

League of Women Voters of Mason County Membership Meeting  
6:00 PM, May 21, 2019; PUD3 Building, Shelton WA

**Members---please arrive at 5:15 to assist with room set-up. Please bring feminine products to contribute to the homeless women and teens project.**

**AGENDA**

Call to order and welcome to members and guests  
Congratulations to our Spellebration team!  
Vote to elect the slate of officers for the Executive Board  
Announcements  
Adjournment of business meeting

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**Mental Health and the Criminal Justice System**

**Please hold questions until the end.**

**The panel:**

**Jim Madsen, Juvenile probation/court services** will discuss child dependency cases, how to keep youth out of the system, and what types of support are available. What are the long-term effects of exposure to trauma and how do they impact youth who are caught up in the justice system?

**Marilyn Roberts, President of NAMI** - National Alliance on Mental Illness will talk about the stigma of mental illness, and how the public's negative perception of the illness serves as a barrier to recovery; and the importance of peer interaction and step by step approach to recovery.

**Mark Freedman, Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Organization TMBHO** director will provide an update on progress involving the construction of the treatment facility in Shelton and diversion of those with mental health and substance use conditions away from jails and prisons. He will summarize regional plans toward community-based mental health care.

**Abe Gardner, Mason County Community Services Outreach** will expand our understanding of substance use disorder. what are the symptoms and how do we identify and react to an opioid overdose?

**Calendar**

**May**

31: Board meeting, 12:30 PM, Shelton Library

**June**

6-9<sup>th</sup>: LWVWA Convention; the Murano Hotel in Tacoma

11: Annual Meeting and Luncheon, 11:30 AM; Harmony Hill

15: Shelton Farmers Market-- Voter Ed table, Kneeland Park, Shelton

18: Program Planning Retreat, 12:00 to 3:00 PM, Shelton Library

22: Salmon Center Music---Voter Ed table, Belfair Salmon Center