News 8 is your local election headquarters. Tuesday night we brought you the only televised debate in the race for the 25th Congressional district. Incumbent Democrat Louise Slaughter is running for her 15th term. Republican Mark Assini, the Gates Town Supervisor, is challenging. The debate was sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

In front of a live studio audience, the candidates for the 25th Congressional District shared where they stand on the issues. Democrat incumbent Louise Slaughter and her challenger Republican Mark Assini debated everything from health care...

"Obamacare contributed to the cancellation of 19,000 medicare advantage plans for seniors in our area this year alone," said Mark Assini, (R) Congressional Candidate.

"Right now, 85% of every dollar we spend under this new law goes for health care instead of bonuses and raises. And we have millions more people, about $10million more already insured that were never before," said Louise Slaughter, (D) Congressional Candidate.

...to how the U.S. should handle Ebola.

"There's no question about it. we are not prepared to handle this Ebola virus within the United States. Our first responsibility to the citizens of the United States is to protect them from this disease. Protect their families from spread. And make sure they're safe and secure," said Assini.

"We have 5 airports now that anybody coming in from the three affected countries will be checked. And Monroe County already has, Strong Memorial Hospital, designated to take the infectious diseases. I have talked to the doctors and the head nurse who will be in charge and I'm perfectly confident that we would be able here to handle it," said Slaughter.

Topics also covered? The ISIS terror group, hydro-fracking and America's crumbling infrastructure. Did Assini prove himself better than Slaughter? It'll be up to the voters to decide on Election day, November 4th.

Slaughter and Assini will debate one more time on October 29th at the Irondequoit Kiwanis Club meeting.

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