# Newsletter

May 2025

#### Presidents' Message | Sandy Raviv and Gladys White

#### **Dear Members and Supporters:**

The long-waited spring has arrived and with it all kinds of ideas and projects for LWVCC are popping up! For Valentine's Day in February and St. Patrick's Day in March, we enjoyed gatherings at IHOP in Prince Frederick. Sheriff Cox and his staff joined us in February to share their challenges and answer our questions. These gatherings provide informal opportunities to express ideas and brainstorm about issues that otherwise are not always covered.



Several of us attended the second annual LWVMD Democracy Breakfast at the Atreeum in Annapolis to enjoy delicious food, meet other League members from across the State, and hear a rousing talk by Gov. Moore who acknowledged the League's many contributions to empowering voters and protecting our democracy.

On April 26, LWVCC partnered with Calvert Library to present a Citizens Forum on voting in Maryland, including security concerns, open vs. closed primaries, and the electoral college. We are grateful to all panel members. Jared DeMarinis of the State Board of Elections and Gail Hatfield and Kristen Scott of the Calvert County Board of Elections spoke about current issues.



Prof. Todd Eberly of St. Mary's College, provided a historical account of the Constitution and early founders' struggles to develop a fair and representative method for choosing presidents. Ralph Watkins of the Montgonery County LWV spoke about primary systems and the debates over each version as well as ranked voting. A number of attendees thanked us for providing new information.

#### **Save the Date | Upcoming Events**

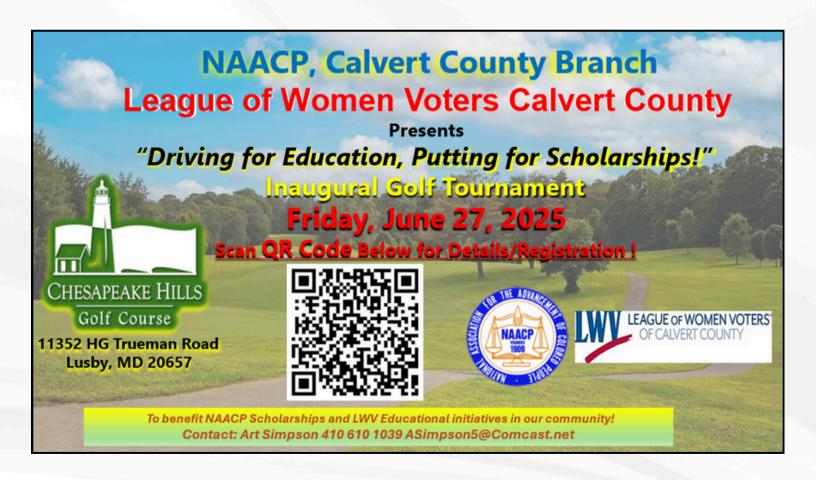
**Wednesday, May 28 | Annual LWVCC Membership Meeting** at Dream Weavers Café in Prince Frederick. We will approve our Board and Officers, as well as budget and programs for the next year. Annual Books I &II will be emailed to all members at least two weeks before the meeting.

See page 3 for menu options & full details. **Register by 5/22** https://www.lwvcalvert.org/upcoming\_events

**Sunday & Monday, June 8-9 | LWVMD Convention in Kent Island**. Register through the LWVMD website.

**Saturday, June 14 | NAACP Juneteenth Celebration** at Jefferson Patterson Park from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Friday, June 27 | LWVCC-NAACP Inaugural Golf Tournament Fundraiser** at Chesapeake Hills Golf Course. Join us as a sponsor, golfer, or volunteer!





## Salad

Monaco garden salad: mixed greens, strawberries, red onion, sweet peppers, walnuts, with Mango Pineapple Dressing



Beef Medallions in red wine demi-glace with roasted potatoes or

Grilled citrus glazed chicken with pineapple salsa over white & wild rice or

Chesapeake Bay Blue Catfish with Dreamy crab sauce & white and wild rice



Assorted mini sweets: mini cheesecakes, petit fours, cookies, brownies, tarts





May 28, 2025 at 5-8 PM

#### Dream Weavers Cafe

114 Solomons Island Road

Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Register by 5/22 at https://www.lwvcalvert.org/upcoming\_events

\$35 payable at the door

Contact: sandraraviv@gmail.com

We are delighted to announce our guest speaker:

### Grace Mary Brady

LWV member and Founder/President of the Bayside History Museum in North Beach