



The League of Women Voters of Elmhurst

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Shoptalk

All members are invited and may bring your spouse or a friend

Annual Holiday Party

At the Home of Sally Hoffman

Friday December 12th at 7:00 pm

Please bring sweets or savories to share. The League will provide beverages.

Save the Dates

Next League Program
Tuesday January 27, 2009 at 7:00 pm,
Elmhurst Library

We will hold a panel discussion on Elmhurst intergovernmental cooperation (a local League priority) with

Tom Borchert, City Manager
Dr. Lynn Krzic, School District 205
Superintendent
Rich Grodsky, Park District Executive Director
Marilyn Boria, Public Library Director

LWVIL Luncheon
Thursday, February 26th
The Union League Club, Chicago

Carol Marin, *Chicago Tonight* interviewer, NBC Channel 5 investigative reporter and *Chicago Sun Times* columnist, will be the keynote speaker.

Once again, our local League will receive a rebate on our ticket sales so a good showing by the Elmhurst League helps our coffers as well as the State League.

Great Decisions

Barbara Swords

Our group does not meet in December. Since new books are on order, please contact Barbara for information on the first meeting date for 2009.

President's Corner

I want to wish all of you a joyful holiday season. I am looking forward to seeing you at our annual holiday party on December 12th at **Sally Hoffman's** home for a great time of socializing with our League members.

We are all delighted that one of our newer members, **Dannee Polomsky**, has taken on the role of Park Board Observer. Although she has younger children and is very active on the Cool Cities Coalition, she has graciously agreed to attend at least one meeting per month and write it up for us. Perhaps another member would be willing to share the job with her? If interested, please contact **Jan Dorner**, our *Observer Reports* chair.

I also want to thank **Sue Williams** and all the members who got the word out about our wine tasting at Tannins. We had a great turnout and enjoyed meeting some wonderful people.

Thank you to all League members who have devoted your time and energy to League activities this year. These efforts at making democracy work and the civic dedication displayed are deeply appreciated. I also wish to extend a major thank you to our Board members for all their work, ideas, inspiration, and support.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy, and fulfilling 2009!

Donna

Voter Registrars

Myrrha Guzman

As you might have noticed, **our appointments to register voters expire at the end of November**, and we will all have to be sworn in again. I plan to request a representative from the DuPage County Election Commission to reappoint us and recertify us before the start of our January 27, 2009 meeting, so please stay tuned for further information about that.

New registrars are also welcome. If you are interested in being appointed, please send an

Required Reappointment

January 27, 2009

e-mail to voterregistration@lwvelmhurst.org so that we can provide your contact information to the DuPage County Election Commission before January 27th.

In the meantime, remember, after November 30 and before you are reappointed and sworn in again by the Election Commission, you cannot register voters. If you have any questions, please call Myrrha Guzman.

Nominating Committee

Marilyn Thompson

It's already time to get started preparing a slate of candidates for our election in May. At this time, we welcome suggestions regarding candidates. Please contact Marilyn or any other member of the committee: **Colette Kubiesa, Gina Brigham, Jan Vanek** and **Sue Williams**.

Webmaster Opportunity for Computer Whizzes!

The Elmhurst LWV website has been recognized for its excellence and has served as a model for other Leagues. Our current Webmaster, Jeanne Davik, has done a wonderful job developing and maintaining our user-friendly site with valuable timely information and membership email announcements. Recognizing this, LWVIL invited Jeanne to be Webmaster of their site, and she, as expected, has been doing a great job.

In view of Jeanne's new responsibilities and the critical need to encourage and develop new talent and leadership in our League, we are searching for a new Webmaster. This is a Board position as well as a great opportunity for involvement and contribution to our community. If you are interested, please contact president@lwvelmhurst.org

Keeping it Green

Recycle Household Batteries

Elmhurst Camera, at Spring and Vallette Streets is now collecting household batteries for recycling. The camera shop also recycles disposable cameras in addition to its longstanding practice of recovering silver from photographic film. You do not have to be a store customer to use this service.

Tools and techniques for living in a greener world

Reduce Junk Mail

Catalog Choice is an easy, free service that allows you to decline unsolicited catalogs, reducing their number in your mailbox and lightening your footprint on the environment. Go to www.catalogchoice.org/signup

Calendar

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| Friday, December 12 th at 7:00 pm | Annual Holiday Party at the home of Sally Hoffman |
| Saturday, January 31 st | LWVIL Issues Briefing and Workshops
Time and Location to be Announced |
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