



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF GREATER LAFAYETTE

Welcome to the League

Since 1920 the League of Women Voters of Greater Lafayette has been working to make our community strong, safe, and healthy, and its citizens informed and active participants in our democracy. You are joining a long line of women and men who have worked to build a better community.

How can you get involved?

There's always something to do for the League. Here are eleven ideas for activities that might interest you.

1. Volunteer to help at a League-sponsored public meeting or candidates' forum.
2. Come to lunch with League members the second Thursday of each month at Jane's Gourmet Deli on 4th Street, Lafayette. Get to know fellow Leaguers and join in a wide-ranging discussion. Drop in anytime between noon to 1 pm.
3. Assist with voter registration events.
4. Help determine next year's priorities and programs by attending the program planning meeting. Then come to the annual meeting in May!
5. Join a study or action committee.
6. Volunteer to help with the newsletter (Voter) – articles are always needed.
7. Volunteer for the Observer Corps; take responsibility for attending all the meetings of one local government board or commission for a year and complete a short form to report the activities for each meeting.
8. Write publicity for a League event.
9. Offer to serve on the board, chair a committee or join a committee. Your voice is important.
10. Assist with the annual finance drive.
11. Join us for a Mix and Mingle at a downtown restaurant the fourth Wed of the month from 5:30-6:30 pm. This is a time to learn about the League and its members.

Tell us how you want to be involved!

People to Know

Teena Flook, *Executive Team Member*

Taking on the organizational role of the board, Teena presides over all board meetings and oversees committee actions.

Lois Haeisen, *Executive Team Member*

Lois serves as the board executive overseeing events and meetings.

Kitty Brooks, *Secretary*

Kitty is responsible for recording and distributing the meeting minutes to the Board and completes needed correspondence.

Margaret Brender, *Treasurer*

Margaret maintains the financial records and oversees the budget. She manages the finance drive and works with the Assistant Treasurer Jennifer Andres on the Ed Fund with the State Board.

Erica Karrfalt, *Membership Chair*

Erica coordinates membership activities to increase, welcome and engage new members in the League. In addition she manages Facebook and Twitter and represents the board on the nominating committee.

Sarah Kelly and Nancy Clement, *Voter Service co-chairs*

Sarah and Nancy coordinate voter service events and programs. This includes candidate forums, voter registration and education forums.

Keeping informed about League Activities

Our local League's newsletter, the *Voter*, is published 3 to 4 times a year and is sent to all members via email and posted on the website. Via e-mail, the short informative messages are sent alerting you to upcoming events or a need for volunteers. Postcards are sent to remind members of special League events – candidates' forums, public meetings, the annual meeting, etc. Prior to our annual meeting, members receive a packet via email containing the list of all local League members, the proposed budget, minutes, committee reports, and positions for the next year. All this information is posted on the Members Only page of the website.

As a member you will also receive a newsletter from the State League Board via email. The *Indiana State Voter* provides information on the State issues and activities, and overviews of other local Leagues. On the LWVUS website, you may sign up to receive the Leader's Update from the National President, the e-Voice from the advocacy team in Washington or participate in issue-related discussion groups.

The League has an important presence on the web. Check the web sites often to keep up to date.

- Our local League's web site is <http://leaguelafayette.org>, which has a Calendar of League events as well as information about what the League is and does.
- We also have a web site with information specifically for members of the League, at <http://members.leaguelafayette.org>. Here you can find the minutes of all Board meetings and the Annual Meeting, as well as studies and documents directed only to members.
- The League of Women Voters of Indiana (often referred to as LWVIN) has an excellent web site at <http://www.lwvin.org>, and the League of Women Voters web site at the national level is <http://www.lwv.org>.

Volunteer for LWVGL! Contact individuals directly through the membership list on the Members Only website:

<http://members.leaguelafayette.org>

Peggy Hoover and Sallie Fahey,
Official's Directory

Peggy and Sallie revise and prepare the government official's directory.

Joyce Field, *HAPA Representative*
Off board, Joyce represents LWVGL on the Health Access and Privacy Alliance

Donna Giroux, *Database manager*

Off board, Donna maintains the member data base and communicates League news to the membership via email. Any changes in your information (address, phone, e-mail, name change) should be sent to Donna. In addition, she consults with the membership committee.

Bill Evers, *Webmaster*

Bill, off board, organizes and updates both the local public site and the Members Only page of the LWVGL website as directed and assisted by Joanne Evers.

Gretchen Bertolet and Marlee Posto,
Voter co-Editors

Gretchen and Marlee serve off board working together to format and edit the *Voter* to bring up to date issues and information to the membership, prospective members and the community.

Sallie Fahey and Cathy Potter,
Environmental Sustainability

Sallie and Cathy oversee education and advocacy on environmental issues.

Amy French, *Education*

Amy leads LWVGL activities related to public education and serves on the LWVIN committee organizing the study of education reform.

Nola Gentry, Ramona Krueger and Linda Cohen, *Nominating Committee*
Off board, Nola, Monie and Linda serve on the Nominating Committee for 2017-18.

Zach Baiel and JoAnn Mullen,
Observer Corps

Zach and JoAnn organize and oversee members who are attending public meetings and serving as the eyes and ears of the League. Join the Observer Corps!

Ginny Webb, *League consultant and cheerleader*

Ginny as a long time member off board consults and leads the leadership in problem solving and civil discourse. She is a role model for all on and off board and continues her work as the Nominating Committee Chair.

Liz Solberg, *Wabash River Corridor*

Liz, off board, maintains League interests and shares information with members regarding the progress and plans for the development of the Wabash River.

Adelia Sorge and Jean Andres,
Diversity and Outreach

Off board, Adelia and Jean maintain LWVGL contact with diversity issues in the community. Jean also serves on the Voter Service Committee.

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OR USE the Members Only Website

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