



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE – September 23, 2022

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Get to know the League!

Wonder why the League of Women Voters holds the kinds of events that it does?

Where do the topics come from for its programs?

Do all these activities accomplish anything?

How does it all work?

Join us on Tuesday, September 27, from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Baileys Harbor Town Hall to get your questions answered. Relax with a snack and learn how this unusual organization known as the League of Women Voters works.

If you are a new or prospective member, come to learn how all the pieces of this organization fit together. If you are an experienced League member, we need you to share your stories and knowledge of this group with newer members. Please use this link to let us know if you are coming. It will help with our planning.

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More surveys needed to bring high quality internet to all in DC

Door County has begun a journey to bring high quality internet access to every citizen of the county. It will not be quick or easy, but being successful is crucial to the future of this county and every one of us. It will require all of its citizens to play a role, whether they currently have high quality broadband or are not served at all.

The Door County Fibernet Project is a collaborative effort between the county and its municipalities and business, education and community stakeholders to improve broadband access in the county.

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The county has received over 1,600 responses to its survey about the internet connection that residents and business owners use. Many early respondents are from shoreline areas. More inland residents and business owners are needed to paint a better picture. This short 10-minute survey and a speed test result will demonstrate the community's needs and help the county secure federal and state grant money to bring fiber to the area and to provide proper service.

People without internet access or those with only have cellular access should call the state of Wisconsin Consumer Affairs office at 608-267-3695 to do the survey. Online residents can take the survey at this link: <https://maps.psc.wi.gov/apps/WISER>.

Help needed with Voter Registration Assist events

Voter Service is in the process of scheduling Voter Registration Assist events. Currently, we have requests for

Sturgeon Bay YMCA, September 26 & October 18, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM; 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM
Washington Island, September 27, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM; October 15, 10:00 to noon
NWTC, October 17, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

We have **pamphlets/education materials and signs** to be distributed. All are invited to assist. It would be great if we could get the material distributed to all corners of the county, with a particular interest in high traffic areas such as grocery stores, post offices, businesses, and restaurants. If anyone is interested in helping out, let me know. Send email vsregistration@lwwdoorcounty.org or phone/text 773-401-2589. Thx, Kathi Braswell.

Candidate Forum for State Senate, District 1

Attend and Support LWVDC Candidate Forums & Democracy

Date: Monday, October 10

Time: 6:30-8:00 PM

Where: Southern Door High School Library (enter front door #4)

Both candidates, **Andrea Gage-Michaels (D)** and **Andre Jacque (R)**, have agreed to participate in a DCLWV Candidate Forum. League forums give the public a chance to ask questions and the candidates an equal opportunity to speak to the voters. Wisconsin Senate District 1 covers all of Door and Kewaunee counties and parts of Brown, Outagamie, Manitowoc, and Calumet counties

We hope and encourage you to attend the October 10 Candidate Forum for the WI Senate District 1 candidates. Questions will come from the audience. Because it's important that

questions be clear and unbiased, you can use the following guide to craft and submit questions before the forum by sending them to Dan Powers at vsforums@lwvdoorcounty.org by September 30. Please put "Forum Questions" in the subject line.

A GUIDE TO ASKING FORUM QUESTIONS:

Questions should be...

- Appropriate and related to the office/position for which the candidates are running
- Addressed to all the candidates, NOT a particular candidate
- Concise and clear (long questions are difficult to remember and stay focused on)

Questions Should **NOT** ...

- Express your opinion
- Comment on personalities, political parties, or personal grievances
- Express a bias

Represent the Door County League in support of Lake Michigan

Interested in natural resources, particularly Lake Michigan? Consider representing the Door County League by attending the 2022 Annual Meeting and Conference of the LWV of the Lake Michigan Region. This is an interleague organization that has focused on Lake Michigan for many years. Attendance maybe in person or virtually, and costs are subsidized. See below. For more information contact Chair@lwvdoorcounty.org.



We are pleased to announce that U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin will be among our outstanding group of in-person speakers for our 2022 Annual Meeting and Conference, October 21-22, in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. On the shores of Lake Michigan at the beautiful Blue Harbor Resort, the conference and annual meeting will be offered in a hybrid format. Please share this message with your membership, especially those with an interest in environmental policies impacting the Great Lakes region. All members and friends are invited to attend the Conference.



League of Women Voters Lake Michigan Region
2022 Annual Meeting and Conference
Restoring Lake Michigan: Her Past, Present & Future
Friday and Saturday, October 21-22, 2022
Blue Harbor Resort
725 Blue Harbor Drive, Sheboygan, Wisconsin 53081
*Attend in-person or via Zoom**

Kick-off Program:
In Conversation with U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin

STATEMENT

**ABSENTEE BALLOT
RETURN ASSISTANCE
CONFIRMED FOR VOTERS
WITH DISABILITIES**

LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF WISCONSIN

Absentee ballot assistance confirmed for voters with disabilities

MADISON, WI—The League of Women Voters of Wisconsin’s executive director, **Debra Cronmiller**, issued the following statement in response to a federal judge’s decision affirming absentee ballot return assistance for Wisconsin voters with disabilities.

“In a win for voters, today federal Judge Peterson confirmed that Wisconsin voters with disabilities have the right to receive absentee ballot return assistance.

“From requesting an absentee ballot to returning it to their clerk or polling place, voters with disabilities have ample protections throughout the entire voting process to receive the assistance they need to have their voice heard and their vote counted.”

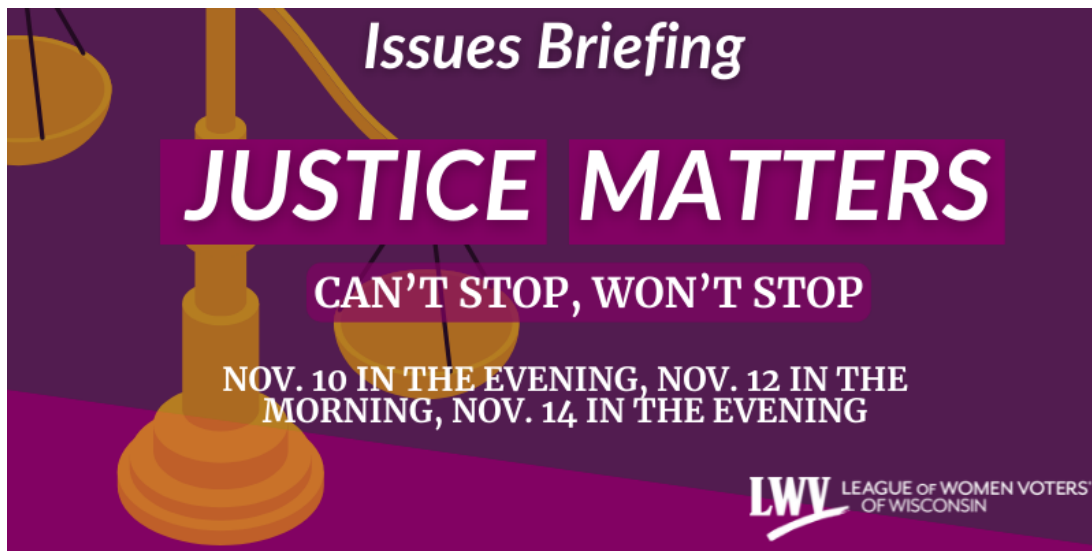


Volunteers needed to help with midterm elections

Looking for a way to make a difference during the midterms? Consider signing up for one or more of the following opportunities:

- **Election Observer** - help monitor the voter experience on Election Day
- **Poll Worker** - facilitate the right to vote and maintain order at the polls on Election Day
- **Social Media Monitor** - monitor election-related information to help stop the spread of mis and disinformation
- **Provisional Voter Outreach Volunteer** - follow up with provisional voters to ensure their ballots are counted

<https://my.lwv.org/wisconsin/about/employment-and-volunteer-opportunities-league>



Save The Dates! Virtual 2022 Issues Briefing to explore justice topics

This year's virtual LWVWI's "Issues Briefing, Justice Matters; Can't Stop, Won't Stop" comprises a series of programs to be presented on three different days. Each briefing will explore a relevant issue on governmental, social, and environmental justice. Dates and topics for the virtual programs are as follows:

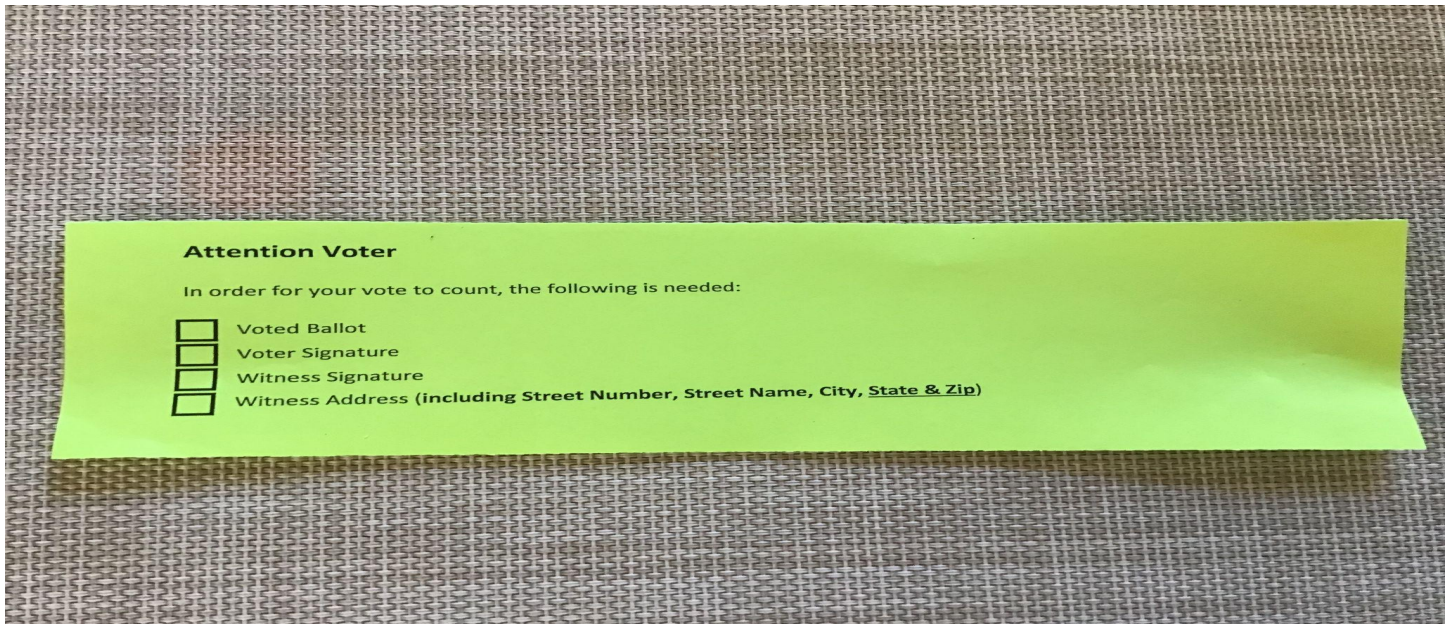
- **Thursday, November 10**, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, Money in Judicial Races, Matt Rothschild of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign speaker
- **Saturday, November 12**, 9:00 to 10:30 AM, Assault on Women's Rights, speaker to be announced soon
- **Monday, November 14**, 6:00 to 7:30 PM, PFAS Regulation & Water Quality, speaker to be announced soon

All presentations will be recorded. Mark your calendars now and stay tuned for updates!



Important information about filling out absentee ballots

A judge in Waukesha recently denied the request for a stay of the temporary Injunction issued on September 6, compelling WEC to remove its guidance to Wisconsin's clerks regarding filling in missing information on absentee ballot witness certificates. As we contemplate how we move forward to defend the rights of all eligible voters to have their voices heard and votes counted, **we remind all voters and witnesses to absentee ballots to follow the instructions provided by your clerk when completing your absentee ballot. Do not omit any part of the form!** This is the best assurance to ensure your ballot will be counted.



Welcome new member, Kim Krueger

In this section, new members will introduce themselves. We want to get to know you! If you haven't sent us your short bio, please do.

From Kim Krueger: I was a member of the LWV in my former residence in La Grange, IL. My main interest is voting rights. In La Grange, I helped register high school students to vote and helped run mock elections to give them practice voting. I am happy to help with whatever tasks need doing in Door County. I am comfortable with technology, public speaking, and writing, as well as stuffing envelopes. :) I would also be happy to drive people to the polls if that is needed.

My husband Tom and I have had our house here for a decade, but moved here full time this spring. We have been enjoying Door County for decades, beginning with our honeymoon in Ellison Bay almost 40 years ago. Tom recently retired from a long legal career at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. I am a retired librarian/archivist who worked in both public

libraries and at the Art Institute of Chicago library and archives. We have two grown children. Our daughter lives in Chicago and works for Oxford University Press. Our son lives in Madison and is an IT/AV tech for the UW Medical School. We recently adopted a little Jack Russell terrier mix named Dexter from the DC Humane Society.

I enjoy gardening (flowers and veg), art, cooking, reading, and cultural events. I volunteer at the Miller Art Museum and with my road association as the newsletter editor. That's about it! :)

Website & Dues!

Have you checked out our new look? <https://www.lwvdoorcounty.org/> See our new [Calendar — LWV Door County](#) for a quick way to see what's going on and when!

Thank you to those who have used our new online [Join/Renew](#) form. Just don't forget to send that check if you didn't pay online! However you do it, we hope all of you renew your memberships for this year. If you have questions about your dues, contact Sandy: membership@lwvdoorcounty.org

Sign, sign, everywhere a sign...



Do you live on a road/street where a sign would have some (even minor) visibility? If so, you can help remind people to vote. We have some of them pictured. The "Vote Tuesday" sign should be put out the Wednesday before the election – which would be Wednesday, November 2 for the week prior to Election Day on November 8. Also, we strongly advise you not to put out signs on Halloween if you want to keep them in one piece!

Please remember that if you choose to put up a LWV sign, DO NOT also put up a campaign sign in your yard. LWV is NON-PARTISAN, and someone is sure to notice. Also, be sure to bring them in Nov. 9th!!! If you can help, contact Pat Scieszinski, 495-3861, for a sign.

PS: Already have a sign? Remember to put it out! If you have any LWV signs that are not being used, contact Pat so we can get it to somebody else. Thank you!

Communicate with your representatives!

(Post the updated attached list on your refrigerator to have it handy.)

PRESIDENT

Joseph Biden

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/executive-office-of-the-president/>

U.S. SENATORS

- Ron Johnson www.ronjohnson.senate.gov/public; (202) 224-5323; Madison office: (608) 240-9629; ron_johnson@ronjohnson.senate.gov
- Tammy Baldwin www.baldwin.senate.gov; (202) 224-5653; 1 (800) 247-5645; Madison office: (608) 264-5338

U.S. CONGRESSMAN (8th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT)

Mike Gallagher <http://gallagher.house.gov/>; (202) 225-5665; Green Bay office: (920) 301-4500

WISCONSIN GOVERNOR

Tony Evers govinfo@wisconsin.gov; (608) 266-1212

WI SENATOR (DISTRICT 1)

Andre Jacque Sen.Jacque@legis.wisconsin.gov; (608)266-3512

WI ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE (DISTRICT 1)

Joel Kitchens Rep.Kitchens@legis.wisconsin.gov; (608) 266-5350 or (888) 482-0001

Legislative Hotline 1 (800) 362-9472

New 2022-2023 official County Directories are in

One complimentary copy of the 2022-2023 Official Directory of Door County (**a listing of contact information for county, city, village and town officials**) can be picked up at the County Clerk's office at the Door County government building. This directory is also online at the Door County government website:

<https://www.co.door.wi.gov/DocumentCenter/View/967/Official-County-Directory--2022-2023?bidId=> Additional directories are available for \$4 each.