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## **Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.**

**Greetings!** 

Circle these dates on your calendar:

### OCTOBER Calendar of Events 2019

HEALTH COMMITTEE **MEETING** October 9, 2019 825 East River Dr. Apt. 31 9:30 AM De Pere, WI Everyone welcome Sue Whittemore at 920 632-7079

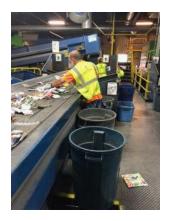
REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE MEETING October 22, 2019 4:30 PM 1659 Riverbend Ter. #7 Green Bay, WI

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING** October 15, 2019 Brown Co. Central Library 4:00 PM helschwartz@new.rr.com denisegaumerhutchison @gmail.com

HOW TO MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT Saturday October 5 YWCA Greater Green Bay 9:00 AM to Noon

### A VALUABLE TRIP TO THE TRI-COUNTY RECYLING CENTER





LWV members and guests went to visit this major recycling Center twice this summer. Tri-County Recycling accepts material from most Northeast Wisconsin and Upper Michigan communities. Tri-County includes Brown, Outagamie, and Winnebago. Over 100,000 tons of recyclables are processed each year using staff from a two-shift operation. Recyclables that are collected curbside and drop-off centers are brought to the public-owned and operated facility located in Appleton, just 45 minutes from Green Bay.

The Facility is where recyclables

Separated from one another by hand and by high tech sorting methods.

Compressed into storage bales for

easy shipping.
Marketed and sold to companies to be re-manufactured into a wide array of new products.

We were told that they have dropped using the numbers to identify what can be recycled. The hardest thing to recycle is plastic bags. If you are uncertain about a plastic bag, put your thumb on the plastic and very slowly press the thumb into the plastic. If the plastic breaks, it can be recycled by taking it back to the store; do not recycle it curb side. If the plastic does not break, trash it.

If you were unable to go on these visits, here is more information for you. On You Tube, go to the videos about Tri-County Recycling Program or go to Outagamie Recycling Center. Also you can go to the website, <www.recyclemoretricounty.org>
Nancy Wakefield



### HOW TO MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT

What is Gerrymandering? What is the National Popular Vote? What Can I Do?

Come to the YWCA to hear 4 experts on these questions explain why elections don't always seem to reflect the will of the majority of the voters, and what can be done about this.

\*Dan Theno, a former Republican state senator and mayor of Ashland will explain the history and process of redistricting in Wisconsin.

\*Erin Grunze, League of Women Voters of Wisconsin Executive Director, will explain what we can do in the efforts to develop fair nonpartisan voting maps.

\*Cheryl McCutcheon, member of the Brown County Citizens Redistricting Advisory Subcommittee, will share the current status of their work.

\*Barb Paterick, local League member, will share information about the National Popular Vote and how it can be implemented in the Electoral College.

There will be a break in the middle of the morning with food and beverage and time for questions at the end of the morning.

Saturday, October 5, 2019 9 AM to 12 PM YWCA Greater Green Bay 230 S. Madison St., Green Bay, WI 54301

# **LWV of WINNEBAGO COUNTY** raised its informed voice

before the Winnebago County Board to advance a resolution to "Support the Creation of a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans" and the effect was a game changer - one more Wisconsin county on record with a Fair Maps Resolution.

Winnebago League member Susan Curran said, "The resolution's author intended to introduce the resolution at the June County Board meeting but hesitated because she did not believe it would get the necessary 2/3rds vote to pass."

Susan and fellow Leaguer Ann Marshall attended the meeting. Both were familiar with the issue and armed with facts supplied by the LWV WI and LWV US offices. They decided to present their information anyway during Public Comments and when the resolution came up on the agenda, the author told the supervisors that she had considered withdrawing the resolution, but changed her mind after hearing the League members' presentation!

The County Board referred the resolution to the Legislative Committee for review. A League member attended that meeting and once again urged support. The Legislative Committee sent the resolution back to the full board with their unanimous recommendation for passage and at the July Winnebago County Board meeting, Susan and Ann spoke again.

A voice vote was called and the resolution passed. Wisconsin is now 40 counties strong in demanding the fair drawing of political districts. This latest victory reminds us to never underestimate the power of our voice as informed League members.

# \* WOMEN WIN THE RIGHT TO VOTE \*

# WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN CELEBRATE WITH TWO EVENTS

LWVGGB is planning an event for the Centennial Celebration of the 19th Amendment giving the vote to women and the creation of the League of Women Voters!!

We need interested persons to work on the planning committee . Please contact Denise Gaumer Hutchison at denisegaumerhutchison@gmail.com Or 920 883-7462

Or join with AAUW to assist in their planning this celebration:

On Wednesday, March 18, 2020 the AAUW has invited the LWVGGB to cosponsor a Centennial Celebration at Resurrection Church on Hilltop Dr. The speaker will be Helen Bannon, doing an interpretation of Jesse Jack Harper. The time and other information is still in the planning stages.

If you have questions or would like to help with this event please contact Sara Ramaker, AAUW or

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING TO SUPPORT THE NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE?

First and foremost, come learn about the National Popular Vote at our Make Your Vote Count event at the YWCA on October 5. The event starts at 9:00 am with presentations on Gerrymandering/Redistricting, followed by our presentation on making every person's vote count in electing the President by enacting National Popular Vote state legislation.

We are busy setting up our new LWVGGB National Popular Vote Committee. Members will be deciding what they'd like to do: Letters to the editor or state legislature; Join our speakers' group to educate our communities and legislators; Work with students to present joint educational events; Meet with your legislative representative about the pending National Popular Vote bills in Wisconsin; and more!!. There are resources available on the LWVWI website to educate you and the community. Training for interested speakers from around the state will be held in De Pere on November 16. The trainers are coming from the National Popular Vote organization in San Francisco so this will be a very special event. Contact Barb Paterick at <a href="mailto:bpaterick@gmail.com">bpaterick@gmail.com</a> or 904-233-4159 to join our committee or get more information. Barb is a LWVGGB board member who is LWVWI's national liaison for National Popular Vote.

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### **JOIN THE LEAGUE**

You too can become a member of the dynamic League of Women Voters of Greater Green Bay where hand-on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement. Join Now