



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE April 9, 2023

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Message from the Chair: You're Invited to a 70th Birthday Party

Even though January 30 was the day 70 years ago that the League of Women Voters of Door County (then Sturgeon Bay LWV) was officially recognized by the state and national Leagues, our birthday party will be **Wednesday, May 17 at the Lodge at Leathem Smith**. That is the day of our Annual Meeting and a perfect time to celebrate. **Mark your calendars now!**

Seventy years of service to this county is nothing to sneeze at, and we are considering ways to share some of LWV DC's accomplishments during our celebration. If you have been a member for a while, please reflect on your experiences and contact me to share some memories – especially stories of the amazing members who have kept the League active in our community over the years.

Even more important than remembering the past 70 years is to look forward to the next 70+. I have been privileged to work with an impressive, hard-working Leadership Team this past year. Together we have been transitioning – finding a way to maximize the technology of 2023 and the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century, while never forgetting our mission of promoting active participation in government and our core values of non-partisanship and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The League's Annual Meeting is the most important meeting of the year and the only business meeting targeted to all our members. While members are always welcome at Leadership Team Meetings where the day-to-day business of the organization is accomplished, the Annual Meeting is where it all counts. This is when we adopt our new slate of officers, our new budget, our new program for the next year, and any changes in our bylaws. It is where we review the previous year and look ahead to the next. To do that **WE NEED YOU** In order to conduct this business, as we **MUST HAVE A QUORUM!** Without one, we cannot conduct our business.

The 2023 LWV of DC Annual Meeting will be very special!

Highlights will include

- Introduction of exciting new collaborations between the League and organizations in our community.
- Demonstration of new ways of taking care of basic tasks like renewing memberships, making donations, etc.
- Recognition of local efforts to keep our democracy strong.
- Learning about the YMCA's Youth in Government program from its director and teenage participants.
- Birthday cake!

Watch for the email invitation you will receive in a few days. In it you will find specifics about time and place, menu options, how to reserve a spot, as well as all the materials needed to participate in the short business meeting that will move us into a new League year.

The Annual Meeting is the most important milestone in the League year. Mark the date, plan to attend, and bring a friend. Let's have a great turnout! Contact me with questions and memories to share at Chair@lwvdoorcounty.org. See you there!

Watch for your Annual Meeting packet coming soon to your email inbox!

Susie

Candidate Forums Summary

This past winter we held two in-person candidate forums, one in Sister Bay and the other in Nasewaupée. A total of 12 candidates participated and 59 residents attended (plus at least 7 joined the live stream in Sister Bay). Eleven different LWVDC members participated in running the two events. As of late March, the total number of hits to view the forums on our LWV Door County webpage was 299, and our Facebook page analytics indicates the combined forum posts reached 125.

LWVDC Legislative Subcommittee Update

The LWVDC Legislative Subcommittee (part of the Mental Health/Substance Use Committee) is exploring the possibility of a regional event with the greater Green Bay and Manitowoc Leagues to co-sponsor an event and advocate for a regional Crisis Stabilization Facility.

The purpose would be to provide a temporary, supervised safe space and divert people in crisis from the Winnebago Mental Health Institute. The event would showcase regional leaders from the family health and law enforcement sectors and aim to educate the public and state elected officials to the growing mental health crisis in our counties and state and to highlight some solutions, like a NE Wisconsin regional crisis center.

The idea came from the Legislative Committee's January meeting with Rep. Kitchens and Sen. Jacque. Since then, the committee has met with Door County Health and Human Service Director Joe Krebsbach and Sheriff Tammy Sternard to gain their support for the effort. The committee plans to have a joint meeting with the other leagues in May.

Join a Conversation about Aging in Door County



JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION ABOUT AGING IN DOOR COUNTY

The Age-in-Place survey told us a lot about what we need to stay in the place we call home. Now let's talk about how to meet those needs specific to each area of Door County.

APRIL 6TH
DCEDC STURGEON BAY
10A AND 2P

APRIL 11TH
NWTC SISTER BAY
10A AND 2P

APRIL 19TH
SEVASTOPOL TOWN HALL
10A AND 2P

APRIL 27TH
NORTHERN DOOR YMCA
10A AND 2P



For more information, visit our website dogooddoorcounty.org,
email us at dogooddoorcounty@gmail.com
or call 920-659-5159

Participate in This Month's Community Book Club!

***You are not alone: The NAMI Guide to Navigating Mental Health* by Ken Duckworth, MD**

If you do not have a copy yet, check with these locations: Public Health, Sturgeon Bay Library, Sister Bay Library, Forestville Library, JAK's Place, or United Way of DC.

Additional copies are available to loan through the Door County Library or as a free audio book rental available on Hoopla.

Don't forget these events:

- Thursday, April 13, 3:30 pm: Book discussion, Sturgeon Bay Library, 107 S. 4th Ave., Sturgeon Bay
- Tuesday, April 18, 1:30 pm: Book discussion, Sister Bay Library, 2323 Mill Rd., Sister Bay
- Saturday, April 29, 3:00 pm: Author chat with Dr. Ken Duckworth, Crossroads at Big Creek, 2041 Michigan St., Sturgeon Bay

A coalition of Door County organizations organized this project, including Door County Public Health, Door County Library, United Way of Door County, Door County Mental Health Focus Group, and Door County League of Women Voters,

Community Fentanyl Awareness Event & NARCAN Training: Save the date!

Monday, May 8, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Crossroads at Big Creek

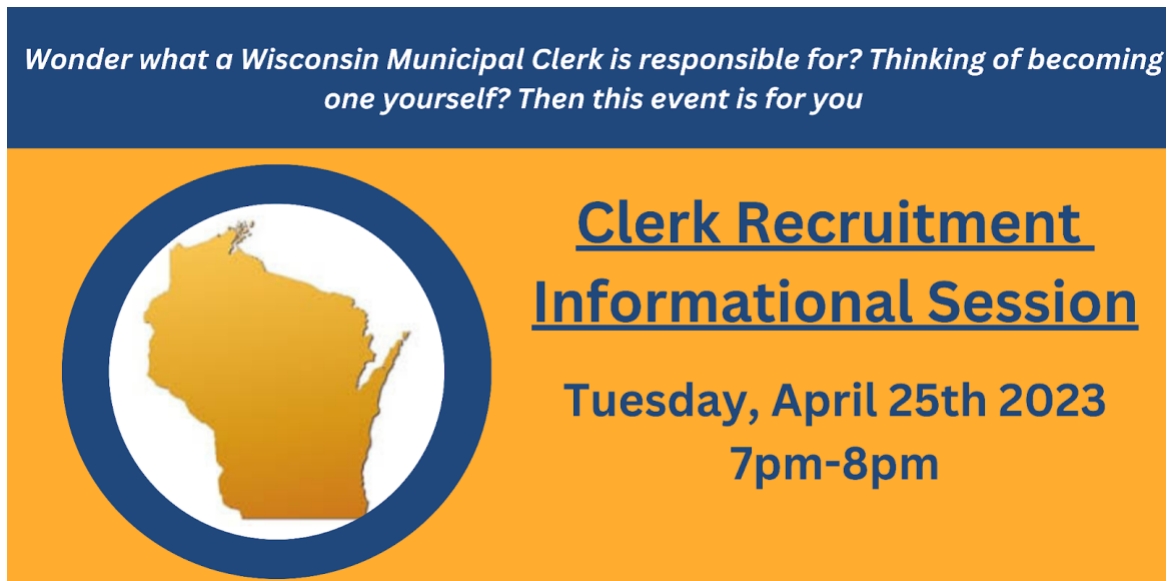
Fentanyl is here in Door County. It affects all of us. Conversations save lives. Talk to your loved ones about the dangers of fentanyl and substance use.

- Fake prescription pills are easily accessible and often sold on social media or the internet.
- Fentanyl is being added to pills and other drugs like cocaine and marijuana.
- You can't see it, taste it, or smell it.
- The only safe medications are ones prescribed to you, used as prescribed, from a licensed pharmacy.
- FREE fentanyl test strips and NARCAN are available at Door County Public Health.

**Focus on Youth Mental Health: Are our children at risk?
Check out the video!**

If you were unable to attend the March 23 presentation, you can still watch it by viewing the video recording on our website www.lwvdoorcounty.org, on Facebook, or find it in our Education playlist on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@lwvdoorcounty/playlists>.

Clerk Recruitment Information Session

A graphic for a Clerk Recruitment Information Session. It features a dark blue header with white text: "Wonder what a Wisconsin Municipal Clerk is responsible for? Thinking of becoming one yourself? Then this event is for you". Below the header is a large orange rectangle. On the left side of the orange rectangle is a circular logo with a blue border containing a gold map of Wisconsin. To the right of the logo, the text "Clerk Recruitment Informational Session" is written in blue, underlined. Below that, the date and time "Tuesday, April 25th 2023 7pm-8pm" are also in blue.

Wonder what a Wisconsin Municipal Clerk is responsible for? Thinking of becoming one yourself? Then this event is for you

Clerk Recruitment Informational Session

**Tuesday, April 25th 2023
7pm-8pm**

America Votes is happy to announce a virtual Clerk Recruitment Information Session on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 7:00-8:00 pm.

Municipal clerks play one of the most important roles in our democracy. In Wisconsin, these 1850+ individuals have enormous power to make sure elections are carried out in a way that makes voting accessible for all eligible Wisconsin voters. It is for this reason that we are working together with our partners to educate the community on this important role and help raise awareness and generate interests to help fill vacancies whenever they arise.

Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from current municipal clerks about what clerks do, how they lift up their communities, and how to become employed as a clerk in your own communities.

This is where we will need your help: Help us get the word out about this event! Please share this exciting opportunity with your networks.

Save the Date! Volunteer and Join the Car Parade Committee

August 26 is Women's Equality Day and the 103rd anniversary of the enactment of the 19th Amendment recognizing women's right to vote. Plans are just beginning to take shape for our fourth car parade, and you have a chance to volunteer on the committee to help shape it. This is a super fun and meaningful event, so join the fun! And as they chanted more than a hundred years ago -- Votes for Women!

Contact Heidi Ling, 714-271-8528.

Welcome New Member, Karen Jacobson Berndt!



I have lived and worked in northern Door County for nearly thirty years. My work history includes ownership of restaurants in Green Bay, Fish Creek, and most recently, Harbor Fish Market & Grille in Baileys Harbor. I have been married to my husband Carl for nearly thirty years and when grouped together, we have five children -- with many grandchildren. But my work history also includes being a nurse with a background in cardiac surgery, ICU, and most recently I retired from working at the Door County Medical Center ER.

I am currently on the board of Open Door Pride and have served in other volunteer positions in the county, including the Baileys Harbor Community Association and the Nurse Covid Volunteer Hotline during that crisis. I own five vacation rentals in the area and currently serve on that board, Home Hosts of Door County, providing education and support to home rental owners and village/town trustees to be certain we are providing a wonderful, inclusive Door County experience for our guests. Can't forget to mention my critters -- I have two cats and a sweet golden retriever.

Next Leadership Team Meeting:

April 12, 2023, 1:00-3:00 pm Sturgeon Bay Library & Zoom. All are welcome.

Website & Member Dues

If you haven't explored our website recently, check it out! <https://www.lwvdoorcounty.org/>

Please note a couple of important updates:

Join/Renew - Membership Form is now online!

- Not signed up for 2022-23? Please complete the [form online](#). Next year we'll send you a link to easily renew your membership.
- Already signed up for 2022-23? Consider completing the [form online](#) now and next year we will be able to send you a link to easily renew your membership.

Donate - Note the dropdown for type of donation (Membership, Membership + Additional Donation, General Donation) and also the box you can check to help us cover credit card processing fees.

LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DOOR COUNTY

Donate to
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DOOR COUNTY

We are a 501(c)(3) nonpartisan organization of women & men that encourages informed and active participation in government.

\$75 USD **\$110 USD** \$150 USD Other

Use this donation for
Membership

Add \$2.73 to help cover the fees.

Make this a monthly donation

Donate with PayPal

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We are continuing to add information to our website. One page in progress is **Volunteer Opportunities** under the Our Work navigation link. Stay tuned for more ways to get involved!

If you have any comments or suggestions, please send them to: webteam@lwvdoorcounty.org

If you have questions about your dues contact: memberadmin@lwvdoorcounty.org

Communicate with Your Representatives!

Tip: Post the updated attached list on your refrigerator to have it handy!

PRESIDENT

Joseph Biden

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/executive-office-of-the-president/>

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New 2022-2023 Official County Directories

One complimentary copy of the 2022-2023 Official Directory of Door County (**a listing of contact information for county, city, village and town officials**) can be picked up at the County Clerk's office at the Door County government building. This directory is also online at the Door County government website: <http://www.co.door.wi.gov/docview.asp?docid=16450&locid=137>.

Additional directories are available for \$4 each.

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Join us virtually for our

Clerk Recruitment Informational Session

Tuesday, April 25th 7pm-8pm

Sign up here!



<https://bit.ly/WI-Clerk-Info>

SCAN HERE!



Come learn about:

- + What municipal clerks do
- + Administering Elections
- + How YOU can become a clerk
- + Why Clerks uplift their community



This information session will equip you with the knowledge and insight needed to determine if pursuing a career as a municipal clerk is for you when a clerk vacancy arises.

Featuring:

Dead on Arrival (Fentanyl Documentary)

Death delivered to your doorstep. Deceptive drugs made of or including fentanyl are killing young people across America at an alarming rate



Sandy Ranck

Green Bay mother shares the devastating story of her son Mitch's deadly addiction

Door County Community Drug Trends

The Door County Sheriff's Department shares what is being seen by law enforcement and EMS in the county

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via email or telephone
dcaodcoalition@gmail.com
920-421-2166

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United Way
of Door County



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.



DOOR COUNTY ALCOHOL &
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