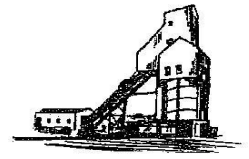


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LWVCC Calendar

Aug. 18 Monday, 5:00pm	Summer Board Meeting 1216 E. Lakeshore Dr, Houghton
Aug. 26 Tuesday	Women's Equality Day
Aug. 30 Saturday, 11:00am	Info for MTU students "Afternoon on the Town" Table in front of Sigma Pi fraternity
Sept. 2 Tuesday, 7:00pm	Board Meeting Country Inn & Suites, Houghton
Sept. 11 Thursday, 11:00-2:00pm	Finlandia Voter Registration Mannerheim Central, Finlandia, Hancock
Sept. 11 Thursday, 3:30-4:30pm	RICC Voter Registration Information Lakeview Manor, Hancock
Sept. 17 Wednesday, 12:00-1:00pm	Constitution Day talk by Mary Jane Hatton "The Constitution" Mannerheim Central, Finlandia, Hancock
Sept. 18 Thursday, 7:00pm	Constitution Day talk by Jeff Kolnick "Our Flexible Constitution – The Struggle for Citizenship", Fisher 139, MTU
Sept. 19 Wednesday, 5:30pm	RICC, Voter Registration Information Baraga Best Western Lakeside
Sept. 23 Tuesday, 10am-2pm	National Voter Registration Day Department of Human Services (DHS), Baraga
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Sept. 29 Monday, noon	Lunch Meeting with Sue Smith, LWV Michigan President Kangas Café, Hancock
Sept. 29 Monday, 6pm	Unit Dinner Meeting with Sue Smith, LWV Michigan President Habaneros, Hancock
Oct. 6	Last Day to Register for November General Election
Oct. 07 Tuesday, 7:00pm	Board Meeting Country Inn & Suites, Houghton
Oct. 20 Monday, 6:30pm	Children's Issues Candidate Forum with SCB, GSC and Superior CAP Hancock Middle School, Hancock
Nov. 4	ELECTION DAY
Nov. 4 Tuesday, 5:00pm	Board Meeting and Election Party Pot Luck Country Inn & Suites, Houghton

LWVCC Board for 2014 - 2015

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Voter Services Activities

Kathy Flagstadt, Chair

Kathy Flagstadt, will present a voter education Program to the Houghton County local RICC members, September 11th at Lakeview Manor, Hancock. The DVD "My Choice, My Vote" will be presented along with voter education information. The DVD was produced by people who advocate for people with disabilities, the Michigan Protection & Advocacy Services of MI. The League will present a similar program to the Baraga County RICC on September 17th at the Baraga Best Western Lakeside, at 5:30 pm.

2014 LWVCC Voter Guide

The 2014 Voter Guide will be printed in the Daily Mining Gazette and will be ready for distribution in the October 18th newspaper. There will be 800 additional copies of the Guide distributed and available to local businesses, libraries, schools, and public areas for the public to pick up.

Candidate Forum

A Candidate Forum will be held October 20th beginning at 6:30 pm at the Hancock Middle School Auditorium. The Forum is being sponsored by the following organizations: Copper Country Human Services Coordinating Body, Copper Country Great Start Collaborative, Superior Child Abuse Prevention Council and The Copper Country League of Women Voters. The Candidate forum will address Children's Issues, Including: early childhood, K-12, and general youth issues and concerns to our local residents. Audience members will be given time to ask questions of the candidates. The Forum will have candidates from the following races: State Representative 110th District, 38th District Senate and Houghton County Commissioner for District 1 and 3.

National Voter Registration Day Tuesday, September 23, 2014

In conjunction with National Voter Registration Day, and our local DHS offices, the LWV-CC will host a voter registration fair at the Houghton County DHS office, located at the Copper Country Mall September 23rd from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm and at Baraga County DHS office during the same hours. Members of the LWV will have voter information available and voter registration applications available. Deadline to register to vote in time for the November 6th Election is October 6th, 2014.

Requesting an Absentee Voter Ballot

Your request for an absentee voter ballot must be in writing and can be submitted to your city or township

clerk. (For assistance in obtaining the address of your city or township clerk, see <http://www.Michigan.gov/vote>). Your request must include one of the six statutory reasons stated above and your signature. You must request an absentee voter ballot by mailing the online application, a letter, a postcard, or a preprinted application form obtained from your local Clerk's office. Requests to have an absentee voter ballot mailed to you must be received by your clerk no later than 2 p.m. on Nov. 1st, the Saturday before the election. Once your request is received by the local clerk, your signature on the request will be checked against your voter registration record before a ballot is issued. You must be a registered voter to receive an absentee ballot. Requests for absentee voter ballots are processed immediately. Absentee voter ballots may be issued to you at your home address or any address outside of your city or township of residence.

Make Your Voice Heard Flyer

The Secretary of State, Michigan Votes – Make Your Voice Heard flyers will be distributed to our local senior high school students during September, urging them to register to vote prior to the November 4th election. The last day to register to vote in the general election is Monday, October 6th, 2014.

Afternoon on the Town with MTU Students

On Saturday, August 30th from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM the annual Welcome Week event, An Afternoon on the Town, took place. Students from MTU took a stroll down College Ave and into the downtown Houghton area to visit tables and storefronts to see what our local business' and services have to offer. Our booth was in front of the fraternity, Sigma Pi. We answered voting questions such as where to register and how to do absentee voting. Over 500 Your Government Officials and 300 Vote 411 pamphlets were distributed.

Welcome to New Members

Thomas Co
Suzanne Van Dam
Alex Mayer

Constitution Day September 18, 2014 Celebration at MTU with guest speaker, Jeff Kolnick

On Thursday, September 18th, MTU will have Jeff Kolnick come to campus to deliver the Constitution Day address in Fisher 139 at 7:00 PM, the Title of his talk will be “Our Flexible Constitution – The Struggle for Citizenship”.

Also, on Constitution Day, Wednesday, September 17th from 3:00-4:00 on the Balcony of the MUB and the MUB Circle there will be a Constitution Read Aloud. There will also be complimentary Pocket Constitutions handed out. Volunteer readers welcome – everyone should get a turn to celebrate Constitution Day.

Constitution Day Celebration at Finlandia Wednesday, September 17, 2014

Finlandia University is celebrating "Constitution Day" with a presentation on the Constitution. It is being held in Mannerheim Central from 12:00 - 1:00 on Wednesday, September 17. Mary Jane Hatton, Associate Professor of Management who holds a Master of Public Administration will be presenting.

New Website Launched www.lwvccmi.org

Our website, www.lwvccmi.org, has recently been revamped. The LWV of California created the League Easy Web (LEW) to help leagues create and maintain web site easily. There is a common look to LEW Web sites, a “League brand”, within which our League can have its own unique content. When you get a chance, take a gander at the new look and feel and let us know what you think.

Meet LWVMI President, Sue Smith on Monday September 29th for lunch or dinner

Sue Smith will once again visit Houghton. Join us for a lunch meeting at Kangas Café at noon. We will be ordering off the menu. Also, you can join her at a dinner meeting at 6:30pm at Habaneros. Please RSVP to Mary Marchaterre at 483-2291; we need a count for reservations.

Women’s Equality Day was August 26, 2014

Women’s Equality Day was commemorated on August 26th around the U.S. The historic day of August 26, 1920 is when votes to women officially became part of the US constitution. This day marks a turning point in the history of the struggle for equal treatment of women and women’s rights. Women in the United States were given the right to vote on August 26, 1920 when the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was signed. The amendment was first introduced many years earlier in 1878. Every president has published a proclamation for Women's Equality Day since 1971 when legislation was first introduced in Congress by Bella Abzug. This resolution was passed designating August 26 of each year as Women's Equality Day.

Calendars, Buttons and Pins from the LWV of Missouri

The LWV of Missouri is once again selling their calendars along with pins and buttons. For more information on pricing and payment, please visit their website at <http://lwvmissouri.org/shop-2/>.

A friendly reminder

Our League membership year runs from April to March. If you haven’t yet renewed your membership this year, now is time.

With the 2014 election year approaching and the issues facing us all, the community will again be looking to the League for interesting events.

Volunteers are always welcomed!



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