



Advocating for YOUR Issues... LWV-RMA Presents:

After we've elected our representatives in government,
do we keep in touch with them?



- Where should I begin?
- What's the most effective strategy?
- How can I make MY voice heard?

Jennifer Wilson, Legislative Director for the League of Women Voters of
New York State, will lead a panel discussion

DATE – late April (TBA)



Watch your email for details and plan to attend!

Bring your questions!



**League of Women Voters
Rochester Metro Area
Mission Statement**

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Voter education is one of the League’s most important functions, and the League encourages all citizens to register and to cast an informed vote.

The League does not support political parties or candidates, but does take stands on important issues after careful study and research.

Membership in the League is open to all persons who are at least 16 years of age.

Those under 16 can be associate members.

President’s Corner

Happy Spring? Happy BUSY Spring for those of us in the League!

As you’ll see in this edition of The Voter, 2018 continues to be very productive indeed.

Please mark your calendar and register for the April 14 LWVNY State Regional Training Session. Representatives from our State League will be at the Rush Henrietta Senior High School from 10:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. offering information on a wide variety of topics and issues – and answering any questions. It’s a networking opportunity and a great chance to learn. Hope to see you there!

And our April forum is still in the planning stages, but with all that’s happening in our nation, state, county and towns these days, making our voices heard is more than ever a critical part of citizenship. So we’ll be offering a workshop led Jennifer Wilson, LWVNY State Legislative Director, with a panel of representatives of elected officials offering solid advice on how to advocate effectively. As soon as details are confirmed we’ll let you know... (Note that LWVNY State will also be holding a Lobby Day in Albany on April 24, more information and registration form can be found at https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/i_ElCtAUOhYyrY6YYjXYp0g - and if you’d like to carpool, please contact president@lww-rma.org or 585-262-3730.)

Our League has been receiving more requests than ever from students to assist in voter registration at schools and various events, including the March 24 March for Our Lives. Thanks to our many member volunteers who attend and register voters. Of course, the follow-up challenge is getting those newly registered voters to the polls for elections. We have a new group working on just that, and all suggestions are most welcome!

Please remember that our Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 7, at 4:00 p.m. at Locust Hill Country Club. It’s a wonderful mix of business and pleasure open to all members. Next month’s Voter will include the information to be voted upon: next year’s proposed budget, the slate of candidates for our Board of Directors and Nominating Committee, and proposed updates/revisions to our bylaws. And you’ll also learn who will be honored with awards for their excellent work in the past year and throughout their lives. Please mark your calendar and save the date!

Remember that we’re part of a dynamic organization on national, state and local levels – you’ll find excellent resources on the websites of LWVUS (www.lwv.org), LWVNY State (www.lwvny.org) and our own www.lwv-rma.org. Please check them regularly!

As always thank you for all that you do to Make Democracy Work for All!

In League,
Mary Hussong-Kallen
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League of Women Voters of NYS Regional Training Meeting April 14, 2018

The League of Women Voters of NYS invites all members to come to your local training workshop – one of several being held on Saturdays from 10:00-3:00 in March and April at various locations across the state. All members are invited to attend at least part of the day. Lunch will be provided and will allow for informal networking among the attendees (no program). There is a \$20 charge to cover other expenses.

April 14 - Rochester Area
(Rush Henrietta Senior High School, 1799 Lehigh Station Rd, Henrietta, NY 14467)

Tentative Workshop Topics

- Moderating Candidate Forums
- Creatively Managing Your Local League
- Getting your Members Active on Issues
- Motivating Voters to Vote
- Engaging Youth in Our Democracy
- Social Media & Apps for Engaging New Members and the Public
- Becoming a Player in Your Community: Observer Corps, Hot Topics & Collaboration
- Raising Funds & Having Fun
- Making the Most of Voter Service Activities
- Civic Education & Engagement for Students & Communities

Register online OR download and complete registration form. Links can be found on LWVNYS homepage www.lwvny.org.

To register by mail, send completed registration form and \$20 check payable to LWVNYS to: League of Women Voters of NYS, 62 Grand St, Albany, NY 12207.

Or with credit card, by fax 518-465-0812 or by phone 518-465-4162 or email Meg@lwvny.org.

This is an excellent League
networking opportunity.
See you there!

Naturalization Ceremonies

A large group of candidates for citizenship were naturalized at the George Eastman House Museum on March 8. Apparently, 101 is the largest number of candidates that Monroe County has ever had at an oath ceremony. Lois Winterkorn and Katherine Smith welcomed the candidates at this morning event.

At the March 15 naturalization ceremony held at the Monroe County Office Building, Mimi Wilson spoke about voting and helped new citizens register to vote.

Our 2018 schedule for Naturalizations is up on the website at lwv-rma.org. Anyone interested in attending a ceremony should please contact Sheila Abeling at sheiler162007@gmail.com or 585-223-6819. Every ceremony is unique. You will enjoy the experience and you won't be disappointed that you attended.

Sheila Abeling, sheiler162007@gmail.com



Cost is just
\$10 again this year!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

It's nearly time and you will be WISE (Warmly Invited and Strongly Encouraged) to attend our Annual Meeting!

Please plan to join us on Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.
at Locust Hill Country Club.

- Vote for new slate of candidates to our Board of Directors and Nominating Committee, by-laws revisions and the Budget for 2018-2019
- Honor Milestone League members
- Celebrate Carrie Chapman Catt & Making Democracy Work Award winners
- Acknowledge the members who earned You Make Us Proud Awards this year
- Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, punch, coffee, tea, cash bar – and wonderful company!

Forum: Women Voted in New York – Before Columbus

On March 19, Dr. Sally Roesch Wagner, Professor at Syracuse University and Director of Matilda Joslyn Gage Center for Social Justice Dialogue, provided a provocative and stimulating presentation on the contributions of Native American women to the suffragist movement.

Dr. Wagner spoke about Matilda Joslyn Gage, a founding member of the National Woman Suffrage Association with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton and their co-author of the first three volumes of *The History of Woman Suffrage*. Gage's views on suffrage and feminism were influenced by associations she had with Haudenosaunee women and were considered too radical by many members of the suffrage association. Ultimately, she left the NWSA and her role in the suffrage movement was omitted from history.

In contrasting the role of Haudenosaunee women to that of white women, Dr. Wagner said that Haudenosaunee women do not see their role as one of power or rights because they already have them. Rather, they consider their role as a responsibility.

Dr. Wagner concluded her remarks by saying that when life on our planet hangs in the balance, we should do what the founding fathers and the suffragists did – listen and learn from examples of the Haudenosaunee who lived in harmony with each other and the earth.

After the program, some LWV-RMA members discussed the possibility of League outings related to the presentation – a trip to Ganondagan to view the new exhibit “Hodinöhsö:ni’ Women: From the Time of Creation” and a trip to Fayetteville, NY, to visit the Matilda Joslyn Gage Home.



LWV-RMA President Mary Hussong-Kallen with Kimberly Byers.



Judy Steinberg and Judy Weinstein conferring before the meeting.



Dr. Wagner and Judy Weinstein during the Q & A session.



Dr. Sally Roesch Wagner discussing how Native American women were a major resource for suffragettes

Advocacy for Early Voting in New York State

Each year LWVNYS develops its legislative priorities and asks Leagues throughout the state to visit their local Assembly Members and State Senators to discuss the issues. We provide information about these issues and seek the elected officials' positions and concerns. This year, LWVNYS decided that because early voting is so important it would be the sole issue to be raised during legislative interviews. We asked our legislators for support of early voting and its funding, as presented in Governor Cuomo's Executive Budget. The budget calls for in-person early voting, not no-excuse absentee voting, since no-excuse absentee voting would require an amendment to the state constitution.

Ann Carmody, Katherine Smith, and Judy Weinstein have met with almost all the local members of the state legislature or senior staff, receiving cordial welcomes at all offices. It was heartening that while there were some concerns about the length of the early voting period in the Governor's proposal and about the costs that would be incurred with early voting, almost all the legislators were supportive of the concept of early voting.

As you read this, the budget has been adopted and early voting has not come to New York. Our state is one of only 13 without any form of early voting – either in-person or no-excuse absentee. Please see LWVNYS statement below and pages 6 through 8 for information on LWVNYS Post-Budget Advocacy.

Judy Weinstein, *Government/Advocacy committee*



Contact: Jennifer Wilson, 518-465-4162

March 31, 2018

At the end of last session, the League vowed that we would fight, harder than ever before; to ensure early voting was included in the state budget. We stuck to that promise but even with the help of dozens of other organizations and thousands of passionate New Yorkers, the legislature and Governor failed to deliver. We are furious that the two houses and executive have once again kicked the can down the road. Last year, the Majority in the Senate claimed that early voting would be impossible without funding, and they're right. We need early voting to be funded in the budget in order to avoid imposing an unfunded mandate on localities, but it's not too late to pass the language necessary to have early voting in 2019. There is still time in this session to pass early voting with a start date of 2019 and the ability to fund the reform in next year's budget. We are not done fighting; New York has been waiting too long. We must pass early voting before June 20th.

Voter Services Seeking to Reach Our Entire Community

As Spring inches its way to Rochester, Voter Services has begun to schedule a broad spectrum of activities that will be at a peak over the summer. A key focus is to build upon existing relationships and to work cooperatively with other organizations with constituencies that help us to serve our entire community. We know that to be relevant and most effective we need to expand beyond the footprint of our own membership.

All are likely aware of our cooperative efforts with organizations such as the National Council of Jewish Women, the Susan B. Anthony House, La Cumbre government committee, and so many others in the areas of Program and Voter Services. An exciting new voter registration effort is in the formative stages with the Islamic Center. In addition, a new partnership is being formed with Nazareth College, focusing on Getting Out The Vote (GOTV) among students. We hope to learn from the Nazareth students, and use that knowledge in future GOTV efforts at other local schools.







When it comes to building on existing efforts and relationships we are encouraged by outreach to us from various school and college groups who have 'caught the bug' of political engagement. They seek our support and the benefit of our outstanding materials with voter registration and education events that they are organizing. At the high school level the inspiration of the Parkland FL student activists has taken hold in Monroe County. Our education group is taking up these new requests as a natural outgrowth of our existing capabilities and experience with the RCSD. Let's hope this youthful enthusiasm takes permanent hold and moves NY higher than 41st in voter turnout in the future.

We encourage all who are interested to join the education group, to volunteer for voter registration events, and to join us in facilitating relationships with any groups wanting to build voter registration and voter turnout.





Ida Holloran, *Voter Services Committee Member*

LWVNYS POST-BUDGET ADVOCACY PRIORITIES



Election Law Reform

Issue	Description	Bill Numbers
Early Voting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The League supports enacting early voting in New York State. Currently 37 states allow for some form of early voting. Early voting should be implemented in a manner that will allow equivalent access to the polls for all voters. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S.7400A (Kavanagh) Relates to establishing early voting and the New York state early voting fund
Voter Registration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The League supports Election Day registration, on the same day, as a proven method of increasing voter participation. The League supports reducing the voter registration deadline to 10 days before an election. The League supports pre-registration of 16 and 17 year olds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A.9609 (Lavine) / S.1661 (Carlucci) Allows for pre-registration of 16 and 17 year olds. S.2478A (Gianaris) Amends Constitution to remove requirement of registering to vote 10 days before an election.
Automatic Voter Registration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently 10 states and DC have automatic voter registration (AVR) The League supports an opt-in AVR system that would not require voters to duplicate information. The League supports all state agencies participating in an AVR program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S.3304A (Gianaris) Enacts the "voter empowerment act of New York" to streamline the process for registering to vote. Allows state agencies to automatically register voters.
No-Excuse Absentee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The League supports a constitutional amendment to allow for no-excuse absentee voting. Currently 27 states and the District of Columbia allow for no-excuse absentee voting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. 7623 (Vanel) / S.0840 (Comrie) Amends the State Constitution to authorize ballot by mail by removing cause for absentee ballot voting.
Ballot Design 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The League supports improvements to ballot design that would make have a clear delineation between offices with a bold vertical bar between offices and a fine line between the candidates, a larger font with an absolute minimum size, and fill-in circles in black instead of gray. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S.1512 (Avella) Creates the Voter Friendly Ballot Act which would create a ballot layout that is easy for voters to read and use.
Single June Primary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The League supports legislation that would create a single combined congressional and state June primary date and would bring New York State into compliance with the Military Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A.9925 (Lavine)/ S.3562 (Stewart-Cousins) Allows for the consolidation of state and congressional primaries to create a single June primary.



Campaign Finance and Ethics Reforms

<p>Ban “Pay to Play</p> 	<p>Ban “Pay to Play.” Strict “pay to play” restrictions on state vendors. The U.S. Attorney’s charges that \$800 million in state contracts were rigged to benefit campaign contributors to the governor underscores the need to strictly limit contributions from those seeking state contracts.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A.6808 (Galef)/ S.6306 (Avella) An act to amend the public officers law, in relation to prohibiting members of the legislature from obtaining funding and providing such funds to any business entity or not-for-profit entities in which such officials, members, domestic partners or certain relatives hold official or legal positions.
<p>Close “LLC Loophole.”</p> 	<p>Close “LLC Loophole.” Ban unlimited campaign contributions via Limited Liability Companies. LLCs have been at the heart of some of Albany’s largest scandals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A.9758A (Simon) / S.27149 (Kavanagh) An act to amend the election law, in relation to political contributions
<p>Strict Limits on Outside Income</p> 	<p>Strict Limits on Outside Income. Real limits on the outside income for legislators and the executive branch. Moonlighting by top legislative leaders and top members of the executive branch has triggered indictments by the federal prosecutors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (A.5831) Santabarbara Relates to prohibiting outside income for members of the legislature in excess of fifteen percent of gross annual salary.
<p>Create a Database of Deals</p> 	<p>Create a Database of Deals. A “Database of Deals” will list all state economic development benefits, including grants, loans or tax abatements awarded to a particular business or organization. The “Database of Deals” will also include the cost to taxpayers of each job created, and create a uniform definition of what a “job” is across subsidy programs including full-time, part-time, permanent, and contract jobs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A.8175(Schimminger) Relates to the creation of a searchable database; requires the Urban Development Corporation to create or modify an existing searchable database including information on qualified participants receiving state economic development benefits.

Campaign Finance

<p>Ban Pay to Play A.6808 (Galef)/ S.6306 (Avella)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2016, the District Attorney of Southern New York discovered that \$800 million in state contracts were rigged to benefit campaign contributors to the governor. • The general purpose of this legislation is to bar state legislators and state-wide officials from allocating state-funding through grants or member items to organization or businesses entities where their relatives serve in an official or legal position. This includes relatives serving as an unpaid volunteer. • This common sense conflict of interest reform would prevent elected officials from unfairly favoring business entities, non-profits, and corporations that employ their relatives. • The law would prevent these officials from allocating tax payer money that would directly benefit their relatives. This law would include relatives by blood, marriage, and adoption.
<p>Close “LLC Loophole.” A.975A (Simon)/ S.27149 (Kavanagh)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Limited Liability Loophole is a legal loophole that allows large donors to give millions of dollars of campaign contributions through limited liability companies (LLCs). • These LLCs do not have to disclose the individual entities or individuals that are part of the LLC. • This bill would add Limited Liability Companies to section 14-116 of the election law to make them subject to the \$5,000 limit on contributions from corporations. • The bill would also amend Election Law to require all contributions made to a campaign or political committee by a LLC be attributed to each member of the LLC.

Ethics

<p>Strict Limits on Outside Income A.5831 (Santabarbara)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our part time state legislature allows many members supplement their legislative salary with outside income, which can include working for private employers or clients that have business before the state or are impacted by legislative actions. • Recent scandals in Albany have revealed that members of the legislature, working part time in other capacities, have received kickbacks from clients in exchange for pushing desired reforms. • Restricting the amount of outside income state legislators can earn is an important step in restoring the public trust in their state government. • This legislation would cap outside income at 15%. This is the same cap applied to members of Congress.
<p>Create a Database of Deals A.8175 (Schimminger)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This legislation would require the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) to create and maintain a searchable State subsidy and economic development benefits database on its website. • The database would include the name and location of the benefit recipient, the type of benefit received, the amount of economic development benefits received for the current reporting year, the time span of received economic, development benefits, the total number of employees at all sites of a project, the number of jobs a participant is obligated to retain and create during the project, a statement of compliance indicating if any other State agency has reduced, cancelled or recaptured economic development benefits from a participant. • The Database of Deals would make fundamental information about business subsidies known to the public and establish a foundation for greater accountability.

MEDIA RELEASE FROM LWVUS

A Census Citizenship Question Undermines Our Rights

Late last night it was announced that the Commerce Department has made the decision to include a question pertaining to citizenship in the 2020 Census.

Make no mistake: this decision isn't about improving demographic data on citizenship.

It's designed to frighten immigrants—citizens and noncitizens alike—so they won't participate in the Census. It's a blatant political maneuver meant to disenfranchise these groups and deny them equal representation.

Including this question on the Census undermines the rights of eligible voters and threatens a process vital to our democracy.

For more than 200 years, the Census has collected information about the geographic distribution of our population so we can provide representation and invest in our communities equitably.

Without a complete count of our nation's people, businesses will not have the tools to make sound investment decisions that keep our communities thriving.

The United States Constitution mandates an accurate count of all people living in the United States – not all citizens. Non-citizens are an integral part of our economy and need to be included in the 2020 Census to paint a complete picture of our great country.

The clock is ticking toward 2020.

Stand with us as we call on Congress to take action to correct this issue before it's too late.

Chris Carson

President of the LWVUS



Please Note!

FEDERAL PRIMARY DAY ELECTION: JUNE 26

- **June 1** last day to postmark voter registration form or to register in person to vote in primary
- **June 19** last day to postmark application for absentee ballot for federal primary election
- **June 25** last day to apply in person for primary absentee ballot
- **June 26** last day to deliver absentee ballot in person to County BOE

STATE AND LOCAL PRIMARY DAY ELECTION: SEPTEMBER 13

*** THE PRIMARY HAS BEEN MOVED TO THURSDAY

- **Aug. 19** last day to postmark voter registration form or to register in person to vote in primary
- **Sept. 6** last day to postmark application for absentee ballot for primary election
- **Sept. 12** last day to apply in person for primary absentee ballot
- **Sept. 13** last day to deliver absentee ballot in person to County BOE

GENERAL ELECTION DAY: NOV. 6

- **Oct. 12** last day to postmark voter registration form or register in person at BOE
- **Oct. 12** last day to change party enrollment for 2019 primaries
- **Oct. 30** last day to postmark application for absentee ballot
- **Nov 5** last day to apply in person for absentee ballot
- **Nov. 5** last day to postmark ballot for general election
- **Nov. 6** last day to deliver absentee ballot in person to BOE

FROM LWVUS

Talking Points: Citizenship Question in 2020 Census

NEW 2020 CENSUS QUESTION

Late in the evening on March 26, 2018, the Commerce Department announced the addition of an untested and unnecessary question to the 2020 Census form, which will ask every person in America about their citizenship status.

This issue can be overturned, and we will fight to see it removed from the 2020 Census.

Our strategy to counter this decision will be three parts:

- Characterize the decision by the Commerce Department to include the question as WRONG – and if the question remains, it will have a major impact on the accuracy of the Census.
- Reiterate the importance of the Census and the many uses of Census data for all communities.
- Action: We will fight to fix this and work with everyone who cares about the accuracy of the Census to change the decision and remove the question on citizenship from the Census.

TALKING POINTS: CITIZENSHIP QUESTION IN 2020 CENSUS

Why including a question about citizenship is wrong and if this question remains, it will harm the results of the Census:

- The Constitution says to count all persons – not all citizens.
- The Commerce Secretary made a wrong decision to include this question in the Census.
- This unnecessary citizenship question is invasive and will raise concerns about the confidentiality of personal information.
- This intrusive question will cause participation in the Census to plummet.
- This question is a political move designed to frighten immigrants into not participating in the Census.
- The cost of adding an untested question this late in the process is significant to taxpayers.

WHY IT IS CRITICAL TO GET THE 2020 CENSUS RIGHT:

- Getting an accurate count in the 2020 Census is critical to all American communities.
- Millions of people including community groups, local officials and business entrepreneurs rely on the Census to provide accurate, comprehensive data about our nation that impacts us all:
- Census data is the basis for fair political representation and this data is used to draw district lines reflective of the population.
- Community leaders use Census data to allocate resources including public safety planning and disaster response, education needs, hospitals, assistance for veterans and transportation.
- Business leaders use Census data to make investment decisions that boost economic growth.
- We only get one chance every ten years to get this right. The Census must be done fairly and accurately.

WE WILL FIGHT TO FIX THIS DECISION AND REMOVE THE CITIZENSHIP QUESTION FROM THE 2020 CENSUS:

- This is not a partisan issue. There is bipartisan opposition to adding the citizenship question, including 61 members of Congress; more than 160 Democratic and Republican mayors; six former Census directors who served in Republican and Democratic administrations; 19 attorneys general; the statistical community; and several dozen business leaders from across the country.
- We call on Congress to reverse this decision and remove the citizenship question from the Census. The stakes are too high to allow this question to derail the count.
- It is up to Congress to exercise oversight and appropriations authority over the Census Bureau.
- We will join forces with business leaders, elected officials of all parties as well as grassroots leaders and civic activists to defend our Census.
- We call on our mayors, our city council members and local officials to speak out about this issue and tell Congress they must take action to fix this error in judgment.
- State officials are already acting. The state of California has filed a lawsuit and the state of New York plans to lead a multistate legal effort in opposition of the untested citizenship question on the 2020 Census.



Coming Events!



April

- 5 Naturalization Ceremony (1:00 p.m., Rochester City Hall, 30 Church Street)
- 6 First Friday (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., I-Square)
- 14 LWVNYS Regional Training (10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Rush Henrietta Senior HS)
- 10 Book Club: *Sex Wars: A Novel of Gilded Age New York* by Marge Piercy (1:00 – 2:00 p.m., Greenhouse Café, 2271 East Main Street)
- 24 LWVNYS Advocacy Training Day 2018 (10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., New York State Museum, Albany) (https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/i_ELcAUOhYyrY6YYjXYp0g)
- 26 Naturalization Ceremony (9:30 a.m., Minerva DeLand School)

May

- 4 First Friday (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., I-Square)
- 10 Naturalization Ceremony (10:00 a.m., Monroe County Office Building)
- 14 Naturalization Ceremony (10:00 a.m., RIT Ingle Auditorium Bldg. 4-SAU)

June

- 1 11:00 a.m. First Friday, I-Square, 400 Bakers Park
- 7 LWV-RMA Annual Meeting (4:00 p.m., Locust Hill Country Club)

**Democracy is not a
spectator sport.
Tag! You're It!**

Be sure to check your email and our website for other events as they are scheduled!

Don't Miss First Fridays with LWV-RMA

Join League colleagues for lunch or a mid-day coffee break each First Friday of the month, 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. at I-Square, 400 Bakers Park, at Titus Avenue, Irondequoit, NY 14617

April 6, 2018

May 4, 2018

June 1, 2018

No need to RSVP. Pencil us in on your calendar and join when you can! There's a place at the table for you!



Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 2:00 P.M. at Asbury First UMC. Board meetings are open to all members.

Government Committee meets monthly. For details, call Elaine Schmidt at 530-7414.

Naturalization ceremonies are usually held on second Thursday of each month. Check League website for updated info each month.

Forums are open to the public. Calendar information is subject to change.

For more complete information, consult our website at www.LWV-RMA.org, call 262-3730 or e-mail us at info@lwv-rma.org



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