



THE FIGHT FOR EQUITY IN THE WORKPLACE CONTINUES



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New Legislation Improving Workplace Equity

After fighting for a seat at the table, women realized that being let in the door was just a stepping stone in the fight for an equal workplace. Here are amazing pieces of legislation that have passed to make that idea a truer experience. Even with these changes, more work still needs to be done.

Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021

Signed into law by President Biden in March 2022, The Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021 was a crucial legal milestone aimed at addressing the pervasive issue of sexual misconduct. This legislation sought to restrict the use of mandatory arbitration clauses in employment contracts, allowing survivors of sexual assault and harassment to choose whether they want to pursue their claims in a private arbitration setting or in a court of law. By providing survivors with more agency in how they seek justice, the act aimed to foster transparency, accountability, and fair treatment for victims while challenging the culture of silence that often surrounds these sensitive matters.

Providing Urgent Maternal Protections (PUMP) for Nursing Mothers Act

President Biden signed the PUMP Act into law December of 2022, expanding on the Break Time Law from 2010. The Break Time law was placed in the Fair Labor Standards Act as a provision, creating loopholes for many professions to fall through the protection the act intended. PUMP Act fixed this issue, and created recourse for employees if their employer did not follow the law.

The Speak Out Act

Also signed by President Biden in December 2022, this Act prohibits non-disclosure and non-disparagement agreements before a dispute arises regarding sexual assault or sexual harassment.

Pay Transparency Laws

Pay Transparency is designed to increase transparency around employee compensation within organizations. These laws typically require employers to disclose salary ranges, prohibit pay secrecy, and report wage gaps. These laws promote fairness, empower negotiation, reduce discrimination, and set standard for equitable pay practices. States with Transparency Laws include: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Maryland, Nevada, New York, Rhode Island, Washington, and some counties in Ohio and New Jersey. On August 11, 2023, Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker signed a bill into law that will require employers to include pay ranges in job postings beginning in 2025.

Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act

As a response to the SCOTUS decision in Ledbetter vs. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co, Congress passes the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act in 2007, resetting the statute of limitations for discriminatory pay. Each discriminatory paycheck someone receives starts the limitations clock over again.

The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act

The PWFA mandates that employers subject to the law must offer reasonable accommodations to employees with known limitations linked to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, so long as the accommodation will not create undue hardship for the employer.



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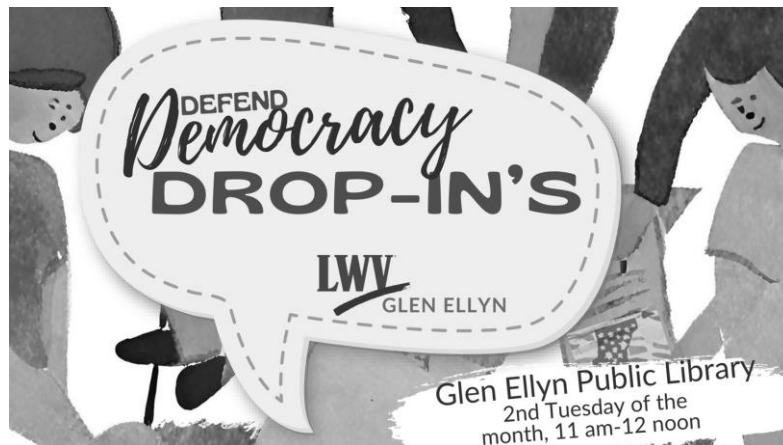
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Action and Advocacy Focus Items:

- **Environment and Pollution Reduction** – Suggestions:
 - Anti-idling campaign
 - Education about air and water pollutants, single use plastics reduction, as well as recycling
 - Provide accurate information about Bike Trail

- **Making Democracy Work** – Suggestions:
 - Increase Member Engagement (e.g. new member onboarding, mentoring, recruit members to run for LWVIL Board, member only meetings)
 - Increase Civic Involvement (e.g. action steps everyone can take; promote attendance at local government board and committee meetings)
 - Educational Programs (e.g. community presentation on threats to democracy; informational speakers on state issues and promoting civility)

- **Education, Public Schools** – Suggestions:
 - Member meeting with LWVIL Education Issues Specialists
 - Support local education under the LWVGE adopted quality education position and/or LWVUS and LWVIL education positions.



(check calendar!)

LWVGE PROGRAM CALENDAR 2023-2024

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Please check LWVGE.org for the most current dates, times and locations or contact co-presidents Barbara Kwiatkowski, lwvgecopresident2@gmail.com or Judy Kinn president@lwvge.org

DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	PROGRAM
Wednesday	09/20/23	7:00 PM	Hadley Library	Board Meeting
Thursday	09/21/23	7:00 PM	Cantigny Park & via Zoom	Civic Awareness Series: Racial and Economic Justice
Thursday	09/28/23	7:00 PM	Hadley Junior High	September Community Meeting With School Superintendents
Thursday	10/12/23	7:00 PM	Cantigny	Civic Awareness Series: David Hillier-Trust Elections
Saturday	10/14/23	1:00 PM	Maryknoll	OAKtober Fest & Voter Info Table
Tuesday	10/17/23	9:30 AM	WDSRA Rec & Roll at Ackerman	Voter Info & Registration Table
Thursday	10/19/23	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center	Board Meeting
Thursday	10/26/23	7:00 PM	Police Station	Member Engagement Program: "DemocraSee What You Can Do"
Tuesday	11/14/23	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	GE Library	Defending Democracy Drop-In
Thursday	11/16/23	7:00 PM	Cantigny	Civic Awareness Series: Bob Berlin, DuPage County State's Attorney
Thursday	11/16/23	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center	Board Meeting
Thursday	12/07/23	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Park & Oak	Holiday Fundraiser & Member Social
Tuesday	12/12/23	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	GE Library	Defending Democracy Drop-In
Tuesday	01/09/24	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	GE Library	Defending Democracy Drop-In
Thursday	01/18/24	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center	Board Meeting
Thursday	01/25/24	7:00 PM	Police Station*	LWVGE Community Meeting State of the Village-Mark Senak & Mark Franz
Saturday	02/03/24	9:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Main St Rec Center	Program Planning
Tuesday	02/13/24	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	GE Library	Defending Democracy Drop-In
Thursday	02/15/24	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center*	Board Meeting
Thursday	03/21/24	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center*	Board Meeting
Thursday	04/04/24	7:00PM	Police Station*	LWVGE Community Meeting Clean Air & Water Show
Thursday	04/18/24	7:00 PM	GE Civic Center*	Board Meeting
Thursday	04/25/24	6:00 PM	Glen Oak Country Club	Annual Meeting/Dinner

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BOARD PORTFOLIOS

2023-2024

Executive Board

President or Co-Presidents: Duties as defined in LWVGE Bylaws, Article IV, also including:

- Supervises the Executive Board.
- Supervises Directors for Local Arrangements and Fundraising.
- Coordinates schedules with the following Off-Board Committees/Groups: Nominating Committee, Charlotte Swett Walter Democracy Challenge and Book Club.

Vice President of Communications: Works cooperatively with the Presidents and with the Board Members to develop standards for and oversee the flow of all communication. Works with Communication Directors of Website, Social Media, Media Relations, Publications and *The VOTER*. to coordinate consistent branding and messaging across all platforms.

Vice President of Programs: Organizes Community Meetings in collaboration with appropriate Directors of Local Government, Legislative Issues, League Issues, Social Justice and Education. Organizes social events (Kick-off meeting and December Fundraiser & Social) with ad hoc committees . Responsible for the February Program Planning Meeting.

Secretary: Takes minutes, keeps attendance. Collects individual Board Reports, merges all files and sends them to the Board prior to monthly Board meetings. Helps with correspondence as needed; works with the Archivist (Off-Board).

Treasurer: Is responsible for the receipt of funds and payment of expenses; makes monthly reports to the Board of the LWVGE; and an annual report to the Annual Meeting; Ex officio member of the Budget committee.

Membership: Recruits new members; encourages others to recruit members; collects dues; oversees updating of membership roster as required by LWVIL and LWVUS; member of Awards Committee and is a member of the Annual Meeting Committee and the Nominating Committee.

Holds New Member Orientations. Surveys new members of interests and shares that information with the League Board to help connect new members to their interests.

Voter Service (2 Members): Keeps abreast of developments and legislation relating to voting rights and voter suppression; organizes candidate forums in election years and all activities pertaining to voting and elections. Supervises Off-Board Voter Registration. Assists with voter registration as needed.

Board of Directors, defined in LWVGE Bylaws, Article V

The following Directors work with the **Vice President of Communications:**

Publications: Designs, formats, edits and produces the Membership Book, Annual Meeting Program and Facts for Voters, if requested.

Voter Editor: Organizes, formats, edits and receives printed information for *The Voter*. *The Voter* is mailed or sent online to members and our mailing list 4-5 times per year. Also sends emails to members at the request of the Co-Presidents. Coordinates Off-Board Proofreaders.

Webmaster: Maintains our LWVGE.org. Links website to LWVC Collaborates to assure consistent branding and messaging.

Social Media: Supports social media platforms, in collaboration with VP of Communications. This includes Glen Ellyn League activities and community meetings, current information from State and US League, and publicizing other local League events. Publicizes current events and news that relates to local or national League positions.

Media Relations: Publicizes coming events to which community members are invited in print and on-line. Reports events to news media, including awards, and information such as League initiatives and programs. Collaborates with VP Communications and Social Media Director to make messaging uniform among platforms.

The following Directors work with the **Vice President of Programs:**

Local Government: Keeps abreast of issues related to local government positions including outreach to Civic Betterment Party. Reviews reports from the Observer Corps for Village and County.

Legislative Issues: Coordinates annual interviews with our State Representatives and Senators and provides legislative updates to the Board and membership. Provides legislative updates on state and national legislation issues that align with League initiatives.

League Issues: Aligns League positions including social issues, affordable housing, the GE Comprehensive Plan.

Social Justice: Focuses on issues related to local and national events/actions related to DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion), criminal justice reform, human rights, and environmental justice. Collaborates with Environmental Director and Social Justice Committee.

Education: Keeps abreast of educational issues at local, state and national level. Reviews reports from Observer Corps from School Districts 41 & 89 and Glenbard District 87.

Environment: Keeps current on issues related to clean air and water, global climate change, Lake Michigan ILO, and Upper Mississippi River Region ILO.

The following Director works with the **President or Co-Presidents:**

Local Arrangements: Secures sites for Board Meetings, Community Meetings, Candidate Forums, the Annual Meeting and other events. On the Annual Meeting Committee with Membership Director and appointed Committee Chair.

OFF-BOARD POSITIONS for 2023-2024

Annual Meeting Committee: Assists Membership Director and Local Arrangements in planning Annual Meeting. Sends invitations, obtains volunteers for event, provides theme/table decorations. Collaborates with Presidents to obtain Speaker(s).

Awards Committee: Assists Membership Director in the collecting of annual award nominations, winners' selection, biographical sketches of recipients and assists with Awards presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Archives: Collects minutes, publications, photos and other materials and organizes for future access by the League.

Book Club: Selects subject matters related to League issues. Organizes meeting during which members and the community meet to discuss the book's relevance. A few books are selected each year.

Budget Committee: Responsibilities as described in Article IX, Section 3 of the Bylaws.

Bylaws Committee: Responsibilities as described in Article XI, Section 1 of the Bylaws.

Charlotte Swett Walter Democracy Challenge Award: Prepare applications for junior/senior students at Glenbard South and Glenbard West in collaboration with staff and teachers for a "Democracy Challenge Award" to be presented to the winning recipient of each high school at LWVGE Annual Meeting.

Financial Review: Responsibilities as described in Article IX, Section 4 of the Bylaws.

Fundraising: Coordinates local business advertising for the annual Membership Handbook. Supports fundraising efforts for events as determined by the Board

Mental Health: Monitors mental health legislation, DuPage County Taskforce/Public Advocacy Group and new DuPage County Mental Health Board managed by Milton Township.

Mock Elections: Works with DuPage County Clerk and coordinates volunteers to administer a mock election in District 87 High Schools. Mock elections are held during presidential election years, unless otherwise decided by the Board. Supervised by Directors of Voter Services.

Nominating Committee: Responsibilities as described in Article VII, Section 1 of the Bylaws.

Observer Corp: Trained by the LWVIL. Provides reports to the Board through Directors. School District Observers provide reports to the Director of Education and Government Observers provide reports to the Director of Local Government.

Proofreaders for the Voter: Assigned to one or more publications for review of materials throughout the year. Supervised by the Director of the Voter.

Voter Registration: Supervises voter registrars; organizes voter registration events. Recruit registrars and works with the county to recertify registrars. Supervised by Voter Services.

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BYLAWS of
THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN
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Amended April 25, 2013; Amended April 23, 2015; Amended April 26, 2018; Amended May 2, 2019;
Amended April 27, 2020]*

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of this organization shall be the League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn (LWVGE or League). LWVGE is an integral part of the League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS), of the League of Women Voters of Illinois (LWVIL), of the League of Women Voters Lake Michigan Region Inter-League Organization (LWVLMR), and of the League of Women Voters Upper Mississippi River Region Inter-League Organization (LWVUMRR).

ARTICLE II
PURPOSES AND POLICIES

Section 1. **Purposes.** The purposes of the LWVUS are to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

Section 2. **Policies.** The policies of the LWVUS are:

- a. **Political Policy.** The League shall not support or oppose any political party or any candidate.
- b. **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Policy.** The League is fully committed to ensure compliance - in principle and in practice - with LWVUS' Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. **Eligibility.** Any person who subscribes to the purposes and policy of the LWVUS shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. **Types of Membership.**

a. **Voting Members.** Persons at least 16 years of age who join the League shall be Voting Members of local Leagues, state Leagues and of the LWVUS as follows:

- (1) Those who live within an area of a local League may join that League or any other local League;
- (2) Those who reside outside the area of any local League may join a local League or shall be a member around the state;
- (3) Those who have been members of the League for 50 years or more shall be Life Members and excused from the payment of dues;
- (4) Those who are students are defined as individuals enrolled either full or part time with an accredited institution.

b. **Associate Members.** All others who join the League shall be Associate Members.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. **Election, Qualifications, and Term.** The officers of the LWVGE shall be a president or co-presidents, two vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, two voter service officers, and a membership officer, each of whom shall be elected for terms of two years by the general membership at the Annual Meeting and take office at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting. The president or co-presidents, one vice president, the secretary, and one voter service officer shall be elected in the odd-numbered years. One vice president, the treasurer, one voter service officer, and the membership officer shall be elected in the even-numbered years. No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer of this organization unless the person is a voting member of the LWVGE.

Section 2. **The President or Co-Presidents.** The president or co-presidents shall have such powers of supervision and management as customarily pertain to the office; shall be the public spokesperson(s) for League positions; shall preside at all meetings of the organization and the board or designate another person to do so; shall be an ex officio member of all committees except the nominating committee; may sign or endorse checks, drafts, and notes in the absence of the treasurer; and shall perform such other duties as the board may direct. In the event of the absence, disability, resignation or death of the president or co-presidents, one of the vice presidents shall assume the office. If no vice president is able to serve as president or co-presidents, the board shall fill the vacancy from among the elected directors.

Section 3. **The Vice Presidents.** The vice presidents shall perform such duties as the president or co-presidents and the board shall direct. One shall serve as vice president for program and one shall serve as vice president for communications.

Section 4. **The Secretary.** The secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the board. The secretary shall notify all officers and directors of their election and shall sign with the president or co-presidents all contracts and other instruments when so authorized by the board, and shall perform such other duties as the president or co-presidents and the board shall direct.

Section 5. **The Treasurer.** The treasurer shall perform such duties as customarily pertain to the office and, at the direction of the board, maintain deposits in authorized financial institutions. The treasurer shall present statements to the board at their regular meetings and an annual report to the Annual Meeting.

Section 6. **The Voter Service Officer.** The voter service officer shall provide information and perform other functions relating to voter service.

Section 7. **The Membership Officer.** The membership officer shall provide information on membership to the board, maintain the LWVGE database of members, submit membership information to LWVIL and LWVUS, and perform other functions relating to membership, including spearheading the annual membership drive. The membership officer will serve on the nominating committee.

Section 8. **Executive Committee.** In the event that a decision must be made when it is impractical to convene the board of directors, the president or co-presidents, the two vice-presidents, the secretary and treasurer shall constitute the executive committee and shall be empowered to make such a decision by majority vote. Notice of any executive committee decision shall be communicated to the remainder of the board as soon as practical and no later than the next meeting of the board.

ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. **Number, Manner of Selection, and Term of Office.** The board of directors shall consist of the officers of the LWVGE, eight elected directors, and not more than four directors appointed by the elected members of the board. Four directors shall be elected by the general membership at each Annual Meeting and shall serve for a term of two years or until their successors have been elected and qualified. Appointed directors shall serve for one year, until the close of the next Annual Meeting. No elected officer or director shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same position.

Section 2. **Qualifications.** No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as a director of this organization unless the person is a voting member of the LWVGE.

Section 3. **Vacancies.** Vacancies may be filled by vote of the members of the board, unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws.

Section 4. **Powers.** The board shall manage and supervise the business, affairs, and activities of the LWVGE subject to the instructions of the Annual Meeting. The board shall act by majority vote when a quorum is present. It shall select delegates to the national convention and the state convention and council. It shall accept responsibility for such other matters as the national or state board may from time-to-time delegate to it. It shall have the power to create such special committees and to join organizations and coalitions, as it deems necessary. It shall perform such other duties as are specified in these Bylaws.

Section 5. **Meetings.** At least nine regular meetings of the board shall be held annually. The president or co-presidents may call Special Meetings and shall call a Special Meeting upon the written request of five members of the board. More than three consecutive unexcused absences from regular board meetings shall constitute a resignation.

Section 6. **Quorum.** A majority of the members of the board of directors of the LWVGE shall constitute a quorum. Any one or more members of the board may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting. Notice for such a meeting shall include information about the form of communications. For this section, "members of the board of directors" is defined as members holding positions listed in Section 1 of this Article.

ARTICLE VI
MEETINGS

Section 1. **Membership Meetings.** There shall be at least six meetings of the membership each year. The time and place and whether open to the public shall be determined by the board.

Section 2. **Annual Meetings.** The LWVGE Annual Meeting shall be held approximately one month prior to the LWVIL or the LWVUS convention, the exact date to be determined by the board. The Annual Meeting shall adopt a local program for the ensuing year, elect officers and directors, elect the chair and two members of the nominating committee; adopt an adequate budget; vote on proposed Bylaw's amendments in the odd-numbered years; and transact such other business as may properly come before it. Action shall be taken by a majority vote when a quorum of members is present, unless otherwise stated in these Bylaws. Absentee or proxy voting shall not be permitted.

Section 3. **Quorum.** Twenty percent of the voting members shall constitute a quorum at membership and Annual Meetings of the LWVGE, provided written notice of the meeting is sent to the membership at least

one week in advance. At the discretion of the board, members may participate in a meeting by means of communications equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting. Notice for such a meeting shall include information about the form of communication system and the means of accessing the communication system.

ARTICLE VII NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. **Nominating Committee.** The nominating committee shall consist of five members. The chair and two members, who shall not be members of the board, shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. Immediately after the Annual Meeting, the board shall appoint two of its members to the committee, one of whom shall be the membership officer. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the board.

Section 2. **Report of the Nominating Committee.** The report of the current nominating committee, containing its nominations for officers, directors, chair and two members of the incoming nominating committee, shall be sent to the members one month before the Annual Meeting. The report of the nominating committee shall be presented at the Annual Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor immediately thereafter provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained.

Section 3. **Election.** Election shall be by ballot, unless there is only one nominee for an office. Then it shall be a voice vote. A majority vote shall constitute an election.

ARTICLE VIII PRINCIPLES AND PROGRAM

Section 1. **Principles.** The Principles are concepts of government adopted by the LWVUS national convention and supported by the League as a whole. The Principles provide the authorization for the LWVGE to adopt national, state, and local Programs. These Principles are to be published in the LWVGE Membership Directory.

Section 2. **Program.** The Program of the LWVGE shall consist of action to implement the Principles and those local governmental issues chosen at the LWVGE Annual Meeting for concerted study and/or action as follows:

- a. Voting members may make recommendations to the board at least two months before the LWVGE Annual Meeting.
- b. The board shall consider these recommendations and formulate a proposed program, which shall be sent to the members at least one month before the LWVGE Annual Meeting.
- c. The LWVGE Annual Meeting shall adopt a program by a majority vote. Program recommendations submitted to the board at least two months before the meeting, but not proposed by the board, may be considered by those at the LWVGE Annual Meeting provided that the Annual Meeting shall order consideration by a majority vote. The LWVGE Annual Meeting must adopt the item by a two-thirds vote.

Section 3. **Changes in Program.** Changes and/or additions in the Program, in the case of altered conditions, may be made provided that information concerning the proposed change/addition has been disseminated to all members at least two weeks before a general membership meeting, at which time the change/addition shall be discussed and voted upon. If a quorum (20% of voting members) is present, the change/addition must be adopted by a two-thirds vote. In the event a quorum is not present, the secretary shall promptly contact the membership, who then will have five days to vote on the proposed change/addition. The secretary shall record the votes of those responding. The change/addition must be approved by two-thirds of those voting, provided a quorum (20% of the voting members) is obtained.

Section 4. **Program Action.** Members may act in the name of LWVGE only when authorized to do so by the president or co-presidents. They may act only in conformity with, and not contrary to, a position taken by the LWVGE, the LWVIL, and the LWVUS

ARTICLE IX FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Section 1. **Fiscal Year.** The fiscal year of the LWVGE shall be from May 1 through April 30 of each year.

Section 2. **Dues.** The board of directors shall set the LWVGE annual dues, subject to the approval of the members, at the LWVGE Annual Meeting. LWVGE annual dues shall at least cover the cost of all per member payments (PMPs) and shall be payable May 1. New members paying annual dues after the LWVUS membership deadline shall be exempt from the May 1 payment of dues. Each additional member living at the same address shall pay one half the annual dues. The amount of student membership dues shall be determined by the board of LWVGE.

Section 3. **Budget Committee.** The budget shall be prepared by a committee, which shall be appointed for that purpose at least three months before the Annual Meeting. The treasurer shall be, ex officio, a member of the budget committee but shall not be eligible to serve as chair. The proposed budget for the next fiscal year shall be sent to all members one month before the Annual Meeting.

Section 4. **Financial Review.** The books shall be reviewed each year by a committee of two or more people appointed by the executive committee. A report of the review shall be completed for the board by July 15 and presented by one or more members of the financial review committee at the next board meeting.

Section 5. **Distribution of Funds on Dissolution.** In the event of dissolution of the LWVGE, all money and securities owned by or under the control of the LWVGE shall be paid to the LWVIL after the state and national per member payments and other financial obligations have been met. All other property of whatsoever nature, whether real, personal, or mixed which may at the time be owned or under the control of the LWVGE shall be disposed of to such person, organization, or corporation for such public, charitable, or educational use and purposes as the board in its absolute discretion may designate.

ARTICLE X PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the LWVGE in all cases to which they are applicable and consistent with these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI BYLAWS COMMITTEE AND AMENDMENTS AND PUBLICATION

Section 1. **Bylaws Committee.** A Bylaws Committee shall be appointed by the president or co-presidents in the odd- numbered years three months prior to the Annual Meeting, to study the Bylaws and suggest amendments, if necessary, and to consider proposals suggested by any LWVGE members for changing the Bylaws.

Section 2. **Amendments.** These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at the LWVGE Annual Meeting, provided that the amendments were submitted to the membership in writing at least one month in advance of the meeting.

Section 3. **Publication.** These Bylaws will be published in the LWVGE Annual Membership Book, as well as on the LWVGE website.

ABOUT THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN

PURPOSE

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS is a non-partisan organization that does not support or oppose any political party or candidate but whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

PRINCIPLES

The League of Women Voters believes in representative government and in the individual liberties established in the Constitution of the United States.

The League of Women Voters believes that democratic government depends upon the informed and active participation of its citizens and requires that governmental bodies protect the citizen's right to know by giving adequate notice of proposed actions, holding open meetings and making public records accessible.

The League of Women Voters believes that every citizen should be protected in the right to vote; that every person should have access to free public education which provides equal opportunity for all; and that no person or group should suffer legal, economic or administrative discrimination.

The League of Women Voters believes that efficient and economical government requires competent personnel, the clear assignment of responsibility, adequate financing and coordination among the different agencies and levels of government.

The League of Women Voters believes that responsible government should be responsive to the will of the people; that government should maintain an equitable and flexible system of taxation, promote the conservation and development of natural resources in the public interest, share in the solution of economic and social problems which affect the general welfare, promote a sound economy and adopt domestic policies which facilitate the solution of international problems.

The League of Women Voters believes that cooperation with other nations is essential in the search for solutions to world problems and that the development of international organization and international law is imperative in the promotion of world peace.

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES (Revised 2023)

Membership in the League of Women Voters is open to all persons 16 years of age or over who subscribe to the League's purpose and policies.

Lifetime Membership is granted to persons who have been members of the League of Women Voters for 50 years. Lifetime members are excused from paying dues. Student Membership is available to students enrolled either full time or part time in an accredited institution. The amount of student membership dues shall be determined by the Board of LWVGE.

The Board of Directors shall set the annual dues subject to approval of members at the Annual Meeting. Dues shall be due and payable on May 1 of each year. Member dues paid after the LWVUS membership deadline cover membership payment for the following year.

POLICIES (2023)

- I. All policies of the League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors biennially at the beginning of the fiscal year in odd years, except that the Non-Partisan Political Policy shall be reviewed annually as required by the LWV of Illinois. (References to the “League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn” hereafter may be abbreviated as “LWVGE”).

- II. NON-PARTISAN POLITICAL POLICY – 2011
 - A. The LWVGE Board of Directors shall use as a guide the non-partisan political policy endorsed by the LWVUS.
 - B. Specific guidelines of the LWVGE as determined by the Board of Directors are:
 1. The LWVGE is a non-partisan organization; it shall not support or oppose any political party or candidate.
 2. Those members of the Board of Directors holding the positions of President and of Voter Service Officer or any other publicly sensitive position shall not support candidates for a public elective office.
 3. The President and Voter Service Officer may not be a candidate for a Party organization office or serve in such office.
 4. A member of the Board of Directors may not accept appointment to commissions, boards, or committees where service would be detrimental to the League program.
 5. A member of the Board of Directors may not use the name of the League in testifying as an individual. Only the President or designate may testify on behalf of the LWVGE.
 6. Any activity by a member of the Board of Directors, including candidacy for public office which might present a conflict of interest, shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors.
 7. Final decision in each case shall be left to the judgment of the Board of Directors.
 8. The non-partisan policy shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors annually on or before October 1st and then presented to the membership.

NOTE: While the LWVGE encourages its members, with the exception of the President or Co-Presidents and Voter Service Officer, to work for the party or candidate of their choice, members must act as individuals and may not speak for nor give the impression that they are representing the LWVGE.

- III. GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL NOMINATION PROCESS – 2011 (Revised 2021)
 - A. The LWVGE may provide assistance with the voting/election procedure for any group, political party, or caucus seeking to make a slate for any local elected public office, providing there is no conflict with LWVGE’s principles. [Note: This section covers LWVGE participation in the Civic Betterment Party (CBP). CBP must request League assistance 90 days in advance of the local election.]
 - B. The LWVGE should make it publicly known that individuals may run for local political offices as independents.
 - C. The LWVGE may provide information and public forums as needed to uphold its nonpartisan policy.
 - D. The LWVGE encourages maximum citizen participation in any slate-making or election process.

- E. A clear and mutual understanding of all procedures and the role of the LWVGE shall be documented in writing between the LWVGE and any organization receiving the LWVGE's assistance prior to LWVGE's participation. The Board of Directors must approve the document of roles and procedures, as well as any amendments thereto, a minimum of 30 days before the event.
- F. A written report of the LWVGE's involvement with any local nomination, slate-making, or election process shall be submitted to the Board within 90 days after such event. The report shall include recommendations to assist the Board of Directors in determining LWVGE's participation in future events. The Board President shall appoint the person(s) making the report.

IV. CONVENTION DELEGATES – 2011

- A. National: The LWVGE shall pay for the registration of two delegates. The remaining money allocated in the budget for the Convention shall be divided between the delegates for room, board, and transportation.
- B. State: The LWVGE shall pay the registration for as many delegates as are accredited by the League of Women Voters of Illinois. The remaining money allocated in the budget for the Convention shall be divided among the delegates for room, board, and transportation.

V. TRANSPORTATION – 2011

Expenses for transportation to State and Regional meetings may be allocated from the amount in the budget for Board expenses when Board position requires attendance.

VI. ELECTRONIC VOTING - 2013

In the event that a decision must be made when it is impractical to convene the Board of Directors, a vote may be taken electronically with votes recorded by the Secretary of the Board.

VII. MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY- Revised 2023

The membership list of the LWVGE is for internal use only. The membership directory shall not be shared by any member with persons or organizations outside of LWVGE.

VIII. COMMEMORATIVE DONATIONS

It is recommended by the Board of Directors that donations be considered in memory of deceased LWVGE members.

IX. CANDIDATE PARTICIPATION POLICY – 2011

Candidate forums or debates sponsored by LWVGE at election time are held to provide a forum for thoughtful discussion of the important issues before the voters by candidates who have demonstrated significant voter interest and may, therefore, be elected. The LWVGE also seeks to stimulate voter interest and participation with these events.

A candidate for STATE OFFICE IN ILLINOIS may participate if he or she meets each of the following criteria:

- A. CONSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY – The candidate must meet the requirements of the Illinois and the United States Constitutions.
- B. FORMAL CAMPAIGN – The candidate must show evidence that a formal campaign is being waged, such as campaign headquarters, campaign staff/volunteers, position papers, and campaign appearances.

C. Candidates must also meet at least one of the following criteria:

1. VOTER INTEREST – The candidate must demonstrate significant voter interest and support as evidenced by receipt of ten percent of support in one or more statewide nonpartisan public opinion polls conducted at least 14 days, but not more than 40 days, prior to the debate.
2. ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTIES – Persons who have filed under an Established Political Party (as defined in the Illinois Election Code by the State Board of Elections) for this election will be considered as qualified candidates.

The LWVGE will reserve the right to determine that the above criteria have been met.

X. DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION POLICY – Revised 2021

The LWVGE, in both its values and its practices, affirms its belief in and commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. The LWVGE recognizes that diverse perspectives are necessary for responsible and effective decision making in democratic organizations. The LWVGE affirms its commitment to:

- A. Removing barriers to participation in any LWVGE activity on the basis of age, race, gender, disability, sexual orientation, religion or national origin.
- B. Actively seeking to be inclusive.

XI. ARCHIVE POLICY – Revised 2023

In July of 2009, the LWVGE transferred ownership of the LWVGE archives to the Glen Ellyn Historical Society (GEHS). In June of 2023, the GEHS transferred ownership of the LWVGE archives back to the LWVGE, due to limitations on GEHS' storage capabilities. It is the intention of LWVGE to digitize the archives, for easier access and permanent storage.

The LWVGE President or Co-Presidents will appoint, with board approval, a person to act as LWVGE Archivist. This will be a two-year off board position and the Archivist would serve under the direction of the Board Secretary. The Archivist will be responsible for collecting appropriate LWVGE records and materials on an annual basis. Any current documents and documents associated with local positions that have been revised must be submitted in a digitized format.

XII. GUIDELINES TO ENSURE A NON-PARTISAN EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT – 2019

In order to promote and ensure a non-partisan educational environment during the months leading up to a state or national primary and general election, the LWVGE recommends that schools consider the following suggestions:

- A. Discourage candidates from making political visits to the school or attending school-sponsored events to meet with students, parents, teachers, administrators and/or board members during the months leading up to an election.

- B. In situations when politicians visit the classroom as a routine part of the curriculum (e.g., Government class), be mindful of providing a balanced perspective by including candidates with differing political perspectives when possible.
- C. Discourage candidates (or their supporters) from distributing materials or campaign literature or other give-a-ways to students, parents, teachers, administrator and/or board members.
- D. Discourage politicians and their staff from taking photos of themselves on school property or at school-sponsored events with students, parents, teachers, administrators and/or board members and posting them on either the school's or the candidate's social media sites that may give the appearance of an official endorsement of the candidate.
- E. To the extent possible, avoid scheduling and/or inviting incumbents to dedications, ribbon-cutting events, and/or award ceremonies during months close to an election.
- F. Establish policies that prevent school officials from making public endorsements of candidates in their capacity as school officials.



Trikosko, Marion S, photographer. *Women working at the U.S. Capitol switchboard, Washington, D.C.* Photograph.
Retrieved from the Library of Congress, <www.loc.gov/item/2013651433/>

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN
PAST PRESIDENTS**

NORTH DUPAGE COUNTY LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

1922 – 24	Agnes Morse	1937 -39	Mrs. Charles Miner
1924	Mabel Hasfurther	1939 – 41	Ruth Phillips**
1924 – 25	Agnes Morse	1941 – 42	Fannie Thompson
1925 – 27	Ruth Wood	1942 – 44	Ann Prime
1927 – 29	Dr. Frances Blanchard	1944 – 47	Esther Meigs
1929 – 31	Emily Lueben	1947 – 49	Anne Homan
1931 – 32	Maude Humphreys	1949 – 51	Kathleen Williams
1932 – 34	Marjorie Dixon	1951 – 52	Ruth Leary
1934 – 36	Clare Treadway*	1952 – 53	Adade Wheeler
1936 – 37	Jean Stephens		

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN/WHEATON

1953 – 55 Adade Wheeler

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN

1955 – 57	Dorothy Luxford	1990 – 92	Sherry Crumbaugh
1957 – 59	Leone Rowe	1992 – 95.	Midge Anderson
1959 – 61	Katie Murphy	1995 – 97	Cleo Burtis
1961 – 63	Eleanor Bauder	1997 – 99	Mary Loch
1963 – 65	Marion McConochie	1999 – 01	Laura Winans Lee
1965 – 67	Betty Rafelson Coburn	2001 – 03	Peggy McGrath
1967 – 69	Maxine Hansen	2003 – 05	Kim Reed and Karen Studebaker
1969 – 71	Betty Clayton	2005 – 06	Margaret DeLaRosa and Meredith Zelewsky
1971 – 72	Connie Zimmermann	2006 – 07	Margaret DeLaRosa
1972 – 74	Lois Norris	2007 – 09	Shawn Fasules and Michelle Peterson
1974 – 75	Susan Newhart	2009 – 10	Ginger Wheeler
1975 – 78	Virginia Hayes	2011 – 12	Diana Hoke and Ginger Wheeler
1978 – 80	Barbara Fried	2012 – 13	Diana Hoke
1980 – 82	Mary Ann Burgeson	2013 – 15	Jayne Boeckelman
1982 – 84	Marilyn Sanders	2015 – 17	Carrie Burrows and Sonja Faulkner
1984 – 86	Rinda Allison	2017 – 19	Amy Hohulin and Michelle Peterson
1986 – 88	Jeanne Jezuit	2019 – 21	Kristin Malone and Erica Nelson
1988 – 90	Cheryl Peters	2021 - 23	Michelle Thorsell and Sarah Allen

* *Clare Treadway served as President of the LWVIL 1929-33.*

** *Ruth Phillips served as President of the LWVIL 1953-57 and as President of the LWVUS 1958-64*

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN SPECIAL AWARD WINNERS

The **Susan B. Anthony Voter Service Award** goes to a member who has worked diligently to register voters and inform voters on candidates and issues.

2002-2003	Sherry Crumbaugh	2014-2015	Michelle Peterson
2003-2004	Julie Nolan	2015-2016	Sarah Allen/Gail Kalinich
2004-2005	Dorothy Hess	2016-2017	Rita Doyle
2005-2006	Judy Kinn	2017-2018	Beth Kilker
2007-2008	Cleo Burtis	2018-2020	Gail Bernstein
2009-2010	Ginger Wheeler	2020-2021	S. Fasules/B. Laszewski/ R. Wheatley
2010-2011	Diana Hoke	2021-2022	Bernie Laszewski
2011-2012	Patti Landry	2022-2023	Dave Evans/Erica Nelson
2012-2013	Carrie Burrows		
2013-2014	Julie Nolan		

The **Outstanding New League Member Service Award** goes to a new member who has become actively involved and assumed a leadership role in our League.

2000-2001	Donna Stalker	2013-2014	Katherine Doyle
2001-2002	Diana Nichol	2014-2015	Gail Chaney Kalinich
2002-2003	Mary Ellen Schaid	2015-2016	Rita Doyle
2003-2004	Meredith Zelewsky	2016-2017	Shannon Burgess
2004-2005	Cheryl Barnett	2017-2018	Jane Melvin
2005-2006	Michelle Peterson	2018-2019	Jodi Baltimore
2006-2007	Andrea Bonney	2019-2020	Nicole DeJoris
2009-2010	Tina Chivardi	2020-2021	Karin Daly
2010-2011	Jayne Boeckelman	2021-2022	Barbara Kwiatkowski
2011-2012	Roberta Borrino	2022-2023	Brit Murphy
2012-2013	Lois Walter		

The **Phyllis Renfro Community Action Award** goes to a member who has been exceptionally active in League and an activist in the community.

2000-2001	Karen Studebaker	2013-2014	Bonnie & Jeff Gahris
2001-2002	Barb Fried	2014-2015	Peggy McGrath & Julie Nolan
2002-2003	Jan McCray	2015-2016	Margaret DeLaRosa/Erica Nelson
2003-2004	Rinda Allison	2016-2017	Dorothy Hess
2004-2005	Linda Richman	2017-2018	Leroy & Jayne Boeckelman/ Alison Hayes
2005-2006	Kathy Slovick	2018-2019	Sania Irwin
2007-2008	Jean Mooring	2019-2020	Sarah Allen
2008-2009	Sara Lee (Posthumously)	2020-2021	Joyce Hothan
2009-2010	Kim Reed	2021-2022	Erica Nelson
2010-2011	Lee Crumbaugh	2022-2023	Jacquelyn Casazza/Karin Daly
2011-2012	Midge & Dan Anderson		
2010-2013	Mary Lou Lowry		

50-Year Members

Pat Rose – member since 1960	Judy Webster – member since 1966	Barb Fried – member since 1967
Sarah Poeppel – member since 1970	Rinda Allison - member since 1973	

Lifetime Achievement Award

Awarded to Mary Luginbill in 2000

Special Recognition

2017-2018 Lynda Hoornbeek for her book, *Remembering Adade*
2020-2021 Lynn Bruno for artwork and custom 100-year anniversary quilt

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GLEN ELLYN LOCAL POSITIONS

VILLAGE POSITIONS

Forms of Local Government Consensus (1976)

1. *Do you see sufficient benefits to the Manager-Council or any other forms of local government sufficient to warrant a change in the form of Glen Ellyn's government?*

A different form of government is not needed. The present President-Trustee form with the Village Administrator provides both professional administration and a flexibility which allows the President and Trustees to determine how much time they wish to put in above the minimum time necessary.

2. *Do you favor election by wards or at-large?*

We favor at-large election of Trustees. The Village is neither so large nor so diverse as to warrant election by districts.

Village Planning Consensus (1978) (revised 2003)

The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn believes the following procedures facilitate the planning process:

1. Boards and commissions should have formalized operating procedures, guidelines, or by-laws consistent with one another and the Village Board. New members of boards and commissions should receive training so that they may fully understand both their responsibilities and their limitations.
2. Boards and commissions should prepare and circulate annual reports. Each board or commission should meet annually with the Village Board to review their annual report and to discuss plans for the coming year. When major reports are completed and submitted to the Village Board, the Village Board and the Commission in question should meet for full discussion.
3. The Village Board should report in writing to the members of boards and commissions the action it takes on each of their reports or recommendations. Boards and Commissions should appoint observers to Village Board meetings to report to their membership the actions of the Village Board.

Home Rule for Glen Ellyn Consensus (1983) (revised 2003)

The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn supports the concept of Home Rule for Glen Ellyn.

Village Budget Study Consensus (1987) (revised 2003) (revised 2010)

Glen Ellyn's budget should be designed to provide services desired by a predominantly residential community. The basic form and underlying principles of the budget should be adequate and appropriate for serving the Village into the future.

Human services are an important part of the Village budget, and it is appropriate to fund these from general revenues. League members expressed particular concern for the continuation of services for seniors, adolescents and people who are disabled. Any expansion beyond the current level of human services should be carefully weighed.

Village revenue should come from a variety of sources, including property, sales and utility taxes, among others, and user fees when appropriate. The Village should encourage the development of vacant land to its optimum use as income producing property, as well as encourage Central Business District enterprises that might increase sales tax revenue with a minimum increase in demand for services. The Village should be alert to ways to increase revenue without increasing the tax burden on residents, and should examine home rule revenue options and adopt appropriate ones when possible. The Village should constantly seek to limit expenditures by encouraging increased efficiency, by increasing privatization of services where feasible and cooperating with other units of government like the Park District to avoid unnecessary duplication of services.

Although the Village budget process is careful and thorough, public input is actively sought only after the budget is almost complete. The Village should seek and the League should offer public input early in the budget process, instead of only at the end.

House Size in Relation to Lot Size Consensus (January, 1993)

The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn supports zoning that ensures the preservation of open space, light, air and accessibility in the Village of Glen Ellyn. New and add-on single family house construction should maintain the diversity of the community. We support housing improvements that are consistent with these principles. We support the following sections of the 1989 Glen Ellyn Zoning Code as amended, that control house size in relation to lot area size:

- Setback minimums and height maximums.
- Setback minimums for lots less than 66 2/3 feet.

We favor the following additions to the Glen Ellyn Zoning Code that would limit the bulk or volume of a house in relation to the lot area while maintaining flexibility for the property owner:

- Footprint or lot coverage maximum which limits the area of the house to a percentage of the lot area.
- Floor area ratio which limits the volume of a house to a percentage of the lot area.

Socio-Economic Study Consensus (1977) (1994) (revised 2005) (revised 2012) (2019) (2021) (2023)

LWV believes that all levels of government (local, state, federal) share the responsibility to provide equality of opportunity for education, employment, housing and health care including behavioral health care for all persons in the United States regardless of their race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or disability. **as summarized from the following LWV positions: Equality of Opportunity (page 122 of the 2022-2024 LWV Impact on Issues) and Health Care (pages 137-139 of the 2022-2024 LWV Impact on Issues).*

1. Affordable Housing and Temporary Shelter

LWV of Glen Ellyn believes that safe, quality, affordable housing is essential to the health & well-being of individuals, families, and the community.

A. *Is there a need for more affordable housing in Glen Ellyn? If so, to what degree is the need being met?*

The Glen Ellyn Planning Department reports that our Village meets and exceeds the requirement that 10% of all housing stock in a community be affordable, as defined in the Illinois “Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act (AHPAA). The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn believes however, that as older multi-family housing and other properties continue to be redeveloped into higher-priced housing, and single-family homes continue to increase in value, meeting and exceeding this minimal threshold will not be sustained unless proactive steps are taken by the Village.

As the Village assesses housing needs, consideration also needs to be given to changing demographics, including the housing needs of our aging population, persons with disabilities, of singles and young married couples, many just beginning their professional careers, and the increasing number of people working in service sector jobs.

Glen Ellyn has the opportunity through thoughtful, informed and deliberate planning to influence the types and price points of housing especially within the downtown retail and transit-oriented district. Deliberate planning can result in housing that appeals to and is affordable for people with a wide range of incomes and lifestyles, and promotes a vibrant, welcoming community. This will require the Village to purposefully use its zoning and approval process to influence developers, based on the Village’s Comprehensive Plan and with input from the community.

The League encourages the Village to require builders of large multifamily developments to include a percentage of affordable housing as well as encourage the use of tools, such as inclusionary zoning and density variances as a way to leverage well-planned housing development.

B. *Is there a need for more temporary shelter in Glen Ellyn?*

There is a major need for shelter with case management to help homeless persons become situated in adequate residences. During the 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic, DuPage PADS congregational model has shifted to emergency housing in hotels. DuPage PADS has since purchased a hotel in Downers Grove in 2021. There is a need to find more permanent housing, and this should continue to be pursued.

2. Employment

Is employment a problem in Glen Ellyn?

Despite the fact that there are programs to assist people looking for employment, transportation and child care issues remain a problem.

3. Public Transportation

Is there a need for improved public transportation in Glen Ellyn?

The public transportation system in DuPage County needs to be better coordinated and enlarged in order to serve the community adequately.

4. Needs of Senior Citizens

How have the needs of senior citizens changed? Are the identified needs being met?

The infrastructure exists to help seniors manage everyday life and stay as long as possible in their homes. The Glen Ellyn Senior Center provides many services to residents 60 years of age and older and is supported by the Village of Glen Ellyn. Transportation, continues to be a problem. Additional concerns are mental health and housing.

5. Children and Family Support Services

A. *Are childcare and support services for Glen Ellyn's young families adequate?*

Childcare and many support services are available, some on sliding fee scales. Subsidized childcare opportunities may be limited, but do exist. The 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic exposed the unmet needs for childcare, before and after school care programs, and summer and vacation programs for families in all socio-economic categories. For many children in Glen Ellyn, our public schools are the most stable part of their lives. Social workers and counselors play an important role in meeting the needs of children and families, but there's also a continued need to expand services and access for all families.

B. *Are services for 6th through 12th graders and their families adequate?*

The overwhelming concerns for our teens are related to mental health and suicide as a result of social-emotional challenges. The 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic has exacerbated these concerns. In response, the Village increased their support for Glen Ellyn Youth and Family Counseling Service which provides mental health services and counseling. The Glenbard Parent Series (GPS) provides programs on mental health issues and parenting topics. Yet, this may not be enough to meet the mounting need. Race and culture matter. Local Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) efforts attempt to address these issues. In addition, the limited programming currently offered to this age group through public funded sources such as the schools and Park District should be improved and expanded.

The Relationship of Local Government and Local Business in Glen Ellyn Consensus (1996) (Updated 2011) (Updated 2013)

A. The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn believes that the Village government should:

1. Support, as a funding priority, economic development in business and retention.
2. Support a professional business recruiter in the office of planning and development.
3. Evaluate tax rebates and increments carefully, case by case, as to their impact on all aspects of the community.
4. Encourage maintenance of the Roosevelt Road Aesthetic Plan (proposed 1996), and continue emphasis on aesthetics in the Central Business District.

B. The League also believes that it is critical to educate the residents of Glen Ellyn about the value of supporting local business by promoting:

1. Shopping in the Village.
2. Using tax revenues to sustain a healthy business climate.

Comprehensive Plan Consensus (2000 – revised 2003 – revised 2015)

Revision reflects the adoption of the new comprehensive plan in 2001. All of the points of concern from our 1987 and 2000 studies are presented here, organized in the order of appearance in the plan.

Reference the need for a stoplight at Spring & Rt 53 eliminated (accomplished!). Items 1, 2, 5, 7, 11 are from the 1987 position, the rest are from the 2000 position.

The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn strongly supports the need for continual review and updating of the Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Glen Ellyn (current version adopted April, 2001). As the plan is used and implemented, LWVGE particularly supports and/or is concerned about the following elements (listed in Plan order, not in order of importance):

1. Providing for ecological balance and maintaining Village character through preservation of trees and reforestation.
2. Providing access to parks and open space for all residential neighborhoods.
3. Encouraging residential development that provides for a range of housing types and costs reflective of the present and anticipated future needs of the Village's population and that maintains the current 60/40 ratio of single-family to multi-family dwellings and incorporates Illinois affordability ratios.
4. Zoning that ensures preservation of open space, light, air and accessibility; and that specifically controls house size in relation to lot size and limits bulk or volume. (For LWVGE's complete position on teardown-related issues, see the 1993 House Size in Relation to Lot Size Consensus.)
5. Using density definitions for guidance in the plan and for implementation in the Zoning Code that specifically include 10 to 18 units per acre for medium density housing, and 6 to 10 units per acre for low density attached housing. LWVGE strongly advocates development of a similarly clear definition of high-density housing for downtown that is acceptable to the community.
6. Continuing to seek ways of broadening the tax base while maintaining the basic character of the Village.
7. Working with IDOT to limit widening of IL Rte. 53 to no more than three lanes with a plan that complements adjacent land development, enhances the Village's image and character, and is safe and convenient for bicyclists and pedestrians as well as motorists.
8. Providing solutions to parking problems in the central business district that conform to the Village's environmental standards and character.
9. Pursuing the feasibility of providing public transportation to link various key locations within the Village.
10. Working cooperatively with DuPage County to develop the proposed trail along the East branch of the DuPage River, including a grade-separated crossing and a 10-foot riparian buffer.
11. Continuing development of the proposed north/south trail connecting the central business district and the College of DuPage, eventually linking to other trails. The bike lane that has been created on Lambert Rd. between Roosevelt Rd. and COD is a step toward achieving this goal.
12. Developing/implementing zoning in the downtown area that promotes the co-existence of retail, commercial, office and residential dwellings.
13. Restricting buildings in the central business district to 3 or 4 stories, when possible; and, otherwise, requiring that they be of the same scale as adjacent buildings in height and mass and consistent with factors for consideration as outlined in the Village's Comprehensive Plan.
14. Continuing and maintaining the beautification of the Roosevelt Road corridor.
15. Providing ample opportunities for public/community input to plans for revised traffic flow at Five Corners, which must be coordinated with DuPage County.

Glen Ellyn Selection of Village and Library Board Offices (2008) (2022)

It is the consensus of the League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn that the Civic Betterment Party (CBP) serves the purpose of identifying nominees as potential CBP candidates for Village offices (Village President, Village Trustee, and Library Board) in the IL Consolidated Election. We believe the CBP's intent is to be inclusive of all who reside within the Village limits. We agree that the CBP process has yielded many qualified candidates who may not have considered a run for political office had they not been encouraged by a member of the CBP.

However, we are concerned that many of the residents of the Village are not knowledgeable about the CBP and that there is a perception that the process is exclusive and lacks transparency. We encourage the CBP to increase awareness of the organization by consistently updating their website, using social media,

including Facebook, Instagram, and other social media platforms, and by partnering with a wide range of community and civic organizations to identify candidates for their nominating committee and to promote participation in their biennial Town Meeting. We also recommend that they consider strategies to increase voter turn-out, including Drive-Thru voting. Consistent with our recommendation in 2008, we suggest the CBP explore dropping the word “party” from their name and substituting committee, organization, or another suitable word, that better reflects their function and to address perceptions of exclusivity.

The LWVGE recommends that CBP provide written procedures for all of their processes (i.e., selection of members of the nominating committee, identification of nominees, slating of candidates for public office, voter eligibility and all other voting procedures). We also recommend that CBP periodically review their bylaws and their online content to ensure that there is consistency between the two. CBP procedures and practices should be readily available to the public and monitored for compliance.

Lastly, LWVGE suggests the time between when the nominating committee first convenes and when the Town Meeting occurs be lengthened. According to the CBP bylaws, the nominating committee must meet by September 1st, preceding the Town Meeting which historically takes place at the end of November. This is too short a period of time to organize the committee, develop questions to be asked of the candidates, identify and interview candidates, and decide on candidates. It is suggested that this process begin no later than the spring preceding the Town Meeting.

It is the consensus of the League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn that the current “Guidelines for Participation in the Local Nominating Process”, as published in the policy section of its handbook, is valid.

PARK DISTRICT POSITIONS

Glen Ellyn Park District Positions (1989) (revised 2005) (2019) (2023)

1. *The League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn supports the Glen Ellyn Park District Mission as stated here:*

The Glen Ellyn Park District is driven to foster diverse, community- based leisure opportunities, through a harmonious blend of quality recreation programs, facilities and open space which will enhance the quality of life into the future.

2. *Land Acquisition and Park District Development:* The League supports the continued exploration of land acquisition to meet the Park District Mission when financially feasible and appropriate, including scattered vacant lots or unique parcels. The League encourages the Glen Ellyn Park District to continue to pursue annexation of properties contiguous to current boundaries.

3. *Intergovernmental and Public Cooperation:* We encourage continued cooperation and open dialogue between the Park District and other public and private facilities for the public benefit. Continued Intergovernmental cooperation is to be encouraged between the Glen Ellyn Park District and other government bodies, such as other park districts, the Glen Ellyn Recreation Commission, school districts, Village government, and the DuPage County Forest Preserve District.

4. *Recreation and Facilities Development:* The League of Women Voters recommends that the Glen Ellyn Park District actively seek broad community input during its planning processes and before adoption of any long-range plan.

- We encourage a continuing dialogue with the community to ensure informed support of Park District facilities, services, programs, and financing.
- We recommend that the Park District continue to foster emerging sports and accept responsibility for management of recreation programs that have become too large for volunteers to manage.

- We recommend that the Park District continue scholarship programs that allow all children to participate.
5. *Park Maintenance:* We agree that the Glen Ellyn Park District should follow a well-planned program of maintenance of existing parks and equipment. The LWVGE supports sustainable maintenance practices aligned with State and National League positions on natural resources. For example:
- Develop an anti-idling policy for the Park District fleet (LWVUS air quality pollution position).
 - Encourage a reduction in pesticide use through the promotion of management programs such as integrated pest management, sustainable agriculture and non-toxic control techniques (LWVIL position on pesticides).
 - Focus on water conservation and water pollution prevention parks (LWVIL position on water).
 - Other sustainable maintenance practices aligned with the LWVUS Position on Natural Resources.
6. *Finances:* The District’s finances should be based on a solid foundation of responsible planning and forecasting. We urge a continuing dialogue with the community to ensure informed support of Park District financing.
- We encourage the District to provide free and low-cost programming for low-income families, setting a threshold designated to meet the needs of our most vulnerable citizens.
 - We support the mission of the Friends of the Glen Ellyn Parks, a 501(c)(3) that benefits the Park District and the community-at-large.

EDUCATION POSITIONS

1. Quality Education (2023)

We reaffirm our support of quality education. Quality education should be sufficiently diverse to meet the needs of all students. Public education should provide a foundation for lifelong learning, which includes critical thinking and communication skills, as well as fundamental knowledge to function independently in society.

Some of the ways to achieve these goals include:

- reasonable and appropriate class size
- teachers and administrators who meet high professional standards
- teachers and administrators maintained in positions for which they are trained
- quality and equity throughout the system of physical plant, program and materials
- mutual trust and communication between the community and school system.

Adequate resources are necessary to accomplish these goals, and they should include sufficient constitutionally-mandated state funding and exploration of alternative sources of funding. We support a balanced budget, but not at the expense of quality education.

It is in the interest of the entire community to invest in and support public education. Moreover, the League firmly believes it is also the obligation of the citizens of a participatory democracy to support public education to foster an informed electorate.

2. School Consolidation Study Consensus (1984)

It is the consensus of the League of Women Voters of Glen Ellyn that the League not encourage consolidation of Elementary School Districts #41 and #89 at this time. We do recommend continuing cooperation between the districts and expanding cooperation wherever possible.

Consolidation of Elementary Districts 41 and 89 is feasible. Both districts have similar tax rates, financial resources, demographics, facilities, educational philosophies, programs and administrative structures. However, no overriding advantages were determined that would lead the League to encourage consolidation at this time.

Philosophy and structure of certain special programs, including gifted education and special education, differ substantially and would be difficult though not impossible to reconcile.

Possible expansion of curriculum in a consolidated district would require increased transportation of students.

There would be some reduction in administrative costs, but this would probably be offset by increases in the cost of teachers' salaries and benefits due the fact that the two districts have differing contract packages.

Consolidating Elementary District #41 and #89 would result in a single elementary district encompassing almost all of Glen Ellyn and its planning jurisdiction. However, such a district would also include parts of Wheaton, Lombard, Downers Grove, Glendale Heights and Carol Stream, as well as large unincorporated areas. Moreover, the students of this district would continue to attend two different high schools, Glenbard West and Glenbard South.

3. The Status of Facilities in School Districts 41 & 89 (2013) (revised 2019, 2023)

Information has been provided by a questionnaire sent to the superintendents of both districts in November, 2018. Both CCSD89 and D41 have addressed updates for infrastructure, security, technology, media centers and playgrounds, as well as accessibility. Early Childhood Education is provided in both districts.

D89 – Based on the information provided by the District, it was determined that the current facilities in CCSD89 are adequate to meet both current and projected enrollment needs. Increased enrollment has necessitated some boundary changes and has brought class sizes to the higher end of the target range. Although enrollment is projected to increase, current facilities appear adequate to meet both current and long-range program needs. However, some space may need to be repurposed to meet changing program needs. Full-day kindergarten is provided in all buildings. The District does not currently own any vacant land.

D41- Capital improvement funds were used for additions to all elementary schools to replace the portables but did not provide extra room for enrollment growth. A referendum in 2017 provided additional classrooms at Hadley Junior High to replace the portables. The 10-room addition and renovations to the existing building addressed the need for flexible learning environments at Hadley as well as designated music space. All current available classroom space is being utilized in all buildings with a shortage of space for student support services and non-classroom space.

The D41 enrollment figures are projected to remain stable for the foreseeable future. However, the Village of Glen Ellyn is projecting additional residential developments. The District is exploring options to move the preschool program out of Forest Glen to provide more classroom space. There is no space available in any of the buildings to provide full-day kindergarten. The District owns 4.73 acres of vacant land (old Spalding School site) which could accommodate a small school.

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING SCHOOL REFERENDA (2005)

Use the School Referenda criteria adopted in 2005 to evaluate the current status of our school districts in the event of a referendum. The criteria act as a basis on which to examine districts in areas of finance and program, but will not prohibit a broad-based study in the future.

Criteria for Evaluating School Funding Referenda

1. Is the funding request consistent with the other positions of the LWVUS, LWVIL, and the LWV of Glen Ellyn?
2. Has the school board communicated the reasons for seeking additional funding through accessible public channels, for example open meetings, web sites, news releases, community mailings, pamphlets, etc.?
3. Has the opportunity been provided for citizens to respond to the school board's proposal for increased local school funding?
4. Has the school board demonstrated fiscal responsibility in the following ways?
 - a. Implementation of cost-effective measures, including but not limited to identifying operating inefficiencies such as utility costs, outside contracts, transportation routes;
 - b. Long range planning (within a range of three to five years), including projections of income and expenses and their effect on reserves, programs, and personnel;
 - c. Continued evaluation of the need and cost-effectiveness of programs;
 - d. Search for other suitable sources of revenue, e.g., charitable foundation grants;
 - e. Pursuit of intergovernmental cooperative agreements for improved delivery of services or cost savings.
5. Do income and expense or enrollment projections indicate current and/or future financial difficulty? Consider the following:
 - a. Budgeted expenditures have exceeded budgeted revenues in one or more funds and in more than one fiscal year.
 - b. The working cash fund has been closed out and (1) has been combined with repeated short-term borrowing, or (2) the debt incurred is not being systematically retired.
 - c. There has been repeated postponement of (1) maintenance actions, (2) purchases of instructional materials, or (3) program implementation.
 - d. There has been late payment of debt service, salaries, or contributions to pension funds (signaling that a fiscal crisis has already occurred).
 - e. Financial institutions have imposed a limit on borrowing. The school district bond rating has changed (signaling a fiscal crisis has already occurred).
 - f. Have unique financial hardships been imposed on the district (e.g., tax caps, tax exempt properties, TIF districts, rapidly increasing enrollment, property reassessment, and other unfunded state and federal mandates)?
 - g. Have future educational or demographic trends which may require additional funding been considered, e.g., increasing use of technology, increasing special education costs, "at-risk," bilingual, special needs?

- 6a. Is passage of the referendum essential to maintain, restore, or achieve the established educational goals of the district? Consider the following in comparison with comparable districts:
- (1) Cost-per-pupil expenditures, as defined in the State Report Card, are within an acceptable range.
 - (2) An acceptable student-teacher ratio and student-administrator ratio, as defined in the State Report Card, are offered.
 - (3) Salaries for teachers and administrators are competitive enough to attract highly qualified, talented personnel.
 - (4) The curriculum and program are competitive and of a high enough standard to prepare students for their future.

– OR –

- 6b. Is passage of the referendum proposal essential for maintaining the physical plant for health, safety, and educational needs, e.g., *increased enrollment space need, asbestos abatement, compliance with ADA requirements*?
7. In determining the amount of the referendum were the district's current reserves considered? Is any portion thereof being used to reduce this referendum? If not, why not?
8. Are there unique community factors that could affect the League's position on the referendum?

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING REFERENDA BY LOCAL TAXING BODIES OTHER THAN SCHOOLS (2017)

1. Is the funding request consistent with the other positions of the LWVUS, LWVIL, and the LWV of Glen Ellyn?
2. Has the Governing Board communicated the reasons for seeking additional funding through accessible public channels, for example open meetings, web sites, news releases, community mailings, pamphlets, etc.?
3. Has the opportunity been provided for citizens to respond to the Board's proposal for increased local funding?
4. Has the Board demonstrated fiscal responsibility in the following ways?
 - a. Implementation of cost-effective measures, including but not limited to identifying operating inefficiencies such as utility costs and outside contracts;
 - b. Long range planning (within a range of three to five years), including projections of income and expenses and their effect on reserves, programs, and personnel;
 - c. Continued evaluation of the need and cost-effectiveness of programs;
 - d. Search for other suitable sources of revenue, e.g., state and federal grants;
 - e. Pursuit of intergovernmental cooperative agreements for improved delivery of services or cost savings.
5. Do income and expense projections indicate current and/or future financial difficulty? Consider the following:
 - a. Budgeted expenditures have exceeded budgeted revenues more than one fiscal year;
 - b. The debt incurred is not being systematically retired;
 - c. There has been repeated postponement of (1) maintenance actions, (2) capital purchases, or (3) program implementation;
 - d. There has been late payment of debt service, salaries, or contributions to pension funds (signaling

- that a fiscal crisis has already occurred);
- e. The bond rating has changed (signaling a fiscal crisis has already occurred);
 - f. Have unique financial hardships been imposed on the governing body (e.g., tax caps, TIF Districts, other unfunded state and federal mandates)?
- 6a. Is passage of the referendum essential to maintain, restore, or achieve the established program goals of the governing body or necessary public services?

– OR –

- 6b. Is passage of the referendum proposal essential for maintaining the physical plant for health, safety and environmental needs? (e.g., increased space needs, asbestos abatement, compliance with ADA requirements)
7. In determining the amount of the referendum, were the governing body's current reserves considered? Is any portion thereof being used to reduce this referendum? If not, why not?
8. Are there unique community factors that could affect the League's position on the referendum? For example, have demographic trends which may require additional funding been considered.

STATE POSITIONS – LWV OF ILLINOIS 2023-2025

To access State League Positions:

1. *Where We Stand*: Go to <https://www.lwvil.org/where-we-stand>
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NATIONAL POSITIONS – LWV OF THE UNITED STATES 2022-2024

To access National Positions:

1. Go to my.lwv.org/lwvus/positions. The positions are listed and updated.
2. *Impact on Issues* helps to use LWWUS public policy positions effectively
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3. *Take Action*: for current actions go to <https://my.lwv.org/lwvus>

LWVUS INCLUSION POLICY

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION POLICY

LWV is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to the organization’s current and future success in engaging all individuals, households, communities, and policy makers in creating a more perfect democracy.

There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, gender identity, ethnicity, race, native or indigenous origin, age, generation, sexual orientation, culture, religion, belief system, marital status, parental status, socioeconomic status, language, accent, ability status, mental health, educational level or background, geography, nationality, work style, work experience, job role function, thinking style, personality type, physical appearance, political perspective or affiliation and/or any other characteristic that can be identified as recognizing or illustrating diversity.



“If women are expected to do the same work as men, we must teach them the same things.”
—Plato



“I raise my voice not so I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard. We cannot succeed when half of us are held back.”

— Malala Yousafzai



“When women do better, economies do better.”
—Christine Lagarde
President of the European Central Bank

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LOCAL GOVERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

VILLAGE OF GLEN ELLYN

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Village Board of Trustees	https://glenellyn.org/300/Board-of-Trustees
Architectural Appearance Com. Commission	https://glenellyn.org/772/Architectural-Appearance-Commission
Board of Fire & Police Com. Commissioners	https://glenellyn.org/286/Board-of-Police-and-Fire-Commissioners
Building Board of Appeals	https://glenellyn.org/269/Building-Board-of-Appeals
Capital Improvements Com.	https://glenellyn.org/270/Capital-Improvements-Commission
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Environmental Commission	https://glenellyn.org/631/Environmental-Commission
Finance Commission	https://glenellyn.org/271/Finance-Commission
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Pension Board	https://glenellyn.org/287/Police-Pension-Board
Recreation Commission	https://glenellyn.org/289/Recreation-Commission
Zoning Board of Appeals	https://glenellyn.org/291/Zoning-Board-of-Appeals

Glen Ellyn Library Board	https://gepl.org	630-469-0879
Glen Ellyn Park District Board	https://gepark.org	630-858-2462
Elementary District 41 Board	https://www.d41.org/board	630-790-6400
Elementary District 89 Board	https://www.ccsd89.org/domain/65	630-469-8900
Glenbard High School District 87 Board	https://www.glenbard87.org	630-469-9100
College Of DuPage District 502 Board	https://www.cod.edu	630-942-2800
DuPage County Board	https://www.dupageco.org/cobrd/	630-407-6000
DuPage County Clerk/Election Division	https://www.dupageco.org/election/	630-407-5600
DuPage Forest Preserve Board	https://www.dupageforest.org	630-871-6400
DuPage Water Commission	http://www.dpwc.org/	630-834-0100
Milton Township Board	https://www.miltontownship.net	630-668-1616

VOTER INFORMATION

Who can register to vote

To register to vote, you must meet these qualifications:

- You must be a United States Citizen.
- You must be 17 years old on or before the date of the Primary Election and turn 18 on or before the date of the General or Consolidated Election.
- You must live in your election precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.
- You must not be serving a sentence of confinement in any penal institution because of a conviction.
- You cannot claim the right to vote anywhere else.

Where and how to register to vote

To vote, you must be a registered voter. You can register:

- By using a paper application or by a LWV Deputy Registrar in person up to 28 days prior to an election.
- During “Grace Period Registration for Voting” in person at DuPage County Elections Division or at early voting sites.
- Using online registration available through the 15th day prior to Election Day.
- At your polling location on the day of the election.
- When you apply for an Illinois driver’s license or ID card at the Department of Motor Vehicles.

To apply electronically you must provide:

- Your Illinois Driver’s License number or Illinois Secretary of State issued State ID number.
- Date the license or ID was issued.
- The last four digits of your Social Security number.
- Your birthdate.

*More detailed information and a link to register online are available at
<https://www.dupageco.org/Election/Voting/37059/>*

Contact VoterServices.lwvge@gmail.com for information about getting registered by a one of the LWVGE Volunteer Deputy Registrars.

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Voter Registration: Jen Bystry and Kim Dorn

Contact us at: voterservices.lwvge@gmail.org

Candidate Information: <https://illinoisvoterguide.org/>

What We Do:

- Keep abreast of developments and legislation relating to voting rights
- Organize candidate forums in election years
- Plan and host voter registration events
- Arrange for certification and re-certification of LWVGE registrars
- Assist with Mock Elections at area high schools
- Plan and conduct Get Out the Vote campaigns
- Work with other LWVGE committees to promote Voter services’ events and communicate updates regarding voting rights and election information
- Uphold the Leagues mission of empowering voters and defending democracy!

LEAGUE GLOSSARY

ACTION: Leagues act on current program positions and on principles. Action is directed at all branches of government and includes such forms as lobbying, monitoring, and litigation. Leagues may be called to act by a “Time for Action” from LWVIL or an “Action Alert” from LWVUS.

ANNUAL MEETING: Meeting held each fiscal year for the entire membership in order to elect officers, adopt local program, and conduct other business.

BOARD MEETINGS: Board meetings are open to all members. Please see the schedule on the Calendar.

BUDGET: A detailed estimate of the financial needs and income of a League is prepared annually by an appointed committee, presented to the Board, and adopted by members at the annual meeting. LWVGE budget year runs from May 1 to April 30.

CANDIDATES’ FORUM: An open meeting at which all candidates for local elected positions are invited to speak to the public. Efforts are made to encourage public participation.

CONSENSUS: Member agreement among a substantial number of members, reached after sustained study of an issue. Although group discussion is the most common means for determining agreement, other methods such as questionnaire or concurrence may be used.

CONCURRENCE: The act of agreeing with a position. Groups of League members or League Boards can concur with recommendations of a resource committee or unit group, decision statements formulated by League Boards, or positions reached by another League or Leagues.

GENERAL / UNIT MEETING: A meeting of the entire League, other than an Annual meeting, held to present information on a League program item. The public is invited to such meetings. Also known as Community Meeting.

ILO: Abbreviation for Inter–League Organization. An ILO is made up of the members of the entire local Leagues in a certain area organized to promote matters of common concern.

NON–PARTISAN: The League at all levels is non–partisan, meaning the League as a whole will not support or oppose any political party or candidates. Each local League Board sets its own guidelines for following this concept within its community.

OBSERVER: A League member who “sits in” on local government Board and Commission meetings, and then writes an observer’s report. Observers do not participate in the meetings they are observing. The observer program ensures the citizen’s right to know.

PMP: Abbreviation for Per Member Payment. PMP is assessed annually and paid by the local League to the LWVIL and the LWVUS.

PORTFOLIO: Board Member’s job / area of responsibility.

POSITION: An expression of League’s point of view regarding an issue. It forms the basis for League action. Positions are broad statements, which reflect the stance taken on an issue as the result of study and consensus (member agreement). Position statements are reached for all levels of government— local, county, state and national.

PROGRAM: Governmental issues chosen for concerted study and action at the local, state and national levels.

STUDY GROUP: A research committee, which is formed under the leadership of a chairperson to:
1) study a specific program, 2) present information to members in order to take consensus (member agreement), and 3) present the Board of Directors with a written report of the study and consensus

UNIT MEETINGS: Meetings are open to all members and guests are welcomed.

“VOTER”: The name of the League bulletin, published periodically and sent to all members locally.

VOTER SERVICE: An ongoing service provided by the League to the community, including voter registration, candidate forums, voter information bulletins and publications, speakers on government, etc. In keeping with the League’s non-partisan policy, Voter Service actions present all sides of an issue and all candidates. Voter Service is separate from action on League positions.



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Alternating Currents Corp	630-545-9343	21W180 Hill Ave.	Glen Ellyn
Always Great Smiles	630-469-0296	586 Duane St.	Glen Ellyn
Barone's	630-858-0555	475 Pennsylvania Ave.	Glen Ellyn
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Career Vision	630-469-6270	526 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Costello Jewelry	630-790-3272	474 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
D41 Kids Foundation	www.d41kids.org	596 Crescent Blvd.	Glen Ellyn
Danada Square Dental Center	630-665-7474	10 Danada Square West	Wheaton
Fire & Wine	630-793-9955	433 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Gather & Collect	630-469-2558	501 Pennsylvania Ave.	Glen Ellyn
Glen Ellyn Bank & Trust	630-469-3000	357 Roosevelt Rd.	Glen Ellyn
Glen Ellyn Vision Center	630-469-4141	440 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Gorz Group	630-790-5915	45 S. Park Blvd.	Glen Ellyn
Green Branch Florist	630-858-7440	485 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Health Track	630-942-9600	875 Roosevelt Rd.	Glen Ellyn
Karen Anderson Real Estate Group	630-800-0055	479 N Main St Suite 230	Glen Ellyn
Kinsey Software	630-858-4866	26 N. Park Blvd.	Glen Ellyn
Leonard Memorial Home	630-469-0033	565 Duane St.	Glen Ellyn
Linea Hair Salon	630-790-8001	518 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Marcel's Culinary	630-790-8500	490 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Marche	630-790-8890	496 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Olive 'n Vinnie's	630-306-0283	449 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Papier Girl	630-469-4266	413 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Paul's Shoe Service	630-790-1030	486 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
PEP - Partnership for Educational Progress	630-942-7656	596 Crescent Blvd.	Glen Ellyn
Pinnacle Packaging	773-235-6060	2200 S. Main St., Ste. 214	Lombard
Prairie Food Co-Op	www.prairiefood.coop		
Prince's Table	630-469-4150	530 Duane St.	Glen Ellyn
RE:NEW	630-547-2176	483 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Reserve 22	630-469-5550	485 Winchell Way	Glen Ellyn
String Theory	630-469-6085	477 N. Main St.	Glen Ellyn
Ten Thousand Villages	630-790-1166	503 Pennsylvania Ave.	Glen Ellyn
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