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Communications from the President



Dear Friends in League,
I hope that you were able to attend “**100 Years—Votes for Women**,” the local celebration of the centennial of Wisconsin’s ratification

of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution on June 10. The event was organized by the Women’s Fund of the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin and the LWV of Janesville, with the aid of a generous donation from the major event sponsor, Blackhawk Community Credit Union. You can view JATV’s video recording of the event beginning Wednesday, June 26. We expect that you will also be able to view it on JATV’s YouTube channel soon so you can share the event with friends who live outside of the Janesville area. We are grateful to the Women’s Fund board for inviting the LWV to join them in organizing the event and in sharing the net proceeds.

I am happy to report that our Janesville member, **Kay Deupree**, is the recipient of the 2019 **Meg McLane Award for Advocacy**. This annual award from the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin recognizes one individual League member who works as a citizen advocate through the League of Women Voters and/or other organizations for positive policy changes in Wisconsin. Kay received her award at the LWVWI Annual Meeting in Green Lake on June 8 and gave an inspirational speech in accepting her award. Kay has gener-



Linda Reinhardt, photo
Kay speaking at the State League’s Annual Meeting after receiving her Meg McLane Award

ously designated the LWV-Janesville to be the recipient of the financial award that comes with this honor.

I am pleased to announce that **we have a new look to our local League website at <https://www.lwvjvl.org>**. I could say that we made the change in observance of the LWV Centennial in 2020, but in truth it was necessitated because the LWV California plans to discontinue the web authoring platform that we had been using for the past several years. The new platform allows for some new functions and for the easy display of graph-

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ics, photos and videos. We welcome your comments and suggestions for improving the website, as well as recent photos of League members in action that you would like to share. To become a contributor to our website or Facebook page, give our League a presence on Twitter, Instagram or other social media, and/or become a member of our Publicity and Social Media Committee, please contact Heide Keith heidek01@gmail.com or me. If you would like to submit an article for publication in our monthly newsletter "The Voter," please send them to the editor, Carol Herzig caherzig@gmail.com.

As a reminder, your League membership comes due

for renewal in June of each year. In addition to renewing your membership with a check sent to: LWVJVL PO Box 8064, Janesville, WI 53547-8064, **you can renew your membership online through our website with Paypal** (credit and debit cards accepted) and complete our online League Interest Survey. Renewing your League membership at our Annual Meeting in May or during the summer months ensures that your contact information will be in our LWV-JVL Membership Directory 2019-2020 that will be printed for distribution for our membership event in September.

I hope you can join us for our Back Porch book discussion in July and August!

Linda

Back Porch Book Discussions

Our discussions will be on the **fourth Thursday of the months of July, and August from 3:00-4:30 p.m**

We hope that many of you will be able to join us for some lively discussions of books that address timely topics. Come for one or all three discussions.

You are most welcome to bring guests--particularly friends who would enjoy

reading and discussing these books with us. Who knows, they may decide to join League given a chance to get to know us.

Please RSVP to our hosts if you plan to attend--they may need to ask some of us to bring our own chairs.

We hope that you'll be interested in reading the books even if you can't join our Face to Face discussions.

Date	Time	Book Title	Author	Host	Contact Information
7/25	3:00-4:30	<i>The Broken Ladder: How Inequality Affects the Way We think, Live, and Die</i>	Keith Payne	Evon Mitchell	2419 Lombard Ave 608.756.1007
8/22	3:00-4:30	<i>Them: Why We Hate Each Other – And How to Heal</i>	Ben Sasse	Nancy Stabb	1200 S. River Road 608.563.1411

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy

Each month we will be placing our position on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Voter, as a service to our members.

LWV is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice. Diversity, equity and inclusion are central to the organization's current and future success in engaging all individuals, households, communities, and policy makers in creating a more perfect democracy.

There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, gender identity, ethnicity, race, native or indigenous origin, age, generation, sexual orientation, culture, religion, belief system,

marital status, parental status, socioeconomic status, language, accent, ability status, mental health, educational level or background, geography, nationality, work style, work experience, job role function, thinking style, personality type, physical appearance, political perspective or affiliation and/or any other characteristic that can be identified as recognizing or illustrating diversity.

The Janesville LWV commits to the diversity of Janesville and fully endorses the LWV's DEI policy.

Getting Ready for the Parade



Carol Herzig, photos

A beautiful day celebrating 100 years of women's right to vote! These three pages show the preparation and march to JPAC for our program featuring the strong women of the past who made it possible.







At JPAC in the Lobby and the Program



Photos above are from the lobby of attendees waiting for the program.

Lucy Beckord as the MC. Kay Deupree as Lucy Stone.



Lois Smith as Susan B. Anthony. Jan Knutson as France Willard. Lucy Beckord as Ellen Goodell. Laura Petersn as Victoria Woodhull. Gwen Hazekamp as Olympia Brown. Jelene Ahrens as Elizabeth Cady Stanton.



Wanda Sloan as Ida Wells. Tricia Clasen as Theodora Win- ton Youmans. Teresa Nguyen as Emma Man- ning. Stacy Reed-Bodnar as Alice Paul. Jelene Ahrens as Kathryn Morrison. Irene Oliver as Vel Phillips.



At left: Teresa Nguyen as Justice Shirley Abrahamson. At right: Nancy Sonntag as Tammy Baldwin, Vanessa Theus as Gwen Moore, and Barbara McCrory as herself. Not Pictured: Gwen Hazekamp as Julia Lovejoy, Susan Johnson as Gertrude Mouat, Holly Baumel as Dolly Nowlan, and Becky Weber Johnson as Ruth Jeffris.



**View our new website at: lwvjvl.org
Contact at: janesvillelwv@gmail.com**

**Resolution No. 2019-1668
A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of
Wisconsin ratifying the 19th Amendment.**

WHEREAS, on June 10, 1919, the State of Wisconsin led the nation as the first state to ratify the 19th Amendment, allowing women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin women fought for the right to vote for more than a century before it was granted, and persevered in the face of resistance; and

WHEREAS, the fight for women's suffrage, from the women's rights convention to enfranchisement, lasted 72 years, with women from all walks of life, political views, and demographic backgrounds asking for the right to voice their opinions at the polls; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin women by the thousands advocated for the right to vote on the streets, in newspapers, and in the state and federal capitols; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin-born Carrie Chapman Catt led the national movement meeting with President Woodrow Wilson to secure his support for suffrage in light of women's contributions during World War I; and

WHEREAS, Other Wisconsin women, like former First Lady Belle Case LaFollette and Reverend Olympia Brown, garnered national attention for their suffrage efforts as well; and

WHEREAS, it took male allies to support women in their endeavor to vote, for it was sons, husbands, and fathers who ultimately heard the calls of women and took the historic vote on June 10, 1919; and

WHEREAS, daughters, granddaughters, and great-granddaughters of the women who fought so hard to vote have been making their voices heard at the polls or 100 years; and

WHEREAS, most of the women who began fighting for the right to vote never lived to see the enfranchisement of women; and

WHEREAS, today, women are running for office in unprecedented numbers, with many current politicians, both male and female, remembering that they follow in the footsteps of these great suffragists; and

WHEREAS, the Women's Fund, in partnership with the Janesville League of Women Voters, is celebrating this historic victory in a special event titled "100 Years: Votes for Women March for Progress and 'A Living Story'" taking place this evening; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Janesville Common Council that June 10, 2019 commemorate the 100th anniversary of Wisconsin ratifying the 19th Amendment, reaffirming the City's commitment to empowering and uplifting the voices of women within the community.



Nancy Stabb read the City Council's Resolution to those gathered.

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.

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>*

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