

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MANITOWOC COUNTY
OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER**

Calendar of Events

10/14-15	Annual Meeting of LWVLMR
10/19	Voter Registration ends
10/27	Forum
11/08	Election Day
11/19	2016 Issues Briefing
11/??	Suffragette Movie with Meryl Streep
12/05	Year End Social

Dear League Members,

This has been an exciting start to our new year. We have been registering voters throughout Manitowoc County. We started with Gear Up to Vote in August followed by registering parents at the elementary level. We registered voters at Mi Pueblo. We have been at the libraries in Two Rivers and Manitowoc. We have been at Silver Lake College, UW-Manitowoc, and Lincoln High School. We have registered over 30 people in these various locations. This is the most people we have registered since I started doing this over ten years ago. This would not have happened if it were not for the dedication from those people who participated in the training sponsored by Jennifer Hudon, City Clerk of Manitowoc.

We have less than a month before this election period is over. It is very important that we spread the word to get out there to vote. Women have had the privilege to vote for only 96 years. Let's do our job as League Members to remind everyone to get out there to vote. Every vote does count!!

Cathy

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS LAKE MICHIGAN REGION

The Annual Conference of the LWVLMR will meet in Porter, Indiana at the Spring House Inn on October 14 and 15th. Beverly Rawling is our representative for this League. She started on the board of the LWVLMR this year and will keep us informed on the various issues programs that occur throughout the year.

FORUM

We are getting ready for a forum on October 27th. This will be held at Manitowoc City Hall, 900 Quay Street at 7:00 pm and will be televised in Manitowoc by Comcast. Congressional candidates Sarah Lloyd and Jeff Dahlke and Legislative candidates Ron Kossik and Paul Tittl will be featured. Members of the audience will be able to question the candidates.

Light refreshments will be served.

2016 ISSUES BRIEFING

On Saturday, November 19th, the 2016 Issues Briefing will take place at Crowne Plaza, 4402 East Washington Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin. The keynote speaker will be Michael Wagner, Associate Professor of the School of Journalism and Mass Communications and Dept. of Political Science, UW Madison. His topic will be: Lessons of 2016 for Future Voter Advocacy. Registration must be made by November 10th at <http://2016issuesbriefing.eventbrite.com>.

Jaci Collins is willing to drive. Jean Rausch and Darlene Wellner have expressed interest in going and Jaci has room for one more. League's policy is to reimburse half of the registration fee, but need to submit a remittance to treasurer, Jo Ellen Gramling after the program. If there are any questions, please e-mail Jaci at collinsjkc@gmail.com.

VOTER REGISTRATION

I would like to thank those people who have taken the time and energy to register voters. They are Jaci Collins, Connie Hendries, Carol Benthien, Carol Wergin, Jean Rausch, Rick Ekstrom, Anita Rappe, Johanna Worley, Ann Larson, Nancy Slattery, Mary Wallace, and Nancy Hillmer. Together we have registered over thirty voters during this time. It could not have happened without your help. Thank you so much for your dedication.

Voter registration will end on Wednesday, October 19th. If you know of anyone who needs to register, please have them go to their City Hall as quickly as possible.

MEMBERSHIP

We have a few people who have not sent in their dues at this time. As soon as they respond, I will be putting together a new membership roster, interest form, and phone tree. You will be receiving all this information by the end of this month. Thank you all for your continued support and consideration.

GREAT DECISIONS

We have topics!! The Foreign Policy Association has issued the latest topics for Great Decisions 2017. This year's topics are as follows:

The Future of Europe	Trade and Politics
Conflict in the South China Sea	Saudi Arabia in Transition
U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum	Latin America's Political Pendulum
Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan	Nuclear Security

Thank you, Marilyn Sontag and Darlene Wellner for all your hard work.