

## WHAT IS THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS?



The League of Women Voters, founded in 1920, is a strictly nonpartisan citizen organization operating at the local, state, and national levels.

The League:

- Encourages informed and active participation in government
- Works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy.
- Advocates for public policies that promote LWV positions reached through member participation and consensus.

### League of Women Voters of Cortland County Officers-2015-2016

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League of Women Voters  
of Cortland County



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for just your address.



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95 Years of Making  
Democracy Work



## WHAT DOES THE LEAGUE DO?

- Studies, takes action, advocates, and testifies on important issues
- Registers voters and defends voting rights
- Provides nonpartisan information on candidates and ballot issues
- Monitors government activities
- Conducts candidate forums
- Conducts public issue forums
- Studies local issues and forms positions based on research and on state and national League positions,
- Collaborates with other organizations with similar goals such as the Cortland Women's Coalition
- Sponsors high school students attending the LWVNY Students Inside Albany program
- Keeps informed about governmental matters that affect local citizens and organizations
- Holds occasional social events



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## THE LEAGUE IS OPEN TO WOMEN AND MEN who:

*help the public make informed decisions  
about how to vote*

*research and discuss timely and important  
topics and issues*

*provide valuable input into laws and public  
policy decisions at local, state and national  
levels*

*work with people who share these interests  
and have multiple perspectives on issues  
across the political spectrum*

*and believe that educated voters are  
essential to American Democracy.*

## ADVOCACY ISSUES:

**CITIZEN'S RIGHTS**

**OPEN GOVERNMENT**

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**VOTING RIGHTS**

**WOMEN'S RIGHTS**

**EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY**

**HEALTH CARE**

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

**EDUCATION**

**ETHICS REFORM**

**TRANSPORTATION**

## LEAGUE of WOMEN'S VOTERS of CORTLAND COUNTY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Your Interests:

- Voter Service/registration/VOTE 411
- Educating young voters
- Organizing candidate forums
- Organizing educational forums
- Advocacy
- Attending local government meetings
- Publicity
- Other
- Receive Announcements only

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Membership dues: \$50 per year

Please send this section with check payable to:

**League of Women Voters Cortland.**  
**c/o Lenore Schwager, Treasurer**  
**42 Pearl St. Cortland, NY 13045**

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