



League of Women Voters of McHenry County

The Voter

April 2018

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Event Schedule:

April

14 – Monthly Meeting,
Home State Bank, 611 S
Main St., Crystal Lake,
9am

May

12 – Monthly Meeting,
Home State Bank, 611 S
Main St., Crystal Lake,
9am

June

16 - Annual Meeting
LWVMC, McHenry
Country Club, 820 N
John St, McHenry, 11am
27 – 2018 Joint Annual
Meetings for Lake
Michigan Region/Upper
Mississippi Region &
Water Caucuses, The
Standard Club, 320 S
Plymouth Ct., Chicago,
11:30am -9pm
28-July 2 – LWV
National Convention in
Chicago

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Meeting Highlights

Twelve (12) members attended the **April 14th** meeting at Home State Bank. Discussion topics included the fall General Election Forums, Annual Meeting, Lake Michigan Region & Upper Mississippi Region Joint Annual Meeting, Website/Facebook, summer meeting schedule. and National Convention. Cate Williams chaired the meeting.

Voter Services

Present focus for Voter Service will be scheduling dates at MCC for the fall General Election forums. The Voter Services team discussing races to cover, and forum dates needed.

Another focus will be voter registration. Cate and Carolyn will contact McHenry County high schools to determine interest in holding a voter registration event for students who will be eighteen by the November election. They will also be contacting the county clerk office to determine voter registrar needs from the league.

Communications

- The Web Site reached the highest monthly activity in March (4,123 page requests) surpassing the previous high attained in December 2016. We discussed the move to the new Web Site platform. Lee, Rich and Laura will discuss and recommend any action. There is no charge to move our current site information to the new format to review and information change updates. Going live with the new format has a charge.
- Facebook interest is growing. Carolyn requested that league activity and news be passed on to her for posting.

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting is **June 16th** at McHenry Country Club, 820 N John St., McHenry. The meeting starts at 11am, includes lunch and program, ending at 1pm. Attendees are encouraged to arrive at 10:30am. The cost is \$25 per person. There will be a lunch menu of four items to choose from. The program is the Honorable Tiffany Davis, McHenry County Circuit Judge.

Water ILOs Annual Meeting

The Leagues of Women Voters Lake Michigan Region (LWVLMR) and Upper Mississippi River Region (LWVUMRR) join in sponsoring a day of water related events on **June 27th** at The Standard Club, 320 S. Plymouth Ct., Chicago. The agenda for this event is:

11:30 am - ILO Annual Meetings with Buffet Lunches

2:00 pm - Workshop: *Advocating for Protection: Put Your League on the Map!*

5:30 pm - Reception

6:30 pm - Banquet featuring Speaker Howard A. Learner, Environmental Law & Policy Center

More information about this event at:

<https://www.lwvlmr.org/workshop-dinner--annual-meetings.html>

2018 National Convention

The 2018 LWV National Convention will be held in Chicago **June 28th through July 1st**. The LWVIL is looking for volunteers to help at the convention. If you are available to attend a day session of the convention, there is an opportunity to attend the Friday evening event at Chicago's Second City at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$52 per person. Details about the convention and volunteer opportunities are provided at:

<http://www.lwvil.org/lwvus-convention-2018.html>

Brief Highlight

- **April 11th** was "Take Back the Night" event at MCC. It was a well-organized event with good energy from the attendees. Mary, Amy and Anna staffed a LWVMC table providing league information to those attending.
- State support for ERA amendment
 - Senate passed ERA amendment
 - House to vote on ERA amendment – contact your state representative
- Summer Meeting Dates:
 - No July meeting
 - Picnic in August
 - Return to normal schedule in September

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Next Meeting **May 12th at 9am**

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