

LWV DC MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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ANNUAL MEETING MAY 15TH!

2013-14 has been a very busy and eventful year in many ways for our Door County League. Please come and celebrate our accomplishments this year as well as cast your vote for the program and budget for 2014-2015 year! The highlight of the evening will be our program on Judicial Reform presented by Dr. Charley Jacobs, Associate Professor of Judicial Process and American Politics, Pre-Law Advisor, St. Norbert College, De Pere, WI. On Monday, April 14, 2014, he was interviewed on WPR Ideas network. His current research is a collaborative effort with St. Norbert professors of political science Dave Wegge and Wendy Scattergood that explores the public's preference and perception of the selection of judges to state courts. Additionally, Jacobs continues his work on the policymaking capacity of state courts in the arena of public school integration. He has also conducted research on the doctrinal perspectives of United States Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer regarding the rights of the criminally accused under the Constitution. Please attend! Please consider inviting one or more friends to attend with you!

SCHEDULE:

Thursday, May 15th at Mr. G's Supper Club, just south of Jacksonport

5:00 PM – *Registration. Pay for dinner. You can pay dues for 2014-15 at this time.* Time to purchase a beverage or cocktail.

5:30 PM - *Annual Meeting*

We are hoping members will arrive to register, obtain beverages, and be ready to begin the business meeting right

at 5:30 PM. This will allow us to complete our business in plenty of time for dinner. Please plan to be there; we need a quorum to conduct business.

6:15 PM – *Dinner*

Be prepared to pay for your meal when you arrive either by check to LWV Door County or with the correct change.

7:15 – *Program*

Please consider bringing a guest; we'll keep the business meeting brief! The activities of the evening will provide a great introduction to the LWV DC!

The ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA, PROPOSED PROGRAM, and NOMINATIONS REPORT for 2014-2015 follow.

LWV DC ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA:

Thursday, May 15th, 2013, 5:30 PM

Mr. G's Supper Club

Call to Order & Introductions

Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting May 23, 2013

Review Treasurer's Report 2013 -2014

Adoption of Budget 2014 – 2015

Year-End Program Review 2013 – 2014

Adopt Program for 2014 - 2015

Report of Nominating Committee

Election of Officers for 2014 - 2015

Other business

Review membership renewal process and new form, **attached**

Announce planning session for 2014 – 2015

Acknowledgements

Adjourn

Dinner & Program

Proposed LWV DC Local Program 2014-2015

Voter Service activities:

- Encourage active and informed voter participation by holding non-partisan candidate forums
- Publicize information on how to register and vote and distributing voter literature; with an emphasis on engaging young people and exploring the reasons people don't vote

Open Government activities:

- Support videotaping of County Board and county committee meetings
- Monitor meetings of local governmental bodies
- Monitor compliance with open records and open meeting laws

Community education & advocacy:

- Educate and advocate on League positions related to administration of justice, citizen's rights, county government, education, government financing, government structure and procedures, natural resources, social policy, urban policy and other local positions.
- Continue roundtable discussions, educational forums, and studies on topics of interest
- Support the efforts of the Door County Civility Project

LWV DC OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS 2014 - 2015: ** Thanks to the nominating committee – Shirley Senarighi, Karen Ebbeson, Eileen Bohn - for contacting LWV members and creating this slate!

Slate of Officers:

President (one-year term): **Sandy Brown**

Vice President (one year term): **Barb Graul & Shirley Senarighi**

Secretary (two year term): **Susan Kohout** (second year of two-year term in 2014-2015)

Treasurer (two year term): **Victoria Cerinich** (first year of two-year term in 2014-2015) *Treasurer will work with Inge Bacon who will handle all financial transactions.*

Slate of Board Directors:

* Second year of a two-year term in 2014-2015:

Peter Sigmann

Dawn VandeVoort (filling vacancy left by S Senarighi who is on the ballot for Co-VP)

Mark Moeller (filling vacancy left with resignation from the board of M Beller)

* First year of a two-year term in 2014-2015:

Paula Olson

Madeline Harrison

Cheryl Bishop

* Additional LWV members (no more than four) may serve a one-year term as appointed directors on the Board.

Nominating Committee for 2014-15 slate:

Chairperson & board member

Shirley Senarighi

Other non-board members:

Eileen Bohn

Karen Ebbeson

Meal Options for annual dinner: (All of these options include tax, gratuity, a tossed salad, warm rolls, coffee and dessert.)

Sweet bourbon glazed Salmon is absolutely wonderful and is \$20.95.

6 oz. Beef Filet and baked potato \$23

Jacksonport Pasta - mushrooms, onions, artichokes in pesto cream sauce over penne pasta \$19

Salad of spring greens & romaine with dried cherries, walnuts & balsamic vinaigrette \$11

RSVP by May 7, to lwvdeprez@gmail.com or Sandy, 743-8146 with name/s and meal choice/s! Again, please consider bringing a friend!

Congrats to Susan McAninch for the great articles in the Pulse on Civility!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Habitat RESTORE's FREE Recycle Day on Earth Day, April 22, 12-5pm, Sunset Park, see **attached** poster for details!

Door County Library Book Discussions on Civility

2:00 p.m. Sister Bay/Liberty Grove Library Tuesday, April 22

2:00 p.m. Sturgeon Bay Library Thursday, April 24

11:00 a.m. Washington Island Library. Wednesday, April 30

Join Door County Library Director, Becca Berger, in one of three Civility Book Discussions about "**That's Just Rude**," based on "Healing the Heart of Democracy" by Parker Palmer and "Civility" and "The Civility Solution" by P.M. Forni. Those who participated in reading "The Memory of Old Jack" during this winter's Door County Reads may relate to author Wendell Berry's reference to the "Port William membership" and the responsibilities that brought to people in that community. Our sense that we belong to one another means we cannot be "as self-centered as we please." We have "knowledge, an understanding of the necessity of...differences and respect."

Civility Book Discussions are sponsored by the Door County Civility Project with financial support from the Door County Community Fund. Participants and listeners are welcome. Books are available via the library catalog: InfoSoup.org More information is available online at <http://www.doorcountycivilityproject.org/> Consider participating!

April 24 - Denim Day - wear denim to show support for survivors of sexual assault.

April 24 - Golden Heart Volunteer Celebration! Winners will be announced that night, but we already know what a treasure we have in Shirley!

Door County LWV Lunch & Learn April 25th!

The **Door County Civility Project** is nearly one year old and allot has happened in its first year! Susan McAninch and Shirley Senarighi will update LWV members and friends on the status of the Civility Project at a lunch meeting of the Door County League of Women Voters. Please join us at Stone Harbor **Friday, April 25 at 11:30 a.m.** to learn more. Anyone is welcome! To make your lunch reservation, please call Susan Kohout at 743-1527 before Thursday, April 24.

Sustainable Living Fair, April 26, 10 am - 4 pm, Martin Park, volunteers needed for 1-2 hr. shifts! Call Sandy, 743-8146

LWV DC ANNUAL Meeting, May 15, Mr. G's, see above for details

Judicial Reform - Dr. Jacobs - St. Norbert

[LWV WI Annual Meeting, May 30-31st, Appleton, car going if you want to ride, call Susie K., 743-1527.](#)

June 7, Climate Change Forum,
http://cccdoorcountywi.files.wordpress.com/2014/04/climateawarenessprogram_2014.pdf

LWVLMR Annual Meeting, October 3-5, 2014, Traverse City, MI

TerraCycle - Bring your items to the Annual Meeting and we will get them to Sustain Door!

FACEBOOK & WEBSITE: Read our calendar and Board agenda and minutes on our website as above and if the link doesn't work, copy and paste it into your browser. You can follow us on twitter and Like our facebook page, too:
<https://www.facebook.com/#!/LWVDoorCounty>

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