



BULLETIN

October 2012

League of Women Voters of Henderson County

OCTOBER MEETING

LWVHC GENERAL ELECTION FORUM 2012

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING
204 KANUGA RD, HENDERSONVILLE, NC**

6:00-6:15 MEET AND GREET WITH CANDIDATES

INVITED CANDIDATES ARE:

NC HOUSE DISTRICT 113-
GEORGE ALLEY AND CHRIS WHITMIRE

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 29B-
**WILLIAM CATHEY AND EMILY COWAN
ROBIN BOWEN AND PETER KNIGHT**

HENDERSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD-
**M. ABSHER, E. BAZZLE, MARY L. CORN, D. FORD, S. GIRONDA,
J. HOUSTON, C. THOMAS, AND R. WOOD**

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From the President

The calendar says Fall, and the weather is getting cooler but temperatures are rising over this Election. It is a season rife with name calling and exaggerations. What can a non-partisan organization like League do in such a climate? For one, we can encourage everyone to Register to Vote, especially young people. We can do that formally at registration tables at the Apple Festival and New Citizen's Day, or informally, by reminding neighbors and young associates to Register. The LAST DAY for Registration is October 12. However, EARLY VOTING begins October 18 and ONE STOP VOTING starts, where you can Register and Vote on the same day until November 3. Do you know where the Early Voting sites are? Flat Rock Village Hall, Fletcher Library, Etowah Library, Board of Elections Main Office at 75 E Central St., Hendersonville will all be open for ONE STOP VOTING, call the Board of Elections at 828 697-4970 for hours and information. Tell your friends, arrange carpools and help get out the VOTE.

Secondly, the League can remain above the fray by informing our community with our Candidate Forums. We had great participation in the Spring for the Primaries, but now we need to let the Board of Education Candidates and Judges be seen and heard. Join us at our Candidate Forum at the Chamber of Commerce Building on October 18. Bring your questions and your concerns and be an informed voter.

Lastly, when you go to the polls and you see something amiss, let us know. We have excellent poll workers, but sometimes there are problems with machines and crowd control. The voting experience should be positive.

Looking forward,

Judy Katz

Voter Information

The North Carolina State Board of Elections has distributed a **Voters Guide** about candidates seeking election to the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and offices of Auditor, Commissioner of insurance, and Superintendent of Public Instruction. If you didn't received a copy in the mail, go to www.ncsbe.gov. It is also possible to download the Voters Guide from our local Board of elections website at www.hendersoncountync.org/elections/, then click on 2012 SBOE Voter Guide. It will download as a pdf to our computer.

To view a **sample ballot** go to Henderson County Board of Election website; www.hendersoncountync.org/elections/ Click on 2012 General Election Sample Ballots

LWVHC Calendar 2012-2013

October

- 11 Observer Corps
- 15, 22, 29 BRCLL Civics 101
- 15 Immigration Committee
- 18 Candidate Forums**

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

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 2238
Hendersonville, NC 28793**

Helpful Websites

League of Women Voters of Henderson County -
www.lwvhcnc.org

League of Women Voters (National) www.lwv.org
League of Women Voters (North Carolina) www.lwvnc.org

VOTE411.org (non-partisan election and voter information)

Factcheck.org (non-partisan; check accuracy of political ads and allegations)

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.

OBSERVER CORPS

Ten members of the Observer Corps kicked off the year with an orientation meeting and lunch at Sol y Luna on Thursday, September 13. We discussed procedures for observing, as well as plans for our spring "Sunshine Week Art Contest." We will meet again at this location on Thursday, October 11, from 11:00 - 1:00. Any Leaguer is welcome to join us as we review what we've been hearing at our various agencies out and about this last month.

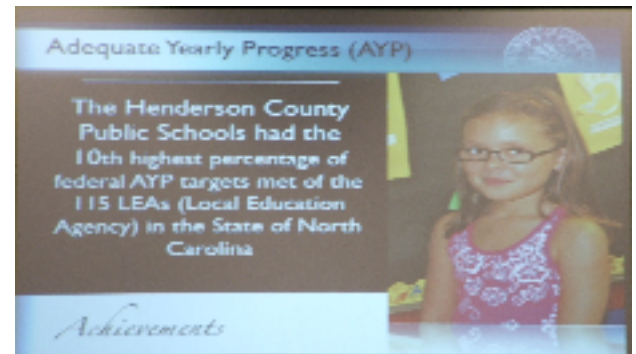
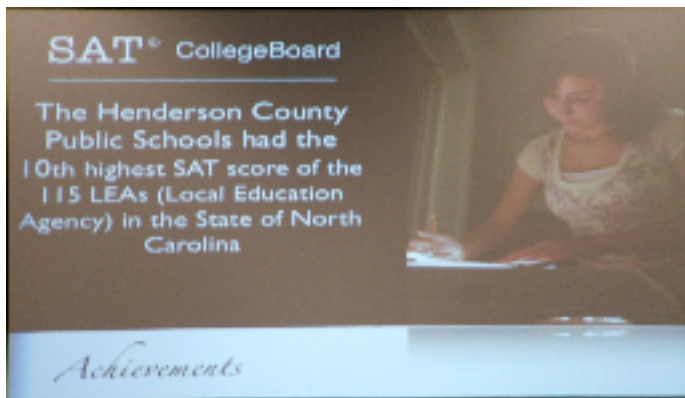
Linda Miller and Sharon Burlingame will travel to Charlotte on Tuesday, October 9, for the Sunshine Center of the Open Government Coalition's fall workshop at the Charlotte Observer from 2-4pm. Topics will be, "When Government Gets it Right" and "The Challenges in NC Open Gov. Laws." Anyone is welcome, there is no cost, and we will be home in time for dinner, so please call Sharon (692-4012) if you'd like to join us for an interesting afternoon. We will report back at the Observer meeting on Oct. 11.

The November meeting will be held at a Henderson Co. public school, so please "stay tuned" for our surprise location. Plan to join us then if you've been missing "lunch lady food" and the smiles of eager students. Watch the November Bulletin for our location.

September General Meeting League goes back to School

Our guests were

David Jones, Superintendent of Henderson County Public Schools
and Dr. Kathy Revis, Assistant Superintendent



Members heard an exciting and positive report about our school system and the achievements of its staff and students.