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Take Note of Upcoming Elections

The Gillespie Unit of the League of Women Voters (LWV) Hill Country will be meeting on Monday, April 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. at the community room of Central Texas Electric Coop, 386 Friendship Lane in Fredericksburg. Everyone is welcome at the meeting. Encouraging voter participation will be the major topic. The League has prepared an impartial Voters Guide to help the voters of Gillespie County and the City of Fredericksburg make informed decisions in the upcoming elections. The Hill Country Underground Water Conservation District has a contested race for the Director at Large Position. Candidates each responded to questions generated by the League. The City of Fredericksburg has a Proposed Bond Issue on its ballot regarding a new sport park.

Discussion at the April 15 meeting will center around ways to improve voter turnout. Opportunities to engage young voters are being explored especially by providing information on how and why to vote in each election. The League recognizes the need to encourage newly registered voters to immediately begin exercising their rights by voting. By doing so they will most likely continue voting throughout their lifetime. Curricula have also been developed for educators.

While you are waiting to cast your vote, LWV is encouraging everyone to take the "Voting and Elections Scavenger Hunt" on the Texas Secretary of State website. The survey was designed to find out how people learn about voting and elections, not the politics of voting. It doesn't matter to LWV who you will vote for. The survey will take 10-20 minutes. Your assistance will help improve services for the voters of Texas. Type "Voting and Elections Scavenger Hunt" into Google and the link will come up to begin the survey.

Take a few minutes now to review the "Voters Guide" for Fredericksburg and Gillespie County voters or go to the League's website, Vote411.org. Vote411.org is a national website and should have voting information for elections across the state and across the country. It is easy to use, just enter your address and the races which you can vote in will pop up. Be sure to Vote!