

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FLORENCE AREA

JUNE 2011 E-NEWS

State Convention (See attached pictures)

Frances Elmore, Sheila Gallagher, Dolores Miller, and Hannah Reig represented the LWV Florence Area at the State Convention in Sumter. Our own Peggy Brown was elected LWV-SC Co-President, along with Barbara Zia, for the next two years.

Speakers included the State Treasurer Curtis Loftis, who discussed the importance of transparency in State Government, and the Honorable Ruth V. McGregor, retired Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice, who focused on ensuring independence and increasing diversity in the courts.

The convention selected the following priorities: Education, Voter Access, Tax Reform, Criminal Justice, Transportation and Redistricting. In addition, a new study-- Evaluating Teachers Based on Results--was adopted.

Board Planning--June 14 found the Board meeting at Rebecca Smith's home to develop plans for the upcoming year. After much discussion the following schedule emerged:

SAVE THESE DATES!!! Plans for 2011-2012

AUGUST 26	Florence Museum	6 p.m.	Reception to honor founding members and current state co-president
SEPTEMBER 26	Place TBA	5:30 p.m.	Nuts and Bolts of the League
OCTOBER 24	Place TBA	5:30 p.m.	Redistricting
NOVEMBER 28	Place TBA	5:30 p.m.	Criminal Justice
JANUARY 30	Place TBA	5:30 p.m.	Natural Resources
FEBRUARY 11 or 18	Home of Belva High	10:30 a.m.-NOON	Annual Fund Raiser
MARCH 26	Place TBA	5:30 p.m.	Education
APRIL 21	Top Hat Special Teas	11:30 a.m.	Annual Meeting

BOARD MEETINGS (open to all members) August 15, October 17, January 16, March 19, 6 p.m. at the home of Rebecca Smith 809 Indian Dr.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST 26 Women's Equality Day(celebrating signing of 19th Amendment)

AUGUST 27 League Leaders Day--LWV-SC Program in Columbia

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