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# *HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE*

## LEADERSHIP TEAM MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends,

With less than six months to go, 2020 will undoubtedly be a year to remember. New and redefined terms of the year are social distancing, self-isolating, contact tracing and Zooming. We have never sat in front of our computer screens so much or seen our odometers move so little. We've missed seeing our friends in three dimensions and enjoying music and performances in acoustically satisfying concert halls and theaters. Besides updates on COVID-19, we are listening daily to reports of social unrest and protests, peaceful and otherwise, across the country. George Floyd's senseless death at the hands of police initiated many protests, which we can only hope result in change for the good. (Note that we are currently restudying our Criminal Justice position, which includes policing.) The League would not have existed if not for women protesting. The most disturbing recent news has been the unrest and looting in Chicago. We are living in challenging times!

So poignant to these times is a statement released by LWV North Carolina regarding the late John Lewis: "The nation has lost a tremendous civil rights leader with the passing of Congressman John Lewis. He was truly an iconic visionary who worked tirelessly for civil rights in our nation. A powerful inspiration in life, Congressman Lewis's legacy will inspire people to keep up the fight for freedom and equality. We honor Congressman Lewis's life by committing to continue his fight."

Since the last newsletter went out, we have held our annual meeting and entered a new fiscal year. Rose Feder and Barbara Lippai have rejoined the Leadership Team giving us a total of eight. Twenty-three new members have joined since the beginning of the year. Thank you to all our newer members who joined us at the Annual Meeting on July 7th. The virtual Annual Meeting highlighted some areas where the meeting can be re-ordered and streamlined. We agreed to the proposal to update the Parks and Recreation (now Park District) position in our Local Program discussion. The possible sale of School District 112 property will continue to be monitored under our Public Property position as will activity in inclusionary zoning under our Housing position. We will participate in the Illinois LWV restudy of the Criminal Justice position.

I wanted to mention another challenge in these times. We've frequently scheduled a Ravinia night this time of year. But because we must remain virtual, our contact is now limited to seeing each other indoors in our own little squares □. From a social point of view, I don't think many of us find that very satisfying. We are trying to come up with something a little friendlier than the squares, but still on Zoom. Suggestions?

With the efforts of our members, League can accomplish a great deal. Please consider becoming more involved. There are a variety of opportunities depending on your interests and time availability: Join a study committee (Park District, Criminal Justice), Communications, Citizen Education and Voter Registration, Candidate Forums, Environment or Membership committee. Follow us on Facebook and our website. Come to our programs and those offered by our neighboring and state Leagues. Educate your family and friends about the importance of Fair Tax (please read article on page 6) and other positions. Read your LWV email.

Wishing you safe and healthy times,

Judy Miller  
Leadership Chair



# HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

## Notes from the 92nd ANNUAL MEETING

On the evening of July 7, 2020, the League of Women Voters of Highland Park/Highwood held its annual meeting via a Zoom session that was well-attended and included a number of new members.

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Nominating Committee, the following members were elected to one-year terms on the Leadership Team for 2020-2021:

Judy Miller, Leadership Chair

Marlene Senescu, Secretary and Membership

Ginger Seff, Treasurer (Off-Team)

Nancy Goldberg, Communications and Candidate Guide

Carole Kohn and Barbara Lippai, Program

Shoshana Friedman, Citizen Education and Voter Education

Elaine Adler, Candidate Forums/Candidate Guide and Events [including a membership event]

Rose Feder, Assist with: Communications, Candidate Forums, Secretary/minutes

Nominating Committee: 2021-2022:

Ginny Schulte, Chair (Off-Team); Rose Feder; Ginger Seff (Off-Team)

Program Planning began with a meeting of the Program Committee, followed by a review by the Leadership Team. At the Annual Meeting, the membership voted to:

- Retain all existing local positions with the exception of the Parks and Recreation Position.
- Restudy our Parks and Recreation Position. See the [proposal](#) on our [website](#). The focus and extent of this study is dependent on recruiting a balanced and knowledgeable group of members for leadership and related tasks.
- Participate in LWVIL Criminal Justice Position update with Zoom presentations and subsequent consensus proceedings.

With regard to position activity, the membership voted to:

- Monitor activity on inclusionary zoning under Housing Position, providing education and possible testimony.
- Monitor sale of property by School District 112 under Criteria for Local Government Acquisition, Development, and Divestiture of Public Property Position.
- Educate and advocate for the passage of the Fair Tax Amendment which will appear at the top of the November ballot.
- Educate and advocate for the passage of a constitutional amendment to eliminate the Electoral College.



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## HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

### Notes from the 92nd ANNUAL MEETING *(cont)*

Finally, the Leadership Team presented its plan for a series of Zoom programs for members (possibly open to the public) on relevant topics.

The initial program will take place on August 11, 2020, with Jan Flapan, past President of the LWVIL and former Board member of the LWVUS speaking on "Women's Activism: The Fight for the Right to Vote and Equal Rights." This program is part of LWV's celebration of the 100 year Anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment and the founding of the League of Women Voters.

Before the November election, we plan to present programs on the Fair Tax and on the new procedures for voting by mail and other relevant voting issues in the upcoming election. Later in the year, we expect to present programs on LWVIL's criminal justice study; environmental issues (such as "What Happens to Our Stuff?"); a superintendents' update on "Our Schools In The Time of Corona"; the next program in our immigration series (Trafficking in our local area); electoral college reform; and Highland Park's new financial challenges.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR 2020/21 PROGRAM



- Join the Park District study, which includes observing Board and Committee meetings. For this study to move forward, we need additional members to join the committee. See the study [proposal](#) and email Barb Lippai to join.
- Become a member of the Program Committee and help plan/implement our Zoom video programs.
- Observe City Council/Pre-Council and the school district meetings.
- Help write League testimony priority issues.

Contact [Barb Lippai](#) or [Carole Kohn](#) for more information

*Submitted by Carole Kohn and Barb Lippai*

## HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

### "CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF LWV & THE 19TH AMENDMENT"

On the evening of August 11, 2020, about 50 people joined our Zoom program "Women's Activism: The Fight for the Right to Vote and Equal Rights," presented by Jan Flapan, past President of the LWVIL and past LWVUS Board member. This excellent presentation enhanced our knowledge of the suffragette movement, the founding of the LWV, and subsequent battles for the Equal Rights Amendment. We learned how some states passed but later rescinded the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment; how most of the suffragists got their start in activism by being in favor of abolition of slavery, but held pro-suffrage marches with Blacks and Whites separated; and what a legal tangle the ERA became. It was interesting to reflect on how battles are won and lost, reversed or revised, and come back in new forms as times and society change.



*Submitted by Carole Kohn with images by a variety of photographers.*

## LEAGUE SUPPORTS ADOPTION OF THE FAIR TAX AMENDMENT ON THE BALLOT IN ILLIOIS THIS NOVEMBER

The League of Women Voters of Illinois and the League of Women Voters of Highland Park/Highwood support the passage of the Fair Tax Amendment to the Illinois State Constitution, which is on the ballot in November's election. This Amendment reforms the state constitution to eliminate the requirement that any income tax have a single rate for all taxpayers and allows for higher rates for higher incomes and lower rates for people with low and moderate incomes. This type of tax is known as a Graduated Income Tax (GRIT).

**Our local League urges you to inform yourself about this amendment prior to the election.** Plans are in the making for a Zoom meeting to receive a presentation on the details of this amendment and the arguments in its favor. This program will include a Q&A section.

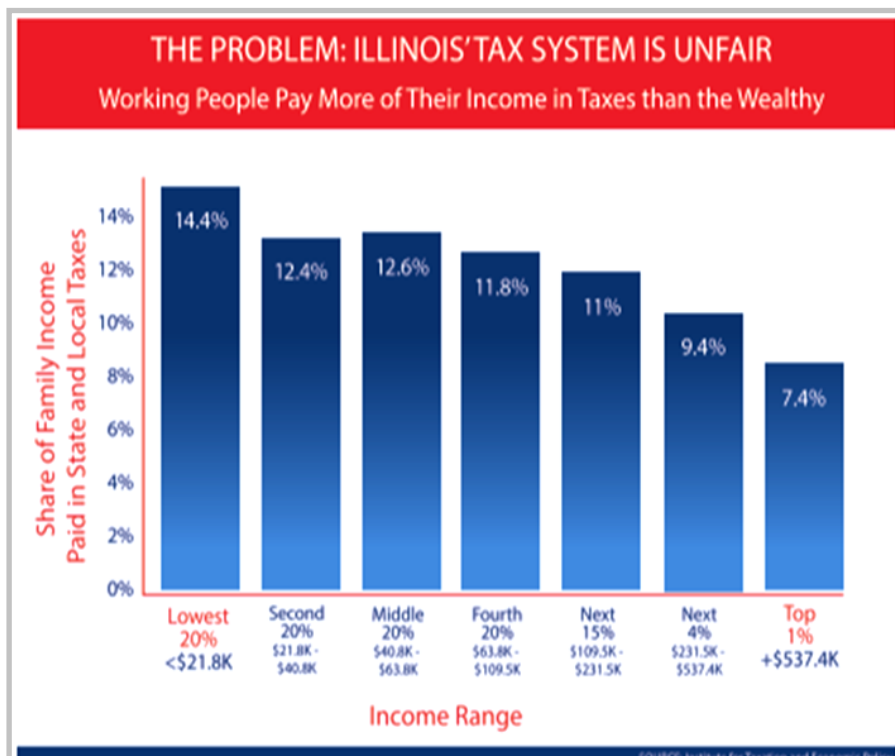
With a Graduated Income Tax (GRIT):

- 97% of Illinoisans will pay less in taxes. Only those making more than **\$250,000** will pay more in taxes. Use this [calculator](#) to see how the Fair Tax will impact your family.
- 97% of Illinois small businesses (including farmers) will pay less taxes. Only those small businesses making more than \$250,00 will have increased taxes.
- By making this change, Illinois will increase its revenue by 3 Billion Dollars. This will avoid having to make cuts in Education, Social Services, Public Safety and Jobs Programs.
- 34 states, District of Columbia and the Federal Government all have a Graduated Income Tax. And, states with a Graduated Income Tax are less likely to raise taxes on the middle class.

For 50 years, the League of Women Voters of Illinois has contended that a graduated rate income tax would be fairer for taxpayers than a flat tax.

See [Fair Tax Sheet](#) at lwvil.org. See *also* a couple of articles on our webpage ([lwvhp.org](#)):

[AARP on Fair Tax](#) and a Chicago Tribune [article](#) by Eric Zorn.



Note: Many people find the wording for this amendment confusing.

Read the entire amendment [here](#).

Questions?

Email

[Marlene Senescu](#), or

Reach out to the

[LWVIL Issues & Advocacy Committee](#)

Submitted by Marlene Senescu and Carole Kohn

## HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

### ELECTION UPDATE—10th Congressional District

It's that time again! True to our heritage, League continues to provide important information. We are in the process of planning a Virtual Candidates Forum, along with the other Leagues of the Tenth Congressional District, Arlington Heights, Deerfield Area, Lake Forest/Lake Bluff and Northwest Lake County. If the candidates agree, you will be invited to participate in a Zoom event sometime in September.

In addition, the Illinois League of Women Voters will present the [Illinois Voter Guide](#), which will go live around September 16<sup>th</sup>. The site enables sign up so that you can be notified when it is ready to go live and it will contain all contested Illinois races. The candidates, their stances and their biographies will be available on their websites.

**YOUR VOTE COUNTS!** League ingenuity will prevail! To keep you apprised, watch for our election notices with details and directions.

*Submitted by Elaine Adler, Chair, Candidate Forums*



### Stroll to the Polls

After over a year of planning in partnership with Highland Park High School Civics Department, Stroll to the Polls launched Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> at the high school. There were 110 students participating with about 12 teachers and 20 volunteers from LWV and community organizations.

Staff & students had decorated the gymnasium where we assembled for a kick-off rally with student speeches. Welcoming remarks were given by Mayor Charlie Pecaro of Highwood and Councilman Tony Blumberg of HP and by LWV organizers.

Students, teachers and volunteers boarded preassigned buses with team bags filled with maps of walking routes and door hangers with registration and voting information in English & Spanish.

Our objective was to encourage students to engage in the community by encouraging residents to register and to vote. From the enthusiastic response of the students after they returned to the high school, we knew that our goal had been accomplished!

After the pizza party, the teachers immediately settled on a date in October to have another Stroll prior to the November election. Unfortunately, all planning halted due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic. We all understand that the Stroll initiative will be placed on hold until more "normal" times.

The Civics Department of Highland Park High School will be teaching online when the school year starts. The HP/HWD League has sent them information learned at the National Convention about how to integrate encouraging people to register and vote into their curriculum.



Understanding the pressures of online learning, the League's focus has shifted to providing materials which could be part of teaching civics. We will continue to communicate with the civics department via email and Zoom when possible.

*Submitted by Shoshana Friedman*

## HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

### LWVUS National Convention 2020

More than 1,100 delegates across America participated in the virtual LWVUS biennial convention. Our League was represented by 3 delegates: Judy Miller, Nancy Goldberg and Marlene Senescu. Attending as Observers were Rose Feder, Carole Kohn and Shoshana Friedman.

The new LWVUS National Board, led by incoming president, Dr. Deborah Turner of the Des Moines Metropolitan League, includes two members from LWVIL: Sara Irwin and Lali Watt.

*See the page 9 for more details on the Convention.*



**IMPRESSIONS** from LWVHP/HWD Delegates and Observers.

**Marlene Senescu (Delegate):** I found this year's Convention terrific. I could go to the sessions in my pajamas if I liked. No hotels. No restaurants. I was able to go to as many sessions as I wanted and if there were conflicts, most of the sessions were videotaped and could be viewed after the fact. Of course, there wasn't the comradery and passing on of little tidbits that is usually prevalent meeting members of other leagues. I wouldn't want this to be the norm in the future but it sure made attending easy. Sessions were on Diversity, Rebuilding Trust, Criminal Justice, LWV Observer Corp in the UN, Involving Youth, Redistricting, Climate Emergency, Voter Rights, Immigration, Civics Education, Electoral College, Health Care, and other subjects. I hope the National League takes the example of this year and opens many of these programs in the future to Zoom sessions and/or videos to all our members. I'm always so impressed with these smart and dedicated League of Women Voters members and I'm proud to be a part of this wonderful organization that is lobbying and using litigation to make our country better.

**Judy Miller (Delegate):** Because of a small thing called an infected appendix, my attendance was limited to caucuses and the Friday night plenary. The Friday night session was a mixture of frustration and exhilaration. Frustration, I'll admit was due to my own impatience. It's not so easy to teach 1200 people, on various types of operating systems, laptops, tablets, phones, etc., how to navigate the screen to raise a virtual hand. Yet, as I listened to so many passionate people together in one virtual space aligned with my own belief system, I could not help but feel excited and exhilarated.

**Nancy Goldberg (Delegate):** I was especially impressed with the diversity and inclusion messages throughout, especially a message from one caucus on striving to have your League be a reflection of your community. We have work to do to achieve that goal. I was thrilled that the abolishment of the Electoral College by Constitutional Amendment was moved to be an action focus for the 2020-2022 biennium. The speakers just blew me away, especially the CEO, Virginia Kase and the incoming President, Dr. Deborah Turner. A quote from Dr. Turner: "We need to reach beyond the perception of small town offerings. We stand on the precipice ... we can soar or fall. It is our duty to eliminate suppression; to register voters; to protest in the street ... from the bottom up."

**Carole Kohn (Observer):** I attended the Plenary sessions as an Observer. I was particularly impressed by some of the Executive Staff members of LWVUS and by the new President, Dr. Deborah Turner.

**Shoshana Friedman (Observer):** It was my first League Convention and I was so excited to attend. The depth of knowledge in the sessions I attended was beyond impressive.

**Rose Feder (Observer):** I considered it a privilege as a non-delegate member to be able to observe proceedings and be up front and personal with key participants. I consider this to be a plus for the virtual process. However there were some technical glitches which added to the tediousness of such an event. Of course, there are advantages to the in-person style - probably the main one being networking, always a valued benefit. But some hybrid form of participation would be ideal - which would call for another technical challenge. I'm sure that challenge can be met.

# HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

## LWVUS National Convention 2020



Delegates at the convention voted to:

- Include the abolition of the Electoral College by Constitutional amendment as a LWVUS action focus for the 2020-2022 biennium in addition to the action focus on the National Popular Vote.
- Support the Transfer of Federal Public Land Concurrence.
- Support Voter Representation/Electoral Systems Concurrence that fosters the adoption of voting systems at any level of government that encourage participation, are verifiable and auditable and enhance representation for all voters.
- Retain all current LWVUS positions in the areas of representative government, international relations, natural resources and social policy. The proposed LWVUS program for 2020-2022 Campaign for Making Democracy Work®: ensuring a free, fair and accessible electoral system for all eligible voters by focusing on Voting Rights, Improving Elections and advocacy for the National Popular Vote Compact, Campaign Finance/Money in Politics and Redistricting and to continue to work on urgent issues: Climate Change, the Equal Rights Amendment, Health Care, Gun Safety, Abolition of the Electoral College and Immigration. The motion PASSED on 1139 yay, 30 nay votes.

Delegates at the convention resolved to:

- reaffirm the League's commitment to Immigration reform so immigrant entry is efficient and expeditious and push for Congress must take immediate action to pass common sense, fair immigration policies that end the crisis at our borders, end the separation of families, ensure their health and safety, and provide a clear path to citizenship, including DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) young people;
- advocate against systemic racism in the justice system, calling for all League members to advocate within every level of government to eradicate systemic racism, and the harm that it causes;
- help elected officials and all Americans recognize these that Black, Indigenous and all people of color (BIPOC) deserve equal protection under the law and solutions must be found so that regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, disability, and gender identity or sexual orientation we may truly become a nation "indivisible, with liberty and justice for all";
- call for an immediate, wide-scale mobilization to restore, protect and fund an ecologically sustainable environment and climate, based on an interrelated approach that is environmentally sound, science based, just and equitable, dedicated to adequately addressing the scale and speed of the global climate change emergency.

See the full [Program](#) report and [Resolutions Committee](#).

Listings of recordings of caucuses and info sessions held during the 2020 Convention can be accessed [here](#).

*Convention articles Submitted by Nancy Goldberg*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US!



Highland Park City Hall June 10, 2019:  
Celebrating the 100 year anniversary of  
Illinois ratifying the  
Nineteenth Amendment.



Jerry and Elaine Adler with  
Susan B. Anthony at our  
Centennial Gala Dec 5, 2019



## 1920 - 2020



Pictures from the LWVIL Anniversary Party on February 14, 2020: Judy Miller posing by the plaque at the Congress Hotel commemorating the League's founding on February 14, 1920; Senator Tammy Duckworth and Dr. Michelle Duster (Great-granddaughter of Ida B. Wells) in the room where it happened.

# 19th Amendment Ratification Timeline

Order	State	Ratification Date	Notes	Order	State	Ratification Date	Notes
1	<a href="#">Illinois</a>	<b>June 10, 1919</b>		25	<a href="#">Oregon</a>	Jan 12, 1920	
2	<a href="#">Wisconsin</a>	June 10, 1919		26	<a href="#">Indiana</a>	Jan 16, 1920	
3	<a href="#">Michigan</a>	June 10, 1919		27	<a href="#">Wyoming</a>	Jan 26, 1920	
4	<a href="#">Kansas</a>	June 16, 1919		28	<a href="#">Nevada</a>	Feb 7, 1920	
5	<a href="#">Ohio</a>	June 16, 1919		29	<a href="#">New Jersey</a>	Feb 9, 1920	
6	<a href="#">New York</a>	June 16, 1919		30	<a href="#">Idaho</a>	Feb 11, 1920	
7	<a href="#">Pennsylvania</a>	June 24, 1919		31	<a href="#">Arizona</a>	Feb 12, 1920	
8	<a href="#">Massachusetts</a>	June 25, 1919		32	<a href="#">New Mexico</a>	Feb 16, 1920	
9	<a href="#">Texas</a>	June 26, 1919		33	<a href="#">Oklahoma</a>	Feb 23, 1920	
10	<a href="#">Iowa</a>	July 2, 1919		34	<a href="#">West Virginia</a>	March 10, 1920	Confirmed Sept
11	<a href="#">Missouri</a>	July 3, 1919		35	<a href="#">Washington</a>	March 22, 1920	
12	<a href="#">Arkansas</a>	July 28, 1919		36	<b><a href="#">Tennessee</a></b>	<b><i>Aug 18, 1920</i></b>	<b><i>Aug 26, 1920</i></b>
13	<a href="#">Montana</a>	Aug 2, 1919		37	<a href="#">Connecticut</a>	Sept 14, 1920	Reaffirmed Sept
14	<a href="#">Nebraska</a>	Aug 2, 1919		38	<a href="#">Vermont</a>	Feb 8, 1921	
15	<a href="#">Minnesota</a>	Sept 8, 1919		39	<a href="#">Delaware</a>	March 6, 1923	Rejected June 2,
16	<a href="#">New Hampshire</a>	Sept 10, 1919		40	<a href="#">Maryland</a>	March 29, 1941	Rejected Feb 24, 1920; Not certified until Feb 25, 1957
17	<a href="#">Utah</a>	Sept 30, 1919		41	<a href="#">Virginia</a>	Feb 21, 1952	Rejected Feb 12,
18	<a href="#">California</a>	Nov 1, 1919		42	<a href="#">Alabama</a>	Sept 8, 1953	Rejected Sept 22,
19	<a href="#">Maine</a>	Nov 5, 1919		43	<a href="#">Florida</a>	May 13, 1969	
20	<a href="#">North Dakota</a>	Dec 1, 1919		44	<a href="#">South Carolina</a>	July 1, 1969	Rejected Jan 28, 1920; not certified until Aug 22, 1973
21	<a href="#">South Dakota</a>	Dec 4, 1919		45	<a href="#">Georgia</a>	Feb 20, 1970	Rejected July 24, 1919
22	<a href="#">Colorado</a>	Dec 12, 1919		46	<a href="#">Louisiana</a>	June 11, 1970	Rejected July 1,
23	<a href="#">Kentucky</a>	Jan 6, 1920		47	<a href="#">North Carolina</a>	May 6, 1971	
24	<a href="#">Rhode Island</a>	Jan 6, 1920		48	<a href="#">Mississippi</a>	March 22, 1984	Rejected March

## LWVHP/HWD MEMBERSHIP

### REMEMBERING

It is with sadness that we share the recent passing of two remarkable women in our community. **Carol Spielman**, long time community leader and public servant, passed away in June. On August 12th, **Laurie Nath Reinstein** passed away. Laurie was a life-time member of our League, attending most programs and events, always offering a helping hand. She was usually spotted on foot walking wherever she could in Highland Park, and in recent years, hosted many League holiday parties. Laurie's contributions to our community and the Greater Chicago area were remarkable, you can read more [here](#).

### Message from Marlene Senescu

This has been quite a strange year but I for one have enjoyed many LWV Zoom learning experiences that have been provided by our HP/HW league as well as Illinois and National Leagues. Our membership is 108 strong for this year with 23 new members since the beginning of 2020. We are happy that all of you can help us accomplish our mission of educating voters and getting out the votes for this November election. This is more important than ever. Please continue to speak to your friends and neighbors to make sure they understand Fair Tax, the importance of filling out their Census Survey, they attend our Zoom Candidate Forums and that you help get out to Vote. Our members are our promoters in the community to spread our mission. Reach out to your friends to join the League to help us with our mission.

### **Welcome to NEW MEMBERS:**

Candice Dalrymple, Lauri Hanson, Kim Parson and Victoria Ratnaswamy



\* Yard signs will be delivered soon: Contact [Marlene Senescu](#) to get your sign!

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LWVHP/HWD P.O. Box 396 Highland Park, IL 60035

# HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEAGUE

## COMMUNICATIONS TEAM UPDATE:

- Our League Zoom subscription runs through June 2021 allowing us to hold meetings of more than 40 minutes duration. While we hope to be meeting in person long before then, our Leadership Team has found virtual to be a productive tool and may plan a mix of meetings going forward. Learning how to host Zoom meetings has been a good challenge.
- As an intro to our Aug 11th Centennial Zoom presentation with Jan Flapan, we were treated to materials from "Perfect 36" a wonderful musical about the 19th Amendment. Learn more about the musical [here](#).
- Be on the look-out for email about yard signs encouraging neighbors and passerby to "Get Out and Vote." Contact [Marlene Senescu](#) to purchase a sign.
- The City of Highland Park will be sending messages to honor the 100 year anniversary of the 19th Amendment on August 26th.
- Deb Weil and Nancy Goldberg are working on the Commemorative note cards honoring "Votes for Women", featuring local women artists. Each packet will include 10 beautiful note cards. Information will follow in emails to purchase sets for holiday gifts.
- *Make sure you check our Facebook Page, "Like" us and invite your friends to like us as well!*

*If you would like to help with our [website](#), [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) contact me:*

**Nancy Goldberg [jamn148@gmail.com](mailto:jamn148@gmail.com).**

*Many thanks to our article contributors: Elaine Adler, Shoshana Friedman, Carole Kohn, Barbara Kronish, Barbara Lippai, Judy Miller and Marlene Senescu. Also thanks to the proof editors: Rose Feder, Bryna Gamson, Alan Goldberg, Carole Kohn and Judy Miller.*

## LWV HIGHLAND PARK/HIGHWOOD LEADERSHIP TEAM

### Leadership Team 2020—2021:

Judy Miller, Chair  
Rose Feder  
Nancy Goldberg  
Barbara Lippai

Elaine Adler  
Shoshana Friedman  
Carole Kohn  
Marlene Senescu

#### Nominating Committee 2021:

Ginny Schulte, Chair; Rose Feder and Ginger Seff

**Treasurer:** Ginger Seff

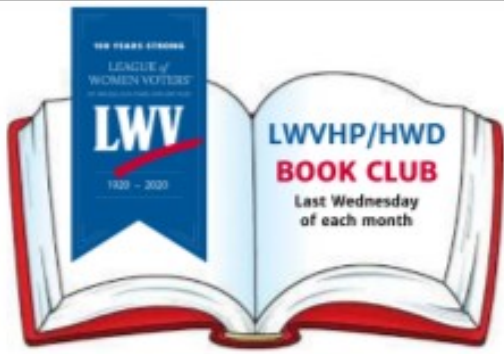
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# GREAT DECISIONS 2020

The resumption of Great Decisions is still TBD. Watch your emails from both LWVHP/HWD and the Highland Park Public Library for further details.



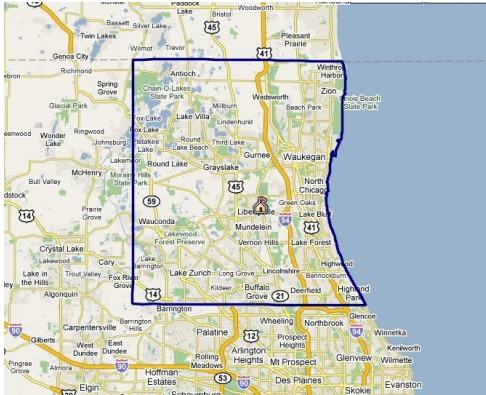
## LWVHP/HWD BOOK CLUB

The world seems to be falling apart before our stressed eyes, but our LWV is trying its best to provide interest, inspiration and intellectual challenges. One of the ways you can take advantage of this is by participating, by Zoom of course, in our League's book club. You won't even need a mask. We have discovered: ***Where the Crawdads Sing***, shared the adventures of ***Washington Black***, a story of a slave's path to freedom; traveled through Texas right after the Civil War with ***News of the World*** and learned about the improbable love story between C.S. Lewis and his wife, Helen Joy Davidman in ***Becoming Mrs. Lewis***. Our next meeting is on August 26th at 1:00 pm. We will review ***The Giver of Stars*** by Jojo Moyes, a novel based on the true story of the Pack Horse Library initiative in a small Kentucky town in Depression-era America.

So many other people, places and subjects we have visited, talked about and critiqued ... it is a continuing adventure; a time for more stimulation. The book group is a time exercising what's left of our minds—and we welcome everyone who is interested to join us on the last Wednesday of every month. Zoom invitations will be emailed to the book club list. If someone is interested in joining us have them email [Nancy Goldberg](#) to be added to the book club notification list. - Barbara Kronish



## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS—LAKE COUNTY



**We have been meeting on Zoom with a variety of agenda items:**

- Convention news
- Voter Registration, National Voter Registration Day
- Criminal Justice: Illinois Violent Death Reporting System (Sept 13th)
- Candidate Forums (Meetings on-going for 10th Congressional Forum)—\* see below
- Lake County Observer Corps
- Moms Demand Action, GOTV
- Water: stormwater and Waukegan Harbor Citizens Advisory Group
- Fair Tax
- Lake County Women's Coalition, Women's Equality Day
- Ethylene Oxide
- Complete Census Count

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**  
 OF LAKE COUNTY

**Northwestern Medicine**  
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**Lake County**  
Health Department and Community Health Center

# VIRTUAL COMMUNITY FORUM

IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON PREVENTABLE DEATHS, LAKE COUNTY'S RESPONSE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020  
1:30 - 3:00PM

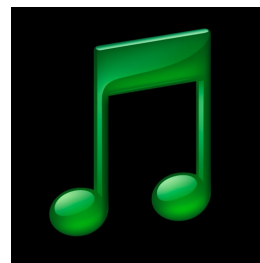
**REGISTER ONLINE @**  
[\*\*BIT.LY/LWVFORUM2020\*\*](https://bit.ly/LWVFORUM2020)

### LWV 10th Congressional District Forum

- On-going meetings to define Zoom Webinar for the 10th Congressional District forum.
- Dates to be determined mid to late September
- Leagues participating are Arlington Heights, Deerfield Area, Lake Forest/Lake Bluff, Northwest Lake County and Highland Park/Highwood.

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## GREEN NOTES DURING COVID-19



The Green Notes in this summer's newsletter has no waste reduction or recycling tips for you. Members of our League have been invited to a free webinar, [Advocacy and Activism at Work: Clean Air, Climate and Equity](#), presented by the Center for Environmental Policy at American University. Join this interactive webinar featuring a panel of climate and healthy air activists that will address the critical role of activism when it comes to advocating for environmental justice, clean air, and a liveable climate - all of which are essential for healthy communities. Activists and advocates from a variety of community-based and global organizations will discuss their efforts to engage and strengthen disproportionately impacted communities as well as catalyze policy change at all levels of government.

The webinar will kick off with a virtual screening of the new film, "Unbreathable: The Fight for Healthy Air," which focuses on the remarkable progress in cleaning up air pollution and saving lives driven by the Clean Air Act, and the obstacles that remain when it comes to ensuring healthy air for all communities.

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Time: 3:30-5:00 pm (EST)

Register today at <https://american.swoogo.com/ADVOCACY>

Hosted by American University's Center for Environmental Policy, Center for Environmental Filmmaking and American Lung Association.

In the interest of full disclosure, my daughter, Danielle Miller Wagner, is the program director of the Center.

Submitted by Judy Miller

# CALENDAR of UPCOMING EVENTS

## LWV HP/HWD Book Club

When **August 26th: 1:00—2:30 pm**  
 Where Virtual Meeting on Zoom  
 Description ***The Giver of Stars*** by Jojo Moyes



## LWVIL Power of the Vote

When **September 24th: Noon**  
 Where Virtual Event  
 Description [Celebrating our Centennial, Envisioning the Future.](#)  
**We are not done yet!**



## LWV HP/HWD Book Club

When **September 30th: 1:00—2:30 pm**  
 Where Virtual Meeting on Zoom  
 Description **TBD**



*Watch for upcoming program dates in September and October*

## FAIR TAX AMENDMENT

## PROTECTING THE VOTE DURING COVID-19: VOTE BY MAIL

**We will continue to meet via Zoom and  
 look forward to exciting Programs,  
 Book Club and other meetings.**

Please keep a look out for announcements ...

we are on

[email](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and our [Website](#).

**Hoping to be in person soon.**

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