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FIRST ELECTION-YEAR CANDIDATE FORUM, ONGOING VOTER REGISTRATION EVENTS, INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE PANEL DISCUSSION FILL LEAGUE'S FEBRUARY PROGRAM CALENDAR

DOOR COUNTY, WI, (updated with correction February 6) January 30, 2024 –The <u>League of Women Voters of Door County</u> announces its February event schedule, including its first 2024 election-year candidate forum and other community-wide programs.

Door County Circuit Court Judge Candidate Forum

Jennifer Moeller and Brett Reetz will participate in the LWVDC candidate forum, February 15, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Door County ADRC, 916 N. 14th Ave., Sturgeon Bay. LWVDC forums give candidates equal opportunity to speak and respond to voter questions while offering the public an occasion to become informed and active participants in democracy and the election process.

Moeller and Reetz are vying for the seat of Door County Branch 1 Circuit Court Judge in the April 2 election. Candidates will present their credentials and reasons for running and answer questions. Door County residents can email potential forum questions for the judicial candidates to vsforums@lwvdoorcounty.org. Please put "Forum Question" in the subject line.

The forum is free and open to the public. A recording will be available for viewing on the LWVDC website following the event. A snow date has been scheduled for February 23 in the event of inclement weather. More information about the forum and the circuit court in Wisconsin is available at www.ncg.

The League of Women Voters does not support or oppose any political party or endorse candidates.

Ongoing Voter Registration Events

LWVDC wants to ensure Door County residents are ready to vote in 2024 elections. Residents can update their registration, check voter status or register for the first time at the following locations:

- Wednesday, February 7, 11 a.m. 2 p.m., Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, 2834 S. Bay Shore Rd.,
 Sister Bay
- Thursday, February 1, 11:30 a.m. 1 p.m., Door County ADRC, 916 N. 14th Ave., Sturgeon Bay (ongoing, first Thursday of the month)

New or updated voter registration might be necessary if someone moved, had a name change, recently became a U.S. citizen, or did not vote in the past four years. Elections in 2024 are scheduled as follows: February 20, spring primary; April 2, spring election and presidential primary; August 13, partisan primary; and November 5, general election. Learn more about voter registration at myvote.wi.gov.

Words Matter Inclusive Language Panel Discussion

The League of Women Voters of Door County is hosting Words Matter – The Power of Language to Create a

More Inclusive Door County, February 8, 6 p.m., at Sevastopol Town Hall, 4528 WI-57, Sturgeon Bay.

A panel of four community leaders will speak about inclusive language around race, mental health, disability, and LGBTQ+ identities. The event is free and open to the public.

Scheduled panelists include Corey Batson, Stephanie Birmingham, Seth Wiederanders and Damion Howard.

Natalie Morgan, chair of LWVDC's DEI committee, will moderate the panel discussion and a question-and-answer session to follow.

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Editor's note: Wisconsin Circuit Court fact sheet/public education attached.

About the League of Women Voters Door County

About the League of Women Voters Door County Founded in 1952 by Sturgeon Bay resident Jay Jacquelyn (Draeb) Bass, Mary Berg, Eunice Schlintz and several others, the League of Women Voters Door County is the local chapter of a national nonpartisan political organization encouraging informed and active participation in government. It influences public policy through education and advocacy. It does not support or oppose any political party or endorse candidates. LWVDC has three separate and distinct roles: Voter Service – To make voting easier through varied voter education programs and encouraging citizen participation Citizen Education & Studies - To study national, state, and local issues in an unbiased manner and provide information on how citizens

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