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STATE BOARD LETTER
Mid-May 2019

An Invitation to State Convention,

As you will notice, this is not your normal State Board Letter. Your LWVMD Board felt it was important to dedicate this issue to alerting our members to the importance of having representation of all local Leagues to the **upcoming State Convention, June 7-9** in Gaithersburg, Montgomery County.

Besides our normal agenda items such as election of officers, choosing our Program for the next two years, and three excellent workshops, the State Board is proposing to merge our 501c3(Education Fund) with our 501c4(LWVMD). Your board is recommending this merger because having two separate organizations requires us to maintain two sets of books and bank accounts making extra work for a volunteer treasurer. The proposed merger requires approval of a merger agreement and adoption of restated bylaws at the LWVMD Convention. There will be a further, more in depth document on the proposal in the Convention Workbook. This is a major change and we want to make sure all our local Leagues have a voice in the decision.

The Convention will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott Gaithersburg Washingtonian Center, June 7-9. Registration will start Friday, June 7 at 3PM. Our host League, Montgomery County, is planning a cocktail reception and dine-a-round for those coming in on Friday night. This is a great way to meet and reconnect with other delegates in an informal setting. The convention officially starts on Saturday morning with our opening plenary session. Agenda information can be found on the website at www.lwvmd.org/2019_lwvmd_convention, where you will also find links for:

[Convention Registration](#)
[Hotel Registration](#)
[Proposed Program](#)
[Proposed Budget](#)
[Proposed Bylaw Changes](#)
[Nominating Committee Report](#)

We hope to see full representation from our local Leagues. If you have any questions, please contact:

Elaine Apter or Richard Willson,
LWVMD Co-Presidents
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June 7 - 9, 2019

Preserving Our Democracy

**Courtyard Gaithersburg Washingtonian Center
204 Boardwalk Place, Gaithersburg, MD 20878**

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

3:00 pm Registration
6:00 pm Happy Hour & Dine-Around with LWVMC
- Info to follow

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

8:00 am - 10:00 am Registration
10:30 am - Noon Plenary Session I
Noon - 1:30 pm Lunch (on your own)
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Workshop - Fundraising:
Creating a Sustainable Future for the League
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Plenary Session II
6:00 pm Happy Hour
6:30 pm Banquet

**Keynote Speaker - Dr. William Kirwan, chair: The Kirwan Commission
Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education**

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

9:30 am - 11:00 am Concurrent Workshops -Forums/Webinars and Conference Calls
11:15 am - 11:45 am Plenary Session III
11:45 am - 1:15 pm Networking Lunch
1:15 pm - 2:30 pm Plenary IV
2:30 pm Convention Adjourns

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Gaithersburg Marriott

Std King Room \$104.00

Std Queen/Queen Room \$119.00

Call 800 321 2211 or 301 527 9000
on or before May 17 and identify as
member of LWV staying at
Courtyard Gaithersburg.

Or go to <https://bit.ly/2CZkTFM>

LWVMD CONVENTION 2019 REGISTRATION

All Convention attendees must register. If you or someone you know would like assistance from the Lois Stoner Scholarship Fund for the registration fee, please contact the LWVMD office at stateoffice@lwvmd.org

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

LOCAL LEAGUE _____

EMAIL _____

Please check here if you are a voting DELEGATE _____

**Registration - \$155.00
(After May 23 - \$175)**

Includes: Workbook, Materials, Sat.
breakfast, Sat. banquet, Sun. lunch

Sat. Banquet ONLY - \$99.00

Please send this completed registration form with your check payable to LWVMD to:
LWVMD, 111 Cathedral Street, Suite 201, Annapolis, MD 21401 or REGISTER ONLINE at:
https://www.lwvmd.org/2019_lwvmd_convention

Your registration must be received by May 31. Each attendee should fill out a separate registration form.