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# NEWSLETTER

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*The primary election and our local election are over and Annual Town Meeting concluded on April 12th after six sessions. As the WellesleyLeague continues to follow local issues, please join us. Another important town-wide special election will take place on May 10th. Please read below for details.*

## ***Important Dates Coming Up.....***

***Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Forum on the Tolles Parsons Center will be held in the Great Hall, second floor of Wellesley Town Hall. Free and open to the public.***

This forum will include a presentation by Matt King, chairman of Wellesley's Permanent Building Committee, on the specifics of the Tolles Parsons Center project. On Tuesday, May 10, Wellesley voters will be asked to decide whether to approve the funding for the Tolles Parsons Center which will house programs for Wellesley seniors and which is to be built at 494-496 Washington Street. Representatives from the ballot question committees on both sides of the issue have been invited to present their positions.

This event is free and open to the public. Please come with family, friends and neighbors.

***Tuesday, May 10, Tuesday, Special Town Election  
Polls are open from 7:00 am - 8:00 pm***

The 2016 Annual Town Meeting appropriated funds to the Permanent Building Committee for the construction of the Tolles Parsons Center at 494-496

Washington Street, subject to a debt exclusion borrowing of \$5,482,000. Subsequently, the Board of Selectmen signed the warrant for a Special Town Election, to be held on May 10, 2016, which asks voters the following question:

**Question #1**

*Shall the Town of Wellesley be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to fund the plans and specifications, construction, equipping and furnishing of the Tolles Parsons Center building at 494-496 Washington Street?*

Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

***Upcoming State and National Meetings....***

**LWVMA State Council**, Saturday, April 30, Clark University, Worcester.  
*"Massachusetts Voter Engagement (MOVE) 2016: Join the Movement!"* Susan Clapham plans to represent the Wellesley League at this meeting.

**LWVUS National Convention**, Thursday, June 16 - Sunday, June 19, Washington, D.C., "Making Democracy Work - For All".

Please let Jean Childs ([childsjj@verizon.net](mailto:childsjj@verizon.net)) know if you would like to attend the LWVUS National Convention. The League has funds to cover registration and expenses.

***Upcoming Board Meetings -- all are welcome to attend***

**Tuesday, May 10, 10:30 am**, at the home of Ann Hile, 38 Damien Road

**Monday, June 13, 7:00 pm**, at the home of Susan Clapham, 3 Atwood Street

***Wednesday, May 25 -- Save the Date for Annual Meeting!***

Wednesday, May 25, 6:30 pm, at the home of Helen Stewart, 166 Winding River Road. Wine and hors d'oeuvres first, potluck supper and then annual meeting. You will definitely want to attend this meeting to hear a recap of the past year's activities and plans for next year. And we will be electing officers for 2016 - 2017. You should have received the Annual Meeting Workbook in the mail within the past week. If it did not receive it, please let Irene Flint know ([ireneflint1@gmail.com](mailto:ireneflint1@gmail.com)).

***Key Election Dates coming up this fall***

**September 8** -- State Primary

**November 8** -- Presidential and other federal and state office elections

**Jean Childs** - Co-president  
**Irene Flint** - Co-president  
**Anne Rippy Turtle** - Vice-president and Secretary  
**Susan Clapham** - Vice-president  
**Ann-Mara Lanza** - Vice-president  
**Jenny Zannetos** - Treasurer  
**Althea Glick** - Director  
**Ann Hile** - Director  
**Joellen Toussaint** - Director

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