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President's Corner

By Carolyn Mewhorter



Our Annual Meeting will take place Thursday, May 15, 2008 at the Red Ox. If you have not already done so, please make your reservation now. Much work has been done over the course of the year, and your input, support, and approval are needed to move into a productive next year in 2008-2009. Go to our website for more information on the Mental Health Study. The proposed position is contained in this Bulletin.

The May 12, 2008 Board Meeting has been cancelled. The board will meet June 10, 2008. Any members wishing to attend are invited to do so. We will meet at 6:00 pm at the Appleton Public Library.

Winnie Doxsie and Nadine Miller have been invited to participate in the Appleton School District's "Future Needs Study." This study began April 22 and will continue with weekly meetings through May 27, 2008. Outcomes will provide a prioritized listing of Futures Needs in the following areas:

- Program needs by level
- Facility (equity needs; program needs; maintenance needs; security needs)
- Staff needs (program needs and class size reduction)
- Technology needs (site and district)

The League of Women Voters' of Wisconsin 2008 Annual Meeting begins Friday, June 6 and ends the afternoon of Saturday, June 7, 2008. Shirley Strange and I plan to attend and there is room for additional interested members to travel with us. The schedule of events, registration form and all the information you will need are in the March 2008 Forward. Please contact me at 739-0000 if you are interested in attending the conference. (If you do not have your copy of the Forward goes to www.lwvwi.org for information.)

Thank you to everyone who made this a good year. I have appreciated this opportunity to serve as the president of our League and look forward to working with all of you in 2008-2009.

See you on May 15, 2008 at the Red Ox.

Carolyn Mewhorter

Mental Health Care Position - 2008

The Board of Directors of the Appleton League of Women Voters recommends the adoption of the following position statement at the Annual Meeting, May 15, 2008

LWV- Appleton supports:

A *mental health* care system which is community based and includes financial and geographic accessibility for residents of all ages. This system should include same day service availability and immediate care options for all. This system should be adequately staffed in both the in-patient and out-patient care arenas insuring that no person in need of services would be turned away or made to wait. Appropriate on-going, affordable treatment options for all persons should be available regardless of one's ability to pay.

A *mental health* system where care is coordinated between the providers of services to persons who are publicly insured, privately insured and uninsured. Coordination should exist between primary health providers, mental health providers, pharmaceutical providers and public and private insurers. Providers should share all treatment options with each individual and assure that each person understands his or her options for care.

A *mental health* system in which all providers have knowledge of the complete delivery system in the community so that all people get adequate treatment or are referred to other providers to receive appropriate care.

A *mental health* system in which referrals between private, non-profit and for-profit providers are utilized to ensure the best overall patient care and least duplication within the mental health delivery system.

A *mental health* crisis care system that is responsive, well staffed and adequately supported.

This position will be included in the Social Policy section of our Local Support Positions (2006). It will be added as a new Roman Numeral seven (VII) on page 12 with all following position statements being renumbered appropriately to the end of the Social Policy section.

If you don't have a copy of the Local Support Positions (2006) you can find them on our website www.lwvappleton.org and scroll half way down the home page to find Positions on the left. Or the direct link is www.lwvappleton.org/LWv%20App%20positions%205%2006.doc
A hard copy may be obtained by contacting a Board member.

By Shirley Strange -Vice-President - Program

May Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Meeting Place</u>
Thursday, May 15 5:30 PM	Appleton League of Women Voters Annual Meeting	Red Ox Supper Club 2318 S Oneida Street-Appleton

Local and State Study Recommendations

The following items resulting from the Lively Issues meeting of January 19 were approved by the Board at its February 12, 2008 meeting. They will be brought before the general membership for vote at the Annual Meeting.

Recommended for Local Study:

Take action on the results of the Mental Health Study.

Recommended for State Study:

Stay informed of the current study: Election Administration

League Discussion Summary

Submitted by Shirley Strange

On April 15th, seven League Members came together and had a very good discussion on various aspects of the State League Study, Election Administration. There are two parts to the study, 1). Recommending improvements in the way our current system is working, and 2). Taking a look at alternate election systems. Shirley gave an overview of the old and new structures of Wisconsin's Election System. It is now governed by the GAB, Government Accountability Board. Carolyn reported out on Wisconsin's Registration System. Marlys discussed the article, "Dropping Out of Electoral College". Beth, Shirley and Barb presented opposing views on such things as extended voting hours, weekend voting, holiday voting, internet voting, early voting and voting by mail. Using the State Study Committee's materials, we shared the work and had a great evening of learning mixed with a good deal of fun.

Annual Meeting and Dinner
Thursday, May 15

The League of Women voters of Appleton will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, May 15 beginning at 5:30 PM at the Red Ox Supper Club, 2318 S. Oneida Street, Appleton.

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate for the 2008-2009 League year. All are for two-year terms with the exception of secretary. The 2-year term for secretary begins in odd-numbered years.

Position	Name	Term
2 nd Vice President – Action	Nadine Miller	2 Yr
Treasurer	Sue Silton	2 Yr
Secretary	Miriam Douglass	1 Yr unexpired
Director	Winnie Doxie	2 Yr
Director	Jody Van Domelen	2 Yr
Director	Barbara Dorzweiler	2 Yr
Nominating Committee - Chair	Marlys Fritzell	1 Yr
Nominating Committee - Member	Helen Nagler	1 Yr
Nominating Committee - Member	Marcia Hittle	1 Yr

Annual Meeting and Dinner
Thursday, May 15, 2008
Red Ox Supper Club
2318 S. Oneida Street, Appleton
5:30 PM Social with cash bar
6:00 PM Dinner
6:45 PM Annual Meeting

Dinner Selections: Please check one entrée and one side dish
Dinner includes salad, French bread and beverage

Self: _____ 7 oz Tenderloin _____ Chicken Kiev _____ Tuna Steak _____ Stuffed Haddock
Self: _____ Baked Potato _____ Garlic Mashed _____ Rice Pilaf _____ Vegetable of the Day

Guest: ____ 7 oz Tenderloin _____ Chicken Kiev _____ Tuna Steak _____ Stuffed Haddock
Guest: ____ Baked Potato _____ Garlic Mashed _____ Rice Pilaf _____ Vegetable of the Day

Please return your menu choices and check by **May 1 to Shirley Strange, W3435 Equestrian Trail, Appleton, WI 54913**. For availability of late reservations, call Shirley, 730-8774.

Please make check for \$16.00 (per person) payable to LWV-Appleton.

2008 Program Calendar

May 2008

- ★ Thursday, **May 15**, 5:30 PM Appleton League Annual Meeting, Red Ox Supper Club, 2318 S. Oneida Street *

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- ★ June 13-17, LWVUS Convention 2008, Portland, OR additional information at www.LWV.org

** 'Annual Meeting' replaces 'Convention/Council' under new bylaws.

June 2008

- ★ Friday-Saturday, June 6-7, LWVWI Annual Meeting, Madison **
- ★ Tuesday, June 10, 6PM-7:30PM, Board Meeting, Appleton Public Library,

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June 6-7, 2008 Annual Meeting Lakefront Pile Center on the UW-Madison Campus

Registration Form

Name: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

League: _____

I am a: (Circle any that apply.)

President Delegate Alternate

Member Non-Member

I will attend-Please check all that apply

Friday, June 6

- League Leader Training*
- Deputy Registrar Training*
- Reception

Saturday, June 7

- Business Meetings and Luncheon.....\$50.00
- Luncheon only.....\$25.00
- League Leader Training*
- Deputy Registrar Training*

Luncheon Options:

- Chicken with Citrus Sauce
- Vegetarian Cheese Tortellini

Lodging Options:

- I am interested in a home stay;
please contact me.
- I will make my own reservations
at the Lowell Center
(call 608-256-2621)

Payment information:

You may pay by check or with a credit card.
Checks should be written to **LWVWI Education Network**.

If paying by credit card, please complete information below:

Credit Card Number:

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expires: _____ / _____

Signature:

Amount: _____

(\$50/ meetings & lunch; \$25/just lunch)

Mail to:

LWVWI Education Network
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*If there are not enough registrations for a given session, it may be cancelled.

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