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The Newsletter of the Lake Michigan League of Women Voters

## Join us for 2011 Annual Meeting

All League members are invited to our Annual Meeting on Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22, 2011. It will be held at the [Hilton Oak Lawn](#) in Oak Lawn, Illinois. The hotel is conveniently located near I-294, southwest of Chicago.

Our annual business meeting is the reason for getting together, but we also have many educational activities and knowledgeable speakers planned. Please join us as we become better informed advocates for Lake Michigan.

- "Toxic to Treasures" Trolley Tour of the Lake Calumet area
- Todd Main, Deputy Director, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, will be our keynote speaker at dinner Friday night
- Discussion of How to be an Effective Advocate
- Debra Shore, Commissioner, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District, will discuss sewer overflows in Cook County, IL
- Judy Beck, Lake Michigan Manager, US EPA, will report on the State of Lake Michigan
- Walking Tour of Beaubien Woods, beneficiary of Great Lakes Restoration Initiative funding.

Even if you cannot attend all of these exciting events, please join us for those that work with your schedule! The registration form, available from the sidebar, lists several meal plan options.

The registration deadline is October 10, 2011. Registrants are responsible for their own hotel reservations; contact the Hilton directly at 800-315-1058 by September 30 for the discounted "League" group rate.

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## LMLWV offers Updated Educational Program to Local Leagues

Our powerpoint program on issues confronting Lake Michigan and the Great Lakes will soon be "New and Improved." Thanks to the efforts of LMLWV member Henrietta Saunders, we have been awarded an "Insight Grant" from [Freshwater Future](#) to undertake a thorough update of the presentation.

We are eager to take this show on the road! Please contact us if your League would like to schedule a presentation.

### Annual Meeting

#### Quick Links

[Schedule of Events](#)

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#### Learn More!

In the Michigan City, IN area: On Nov. 6, Andy Buchsbaum of the National Wildlife Federation's Great Lakes Regional Center will speak on "How Healthy is Lake Michigan?" at the Sinai Forum. [Get the Details.](#)

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## A Final Note...

LMLWV Board members want to be sure that all member Leagues are aware of actions we take throughout the year. This is usually done through our quarterly e-mail, SPLASH! However, we always welcome recommendations from our member Leagues for future programs. That is where you come in! If you have ideas for ways in which we can better meet our programming goals, let us know - contact a board member or join us at our annual meeting.

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