



of  
Henderson County

**BULLETIN**  
August 2017

**CELEBRATE the LWVHC  
NEW YEAR:  
EDUCATION, ADVOCACY,  
ACTION**



**Sunday, August 27, from 2 - 4 -  
Chamber of Commerce**

Our Teams are eager to hear your policy priorities and share our goals for the coming year. Join us to learn what's happening, what's needed, and how you fit into this picture. A great opportunity to share ideas with old, new, and prospective members, as we celebrate Women's Equality Day.



*"In the adjustment of the new order of things, we women demand an equal voice; we shall accept nothing less."*

**Carrie Chapman Catt  
Suffrage Leader, League founder**



*What's New!*

**LWVHC New Management Team**

LWVHC is a volunteer organization, and as such the Board decided to move in the direction of shared leadership and balanced responsibilities. We're excited about this new venture! In lieu of a President or Co-Presidents, leadership will now be in the hands of a Management Team of 4 Board members:

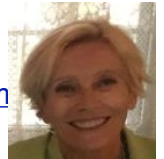
**Management Team**

**Co-Conveners**



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We are looking forward to adding a Communications Coordinator to the Team (please see *Help Wanted* page 2.) The role of the Co-Conveners is to chair meetings and be the public voice for the League.



Sharon Burlingame retired from her 3 year stint as HC LWV Co-President. Thank you endlessly, Sharon, for your leadership combining steady, reliable management with passionate commitment to our League and its vision.

**Citizen Participation in Henderson County  
Current Advisory Board Openings  
6-5-2017**

**League in  
Action!**

Many League members serve as appointees to local municipal and county boards and committees. Each month local governing bodies appoint citizens to various boards and committees. Want to make a real difference in Henderson County? Below are some of the recent vacancies in Henderson County.

- Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees – 2 vacancies
- Environmental Advisory Committee – 5 vacancies
- Fire and Rescue Advisory Committee – 2 vacancies
- Henderson County Board of Health – 4 vacancies
- Henderson County Historic Courthouse Corp./dba Heritage Museum - 2 vacancies
- Henderson County Recreation Advisory Board – 2 vacancies
- Henderson Tourism Development Authority – 1 vacancy
- Historic Resources Commission – 2 vacancies
- Jury Commission – 1 vacancy
- Juvenile Crime Prevention Council – 12 vacancies
- Mountain Area Workforce Development Board – 2 vacancies
- Nursing/Adult Care Home Community Adv Com – 4 vacancies
- Senior Volunteer Services Advisory Council – 1 vacancy

For more information on the various committees, and to print out an application, see the Henderson County Board of Commissioners [Citizen Participation](#) webpage.

**HELP WANTED**

LWVHC is looking for volunteers to assist the Board:

**Communications Team Leader -**  
This person will oversee the team (but not be personally responsible for) all press coverage, advertising, website, social media, bulletin, posters/fliers. Approximately 5 hours/month.

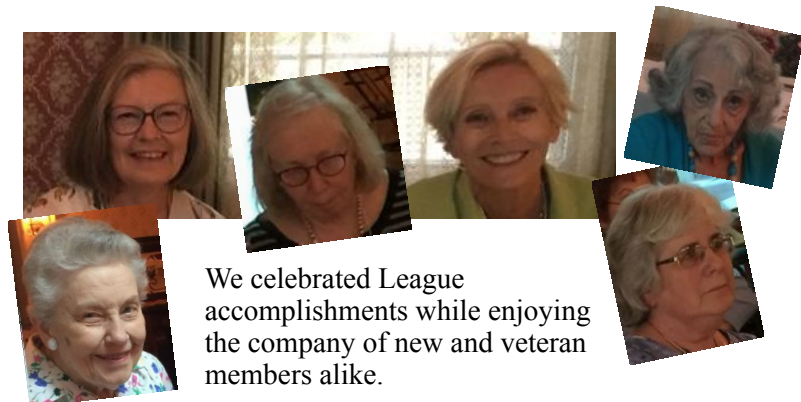
**Hospitality Coordinator/s -** Will coordinate refreshment providers, venue set-up and clean-up, and help Membership Team greet members & visitors at all regular meetings and other occasional events. Approximately 1 hour/month plus meeting times.

Contact: Nan Jennings or Rachel Poller

**Annual Meeting 2017**



Bobby Flanagan and Deborah Clarke, teacher-facilitators from Henderson County Public Schools, presented a review of last fall's "Students Voting for Democracy", while we were joined by many of the Kids Voting Board members (Marian Lowry, Denise Sherrill, Ron Stephens, Kristen Huntley, Priscilla Burch.) The board has worked for over the 8 plus years to give every child in Henderson County an opportunity to "vote" a paper or electronic ballot. It was Marian's chance to thank community members and League members for collaborating on this important program that will go forward under the new name of "Students Voting in Henderson County (NC) Fund" through the HC Community Foundation.



We celebrated League accomplishments while enjoying the company of new and veteran members alike.

## 2017-2018 Board Members and Leadership Team

### Calendar

#### August

- 3 - Board Meeting 10-12, WCCA
- 22 - Immigration Mtg. 12:30, St. James
- 23 - Education Mtg. 10:00, Co-op
- 27 - Celebrate: Women's Equality Day Meets LWVHC (General Meeting 2:00, Chamber of Commerce)**
- 30 - Voter Services Mtg. 1:00, FCC

#### September - (Please Note: General Meeting will be held on the 4th Thursday in September)

- 7 - Board Meeting 10-12, WCCA
- 18 - Voter Registration at Carl Sandburg Park - 10:00 am**
- 18 - Immigration Mtg. 12:30, St. James
- 27 - Education Mtg. 10:00, Co-op
- 27 - Voter Services Mtg. 1:00, FCC
- 28 - General Meeting 4 -5:30 Chamber of Commerce - Voter Services**

#### October

- 5 - Board Meeting 10-12, WCCA
- 16 - Immigration Mtg. 12:30, St. James
- 19 - General Meeting 4-5:30 Chamber of Commerce - Immigration**
- 25 - Education Mtg. 10:00, Co-op
- 25 - Voter Services Mtg. 1:00, FCC
- 27 - 11/4 - LWVHC Hosts Open World Group

#### Officers

- Co-Conveners - Nan Jennings  
Rachel Poller
- Secretary - Linda Hansma
- Treasurer - Stan Kumor

#### Elected Directors

- Director - Caren Kessler
- Director - Cathy Lewis
- Director - Judith Scruggs
- Director - Bill Wilkes

#### Appointed Directors

- Director - Martha Milcarek
- Director - Kathy Trice

#### Portfolio Leadership

- Immigration Team -Nan Jennings
- Voter Service - Judy Wilkes, Caren Kessler
- SVD Coalition - Marian Lowry, Linda Miller, Jan Allen, Sharon Burlingame
- Open World - Lee Luebbe, Bill Wilkes
- Nominating Committee - Lee Luebbe, Judy Wilkes, Linda Hansma
- Social Media - Linda Hansma
- Education Team - Rachel Poller, Cathy Lewis
- Membership - Linda Hansma
- Web Master - Jan Allen
- ERA - Nancy Glowacki, Judith Scruggs
- Community Outreach- Kathy Trice
- Roster -Charlyne Coleman
- Alerts - Linnea Angermuller, Linda Hansma
- Affordable Housing - Martha Milcarek
- Ex-Officio - Sharon Burlingame

## New Members

For the 2017-2018 year we now have  
103 members. Here are four of the  
most recent

#### **Sheila Clendenning**

Sheila says that the League offers Candidate Forum events; she has attended several since moving to WNC 5 years ago and this has motivated her to join.

#### **Mark & Lois Michelsen**

Mark and Lois moved fairly recently to Hendersonville. They were aware that a former neighbor of theirs was involved with the League. They are both retired and enjoying life in Hendersonville.

#### **Kathleen Fetherolf**

Kathleen and her husband George moved to Hendersonville in 1993 from South Bend, IN. Kathleen joined the LWVHC because she has always believed in what League does.

# LWVNC State Convention

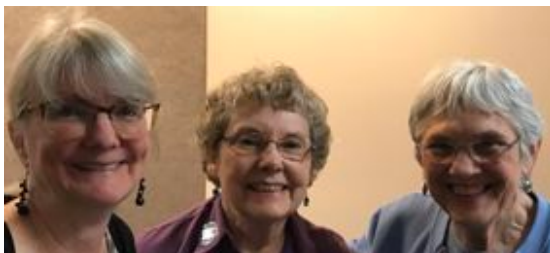
Over 100 members from 17 of our 18 chapters across North Carolina joined together for the 2017 convention in Greensboro, May 5-7, 2017. Ten members from LWVHC attended the conference. The convention welcomed LWVHC member Judy Katz as a new member of LWVNC State Board. Delegates also thanked Bill Wilkes and Judith Scruggs, also LWVHC members, for their leadership as they ended their service on state board.



Congratulations to our incoming board members at LWVNC (left to right):

- **Pam Oxendine** (LWVODC) - Nominating Committee, **Judith Katz** (Henderson) - Director, **Karen Bean** (Charlotte-Meck) - 1st Vice President, **Janet Hoy** (LWVODC) - Co-President, **Louise Romanow** (LWV Wake) - Director, **Margaret Salinger** (LWV-PT) - Co-President, **Walter Salinger** (LWV-PT) - Director, **Jana Albritton** (LWV-LCF) - Secretary, **Delores Hurt-Johnson** (Charlotte-Meck) - Nominating Committee, **Nancy Birindelli** (LWV-Dare) - Nominating Committee, **Susan Marston** (LWVODC) - Treasurer, not pictured, **Tracy Miles** (LWV-PT) - 2nd Vice President, not pictured.

## Ratify ERA NC



Becky Ledbetter of PWH, Roberta Madden of Ratify ERA, and Judith Scruggs

Along with Ratify ERA-NC and the Progressive Women of Hendersonville (PWH), the Henderson County LWV co-sponsored a program to inform and update attendees on the need for and status of the Equal Rights Amendment. Roberta Madden of Ratify ERA, Becky Ledbetter of PWH, and Judith Scruggs and Sharon Burlingame of LWV organized the program in which the film "Equal Means Equal" explored in depth both the obvious and subtle ways in which women continue to be discriminated against around the world. Become informed at [www.RatifyERA-NC.org](http://www.RatifyERA-NC.org).



## Follow us on Facebook

The League of Women Voters of Henderson County has established a Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/LWVHendersonCountyNC](http://www.facebook.com/LWVHendersonCountyNC)) with posts on League events and issues important to the League. Facebook is an important tool for increasing our visibility in the community and growing our membership. We need your help to extend our social media reach. Please become a Facebook user and help us reach more people.

## And Twitter

Our League can be found at [@LWVHendersonCountyNC@hcnc\\_lwv](https://twitter.com/LWVHendersonCountyNC)



Please contact Linda Hansma if you want more information on our social media efforts.