



League of Women Voters of McHenry County

The Voter

September 2016

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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

Twelve (12) members and three (3) guests attended the **September 13th** meeting at Home State Bank. Discussion topics included the Forums, High School Mock Elections, Voter Registration, and Programs. President Cate Williams led the meeting.

A note that due to a scheduling issue with Home State Bank the **October 8th** meeting will be at McHenry County College in the Commons Area.

Voter Services

- The General Election Forum completed and scheduled dates are:
 - **September 12th** – Held County Board Chair, Recorder of Deeds & States Attorney Forums at McHenry County College. Moderator: Gilda Karu
 - The forums were video recorded.
 - Good attendance
 - County Board Chair forum was a 5 minute statement by candidate Michael Walkup (R). Candidate Jack Franks (D) did not attend.
 - Recorder of Deeds – Candidates Lynn Gray (D) & Joe Tirio (R)
 - States Attorney – Ray Flavin (D) & Patrick Kenneally (R)
 - **September 19th** – Held State District 63, State Senate 32 & State Senate 26 at McHenry County College. Moderator: Missy Wilhelm
 - The forums were video recorded
 - Fair attendance
 - State Senator 32nd District was a 5 minute statement from Candidate Pamela Althoff (R). Candidate Melissa Coyne (D) did not attend.
 - State Representative 63rd District – Candidates John Bartman (D) and Steve Reick (R).
 - State Senator 26th District – Candidates Kelly Mazeski (D) and Dan McConchie (R).

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,
MCC in the Commons
Area, 9 am

13– Candidate General
Election Forum,
Congressional Districts 6
& 14 and State District
66 at Jacobs High
School, 7 pm.

25-LWV of Greater
Rocford Fundraiser,
Radisson Hotell &
Conference Center, 5-
8pm

- **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
- **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
- **October 13th** – Congressional Districts 6 & 14 and State District 66 at Jacobs High School at 7 pm. Moderator: Robin LaBedz
- We are video recording the forums and offer copies to the candidates for the cost of materials and handling.
- **Mock elections dates for local High Schools are set. Meetings were conducted with each high school’s leaders to cover Mock Election expectations for equipment setup and election duration. 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 held and scheduled for:**
 - Greens Drinks at Dukes Ale House held on **Sept 7th**
 - Huntley Area Public Library held on **Sept 15th** from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Crystal Lake Library on National Voter Registration Day scheduled for **Sept 27th** from 6 pm to 8:30 pm
 - McHenry County College scheduled for **Sept 27th & 28th** from 10 am to 1 pm.

Programs

2016 State of the State Luncheon - LWVIL

- Was held **Sept 21st** 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Union League Club of Chicago – 65 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago
- Key note speaker – Cheryl Corley, NPR correspondent on the National Desk in Chicago – Topic: *“Civics and Journalism – the role of the journalist”*
- Celebration of reinstating CIVICS in Illinois High Schools through the passing of House Bill 4025 April 24, 2015.
- Celebration of instituting Civics in 41 High Schools (Democracy Schools) including Cary-Grove High School. This effort continues to institute Illinois High Schools as Democracy Schools.

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- Members of the team responsible for leading this effort spoke including Dr. Shawn Healy from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation.
- Four members of our League attended the Luncheon.



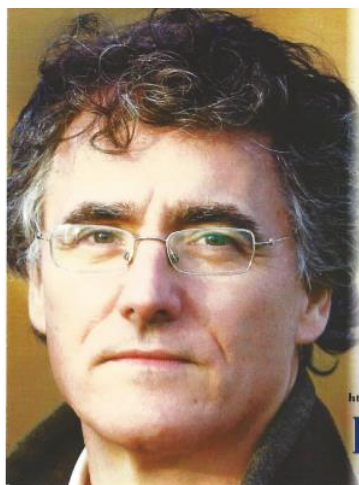
Paula Ekstrom, Lee Ekstrom, Sandra Bartholmey & Cate Williams

October LWVMC Program

- Carol Heisler – new Crystal Lake Library plan

LWV of Greater Rockford Fundraiser

- Tuesday **October 25th** 5pm to 8pm
- Radisson Hotel and Conference Center
- Speaker: Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart
- Topic: *“The Shameful Criminalization of Mental Illness”*



Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart

The Shameful Criminalization of Mental Illness

Tuesday, October 25, 2016
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center
200 South Bell School Road
Rockford, Illinois 61108

A Fundraiser for the League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford

Tickets \$75.00 with Choice of Steak, Salmon, or Vegetarian Dinner available at:

http://www.lwvgr.org/lwvgr_fundraiser16.html



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