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Come to LEAD! League Education and Advocacy Day

Saturday, January 19, 2019

SC Education Association Bldg., 421 Zimacrest Drive, Columbia, SC.

Fee: \$25 (for light breakfast, lunch, and materials)

[Registration Form](#)

All members are urged to attend and to bring guests. This is a good event for people who are considering joining LWV or are just interested in the work we do. *(Continued below photos)*



The program for LEAD will include

- Fundraising information from Kate Kennedy (LWVUS Chief Development Officer);
- Panelists John Holder (Political Science, Winthrop University), Duncan

Buell (Computer Science, USC), and Barbara Zia (Director of Citizen Education, LWV of Charleston Area) discussing lessons to be learned from the recent midterm elections;

- A legislative update from the LWVSC lobbyist Lynn Teague; and
- Break-out roundtable workshops (choice of two of five topics available).

Please join in to learn, problem-solve, and network with other League members from around the state!

The registration form is [here](#). Please note that you can [pay online](#) (mark "for LEAD").

"Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any state on account of sex."



HOPE FOR THE ERA

As most of you probably know, a renewed effort is underway to achieve the constitutional guarantee of equal rights for women. If one more state ratifies the Equal Rights Amendment, then a legislative and court battle will begin to remove time limits and pave the way for the ERA's addition to the Constitution. It is notable that

- the LWVUS enthusiastically affirmed its commitment to the effort at its National Convention in Chicago last summer, and
- in South Carolina, Representative Gilda Cobb-Hunter, with Peter McCoy's support, will pre-file a bill in January urging passage of the ERA.

LWVSC supports the conversation about this goal and encourages education of our members, our citizens, and our legislators.

Many people think that our Constitution already guarantees equal rights for women, but it does not.

- The laws that exist are interpreted differently in individual cases and could easily be rolled back.
- The ERA would help clarify sex discrimination jurisprudence and conclusively invalidate the claim of late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia that the Constitution, specifically the 14th Amendment, does not protect against sex discrimination (reported in *California Lawyer*, January 2011).
- [Learn more about why the ERA is needed.](#)

Barbara Fry, LWV member in Charleston, has developed an excellent educational presentation that she is happy to share. Reply to this Mailchimp if you are interested.

Recommended film:
From Paris to Pittsburgh

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 9:00 p.m.
National Geographic Channel

This stunning documentary addresses climate change and the reactions of mayors and governors -- and cities and states -- around the country after the current administration withdrew the U.S. from the Paris Climate Accords.

The film does not shrink from portraying the dire effects expected (with considerable focus on the southeast U.S.) but also highlights the many innovative, ambitious projects that are underway to combat



Two big LWVSC events coming up!

January 19, 2019: LEAD, our Leadership, Education, and Advocacy Day, for all members, in Columbia.

May 4-5, 2019: Convention! Our biennial state convention will be held this year in Charleston.

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those effects. Strong leadership is helping many areas of our country stay on track in meeting the goals of the Paris Accords.

[More info](#)

Sign up [here](#) for LWVUS President Chris Carson's bi-weekly *League Update* to keep informed about LWVUS activities and programs.

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