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President's Post: Sue Whitworth

Welcome to our LWV Elmhurst Board Members for 2013-2014:



Elected Officers

Sue Whitworth, President
Susan Rose, 1st VP, Finance Drive
Elaine Libovicz, 2nd VP, Programs
Dorothy McGuire, Secretary
Connie Zillig, Treasurer

Directors

Sue Williams, Membership
Colette Kubiesa, Voter Registration
Jan Dorner, Publicity
Noel Talluto, Observer Reports
Myrrha Guzman, Webmaster
Jeanne Davik, *Shop Talk* Editor

Note: The Voter Service position, vacated by Sue Whitworth when she became president, is open at this time. The board will appoint a member to complete Sue's term, but a new Voter Service chair will definitely be needed in 2014.

Thank you to **Colette Kubiesa** for opening her lovely home for our Annual Meeting on May 7th.

I am very humbled and honored to be your new President. I follow a long line of Elmhurst women that I truly admire and respect. Susan Rose did a wonderful job these past two years, and we all thank her for that and for agreeing to chair next year's finance drive.

My goal is to stay informed, bring our members interesting programs, and welcome new members. The Membership director and board cannot grow our league without help from our members. Please encourage your friends, family, and neighbors to attend our upcoming events. The Calendar Planning meeting on June 19 is an open meeting. Member input and suggestions are welcome. Join us!

LWVIL Convention: Celebrating 100 Years of Voting Power, Influence, Change

LWVIL's 56th Biennial State Convention will be held at the Marriott Hotel in Normal, IL, from June 7 - 9. Elmhurst delegates are **Sue Whitworth, Myrrha Guzman, and Jeanne Davik.**



To help with convention expenses, the LWVIL asks local Leagues to contribute an item or basket of items to a Silent Auction. Elmhurst is donating a basket that will include a Kindle E-Reader, donated by Sue Williams, a \$100 Amazon gift card, and a bottle of wine complete with a goblet. Thank you to all who contributed toward this impressive auction item!

Convention workshops will include ***Illinois State Flat Tax Rate, Flat Doesn't Work*** and ***Citizen's United: Now What?*** Watch for reports from our delegates in the *July Shop Talk*. For more convention info, go to the State League website -- <http://www.lwvil.org/> -- and follow the event on the LWVIL Facebook page.

Tribute to Jan Dorner



Jan Dorner will be completing her term as State League President at the LWVIL convention in June. Jan has held various board positions for LWV Elmhurst, including the presidency. She served on the LWVIL Board as Secretary and Voter Service Chair before becoming LWVIL President two years ago. Her dedication to the League has been truly remarkable.

In recognition of her outstanding record of service, the Elmhurst League is planning a tribute to Jan on July 10 at *Flight 112 Wine Bar*, 112 Park Ave. in Elmhurst. Save the date, spread the word, and join us!

There will be a \$30 charge for wine-tasting and appetizers. Proceeds will be used to support the work of the Elmhurst League. A Silent Auction is also being planned with proceeds going to the

Illinois League. Questions? Contact president@lwvelmhurst.org or membership@lwvelmhurst.org.

Voter Registration: Maria Hirsch

League voter registrars had great success registering the **Senior Class at York High School** on Friday, May 17. They registered 295 seniors and handed out 250 absentee ballot applications to students going away to college in the fall. The idea of voting "in their dorm room" by using the absentee ballot process was very attractive to the new voters.



Thanks go to the four League registrars who participated: **Sue Williams, Dorothy McGuire, Connie Zillig** and **Maria Hirsch**. Thanks also go to the York administration and the College and Career Center – specifically, **Rob Wagner** and **Amy Thompson** - for their great support of our efforts.

Calendar Planning: Elaine Libovicz



Come to the Calendar Planning meeting on June 19, 7 pm, at the home of Elaine Libovicz. Join us as we develop programs and events for the upcoming League year, which runs from September, 2013, through May, 2014, although we sometimes plan summer events as well. All are welcome to attend. Suggestions for programs may also be sent to Elaine at program@lwvelmhurst.org.

Membership: Sue Williams

Thank you to all of our members who have renewed their membership! If you haven't sent in your dues or paid online, we need your voice. Please consider renewing now. One year membership levels:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 Patron | <input type="checkbox"/> \$90 Two-Member Household |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 Benefactor | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Supporter (Please consider) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 Advocate | <input type="checkbox"/> \$65 Basic Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Sponsor | <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Student |
| | \$ <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Contribution |

Mail your dues to LWV of Elmhurst, P.O. Box 12, Elmhurst, IL 60126 or pay online at

<http://lwvelmhurst.org/joinLWV.asp>

LWV 2013-2014 Directory

The **deadline** for you to be included in this year's directory is **June 30**. We need your membership renewed so that we can have the directories available at the Wine Tasting on July 10. If you are unable to attend our event honoring Jan Dorner, please call or email Sue Williams -- membership@lwvelmhurst.org -- to make arrangements to pick up your directory or have it delivered.

Women's Advisory Committee

A **Women's Issue Advisory Committee** is being formed by **State Representative Deb Conroy**, 46th District. The Elmhurst League has been invited to participate. The first meeting is June 12, 6 pm, at her office: 28 S. Villa Ave. in Villa Park. Contact Sue Whitworth -- president@lwvelmhurst.org -- if you would like to be part of the Elmhurst group.

Cool Cities: Sue Williams

Mark your calendar for **Green Fest** on **Saturday, August 3**, from 10 am – 3 pm in Wilder Park. The Elmhurst Park District is hosting Green Fest this year, and Cool Cities is very excited to assist. Cool Cities will have one of Elmhurst College's homes open for the event to highlight the energy efficiency changes that have been completed at all 16 of the homes the college owns. We will provide information on tax rebates and credits offered by the government and ComEd/Nicor. Plan now to attend this fun and educational event on Saturday, August 3.



Remind our elected officials that Big Sister, LWV, is watching! Participate when the state and national League offices send out Time For Action alerts. Let your voice be heard!

Visit our Website, lwvelmhurst.org, regularly for all the latest info on our issues and events.