



President's Message

Change. It is one of life's constants. We know it's coming, we can see a glimpse of it sometimes as we turn our heads or hear a whisper of it in the distance. Yet why is it so hard to deal with it when it comes? Maybe because no one knows how we'll react and adapt to it when it hits us full force. Maybe we don't want to know and withdraw in fear rather than deal with it openly. Yet how we deal with change determines the rest of our lives.

I believe we are on the cusp of major changes to our American way of life. The representative democracy that we've depended on all of our lives is up for grabs as our own government passes unconstitutional laws and other countries virtually invade our voting booths. But the outcome is not inevitable.

The League of Women Voters has a long, proud history of addressing similar challenges since 1920. We are not, as my older brother recently implied, "ladies who lunch and talk about stuff."

We are descended from activists, from women who risked their places in society and even their lives to effect massive change by fighting for female suffrage. When we won that fight we briefly celebrated, then moved forward, working for fair elections, equal opportunity at the polls, and open electoral processes across the country.

I believe the League is up to the challenges facing us today. Our membership is growing rapidly as men and women looking for an established, respected organization to help them channel their energies to fight for the American way of life see us a beacon of hope. Knowing so many of you already, I know we will do all we can to have our voices heard.

We say goodbye to Mary Kae Nelson and Ruth Shank as co-presidents. Both will continue in the League: Mary Kae as Outreach Coordinator and Ruth as a member of the state Board. Their influence in the community is far-reaching and a great source of pride to me. I hope to emulate their hard work and dedication to the cause.

Anne Golden



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CALENDAR

July 2017			
8	Sat	9 am - 12 pm	Board Orientation Lu Ann Bird's Home, 5155 Brandons Court, Hales Corners Contact: Anne Golden, 414-559-2632
12	Wed	6 - 7:30 pm	League Calendar Planning Meeting St. John's on the Lake, 1840 N. Prospect Ave., Milwaukee Contact: Kathy Johnson, vpprogram@lwmilwaukee.org
13	Thurs	9 am - 11 am	Naturalization Ceremony / New Voter Registration Federal Courthouse, 517 E. Wisconsin Ave., Courtroom 320 Contact: Elizabeth Aelion, 414-507-2074
26	Wed	7 - 8:30 pm	Natural Resources Committee Meeting Conference Call Contact: Carol Diggelman, 414-232-3739
27	Thurs	9 am - 11 am - 2 pm	Naturalization Ceremony / New Voter Registration Federal Courthouse, 517 E. Wisconsin Ave., Courtroom 320 Contact: Mary Jo McDonald, 414-962-8195
August 2017			
9	Wed		The Voter Newsletter Deadline Submit articles, photographs, notices or other content for potential publication in <i>The Voter</i> Contact: Anne Golden, 414-559-2632
9	Wed	6 pm	Board Meeting 1845 N. Farwell Ave., Milwaukee Contact: Anne Golden, 414-559-2632
10	Thurs	9 am - 11 am	Naturalization Ceremony / New Voter Registration Federal Courthouse, 517 E. Wisconsin Ave., Courtroom 320 Contact: Mary Jo McDonald, 414-962-8195
21	Mon	12:30 pm	Membership Committee Meeting St. John's on the Lake, 1840 N. Prospect Ave., Milwaukee Contact: Barbara Rasmussen, 414-791-0114
24	Thurs	9 am - 11 am - 2 pm	Naturalization Ceremony / New Voter Registration Federal Courthouse, 517 E. Wisconsin Ave., Courtroom 390 Contact: Mary Jo McDonald, 414-962-8195; Elizabeth Aelion, 414-507-2074
26	Sat		Women's Equality Day Annual commemoration of the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote.

International Relations

Ned Maxwell

The International Relations committee is on hiatus until September. If the ever-expanding number of participants in the Great Decisions discussions of the past year is any indication, it will be an interesting fall. The new year of monthly discussions will start on Thursday, September 14, at 10 a.m. at the Wauwatosa Public Library.

Anticipate the topic of U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum: What is the effect of U.S. petroleum security on foreign policy? For 45 years, the country has alternated between periods of energy security and insecurity, sometimes able to wield petroleum as a useful instrument of foreign policy, sometimes not. Despite the so-called "energy revolution," the U.S. today is by no means disentangled from foreign dependence and global trends. To be successful, policymakers must recognize both petroleum security circumstances and patterns in the relationship between petroleum and foreign policy.

Be there.

Report from LWV-WI Annual Meeting, June 2017

Mary Kae Nelson

“Safeguarding Democracy: Civility, Equity and Community” was the theme of this year’s LWV-WI Annual Meeting held in Green Bay June 9 and 10. Teri Lane, along with Brooke Solrvedt of the Dane County League, shared information about tech challenges and solutions during registration and breaks. Mary Jo McDonald demonstrated the equipment we use to do online voter registration at naturalization ceremonies as well as with our high school voter registration project. Funds for equipment came from a grant we received from the national League.

Friday evening the speaker was UW-Green Bay professor Harvey J. Kaye who related the history of radicalism to the current climate. Small group discussions followed. Our own Louise Petering, state board member and Leadership Development chair and Erin Grunze (LWV-WI staff) conducted a session using sticky notes on how to increase League visibility and member involvement. A discussion group on the study of poverty across our state was well attended. Leagues from around the state shared their studies and how they are taking action. Natural resources attendees participated in a session with updates about the two regional interleague groups: Lake Michigan Region and Upper Mississippi Region. Then they explored the watershed game.

Erica Nelson of the Wisconsin Council on Children and Families was the Zabelle Malkasian lecture series speaker on Saturday morning. Zabelle was a long-time member of the Wauwatosa League and the merged Milwaukee County League. She worked tirelessly for marital property and issues of equity across the state. Her son Bill underwrote the series to honor his mother and the work she did for the League and for women in Wisconsin. Erica Nelson’s talk titled “Race to Equity Project--Lifting Up All Wisconsin Residents” presented shocking information about Wisconsin’s extraordinary racial disparities in education, employment, income, housing, and incarceration rates. She emphasized the need to look at all policy recommendations through the lens of racial equity.

Marilyn Boeldt, a professional fundraiser and LWV-Milwaukee County member, led a session on development. Since most our dues dollars are forwarded to LWV-US and LWV-WI, this is an important topic for all Leagues. Marilyn had good handouts and reminded us that you don’t get anything if you don’t ask!

At the plenary/business session, State President Debra Cronmiller presented information on the national Leadership Summit. To remain strong and effective for the next century, the League is expecting to make changes in structure and administration by 2020. President Cronmiller stressed the need for better use of social media, serious fundraising, less cumbersome administrative practices, as well as faster, more nimble responses to new issues. State staff reported on the success of the Gear Up to Vote campaign, the creation of several new local Leagues in Wisconsin, and an overall increase in membership this year. Members expressed



appreciation to Executive Director Andrea Kaminski for her terrific work representing the League at the State Capitol—work recognized by Community Shares of Wisconsin, which selected Kaminski to receive the Linda Sundberg Civil Rights Defender Award.

Andrea Kaminski reminded attendees that to improve our messaging, we need to update our lingo. We back **fair voting maps** (not redistricting), we support **getting money out of politics** (not money in politics), and we are **working to block a constitutional convention**, (we aren’t working on a constitutional convention.) Voter Education Director Erin Grunze spoke about her work last year in terms of the friendships and relationships she formed with Leaguers around the state, and how those relationships are key to making her work both meaningful and effective.

We adopted a budget and elected new officers including outgoing LWV-MC co-president Truesillia Ruth Shank as director to the state board. Delegates approved a minimum wage study to be chaired by Ingrid Rothe (LWV-Dane County) who had a distinguished professional career in research on poverty. The cost of the study should be minimal, and the time frame is likely to be short. Two recommended programs were approved: education and advocacy on voting rights, along with education and advocacy on poverty.

On Saturday evening after the sessions, we Milwaukee Leaguers demonstrated that we not only know how to present good information, we know how to party as well. The opportunity to meet Leaguers from other parts of Wisconsin and to share ideas, concerns, successes, and solutions is always the fun part of attending a conference. Carpooling and getting to know fellow Leaguers better are additional benefits of going to a state meeting. Watch for news about Issues Briefing in Madison in October and come along with us.

Why Is It Important For Us To Understand And Proactively Deal With The Polarization Our Country Is Experiencing?

Truesillia Ruth Shank, Immediate Past Co-President

This is a question we must ask ourselves, because polarization seems so deeply embedded in far too many crucial discussions about major issues our nation currently faces. The League's mantra, *Making Democracy Work*, bears repeating.

How do we begin to accomplish this? Through engaging TOGETHER in crucial and civil conversations to bridge the existing divide. The authors* of *Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes Are High* define crucial conversation as "discussion between two or more people where 1) the stakes are high, 2) opinions vary, and 3) emotions run strong."

We have all at some point in our lives witnessed or experienced how polarization can result in an inability to act or react effectively for the well-being of all. How can we as a nation possibly move into the future in a proactive and productive manner if we as individuals allow this to occur?

It is important that each of us make a genuine effort to bridge this polarization divide for the overall health and vitality of our great nation. We must initially address the divide as individuals, then as a nation, and as members of the global community. Issues include the environment, education, gun violence, relations between community members and the law enforcement agencies meant to protect them, equity in housing, racial justice, and more.

What an honor it has been to serve as Co-President of the Milwaukee League for the past two years. I know we will continue to build coalitions and work with diverse groups to address multiple issues in our county and state as we work toward less polarized communities.

*Kerry Patterson, Joseph Grenny, Ron McMillan, and Al Switzler

New Technology at Naturalization Ceremonies

Mary Jo McDonald

In January of this year, rules for assisting voters with registration changed. With the advent of the MyVote system or online voter registration (OVR), Special Registration Deputies (SRD's) were eliminated. No registration papers can now be signed in the community that prove the residence of a voter. To meet this change, we had a contribution that funded a scanner and appropriate materials to assist with paper applications that provides copies of a voter's proof of residence. This still left the problem of assisting a voter with the new online system. Through the generosity of the national League of Women Voters Education Fund, our League was awarded \$3000 to use for the improvement of registration activities after naturalization ceremonies. Now we have 10 Lenovo laptops, a wireless printer and a variety of new print materials to enhance understanding of the voting process and the state election commission's new MyVote system. The Federal Courthouse has the additional problem of no wifi service so a hot spot was purchased as well.

The complete new system went live on April 20 with good success. We can now offer online voter registration using the laptops and paper registrations using our scanner.

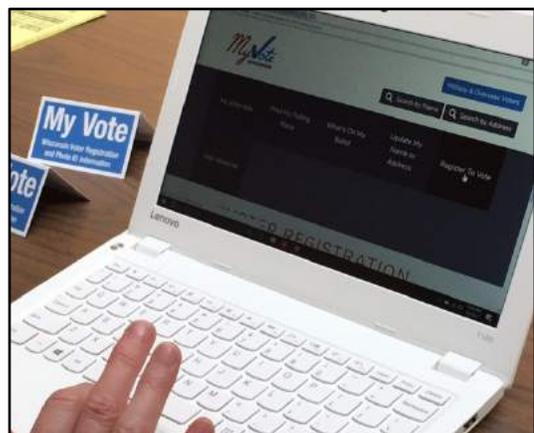
Of the 511 citizens at these 8 ceremonies, we have been able to register 31% of the new citizens. Over the past 4 years our total annual registration rate has ranged from 13 to 15%. We are thrilled at the increase in voter registrations now that we can offer to assist voters throughout the state.

Because we now need more volunteers, we have been able to recruit more new League members to be a part of the process.

We have a goal of using 165 workers at the ceremonies from April to August. More OVR training sessions are expected to be offered in late summer. A large naturalization ceremony was held on June 14, Flag Day, at the Marcus Center. Twenty-five workers volunteered for this large event.

Consider volunteering to work at a naturalization ceremony and see our new technology in action. Training is provided on the day of a ceremony. Typically, there are 5 ceremonies every month. We assist over 3000 new citizens every year. Our workers are unanimous, it is a thrilling day to help new citizens from over 25 counties at every ceremony. Come join the fun.

For more information, call or email Mary Jo McDonald, Naturalization Chairperson, at 414-962-8195 or mjom3@gmail.com.



Voter Services Wants You. Voter Services Needs You.

Michele Goldstein

The July 2016 through June 2017 program year was a year of increased volunteer involvement by League members and community volunteers in part because it was a presidential election year. It meant tremendous growth in Voter Services (VS) programs and activities. A total of 130 volunteers (unduplicated) participated, with many of them working on multiple projects at multiple times. And, as we move forward, Voter Services needs more help than ever so we can respond to the growing requests to League from the community as well as the expansion of our ongoing programs.

We are asking all League members to check out our Voter Services Involvement Survey Form and to return completed forms to the League office, 845 N. Farwell, Suite 102, Milwaukee 53202. (<http://tinyurl.com/VSInvSurvey>).

As you review the VS Involvement Survey you may have questions about each option. What do they do? Do any of their activities involve something you'd be interested in? Is this something you know about or is it something you would like to learn more about? Would current members guide you?

Here's the good news! Everyone can help. No experience is required. Training is provided and experienced League members will be there to work with you.

To help you decide where you can help in the community or from home here's a brief overview of what each of our VS program areas and the other support activities that are necessary to support our volunteers and to provide current and accurate information to the public.

Naturalization: For the past 50 years, the League of Women Voters of Milwaukee County has offered registration to new U.S. citizens after naturalization ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse in downtown Milwaukee (twice monthly on Thursdays for am and pm ceremonies). Additionally LWV-MC is at community-based ceremonies at MATC (Spring and Fall), the Folk Fair (November), and Flag Day at the Marcus Center (June). League distributes our "How to Register and Vote in Wisconsin" brochures and other information pieces as needed. New citizens are registered onsite using our new computers or a paper registration form.

High School Voter Education and Registration Project (HSVERP): The HSVERP has a team of Outreach Coordinators who work to build relationships with staff in all MPS high schools. In the short term, they work to help implement voter registration by conducting appropriate voter registration events. For the long term they work with school staff to help design a voter education and registration program for their school which could include periodic voter registration drives run by student voter advocates trained by LWVMC, an annual Voter Registration Breakfast or Assembly, Service Learning Projects, Voter Registration at the new College and Career Centers, etc. The project has produced a Toolkit for staff that is being revised/updated and will be available on our website, designed a "What's Next" brochure for students who register, designed the League's new MyVote brochure in English and Spanish, and designed and distributed motivational buttons and stickers. Classroom presentations are also available in partnership with Urban Underground. Outreach Coordinators and Single Event Managers are needed.

Nonprofit Organization Outreach: This is a new project to outreach to nonprofit organizations to help them integrate voter education, registration and voting into the services they offer. Outreach Coordinators and Single Event Managers are needed to assist with this effort.

Community Outreach: The League works in partnership with many organizations and coalitions to assist them in providing voter education and registration in their communities. Annual community events are an important part of our work in the community, including National Voter Registration Day among many other neighborhood-based events. Single event managers are always needed.

Voter Education: For many years, LWV-MC has produced voter education and registration materials, including: "How to Register and Vote in Wisconsin" brochure; My Vote Information Card (fits in a wallet) with where to go and what is needed to register and to vote; Name Change brochure; and "Why Nonprofit Organizations Want to be Involved in Voter Registration." Our Voter Education Team also is responsible for insuring that information on the League website is up-to-date and works with the Communication Team to produce posts and memes for Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Volunteers are needed to work on Social Media with the VS Team as well as print materials.

Candidate Forums: LWV-MC co-sponsors Candidate Forums with community organizations that agree to a format meeting League standards of fairness. LWV-MC provides a moderator, timer, and question sorters. Volunteers are needed for all these jobs in addition to an event manager to work with the partner organization on planning.

Candidate Guides: Prior to all local elections the Candidate Guide Team prepares a candidate questionnaire, researches the candidates running for office in the upcoming election, and prepares an email list that is used to send the final Candidate Questionnaire. Our goal is to be able to have guides for all City/Village elections for all Milwaukee County Municipalities in addition to County-wide elections.

Single Event Managers: These volunteers are the onsite lead volunteers at voter registration events. They agree to work at a minimum of 3 events throughout the year with Community Outreach and the High School Project.

Can you help us maintain our Voter Services Volunteer lists? Can you help send out recruitment emails for Voter Services events? There is something for everyone. Please join us. Please complete and return the Voter Services Involvement Survey. (<http://tinyurl.com/VSInvSurvey>). Contact Michele Goldstein at michelegoldstein@gmail.com for more information.

Senate Bill SB76/Assembly Bill AB105 is Now 2017 Wisconsin Act 10

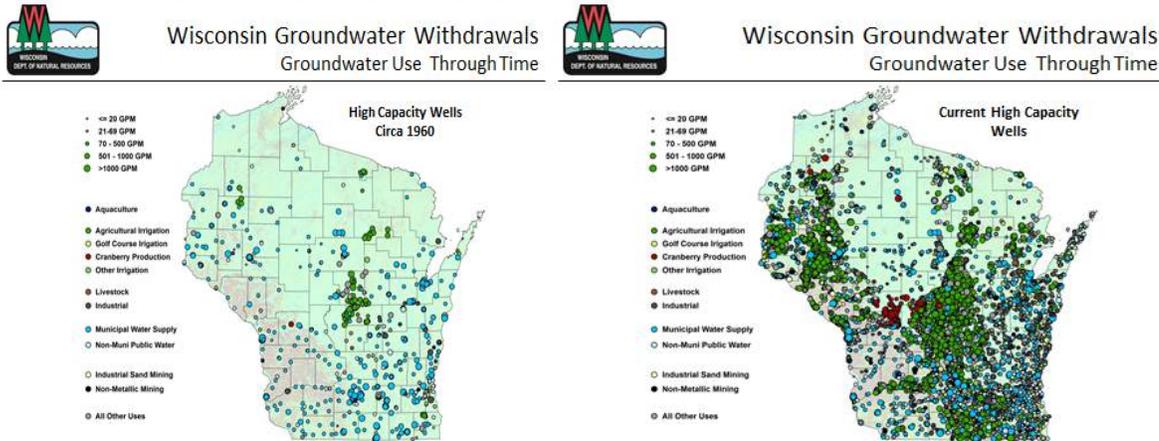
Carol Diggelman

LWV-MC heard an excellent water quantity presentation at the November 2016 general meeting sponsored by the Natural Resources Committee. Presenters alerted us to issues and controversies related to high capacity wells in Wisconsin. They urged us to watch for upcoming 2017 legislation. Two bills were proposed: Senate Bill SB76/Assembly Bill AB105 and Senate Bill SB22/Assembly Bill AB50. Below is a brief comparison.

2017 Elements of high capacity well (HCW) bills	SB76/AB105	SB22/AB50
Provides no opportunity to review permit if HCW is repaired, reconstructed, replaced, or transferred	X	
Creates right that doesn't expire to withdraw water	X	
Limits HCW approvals to 10 years		X
Establishes groundwater management areas		X
Requires WisDNR to consider water conservation in HCW approvals		X
Requires Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act analysis for majority of applications		X

SB76/AB105, which we opposed, passed both houses of the legislature, was signed by Governor Walker on June 1, and is now 2017 Wisconsin Act 10. It eliminates the need for high capacity well owners to re-permit wells and permits are transferred with the sale of a property. The opportunity for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WisDNR) to provide regulatory oversight is reduced, as is the opportunity to evaluate cumulative effects of high capacity wells on aquifers. However, the bill will require WisDNR to conduct a hydrological study in sandy central Wisconsin. SB22/AB50, which we supported, did not come up for a hearing.

Based on DNR information, the number of high capacity wells has increased dramatically between 1960 and 2015, as illustrated below. Increased groundwater withdrawals have lowered water tables in nearby wells and lowered levels in rivers and streams, negatively impacting many people.



Source: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/WaterUse/documents/WithdrawalReportDetail.pdf>

As citizens, it is reasonable for us to be concerned about the short-sighted approach of Governor Walker, Republican legislators, and large agricultural businesses who supported this legislation. Do they understand that by eliminating regulatory oversight, they are giving away and enabling exploitation of water resources? Wisconsin Public Trust Doctrine says right to water belongs to all of us. **If long-term sustainable aquifer yield is the goal, this legislation is moving Wisconsin in the wrong direction!**

Board members gathered at the LWV-MC Annual Meeting (left to right): Ruth Shank, Barbara Rasmussen, Kathy Johnson, Christine Hansen, Mary Kae Nelson, Ann Batiza, Ann Hetzel, Teri Lane, Joanne Barndt, Anne Golden and Mary Sussman.





New Members

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As we surpass the 300 mark, be assured that we value each new member for individual strengths and talents. The membership committee is intent on contacting each one to establish interest areas and possible involvement. LWV-MC is an accrual of diverse and committed members, and we're pleased to add to the ranks. Welcome!

Membership

Barbara Rasmussen

When joining the League of Women Voters three years ago, I wanted to be involved with an organization doing important work to make an impact on the lives of people as they struggle to survive and thrive. I believe that together we do so in the Milwaukee County League by empowering people to *Make Democracy Work*. Evidently, others feel the same, because we continue to significantly increase our membership.

League leadership, especially the Board of Directors and committee chairs, looks for ways to involve new members in our activities. To do that, we need to know your interests. Did you join to help educate or register voters? Did you join hoping to influence social policy? Are you aching to support action in local, state, and/or national government? Do you have skills that can support the League's structure, so that others are free to do the more hands-on work? If you fill out the Interest Survey (<http://tinyurl.com/lwvmcsurvey>), team leaders can establish contact with you to aid in your becoming more engaged in the stimulating work of the League.

To all who have recently responded to the survey, whether you're a new or a long-time member, we are grateful. And we thank you for your service to LWV-MC.

As a point of clarification, our fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. Memberships expire on June 30 of each year. Many of you have already renewed for 2017-18. Funds raised through annual dues help us do our important work, so thank you for paying promptly.



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Our hard-working Membership Committee:
Front row: Mary Stefaniak, Mary Fiedler and Jude Bringe
Back row: Beverly Katter, Anne Golden, Barbara Overstreet, Chris Weber and Barbara Rasmussen

Top 10 Reasons to Vote

Mary Kae Nelson

On Saturday, June 17, LWV-MC co-presidents Ruth Shank and Mary Nelson were panelists at Congresswoman Gwen Moore's Citizen Workshop. Joining them on the panel were Darryl Morin, national vice president for League of United Latin American Citizens; Aimee Cordes, immigration services officer; Davorin Odracic, immigration attorney; and Congresswoman Moore.

It's no secret that the U.S. has one of the lowest voter turnouts of all industrialized democratic countries. For a nation so fiercely protective of freedom, we don't exercise the rights that are denied to many around the world.

Maybe we simply don't have enough reasons, so here's a top 10 list of why you should vote:



10. It's your right. No matter your race, gender, or age, someone paid the price for your right to vote. Honor the sacrifices others made so that your voice can be heard.

9. It's your community. Your neighbors, family, friends depend on you.

8. It's your life. Even if politics seems far away from you, they affect your daily life.

7. It's your education and your child's education. Local, state, and federal governments make budget decisions about school funding, college grants, and job training that have a direct impact on your ability to learn and earn.

6. It's your body. From policing to reproductive rights, the wrong government policies can literally cost you your life.

5. It's your job. A raise in the minimum wage, pay equity, and the right to form unions are being decided now.

4. It's your environment. You can vote to invest in transportation and sustainable energy for our planet.

3. It's your retirement. Help make sure that Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and pension plans will be there for you.

2. It's your voice. Collective action starts with voting. Politicians listen to demands from communities with high turnout.

1. They want you to stay home. Current attempts are underway to keep people from voting. For example, photo ID, reduced early voting hours, proof of residency at registration, and redistricting by drawing fair maps are all under fire. Your vote stops elections from being stolen.

Bonus: Because you get a free sticker!

Where Do My Membership Dues Dollars Go?

Mary Kae Nelson and Michele Goldstein

Individual members of the League of Women Voters-Milwaukee County annually pay \$70 in dues. Of that, \$32 is sent to LWV-US (national) and \$31 goes to LWV-WI (state). That leaves \$7 for us locally. League has always been structured that way so that dues income strengthens all levels. Therefore, we seek donations from members and friends, do election night reporting, and seek grants for special projects.

What does the national League do with our \$32? One third of their national budget comes from member dues while two thirds comes from direct marketing. Dues dollars and donations pay for ongoing operations and new initiatives. Foundation grants pay for much of the LWV-US Education Fund's work, such as the \$3,000 grant the Milwaukee League received this spring to assist in upgrading voter registration technology.

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Where Do My Membership Dues Dollars Go? (Cont.)

The national League budget supports all functions of the national office including rent, staff salaries, communications, member support, development, direct assistance to Leagues, the Database/Constituent Relationship Management System (CRM), and technology hardware infrastructure. The national League's budget supports the professional lobbying staff and corps of volunteer League members who advocate for the League's priorities on Capitol Hill.

Lobbying staff in Madison assist state and local Leagues with both legislative and litigation efforts. Lobbying done at the state level benefits us locally. Through a limited but excellent staff and the good work of League volunteers, we get a lot of bang for our buck locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally.

The annual dues of all LWV-MC members are renewable on July 1 each year. Please keep your membership current by paying dues promptly. The beginning of our fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) is an excellent time to consider an additional contribution for the increasingly important work of the League of Women Voters at local, state, and national levels.

Voter Registrations at the 8th Annual Flag Day Ceremony

Mary Jo McDonald

On Flag Day, June 14, the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts held its 8th Annual Flag Day Celebration. One hundred fourteen new citizens celebrated their citizenship on a sunny day complete with an honor guard, speeches, and an inspiring presentation by Federal Judge Beth Hanan.

Our league, with 25 volunteers, was available to assist these new voters after the ceremony by providing voting information and registration assistance. We wore yellow hats so that we could be identified in the crowd. Mary Jo McDonald, naturalization chair, welcomed the new citizens and invited them to register to vote with the assistance of computers and personal help. Fifty two percent of the new citizens were assisted in a short period of time.



Special thanks to all our volunteers: Liz Aelion, Janet Badura, Michael Briselli, Carla DuPont, Janis Frank, Joan Hansen, Bonnie Jacobson, Gregg Joswik, Shelia Joswik, Lee Ann Kingston, Anne Lynch, Deborah Mamerow, Donna Metzger, Pam Millington, Judy Knight, Carol Lewenshon, Sally Noonan, Gloria Rozmus, Jeanee Sacken, Frank Sandberg, Kathleen Scullen, Louise VerWert, Gail Wallace, and Joey Walsh. The enthusiasm of our volunteers was wonderful. Johnny Miller made a terrific video of the day's events capturing the proud families on this happy day.

Naturalization ceremonies continue at the Federal Courthouse year round with typically 5 ceremonies a month. Additional larger ceremonies are held in the fall. For an inspiring day, consider joining us. Contact Mary Jo McDonald, mjom3@gmail.com, for available dates.



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