



BULLETIN

August 2012

League of Women Voters of Henderson County

AUGUST MEETING

Thursday, August 16 2:00 – 4:00pm

Just DESSERTS!

Join us for coffee, tea, and sweets as we mark the beginning of the 2012-2013 League year!

Renew old acquaintances, meet new members, and engage prospective members in lively conversation...Hear from your Board and Leadership team where our League will focus its energies and what events are being planned.

This will be a relaxed and social afternoon. We'll outline our calendar for the year--and have a little fun along the way!

Where: At the home of Helen Wright
132 Berry Creek Drive
Flat Rock, North Carolina 28731
(Kenmure Golf & Country Club-
Directions will be available at the gatehouse)

RSVP: Mary Ann Engel (693-3575) or
tengel18@morrisbb.net by August 13

From the President

As we start a new year in League, we look forward to coming together on August 16 with renewed vigor. Our organization is part of a coalition called NC Women Matter whose prime purpose is to inform women about the issues at stake in this election and to encourage them to go to the polls. Go to NCWomenMatter.org to find out how you can be part of a personal letter writing campaign coordinated by League members Peg Chapin and Mary Klenz from Charlotte. This is an important effort that you can do at home or in a group..

Our course, Civics 101: Henderson County is offered at BRCC. The speakers at each session are experts in State, County and local governments. You must be a member of Lifelong Learning at BRCC to take this class, it is a good investment.

The future is bright with possibilities for your involvement with League, come join us!

Judy



Farewell and Thank you!!

Three members retired from the board this year: **Martha Sachs**, Social Policy Chair and **Carol Ward**, Membership Chair, are pictured above with President Judy Katz. **Carol Cleveland**, our dedicated Voter Service Chair, is also leaving the board this year. Thank you, Carol, for many years of candidate forums!!



Leadership

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NEW MEMBERS

Arlene Hemingway – Growing up in New York, Arlene graduated from the Juilliard School of Music. Her experience includes being a musician, performer/teacher, energy healer/light bearer, hypnotist and Distinguished Toastmaster. Arlene was first introduced to League by Martha Sachs, our long-time Social Advocacy chairperson. Contact info: 84 Nathan Court, Fletcher 28732; email – adh7@att.net; phone – 828-684-9840

Judy Hansen – Having spent her youth in Colorado and California, Judy went on to raise her family in Alexandria, VA, with the exception of living three years in New Delhi, India. While in Alexandria, Judy was an active community volunteer, including being on the LWV Board and its President. Now retired, Judy serves as a board member and ESL tutor with Blue Ridge Literacy Council. She enjoys gardening, reading, and her book club. Contact info: 532 Ashley Bend Trail, Hendersonville 28792; email – mtgal@bellsouth.net ; phone – 828-685-2520

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Becky Armstrong – Having grown up in Mt. Holly NC, Becky then lived 10 years in Marietta GA where she obtained a BA degree in Finance from Kennesaw College. She then attended UNC Charlotte for an MS in Economics after which she worked for Wachovia and Bank of America as a liaison on various projects. Now retired Becky enjoys gardening and native plants; birding and reading. Contact info: 165 Finley Brook Way, Hendersonville 28739; email – beckybirder@gmail.com; phone – 828-243-4483

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPLE FESTIVAL

**Volunteers needed. Aug. 31,
Sept 1 & 2**
Volunteer in two hour blocks
Email Judy Katz
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Meeting Information

All regular meetings of our League are held at the Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce meeting room at the corner of Kanuga and Church Streets. All General Meetings are from 3-5 PM. Please respect the parking slots designated for other offices. Additional parking is available across Church Street.

LWVHC Calendar 2012-2013

August

- 16 Thursday - New Year Kick-Off
(See front page)
20 Immigration Committee
31 Apple Festival (Volunteers needed)

September

- 1, 2 Apple Festival (Volunteers needed)
13 Observer Corps
17 Immigration Committee
20 General Meeting - Back to School

October

- 11 Observer Corps
15, 22, 29 BRCLL Civics 101
15 Immigration Committee
TBA Candidate Forums in lieu of General Meeting

November

- 6 Election Day - "Kids Voting"
8 Observer Corps
15 General Meeting - "Equal Rights Amendment"
19 Immigration Committee

December

- 7 Breakfast with Elected Officials
16 Holiday Party

January

- 21 General Meeting - Program Planning/Positions

February

- 21 General Meeting - Non-partisanship

March

- 14 Observer Corps
21 General Meeting - Women's History Month

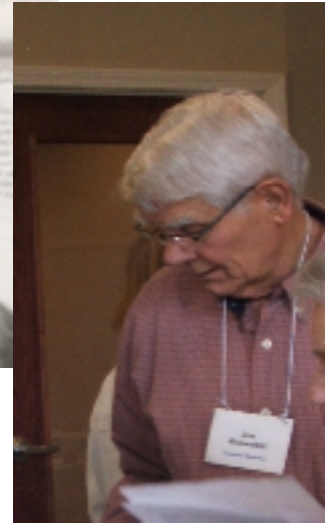
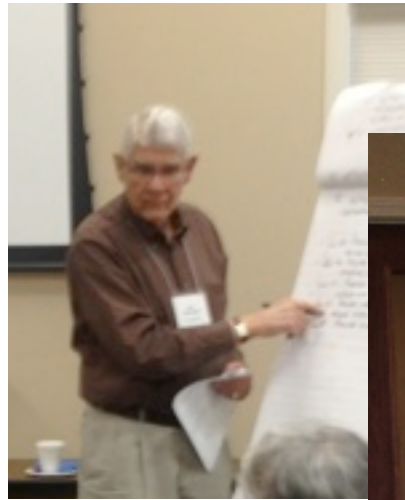
April

- 11 Observer Corps
18 General Meeting - Water Forum

May

- 16 Annual Meeting

Joe Glowacki



Our League lost Joe Glowacki on July 10, 2012. He was an active member working as Juvenile Justice Chair and with the Immigration and the Education study committees. We will miss his smile, his hugs and his passion and support for the League of Women Voters

Our hearts go out to Nancy and their family.

Local Government Primer

LWV is presenting a course through the Blue Ridge Center for Lifelong Learning. The classes will be on local government, October 15, 22 and 29 at 1 PM. The three sessions include the following presenters: State Representative Chuck McGrady, former county manager David Thompson, school board chairman Ervin Bazzle, county tax collector/assessor Stan Duncan, former county commissioner Bill Moyer, Mayor Barbara Volk, and Mills River town manager Jaime Laughter.

This program is recommended for all new leaguers as well as a refresher course for old timers. Encourage your friends and neighbors to attend.

Visit the website, www.brcll.com for registration information. Membership in BRCLL required (one time fee of \$70). Fee for the course is \$40.

Dues Notice
\$50 per member; \$75 per household
Send dues to
LWVHC
P.O. Box 2283
Hendersonville, NC 28793



Annual Meeting

In May our League honored Jan Stanley for her many successful years as a high school athletic coach at West Henderson High School and celebrated forty years of Title IX and opportunities now available to young women.

At the meeting the members elected Helen Wright as Vice-President and Grace Poli as Secretary. In addition, Iris Vanek, Barbara Updike and Bill Wilkes were elected as Directors. Becky Banadyga was elected chair and Marion Huffman a member of the Nominating Committee for 2012-2013. A third member will be appointed by the 2012-2013 Board. The annual budget was also adopted.

Immigration Study Committee

- President Obama's Executive Policy gives new hope to undocumented young adults (ages 16 – 30 years) who to be eligible for employment under the following conditions: to have been in the United States at least five years and were present in the US on June 15, 2012; have no record of serious crime; currently in school, have graduated from high school, or obtained a general education diploma (GED) or be an honorably discharged veteran of the Coast Guard or U. S. Armed forces. A fee will be charged for the authorization of a deferred action to be processed.

- Dick Durbin has reintroduced the DREAM ACT -- watch for call to action. Senator Hagan was one of the senators who voted against this bill last time it came up for a vote. It lost in the Senate by only 5 votes. While visiting Senator Hagan's office in Asheville when delivering the cards signed by the public at the two forums at BRCC in March, her staff relayed the message that she would support it this time. League will be watching this carefully. Change in position is possible!

- New members to League who have joined the Immigration Committee are Marge Cullen and Michele Burnett. The loss of long-time and passionate member, Joe Glowacki, will leave a gaping void. Kathleen Lees has also chosen to resign due to many other commitments. Thank you, Kathleen. The committee meets regularly for one hour at 3 PM the third Monday of each month at St. James Episcopal Church. Observers and/or new members are always welcome. Next meeting is August 20.

- Glenn Rodgers is developing a different version (shorter) of the Immigration Issues to accommodate those audiences that have only time for a twenty or twenty-five minute presentation. The focus will be "Facts vs Myths".

- 1200 undocumented immigrants were able to receive appropriate ID when the Mexican Consulate visited June 16 at BRCC.

Calendar Dates Related to Immigration Presentations

Wednesday, August 22, 3:00 PM – College Walk Residents -- Brevard
 New members who are not familiar with the LWVUS position are most welcome to attend.