



AN UPDATE ON BALLOT QUESTIONS

FROM: Nancy Brumback— LWVMA VP, program and action

The WBUR debates take place at 3 p.m. and will be aired live on Radio Boston at 3 p.m. (not 6 p.m.)

Note that the debates are not following the numerical order of the ballot questions. The debates are:

Sept. 13--Charter Schools, question 2

Sept. 20--Treatment of farm animals, question 3

Sept. 27--Additional slots parlor, question 1

Oct. 4 -- Marijuana legalization, question 4

The debates will be held at the McCormack Theatre at UMass Boston, and the information link below indicates it will soon include a registration link if you would like to attend any of the debates.

Go to <http://legacy.wbur.org/community/events/2016/08/23/debates-on-ma-ballot-questions>

In addition, the Edward M. Kennedy Institute and WGBH are holding forums on the charter school and marijuana ballot questions:

"Legalizing Recreational Marijuana," Wednesday, Sept. 21, 7-8:30 p.m.

"Raising the Cap on Charter Schools," Thursday, Oct. 27, 7-8:30 p.m.

If you would like to attend, you can register at this link: <https://www.emkinstitute.org/explore-the-institute/public-events-programs/public/upcoming-events> The programs are free, but registration is required.

There is no information on the Institute or WGBH websites at the moment whether WGBH will air those forums.

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On Tue, Aug 30, 2016 at 6:25 PM, Nancy Brumback <nancy.brumback@gmail.com> wrote:

"These programs might be helpful as background if you are planning ballot question forums, or just for your members' information":

"Debates on MA Ballot Questions" Sept. 13, 20, 27 & Oct. 4 | 6:00 p.m.

The four ballot questions to be decided by Massachusetts voters this November will be explored in a series of weekly debates sponsored by **WBUR, The Boston Globe and UMass Boston**. Each debate will feature representatives on both sides of the ballot question. The debates will also air live on **Radio Boston** where host **Meghna Chakrabarti** will be joined by a co-moderator from The Boston Globe.

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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Do you have stuff that's too bad for the trash?

South Shore Recycling Cooperative Member towns will host five household hazardous waste collections this fall. Residents of host and co-host towns may attend at no charge.

Collections are scheduled from 9 am- 1 pm as follows:

9/17 Whitman, Abington, and Hanson at Whitman Highway Garage, 100 Essex St.

10/15 Hanover, Norwell and Rockland ** at Hanover Transfer Station, 118 Rockland St. (Rt. 139)

10/22 Plymouth at DPW, 169 Camelot Dr.

11/19 Middleboro at Town Hall, 10 Nickerson Ave.

- Residents of those, and of Member towns **Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Kingston and Scituate** may attend collections that their town isn't hosting/co-hosting at their hometown's expense. To do so, obtain and bring a signed **Authorization Form** from your town's responsible department (DPW, Health or Marine/Environment). Towns may limit subsidized quantities to 25 gal. or 50 lb.
- Residents from any town may also attend for a fee of \$25 /10 gal or 20 lbs., or \$47 /25 gal or 50 lbs of waste. Please bring a check made out to Stericycle Environmental.
- ⇒ **Bring:** Oil based paint*, stains*, automotive fluids*, solvents, gasoline, herbicides, pesticides, adhesives, photography and pool chemicals, acids, bases, and toxins in secure, labeled containers.
- ⇒ **Do not bring:** non-hazardous waste (i.e. latex paint**, alkaline batteries, ice melt, smoke detectors, construction waste), industrial, pathological and medical* waste, radioactive materials, pressurized gas cylinders* or explosives.
- * **Oil based paint, propane tanks, motor oil, antifreeze, medical sharps, rechargeable batteries, and fluorescent lamps** are collected regularly by many towns and retailers. Residents should use those services if available. Go to ssrcoop.info, click on "Town Programs".
- ** **Usable latex paint** will be accepted at these two events for free by The Paint Exchange LLC of Rockland. TPE remanufactures it into new paint. TPE also accepts it at their Rockland facility for a fee of \$2/can. To see if your paint qualifies, and for hours of operation, go to ssrcoop.info/, click on "Hazardous Waste", Material not accepted, or call 339-214-8462. Otherwise, absorb liquid with cat litter and dispose in trash.

Stericycle Environmental will conduct the collections.

For more information, call the South Shore Recycling Cooperative at 781-329-8318, or go to ssrcoop.info, click on "Hazardous Waste";

Massachusetts Early Voting Takes Effect for the General Election

Massachusetts' first experience with early voting will begin in two months. The new early voting law allows people whose work or family obligations preclude them from standing in line, or even getting to the polls on Election Day, more opportunities to vote. The early voting period starts 11 business days preceding the November 8 general election. Within that period, municipalities are required to have at least one voting site open during normal business hours. But beyond these simple specifications, there is a great deal of flexibility in how the law may be implemented.

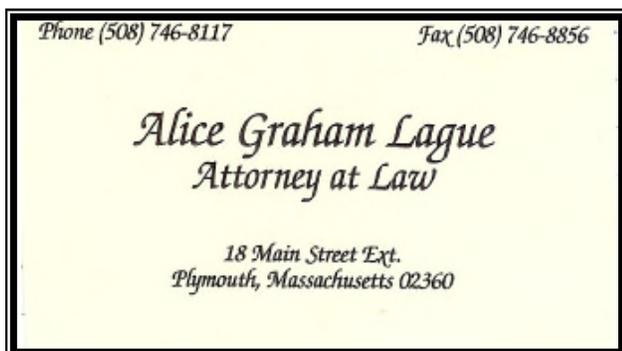
[The Election Modernization Coalition, of which LWVMA is a member, has urged municipalities to institute a robust version of early voting](#) that includes evening and weekend hours and, in communities of more than 35,000 people, multiple voting sites. As of late July, the coalition had conducted [a preliminary survey](#) that indicates that 40% of the state's municipalities are in the final stages of planning for early voting, 35% have started planning, and 13% had no plans at. (The remaining communities could not be reached.) Please check with your local elections official to determine the status of early voting in your city or town and please make sure to spread the word about early voting.

PALWV CANDIDATES' NIGHT QUESTIONS

Our Candidate's Night Thursday, Oct 20 at 6pm at Plymouth Town Hall – will include candidates for the following races:

- One seat for Representative in Congress ... 9th. District
- One seat for Representative in General Court ... First Plymouth District
- Sheriff ... Plymouth County

Members or anyone interested in suggesting questions, please send topics or questions you would like the V.S. Committee to consider covering/asking the candidates in these races to Patricia Adelman at pnadelmann@gmail.com



Grover Cleveland, Again-- A treasury of American Presidents by Ken Burns and illustrated by Gerald Kelley is now available in bookstores. The **book is specifically created for children.** It is filled with interesting fun facts about all forty-four presidents. The illustrations are delightful.

You might want to check it out for a holiday gift to the grandchildren. It's a keeper.

Linda Benezra

Have you paid your 2016-17 Dues yet?

I am happy to report that we currently have 39 members who have joined or rejoined the Plymouth Area League by paying their dues. But I have yet to hear from a few of you.

If you do not wish to rejoin, please contact me at daetzel@gmail.com and let me know. You will no longer receive any Bulletins or updates unless you pay your dues! So don't miss out we have lots going on.

A very special thanks to those members who have made additional donations.

Our Website can be found here: <http://www.plymouthlww.org/>

Check it out, we have up to date information about early voting, candidates forums, Ballot Questions and Debate watching tips. If there is something you think should be added contact Deb at daetzel@gmail.com and she will try to see if she can make it work.

Bulletin Changes

Starting with this September, every other month will be a "Beyond the Board" informational newsletter with items from our local league and the LWVMA. We hope to include the various positions of our local and state league. Any suggestions from members as to what they would like to see in this format would be greatly appreciated. Please send suggestions to Helen Hapgood at hapgood@verizon.net.

The other months will be our regular PALWV Bulletin with items of interest, committee reports, and calendar of events.

Helen Hapgood

