



# The *informed* Voter

League of Women Voters of Appleton, Wisconsin

"Serving the citizens of the Appleton area & Outagamie County"

May, 2011

## Strange Remarks from the President

Spring Greetings...(for real this time??)

### ANNUAL MEETING:

**Thursday, May 12 5:30 Social, 6:00 Dinner, 6:45 Meeting**  
**Liberty Hall, Kimberly**

**Library Informational Meeting:** The meeting that was cancelled due to snow has been rescheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM-8PM, Appleton Public Library. Colleen Rortvedt, Director of the Library, Liz Witek, President of the Library Board, and Jan Quinlan, Friends Executive Director will present a summation of the 2008 and 2009 studies and discuss the challenges that lie ahead. There will also be a behind the scenes tour!! This is a wonderful opportunity to get the facts firsthand and learn about the issues facing the library.

**Joint Finance Committee Budget Hearings:** I attended the budget hearings in Stevens Point and Neenah. I made a statement at the Neenah hearing advocating a balanced approach to balancing the budget. I appealed to the committee to look for ways to raise revenues alongside budget cuts.

**Redistricting:** The County Committee on Redistricting has been studying the maps. The Redistricting Committee will present their recommendation to the County Board on May 24<sup>th</sup>. See article in this newsletter.

**Board of Directors:** I extend my thanks to a wonderful Board of Directors who gave much time and energy to the activities of the League over the past two years. Barb Dorzweiler, Jan Quinlan, Marcia Hittle, Sue Silton, Marlys Fritzell, Beth English, Winnie Doxsie, Sara Companik, and Vicky Olenski!!

A group of women who know how to get things done!! And several of these women actually have jobs! There were many accomplishments, and we will celebrate them at the Annual Meeting!!

**My Two-year term ends:** I want you to know that my two years as President of the Appleton League of Women Voters has been enlightening, fulfilling, rewarding, and... I could go on but restrain myself. This organization is respected from every corner. Every person with whom I have had contact has that look in their eye when I mention the League of Women Voters, the look of trust and respect. And I am truly honored to be representing you, the strong, informed, outstanding women and men of this organization. Thank you for your support and for your steadfast devotion to the League of Women Voters of Appleton.

**Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting,**

Shirley Strange  
 May 2011

## Calendar

Thursday May 19, 2011

### ALL MEMBERSHIP GENERAL MEETING.

An offshoot from Lively Issues, this meeting will provide new information related to our position on the library. Colleen Rortveltdt, Library Director and Liz Witek, President of the Library Board, will present information on the physical building, the future of the library, and, we'll get a walking tour!

Thu May 12, 2011

### LWV Appleton ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

Liberty Hall Banquet and Conference Center  
 800 Eisenhower Dr, Kimberly 5-8 PM  
 Please contact: Barb Dorzweiler

## May

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## My notes

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## Observer Corps Schedule

By Marlys Fritzell

Event	Day	Location
<b>Appleton Common Council Meeting</b>	1st and 3rd Wednesday @ 7p.m.	Council chamber, 6th floor, City Building, 100 N. Appleton Street
<b>Outagamie County Board Meeting</b>	2nd and 4th Tuesdays @ 6:30p.m.	Board Room, 2nd floor County Admin. Building, 410 S. Walnut
<b>Appleton Area School Board Meeting</b>	2nd and 4th Mondays @ 7p.m.	Board Room, Thomas G. Scullen Leadership Center, 122 E. College Ave. Suite 1A. or at an Appleton School
<a href="http://www.appleton.org/departments/clerk/council/">www.appleton.org/departments/clerk/council/</a>		
<a href="http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/Schoolboard/">www.aasd.k12.wi.us/Schoolboard/</a>		
<a href="http://www.co.outagamie.wi.us/county/">www.co.outagamie.wi.us/county/</a>		

## Redistricting at the County Level

*Submitted by Shirley Strange*

The County Committee on Redistricting has been studying the maps. The Committee has had four meetings, two of them public meetings. The Committee took input from people representing towns, municipalities and rural districts. The Redistricting Committee will present their recommendation to the County Board on May 24<sup>th</sup>. The population has increased and shifted. Therefore boundaries are changing. Greenville, Buchanan, Vandenbroek, Dale and especially the area including a little of Appleton, some of Grand Chute and part of Little Chute (Purdy area) have grown in population. Some rural towns and incorporated cities are being pushed together. The Committee used major roads rather than minor roads when creating boundaries. They kept cities and villages whole wherever possible. They are trying to put Lawrence College into one district. It is now split into three districts. The county will send their final product to the municipalities, who will have 60 days to send their information back to the county. Then the county sends it on to the state. You can view the maps at the County Courthouse.

## Welcome New Members

*Submitted by, Winnie Doxsie, Membership Chair*

We have several new members

- Karen Harkness
- Stephanie and Mike Malaney
- Nicole Schroeder

**Please make every effort to welcome them and help them get into the swing of Appleton LWV.**

**Remember, you are all membership ambassadors, thanks for your efforts**

## Your Representatives

**President Barack Obama**  
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Wisconsin Senator: Ron Johnson

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8th Congressional District, Reid Ribble of Outagamie County.

Governor: Scott Walker  
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Secretary of State: Doug La Follette

Wisconsin State Senators:  
Senate District 19 – Michael Ellis

Wisconsin State Assembly  
57th - Penny Bernard Schaber  
56th - Michelle Litjens  
40th - Kevin Petersen  
6th - Gary Tauchen  
5th - Jim Steineke  
3rd - Alvin Ott

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