dull. Watch Facebook, our website (www.lwvhamptons.org) and *The Voter* for updates on future events. And why not join a committee, to influence the League's future plans?

TOUR HISTORIC SAG HARBOR

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WALK OR DRIVE AFTERWARDS TO VISIT:

- Temple Adas Israel, c. 1897, Elizabeth St. & Atlantic Ave.. David Lee will speak about this oldest synagogue in Suffolk County, with stained glass windows by Romany Kramoris.
- Old Whaler's Church, c.1883-84, 44 Union St., 725-0894, next to Old Burying Ground.

Raindate: Thurs. May 29

To Register: Send check for \$30, made out to LWVH, to Gladys Remler, 180 Melody Court, Eastport, NY 11941 by May 15.

Questions? Call Gladys at 631-288-9021.

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