

# La Crosse Wisconsin Voter

No. 76 League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area Newsletter Sept. 2004

## THE PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

### *Non-Partisan Pro-Policy*

Dear Leaguers,

Our mission trajectory is clear and with our fall kick-off almost at our door step, I think it is worth reminding others and myself about the non-partisan nature of League. Our League members represent many political parties and for some, no political party as they are independent by nature. League members tend to be politically astute and passionate about governmental policy and some of us are passionate about who we want holding a political office.

***Be Patriotic-  
VOTE!***

**League of Women Voters  
of the La Crosse Area**

The educational meetings we have during the year are opportunities for us to learn and debate the varying perspectives of timely issues. We are politically dedicated and the desire to make derisive comments about political candidates that do not represent our positions can be difficult to resist, yet we must attempt to resist the impulse!

All League members should feel welcome and be a part of the discussion on issues, voting and educating the public with good debates on any of these issues. We don't want to sponsor debates unless we are holding a non-partisan debate for candidates.

The influence we have in creating and revising policy is intact because of our non-partisan stand. We want to work with all representatives, regardless of party affiliation.

I hope to see many of you at our fall kickoff as it is all

about voting! Become a more educated League member and learn about the basics of voting.

See you on 9/11 from 9:00-11:00 AM!

Kay Adams

President League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area



## VOTER SERVICES

By Catherine Kolkmeier

On Saturday, September 11, the League will be hosting a special Voter Education Day to educate community groups who are interested in helping get out the vote this election. The purpose of the meeting will be to answer questions these groups might have about register-

### 94TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT PRIMARY RACE

#### *SHORT NOTICE—*

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS WILL BE SPONSORING A CANDIDATE FORUM FOR THE 94TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT PRIMARY RACE BETWEEN DEMOCRATS VICKI BURKE AND MARK SEITZ ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH FROM 6:30 – 8:00 P.M. THE FORUM WILL BE HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM OF ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL AT 700 HILLTOPPER PLACE IN ONALASKA. JOIN US AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE TWO CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE CHANCE TO CHALLENGE INCUMBENT REP. MIKE HUEBSCH IN NOVEMBER

ing voters, taking people to the polls, absentee voting rules, and other election issues. Teri Lehrke, City Clerk for La Crosse, will answer questions and talk about these issues in more detail.

We need your help getting the word out to our community groups, both partisan and nonpartisan. If you know of a group that has pre-election activities planned, please send them to me as soon as possible at [cathkolk@centurytel.net](mailto:cathkolk@centurytel.net) or call me at (608) 796-9090. I need a name, an organization, and a street address or email address. We are going to ask that each organization send only one representative if possible to keep the group manageable. We are welcoming all community groups interested in getting out the vote. In the invitation that we are sending we are emphasizing that we are including both partisan and nonpartisan groups, except those representing a candidate or political party.

At the meeting, we will also look for gaps in all the activities that are planned to make sure no segment of the population is being left out and try to fill those gaps before the meeting ends.

We hope you will join us, especially if you can represent a community group! Refreshments will be served. The Voter Education Day will happen from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Fellowship Hall of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Please RSVP at [cathkolk@centurytel.net](mailto:cathkolk@centurytel.net) or (608) 796-9090 so we will know who is coming. Please tell me what group(s) you will be representing.

It should be a great day!

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<http://www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/Default.htm>

State Legislative Hotline:  
(800) 362-9472

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To check on the voting record of elected  
officials, go to:

Project Vote Smart  
<http://www.vote-smart.org/>



League of Women Voters  
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***Remember to vote on  
September 14.***

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VOTER* TO THE EDITOR AT ANITALARRY@CENTURYTEL.NET

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER, 2004  
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LA CROSSE AREA

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*94th Assembly District Democratic Primary Debate*      *Wed., Sept. 8 at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.*  
*Onalaska High School Board Room*

*Community Voter Education Day*      *Sat., Sept. 11 at 9 - 11 a.m.*  
*Fellowship Hall, Our Savior's Lutheran Church., 612 Division St.*

**Primary Election**

**Tues., Sept. 14**

*Board Meeting*      *Wed., Sept. 8 at noon*  
*Doc Powell's, 200 Main St.*

*Issues Briefing*      *Sat., Oct. 9*  
*Madison*

*Board Meeting*      *Wed., Oct. 13 at noon*  
*Doc Powell's, 200 Main St.*

Note: Board meeting times/location are subject to change; refer to agenda or contact LWV President.



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