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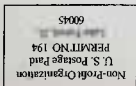
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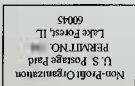
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1st Vice President (State/  
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Treasurer

Program

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Nominating Committee Chair  
and two members.

Please contact Elaine Slayton, Chair of the Nominating Committee at 295-0275, by fax at 615-0542, or e-mail at [eslayton@netscape.net](mailto:eslayton@netscape.net) with any suggestions BY FEBRUARY 11TH PLEASE! Self nominations are also permitted, with no promises made.

The Leagues of Women Voters of the 10 Congressional District are coordinating and co-sponsoring

## Candidate Forums for the 10th Congressional District for the Republican Primary

Tuesday, February 29, 7:00 pm  
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95 W. Deerpath Rd., Lake Forest

co-sponsored by the Leagues of Deerfield - Lincolnshire,  
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Libertyville - Mundelein Area, and Waukegan - Zion

Sunday March 5, 3:00 pm  
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7 Happ Rd, Bldg A, Northfield

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Moderator: Sue Calder

The eleven Republican candidates have been invited to participate. Candidates will give opening and closing statements and will address issues selected by the audience.

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	<a href="http://www.lccampaign.org">www.lccampaign.org</a>

National League: [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org)

National program planning is in the works. This year we are participating in national program planning in three ways: with a local league survey of the national positions, sending delegates, and a survey for the membership at large, "Program Planning in Transition."

At this month's board meeting (February 8th, 9:00 am at the Lake Bluff Community Room, in the Police Station, across the street from Village Hall) we will discuss the National Program. We will suggest to National to either retain, drop or request an update for each position the LWVUS holds. A brief statement of the LWVUS positions can be found in your Membership directory. We will also submit an issue for emphasis to the LWVUS. If you are interested in participating in the National Program Planning at this level we welcome you at our next Board meeting.

We are planning to send two members as delegates to the National Convention in Washington, D.C. this June. At the convention the issue for emphasis (which has been "Making Democracy Work") for 2000 - 2002 will be decided. Delegates will also vote on the national budget, any bylaw or program changes and the adoption of any National Study if one is proposed.

Every member is asked to participate in a planning survey. The center of this month's League Lines is the "Program Planning in Transition" survey. This same survey was included in your Dec/Jan 2000 issue of *National Voter*. I encourage you to fill out and submit the survey. This is the first year that the LWVUS is taking input from every member. In the past, members have been represented by delegates from their local leagues at the National Convention. This will also happen in June in Washington, D.C. However, this year, in addition to using delegates, National is interested in getting input from every member. You may fill the survey out on your own. You may discuss it with other members. If you want to discuss any of the questions feel free to call me at 615-7141. I would be happy to talk about the issues or pair you up with other members. The deadline for the survey is March 1, 2000. Please enjoy the privilege and take the responsibility to voice your opinion.

Thanks,

*Bav*



The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff is a nonpartisan organization that encourages citizens to play an informed and active role in government.

At the time of registration, the League works to inform citizens through education and advocacy. Any person of voting age, male or female, may become a League member.

Announcing...

**Presidents' Cocktail Party***a fund-raiser for the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Area*

at the home of Lt. Governor Corinne Wood  
191 North Mayflower Road, Lake Forest



Friday, February 25  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
\$10.00 per person

RSVP by February 23 to Alice Flaherty, 295-8525

Please bring one of the following to share: an appetizer, a bottle of wine (2/couple), or a dessert.

For your contribution to be tax-deductible, make checks payable to: LWVIL Education Fund.

If you are unable to attend, contributions may be sent to:  
LWV-LF-LB, 400 E. Illinois Road, Lake Forest, IL 60045

**Learn more about foreign policy issues. Join Great Decisions!**

Great Decisions is an interest group sponsored jointly by the LWVLF-LB Area and the American Association of University Women to discuss timely foreign policy topics.

Programs are based on the briefing books and videotapes of the Foreign Policy Association.

The Great Decisions briefing book highlights eight of today's most significant, far-reaching foreign policy issues. In compelling presentations, Great Decisions provides facts and nonpartisan analysis of the "great decisions" facing the U.S. public and policy makers.

WHEN: 2nd Friday of each month, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

WHERE: Betty Buker's, 485 Oakwood Av., Lake Forest

February 11 Russia: Report Card on Survival

March 10 Indonesia in Aftershock

April 14 The Military: What Role in U.S. Foreign Policy?

May 12 Middle East Realignment: New Directions for the Next Millennium

June 8 The Euro's Challenge to the Dollar: King Kong versus Godzilla?

September 14 Africa: Prospects for the Future

October 12 Defining Humanitarian Intervention

November 9 U.S. Interests in the World: Time for a Redefinition

*"An informed public is the ultimate foundation of a successful foreign policy"*

Come when you can, attendance is flexible. For information call Diane Lloyd, 615-9182 or Betty Buker, 234-4509.

We are very sorry to have to inform you that one of our dear and long time members, Elizabeth Peters has passed away. There will be a memorial service on Saturday, February 12, 2000 at 11:00 am at Union Church in Lake Bluff. Elizabeth worked with and was a friend to many League members. She will truly be missed.

## Shields Township Study Update

Since May 1999, the Shields Township Study Committee has been meeting monthly and gathering information. The members of the Study Committee are Bev Adamczyk and Ann Hamlin, co-chairs, with Bob Bednar, Kathy Blahunka, Eleanor Knight, Audrey Nixon and Alice Stevert. The scope of our study is to define the revenues and expenditures of Shields Township, the duties and responsibilities of Shields Township and the relationship of services provided by Shields Township with those of the other municipalities of Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, North Chicago and the County of Lake. This first article from the committee will concentrate on the duties and responsibilities of Shields Township.

Townships have three state mandated responsibilities: 1) to provide General Assistance; 2) to assess property within the Township and 3) to maintain roads in unincorporated areas of the Township. Overseeing the responsibilities are a Township Supervisor (General Assistance), an Assessor, and a Road Commissioner. The three positions are elected and each is accountable directly to the electorate.

In addition to the above mentioned elected positions, Shields Township has five other elected officials; a Town Clerk, and four Trustees. All eight offices are four year positions, beginning and expiring at the same time. The offices are voted on during the consolidated Primary Elections (February) and the Consolidated Elections (April) in the odd numbered year following the presidential election. The next Shields Township elections will be in 2001.

The Township Supervisor is responsible for the oversight

of General Assistance. GA is a social program to provide aid for persons in severe financial hardship who do not qualify for other welfare type programs. Any resident of Shields Township may apply for GA when their financial situation warrants. The guidelines for awarding GA are outlined by the State and Shields Township follows the State's guidelines quite closely. GA is usually a temporary assistance, as recipients are required to participate in job search or educational programs as a part of the program. Shields Township employs a part time social worker to handle GA applicants. Although it is not mandated Shields also has an Emergency Assistance program for township residents requiring immediate, one-time assistance.

The Township Assessor is the elected official who maintains the Equalized Assessed Valuations on all the parcels in the Township. It is the Assessor's job to ensure that all property valuations are comparable to the market rate. Property valuations are turned into Lake County, where the County Collector uses the valuation as part of the equation for tax bills. Did you know that you may (and should) visit the Assessor's office and view the file on your home and property?

Shields Township has a little over 9 miles of road in unincorporated areas. The maintenance (paving, repair, plowing, lighting) of the roads is the sole responsibility of the Road Commissioner.

The Supervisor, Assessor and Road Commissioner may work independently or jointly. In Shields, the Supervisor and

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\$25 per person

### League of Women Voters Seventh Annual Luncheon To Commemorate Women's History Month

Saturday, March 11, 2000

11:30 am Reception Noon Luncheon  
Valley-Lo Sports Club  
2200 Tanglewood Drive, Glenview

### "Diversity on the North Shore - An Asian Perspective"

Guest Panel: Olivia Chui, social worker for the Wilmette Police Department  
Jae Choi-Kim, past president, the Korean American Citizens Coalition  
Chiye Tomahiro, Japanese American Service League

RSVP by March 6

Make checks payable to the League of Women Voters of Evanston Ed Fund  
Mail to: LWV of Evanston Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave., Evanston, IL 60203

Reservations limited - respond by March 6

For more information, call 866-7844

Co-sponsored by the North Shore Leagues of Evanston, Glencoe, Glenview, Park Ridge, Wilmette, and Winnetka/Northfield/Kennilworth

# PROGRAM PLANNING IN TRANSITION

## Members Shape the Work of the League

**T**HANKS for participating in the League's new planning process! We are seeking input from as many League members as possible on the broadest range of questions ever. You will help shape the work of the League through the next biennium.

We know from our recent survey research that volunteers appreciate choices when it comes to giving their valuable time and energy to a cause. That's why we are asking you to decide for yourself the best way to fill out this survey.

We've broadened the range of questions that used to define program planning. That's because League work involves so much more than just adding and dropping positions. Through this new process, we hope to show members the many ways we strive to fulfill our mission and seek your advice about how we can best do this in the future.

Our recently concluded Future Plan, which you received in the September/October *National Voter*, sets a course for the League as we move forward into the next century. Our goal for Program Planning in Transition is to ensure that we keep true to this course, making steady and significant progress toward our goal of Making Democracy Work.

Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins, *President*

Mary Ann Burt, *Chair, Program Planning Team*

fill this out online at

[www.lww.org](http://www.lww.org)

by clicking on the Members Only section

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### Our Positions

**1.** You'll notice that this survey does not ask you to review every standing LWVUS position. That activity has failed to yield valuable insights, resulting in many positions remaining on the books unchanged throughout rapidly changing times.

You have told us—at recent conventions and councils and through much correspondence—that the League needs to keep its positions up-to-date. The challenge is determining which positions are most outdated, which ought to be priorities for updating and what process will work best to accomplish this task.

Because this concern has been evident for some time, and many good suggestions have been made, we are prepared to make some proposals. It's up to you to tell us if we're on the right track. Your League board has been sent a separate *Leader's Guide* that will provide them with an opportunity to review all existing LWVUS positions.

**PROPOSAL:** That the LWVUS systematically review each position area (Government, International Relations, Natural Resources and Social Policy) on a rotating schedule through successive bienniums, choosing a priority position or positions within each position area for in-depth review and update. Please circle your response.

**AGREE                      DISAGREE**

**PROPOSAL:** That this process commence with a review of the International Relations area in the 2000–2002 biennium. Please circle your response.

**AGREE                      DISAGREE**

We have identified two positions within this area that would benefit from a thorough review and updating. Let us know what you think is most important.

**QUESTION:** Which position shall the LWVUS review and update in the 2000–2002 biennium? Please circle one of the following three options:

**United Nations      Trade      Other** \_\_\_\_\_

### Identifying Community Concerns

**2.** Increasingly, League projects seek to involve citizens in public life through work on issues that are important to diverse groups within a community. As citizens become engaged, they are more likely to participate in all aspects of civic life, including voting.

Following Council '99, state League presidents identified areas of concern (see below) that they thought would most engage citizens in their communities. Knowing which areas of concern are common to Leagues around the country will help the LWVUS focus its field support resources in ways that will serve grass-roots community organizing efforts. Help us identify these emerging local issues.

**QUESTION:** Which of the following are areas of concern to the public in your community? Please choose one primary and two secondary areas of concern.

Discrimination . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Economy . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Education . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Election Reform . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Environment . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Health Care . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Sustainability . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Tax . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Transportation . . . . . Primary      Secondary

Other (list below) . . . . . Primary      Secondary

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### Serving State and Local Leagues

**3.**

As Leagues conduct civic participation projects in their communities, there are challenges and opportunities for our organization. The LWVUS is committed to helping state and local Leagues leverage the most impact, visibility and organizational development from these efforts. Tell us where our help is needed most.

**QUESTION:** In which of the following areas would your League most benefit from LWVUS support? Please pick one primary and up to three secondary areas.

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|--|---------|-----------|
| Leadership Development . . . . .             | Primary | Secondary |
| Diversity Training . . . . .                 | Primary | Secondary |
| Coalition Building . . . . .                 | Primary | Secondary |
| Fundraising Skills . . . . .                 | Primary | Secondary |
| Media Skills . . . . .                       | Primary | Secondary |
| Issue Background/<br>Research . . . . .      | Primary | Secondary |
| Facilitation/<br>Moderation Skills . . . . . | Primary | Secondary |
| Grant Writing/<br>Management . . . . .       | Primary | Secondary |
| Membership<br>Recruitment . . . . .          | Primary | Secondary |

### Diversity

**4.**

Now that the work of the League's Diversity Implementation Task Force is complete, it is up to every League to embrace the concept of diversity, taking advantage of opportunities to work with diverse groups and build a diverse membership. As the nation's demographics change, so must the League's. That is how we will remain strong and viable in the next century.

**QUESTION:** What are the most appropriate and effective ways for your League to work with underrepresented communities? Please pick two.

- Focus Get-Out-the-Vote efforts in underrepresented communities
- Target underrepresented communities for civic participation projects
- Develop leadership-training programs and recruit community members
- Work in coalition on issues of concern to the community

**QUESTION:** Where do you see the need for League focus in voters service activities and/or civic engagement? Pick as many as apply.

- Economically disadvantaged communities
- Emerging democracies around the world
- Ethnic/minority communities
- Newly naturalized citizens
- Senior citizens
- Students
- Young adults (under 30)



## Voters Services

5.

Enhancing voter participation has long been at the core of League work.

For many years that meant conducting voter registration drives, publishing voters guides and hosting candidate forums.

As we enter a new millennium, we face many new challenges and opportunities. Declining voter turnout, growing distaste for the political process and an increasingly polarized electorate are offset by the excitement of new media opportunities, Motor Voter and insights gained from our 1996 and 1999 survey research.

**QUESTION:** What kinds of voters service activities do you think will have the biggest impact in the next few years? Please pick three.

- On-line voter information (how and where to vote)
- On-line candidate and issue information
- Legislation to enhance the voting rights of all Americans
- Televised candidate debates
- Celebrity Public Service Announcements on television
- Get-Out-the-Vote organizing drives in targeted communities
- Get-Out-the-Vote campaigns involving youth
- Multilingual voter information
- Corporate partnerships that promote voting
- Publishing and distributing materials linking issues of concern to political action

## Evaluation

To help us evaluate the success of Program Planning in Transition, please tell us about your experience.

Did you fill out this form:

- By yourself
- In a small informal group of League members
- At a general membership meeting of your League
- At a League board meeting

Approximately how long did it take you to fill out this form? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you like it?

- Great
- Pretty well
- Just OK
- Not at all

Knowing our members helps the LWVUS serve you better. Tell us a bit about yourself. Please include at least name and League ID.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

LEAGUE ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

(look on your National Voter label)

Are you a Member-at-Large?  Yes  No

How many years have you belonged to the League? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever served on a local or state League board or the national board?

- Local
- State
- National

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE TEAR OUT, FOLD AND RETURN NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2000

Thank you for helping to shape the work of the League!

## Campaign Finance Reform

*Campaign Finance Reform. How long has the issue been with us? Many even view the issue cynically as the costs of campaigns continue to rise. But Illinois is changing. Four years ago considered one of the worst states in terms of spending laws, now Illinois is seen as a model when it comes to campaign spending disclosure. The change could not have come about without a concerned and informed public. We are happy to announce two upcoming programs that are sure to be as interesting as they are informative. The programs will complement each other beautifully or be completely satisfying by themselves.*

### LWV LF/LB Campaign Finance Reform Discussion



Thursday, February 17, 2000  
1:00 pm

at the home of Carol Gilbert  
28 Oak Terrace, Lake Bluff



### "Money In Illinois Politics"

A v ideo from The Illinois Campaign for Political Reform followed by discussion

Discussion leader: Eleanor Knight

Please join fellow Leaguers for an afternoon of stimulating discussion on money and its role in Illinois politics. To get the ball rolling we will view a video and begin a conversation based on questions from ICPR. No advance preparation necessary. Just come.

## Race-Tracks, Casinos, and the Illinois Legislature:

*Is There a Link Between Campaign Contributions and Favorable Legislation and Subsidies?  
How Can Citizens Make A Difference?*

Sunday, March 12th, 2000  
6:00 pm



Northbrook United Methodist Church  
1190 Western Avenue  
Northbrook, IL



#### Invited Panelists:

State Rep. Jeff Schoenberg  
(D) 58th District  
State Rep. Candidate Timothy Bergman  
(R) 58th District  
State Rep. Beth Coulson  
(R) 57th District

State Rep. Candidate Jody Wadhwa  
(D) 57th District  
State Sen. Cathy Parker  
(R) 29th District  
Rev. Tom Grey  
National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling  
Jim Kales  
Illinois Campaign for Political Reform

For more information please call 272-2442

## Reports from the field...

### Observer Corps Update

#### Senior Housing

Affordable senior housing has been a high priority issue with our League, so members should be interested to learn that the Senior Housing Blue Ribbon Committee has selected a site for the first cottage to be built under this program. The property is owned by the City of Lake Forest and is on Conway Road. There is already a group home in the area and neighborhood opinion is generally in favor of senior housing use at the location. The City Council endorsed the Senior Housing Blue Ribbon Committee's report at the January 6, 2000 meeting, and at the January 20, 2000 meeting authorized the preparation of a business plan for the development of a cottage at the Conway Road site.

#### Smart Growth

The Central Business District (CBD) Task Force also presented its final report to the City Council at the January 20, 2000 meeting. The 16 recommendations forwarded to the City Council from the CBD Task Force were based on public testimony, reports from the staff and presentations made by consultants in land planning, traffic, parking, and water, sanitary sewer and electrical systems capacities. The reports and public testimony were heard at the seven public meetings held by the Task Force from October, 1999 through January, 2000. The final report of the CBD Task Force now goes to the Plan Commission. The public will be given a chance to comment on the results of the Plan Commission's deliberations relating to future development in the Central Business District at a series of public meetings scheduled to be held from March through June of this year. Interested League members: Plan to attend!

*The Observer Corps needs additional observers. Observing is a great way to be involved with the League and to learn more, firsthand, about our local government and issues. We need to give the League more complete coverage of Village and City meetings while strengthening the League profile in our communities. Contact Pauline Mohr at 234-5853 to become an Observer or to get more information.*

### Voter Service reports...

With the onset of cold weather (finally!) the so-called spring elections may seem far away. But League's voter service effort for the next election cycle is already underway, as we prepare for the U.S. Congressional primary and contested Lake Forest municipal elections on Tuesday, March 21st.

LWV LF-LB will be hosting the debate for candidates seeking John Porter's Congressional seat. An astonishing 11 candidates are seeking the Republican nomination. (Lauren Beth Gash will run uncontested on the Democratic ticket.) Our tentative date and location for the Republican debate is February 29th at Deerpath Elementary school. Our cosponsors for this event are Leagues from Libertyville/Mundelein Area, Waukegan/Zion, Deerfield/Lincolnshire, and Highland Park. Our sister Leagues farther south will also host a debate to serve the southern half of the 10th district. We will work together with the Cook County Leagues to coordinate the format and publicity for both the 10th district forums. A voter's guide for the entire district is being prepared.

Also in the works is a forum for the contested municipal elections in Lake Forest. Both the Caucus and the Lake Forest Party put forth a full slate of candidates. In addition to the mayor and three statutory officers who must campaign every year, four of the eight aldermen are up for reelection. The West entrance to Gorton is now back in service, and we hope to provide a live cable tv broadcast with a live phone-in opportunity. Dates for the debate are still under study. As of this writing the Caucus has challenged the validity of the Lake Forest Party's petitions, and it is unclear how many candidates will be on the ballot on March 21st. As of this writing the candidate's petitions are still being reviewed; and when the slate of candidates for the ballot is ready, we will be, too!

If you would like to help with these events many opportunities are available. Local members will be needed to staff these events, and the task of preparing voter's guides and debate questions is in process, but any contributions to the effort would be appreciated. Write-in candidates for the Lake Forest election may file until March 14th, just one short week before the election, so this year's voter service effort may be a challenging task! If you would like to assist please call Bev Adamczyk at 615-7141 or Carol Gilbert at 295-4044



## LWVIL Annual Issue Briefing and 80th Gala Birthday Celebration

Saturday, February 12, 2000  
 Gold Room - Congress Hotel - Chicago  
 Birth Place of the League of Women Voters

Festivities begin at 9:00 am  
 Program 9:30 am  
 Historic Luncheon 12:45 pm

*Lt. Governor Corinne Wood - Honorary Chair*

*Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins, President, LWVUS - Keynote Speaker*

The LWVIL Program Committee Invites You to the League's Annual Issue Briefing...  
 Featuring

An Introduction to Smart Growth  
 and  
 An Update on the Spring Session

**SMART GROWTH:** A better way to manage growth in our cities and the surrounding areas, limiting "sprawl" and the problems of congestion, pollution and resource allocation associated with the uncontrolled growth. An introduction to the concept, how it affects our communities and how Leagues can add a Smart Growth dimension to the program agenda.

**Panelists:**

John McCarron: Chicago Tribune Urban Affairs Editorial Writer/Op-Ed Columnist  
 MarySue Barrett: President, Metropolitan Planning Council  
 Scott Bernstein, Center for Neighborhood Technology

**UPDATE ON THE SPRING LEGISLATIVE SESSION:** An update on League lobby activities in Springfield and at home by our issue specialists and grassroots advocates. Featuring campaign finance reform, election laws and gun control

\$20 breakfast briefing only

\$50 includes a luncheon ticket

For more information, call 312-939-5935, ext. 10

### Township (cont. from page 4)

Assessor share an office space (currently at 191 E. Deerpath in Lake Forest, soon to be moving into West School in Knollwood). The Road Commissioner has his own office in Knollwood, on the property which also houses the Township Road equipment.

The Supervisor, Assessor and Road Commissioner are independent entities, but issues concerning the Township are also considered by the Trustees. The Trustees have an open meeting monthly with the Township Supervisor acting as chair. The Assessor and Road Commissioner are nonvoting members of the board of Trustees.

The Township budget consists of three funds. A Town fund, which covers the general operations of the Supervisor's

and the Assessor's office and a portion of the salary of the Road Commissioner. There is a General Assistance fund which covers the cost of providing GA and cash benefits. The third fund is the Road Fund which covers the expenses associated with the maintenance of the roads.

The township's primary source of revenue is from taxes. For the fiscal year ending Feb 28, 1999, Shields received approximately \$770,000 in tax revenue for two of its funds: the Town Fund and the Road and Bridge Fund. How the money is allocated and other revenue sources will be the focus of next month's article from the study committee.

*The Study Group meets the third Monday each month at the Lake Bluff Public Library at 7:00 pm. Guests welcome.*

Dates to Remember

February

- 8 LWVFLB Board Meeting, 9:00 am, Gorton Community Center
- 11 Great Decisions, Russia, 1:00 pm, Betty Buker's
- 12 LWVIL Legislative Briefing and 80th Anniversary Party, Congress Hotel, Chicago
- 17 "Money in Politics", Video and Discussion, 1:00 pm, Carol Gilbert's
- 20 *League Lines* March Issue Deadline
- 21 Shields Township Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 25 President's Cocktail Party Fund-raiser, 6:30 pm, Corinne Wood's
- 29 Congressional District 10: Candidate Forum, 7:00 pm, Deerpath Elementary Auditorium

March

- 1 LWVUS Program Planning/Member Survey Deadline
- 6 Tentative date for Candidate Forums for contested municipal elections. Evening
- 10 Great Decisions, Indonesia, 1:00 pm, Betty Buker's
- 11 LWV Women's History Month Luncheon, 11:30 am, Valley-Lo Sports Club, Glenview
- 12 Informational Forum: "Race Tracks, Casinos, and the Illinois Legislature", 6:00 pm Northbrook
- 14 LWVFLB Board Meeting, Lake Bluff Community Room
- 20 Shields Township Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 21 General Primary and Lake Forest Municipal Elections

April

- 11 LWVFLB Board Meeting, 9:00 am, Gorton Community Center
- 12 LWVLC Program: Welfare to Work Program
- 14 Great Decisions, The Military, 1:00 pm, Betty Buker's

May

- 11 Annual Meeting

June

- 17-20 LWVUS Convention. Washington, DC

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# League Lines

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VOTE

Lake Forest Municipal Elections  
State Primaries  
National Primaries

VOTE

## Lake Forest Municipal Elections Candidate Forum

Thursday, March 9, 7:00 pm  
Lake Forest Place

Participating Candidates:  
City Marshal/Collector:  
Herb Faulks, Lake Forest Caucus  
Peggy Gubrandsen, Lake Forest Party

City Supervisor:  
Ross Beatty, Lake Forest Caucus  
Bruce McIlvaine, Lake Forest Party

City Treasurer:  
John Anderson, Lake Forest Caucus  
Robert Lee, III, Lake Forest Party

First Ward Alderman:  
Jill Chaietz, Lake Forest Party  
Jerry Henry, Lake Forest Caucus

Second Ward Alderman:  
Mike Burns, Lake Forest Party  
Ashley Maentz, Lake Forest Caucus

Fourth Ward Alderman:  
Dori Bell, Lake Forest Party  
Jim Cowhey, Lake Forest Caucus



Third Ward Alderman:  
Roger Mohr, Lake Forest Caucus  
John Walker, Lake Forest Party

Mayor:  
Howard J. Kerr, Lake Forest Caucus  
Mike Levert, Lake Forest Party

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Questions from the audience will be taken for aldermanic and mayoral candidates and posed by the moderator.

Voters Guides will be available at the Forum and they can also be retrieved from our website <http://lwfkhome.northstarnet.org/lwvlib>.

The Forum will be taped for rebroadcast on LFTV.

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Publicity	
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(Fax 615-2329)	
Voter Registration	
Pat Rounsaville	295-3916

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Pauline Mohr	234-5853
Partners for Progress	
Jane Nelson	234-1844
LF Senior Housing Committee	
Jane Partridge	234-1247

## WEB DIRECTORY

LWVLC: <a href="http://lhome.northstarnet.org/lwvlfb">http://lhome.northstarnet.org/lwvlfb</a>
County League: <a href="http://www.nsn.org/balhome/LWVLC">www.nsn.org/balhome/LWVLC</a>
State League: <a href="http://www.lwvl.org">www.lwvl.org</a>
<a href="http://www.dnet.org/il">www.dnet.org/il</a>
<a href="http://www.ilcampaign.org">www.ilcampaign.org</a>
National League: <a href="http://www.lwv.org">www.lwv.org</a>

## President's Message

The LWVUS is initiating a "Take A Friend to Vote" campaign targeted for the General Elections in November. It will debut in April, but I like the idea so much that I think we should try to initiate it here for the March 21 primaries and municipal election.

The idea is simple. The name says it all. Consider inviting a friend to vote. Literally this can be as simple as taking someone with you to the polls. But chances are getting someone to the polls will involve some form of education.

To help a friend feel informed share our Voters Guides. We will have Voters Guides for the 10th District Republican candidates and for the Lake Forest Municipal Elections. These will be available in the community and at both libraries. You can also retrieve the local Voters Guides from our web page at <http://lhome.northstarnet.org/lwvlfb>.

Please invite a neighbor to the candidate forum on March 9 at 7:00 pm at Lake Forest Place to learn more about the candidates running for the statutory, aldermanic and mayoral offices in Lake Forest. The candidate forums for the 10th congressional district and the Lake Forest Municipal Elections will be rebroadcast on LFTV. Check the local channel listings for exact times and encourage a friend to watch.

If you have a friend who doesn't know where to vote they can find their polling place at the Lake County web page, <http://www.co.lake.il.us/> or call the County Clerk's office at 360-3610. And if you find that your friend is not registered, let them know that they may register between March 23 and October 9 for the November elections.

It's easy for those of us accustomed to following politics to overlook the basics of voting. But a little bit of information can go a long way towards getting a friend to the ballot box.

Wednesday, March 29, 2000  
HEALTHY FAMILIES LOBBY DAY  
Springfield

CALL PEG MATHIAS, 526-2140 FOR DETAILS.



The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages citizens to play an informed and active role in government.

At the local, state, and national levels, the League works to influence public policy through education and advocacy. Any person of voting age, male or female, may become a League member.

Briefs, News and Opportunities
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**LOCAL UPDATES****Illinois Students Vote**

Illinois Students Vote (ISV) is an arm of the National Student/Parent Mock Election for which LWVIL serves as the Illinois coordinator. This year our project will be co-sponsored by *The Chicago Tribune* News In Education Program, which will assist with the production of our brochure and curriculum materials as well as handle registration of schools. The *Tribune* will also produce a separate "tab" news section featuring election information that will supplement the curriculum materials and teacher's guide. Copies of the newspaper will be available for classroom use in the weeks prior to the November 7th General Election. The state League office will handle the tabulation of the incoming votes from schools throughout the state who have registered for the program. Mock election day is November 2, 2000. The first mailing to schools will be in early April 2000.

The LWVLF/LB has participated in this program in the Lake Bluff middle school with great success. We need a contact person if we want to participate in ISV 2000. If you are interested in this highly satisfying project of taking youngsters through the voting process contact Bev at 615-7141. There is preliminary work in April and later when the project is underway in October and November.

**Local Business Recycling**

Mary Claire Briggs, LWVLF-LB Community Recycling Chair, introduced the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) to the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce. At the February 24 Business and Government Committee of the Chamber of Commerce meeting, SWALCO outlined its two year business recycling program which they administer jointly with Lake Co. municipalities to help businesses incorporate recycling into their waste removal. The committee directed the Chamber to approach the City of Lake Forest and the Village of Lake Bluff requesting the municipalities to pursue the recycling program in both downtown business districts.

**NEWS FROM LWVUS****The League and Grassroots.com**

The LWVUS board's search for viable options for expanding the DNET system eventually led to grassroots.com, a six-month-old political website dedicated to providing a platform for people to become engaged in government. The founders of Grassroots.com are committed to keeping the site rigorously nonpartisan in all its activities. Grassroots.com completely shares the League's vision of making political participation easier and more effective for all. The LWVEF is excited by the opportunity to join forces with an economically viable, nonpartisan, ethical organization that can accommodate every League and candidate who wish to participate.

The cooperation between DNET and Grassroots.com will allow Leagues to provide information about candidates at all levels of government from the federal to the local.

**South Carolina Boycott**

The LWVUS and LWVEF Boards endorsed the following statement: "The League of Women Voters Education Fund vow to hold no meetings in the state of South Carolina as long as the Confederate flag flies over the statehouse. We applaud the efforts to remove this symbol, which stands as a painful reminder of racial discrimination." The LWVUS/LWVEF action supports the position of the South Carolina LWV.

<p>February brought the League a flurry of voter registration activity. We extend our thanks to Deputy Registrars Alice Flaherty, Char Kreuz, Diane Lloyd, Beverly Nelson, and Pat Rounsaville who registered at Barst College, Conway Farms, Lake Forest High School, and Lake Forest Place.</p>
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<p>Interest in registration will continue to grow throughout this year -- so get in on the action! Call Pat at 295-3916 to learn how you, too, can participate in this worthwhile endeavor.</p>
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The Leagues of Lake County and Waukegan - Zion present  
**an Informational Forum on**  
**The University Center for Lake County**

Saturday, March 18  
 10:00 am - 12:30 pm  
 Prairie Crossing Community Barn, Grayslake

Participating Panelists Include:  
 Douglas Day, Illinois Board of Higher Education from Springfield  
 Dean England, CATS representative to describe Transportation Issues  
 Kathy Johnson, Coordinator of the Multi-University  
 Bob Leonard, Woodland School District 50  
 Dr. Gretchen Naff, President of College of Lake County  
 The office of Director of Planning and Zoning of the City of Waukegan  
 Martin Touhy, potential redeveloper of the Lakehurst Shopping Center

The panel will speak from many perspectives about the site selection of the University Center for Lake County. Following presentations there will be an hour to address questions from the audience.

Don't miss this important forum on higher education's future in Lake County!

For more information contact Robbyn Kilbane-McFadden, 625-9765

#### From the Shields Township Study Committee

Corrections. Last month's initial article on Shields Township deserves some clarifications. We stated that all the Township officials were elected and took office at the same time. This is not true. All the elections take place at the same time, every four years in the spring following the fall Presidential elections. But the Supervisor, Road Commissioner and Trustees take office in the summer following the election and the Assessor is sworn in, nine months later, the following January.

It was also stated that the Assessor is responsible for the Equalized Assessed Evaluation. Technically, the Supervisor of Assessors is responsible for the equalization. Our township Assessor is responsible for determining the fair cash value for property within the township.

The Assessor is required by law to adjust the fair cash value every four years. In Shields the general

assessment years are 2000, 2004, 2008, etc. In actuality, the fair cash value is adjusted annually and final assessments are published in the Pioneer Press.

Fair cash value is constantly monitored in Shields township. North Chicago, Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Lake County forward copies of all building permits to the Assessor's Office. There are about 890 building permits in Shields annually. The Assessor's office does inspections of property, updates property data and drawings and recalculates property values. The township uses observation and even aerial maps to confirm the property data which is on file.

The fair cash values for property are forwarded to the County, where the Supervisor of Assessments equalizes the assessments and makes preferential assessments. Preferential assessments are made on model units, open lands, golf courses and other special properties.

## Discuss challenging foreign policy issues with Great Decisions

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WHERE: Betty Buker's, 485 Oakwood Av., Lake Forest

- March 10 Russia: Report Card on Survival
- April 14 Indonesia in Aftershock
- May 12 The Military: What Role in U.S. Foreign Policy?
- June 8 Middle East Realignment: New Directions for the Next Millennium
- July 13 The Euro's Challenge to the Dollar: King Kong versus Godzilla?
- September 14 Africa: Prospects for the Future
- October 12 Defining Humanitarian Intervention
- November 9 U.S. Interests in the World: Time for a Redefinition

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\$25 per person

## League of Women Voters Seventh Annual Luncheon To Commemorate Women's History Month

Saturday, March 11, 2000  
11:30 am Reception Noon Luncheon  
Valley-Lo Sports Club  
2200 Tanglewood Drive, Glenview

### "Diversity on the North Shore - An Asian Perspective"

Guest Panel: Ulrike Chui, social worker for the Wilmette Police Department  
Sue Chai-Kin, past president, the Korean American Citizens Coalition  
Chiye Tomahiro, Japanese American Service League

RSVP by March 6

Make checks payable to the League of Women Voters of Evanston Ed Fund  
Mail to: LWV of Evanston Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Ave., Evanston, IL 60203

Reservations limited - respond by March 6

For more information, call 866-7844

Co-sponsored by the North Shore Leagues of Evanston, Glenview, Glenview, Park Ridge, Wilmette, and Winnetka/Northfield/Kennilworth

### Moderator Training

Learn how to moderate a successful debate or candidate forum at a Moderator Training Session on Tuesday, April 18 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. It will be cohosted by the League of Women Voters of Lake County and the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Area at the Gorton Community Center (Green Room) 400 E. Illinois Road, Lake Forest.

The training session from 7 to 8 pm will be conducted by Marilyn Scholl of Scholl Communications. Marilyn is a member of the Deerfield Area League and has conducted this training session for the League of Women Voters of Illinois. The second hour will be devoted to a panel discussion of potential problems that may arise in debates and forums and how experienced moderators deal with them.

This training is appropriate both for new (have never moderated and may be interested) and for more seasoned moderators. For reservations call Susan Dorn, 433-3759 or Gail Feiger Brown, 433-2093.

## SAVE THESE DATES!

LWVUS- National Convention  
June 17 - 20  
Washington, DC

LWVLF-LB Annual Meeting  
May 11, 2000

LWV-Lake County Annual Meeting  
May 31, 2000  
Lamb's Farm

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (Senior)  | 45.00    |

Make checks payable to the LWV LF•LB. Dues are not tax deductible.

To support our efforts in educational areas, such as Voter Service and informational programs you may make a tax deductible contribution, please write a separate check to the LWV Education Fund. This money is used locally for community information and education.

Mail your check(s) to League of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff • 400 E. Illinois Road • Lake Forest, IL 60045

*The Board thanks Lt. Governor Corinne Wood, Alice Flaherty and You for making our Presidents' Day Cocktail Party such a great success. Lt. Governor Wood opened her magnificent home; Alice lent her time and organization to the festivities and together you produced a delectable assortment of food and wine. It was a wonderfully attended evening and enjoyable way to reach our fundraising goals. Thank you.*

## Race-Tracks, Casinos, and the Illinois Legislature:

*Is There a Link Between Campaign Contributions and Favorable Legislation and Subsidies?  
How Can Citizens Make A Difference?*

Sunday, March 12th, 2000  
6:00 pm



Northbrook United Methodist Church  
1190 Western Avenue  
Northbrook, IL



*Invited Panelists:*

State Rep. Jeff Schoenberg  
*(D) 58th District*  
State Rep. Candidate Timothy Bergman  
*(R) 58th District*  
State Rep. Beth Coulson  
*(R) 57th District*

State Rep. Candidate Jody Wadhwa  
*(D) 57th District*  
State Sen. Cathy Parker  
*(R) 29th District*  
Rev. Tom Grey  
*National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling*

Jim Kales  
*Illinois Campaign for Political Reform*

In 1999, Governor Ryan signed into law a dramatic expansion of gambling in Illinois. Though still the subject of legal wrangling, the law allows a new casino based in Rosemont, permits near-24 hour dockside gambling at existing riverboats, and hands over an estimated \$55.9 million yearly in tax breaks and subsidies to the state's horse racing tracks.

At the same time, gambling and horse racing interests have given record amounts of campaign contributions to our politicians in recent years - \$1.8 million in '97-'98 alone. Is there a link between these campaign contributions and favorable legislation and subsidies? What influence does the average citizen have? And what can citizens do to make a difference?

All are invited to this important discussion of our legislature, the gambling industry, and campaign finance reform. Light refreshments will be served. Forum co-sponsors are the Northbrook United Methodist Church, the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform, ILLCAAP, the Jewish Council on Urban Affairs, the League of Women Voters (LWV) of Glenview, LWV of Winnetka/Northfield/Kenilworth, LWV of Glencoe, LWV of Wilmette, LWV of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff, LWV of Arlington Heights/ML Prospect/Bufalo Grove, LWV of Park Ridge, Congregation Solel Social Action Committee, and Protestants for the Common Good. For more information please call 847-272-2442.

March

- 1 LWVUS Program Planning/Member Survey Deadline
- 6 Shields Township Study Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 9 Lake Forest Municipal Election Candidate Forum, 7:00 pm Lake Forest Place
- 10 Great Decisions, Russia, 1:00 pm, Diane Lloyd's
- 11 LWV Women's History Month Luncheon, 11:30 am, Valley-Lo Sports Club, Glenview
- 12 Informational Forum: "Race Tracks, Casinos, and the Illinois Legislature", 6:00 pm Northbrook
- 14 LWVFLB Board Meeting, Lake Bluff Community Room
- 18 Forum: Lake County University Center, 10:00 am, Prairie Crossing Community Barn, Grayslake
- 20 Shields Township Study Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 21 General Primary and Lake Forest Municipal Elections, VOTE
- 23 Voter Registration resumes
- 29 LWVIL Healthy Families Lobby Day, Springfield

April

- 11 LWVFLB Board Meeting, 9:00 am, Gorton Community Center
- 12 LWVLC Program: Welfare to Work Program, Libertyville Township Office
- 14 Great Decisions, Indonesia, 1:00 pm, Diane Lloyd's
- 17 Shields Township Study Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 18 Moderator Training, 7:00 pm, Gorton Community Center

May

- 11 Annual Meeting
- 12 Great Decisions, The Military, 1:00 pm, Betty Baker's
- 15 Shields Township Study Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library
- 31 LWVLC Annual Meeting, Lamb's Farm

June

- 8 Great Decisions, Middle East Realignment, 1:00 pm, Betty Baker's
- 17-20 LWVUS Convention, Washington, DC

CANDIDATES FORUM  
LAKE FOREST MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS  
March 9, 7:00 PM • Lake Forest Place

Beverly J. Adamczyk  
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The League's Annual Review of Local Issues:

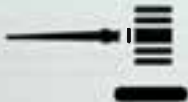
## Local Community Update

Thursday, April 20, 9:30 am  
Village Hall, Lake Bluff

Join Village Administrator, Kent Street and City Manager Robert Kiely for an informative report on current developments in Lake Bluff and Lake Forest. There will be an opportunity for questions from members.

Attendance is open to LWV members and their guests.  
For information call Bev Adamczyk at 615-7141

## 2000 ANNUAL MEETING



Thursday, May 11, 2000

at the home of Alice Sievert,  
918 West Safford Avenue, Knollwood

5:30 p.m. for drinks and networking

6:00 p.m. dinner

7:30 p.m. business meeting called to order

Please join fellow League members to network, approve next year's budget, vote for officers and directors, and participate in our position/program review. The Annual Meeting Packet will be mailed to all members. Please read the material and bring the packet to the meeting.

Dinner is optional. You may send checks (\$15.00 for dinner) in advance to LWV LF/LB, Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

Please make reservations by May 8 to Diane Lloyd (615-9182)



### Million Mom March Mother's Day May 14

LWVUS and LWVIL support the Million Mom March which aims to send a message to Congress in support of better gun control laws. The Chicago March is at 1:00 pm at the Chicago Lakefront, Lake Shore Drive and Randolph; for details call (312) 648-4MOM. To register or to find out where other marches are located, contact [www.millionmomsmarch.com](http://www.millionmomsmarch.com) or 1-888-989-MOMS. Supported by the Bell Campaign "Freedom From Gun Trauma."

The LWV book, Choosing the President: A Citizen's Guide to the 2000 Election is an excellent graduation gift or gift for a first time voter. Support your League and provide excellent, timely information to our newest voters. \$10.00. To arrange for your copy call Bev at 615-7141.

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## LWVUS CONVENTION 2000

The League of Women Voters of the United States 44th National Convention will be held in Washington, DC this year June 17th through 20th. In addition to the plenary sessions where the business of the League is debated and approved, the convention features "An Afternoon on Capital Hill," in which members will make the rounds on Capital Hill, visit their senators and representatives and lobby for League's legislative priorities. There are also workshops on many topics pertinent to local board activities, as well as opportunities to meet the nominees for the LWVUS Board. There will also be many caucuses, which are prearranged meetings, planned and conducted by delegates to discuss issues.

Convention is an exciting opportunity to meet and network with other League members from across the country. This year there is the added benefit of doing this in the nation's capital.

Convention registration forms are included in the March/April issue of *National Voter*. When you register, don't forget to sign up for the Banquet on Monday, June 19 celebrating the League's 80 years of achievement.

Based on our membership, our League is entitled to send two delegates to the convention this year. If you are interested in being a delegate or an alternate, call Bev Adamczyk (615-7141).



April

17 Shields Township Study Meeting, 7:00 pm, Lake Bluff Public Library  
20 Community Update, 9:30 am, Lake Bluff Village Hall

May

11 Annual Meeting, 5:30 pm. dinner: 7:30 pm. business. Alice Sievert's  
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# League Lines

## Message From the President

*Bev Adamczyk*

Dear Members,  
This summer I was asked to "give a brief description of your organization and outline volunteer opportunities that you offer." I set about to do this task and was overwhelmed by the number of things our members do. In addition to the ongoing activities of our board, every year many of you participate in the Kids First Health Fair, bringing immunizations and school supplies to over a thousand school children. We also have a core of more than twenty deputy registrars, who register individuals to vote at various locations in the community throughout the year. We have members working on study committees (Shields Township and Charter Schools). Some members observe our local governing bodies. Others organize programs and candidate forums, and others still work at the events and cablecast them for the broader community. Some members champion our concerns, such as recycling and senior housing. And several are involved in educating themselves through our Great Decisions study group.

Members participate in so many diverse ways. Some have lots of time and overlapping interests in more than one area of the League. Others have specific tasks they get involved with and may only participate in one League activity a year. But as I stand back and look at the big picture of all that the League does with individual contributions of time, energy, and resources, I see a very impressive list of accomplishments!

Thank you for being a part of our success!

Normally, I would have stopped my message with the last line, but this month I must take a moment to mention the upcoming Shields Township Study Consensus Meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. at Gorton Community Center in Lake Forest. Ann Hamlin has ably guided the research of Robert Bednar, Kathy Blahunka, Eleanor Knight, Audrey Nixon, Alice Sievert, and myself. We have learned a lot. And one of the only things more exciting than learning is sharing newly gotten knowledge. At the Consensus Meeting the Study Group will present its findings. Following the presentation there will be discussion of consensus questions. This consensus discussion will be the basis for any position we formulate about Shields Township. Everyone is welcome to attend, but consensus discussion is limited to members residing in Shields Township. Sallie Hamm, from the League of Women Voters of Libertyville, will moderate the evening's proceedings. Mark your calendars now, and we will see you at the Consensus Meeting!

*Bev*

P.S. Join us for a great evening as we kick off our year by mixing entertainment and education. Learn about our federal tax policy and how it could better reflect our national priorities by playing the Concord Coalition game, "Taxing Choices"! Don't miss the fun at Diane Lloyd's on September 23rd!

## Special Thanks

Thank you! Members of the League wish to express their appreciation to Alice Sievert for opening her home for our Annual Meeting on May 11. Alice is an active long-time League member (and a gracious hostess). Thank you, Alice, for a wonderful evening!

## Welcome to New Members

Bob and JoAnn Bednar  
12987 Sanctuary Ct., Lake Bluff

Cesilie Price  
1414 Woodhill Ln., Lake Forest

Ruth Shoemaker  
604 N. Westmoreland Rd., Lake Forest

Marcia Duncan  
1660 Yale Ct., Lake Forest

## Voter Registration

You may have seen us registering voters at the 4th of July Parade in Lake Bluff or at Lake Forest Day on August 2nd or at the Jewel in Lake Forest on August 26th! We've been busy and have more work to do. Look for us registering voters at the following:

September 3rd and 4th at the Lake Forest Art Fair

September 15th and 16th at the Friends of the Lake Forest Library Book Sale

We will also be registering voters at Barat College and are investigating the possibility of registering at Lake Forest High School. This year the last day to register to vote in the November 7th election is October 9th.

## Fall Fundraiser

The League of Women Voters of the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Area will hold its fall fundraiser and cocktail party at the home of Diane Lloyd, 500 College Rd., Lake Forest, on Saturday, September 23rd from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. We will participate in an interactive exercise developed by the Concord Coalition entitled "Taxing Choices."

Look forward to an evening of lively debate:

- How does the government get its revenue?
- How does the government spend its revenue?
- Could alterations in our taxing system encourage a better national savings rate . . . or produce fewer negative impacts on our environment?
- What would your budget look like?

Cost is \$10 per person. Watch for your invitation in the mail. For more information, call Mary Claire Briggs at the Concord Coalition, toll free, at (877) 333-4248.

## Deputy Registrars

We need to increase our corps of Deputy Registrars in order to help share the workload during our busy late summer/early fall season. Registering voters with the League usually involves working a two-hour shift a couple times each year. (Of course, you may spend more time registering voters if it fits in your schedule.) It is satisfying to see individuals registered, and usually they are very grateful for the service. To learn more about becoming a deputy registrar, call Lisa Krinen at 615-8825.

## Membership Coffee

The Membership Coffee for new and old members will be held Wednesday, October 4th, at 10:00 a.m. at Glen Rowan House, Lake Forest College.

The topic will be "Health Care in the Year 2000"; the speaker will be Dr. Larry Shoemaker, Chief Medical Officer, Lake Forest Hospital. Coffee and refreshments will be served. Watch for more information in the mail.

## Campaign Finance Forum

"Campaign 2000: What Price Democracy?" will be held on Monday evening, September 11th, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Congregation Solel, 1301 Clarendon Rd., Highland Park.

The keynote speaker will be U.S. Senator Paul Simon. Panelists include Dawn Clark Lutsch, Professor of Constitutional Law, Northwestern University, and former Illinois state legislator and treasurer; Margaret Blackshire, President, AFL-CIO of Illinois; and Billie Paige, lobbyist, Shea, Paige & Rogal, Inc.

## Correction

In our recent Observer Corps Report, we misstated the recipient of the loan for the restoration of Dickinson Hall on the Grove School property. The loan was made to the Senior Citizen Foundation (a private organization), and not to the Senior Resources Commission.

## Election Day Workers

Want to be an immediate part of the democratic process and support the League? Consider taking an election day job this November with the intent of contributing your earnings to the League. There are many jobs, such as being an election judge, picking up absentee ballots, and jobs at the Lake County Courthouse. This is a very League-like way to be involved with the election and to raise funds. If you are interested in learning more about election job opportunities, contact Bev Adamczyk (615-7141).

## Updated Positions

A highlight of the most recent Annual Meeting was our local position review. Char Kreuz presented the well-thought-out recommendations of the Position Review Task Force (Char Kreuz, Joan Katsas, and Denise Ertel) and we examined and modified each position. Thanks to Char's, Joan's, and Denise's effort, we have modified and updated our positions to the following:

**Lake Forest and Lake Bluff Positions**  
*Preschool Programs and Services:* The LWV-LF/LB supports improved preschool child care and recreational facilities and services in the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff area. The League encourages surveys of the preschool and school-age populations through School Districts 65 and 67 and information sharing to provide all necessary community agencies and institutions with the data necessary to plan effectively to meet the demand for quality programs and services.

**Solid Waste:** The LWV-LF/LB supports federal and state policies to reduce the quantities of waste, to reclaim useful materials, and to safely restore the residue to the environment. The League encourages its municipalities to expand local

programs, to combine efforts to solve waste problems regionally, and to report to residents on disposition of recycled items.

**Affordable Senior Housing:** Support of the development of below-market-value rental housing for seniors in Lake Forest and Lake Bluff. (1998)

**Comprehensive Plan:** The LWV-LF/LB supports effective comprehensive plans for Lake Bluff and Lake Forest that encompass potential and existing land use in incorporated and surrounding unincorporated areas, as well as capital improvements, including the infrastructure.

### Lake Bluff Positions

**Conservation:** The LWV-LF/LB supports these measures to preserve the natural resources of Lake Bluff: protection and preservation of the Lake Bluff shoreline and bluff; preservation of ravines and other open areas; preservation, through restricted use, of the flood plain lands along the Skokie River; establishment of walkways and bicycle paths.

**Land Use:** The LWV-LF/LB will monitor the disposition of property owned by the Village west of the West

Terrace, which is in its natural state and some of which is in the flood plain.

**Coordinated Nominating Systems:**  
POSITION IN ABEYANCE

### Lake Forest Positions

**Lake Forest Caucus:** POSITION IN ABEYANCE

## Lake Bluff Nominating Systems and Lake Forest Caucus

At our Annual Meeting in May we adopted recommendations to begin a review and possible restudy of our Lake Bluff nominating systems and Lake Forest Caucus positions. Both positions were put into abeyance; effectively we have no position on the Lake Forest Caucus or the Lake Bluff nominating system. Now is the time to begin the task of evaluating the positions in abeyance to determine the need and direction of possible restudies. If you are interested in working on the review process, we need individuals from both communities, as we will review each position separately. Contact Bev Adamczyk at 615-7141.

## What Do You Know About Townships ?

How is a township defined? • How many townships are there in Illinois? • Is every Illinois community served by a township? • How much of Shields Township is in Lake Michigan? • How many communities are served by Shields Township? • What services must a township provide by law? • What services may be provided by choice? • Does Shields Township serve the Great Lakes Naval Training Center? • How many current elected township officials were appointed prior to election? • How many miles of roads are maintained by Shields Township? • How many pieces of property are assessed by Shields Township? • How much general assistance did Shields Township pay out in 1999? • What are the total annual revenues/expenditures of Shields Township?

**Shields Township Study Consensus Meeting**  
Wednesday, September 27, 7-9 p.m.  
Friends' Room, Gorton Community Center

Put it on your calendar now!  
Be there to learn and help formulate our League position.

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(two members to be appointed from board)				

## Fall Candidate Forums

The League is already thinking November . . . November elections, that is. The race that has received the most press so far is John Porter's vacated 10th Congressional District U.S. seat. Last spring in the Republican primary, Mark Kirk bested ten other candidates. He will run again against Democrat Lauren Beth Gash, who has given up her 60th District Illinois House seat to campaign full time. On October 18th, we will co-sponsor a debate with the Libertyville-Mundelein and Waukegan-Zion Leagues. (Gash's home territory of LWV Highland Park and LWV Deerfield-Lincolnshire will host their own forum this time.) Also co-sponsoring the 10th Forum are the Cook County Leagues of Glencoe, Glenview, Wilmette, and Winnetka-Kenilworth-Northfield.

In addition to Porter's seat this fall, we have contests for the 30th and 59th Districts of the Illinois Senate and House, respectively, and also many county candidates. Please check your newspaper to confirm the details of the following forums.

**Highland Park Community House**  
1901 Sheridan Rd., Highland Park  
**September 26th: 10th, 30th, 60th**  
From 7 to 8 p.m., Terry Link (D) will debate Greg Kazarian (R) for the 30th Illinois Senate and Nancy Flouret (R) will debate Karen May (D) for the 60th Illinois House seat. From 8 to 9 p.m., Lauren Beth Gash (D) will debate Mark Kirk (R). In addition to audience questions, the candidates will respond to a panel of journalists. Cindy Canary will be the moderator.

**Gorton Community Center**  
400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest  
**October 5th: 59th, 30th**  
From 7 to 7:45 p.m., Cesilie Price (R) will debate Susan Garrett (D) for the 59th Illinois House seat. From 7:50 to 8:10 p.m., county candidates will make

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**October 15th: 10th**  
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**Libertyville High School,**  
**Vernon Hills Camp**  
145 N. Lakeview Pkwy., Vernon Hills  
**October 18th: 10th**  
From 7 to 8:30 p.m., Lauren Beth Gash (D) will debate Mark Kirk (R). Sue Calder will be the moderator. Candidates will take audience questions.

## News From LWVIL

The Illinois League has received funding to expand their study of the effects of the 1980 cutback amendments, which eliminated cumulative voting for representatives to the Illinois House. The scope of the study has been redesigned to include an in-depth examination of alternative election systems and the development of election systems criteria. Please consider getting involved in this study.

**Election Systems Criteria** is chaired by LWVIL Election Laws Issue Specialist Mary-Lou Aagaard ([847] 729-2763).

**Alternative Election Systems** is chaired by past state Board member Bobbie Friedman ([847] 256-1432 evenings; or e-mail at briedma@interaccess.com).

**Impact of the Cutback Amendment** in Illinois is chaired by past state League president Sue Calder ([847] 864-1299; or e-mail at calder@nwu.edu).

## Our Votes, Our Voices, Our Victories

LWVIL, in cooperation with the American Association of University Women of Illinois, is hosting two receptions for Marie Wilson, President of the Ms. Foundation and the White House Project.

The first is Thursday, September 28th, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Chicago Mercantile Exchange Club, 30 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago; guest speakers will be Jan Flapan, President, LWVIL, and Alice Smith, President, AAUW-IL.

The second is Friday, September 29th, 9:00-10:30 a.m., Harper College Auditorium, 1200 W. Algonquin Rd., Palatine; guest speakers will be Suzanne Calder, LWVIL President from 1993-1997, and Alice Smith, President, AAUW-IL.

Learn about the White House Project, a public awareness campaign to support the idea of women in key leadership positions, including that of President of the United States.

Please RSVP by September 26th to Barrington LWV member Jeannie Hanson at Jeaniehan@aol.com or (847) 382-4554.

## Campaign Finance and Gambling

LWVIL and LWV Park Ridge will co-sponsor a panel discussion on campaign finance and gambling on Sunday, October 1st, at 6:00 p.m., at the Park Ridge City Hall. Speakers include candidates for state representative and state senators in the area (House 14 and 55, Senate 28) plus Cindi Canary from the LWVIL Education Fund Project, Illinois Campaign for Political Reform, and Rev. Tom Gray, Chair of the Illinois Coalition Against Gambling. Call (847) 823-5832 for more information.

## Dates to Remember

- September 6 LWV-LFLB Board Meeting, Lake Bluff Community Room, Public Safety Building, 11:00 a.m.  
 September 8 Great Decisions: "Africa: Prospects for the Future," Betty Buker's, 1:00 p.m.  
 September 11 Campaign Finance Forum, 7:30 p.m., Congregation Solel, 1301 Clavey Rd., Highland Park  
 September 20 State of the State Luncheon, Standard Club of Chicago, 11:30 a.m.  
 September 22 October *League Lines* deadline  
 September 23 Fall Fundraiser, "Taxing Choices," Diane Lloyd's, 500 College Rd., Lake Forest, 6:30 p.m.  
 September 26 Candidate Forum: 10th, 30th, and 60th Districts, Highland Park Community House, 1901 Sheridan Rd., Highland Park  
 September 27 Shields Township Study Consensus Meeting, Friends' Room, Gorton Community Center, 7 p.m.  
 September 28 LWVIL Reception for Marie Wilson, Chicago  
 September 29 LWVIL Reception for Marie Wilson, Palatine  
 October 1 Panel Discussion on Campaign Financing and Gambling, Park Ridge City Hall, 6:00 p.m.  
 October 4 Perspective Membership Coffee, Glen Rowan House, Lake Forest College, 10:00 a.m.  
 October 4 LWV-LFLB Board Meeting, time and place T.B.A.  
 October 5 Candidate Forum: 59th, 30th Districts, Gorton Community Center, 400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest  
 October 12 Program: Charter Schools, Gorton Community Center, 7:00 p.m.  
 October 13 Great Decisions: "Defining Humanitarian Intervention," Betty Buker's, 1:00 p.m.  
 October 15 Candidate Forum: 10th District, Wilmette Junior High School, 620 Locust Rd., Wilmette  
 October 18 Candidate Forum: 10th District, Libertyville High School, Vernon Hills Campus, 145 N. Lakeview Pkwy., Vernon Hills  
 October 27 November *League Lines* deadline

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# League Lines

## Message From the President

Bev Adamczyk

Dear Members,  
One of the things that I love about the League of Women Voters is that it is an organization that I not only support, but also shape. I really took this to heart in May of 1999 at my first State convention. That year the Jackson County League asked for concurrence of a position they had developed on mega-hog farming. By the convention they had not gained enough support for their position to become a part of the LWVIL suggested program. But at the convention, the topic of mega-hog farms was discussed and debated both on and off the floor. Ultimately, we delegates from all over the state voted to adopt the position (slightly revised) at the state level. For me it was an amazing lesson in the difference my vote as an individual delegate—as an individual league member—can make in the direction of the League. I'm sure that Beverly Nelson and Jane Partridge felt the same way as they voted whether or not the National League should study the War on Drugs. It is awesome to be among a group of exceptionally sharp people forming a collective opinion. As members we are all given the opportunity to participate in the League's future agenda through studies and concurrence.

On October 12th at 7:00 p.m. at Gorton Community Center there will be a program on charter schools. This program fits into the context of the larger state study on charter schools. Later in the year we will have an opportunity to discuss and respond to the consensus questions that come out

of the state study, and ideally some position on charter schools will be adopted at the State convention next June. The October 12th program will be an opportunity to get background information on charter schools: what they are and their impact on the public school system. I know we have many members locally who are extremely experienced in the education of our children. I urge all of you who are interested in education to attend. Your experience coupled with the information presented on October 12th will be invaluable to the League as it develops its position on charter schools. League positions do evolve out of individual members' perspectives guided by the solid research of the study group.

Other organizations typically solicit my support for an agenda that is already clear-cut. I am usually asked for money, but rarely my opinion. The League is unique in all the organizations I am affiliated with in that not only are members asked to support their current positions, but all are invited to participate in the formation of future League action. I love this about the League and hope that you too will find this aspect of the League gratifying.

## Volunteers Needed

Absentee voting will be available at Lake Forest City Hall from October 16 through November 6. Frequently (and especially the week before election), the number of voters overwhelms the staff at City Hall, and they are requesting League of Women Voters volunteers to help. If you can spare some time during the day (even two hours would help) please call Bev (615-7141) or Beth Markez at City Hall (615-4269).



## Election Guide

We have *Choosing the President: A Citizen's Guide to the 2000 Election* available for sale (\$10). This is a perfect book for a first-time voter or anyone who wants a more in-depth look at the election process.

October 9th is the last day to register for the November 7th elections!

## Taxing Choices

The League of Women Voters Fall Fundraiser has been rescheduled. We heard you loud and clear! For those of you who expressed interest, but were unable to attend, we have changed the date to Saturday, October 21, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The fundraiser and cocktail party will be at the home of Diane Lloyd, 500 College Rd., Lake Forest. We will participate in an interactive exercise developed by the Concord Coalition entitled "Taxing Choices."

Cost is \$10 per person. For more information, call Mary Claire Briggs at the Concord Coalition, toll free, at (877) 333-4248.

## Great Decisions

Great Decisions is an interest group sponsored jointly by the LWVLF-LB Area and the American Association of University Women to discuss timely foreign policy topics.

Programs are based on the briefing books and videotapes of the Foreign Policy Association. The Great Decisions briefing book highlights eight of today's most significant, far-reaching foreign policy issues. In compelling presentations, Great Decisions provides facts and nonpartisan analysis of the "great decisions" facing the U.S. public and policymakers.

## Save This Date!

**Holiday Luncheon**  
Featuring Barbara Rinella

Tuesday, December 12th, 11:30-2:00 p.m.

St. James Lutheran Church  
1380 N. Waukegan Rd., Lake Forest

Watch for more information!

- WHEN: 2nd Friday of each month,  
1:00-3:00 pm  
WHERE: Betty Baker's, 485 Oakwood  
Ave., Lake Forest
- October 12: Defining Humanitarian Intervention
  - November 9: U.S. Interests in the World

*"An informed public is the ultimate foundation of a successful foreign policy."*

Come when you can, attendance is flexible. For information call Diane Lloyd (615-9182) or Betty Baker (234-4509).

## Illinois Student Vote

Thanks to the invitations of Julia Fiske-Parker and Alice Flaherty, East and Central Schools in Lake Bluff and Lake Forest Middle School and Lake Forest High School will be participating in the Illinois Student Vote. The program is coordinated through the State League, and several students all over the state will be "voting" on November 2. We'll publish the election results of the junior voters and see how they compare to the general electorate.

## Ad Spotting

Barry Rundquist, professor of political science at the University of Illinois at Chicago, is conducting a "soft money" study to find out which organizations (e.g., Sierra Club, National Rifle Association) are running what issue ads,

where, and when. A lot of soft money is going to be spent in the 10th Congressional District, but, because much of it doesn't have to be reported, as many sightings as possible are needed.

Please help with the monitoring efforts. Choose a particular cable/network channel and record what you see:

- Date/time ad spotted
- Number of times seen
- Which television station
- Organization sponsoring ad
- Issues addressed in ad
- Whether the ad said "vote for ..." or not

(Even if you miss some of the above information, the sighting is still valuable.)

Sightings can be sent to Barry Rundquist directly via e-mail (il10soft@hotmail.com). Also, if you encounter issue-oriented advertising in newspapers, on radio, by direct mail, or by phone, it would help to forward this information as well.

If you have any questions about this project you may call Bev Adamczyk (615-7141) or Professor Rundquist (312-413-2190), or send him an e-mail. Thank you in advance for your help.

## Preschool Directory

We need to update our Preschool Directory and are looking for someone (or someones) who would like to help. The project should last only through the fall and involves contacting preschools and area organizations to get the most up-to-date information about the programs for preschool-age children in the community. The job is gratifying because of the knowledge that our directory is considered useful by many parents throughout the community. If you would like to help, please contact Bev at 615-7141.

The Leagues of Women Voters of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Area and  
Libertyville/Mundelein Area present

## A Panel Discussion of Charter Schools

Thursday, October 12  
7:00-9:00 p.m.

Gorton Community Center  
400 E. Illinois Rd.  
Lake Forest, Illinois

Charter schools, created by the Illinois Legislature in 1996 (Article 27A of the School Code) were intended "to create a legitimate avenue for parents, teachers, and community members to take responsible risks and create new, innovative, and more flexible ways of educating children within the public school system. The General Assembly seeks to create opportunities within the public school system of Illinois for development of innovative and accountable teaching techniques. The provisions of this Article should be interpreted liberally to support the findings and goals of this Section and to advance a renewed commitment by the State of Illinois to the mission, goals, and diversity of public education."

Come hear of the challenges and opportunities presented by charter schools to the public education system in Illinois.

Panelists are Dr. Harry Griffith, Superintendent, District 67; Professor Arthur Zilvermit, Lake Forest College; Ms. Kathy Johnson, Principal, Prairie Crossing Charter School; Ms. Peggy Agnos, Illinois Association of School Boards; Mr. John Ayres, Director, Leadership for Quality Education; and Dr. Michael J. Bakalis, Professor, Kellogg Graduate School of Management of Northwestern University and President and CEO of American Quality Schools Corporation.

For more information, please call Cynthia Maloney at 615-1123.

## Membership Reminder

Membership renewal packets have been sent out. Please return your check and member interest form in the renewal envelope at your earliest convenience. This will ensure that you are included in the 2000-2001 LWV directory and will help us keep the follow-up phone calls to a minimum.

*Please note: Checks for membership should NOT be made payable to the Education Fund. If you would like to make an additional donation to the League, over and above membership*

*dues, please make a separate check payable to the Ed Fund. Thank you, and we apologize for any confusion the renewal envelope may have caused.*

If you have any questions about membership renewal, or if you didn't receive a packet, contact Elaine Slayton at 295-0275 or [elaine.slayton@excite.com](mailto:elaine.slayton@excite.com).

## Membership Coffee

The Membership Coffee for new and old members will be held Wednesday, October 4th, at 10:00 a.m. at Glen Rowan House, Lake Forest College.

The topic will be "Health Care in the Year 2000"; the speaker will be Dr. Larry Shoemaker, Chief Medical Officer, Lake Forest Hospital. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Questions or RSVPs for the Fall Coffee should be directed to Kitty Lansing at 234-3672.

## Deputy Registrars

Thank you to all the deputy registrars who have registered voters this fall with the League! Thank you to Bev Adamczyk, Phyllis Albrecht, Alise Flaherty, Judy Grisamore, Peg Heldring, Linda Hinde, Emily Jennings, Joan

Kaltsas, Char Kreuz, Diane Lloyd, Bea Mueller, Jan Schnobrich, Julia Shackelford, and Elaine Slayton. And special thanks to Lisa Krimen for organizing the League's voter registration efforts!

## Upcoming Candidate Forums

**Gorton Community Center**  
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## Lake County Forest Preserve Referenda

In reference to the Transportation/Land Use Position, the League of Women Voters of Lake County recently endorsed the two Lake County Forest Preserve referenda on the November 7th ballot. Nationally and locally, the League supports preservation of open space, conservation of resources, and an improved quality of life.

The first referendum is to issue bonds of \$85 million, which will enable the Forest Preserve District to buy \$70 million of land and to spend \$15 million for trails and improvements. Lake County needs more land preserved,

wildlife protected, and new trails to balance development. Land purchased will help protect against flooding and will provide large refuges for animals and plants. The second referendum is to raise the taxing rate from .034 to .046, which would result in an additional \$1.9 million for operating expenses to cover public safety and maintenance.

League members have leadership roles in the nonpartisan campaign. Joyce O'Keefe of Highland Park is chair for the Friends of the Forest Preserves, a political action committee formed to pass the referenda. Mary Mathews of Lake Forest is the campaign coordinator. If you have any questions, please call Marge Reaume, Vice-President of LWV-Lake County, at 543-4093. Volunteers are needed, so please call the campaign number (247-9107) if you can spare an hour or two.

## LWV Convention Highlights

Bev Nelson and Jane Partridge attended the LWV Convention 2000, June 17 to 20 in Washington, D.C., and reported on the following highlights.

**Current Positions:** The delegates agreed to retain the current positions on government, international relations, natural resources, and social policy. They also agreed to review and update current league positions with a systematic review of all positions. They will examine one position area each biennium, starting this year with the international relations position on trade and the United Nations.

**New Studies:** (1) Study the systems used to elect our legislative bodies and executive offices at all levels of government (subject to availability of outside funding); and (2) study the drug control policy of the United States.

**"Take a Friend to Vote" Campaign:** Inserts will appear in the October issues of *Vanity Fair*, *New Yorker*, and *Self*

magazines. Tool kits will be available in some stores. For more information, see [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org).

**Bylaws:** The delegates passed two amendments to the basic charter. Article X, section 4.b, was amended to authorize the council meeting to transact "such other businesses as may come before it." Article XIII, section 2, adds a new paragraph d, reading, "The per-member payment for a member who is a student shall be equal to one-half the per-member payment amount determined at convention. A student is defined as an individual enrolled full- or part-time in an accredited institution."

**Budget:** The convention delegates adopted the FY 2000-2001 budget with no amendments. The new education fund board of trustees adopted the LWVEF FY 2000-2001 budget with no changes. The per-member payment remains at \$21 for both years of the biennium.

**Comments:** It has been 80 years since women gained the right to vote and LWV was founded. ABC News correspondent Lynn Scherr, in her speech, emphasized the many women who sacrificed their own personal lives to lead the fight for women's suffrage.

The convention was both exhilarating and inspirational. There were inspiring speakers who represented a variety of backgrounds. It was very interesting to learn what other states are doing. The workshops were informative.

## Book Published on CROYA

The Committee Representing Our Young Adults (CROYA) has published a book, written by League member Elaine Slayton, entitled *Empowering Teens: A Guide to Developing a Community-Based Youth Organization*. CROYA has served the youth of Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, and Knollwood for 20 years. Documenting

CROYA's history and evolution, *Empowering Teens* is a guide to others seeking ways in which to connect with and work more effectively with youth.

In keeping with CROYA's philosophy, young people were a part of the book process from inception. They earned funds to help pay for writing, publishing, and promoting the book, participated in meetings and interviews, read excerpts and gave feedback of the draft in progress, wrote sections themselves, and appear on the cover. The author, Elaine Slayton, is a freelance writer and educator living in Lake Forest. She is active in the community with the League of Women Voters, the Everett School APT Board, and the YWCA policy committee.

For more information, contact CROYA at (847) 615-4304. Lake Forest Book Store, 624 N. Western Ave. in Lake Forest, will be hosting a book signing of *Empowering Teens* on Saturday,

October 21, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Stop by to meet CROYA youth, staff, and the author, and to purchase a book.

## Panel Discussion on Respect and Civility

Last December, a group of citizens from Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, and Knollwood, working together as Partners for Progress, concluded: "There has been a noticeable erosion of civility in our communities. Respect. Integrity. Courtesy. Politeness. Honesty. Responsibility. We don't have a lock on this deficit of basic values; it's a national issue."

On Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the Deerpath Middle School auditorium, 155 W. Deerpath Rd., Lake Forest, Partners for Progress will address this issue by sponsoring a panel discussion entitled, "Encouraging

Respect and Civility Through Collaboration: A Citizens' Dialogue."

One of the themes of the discussion will be to recognize the reciprocal nature of "collaboration": to receive respect and civility, we must all practice them every day. On stage will be a panel of citizens who live or work in our tricomunity area. There will be spontaneous discussion of issues identified by the moderator, the panelists, and members of the audience.

Panelists include Kris Andersen, moderator; John Andersen, business and civic leader; Diane Clark, teacher; Tony Danielson, clergyman; Fred Day, Lake Bluff police chief; Sharon Golan, parent; Liz Hinchman and Tom Ryan, students; Mike Hosking, Lake Forest police chief; and Lea Maurer, Lake Forest High School swimming coach.

## COME SEE WHAT ALL THE FUSS IS ABOUT...



Did you know the League launched a Clearinghouse of League activities and information? The Clearinghouse provides information on events, grants, issues, publications, studies and training from Leagues across the country.

To access the Clearinghouse, go to the Members Only section of the LWVUS ([www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org)) website.

We are looking for a local League administrator to manage the information for our League. This person is responsible for entering information about our League in the Clearinghouse. It's easy--if you can type, you can do it! If you are interested, please contact the League president for more information.

It's all a click away...help us share our information with other Leagues!!



## Dates to Remember

October 1	Panel Discussion on Campaign Financing and Gambling, Park Ridge City Hall, 6:00 p.m.
October 4	Prospective Membership Coffee, Glen Rowan House, Lake Forest College, 10:00 a.m.; topic: health care
October 4	LWV-LFLB Board Meeting, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
October 5	Candidate Forum: 59th Representative District, County offices, 30th Senate District, Gorton Community Center, 400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest
October 12	Program: Charter Schools, Gorton Community Center, 7:00 p.m.
October 13	Great Decisions: "Defining Humanitarian Intervention," Betty Buker's, 1:00 p.m.
October 15	Candidate Forum: 10th District, Wilmette Junior High School, 620 Locust Rd., Wilmette
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# League Lines

## Message From the President

Bev Adamczyk

Dear Members,  
As I write, the election is more than a week away. As you read, the election has just passed. This has been a long campaign. The first presidential primary debates were almost a year ago. The Illinois state legislature voted for a condensed session last spring to allow for time for politicians to get home with adequate time before the primaries. The preparation for November 7th has been under way, full force, for a long time.

Speaking for a nonpartisan organization, I feel I can commend you all. I commend the commitment and involvement in government of all our membership: from the individuals who are elected officials to those who register voters. From the candidates themselves to the election judges and poll watchers. From those who actively campaign, host coffees, and publicly voice their opinions to those who abstain from campaigning in order to provide League-sponsored nonpartisan information to voters. You have all worked a tough and intense election season.

The election results are a mixture of hopes realized and disappointments for us all. But the face of the legislature is defined. After a much deserved rest and pat on the back, it will be time for us to turn our attention to the legislative agenda both in Springfield and in Washington and to local issues in our community. As we do that, I am reminded that our strength comes from our diversity, our nonpartisan stance,

and the informed involvement of our members.

Here's to working and staying informed with *all of you*, here at home, with the next legislatures in Springfield, and with the next administration, House, and Senate in Washington.

## Cable Programs

The League has been incredibly busy videotaping events of community interest. We hope that you all benefited from seeing candidate forums for the 59th, 30th, and 10th district races. Starting November 11th, watch for two worthwhile League programs on Channel 19: the Shields Township Study Presentation on Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. and Sundays at 5:30 p.m.; and the Charter School Panel, on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 7 p.m..

## Welcome New Members

Tracy Burns  
725 Birch Road, Lake Bluff

Kitty Cole  
340 Bluffs Edge Drive, Lake Forest

Kathryn Govas  
999 E. Walden Lane, Lake Forest

Suzanne S. Meyer  
1100 Pembroke Drive, #156,  
Lake Forest

Sue Weisenack  
840 Walden Lane, Lake Forest

Stacy Vermilyen  
1227 W. Kajer Lane, Lake Forest

### A Defining Moment (Meeting, Actually)

On Thursday, November 16th, at 7:30 p.m., at Gorton Community Center, Friends Room, please join interested members as we define the scope and objective of reviewing and studying the Lake Forest Caucus and Lake Bluff nominating process. We will talk about the positions that are in abeyance, why they are not currently useful, and what we need to explore about caucus and nominating that can be useful to the community. If you are interested in participating in the study, come. If you just want to observe what is going on, come. For planning purposes, an RSVP to Bev (615-7141) would be appreciated but is not necessary.

## Great Decisions

Great Decisions is an interest group sponsored jointly by the LWVLF-LB Area and the American Association of University Women to discuss timely foreign policy topics.

Programs are based on the briefing books and videotapes of the Foreign Policy Association. The Great Decisions briefing book highlights significant foreign policy issues. In compelling presentations, Great Decisions provides facts and nonpartisan analysis of the "great decisions" facing the U.S. public and policymakers.

WHEN: 2nd Friday of each month,  
1:00-3:00 pm

WHERE: Betty Buker's, 485 Oakwood  
Ave., Lake Forest  
• November 9: U.S. Interests in the  
World

*"An informed public is the ultimate foundation of a successful foreign policy."*

Come when you can, attendance is flexible. For information call Diane Lloyd (615-9182) or Betty Buker (234-4509).

## Holiday Luncheon

The Holiday Luncheon will be Tuesday, December 12th, 11:30 to 2:00 p.m., at

St. James Lutheran Church, 1380 N. Waukegan Rd., Lake Forest. Barbara Rinella will review *The Downing Street Years*, by Margaret Thatcher. A review of current books always follows Barbara's presentation, and the Lake Forest Book Store will be joining us with

samples of the books reviewed and of holiday gift books for sale. This is one of our favorite annual events. Plan to bring your friends. Invitations will be mailed in November.

## Welfare to Work

"Welfare to Work in Lake County: Is It Working?" will be presented by the League of Women Voters of Lake County on Wednesday, November 15th at noon (bring a bag lunch) at College of Lake County in Waukegan. Presenters will be Jerry Stermer of Voices for Illinois children; Amy Hennings, Catholic Charities; and Staben House, a Waukegan shelter for homeless women and their children. For more information or to arrange a ride, call Diane Lloyd at 615-9182.

## Shields Township

### Consensus

On Wednesday evening, September 27th, with Sallie Hamm facilitating the meeting, the League held its Shields Township Consensus Meeting. The meeting began with a presentation about Shields Township by members of the Study Group. Kathy Blahunka explained the origins of townships and the differences between geographic and

political townships. Shields is a geographic township, based on a 36-square-mile grid, with about half of its "square" in Lake Michigan. Audrey Nixon talked about the township governmental structure. Ann Hamlin described General Assistance, the aid that townships are required by law to provide for needy township residents who are not served by any other government programs and who meet qualifications set by the state. She pointed out that PADS, a Lake County homeless shelter, is now in place in North Chicago in Shields Township. Since any homeless person associated with the shelter will be able to use the PADS address as a personal address, Shields Township will be responsible for providing General Assistance to those qualifying from PADS. Eleanor Knight summarized how the Assessor's office assesses property in Shields Township. She pointed out that the assessment is not a tax, but that taxes levied by taxing bodies are based on the assessed valuation. Bob Bednar reported on the Road and Bridge Fund and its mandate to provide road maintenance and service to the 9-plus miles of road in unincorporated Shields Township. Alice Sievert walked the audience through the Township's income sources and reported on the percentage of expenditures applied to overhead and services. Over the past 12 years, ending with March 1, 1999, these figures showed a trend of increasing costs for personnel and of decreasing expenditures for services.

Following the presentation, the meeting was turned over to the League members present to evaluate the information and their experience and to find areas of agreement. The group generally agreed that the township ought to be able to find ways to do things more efficiently

### What's Up?

"What's Up in the Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Area," a presentation for new members and any other interested Leaguers, will be presented on Wednesday, November 29th, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Diane Lloyd's house, 500 College Road, Lake Forest. Please RSVP to Diane at 615-9182.

to reduce costs, but that it would not be acceptable to sacrifice the quality of services that the unincorporated areas are accustomed to. There was also general agreement that the Township should reallocate its hours to be more reflective of when people may come in. It became apparent that many people were unaware of the services Shields Township does offer, and there was general agreement that these services can be better highlighted in the Township's newsletter and Web site. Members also reiterated the importance of the Township having a public comment period included in the agenda for their regular meetings.

Special thanks to Sallie Hamm for facilitating and moving the group through a lot of material. And thanks to all the Study Group for their time and commitment to seeing the League through to some kind of consensus. The consensus discussion is being considered by the Study Group for a formulation of a League position statement on Shields Township. A videotape of the Study Group's presentation is available at the local libraries and Center Video in Lake Bluff. Handouts from the meeting are also available; contact Ann Hamlin (234-9042).

## Membership Coffee Addressed Health Care

On October 4th, we had a wonderful membership coffee in sunny splendor at the Glen Rowan House in Lake Forest. Dr. Larry Shoemaker, Chief Medical Officer at Lake Forest Hospital, spoke about current issues in health care. He prepared and handed out a helpful comparison of the presidential candidates' health care proposals. He also handed out a very informative report entitled, "Making the Grade on Women's Health: A National and State by State Report Card," which was put out by the National Women's Law Center. We are very grateful to Dr.

Shoemaker for sharing his expertise with us. We also thank Elaine Slayton and Kitty Lansing for organizing the membership coffee. (There are a couple of extra copies of "Making the Grade on Women's Health"; if you would like one, call Bev at 615-7141).



## Fall Fundraiser Fun and Informative

The fall fundraiser, which featured an interactive exercise called "Taxing Choices," conducted by the Concord Coalition, was held on October 21st.

Members and guests who attended brought appetizers and desserts. After a period of socializing and eating, Corey Davison of the Concord Coalition introduced the exercise. Participants divided into groups and discussed taxing issues.

In the first issue, participants were presented six options for broad economic tax reform, ranging from a flat tax to a system of progressive reform. Each group's choices resulted in increased revenue. Two of the three groups chose the progressive tax reform plan. The third group could not get a majority to vote for the flat tax, so they chose "none of the above."

In the next issue, which involved environmental taxing options, one option was selected by all three groups: to tax air and water pollution to increase funding for environmental cleanup.

The evening's activities led to many interesting discussions, and we all left a little better informed about taxing

issues. It was a fun evening, and, as Shirley Goldman pointed out, only League members would get together on a Saturday night to talk about taxes.

## League Notes

We offer an especially warm thanks to Diane Loyd for opening her home to the League for our fall fundraiser, "Taxing Choices." We had a great evening!

Every fall the LWVIL does a fall Phonathon, in which they call members all over the state engaging their support. This year our league, LWVLF/LB will be calling members on November 5th. If we miss you then, you still may hear from the League later in the month. And this year, a portion of all donations made from our League will stay here locally in Lake Forest/Lake Bluff.

Thank you to Dodie Cook, Eleanor Knight, and Char Kreuz for volunteering at the Lake Forest City Hall to process absentee ballots for the election. The League and the City appreciate your time and energy.

**Stop Receiving Mail You Don't Want**  
As you are well aware, the businesses in Lake Forest and Lake Bluff have begun a recycling program with SWALCO and the municipalities. However, many residents still do not have curbside recycling of magazines and other junk mail. If you want to reduce the amount of unwanted catalogues and other mail solicitations to your home, you can have your name removed from mailing lists by sending your name, address, and signature (on a postcard, etc.) to:

Direct Marketing Association /  
Mail Preference Service  
PO Box 9008  
Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008



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November 15 "Welfare to Work in Lake County: Is It Working?" 12:00 p.m., Waukegan  
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## Message From the President

Bev Adamczyk

Dear Members,  
As we complete our Shields Township Study, we are embarking on a new study of the local nominating process in both Lake Forest and Lake Bluff. During November I participated in meetings for both studies. The initial meeting of the caucus/nominating process study shows real promise. It was intellectually stimulating and interesting to hear members' present concerns as well as some of the local area's history. And it was invigorating to see the energy and enthusiasm growing over a new project. (To learn more about the meeting, see the article in this newsletter.)

The Shields Township Study Group met during November to draft our position statement on Shields Township as the culmination of its more than year-long project. The mood of this meeting was confident. The work was filled with a sense of respect for diverse members, and a feeling of completion and accomplishment.

Attending both study meetings within days of each other gave rise to many feelings for me personally. The Shields Township Study is the first League study that I have been involved with. I learned a tremendous amount, both about the Township government and study techniques and approaches. I also made true friends. I have developed meaningful relationships that I will always treasure. With the Shields Township study meaning so much to me, it is heartening to see a new study beginning. The fruits of knowledge are worthwhile, and the study process is rewarding. It is good to see the cycle beginning again.

I hope to see you at our Holiday Luncheon. The luncheon is an annual

favorite. It is a great time to socialize with friends and be entertained with a book review by Barbara Rinella. And who knows, with Barbara Rinella doing Margaret Thatcher's *The Downing Street Years*, we might learn something! Don't forget that Ms. Rinella also does excellent book reviews and the books are available for your convenient holiday shopping.

Happy Holidays, and see you on December 12th!

Bev

## Welcome New Member

Chris Leone  
674 E. Northmoor Rd., Lake Forest

## Caucus Study

On November 16th, LWVLF/LB held its first meeting concerning our study of the caucus in Lake Forest and the nominating system in Lake Bluff. Even though Lake Forest and Lake Bluff have very different local governmental structure and different ways historically of slating candidates for local offices, we discussed the communities together. In Lake Bluff there is a school caucus for District 65, and in Lake Forest the Lake Forest Caucus slates candidates for the Lake Forest elected officials and for School Districts 67 and 115.

We turned our main focus to the question of how individuals become candidates for local elected offices. Our curiosity is not limited to the caucus candidate selection process, but extends to the Lake Forest Party and the nominating process in Lake Bluff. We decided that a good first step in our study would be to try to create a brochure on "Becoming a Candidate in Lake Forest and Lake Bluff." We would like to include information about the candidate selection process from the

local caucuses and local political parties as well as information on how to run as an independent. The information will be useful to the community.

At our next meeting we will consider the information we need to gather, the questions that need to be asked, and of whom. Join us, prepared with sample questions. We are tentatively scheduling our next meeting for Wednesday, January 17th, 2001, at 1:00 p.m. Time and place will be confirmed in our next issue of *League Lines*. For more information, contact Bev at 615-7141.

## Preschool Directory

Judy Engel has graciously and competently taken on the task of coordinator for the League's 2001 Preschool Directory. She is doing a fabulous job and expects to have new directories available in January. If you have any information for the Directory, please forward it to Judy Engel at 604-8544 or jkengel123@aol.com. Thanks.

## Recycling Coordinator Needed

We're looking for a recycling coordinator—Mary Claire Briggs has performed wonderfully as our League's local recycling coordinator for the past two years. She introduced SWALCO to the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce, which ultimately led to the introduction of a business recycling pilot program (now under way) in both communities. However, as Mary Claire changes her focus, we are absent a local recycling coordinator. The position involves seeing opportunities for recycling and advocating the introduction or expansion of recycling. The recycling coordinator is not required to attend board meetings. To learn more about the position or about recycling in the community, contact Mary Claire Briggs (615-8661) or Bev Adamczyk (615-7141).

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