LWV-VA Day February 1, 2017

Speaking:

Lois Page, LWV-VA, welcoming overflow crowd of attendees

Kathleen Hughes, Loudoun County, discussing Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments of the P&E House. Landes bill was put into the block and defeated in bulk

Senator Barbara Favola (of Arlington, Fairfax, and Loudoun), League member for over 30 years! Senator discussed some of the bill she is carrying

SB1032 (scholarship for foster kids); SB894 (critical incidence reporting); SB 876: (kinship guarding assistance – accept kin who are in foster care SB 1032 would allow foster kids to be able to get scholarship help toward a trade certificate in addition to the current four year degree. Has passed the Senate.

Delegate Michael "Mike" Mullin (D-93) of counties of James City (part) and York (part); cities of Newport News (part) and Williamsburg

Del Mullin mentioned OneVirginia2021: Brian Cannon – gerrymandering; Landes bill – cannot take partisan politics in account when drawing districts. Make your voice heard about the defeat of the gerrymanding bills.

Jennifer Boysko (D-86) – Herndon, Chantilly, Sterling (Fairfax and Loudoun – near Dulles Airport)

Only 17% women in the GA. Sponsored a bill that would have made personal hygiene products tax free. Also Equal pay for equal work

Senator Mamie Locke (D-2nd) Part of Hampton, Newport News, Portsmouth, and York **SJ223** – Constitutional Amendment about felons' rights restored – LWV-VA does NOT support

Delegate Cliff Hayes (D-77th) Part of Chesapeake and Suffolk.

Is a Freshman – had served two terms on Chesapeake City Council Sponsored: No excuse absentee voting, high interest consumer loans – current cap is 36% rate of loan up to \$2,500 – over that the amount of interest is unlimited!!! Tried to raise cap to \$4,000 b/c not indexed for inflation

Senator Louise Lucas, (D18th) Emporia, Greensville and Sussex, etc. Just dropped in to say hello, on way to meeting

Carolyn Caywood, LWV-VA Facebook Coordinator: Asked who had seen her Facebook ads folr WLRT. Many hands went up and one young persoln said she came because of them.

Delegate Sam Rasoul (D-11th) City of Roanoke (Part)

Supports: Instant run-off voting; rank choice voting
Supports fair redistricting (even if Dems lose some seats across the country)
Electoral fusion; balanced support to term limits – good gov't reforms – MAKE
DEMOCRACY WORK.