



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE – January 8, 2023

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Message from the Chair:

Happy New Year!

And happy 70th birthday, Door County League!

That's right! The League of Women Voters of Door County had its organizational meeting in 1952 with 34 charter members (which includes Kewaunee members.) Mary Berg became its first president. After completing some organizational tasks, the Door County League was officially recognized by the state and national Leagues on January 30, 1953. It was then known as the Sturgeon Bay LWV.

A lot has happened during those 70 years, and we have a lot to be proud of! The best way to celebrate this anniversary is to look to the next 70 years and what we hope to accomplish.

Get involved! Attend upcoming meetings. Join our committees. Work on our projects. There is a lot to do. The amount that the League accomplishes is only limited by the number of people we have to help do the work.

Join us!

Susie

Don't forget these League events

Thursday, January 12, 4:30 to 6:30 PM, Bertschinger Community Center, 7860 Hwy. 42, Egg Harbor: Lively Issues Meeting

What local issues are on your mind?

The League of Women Voters of Door County's annual Lively Issues meeting is an opportunity to identify issues important to our members. During what should be a "lively" meeting, we will ask everyone to offer local issues and topics of concern. After discussing these in the context of our positions, we will recommend topics for further study or action.

Along with your ideas, bring a food item to share. Enjoy good conversation, tasty food, and great people! Everyone is welcome!

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 6:30 PM:

Virtual Program: '**Decline in Wisconsin's Conservation Legacy and the Shift in Balance of State Government**' The Door County League is joining the LWV of the Greater Chippewa Valley and the LWV of the LaCrosse Area and fifteen other Leagues in co-sponsoring a virtual program entitled, "The Decline in Wisconsin's Conservation Legacy and the Shift in Balance of State Government" on January 10, 2023. The evening program will discuss the imbalance of power between the executive branch and the legislative branch as it relates to conservation and environmental protection. The program is based on a recent publication of Wisconsin Green Fire, a non-partisan organization whose mission is to advance science-informed analysis and policy solutions to address Wisconsin's greatest conservation challenges.

Registration for this program is available at the events page of the website of LWV LaCrosse [lwvlacrosse.org] or

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register.WN_xVJmauycR_mBoVGcUPuEfw.

Monday, January 9, 2023, Business Center at the Kress in Egg Harbor, 5:00-6:30 PM: Voter Services Meeting

We are preparing for a productive, fun, and enthusiastic year for Voter Services. To that end we will be having our first team meeting. Our newly configured team will consist of new members and some "seasoned" members. New members who agreed to meet with Voter Registration Services are Kim Krueger, Mary Moroder, and Natasha Ustianowski. Ann Morgan, and Rene will also join. Everyone is welcome. The purpose of the meeting is to begin developing ideas that will result in plans for the improvement of voter engagement in Door County.

February 9, 2023, 5:30 - 6:30 PM, Jane Green Room of the Sturgeon Bay Library: Save the Date!

From the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI) Committee:

What does DEI look like in Door County? Join us for an immersive educational presentation with our LWVWI DEI Sr. Specialist, Maria Douglas. Maria will be teaching us how to recognize our personal unconscious biases and how to promote DEI into the work of our local League. This is "DEI 101" and questions are encouraged. For further information, contact Pat Scieszinski pat.ski@lwvdoorcounty.org Mark your calendar!

PLEASE THINK ABOUT & Share Your Thoughts

Dan Powers (LWVDC Candidate Forum Coordinator) is part of a Wisconsin LWV task force looking for ways to increase candidate engagement (especially in partisan races) across the state with the LWV. Here in Door County, we've been quite successful having candidates for nonpartisan and partisan offices participate in our forums. But that's not been the case across the state. At this point, we'd appreciate if you'd brainstorm and share any ideas about the following:

- A. Alternatives to traditional candidate forums
- B. Ways to increase candidate trust in the LWV candidate information endeavors: forums and the Vote 411 candidate information site.

Send your thoughts by January 16 to Dan Powers at vsforums@lwvdoorcounty.org with "Candidate Ideas" in the subject line.

Other important meetings of interest

Thursday, January 19, 4:30 – 7:30 PM, Kress Center, Egg Harbor

Publicize United Way movie "Coming Up for Air." This is a story of a single mom whose college-age son unexpectedly starts suffering a mental illness. This film will create an appreciation of the impact that mental health has on families. After the viewing, stay for a discussion featuring the movie's producer, Roger Rapoport, and local advocates for mental health. This event is open to the public.

Other interests

Upcoming Elections 2023

February 21 - Primary for Justice of the Supreme Court (In-person absentee voting begins Tuesday, February 7)

April 4 - General Election (In-person absentee voting begins Tuesday, March 21)

Welcome new members!

In this section, new members will introduce themselves. We want to get to know you! If you haven't sent us your short bio, please do.

Meet New Member Joan Korb. Joan has lived in Door County for 24 years. She has been a property owner for nearly 30 years, and is a former Door County District Attorney and Assistant District Attorney. Prior to her career in Door County, she was an Assistant Racine County Corporation Counsel, Juvenile Court Commissioner and Assistant District Attorney. She spent nearly 15 years on the Town of Mount Pleasant Zoning Board of Appeals, retiring in 2017, but she has continued to do special prosecution work around the state. Joan is currently the Executive Director and board member of the Wisconsin District Attorneys' Association as well as a board member of the Association of State Prosecutors and the Democratic Party of Door County and a Co-Secretary. She's worked as a poll worker during each of the four 2022 elections and hopes to continue doing so. She and husband Frederic Will, MD, a mostly retired psychiatrist, are both avid travelers and sailors. Joan is a voracious reader, enjoying books she might not chosen otherwise with her book club, and she occasionally writes a column for the *Peninsula Pulse* called "Legal Brief." She is passionate about good government and knowledgeable, accountable elected officials and feels there are not enough hours in the day to accomplish everything she'd like. The Door County League of Women Voters is delighted to welcome Joan as a new member!



Welcome New Member Natalie Morgan! Nataile Morgan (she/they) grew up in New Glarus, WI before attending Emerson College in Boston to study Writing, Literature, and Publishing. They then moved to Austin for six years before making the move to Door County in the summer of 2020 where she works remotely for a software company. Natalie has years of special memories in Door County -- their grandparents used to have a cottage in Egg Harbor and now has parents who also live here full-time. They joined the League to be part of a group that cares about preserving democracy and promoting equality for women, the LGBTQ+ community, and all historically



marginalized identities. Natalie loves to run, write, read, play D&D, and hang out with their two cats Merlin & Arthur. We're so happy you decided to join us, Natalie!

WEBSITE & Dues

If you haven't seen our website recently, check it out: <https://www.lwvdoorcounty.org/Join/Renew> - Membership form is now online!

[Donate](#) - Note the dropdown for type of donation (Membership, Membership + Additional Donation, General Donation) and also the box you can check to help us cover credit card processing fees.

We are continuing to add information to our website. One page in progress is Volunteer Opportunities under the "Our Work" navigation link. Stay tuned for more ways to get involved!

If you have any comments or suggestions, please send them to webteam@lwvdoorcounty.org
If you have questions about your dues contact membership@lwvdoorcounty.org

Communicate with your representatives!

(Post the updated attached list on your refrigerator to have it handy.)

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New 2022-2023 Official County Directories are in

One complimentary copy of the 2022-2023 Official Directory of Door County (**a listing of contact information for county, city, village and town officials**) can be picked up at the County Clerk's office at the Door County government building. This directory is also online at the Door County government website: <http://www.co.door.wi.gov/docview.asp?docid=16450&locid=137>. Additional directories are available for \$4 each.