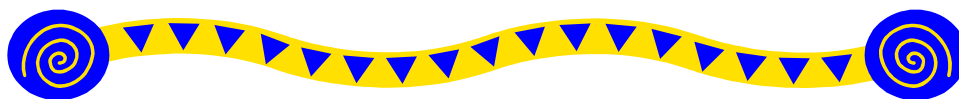


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Calendar & Comments

League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix



September 2010

**Constitution Day
And
Office Open House**

Are Corporations People?

Thursday, September 16, 2010

Meeting Room A

League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix

4423 North 24th Street, Phoenix

(On east side of 24th Street between Indian School Road and Campbell)

6:00 p.m. Tour the new office, then join others in Meeting Room A for refreshments. Finger foods, wine and beverages will be served.

7:00 p.m. Constitution Day panel: See next page for details

Administration Team members are asked to meet at 5:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A to help set up for the evening.

If any members would like to donate refreshments, please contact Kathy Schwarz at ****. Kathy would appreciate knowing by September 10 what you will bring.

Constitution Day 2010

September 16

Are Corporations People?

...and is money free speech, thus protected by the 1st amendment?

Recent court decisions have turned campaign financing on its head. The recent citizens United v. FEC gave the green light to corporations to spend without limit to elect or oppose candidates for office. How does this effect campaign finance reforms in place at this time? Arizona's Clean Elections is also in jeopardy. How will these decisions effect the coming elections? Since they are unpopular among voters, are there any possible remedies—or should there be?

7:00- 8:30 Program

Meeting Room A

Join us in a lively discussion of the pros and cons resulting from these decisions

Featuring:

The Honorable Kyrsten Sinema, Arizona House of Representatives
Dr. Nick Dranias, Director of the Center for Constitutional Government at the Goldwater Institute
Mr. Steve Lee, Legal Counsel for the Arizona Civil Liberties Union

Please invite friends to come with you for this important discussion

“I am not an advocate for frequent changes in laws and constitutions, but laws and constitutions must go hand in with the progress of the human mind. As that becomes more developed, more enlightened, as new discoveries are made, new truths discovered and manners and opinions change, institutions must advance also to keep pace with the times.”

Thomas Jefferson

September Anniversaries

Returning Member

VOTER SERVICE ACTIVITIES

BALLOT ISSUES PRESENTATION

Thursday, September 30, 2010

6:30 p.m. Meet and Greet

7:00 p.m. Presentation about the Propositions on the November Ballot

at the
Unitarian Universalist Church
4027 East Lincoln Drive
Paradise Valley

This presentation is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix and the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW). LWVMP member Eric Ehst will address several of the propositions and it is hoped there will be others to speak on both sides of Proposition 301 and 302

CANDIDATE FORUM

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Wednesday, October 6, 2010

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

at the

Irish Cultural Center
1106 North Central Avenue
Phoenix

(South of McDowell and just south of Margaret Hance Park)

Sponsored by LWVMP and the Arizona Association for Lifelong Learning

AMERICAN EXPRESS ACTIVITIES: The National League has again requested that our League participate in voter education activities with American Express. Further information will be sent to you when it is available.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIE: As we receive requests for ballot propositions talks and for candidate forums, volunteers are needed. Later in September when the Voter Guide on the ballot propositions becomes available, people are needed to distribute them. Please contact Jan Gdovic at the office at 480.966.9031 or Alice Stambaugh at ***** if you want to volunteer.

INTRODUCING BROWN BAG POLITICS LUNCHESES

This year the LWVMP Administrative Team will host a series of lunch time meetings where issues of current interest will be discussed. These will be held at the League office, usually in Meeting Room A. Bring your own lunch and beverage; spend an hour and a few minutes discussing the issue. The first one for the year is scheduled for:

**Monday, October 4
11:45 – 1:00 p.m.**

It will tentatively be on Proposition 106. Both sides of Health Care Choice will be represented. More details will be available in the next issue.

The public is invited and you are welcome to invite your friends.

Future lunches are planned for January 19, 2011 and March 16, 2011

Administrative Team meetings will usually precede these meetings, so this is also your chance to get acquainted with them.

TWO NATIONAL STUDIES TO CONSIDER

At the National Convention two studies were recommend:

1. The Role of the Federal Government in Education
2. Privatization of Government Services

The background materials will be provided by the LWVUS with the consensus questions not available until the second year of the study. If our League wants to participate in either of these studies, we will need a study committee and a chairperson. The chairperson should not be a member of the Administrative Team.

Please discuss these possibilities at the Community Team meetings and see if anyone on your team is interested.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM SECRETARY STILL NEEDED

If you have a name to suggest, please call Barbara Robertson.

COMMUNITY TEAM MEETINGS

Phoenix Community Team- Wednesday, September 8, 2010

9:30 a.m. at The Terraces, 7750 N. 16th St., Phoenix

(Turn right on Morten for entrance and parking)

Topic: Planning for the year and an overview of ballot propositions.

Speaker: Eric Ehst, LWVMP Communications Director

Contact: Jeanine Starrett

Scottsdale Community Team- Tuesday, September 21, 2010

11:30 a.m. at Pasta Brioni Restaurant, 4416 N. Miller Rd., Scottsdale

(Center of the Camelback Miller Plaza)

Topic: U.S. Constitution

Discussion Leader: Kathy Schwarz

Contact: Eleanor Coup

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a good summer vacation.

The first Scottsdale Team meeting of the year will be on the **THIRD Tuesday of the month** and an hour and a half later than usual. See date, time and location listed above. Everyone is invited to join us in what should be a lively discussion.

The subject will be the U.S. Constitution- as a follow up to our Constitution Day program. Our discussion leader/resource person will be Kathy Schwarz. Please bring your copy of the Constitution with you. Eleanor

East Valley Community Team- Thursday, September 23, 2010

11:30 a.m. at the home of Sandy Kaszeta

Discussion: The group will plan for the year, when and where to meet and determine leadership for the year.

Contact: Sandy

The EV Team's first meeting will be a **Salad lunch**. Everyone coming should bring a salad to share. Drinks, dessert and paper products will be provided.

SEPTEMBER ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM MEETING

September 13, 2010 in Meeting Room D at 10:00 a.m.

Lucy Kalstrom is the convener. Please have your agenda items to her by September 6

Calendar

SEPTEMBER	8	Phoenix Community Team
	13	Administrative Team
	16	Constitution Day program and Office Open House
	20	Deadline for October issue of C & C
	21	Scottsdale Community Team
	23	East Valley Community Team
	30	Ballot Proposition Presentation
OCTOBER	4	Brown Bag Politics Lunch
	6	Candidate Forum for State Superintendent of Public Instruction



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