



League of Women Voters of McHenry County

The Voter

June 2016

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Event Schedule:

July

9 - Monthly Meeting,
Home State Bank, 611 S.
Main St., CL 9 am
26 – Assemble School
Boxes for Children
Health Fair, McHenry
County College Café,
4 pm
27 – Mchenry County
Health and Safety Fair,
McHenry County
College, 9 am – 4 pm

August

13 - Monthly Meeting,
Home State Bank, 611 S.
Main St., CL 9 am

September

13 - Monthly Meeting,
Home State Bank, 611 S.
Main St., CL 9 am
12 – Candidate General
Election Forum,
McHenry County
College, 7 pm with Meet
& Greet at 6 pm.
28 – National Voter
Registration Day
19 – Candidate General
Election Forum,
McHenry County
College, 7 pm with Meet
& Greet at 6 pm.

NEWS

Annual Meeting

Nineteen (19) members and guests attended the **June 18th Annual Meeting** at the McHenry Country Club. The meal selection was terrific and all enjoyed themselves. 2016-2018 officers were elected, 2016-2017 budget approved, approve program language changes, recognition of Carol Sek for the quit square provided by the Woodstock-McHenry League and an excellent program provided on the “So You Want To Be A Candidate” presentation developed by the LWVIL.

A special note in the July LWVMC Meeting date. The July meeting is **July 9th**. The date is in error in the Annual Meeting Agenda.

2016-2018 Officers

President: Cate Williams
Vice President: Paula Ekstrom
Treasurer: Donna Seeley
Secretary: Allison Hull

Directors:

Lee Ekstrom—communications
Richard Woosnam—website
Susan Fugleberg—voter service
Karen Hutchings—voter service
Claudette Russell
Dani Daniel—publicity
Sandra Bartholmey—studies coordinator

27 – Candidate General Election Forum, McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.

October

3 – Candidate General Election Forum, McHenry County College, 7 pm with Meet & Greet at 6 pm.

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8 - Monthly Meeting, Home State Bank, 611 S. Main St., CL 9 am

Recognition for Carol Sek

In 1980 Judy Chicago extended the “spirit” of her feminist art “*The Dinner Party*” through a call to participate by creating quilt panels. The call generated hundreds of triangular-shaped quilted panels. Through Carol Sek’s effort a panel was provided by the LWV of Woodstock-McHenry 35 years ago. The panels are now on display at the University of Louisville as the International Honor Quilt. A special thank you to our Carol Heisler who saw the display and reported back to us.



2016 Programs

At the Annual Meeting proposed changes to the LWVMC Programs language was introduced. The changes were discussed and accepted by unanimous approval. The [LWVMC website](#) is updated with the revised program language.

“So You Want To Be A Candidate

This presentation was provided to the Illinois AAUW Conference on April 30th by Mary Schaafsma Executive Director of LWV of Illinois. Lee and Paula Ekstrom along with Mary and Missey Wilhelm from the Wheaton League prepared the presentation. Lee Ekstrom delivered the presentation at the LWVMC Annual Meeting. It was well received.

This presentation covers all the important steps for running for office, making the decision to run, stepping up to the candidacy, organizing the campaign, Election Day, media, and post-election activities.

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Voter Services

- The General Election Forum dates are scheduled for **September 12th, 19th and 22nd, October 3rd and 5th** at McHenry County College at 7 pm with a candidate Meet & Greet at 6:00 pm. We have extended the Meet & Greet to 1 hour prior to a forum. Discussing possible video tapping by our league.
- Mock elections
 - Schools involved so far are Cary Grove, Prairie Ridge, McHenry East, McHenry West, Woodstock North, Huntley and Jacobs. Dates (TBA) will be in late September and early October.
 - Karen, Paula and Cate met with County Clerk Mary McClellan to review the Mock Election needs.

Programs

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

- Redistricting Map Amendment
 - The petition signatures have been accepted.
 - The next step is resolution of the Law Suit by the Illinois Supreme Court.
 - Voter education plans will be initiated after the Amendment is placed on the November ballot.

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