

League of Women Voters of McHenry County

The Voter

August 2016

LWVMC Website

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Event Schedule:

September

7 – Voter Registration, Green Drinks, Dukes Ale House, 5 pm to 7 pm 13 - Monthly Meeting, Home State Bank, 611 S. Main St., CL 9 am 12 – Candidate General Election Forum, County Board Chair, Recorder of Deeds & States Attorney at McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.

15 – Voter Registration Huntley Area Public Library, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

19 – Candidate General Election Forum, State District 63, State Senate 32 & 26 at McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.

21 – 2016 State of the State Luncheon, Union League Club, 65 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm 27/28 – National Voter Registration Day, McHenry County College, 10am – 1 pm

NEWS

Meeting Highlights

Fourteen (14) members attended the August 13th meeting at Home State Bank. Discussion topics included the McHenry County Health and Safety Fair, Candidate Forums, High School Mock Elections, Voter Registration, and Membership. President Cate Williams led the meeting.

McHenry County Health and Safety Fair

A part of our support for the McHenry County Health and Safety Fair is the assembly of 1000 children school boxes and the distribution of the school boxes at the fair. We also provide a raffle of a boy's bicycle and a girl's bicycle.

- School Box Assembly July 26th 4 pm to 6 pm with around 15 helpers the 1000 school boxes where assembled and pizza consumed at the McHenry County College Café.
- School Box Distribution July 27th 9 am to 4 pm. Around 600 school boxes were distributed at the fair. A variety of age appropriate children books were also distributed at the fair. The books were provided by Follett. The 400 school boxes not distributed at the fair were dispersed to Head Start (276) and other area family support organizations.

Voter Services

- The General Election Forum dates are:
 - September 12th County Board Chair, Recorder of Deeds & States Attorney at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:00 pm. Moderator: Gilda Karu
 - September19th State District 63, State Senate 32 & State Senate 26 at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:00 pm. Moderator: Missy Wilhelm
 - October 3rd County Board 1, 2 & 3 at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:00 pm. Moderator: Jan Dorner

27 – Voter Registration Crystal Lake Library, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm 29 – High School Mock Election – McHenry East & West Campuses 30 - High School Mock Election – Crystal Lake Central Campus

October

- 3 Candidate General Election Forum, County Board 1, 2, 3 at McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.
- 4 High School Mock Election – Woodstock North Campus
- 5 High School Mock Election – Jacobs Campus
- 5 Candidate General Election Forum, County Board 4, 5 &6 at McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.
- 6 High School Mock Election – Huntley Campus
- 7 High School Mock Election – Cary-Grove Campus
- 8 Monthly Meeting, Home State Bank, 611 S. Main St., CL 9 am 13— Candidate General Election Forum, Congresional Districts 6 & 14 and State District 66 at Jacobs High School, 7 pm.

- October 5th County Board 4, 5 & 6 at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:00 pm. Moderator: Cate Williams
- October13th Congressional Districts 6 & 14 and State District 66 at Jacobs High School at 7 pm. Moderator: Robin LaBedz
- We are planning to video tape the forums and offer copies to the candidates for the cost of materials and handling.
- Mock elections dates for local High Schools are set. Volunteers are needed for each campus. Contact Susan Fugleberg and Karen Hutchings. The expected vote count for all the schools is around 10,000. The County Clerk, Mary McClellan, is printing the ballots specific to each school and providing voting booths and machines.
 - McHenry East Campus & McHenry West Campus Sept 29th
 - Crystal Lake Central Sept 30th
 - Woodstock North Oct 4th
 - Jacobs Oct 5th
 - Huntley Oct 6th
 - Cary-Grove Oct 7th
- Voter Registration planned for:
 - Greens Drinks at Dukes Ale House on Sept 7th
 - Huntley Area Public Library on Sept 15th from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Crystal Lake Library on National Voter Registration Day Sept 27th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm
 - McHenry County College on Sept 27th & 28th from 10 am to 1 pm.

Programs

2016 State of the State Luncheon - LWVIL

- On Sept 21st 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at Union League Club of Chicago
 65 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago
- Terrific opportunity to network with other League members
- Key note speaker Cheryl Corley, NPR correspondent on the National Desk in Chicago
- Registration deadline is Sept 9th check it on LWVIL website.

October LWVMC Program

• Carol Heisler – new Crystal Lake Library plan

LWV Upper Mississippi River Region ILO Meeting

- Paula and Lee Ekstrom attended the August 1st board meeting in Onalaska, WI at the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge. The evening before the meeting Paula and Lee enjoyed the sunset experience at Grandad Bluff in La Crosse.
- Terrific program by Megan Kabele from the Mississippi Valley Conservancy (MVC). Megan talked about the MVC Conservancy Easement program.
- The next Board Meeting (Annual Meeting) is October 3rd in Cedar Rapids, IA.

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