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Mission Statement

We are a non-partisan political organization dedicated to making democracy work through: Voter Education, Issue Advocacy and Citizen Participation.

Date	Event	Details
July 1; Monday	LWVPA Board Meeting	Palatine Library; 6:30 – 8:30 pm – Room #3
July 16; Tuesday	LWVPA Book Club	Granite City Brewing, 801 Plaza Dr. Schaumburg, Noon
Aug 1; Monday	LWVPA Board Meeting	Palatine Library; 6:30 – 8:30 pm – Room #3
Aug 7; Wednesday	Does Your Vote Count?	Barrington Library Registration Required (see Flier)
Aug 10; Saturday	August Lunch	Prepayment Required (see Flier) Noon – 3pm

President’s Column

At our annual meeting on June 12 we said our grateful thanks to Laura Davis and Carolyn Roberts, who for the past two years have served as our co-presidents. Ann Kennedy and I are the newly elected co-presidents.

Some of you may be wondering why I was elected for just a one-year term. I chose to do this so that going forward we would not have both co-president terms ending at the same time. In the future, both co-presidents will serve two-year terms and be elected in alternating years. I strongly believe that this will serve to provide continuity in leadership and a greater willingness for members to hold this position.

Included in this Voter is a list of the current executive officers, board directors, and support people. Each of these members have agreed to contribute their time and talent to continue to make our league one that we are all proud to be a part of. But even these fabulous people can't do everything alone. I encourage all of you to contact these people with your ideas and/or willingness to help. Together we're better!

Jackie McGrath

2019 – 2020 Leadership

The membership list now shows our club leadership – including Board Members and other Support people. The Board consists of the “Executive Committee” – those who hold traditional board positions (Co-President, Vice-President, etc.) and Directors – those who are on the board and who lead specific activities.

Support people are working in the background to support the overall league, but are not board members.

Executive		Directors	
Co-President	Jackie McGrath	Emerging Leader	Juanita Kendell
Co-President	Ann Kennedy	Membership	Susan Buttafuoco
Vice President	Kim Inman	Programs	Cammy Basak
Secretary	Kathy Martin	Voter Registration	Melanie Carter
Treasurer	Maggie Jongleux	Voter Registration	Renee Gladstone

Support People

Book Club	Marilyn McCarty-Fulton	Facebook / Twitter	Marti Stamper
Candidate Forums	Vicki Martin	Website / Voter / Tech	Dayle Roberts
LWV Cook County	Nancy Mitzen		

Thank you from Carolyn and Laura

Carolyn and I are blown away! What an awesome group of League members and great annual meeting.

Carolyn and I both worked really hard to grow our League, engage our members, and get recognition in the community. The League of Women Voters Palatine Area is the successful outcome. Our League is full of passionate members willing to learn and take action.

We are proud of everything we accomplished together, and feel confident in the continued engagement and growth of the League.

Carolyn and I are so appreciative of the lovely gifts we received at the annual meeting. The “Women Making History” book, the fabulous 19th amendment coffee mug, and the lovely tea to enjoy in our mugs!

Thank you for the thoughtful gifts, but more so, for being involved.

We are all better together.

Observers Core Update

On Saturday, June 22, sixteen LWV Palatine Area members received formal observer training at the Barrington Area Library.

Jan Dorner, Barb Laimins, and Missey Wilhelm, from LWV Illinois, gave the updated observer training to 29 participants, including Maggie Jongleux, Maureen DeRosa, Jackie McGrath, Jim McGrath, Melanie Carter, Camille Sullivan, Natalie Warren, Arlene Clausell, Paul Clausell, Ann Kennedy, Florence Palumbo-Zilke, Tressa Glassman, Carole Bulakowski, Rebecca Adewumi, Betty Hull and Jamee Moroney.

Training has been updated for all LWV observers in order to legally protect the observers and the league, and to have greater consistency in how to observe, what to report and how/where to share the report.

All observers received a certificate and sample report outlines in order to simplify future reporting.

All observers will need to go through the formal training in order to represent the league in future observing.

Thank you all for your commitment in taking an active role in our local governments. A follow up meeting will be planned to discuss specific government units to cover.

Submitted by Laura Davis, 6.22.19

Hot Links!

Articles posted to our website.
Click [HERE](#) to read all about it!

Tour of Cook County Jail Health Services
Cannabis Legalization Town Hall

Welcome NEW MEMBERS!

Farah Abid	Sara Ahmed
Kate Hutchinson	Megan Kennedy
Joan Kowalski	Mike Kennedy
Mark Martin	Carol Pankros
Chris Pyzdrowski	



SAVE the DATE

Aug 7, Wednesday	Does Your Vote Count? The Census, Redistricting, Gerrymandering	Sponsored by LWVPA and Barrington Area Library. Barrington Area Library Registration on THEIR site required. Registration opening soon.
Aug 10, Saturday	Annual August Luncheon featuring Lynn Rymarz, dramatist “Susan B. Anthony, You Can’t Vote!”	Pre-payment required (see flier)
Aug 28, Wednesday	Centennial Presentation with Annette Baldwin will perform a first-person monologue entitled <i>The Long Road to Victory</i> , a portrait of five brilliant, dedicated leaders in the woman's suffrage movement	7pm LWVPA and Schaumburg Library. Schaumburg Library Registration on THEIR site required. Registration opening soon.
Nov 8, Friday	Wine Tasting Fundraiser	7pm The Wine Cellar
Nov 19, Tuesday	National Popular Vote/Electoral College (Drinks and Discussion)	7pm Emmett’s

BOOK CLUB JULY 2019

An American Summer: Love and Death in Chicago by Alex Kotlowitz

Tuesday, July 16, 12:00PM
Granite City Food and Brewery (separate checks)
801 Plaza Drive, Schaumburg, IL 60173

- Please RSVP by Tuesday, July 2
 - [Cammy Basak](#)
cbasak3@msn.com
 - [Marilyn McCarty-Fulton](#)
marilynmc426@gmail.com

We will have a special guest joining the conversation with personal insight into the lives of young people living in neighborhoods afflicted by gun violence.

We are always anxious to meet more of our fellow League members and their friends. What better means than sharing a meal and engaging in lively conversation. Please come join us!

Book Summary

The numbers are staggering: over the past twenty years in Chicago, 14,033 people have been killed and another roughly 60,000 wounded by gunfire. What does that do to the spirit of individuals and community?

Drawing on his decades of experience, Alex Kotlowitz set out to chronicle one summer in the city, writing about individuals who have emerged from the violence and whose stories capture the capacity--and the breaking point--of the human heart and soul. The result is a spellbinding collection of deeply intimate profiles that upend what we think we know about gun violence in America. Applying the close-up, empathic reporting that made *There Are No Children Here* a modern classic, Kotlowitz offers a piercingly honest portrait of a city in turmoil. These sketches of those left standing will get into your bones. This one summer will stay with you.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH VOTER ENGAGEMENT!!!

We are in the very beginning stages of implementing new ways to successfully encourage people to vote in upcoming elections and are looking for members with interest in participating.

Are you the parent of a child in a District 211 school? Are you an active participant in other local community organizations or not-for-profits?

We are especially in need of contacts with District 211 schools and local community groups.

If you would be able to help us initiate contact with a school or local community group and/or are otherwise interested in participating, please contact Melanie Carter at melanicar@yahoo.com or Renee Gladstone at rrgladstone@aol.com.

Thanks!

DID YOU KNOW?

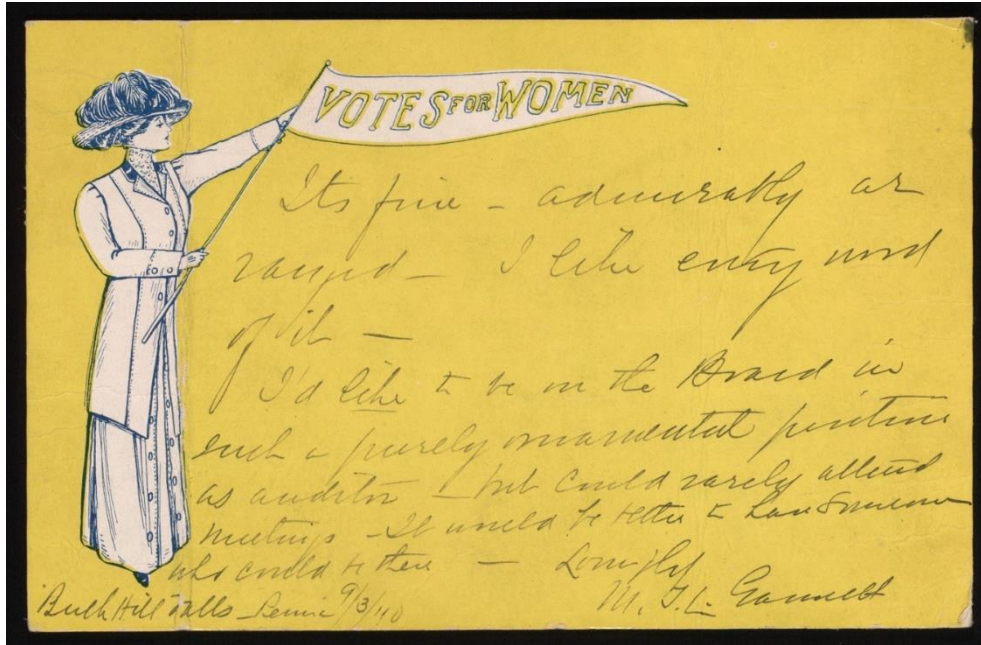
The legislature is on summer break.

Many legislators are holding their own townhalls to gain insight and input from their constituents. They will also be communicating their achievements since the election last November.

Please take a few moments to visit your representative's website for information regarding these meetings.

The League is non-partisan and does not endorse any candidate. We do work towards educating voters.

**Summer Luncheon Commemorating
The 100th Anniversary of
Women's Right to Vote**



**Join League Members and Friends as We Begin Our Yearlong
Celebration of This Momentous Event!**

Saturday, August 10, 2019 12:00PM

The Trails Clubhouse 703 Nerge Rd. Roselle, IL 60172

**Entertainment by Lynn Rymarz of "Tales in History"
Portrayal of Susan B. Anthony, You Can't Vote!**

Prepayment Required

\$25 includes catered salads, sandwiches, and soft beverages

For payment by credit card go to Summer Luncheon at <http://www.lwvpalatinearea.org>

For payment by check, send to LWV Palatine Area at P.O. Box 35 Palatine, IL 60078-0035

Please RSVP to Cammy Basak by July 27 at cbasak3@msn.com Include Subject: LWV Summer Luncheon

July 2019

The League of Women Voters of Cook County

A series of luncheons on different aspects of government within Cook County

Food for Thought

Our featured speaker is

Arnold Randall

General Superintendent

Of the Forest Preserves of Cook County

Thursday, July 18, 11:30 am to 1 pm

DePaul Club, DePaul University Center 11th floor

1 E. Jackson (corner of State Street and Jackson), Chicago

(walk through the Barnes & Noble store to reach the elevators to the 11th floor)

cost: \$20 per person

(includes buffet lunch and hot and cold drinks)

Proceeds benefit The League of Women Voters of Illinois Education Fund, a Section 501 tax exempt organization

Go to www.lwvcookcounty.org to register and pay online with a credit card

By Friday, July 12

Questions? Call Pris Mims at 312-861-0166

July 2019



Save the Dates: Increased Rainfall Public Information Meetings, July 16 and July 24

Lake County has been experiencing more frequent and stronger rainfall events. Recently, the Illinois State Water Survey released updated statistical rainfall data for Bulletin 70--Frequency Distributions of Heavy Precipitation in Illinois. The new rainfall data presented in Bulletin 70 impacts not only the residents and business owners of Lake County, but also public and private development projects.

The Lake County Stormwater Management Commission will be presenting the increased rainfall data along with a timeline of the regulatory process, provide resources and tools for best practices, and discuss stormwater-related issues and concerns from the audience. Both meetings will provide the same information. Members of the public, stakeholders, and individuals with an interest in hearing more about how rainfall affects Lake County are encouraged to attend.

Additional information can be found on the [website](#).

Public Information Meeting Details

Public Meeting 1:

Date: Tuesday, July 16, 2019

Time: 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

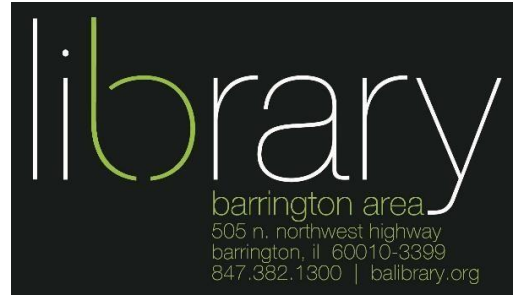
Location: The City of Highland Park Council Chambers
2nd floor of City Hall
1707 St Johns Ave
Highland Park, IL 60035

Public Meeting 2:

Date: Wednesday, July 24, 2019

Time: 10 a.m.

Location:
Barrington Village Hall
Board Room (located upstairs)
200 S. Hough Street
Barrington, IL 60010



Does Your Vote Count? The Census, Redistricting, and Gerrymandering

In collaboration with the Barrington Area Library Community Conversations

Wednesday, August 7, 7 PM

Learn from Madeleine Doubek, Executive Director of Change Illinois, how state and federal voting districts are decided in Illinois, what other methods might be used, and what role the 2020 census plays. [Register.](#) Barrington Area Library Meeting Room.

505 N. Northwest Hwy, Barrington IL 60010-3399



The Year of Courageous Conversations

Our League is supporting the *Year of Courageous Conversations* project, a new yearlong series offered in the Barrington area. Recognizing the need for better dialogue across divides, community leaders have joined forces to launch *A Year of Courageous Conversations* to explore how to live together in difference based on the work of Krista Tippett.

For more info about this project:

<http://www.urbanconsulate.com/courageousconversations>

Upcoming programs open for **online registration** include:

DEFINING COURAGE

- Wednesday, September 11, 2019
- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM
- Barrington's White House

PRACTICING MINDFULNESS

- Wednesday, October 9, 2019
- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM
- Barrington's White House

CULTIVATING CURIOSITY

- Wednesday, November 13, 2019
- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM
- Barrington's White House

THE ART OF LISTENING

- Wednesday, December 11, 2019
- 7:00 PM 9:00 PM
- Barrington's White House