



# THE VOTER

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## Special Edition: Highlights of 2021

In this special Year in Review issue, you can read about some activities that LWVH/SI/NF conducted during the COVID year of 2021. We welcome your participation in future activities. For information contact Susan Wilson, or any other member of the Board of Directors listed on page 19.

### Fighting the Big Lie

**“We have to be firm on voting rights...”**

*President Joe Biden, January 6, 2022*

Last year, in the February/March issue of The Voter, I wrote about the January 6 insurrection on the Capitol and the ensuing threat to democracy based on Donald Trump’s lie that there was widespread fraud in elections in key states. This year in his speech marking the first anniversary of the insurrection, President Joe Biden asserted:

“Here’s the truth. The election of 2020 was the greatest demonstration of democracy in the history of this country. More of you voted in that election than have ever voted in all of American history. Over 150 million Americans went to the polls and voted that day in a pandemic... They should be applauded, not attacked.

...Right now in state after state, new laws are being written. Not to protect the vote, but to deny it. Not only to suppress the vote, but to subvert it, not to strengthen or protect our democracy, but because the former president lost...

“The former president who lies about this election and the mob that attacked this Capitol... They want to

rule, or they will ruin. Ruin when our country fought for at Lexington and Concord at Gettysburg and Omaha Beach, Seneca Falls, Selma, Alabama. What ... we were fighting for: The right to vote. The right to govern ourselves. The right to determine our own destiny...”

The League of Women Voters has been fighting the good fight for voting rights for all Americans since its founding in 1920. In a time when polls indicate a frightening erosion in Americans’ belief in our free and fair election process, LWVH/SI/NF will remain stalwart in our efforts to encourage eligible citizens to learn about the election process and exercise their fundamental right upon which American Democracy was established.

*–Eva Moore, Editor*

## SAVE THE DATES

**January 21-23, 2022**

Special Weekend Event :  
Drawdown Festival—  
Tools for Regeneration:  
Forums, Fun! Films!  
See page 3 for information

**January 24, 2022**

Zoom Planning Meeting  
for 2022 - 2P.M.



**The League of Woman Voters of the Hamp-  
tons, Shelter Island and the North Fork**

**Mission Statement**

The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North Fork 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, Shelter Island and the North Fork, 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, Shelter Island and the North Fork recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision-making. The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North Fork 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, Shelter Island and the North Fork 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 Towns, 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



## Happy New Year!

This issue of the Voter looks back at some of the projects we've undertaken in 2021 and gives us reason to celebrate. Looking back is also an exercise that helps us clarify ways to move forward. On January 24th LWVH/SI/NF will have our Annual Planning Meeting. I urge you to attend via Zoom and make your voice heard about what issues are important to you and where you want your League to focus our efforts in 2022. The meeting is open to all League members. Call Susan Wilson for the Program Planning meeting link.

Songwriter/Activist Joni Mitchell got it right in 1970 with her hit song Big Yellow Taxi

"Don't it always seem to go that

You don't know what you got till it's gone....."

Because we understand this the League continues to advocate for Clean Air, pure drinking water, land preservation, access to affordable health care, the reduction of the use of plastics and fossil fuels, voting rights for all eligible voters and for the preservation of our democracy.

Continuing our work on environmental issues and climate change, our Sustainability Committee has been hard at work planning participation in the Drawdown Festival later this month, hope you will join us to learn all the ways you can get involved to make a difference. Registration information is listed on Page 3 of this Voter.

Through no fault of our own one thing that we lost in 2021 was our ability to meet person to person. We regrouped and pushed ahead with our 2021 program virtually. While record numbers of viewers tuned in for our virtual Candidate Debates, the turnout for the virtual Public Information Meetings was disappointing, possibly because, although they were educational meetings, the more social aspect of the gathering was completely lost....no refreshments, no mingling and chatting after the meeting.

We recognize the importance of maintaining our social contacts despite covid restrictions that might make it more difficult to be with friends and family. Spending time online can be difficult for many so until we are able to congregate face to face again why not consider picking up a good old fashioned phone, or writing a letter by hand. These simple, time-tested means of communication can be heartwarming for us and for those on the receiving end.

As we move through this new year, we look forward to holding as many of our events in person as conditions permit.

Susan Wilson

# LWV Ends Celebrations of 100th Anniversaries, 2017-2020

by *Arlene Hinkemeyer, 100th Anniversary Committee Chair*

For four years we've been planning and celebrating four 100th anniversaries, and now they have drawn to a close! I thank the wonderful 100th Anniversary Committee members Estelle Gellman, Barbara McClancy, Cathy Peacock, Martha Potter, Judi Roth and Susan Wilson. We also thank The Voter editor Eva Moore for getting into the spirit of the celebration by writing some special mini-bios!

In 2017 our committee sponsored or co-sponsored 11 events to mark the anniversary with speakers including historians Natalie Naylor, Antonia Petrash and Arlene Hinkemeyer at libraries and historical societies: The erection of a Pomeroy Foundation historic suffrage marker to East Hampton suffrage leader May Groot Manson outside her home on Main Street; Valerie di Lorenzo's "Ladies of Liberty" musical revue; the 4th of July Parade in Southampton; recognition at the East Hampton Artists v. Writers softball game; and our re-creation in

August 2017 of the 1913 East Hampton suffrage rally, with prominent speakers NYS Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul and Elizabeth Cady Stanton descendant Coline Jenkins—all to celebrate the 100th anniversary of women winning the vote in New York State.

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Election Day 2020

Placing "I Voted" stickers on foam core markers at the grave of East Hampton/Suffolk County/NYC suffrage leader May Groot Manson on November 3 were, left to right, League members Arlene Hinkemeyer, Dale Grant, Vicki Umans, Eva Moore, Barbara McClancy and Estelle Gellman. *Photo by Durell Godfrey*

## What's new in LWVH/SI/NF

### Organizational changes:

\*We have established a new committee focused on the National League's campaign for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) in our organizations. The committee is being chaired by Terese Wildrick

\*"With the goal of attracting younger members, the LWVNS has changed the name of the Education Committee to the Youth Committee. Dale Grant is the new chair.

Also --Check out our newly redesigned website!  
LWVHSINF.com

### You're invited to a Special environmental event: Drawdown Festival: Tools for Regeneration: Forum! Fun! Films! January 21-23

Hosted by the Southampton Arts Center, this in-person and Zoom festival will explore solutions to our current environmental crises and inspire participants to transformative action for a better world.

Guest speakers Damon Gameau, author of 2040: A Handbook for the Regeneration, in Australia, and Paul Hawken, founder of the global climate initiative Project Drawdown, in California, will make presentations via Zoom.

Organized by Drawdown East End and Carbon CREW Project, the event is designed around actions we can take in our own lives, presented in enjoyable and impactful group sessions.

LWVH/SI/NF is curating a session titled "Electrify Everything" that will feature speakers discussing how households can reduce greenhouse gas emissions by converting to electricity from renewable energy sources.

### Reserve now!

<https://www.southamptonartscenter.org/drawdown>

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## LWV Ends Celebrations of 100th Anniversaries, 2017-2020

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Then in November 2019, we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the formation of the LWVNYS, with a PowerPoint program in the Bridgehampton library on the history and accomplishments of the State League over the decades, followed by specially-decorated cupcakes and a festive toast.

In February 2020, we celebrated the 100th anniversary of LWVUS, founded by Carrie Chapman Catt, by holding a "day of action" as LWVUS requested. We worked with local high schools to plan student voter registration and pre-registration drives; contacted our state legislators for more funding for early voting in NYS; publicized the 100th anniversary in the local papers; and through the membership committee, reached out to the local community via "voting ambassadors" in the libraries.

In August 2020, because of COVID, we had to shift our live programs planned in the Shelter Island, Southold, East Hampton, Westhampton and Southampton libraries in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, to virtual PowerPoint events, with speakers Antonia Petrash and Martha Potter, and Valerie di Lorenzo's musical revue. We mailed "Votes for Women" suffrage sashes and invitations to 45 women elected officials in our four towns, and recognized

them by name, to show how far women had come from the time when they could neither vote nor hold office.

On Election Day, November 3, we had our last 100th anniversary event, placing "I Voted" stickers on the graves of East Hampton/Suffolk County/NYC suffrage leader May Groot Manson and Southampton suffrage leader Lizbeth Halsey White, just as we did on Election Day 2017, in recognition for all they had done to win women the vote. We were not alone in this final act, as it was duplicated throughout the nation. Susan B. Anthony's grave in Rochester, NY was covered with stickers!

In the course of all these celebrations, as well as through all the historical programs on television and other media, we learned a lot about women pioneers in many fields and found inspiration in all they accomplished.



At the grave of suffrage leader Lizbeth Halsey White in Southampton, those who gathered to place "I Voted" stickers were, left to right, League members Arlene Hinkemeyer, Bonnie Doyle, Estelle Gellman, Howard and Judi Roth, Alan and Stephanie Snider, and Southampton History Museum members and/or White family members Sherrill Adams, museum manager Laurie Collins, museum business manager Sally Van Allen, White's grandson Merritt White and White's grandson Gerald Adams.



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## March is Women's History Month—A Quiz

March 2021 marks a monumental step in the American women's march to equal rights and governmental power with the election of Kamala Harris as the first woman vice president.

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Can you identify these other women's rights pioneers?

**1.** In 1787, when the Founders were composing the laws that would govern our new country, the wife of one of the writers wrote to urge the men to consider giving women a voice in government. Who was she?

**2.** Who was the first woman to run a campaign for president?

**3.** Who was the first woman from a major political party to run for president?

**4.** Who was the first Black woman to run a campaign for president?

**5.** Who was the most recent woman to run?

**6.** In 1836, two sisters from South Carolina defied the perceived notion that women should be seen but not heard and were the first women to draw large audiences for their anti-slavery speeches. They later spoke out for women's rights. Who were they?

**7.** Which two women met in Seneca Falls, NY in the summer of 1848 to plan a national convention for women's rights?

**8.** Which was the first state to allow their women to vote in an election and who led the campaign?



**9.** In January of 1917, thousands of women joined a march in Washington, DC to demand a Constitutional Amendment enabling women to vote. Who led this march?

**10.** Three years later, the 19th Amendment was approved when the legislature of Tennessee voted in favor by one vote. Who made that historic vote?

**11.** Only one woman who had attended the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention was alive when the 72-year fight for women's suffrage became a reality. Who was she?

**12.** What suffragist was featured on a United States coin?

**13.** Noted for her skill in planning and organization, this woman was a leader in the formation of the League of Women Voters. Who was she?

**Answers on page 19**

## Consensus Reached in New York State Positions

By Valerie King

Following the 2019 League of Women Voters New York (LWVNY) state convention a Healthcare Update Committee (HCUC) was formed to study the LWVNY position on healthcare. The charge to the committee was to review the current positions drafted around 30 years ago with a focus on 1) overall general healthcare 2) the financing of healthcare with particular focus on the pending legislation of the New York Health Act.

Valerie King was appointed co-chair and Estelle Gellman member of the committee, along with the Health Committee chairs of local

Leagues around New York State.

The HCUC completed several study documents and updated language for the positions that were approved by the board of LWVNY in the summer of 2020.

The study documents were posted on the LWVNY website for review by local league boards.

Healthcare Educational and Consensus Zoom meetings were held by local NY leagues throughout the late fall of 2020 and early months of 2021. The work was especially poignant because the study process occurred during the global COVID pandemic, where healthcare was very much the topic of the day.

At the beginning of 2021, our LWVH/SI/NF League formed a committee of Valerie King, Estelle Gellman, Cathy Peacock, and Susan Wilson to plan our Healthcare Educational Zoom meeting held on February 8th and a Healthcare Consensus Zoom meeting held on February 22nd. These meetings were well attended by League members and generated significant discussion about healthcare in our community and personal lives.

It is important to note that the LWVUS supports “universal” healthcare and the LWVNY supports the con-

cept of a “single payer” plan. The consensus to concur process was not focused on any proposed or pending legislation for a single payer plan. There were two areas that were discussed for consensus and concurrence: 1) changes in the language of the health position in general and 2) changes in the language of the position regarding the financing of healthcare.

The results of our consensus meeting was to concur support of the updated positions. Some questions and discussion arose around the rationale for the updated language and concerns regarding the “ideal” concepts that the positions stated. Yet overall, there was general



On February 8, Estelle Gellman and Valerie King, top two right photos, presented the background information for our League’s discussion of the LWVNY’s proposed update to the Healthcare and Healthcare Financing positions.

agreement among our League’s participants that the updated positions reflect the advances in healthcare and specify healthcare criteria that would be helpful for League members to utilize in the future when advocating for legislation of a New York or United States healthcare plan that meets the LWVNY updated positions.

If you would like to know more about the recent Healthcare updated position consensus or other upcoming activities of the LWVH/S/INF Health Committee please contact Valerie King by (email) [valerickingphd@gmail.com](mailto:valerickingphd@gmail.com) or (voicemail) 631-267-3282.

## Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North Fork

The Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North Fork was held via Zoom on Sunday afternoon, June 2nd. As we were not yet meeting in person, we did not have an outside speaker and only carried out the business required of the Annual Meeting.

The minutes of the 2020 Annual Meeting were presented by Mary Blake. Per instruction by the previous Annual Meeting, the minutes were approved by the Board of Directors and were accepted by the Annual Meeting. The budget was presented by Cathy Peacock, our treasurer, and was also approved.

The recommended changes in the Non-Partisan Policy, presented by Barbara McClancy, were approved. The only change was to include Shelter Island and the North Fork in our name where it appeared in the document. Arlene Hinkemeyer, Susan Wilson and Estelle Gellman reviewed the By-laws and Arlene Hinkemeyer presented their recommended changes, which involved bringing them into conformity with the League of Women Voters of the U.S. policies on DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) and student membership. The updated document is available on our website.

Because of the Covid19 pandemic, we did not hold any in-person meetings this year and held all our meetings on Zoom. Despite the limitations, the Co-Presidents' Report, as presented by Susan Wilson, included a quite lengthy and impressive list of activities accomplished by our League over the past year, including very successful virtual debates.

Judi Roth presented the Betty Desch award to Benjamin Ward of Southold High School and the Carrie Chapman Catt Award was presented to Terese Wildrick for her many contributions to the League.

Anne Marshall presented the Nominating Committee report and the recommended slate was accepted. Susan Wilson will serve as President for the next two years and new additions to the Board include Bonnie Cannon, Isabel Sepulveda Scanlon and Stephanie Snyder. Susan Wilson thanked outgoing Board members,

Joanne McEvoy-Samborn, Ginny Charlow Poveromo and Beverly Lepine, for their service and Arlene Hinkemeyer presented an engraved Orrefors vase to Estelle Gellman in recognition of her service as outgoing Co-President. She will remain on the Board as an Appointed Director. The full list of the members of the Board of Directors is available on our website.

The program priorities recommended at the January Program Planning Meeting were approved and our local positions were reviewed. The positions on Recycling and Solid Waste, Affordable Housing, and a Town Manager were retained; the position on Peconic County was removed; and the positions on the Closure of the Millstone Nuclear Power Plant and a Work Force Center for Laborers are under review. Directions to the Board were to do more to include members from the North Fork.

*--Estelle Gellman*



Terese Wildrick models the shawl presented to recipients of LWVH/SI/NF's Carrie Chapman Catt Award for outstanding contributions to our League.



## LWVNYC Hosts 59th Biennial Convention

With the theme of “Striving to Create a Stronger, More Inclusive Democracy,” the LWVNYC held an ambitious six-day convention via Zoom during the week of June 7-12. Dr. Deborah Ann Turner, LWVUS President, was the keynote speaker. “We were all on a steep learning curve during COVID,” she said, “...but our Leagues rose to the occasion. Vote411.org became more widely known during 2020, with over six million users in English and Spanish. Leagues in NYS registered over 16,000 voters..., and Leagues around the country participated in over 60 lawsuits against voter suppression.

“Our non-partisan policy is the bedrock of our organization, but that doesn’t mean we’re non-political. Our work is issue-based. Our allegiance is first to the voters. And our mission in 2021 is to do our work to empower voters and our democracy—unapologetically.... The League is ready to soar, and we are here to partner with you,” she concluded.

Workshops on a variety of topics, such as DEI (diversity, equity, inclusion), redistricting, criminal justice, healthcare, climate change, engaging youth, social media and websites, ranked choice voting, and many voter services topics (Get Out the Vote, nonpartisanship, virtual and hybrid candidate events, modernization of election systems) were scheduled on weekday evenings from 5:30-9 p.m., with the plenary (business) sessions held on Friday evening, June 11, and

Saturday afternoon, June 12. Voting delegates from our League were Estelle Gellman, Arlene Hinkemeyer, Barbara McClancy, and Susan Wilson, while several other members were registered as non-voting observers.

Ably moderating the convention, attended by 118 delegates from around the state, was LWVNYC President Suzanne Stassevitch (LWVNYC), who introduced the State Board members, our excellent LWVNYC executive director Laura Ladd Bierman and deputy director Jennifer Wilson, and the committee chairs in her welcoming remarks. Serving as parliamentarian for the convention was our own LWV president Susan Wilson.

In the business sections of the convention, delegates voted: (1) to adopt a one-year study on the structure of Board of Elections administration in NYS, both locally and at the state level; (2) to adopt a concurrence with LWV California on a new position on criminal justice; (3) to pass a resolution of climate emergency, and to ask state and local Leagues to urge state and local governments to adopt Declarations of Climate Emergency.

President Stassevitch announced various awards for membership, voter services, redistricting, and DEI work. One of the Leagues receiving an honorable mention in the medium size League category (50-150 members) was our League—Hamptons, Shelter Island and North Fork!



## LWVNYS Hosts 59th Biennial Convention



The convention finished its business early, after a speech by the incoming president, Judie Gorenstein, who congratulated the outgoing president and board for not only surviving, but thriving, during COVID. She said that her expectations for the next two years would be that national, state and local Leagues would all work together, and continue to strive for DEI, non-partisanship and promoting democracy.

—*Arlene Hinkemeyer*

### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Workshop

The kick-off of the LWVNY Convention placed Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at the forefront. All League members were invited to attend the opening workshop at no charge, removing one barrier to inclusion. Susanne Stassevich, LWVNYS President, expressed confidence that the work of DEI will help the League grow and move forward. Toni Zimmer, National DEI Chair, reminded us that LWVUS has named DEI policy as a cornerstone principle, at the same level as our nonpartisan policy. This means that the DEI lens applies to all our work, and we should reach out to underserved communities.

Christa Grant, Assistant Dean for Intercultural Affairs at Union College, and Chief Diversity Officer for Student Affairs, inspired us with her keynote speech. She became a citizen in 2018 and voted in her first Presidential election last year! Clearly, she is no newcomer to civic engagement and thinking about DEI. After setting out guidelines for a “brave



Christa Grant

space” where all contributions are appreciated, she defined each of the DEI elements. Diversity extends to our individual uniqueness, beyond race, including perspective and life experiences. Inclusion means creating an environment where all can participate fully because they feel valued and supported. Equity means fair treatment, with equal access to opportunities.

Bringing DEI to life in our League requires commitment and collaboration. It is important for us to get to know each other, talk about difficult topics, and reflect on our personal and organizational progress. There is a long way to go, but we have begun the process. Inviting and including underrepresented communities, making sure they are heard, and working with other organizations are some ways in which we can move forward. This is particularly important for our local league since we have expanded to include Shelter Island and the North Fork.

Regina Tillman, 3rd VP for DEI and Chair of the LWVNYS DEI Task Force, is planning monthly opportunities for growth and dialogue through virtual workshops, along with other on-line activities. The next workshop is August 17th; details will be forthcoming.

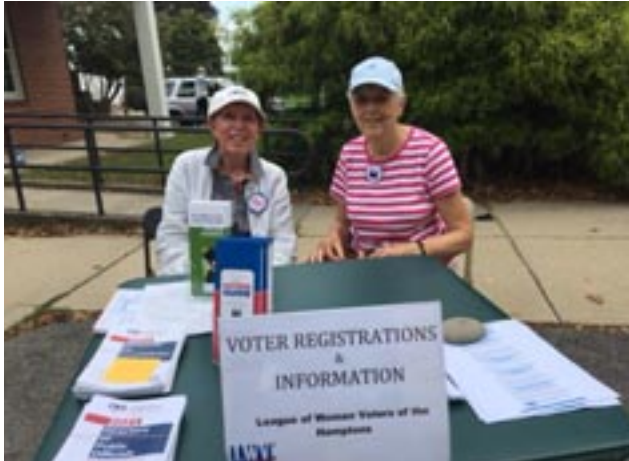
Last year, some of us participated in online training through the program Leadersosity. This was provided by a grant from LWVUS, and will be given again this year. The training was helpful in raising issues, assessing inherent bias, and progressing toward inclusivity and equity.

Although the DEI Task Force looks a lot like our local League, it was encouraging to know that women from all over the state are committed to DEI.

—*Terese Wildrick, co-chair Education Committee*

# National Voter Registration Day, September 28

League volunteers were out in force, giving out registration forms, forms for ordering absentee ballots, and information about early election dates.



Anne Marshall and Ann Sanford, Bridgehampton Post Office



Eva Moore, Judy Samuelson, Estelle Gellman, Montauk Post Office



Bonnie Doyle, Hampton Bays Dollar Store



Glorian Berk, Southampton Rogers Memorial Library



Arlene Hinkeyer and Jane Hastay, East Hampton Post Office



Valerie Levenstein, Shelter Island

# The Future of the Electoral College

by Cathy Kenny

On September 13th the Government Committee sponsored, with Cathy Kenny as moderator, an hour-long Public Information Program aired on SEA-TV entitled, “The Electoral College and the National Voter Interstate Compact: What Every Voter Should Know.”

The last presidential election brought to the fore several controversial issues about the power of an elector to change his or her vote, viz., “a faithless elector;” about the one-man-one vote principle; the very future of the Electoral College itself; and a renewed interest in the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact (NVC). We were very fortunate to have as panelists three distinguished law professors who were able to slice and dice all the complicated aspects of the two presidential voting processes—Professor Bruce Ledewitz of Duquesne University School of Law, Professor Rebecca Green of William and Mary Law School and Eric W. Black of South Carolina School of Law—all constitutional scholars.

At the outset, according to Professor Black, the Electoral College was a compromise reached by the Founding Fathers that reflected their skepticism about how the fledgling country would elect their leaders. In addition, since both small and large states elect two senators, the Electoral College is, de facto, a malapportionment of the one-man-one vote concept.

Professor Ledewitz commented that because each state legislature under Article II, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution has the power to establish the method by which its electors are selected, we should be concerned about state legislatures that try to manipulate the selection of elec-

tors. For example, the Georgia state legislature recently enacted a law that gives itself the power to suspend county electors and to name its choice for the state electoral board. Feasibly, the Georgia legislature could overturn the voters’ choice decided on election day by selecting electors faithful to a particular party. Speaking about faithless electors, Professor Green noted that the U. S. Supreme Court has ruled that a state may replace or punish faithless electors if it chooses to do so. But the punishment, if a state adopts such a statute at all, varies from state to state.

Discussing the NVC, Professor Ledewitz indicated that this work-around of the Electoral College brings its own problems because the electors in some states where the majority, for example, voted Republican would have to vote for the Democratic Party candidate for President who won the popular vote. None of the panelists thought the NVC would succeed in the current political climate, nor did they see any attempt to amend the Constitution plausible. As Professor Black commented, “the rule of law should prevail and everyone should play by the same rules,” if the public is to gain any confidence in the outcome of presidential elections. With the existing patchwork of rules for the selection of electors and the very qualifications for voting that are so variable from state to state, that confidence may be waning.

The program, viewed by over 80 individuals to date, speaks to the current interest in this topic and as well as its complexities. The program may still be viewed on SEA-TV’s YouTube channel.



From left to right : Cathy Kenny, moderator, Rebecca Green, Bruce Ledewitz, Eric W Black



# Do Your Part To Reverse Global Warming!

## Join The Carbon CREW Project

*By Susan Wilson*

The Carbon Crew Project is sparking the regenerative transformation for a flourishing planet bringing together small teams of climate friendly folks to plan, proclaim and live a 50% carbon reduction lifestyle!

CREW, the acronym for Carbon Reduction for Earth Wellbeing, was developed by the environmental organization Drawdown East End.

Using the 2040 handbook based on Project Drawdown, CREW guides lead participants in creating Personal Carbon Action Carbon Plans and in replicating the strategy for exponential growth, peer to peer accountability, and overall 50% carbon reduction by 2030.

It's easy to get involved. The reading is easy, the personal interactions are inspiring, the homework is enlightening, and the time commitment is manageable:

Five one-hour Zoom sessions over a 5-week period.

There is no cost other than the book if you want your own copy (about \$18), or it can be found at local li-

braries. When the sessions are over groups will stay in touch to confirm progress.

Best of all its fun and you will be making a difference.

Go to this website to check Your Carbon Footprint: [www.3.epa.gov](http://www.3.epa.gov).

Thanks to Sustainability Chair, Terese Wildrick for bringing this important project to the League, working with Dar Reilly and Jo DeVincenzi of Drawdown East End, and to members of The League of Women Voters of the Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North Fork who have participated in and sponsored this important environmental project.

We will schedule another series of 5- week sessions as interest grows and the project gathers momentum.

*If you would like to participate, contact Susan Wilson at: [hamptonssw@gmail.com](mailto:hamptonssw@gmail.com). or call 631-495-9288*



## NOT A MEMBER? JOIN OR DONATE NOW

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### Answers

1. Abigail Adams
2. Virginia Woodhull formed the Equal Rights Party in the 1872 election.
3. Senator Margaret Chase Smith ran as a Republican in 1964.
4. Shirley Chisolm ran as a Democrat in 1972. (Neither she nor Margaret Chase Smith became the party's nominee in the general election.)
5. Hillary Clinton won the popular vote in the 2016 general election but lost the Electoral vote to Donald Trump
6. Sarah and Angelina Grimké
7. Elizabeth Cady Smith of Seneca Falls and Lucretia Mott of New Hampshire.
8. Wyoming, in 1869; Ester Hobart Morris spearheaded the movement
9. Alice Paul
10. Harry Burn, following orders from his mother
11. Charlotte Woodward was a young glove maker in New York; she was 92 when she voted for the first time
12. Susan B Anthony was featured on a \$1.00 coin minted in 1979 to 1981 and again in 1999.
13. Carrie Chapman Catt of New York

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