



**THE LEAGUE
OF WOMEN VOTERS of the CINCINNATI AREA**

THE VOTER

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The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization which encourages the informed and active participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Membership is open to all men and women over 18. For information call 513-281-8683, or write to the LWVCA office at 103 Wm H Taft Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45219, or email at info@lwcincinnati.org.

LWV DIVERSITY POLICY

The League of Women Voters recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision making.

The LWVCA affirms its commitment to actively seek diversity in its membership, leadership and programs.



2009 ELECTIONS: ONE LEAGUER'S EXPERIENCE

By Glenda Bernstein, LWVCA Secretary

The November election was a busy one for Cincinnati, Hamilton County and surrounding areas.

As a result, the League was also busy, involved with voter education and participation on several fronts: through our print materials (*Who and What of Elections*), online information (lwcva.org and Smartvoter.org), speaker and moderator services, and cosponsoring informational meetings and candidate forums.

I'll share a few with which I had first-hand experience.

At the Channel 9 mayoral debate, televised live Tuesday, October 13, President Alice Schneider and I served as timekeepers.

Several other LWVCA members were in the small audience. Being in the studio, participating in a live broadcast (from behind the scenes, of course!) was fascinating and informative.

LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens) hosted an event on Wednesday, October 14, at Su Casa which provided mayoral, city council and school board candidates an opportunity for public exposure. Once again, Alice and I supported the timekeeping function. A nice-size audience came out and it was a wonderful chance to see the interest and enthusiasm of our Hispanic community. We hope to work with this group on other activities in the future.

On Wednesday, October 21, I served as moderator for the Forest Hills Council of PTA's "Meet the Candidates Night," a Q&A for the district's school board candidates. It was my first time moderating so I was a bit nervous but the event was well-organized and efficient, making my role very easy.

Volunteers are needed for so many League functions, not only at election time but year round. There are a variety of ways to become more involved. If you have time, interest or talent, we can match you up with a compatible activity. Contact any board member or call the office to let us know. Speakers and moderators are often in demand; coaching and assistance with preparation are available. League member Dottie Cowan coordinates our Speakers Bureau and can be reached through the LWVCA office at 281-VOTE.



Alice Schneider (c) and Glenda Bernstein (r) with members of the LULAC

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

"What a good job the League does! It's amazing what the League accomplishes with a volunteer staff. The League is a model for volunteer organizations!"

(Cincinnati Voter, phone conversation, referring to 2009 elections)

Indeed we do work hard at educating the public. Just to add it up, here is what we did during this past election season. The League:

1. Distributed 80,000 "Who and What" election guides.
2. Answered over a hundred phone calls to the League office.
3. Co-sponsored several forums for candidates and election issues.
4. Held a ballot issues forum.
5. Provided moderators for 6 candidate forums in the Hamilton County suburbs.
6. Provided speakers for several groups to explain the ballot issues.
7. Produced the online **SmartVoter** which offered.....
 - Up-to-date polling place locations
 - Comprehensive sample ballot based on address
 - Explanations of issues 1-9 and issue 52
 - Extended candidate answers for Cincinnati Mayor/City Council/School Board
 - Links to our tips on voting
 - Links to the Auditor's website "What will this levy cost me?"
 - Links to campaign websites & youtube videos. Google News feeds for certain races

All of this work is done by dedicated volunteers with the exception of a part time paid person for SmartVoter. We will continue to do this election work and try to remain one of the most reputable sources of information in the county. We welcome your help and/or contribution to sustain this.

Sincerely,

Alice B. Schneider



From the LWVCA Board.....

Due to the election and the Thanksgiving holiday, the LWVCA Board meeting had not been held in time for Voter deadline. We'll provide notes next month.

LWVCA 2009-10 Board of Directors:

President: *Alice Schneider*

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LWV ADVOCACY FOR VOTER PROTECTION

Source: *The Susan Bee, Issue 1. The Susan Bee is a new biennial newsletter from the LWVUS. It is available online at www.lwv.org.*

A recently released study conducted by Cooperative Congressional Election Survey found that as many as 4-5 million voters did not vote in the 2008 election because of registration issues or not receiving an absentee ballot; an additional 2-4 million registered voters were discouraged from voting because of long lines and voter identification requirements.

The League's **Public Advocacy for Voter Protection** (PAVP) Project is a vital force for change, and we have just heard it will be supported for a fourth consecutive year. Through the PAVP, the League has been successful in beating back increased barriers to voting nationwide. This legislative session, we took action on more than 30 bills in more than 14 states that would add to the discouraging numbers mentioned above if they became law.

Some of our victories: In MO, we successfully fought back photo ID and proof of citizenship legislation for a second year; in OK, the LWVUS worked with the LWVOK to encourage its governor to veto a new ID bill – he took our advice; in FL, the state legislature introduced election “reform” legislation that would have reversed years of good work by voters’ rights advocates, but the LWVFL’s rapid response and work with coalition partners helped kill the bill; and in TX, the LWVTX and LWVUS President Mary Wilson met with state legislators and persuaded them not to disenfranchise Texas voters! Learn more by visiting www.lwv.org/pavp.

The **Election Audits Task Force**, convened by President Mary Wilson and charged to produce a report taking a comprehensive view of election audit, completed the report in January 2009. Go to www.lwv.org/ElectionAuditsTF to read.

The League joined an amicus brief in *Northwest Austin Municipal Utility District Number one (NAMUDN) v. Mukasey*. The Supreme Court’s 8-1 opinion in this case was a vital vindication for the voting rights of all citizens in this country; it retained the requirement in the **Voting Rights Act** (VRA) that certain state and local governments must obtain permission, or “preclearance,” from the Justice Department or a federal court before making changes that affect voting. In an earlier 5-4 Supreme Court decision on *Bartlett v. Strickland*, a NC case for which the League filed an amicus brief, the Court’s opinion undermined the VRA. The League is concerned that this case will have significant ramifications for congressional redistricting following the 2010 Census.

FIRST CALL TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

The first call to Convention 2010 went out this week! The 2010 National Convention will be held in Atlanta on June 11-15. It will be one of the exciting events in a year of celebrating our 90th Anniversary, so please come on down to Atlanta! You can find more information on Convention activities, as well as timely updates, on the LWVUS web page. You can start discussing Convention and Program Planning with other League leaders by joining the Convention list. (Subscription information can be found after you login at <https://member.lwv.org/member.asp>.)

CARBON OFFSETS: A CAUTIONARY TALE

By Eleanor Revelle (LWVIL and LWVUS Climate Change Task Force Member)(abridged)

The voluntary carbon offset market is booming. Dozens of companies are ready to help eco-conscious consumers compensate for their carbon emissions by contributing to projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions elsewhere. By purchasing carbon offsets, individuals may mitigate their climate impact and help finance projects that keep greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere. As people demonstrate their willingness to pay extra for green initiatives, they signal to lawmakers that there is public support for climate legislation.

Critics consider promoting offsets to be a flawed approach, encouraging a business-as-usual attitude by suggesting that people can neutralize their emissions without altering their lifestyle. Compounding the problem, there are as yet no agreed-upon standards to ensure that offset projects deliver the promised carbon reductions.

Nonetheless, well-chosen offsets can be an important part of a broader strategy to address climate change for individuals who have already curtailed their energy consumption.

Most offset providers have online calculators that allow potential customers to calculate their emissions and the cost of offsetting that amount. However, these calculators frequently give quite different estimates using different methodologies. Moreover, the offsets range widely in price, from \$5 to \$25 per ton of emissions. Analysts suggest that it is better to invest in high quality offsets rather than to buy as many offsets as possible.

How can consumers be sure that the offsets they buy will result in real emissions reductions? *Clean Air—Cool Planet* suggests a set of characteristics to look for in an offset project:

- **Additionality.** Will the offset revenues make the project happen or would it have occurred anyway (e.g., because it is required by law)?
- **Baseline.** Has a credible emissions baseline been determined against which reductions will be measured?
- **Quantification.** Are rigorous accounting rules used to quantify the greenhouse gas reductions? Are emissions likely to increase elsewhere as a result of the project?
- **Verification.** Are emissions reductions independently verified and verifiable?
- **Permanence.** Will the emissions reductions be permanent or might they be subject to reversal in the future (e.g., if the trees burn or are cut down?)
- **Registration.** Are the offsets serialized and tracked to reduce the possibility that they could be sold more than once?

Another helpful resource is the *Environmental Defense Fund’s Carbon Offset Project*, which identifies a small number of offset projects that meet the organization’s quality criteria.

LWVO CALLS FOR REDISTRICTING REFORM

By Ann Henkener, LWVO's redistricting specialist

The League of Women Voters of Ohio believes that legislative districts that have been gerrymandered to favor one party do not produce representatives that truly represent us. The Ohio League of Women Voters was a sponsor for a recent competition that proved that districts can be drawn that keep counties and cities together, that are compact, that are competitive and produce representatives that reflect the values of the voters of Ohio.

Maps and more specific information can be found at www.Ohioredistricting.org. The voters of Ohio should demand that the Ohio Constitution be changed to require an end to gerrymandering when districts are redrawn after the 2010 census. We deserve no less.

OHIO SCHOOLS 2008-2009 REPORT CARD

By Joan Platz, LWVO Education Lobbyist

According to Ohio Board of Education *Office of Policy and Accountability*, more school districts have earned a rating of effective or higher on their 2008-2009 report cards than in previous years. Only one district was rated in academic emergency.

Overall Ohio school districts and buildings met or exceeded the standard in 19 of the 30 **statewide Performance Indicators**. Increases were made in 4th and 7th grade mathematics; 5th grade science; and in four of the five 10th grade graduation tests. Declines were seen for 5th grade social studies; 7th grade writing; and 8th grade reading and math.

Ohio's **graduation rate** for 2007-2008 is 84.6 percent, which represents a decline of 2.3 percents from 2006-2007 (86.9 percent). The graduation rate is lagged a year to include students who graduate at the end of the summer. The decline in graduation rate is consistent across all counties in Ohio. African American, Hispanic, students with disabilities, and students from low income families graduate at much lower rates compared to white students.

The **Performance Index**, which reflects the achievement of every student, continues to improve, and increased by more than 26 percent since the measure was introduced during the 1999-2000 school year.

Adequate Yearly Progress is the federal measure of progress required through the *No Child Left Behind Act*. The declines in AYP for school districts and schools this year were expected, because the standards for meeting AYP were increased for this report card, and will be increased again in 2011.

Value-added results are calculated for grades four through eight in reading and mathematics, and a composite result also is available for each district and most school buildings. The results show whether or not a district or school meets, exceeds, or is below one year of growth for its students. More than 88 percent of Ohio's school districts met or exceeded the value added standard. Beginning this year a district or school may have its rating reduced if it receives a "below expected growth" value added score for three consecutive years. Fourteen districts and 59 schools fell into this group. The value added data also shows that high poverty and low poverty schools are doing about the same statewide when it comes to value added measure.

ACTION: ELECTION RESULTS

On issues endorsed by the LWVO and LWVCA, we saw success at the local level, but not at state level.

OHIO -

Issue 2: Constitutional Amendment to Create the Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board – **LWVO OPPOSED PASSED**

Issue 3: Constitutional Amendment to Authorize a Casino in Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Toledo, Ohio - **LWVO OPPOSED PASSED**

CINCINNATI -

Issue 9: Charter Amendment Requiring Public Vote on Passenger Rail **LWVCA OPPOSED FAILED**

Issue 52: Renewal Levy Cincinnati Public Schools — **LWVCA SUPPORTED PASSED**

PLAN CINCINNATI

By Carolyn Miller, City Government Committee

What makes a great city?

What are the most pressing issues in Cincinnati?

How do we make Cincinnati a great city?

If you could shape the future of the city what one thing would you change?

PLAN CINCINNATI

a comprehensive plan for the future

Now is the time for each of us to become involved in shaping the future of Cincinnati. The first Comprehensive Plan in nearly 30 years is being developed to guide Cincinnati's future. The Planning Process will take about 24 months and is following these steps:

1. Community Informational Meetings were held during October, attended by over 430 residents.
2. The next step in the public participation process is an online survey. Go to www.plancincinnati.org and under "What's New," click on **The Plan Cincinnati "Great City"** to fill out the survey and add your input.
3. At the Neighborhood Summit on February 26-27, 2010, Goals will be finalized and Working Groups will be formed.

PLAN CINCINNATI addresses many important elements including: Housing & Neighborhood Development; Transportation & Transit; Land Use; Urban Design; Utilities & Infrastructure; Fiscal Impact; Economic Development & Business Retention; Health, Environment & Open Space; Historic Preservation; Institutions; and Intergovernmental Cooperation.

This is a wonderful opportunity for all League members, whether City residents or City supporters, to make a difference and give voice to your ideas on how to make Cincinnati great! PLAN CINCINNATI will be the focus of the next LWVCA City Government Committee meeting. *Please join us!*

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2009

Time: 7 p.m.

Place: LWVCA Conference Room, 103 Wm. H. Taft Road

Guest: Katherine Keough-Jurs, Senior City Planner, City of Cincinnati, Department of Planning and Buildings

To indicate that you will be attending the meeting or for more information contact Carolyn Miller, LWVCA City Government Committee Chair, or Chris Moran through the League Office (281-8683).

ACTION UPDATE: AN OBSTACLE REMOVED

By Chris Moran, City Government Committee

Issue 9, the anti-rail, anti-progress proposed amendment on the November ballot was defeated by a decent margin of 56% of the vote. The ballot issue would have prohibited the spending of any monies for right-of-way acquisition or construction of improvements for passenger rail transportation without first seeking voter approval at an election, an expensive and drawn-out procedure. Now City Council and the community can focus on improving our transportation including rail transit without conditions and with citizen participation in the discussions. In the near term, the streetcar and high-speed passenger rail to Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland could be part of the conversations.

Thank you for helping defeat Issue 9 and for keeping open transportation options. Cincinnati has begun a process of formulating a Comprehensive Plan with Transportation and Transit one of many elements to be included in final recommendations. For more information: www.plancincinnati.org and see above article.

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KUDOS TO

Congratulations to Marie "Pinky" Kocoshis, who was named one of "40 Environmental Heroes" by the Pennsylvania Group Against Smog and Pollution (GASP) for her work in Pittsburgh.



FUND RAISING UPDATE: ANNUAL CAMPAIGN, “FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS” AND MORE

By Marjorie Davies, VP Finance

Annual Campaign progress through October 31 is \$21,480 for the Education Fund and \$5,155 for the LWVCA, versus goals of \$30,000 and \$15,000. Thank you to all who have given so generously. As we finish out 2009, please consider a year-end gift: donations to the “*LWVCA Education Fund*” are tax deductible, while donations to “*LWVCA*” will be used for membership and advocacy projects and are not tax deductible. We can accept credit card payments online at lwvcincinnati.org; click on “*Donate.*” Help us continue to provide the crucial services our community depends on!

- **Matching Gifts** You may be able to double or triple the value of your gift to the Education Fund if your company has a matching gift program and you submit your company’s matching gift form with your contribution.
- **Gifts of Stock** When you donate appreciated securities to the Education Fund, you support the League while enjoying tax savings.
- **Remember a Friend** Donations can be made *In Memoriam*, to remember someone special by giving a gift in their memory, or *In Honor* of someone for a birthday, anniversary, wedding or other special occasion.
- **Friends & Neighbors** Sometimes we just need to ask. Thank you to League members who wrote notes and sent a *Who & What of Elections* to over 200 friends and neighbors. Through the end of October, these members’ friends have already contributed \$520 to our Annual Campaign, for which we are grateful. Thank you also to Jeane Goings and Susan Lehman for their leadership in this project.
- **Bequests** Your gift to the League of Women Voters of the Cincinnati Area Education Fund in your will or trust will help continue the work you value in your lifetime. Common ways of making a bequest include donating a percentage of your estate, making a specific dollar bequest, or giving the residue of your estate. If you have questions about making a bequest, call Marjorie Davies, Vice President of Fund Development. The LWV of the Cincinnati Area Education Fund’s Federal Tax Identification Number is 31-6030294.

Martha B Taft Society Please let us know you have included the League in your estate plans. You may join the Martha B Taft Society and enjoy special benefits, including an invitation to the annual Martha B Taft Society Luncheon.

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UNIT SPOTLIGHT: NORTH CENTRAL UNIT

By Jan Evans, Unit Chair

The North Central Unit meets the second Tuesday of the month at noon at Friendship United Methodist Church, 1025 Springfield Pike at Fleming Road in Wyoming. Some members bring brown bag lunches, others have eaten prior to the meeting – but all enjoy the snacks. We are enriched with a broad membership representing Fairfield, Sharonville, Glendale, Hartwell and Wyoming.

The varying professional and life experiences of our members are valuable to our discussions. We are cognizant of the need to become more keyed into doing various voter service projects and sharing information across our representative areas. Sue Gorman used a history written for the League's 75th anniversary and shared with us that NC Unit was one of the earliest units formed - *Wyoming-Glendale*. We were called this as late as 1961 but later the name "Glendale" was dropped to become the Wyoming unit. At one point "North Central" came into use.

Our unit "stands on the shoulders" of former members such as Peg Cooke, now deceased, a life-time member, Betty Roosa, LWVCA President 1979-81 and Education Fund Chair. Ellie Belanger co-chaired with Peg Cooke the Wyoming Candidates Night projects, and conducted the Wyoming City Schools studies – the last one done in 1999-2000. One of our favorite activities is the joint meeting in April with the College Hill Unit. We alternate meeting locations for our yearly joint meeting and always have a lively discussion and share several pizzas. We get new ideas seeing another unit "in action." This December they will join us in our traditional Holiday Luncheon held on our joint meeting day. Jan Evans is unit chair and Kathy Shahani is membership chair.

DECEMBER UNIT MEETINGS

There are no unit meetings in December. Many units hold holiday social events. Please contact the unit chair, unit membership chair or League office for details, or see our online calendar at www.lwvcincinnati.org.

7 KEYS TO GROW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

By Carolyn Meyers-Hughes, Membership Chair

Each month of the program year we will try to focus on one of the **7 Keys to help League membership grow.**

#4 Create Opportunities that have a positive impact on a community issue! More specifically, concentrate on issues that community members find particularly important to simultaneously gain public visibility while fulfilling the League's mission.

Several units did this by sponsoring Candidates Forums during October leading up to the November election. Local council, mayoral or school board candidate forums capitalize on the timely interest and fulfill the League mission of educating voters. Now that the general election is over, is there an issue important to your community that can be monitored or studied? Maybe it is a Natural Resources issue like clean water or recycling? Or the passenger rail issue in Cincinnati? Find it, use it and it may attract new members to LWVCA.

With the holidays approaching and the opportunity to gather your unit for a social event, be sure to invite potential members whom you may have asked earlier in the program year. This counts toward your points.

Your unit will get points for asking, having a prospective member attend and finally for joining. The prize is special refreshments for the April meeting. How is your unit doing? Eastern Day has 12 points, so far. Keep up the good work!

How Many Are We?

LWVCA membership stands at 382. Remember that members who haven't paid their dues will be dropped at the end of December. Currently we have about 100 members who haven't paid yet.

ANNOUNCING THE SALE OF RAFFLE TICKETS

90th Anniversary Celebration Raffle!

1st Prize is a Log Cabin Quilted Wall Hanging (42 inches X 42 inches) creatively produced by our own Pinky Kocoshis, Gail Wick and Sherrie Heyse.

2nd Prize is a case of Wine. Tickets available for \$5 for one, \$25 for 6. Tickets to be drawn on February

27, 2010 at the gala at the Westin. You need not be present to win. Please consider supporting the LWV Education Fund by buying a raffle ticket and you may be a winner. Please cut out raffle tickets (see insert) and mail with a check made out to the LWV Education Fund, 103 Wm. Howard Taft, Cincinnati OH 45219.



LWVCA Welcomes New Members (Oct 09)

Patricia Clary
Bridget Tatman



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DECEMBER LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

All meetings are open to the public and are held at the League Office, 103 Wm. Howard Taft unless otherwise noted. Bring a friend!

- Tues Dec 1 7 pm City Government Committee
Topic: PLAN CINCINNATI
- Thurs Dec 3 7 pm Nominating Committee
- Fri Dec 4 Deadline for January Voter
- Tues Dec 8 6:30 pm LWVCA Board Meeting
- Thurs Dec 10 7 pm Natural Resources Committee
- Tues Dec 15 7 pm Nominating Committee
- Thurs Dec 17 Voter Collating - Central Evening Unit
Dec 21-Jan 4 Office closed for Holiday

See our website www.lwvcincinnati.org for more information on upcoming events.

JOIN THE LEAGUE

...where hands on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement.
 Any citizen of voting age, male or female, can become a League member. Dues include Cincinnati, Ohio, and National membership, including newsletters from each, covering remainder of 2009 and all of 2010.

- Individual Membership (\$55) _____
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- Student Membership (\$25) _____

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Mail to: LWVCA at the address above.

PLEASE JOIN IN DECEMBER TO BE COUNTED AS A 2010 MEMBER! Our December membership numbers determine our representation at state and national League Conventions.