



## League of Women Voters of McHenry County

# *The Voter*

April 2016

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### Event Schedule:

#### April

9 - Monthly Meeting,  
McHenry County  
College 9 am  
12 – Nunda Township  
Annual Meeting, 7pm  
16 – AAUW Luncheon,  
Crystal Lake Country  
Club, 10:30 am  
21 – Deadline for  
submitting petitions  
28 – “Suffragette”  
Movie, Crystal Lake  
Public Library, 126 W.  
Paddock St. CL, 6 pm  
30 – Friends of Crystal  
Lake Book Sale, 126 W.  
Paddock St. CL, 9 am

#### May

1 - Friends of Crystal  
Lake Book Sale, 126 W.  
Paddock St. CL, 10 am  
14 - Monthly Meeting,  
Home State Bank, 611 S.  
Main St., CL 9 am

#### June

18 – Annual Meeting,  
McHenry Country Club,  
820 N. John St.  
McHenry, 11am – 2pm

## NEWS

### Meeting Highlights

Fifteen (15) members attended the **March 12<sup>th</sup>** meeting at McHenry County College. Discussion topics included the **March 15<sup>th</sup>** Primary Election, 2016 Candidate Forums, High School Mock Elections, February Fundraiser, Remapping Petitions, and Annual Meeting Schedule.

### Voter Services

- **General Primary Election**
  - Karen shared her concerns about problems and issues that arose on election day at several polling places in the county. She shared a letter that she wrote to the County Clerk detailing her concerns. Susan and Karen hope to set up a meeting with League registrars and election judges to review primary election issues. All members are welcome to attend. We will continue to encourage League members to become involved in the election process as judges and registrars.
- **General Election forums dates are scheduled for September 12, 19 and 22 at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:30 pm. Discussing possible video tapping by our league. We will be conferring with LWVIL for a video policy content.**
- **Mock elections**
  - Schools involved so far are Huntley and Jacobs. Dates (TBA) will be in late September and early October.
  - Susan and Rich gave an overview of the process for members who have not participated in this League project.
  - County Clerk Mary McClellan will provide ballots for each school location.
  - Grant monies from the McCormick Foundation are not yet determined but will be less than anticipated.

## LWVMC Leadership

### President

Paula Ekstrom  
Sandra Bartholmey

### Vice President

Catherine Williams

### Secretary

Allison Hull

### Treasurer

Donna Seeley

### Voter Services

Susan Fugleberg  
Karen Hutchings

### Nominating Committee

Kathleen Bergen  
Schmidt  
Claudette Russell  
Allison Hall

### Directors

Claudette Russell  
Dani Daniel  
Rich Woosnam  
Lee Ekstrom

### Facebook

Angela Koscavage

### Website

Rich Woosnam  
Lee Ekstrom

### The Voter Editor

Lee Ekstrom

## Programs

There are several programs we are currently developing and working on.

- Redistricting Map Amendment
  - Several members collected about 320 signatures at the Crystal Lake Business Expo. Susan delivered over 400 signatures to the LWVIL office in Chicago.
  - All petition must be notarized and received by the State League office by **April 21<sup>st</sup>**.
- Fund Raising – The result of the Giorgio's fundraiser is \$71. Thanks to Karen Hutchings for all her organizing work with Giorgio's.
- LWVMC Annual Meeting
  - The Annual Meeting date is set for **June 18<sup>th</sup> 11am – 2pm** at the McHenry Country Club (820 N. John St. McHenry). Specific menu and cost are not yet determined but should be similar to last year's meeting. Save the date. We discussed potential programs and established a program committee. If you have any program suggestions, please contact Cate Williams, Karen Hutchings or Christine Miller.
  - Nominating committee (Allison Hull, Kathy Bergan Schmidt and Claudette Russell) will meet to determine a slate of officers for 2016-2017.

## Other Items

Membership in Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce: We revisited this topic and decided to table it until our May meeting.

Website - No new Information. Lee and Rich will continue to review options.

Facebook - Angela reported that viewing has been sporadic. She encourages members to visit the page.

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