



BULLETIN

September 2012

League of Women Voters of Henderson County

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Thursday, September 20 3:00 – 5:00 pm
at the Chamber of Commerce Building on Church Street

LEAGUE GOES BACK TO SCHOOL

with

Dr. David Jones, Superintendent

Dr. Kathy Revis, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

We'll get a Progress report with the good news and the challenges that lie ahead. How do we maintain our schools' academic standing and stretch the budget.
Bring your questions for a lively discussion.

From the President

Last week I had the opportunity to attend the Annual Meeting of the Community Foundation. The keynote speaker, Tom Lambeth, former Executive Director of Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, asked the audience to always think of education of our young people as our first priority. I thought of LWVHC's participation in last year's National Study of Federal Participation in our Schools and how our membership wanted to go further. Coincidentally, our September 20th meeting will be devoted to Henderson County Schools: A Progress Report. We are delighted to have David Jones, the Superintendent and Kathy Revis, the Assistant Superintendent as our speakers. For those of you who are interested in Education and those of you who should be, this will be a great meeting.

At the same luncheon meeting for the Community Foundation, our members, Carola and Stuart Cohn were honored for their philanthropy. How lucky we are to have them in LWV! We are happy to have so many outstanding community leaders in our ranks.

As always, looking forward,

Judy

Leadership

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A League of Our Own



At the Annual Luncheon of the Community Foundation Stuart and Carola Cohn received the Sauer award created to honor local philanthropists. Stuart and Carola were acknowledged as providing outstanding leadership and making significant charitable contributions to benefit our community.

At the ceremony George Bond presented the award saying, "This award is being presented to individuals who give quietly and significantly . . . As donors, they have been on hand to offer support and advice to various nonprofits in Henderson County . . . They are unparalleled in their caring and the actions they take."

Three local nonprofits, the Children and Family Resource Center, Pisgah Legal Services and Carolina Mountain Land Conservancy worked together with friends of the Cohns at League and at Agudas Israel to help develop the full picture of two generous and committed members of our community. Several League members were present for the announcement. We caught a few in the photo.

This is the second year a League member has received this award. Last year Marian Lowry was the receipt of the Sauer award for her support of area non profits.



New Citizen Day

Carl Sandburg Amphitheater
Friday, September 14, 2012
11:00 am

Join us for Swearing In Ceremonies for New Citizens. LWV members will assist new American citizens in registering to vote after the ceremony at Carl Sandburg Amphitheater. Come celebrate a heartwarming occasion.

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LWVHC Calendar 2012-2013

September

- 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

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**

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

Observer Corps Meeting and Farewell to Joan McFadden

Co-chairs of the Observer Corps Sharon Burlingame and Linda Miller are looking forward to meeting with our new and old members at a luncheon meeting on Thursday, September 13th from 11:00 to 1:00 or 2:00. We have reserved the back room at **Sol y Luna** restaurant (formerly Black Water Grill in Laurel Park shopping center). We hope to ground new members and update all in the important work of observing our local government bodies, as well as catch up and socialize with one another. We welcome **all** interested League members.



Observer Corps meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month from 11:00 to 1:00 pm. The following is the luncheon meeting schedule for 2012 - 2013: Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Mar. 14, Apr. 11. At the September meeting, members will decide on a restaurant location for the rest of the year.

We in the Observer Corps were very sorry to lose Joan McFadden to her grandchildren in Virginia. She has been a fixture at the Flat Rock Town Council meetings for several years and attended the last June meeting where she said good-bye to the council members whom had come to depend on having her observe their meetings, sometimes as the only person attending to let the sunshine in. Flat Rock Town Council members even thanked her with flowers! Joan had also started observing the Flat Rock Planning Board meetings; she was the first and only observer to volunteer for planning board duty. We will sorely miss having her as a part of our Observer Corps team.



Another Apple Festival

We did it again! Heat, Wind and RAIN did not stop our group. Thanks to all of you who came to work at our booth. We registered nearly 50 and made friends with hundreds. A special thank you to those who took double shifts and those who showed up when the emergency call went out. I can't count how many times we heard:

"Thank you LWV for the work you do."

What a pleasure it is to work with all of you, *Judy*



Apple Festival Volunteers

Arlene Hemingway, Barbara Updike, Becky Armstrong, Bill Wilkes, Carol Cleveland, Carol Ward, Jan Allen, Judy Wilkes, Marian Lowry, Marion Huffman, Renee Kumor, Sharon Burlingame, Stan Kumor and Teddi Segal.