

The **LWV** **VOTER**

Corrections to the Voter Rights Information

After I posted the last newsletter Lori Stottler saw the errors that I got off the website and shared with you, Thank you Lori!!! The following are the needed corrections...

Just a correction to the absentee return deadline. 6.87(6) law was changed in that ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTS will be counted at the polls on election day. Late arriving ballots will NOT be counted even if postmarked on Election Day.

This is a result of 2015 Wisconsin Act 261 (which changed 12 election laws) but specifically to absentee ballot deadlines...that effective November 8, requires absentee ballots to be received as of election day.

<http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2015/related/acts/261>

I guess I feel compelled to mention the October 24 in-person absentee date as well. The recent ruling on Voter ID removed all limitations placed on in-person absentee voting within a municipality.

Essentially, in-person absentee voting can begin as soon as ballots are available for an election and continue through the Sunday before the election if the clerk holds regular hours for voting. Municipalities can set the times and number of days to conduct in-person voting and there is no minimum or maximum number of days that in-person voting must be conducted...

City of Beloit residents will be able to vote in-person absentee beginning September 26 through November 4 during regular business hours so long as we can accommodate. We will be hosting a county-wide extended voting hours event but haven't nailed down the Press Release yet. Will let you know.

A Social Gathering is Being Planned

The League of Women Voters of Janesville will be hosting a screening of the movie *Suffragette* in November. More information will be gotten to you as soon as it becomes available!



What's Inside this Issue

A January Membership Gathering is in the Planning Stages!

A membership gathering will be held at 29 South in January, more information will be published as it becomes available!

November 8th's board meeting has been rescheduled for the to the 7th, to make things easier due to the election.

The December board meeting has been cancelled due to the busy schedules of the members of the board.

Volunteer polling monitors needed!

Help the League of Women Voters monitor the November 8 election! The League is looking for volunteers from all around the state to be our eyes and ears at the polls. Help us monitor the application of new election laws and procedures. In particular, we will be watching for any signs of people being disenfranchised. The League's election observation reports have proved to be valuable sources of information - in the Capitol and the courts - about how the new election laws have impacted voters. Our trained, volunteer election observers make it possible. Take 2 minutes to sign up online. Anyone may volunteer who:



Is willing to participate in a 90-minute training session—a webinar—prior to the election

Can spend at least 2 hours and preferably half the day at one polling place or be a roving observer who visits a number of polling places

Is willing to follow the Wisconsin rules for election observers

Agrees to mail in a completed report form following the election - we'll provide the stamped, addressed

envelope!

Has a cell phone, so we can communicate if needed on Election Day.

You don't need to be a League member to volunteer. Sign up now! League of Women Voters will provide:

Nonpartisan materials that let you know your role as an observer, what to watch for, what to do if you see any problems at the polls

On-line training

A polling place assignment or roving observer territory

A number to call on election day to report problems

A reporting form and stamped return envelope

How to volunteer: Sign up on our brief online election observer volunteer form. We will get back to you about where you are needed and times for online training.

After you sign up, Forward this message to a friend

who would be a good observer. We need many volunteers in cities, towns and villages across the state!

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Calendar

Upcoming Activities 2015-16*

*Additional events may be planned. Check website: lwvjvl.org/calendar



October

October 11 @ 6:30 p.m. Board meeting

November

November 7 @ 6:30 p.m. Board meeting

November 8 @ 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Fall General Election

November Date and Place TBD screening of movie *Suffragette*

December

Due to the busy December scheduling there will be **no board meeting** this month

January

January 10 @ 6:30 p.m. Board meeting
January Membership Gathering @ 29 South - Date to be determined

February

February 14 @ 6:30 p.m. Board meeting
February 11 Susan B. Anthony Party at Domenicos in Beloit

March

March 14 @ 6:30 p.m. Board meeting

Celebrate your Birthday with the League!



Remember you may still contribute to the State League with a birthday donation and half of your donation will be returned to our Janesville League.

Web addresses of National, State and Local Leagues:

To check out the action go to:

LWV-US <www.lwv.org>

LWV-WI <www.lwvwi.org>

JANESVILLE LEAGUE <www.lwvjvl.org>



Are you reading this newsletter as a 'guest'?

Joining the League of Women Voters is easy simply fill in this form and mail.

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

Individual \$65.00
 Student \$30.00

Household \$95.00

I am unable to join the League at this time but enclosed is a contribution of \$_____.

Please make your check payable to: League of Women Voters -
Janesville, P.O. Box 8064, Janesville, WI 53547-8064

I request consideration for a LWV scholarship.

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