

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MANITOWOC COUNTY  
FEBRUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER**

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**Calendar of Events**

02/09	Great Decisions: Privacy in the Digital Age
02/16	Great Decisions: U.S. Policy Toward Africa
02/23	Great Decisions: Sectarianism in the Middle East
03/02	Great Decisions: India Changes Course
03/03	Board Meeting
03/07	LWV Ozaukee County Brunch & Program
03/09	Great Decisions: Syria's Refugee Crisis
03/16	Great Decisions: Brazil's Metamorphosis
03/19	TR Candidates Forum for City Council
03/23	Great Decisions: Human Trafficking in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century

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Dear League Members,

It was good to see so many of you at Great Decisions. We had approximately 120 people in attendance. The series is rich with diversity of topics and speakers which should be of interest to many of us. We have seven weeks to enjoy this series. If you wish to purchase the book that goes with the series, it is \$11.00 and available at the Manitowoc Public Library.

There will be a Candidates Forum for Two Rivers, but not for the Manitowoc City Council or School Board since there are no contested races. Further information will be in this newsletter.

Please read our newsletter and/or go to our website or facebook page at anytime for further information on any of our programs. If you have any problem receiving our newsletter, please contact Cathy Cole at 553-8757.

Let's all stay warm and get through the next six weeks of winter.

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**MOVE TO AMEND**

A big thank you goes to Kathleen Bernhart and her committee for the insightful and informative program that was presented on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. George Penn presented the program twice that day to a great many people. It was also recorded on Comcast. Hopefully, those of you who could not attend had the opportunity to view it on another day.

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**GREAT DECISIONS**

About 120 people attended the opening of the Great Decisions series. I have posted the titles of the next seven programs in the Calendar of Events box at the beginning of this newsletter. There are flyers at the information desk at the Manitowoc Public Library along with the briefing book for \$11.00 that has background information on each session. However, you need not purchase the briefing book to participate in the series.

Sometimes the speaker will come early for dinner. If you wish to join the committee and the guest speaker for dinner at the Courthouse Pub, call Marilyn Sontag at 682-8988 for reservations and further information.

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**BOARD MEETING**

Due to Great Decisions on Monday, the Board will meet on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm at the Presbyterian Church in Manitowoc.

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**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF OZAUKEE COUNTY**

Our League has received an invitation from the Ozaukee League to attend their Brunch and Program on March 7, 2015 from 10:00-12:30 p.m. at the Ozaukee County Club in Mequon, Wisconsin. The speaker is Dorothy G. Thomas a recognized leader in anti-apartheid, women’s human rights, and U.S. human rights movements. Ms. Thomas is a life-long feminist with deep ties to U.S. and global women’s movements. She works closely with private foundations, public charities, and individual donors. More information can be found on our website. I did forward the registration form on a separate e-mail to all league members. This program is open to all members of League and to interested parties.

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## **TWO RIVERS CANDIDATES FORUM**

There will be a candidates' forum on **Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 pm** in the **Council Chambers of Two Rivers City Hall**. Five candidates are running for three seats on the City Council: Kay Koach, Mark Bittner, Patrick Gagnon, Darla LeClair and Jack Powalisz.

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## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Donations are slowly coming into our treasury. We appreciate the support that we have received from League members and the following companies and people. At this time, we have received donations from Barry and Sandy Bast, Timothy and Virginia Bare, Kenneth and Catherine Daum and Mozinski and Cashman Attorneys. All of our monies go to programs and quality speakers that inform and educate the public.

Thank you so much for your continued support.

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