

LWVO League Leaders Update
March 10 2010

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ADVOCACY & EDUCATION

****NEW** Statewide Candidate Information Coming Soon to Local Leagues.**

Candidates for Statewide office have been asked to submit their questionnaires by March 15, 2010. The state office is working to provide the information to local Leagues for inclusion in Voter Guides and Voter Information Bulletins. Expect to receive all information we have on hand by March 19. The only exception will be appellate court candidates as the Secretary of State's Office is still compiling contact information for those candidates. As soon as possible, we will solicit each appellate court candidate to complete our questionnaire and provide that information to local Leagues.

For a complete listing of filed statewide candidates go to the Ohio Secretary of State's website at www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/PressReleases/2010/2010-02-18.aspx or contact your local board of election at www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/elections/boeDirectory.aspx.

Local Leagues should refer to the 2010 Primary Election Information document to access the approved questions as well as local League assignments to collect answers from the Ohio House of Representative and odd-numbered Ohio Senate candidates. You can access the 2010 Primary Election Information document from the members' only section of the League website at www.lwvohio.org. Please contact the state office if you have problems accessing the information.

For more information on this process, please feel free to contact the state office at 1-877-LWV-OHIO

MEMBERSHIP

****NEW** Regional Meetings Update**

Thank you to all of the members who attended the February 27, 2010 Regional Meeting and the Northwest, Southwest, Southeast, and Northeast Regional Meetings on March 6, 2010.

The LWVO Membership Engagement & Development Committee (MED) has developed regional meetings for each geographic area in Ohio. The sixth meeting is described below. The purpose of the meetings is to inform, spark conversation and promote networking in the regions.

March 20, 2010

-Central Region, which includes Delaware County, Lima, Marion and Metro Columbus Leagues is scheduled for Saturday at 9:30am. The location is the Delaware County Public Library, 84 E. Winter St., Delaware. It is at the corner of Winter and Henry Streets, with the entrance on Henry St. The community room is on the right just inside the front door. There is parking in front and on the street. There's a Web site, www.delawarelibrary.org.

Donna Marie Lossing Jones, LWV Metro Columbus and Ruth S. Shur Fellow, will give a presentation on "How to do the Ask". Using materials the LWVUS developed for their Membership Recruitment Initiative, Donna Marie will go over some basics of member recruitment and retention.

The regional meetings are open to the entire membership and MALs for the Leagues in those areas. Donations are welcome.

For registration and more details, please contact Jean Koznarek, jkozlwv@aol.com.

****NEW** State House Day / Council 2010- Don't forget to meet your PMP obligation to assure your delegates to Council.**

<p>Important Information Regarding Delegates to Council: Each local League that has paid three-quarters of its 2009-2010 Ohio PMP before Council is entitled to send two voting delegates, the president or their designee and one other delegate. MAL Units may send one voting delegate.</p>

If you and your members want to hear about the tangible progress made our issues and learn about what is on the horizon for the League, you do not want to miss the 2010 Statehouse Day/ Council on April 14, 2010. Final plans are being made on topics such as the potential effects of

federal health care reform and judicial selection. Our Lobby Corps will be on hand to share information on hot state legislative topics and will have a special presentation by Terry Pastika, Executive Director of the Citizen Advocacy Center of Illinois on open government.

Governor Ted Strickland has been invited as our keynote speaker and we are hopeful that his schedule will permit his attendance.

Continue to check out the League website for information on [State House Day/Council](#) as it will be regularly updated. [Click here](#) to access the registration form or go to the League Website to download.

Come join us for a great day of education and the chance to celebrate the 90th Anniversary on April 14th.

ADMINISTRATION

****Reminder** We want to toot our horns about Local League Activities and Accomplishments.**

Has your League done something to crow about? Something to model for other Leagues? Is there something your League would like to find out from other Leagues about their successful programs and strategies? **Then write up a short blurb and send it to us (leg@lwvohio.org).**

Just follow these easy guidelines:

- **Submissions must be received via email** at leg@lwvohio.org no later than **Monday, noon, of the 2nd or 4th week** of each month to be included in the Leaders' Update of that week.
- **Submissions must include the submitter's name and contact information in the body of the blurb;** That way people can contact her/him directly if they want to know more, have questions, etc.
- **Submissions must be 75 words or less** (and we'll follow the rules used for Voters' Guides on length, i.e., just end at the 75th word).
- **We will not edit or change the content of submissions** (again, following the rules used for Voters' Guides).

Mark your calendars now--Dates to Remember

State LWVOEF Board Meeting

March 12-13, 2010

Statehouse Day/ Council

April 14, 2009

LWVUS Convention- Atlanta Georgia

June 11-15, 2010

***LWVO Lobby Lunches
11:30 am***

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month,

Anyone is Welcome to Attend

*Columbus Metropolitan Library
96 S. Grant Ave., Columbus,*

*Call 877-598-6446 for more
information*

If you have Local League Leaders or other League members who would like to receive the Leaders Update, please send their email information to leg@lwvohio.org