

IN LEAGUE

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

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF БЕЛОIT

APRIL 2016

THE LWV IS A VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION THAT DOES A PROFESSIONAL JOB

Up-coming Events:

Come for Supper in the Country

Beloit LWV 2016 Annual Meeting

Learn about “Safe Schools, Healthy Students”

5:00 pm

Friday, April 29

Beloit LWV Leadership Team / Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 3
5:00 pm
(note time change)

Members are always invited. Beloit Public Library
605 Eclipse Boulevard

Wisconsin LWV Annual Meeting

Friday-Sunday, June 3-5

Landmark Resort, Egg Harbor, Door County, WI

BELOIT LWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Susan Adams, Dave Dobson, Stephanie Dobson, Deb Fallon,
Effie Garrett, Gayle Hotchkiss, Alice Lamont, Beatrice McKenzie, Joyce Metter,
Lynda Owens, Joyce Schoenfield, Wanda Sloan*

Jottings

*Spring has been a busy time for Beloit Leaguers,
with several successful activities just in the past month:*

- ✓ The League co-sponsored two separate Candidate Forums-- City Council and School Board. Both forums went very well and were well-attended. The League received compliments from the candidates (even formal 'thank yous') for the well organized events. Ralph Berkley served as moderator and Joyce Metter worked with the Chamber of Commerce and NAACP.
- ✓ An appreciative crowd, including several members of the public, enjoyed candy, popcorn, water and soda while watching the movie "Suffragettes" at the Beloit Public Library. The Beloit League and the library so-sponsored the event.
- ✓ Many Leaguers worked at the polls on Election Day, and found themselves busy with voters all day long!
- ✓ Joyce Metter and Deb Fallon are on working on a Human Trafficking task force with Women's Fund members Sandra Kincaid and Marline Holmes to help First Responders coordinate their efforts.

. Joyce S.



League of Women Voters of Beloit Diversity Policy

The League of Women Voters of Beloit subscribes to the belief that diverse perspectives and inclusiveness are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision making. The Beloit LWV affirms this belief in diversity and pluralism through its values and practices.

The Beloit LWV is, therefore, committed to reflecting the diversity of Americans in its membership, board, and programs, which means that there shall be no barriers to participation in any activity of the Beloit LWV on the basis of race, national origin, creed, age, gender, sexual orientation, economic status, political activity or disability.

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Check out our
Beloit League of Women Voters web site:

www.beloit.wi.lwvnet.org

*Enjoy a short spring drive in the country
and a Friday supper in the lovely setting of Big Hill Park*

*Beloit League of Women Voters
2016 Annual Meeting*

*Friday, April 29
5:00 pm*

*Come for Supper in the Country
We'll meet at the Big Hill Center
(in the meeting room on the lower floor)*

*After enjoying a supper of baked fish, fried chicken, and MORE
we'll learn about the Safe Schools Healthy Students project
and then carry out the 'LWV Annual Meeting business'*

*RSVP to bclwv2010@gmail.com by April 24th
\$12 - pay at the door*

The Beloit LWV has a New Member!

 **Mardell Jacobsen** 

Mardell joined through our local League's website application system: www.beloit.wi.lwvnet.org

She sent the form and her dues check to the address given there

Welcome Mardell!

We're proud to have you as a League member!



Are YOU reading this newsletter as a 'guest'?

Joining the League of Women Voters is easy!



Simply print out this page and cut off the form below.

Write your check to the League of Women Voters of Beloit. **Dues are \$65.**

Mail it to Beloit LWV Treasurer: Alice Lamont
2429 Lathers Road (Phone: 365-4747)
Beloit, WI 53511

_____		_____
<i>name</i>		<i>phone</i>
_____	_____	_____
<i>street</i>	<i>city/state</i>	<i>zip</i>
_____	_____	
<i>date</i>	<i>signature</i>	



Application for LWV Dues Scholarship: I hereby request consideration for a LWV Dues Scholarship in the amount of \$_____ for one year's membership. I understand that it is my responsibility to pay at least 20% (\$13.00) of the annual dues. _____

Annual Meeting
League of Women Voters of Beloit
April 29, 2016

Guest Speakers: Beth Herman and Shawn Fredricks
"Safe Schools Healthy Students Project"

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Appointment of Reading Committee for 2016 Annual Meeting minutes
3. Treasurer's Report for 2015-2016
4. Proposed Program

❧ ❧ ❧ **Adoption of Program** ❧ ❧ ❧

- A. Adoption of current positions: *(adoption by majority vote - see back of page)*
 - B. Proposed Program for 2016-2017: *(adoption by majority vote - see back of page)*
New topics may also be brought up at the Annual Meeting as non-recommended topics. Such topics may be considered for discussion by a majority vote, then adopted for study by a 2/3 vote.
 - C. Optional Directives to the Board for future consideration: *(vote is optional)*
At this time, members may recommend additional events, actions, procedures, new studies, or position revisions for future consideration by the board.
5. Adoption of 2016-2017 Budget (includes adoption of Dues Categories) *(adoption by 2/3 vote)*

❧ ❧ ❧ **Adoption of Dues Categories** ❧ ❧ ❧

Individual Membership	\$65.00
June Swannack, LWV Beloit Founder	\$200.00
Carrie Chapman Catt, LWVUS Founder	\$150.00
Susan B. Anthony, Suffragette	\$100.00
Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Suffragette	\$75.00

(please note that the 20% dues scholarship policy continues)

6. Nominating Committee Report / Election of Officers *(adoption by two-thirds vote)*

❧ ❧ ❧ **Election of Officers and Directors** ❧ ❧ ❧

Nominating Committee Report: Duties of these members will be determined later

Susan Adams	Deb Fallon	Alice Lamont	Lynda Owens
Bette Carr	Effie Garrett	Beatrice McKenzie	Joyce Schoenfield
Stephanie Dobson	Gayle Hotchkiss	Joyce Metter	_____

Nominating committee to be selected:

Board Member

Board Member

League Member

note: During the next League year, the board will review Bylaws ARTICLE IV - Board of Directors to clarify the wording of the bylaw and also to decide whether to increase the number of people who can be on the Beloit LWV Board. That goal would be to decrease the work load by dividing and sharing tasks.

The board would like to consider establishing two appointed intern board member(s) on a trial basis. The non-voting interns would be able to learn what the board does and decide whether they would be interested in serving as board members.

7. Adjourn

2016-2017 BELOIT LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS BUDGET
Presented to LWV Board on March 1, 2016

Year to Date	2015-16 Budget	2016-17 Budget	
- INCOME -			
\$2,636.00	\$ 2,860.00	\$ 2,860.00	Member Dues Collected
\$486.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 500.00	Member Contributions
\$550.00	\$700.00	\$ 700.00	Non-Member Contributions
\$905.50	\$500.00	\$ 900.00	Program & Annual Meetings
\$975.00	\$400.00	\$ 700.00	Grants/Special Projects
	\$534.00	\$ 605.00	Fund Raisers, eg. SBA From Reserves
\$4.13	\$ 3.50	\$ 5.00	Interest on Checking Account
\$1.95	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.00	CD Interest
\$645.00			Badger Girls State Fund
\$6,203.58	\$5,800.00	\$ 6,272.00	TOTAL

- EXPENSES -			
\$200.00	\$200.00	\$ 240.00	Website
\$37.30	\$135.00	\$45.00	Board Supplies/Postage
\$54.09	\$100.00	\$ 50.00	Treasurers Expenses
\$230.00	\$95.00	\$100.00	Membership
	\$950.00		National Convention
\$290.95	\$500.00	\$ 672.00	State Convention
\$1,241.43	\$800.00	\$1,400.00	Local Program Meetings
\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	Regional Program Meetings
\$1,005.00	\$1,240.00	\$1,240.00	State PMA
\$1,072.00	\$1,280.00	\$1,280.00	National PMP
	\$100.00	\$ 50.00	Printing & Publications
\$535.02	\$300.00	\$ 700.00	Voters Service
\$250.00		\$ 395.00	Badger Girls State Fees
\$5,015.79	\$5,800.00	\$ 6,272.00	TOTAL

Cash Apr 1, 2015	\$3,842.87	Certificate of Deposit	\$1,265.76
Income all Year	\$6,201.68	Interest on CD	\$1.95
Expenses all Year	\$(5,015.79)		
Cash Mar. 31, 2016	\$5,028.76	Value of CD	\$1,267.71

Increase of Cash due to non-expenditures to National Convention, State Convention, increased grants, and Badger Girls State unpaid at this time. Printing and publications costs decreased because of email.