



Chester County  
**VOTER**  
 The League of Women Voters of Chester County, PA

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# LWVCC ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 18TH

**Annual Meeting is Election Day for our organization ...**

**Don't be a Spectator: *Come & Exercise your Vote!***

*Time & Place: Chadds Ford Historical Society*

*1736 Creek Road (formerly Rte. 100), Chadds Ford PA 19317*

*Appetizers & Light Dinner beginning at 5:00 p.m.*

*Annual Meeting Call to Order: 6:00 p.m. - Business Mtg. Adjourn: 8:15 p.m.*

**League Contacts, Numbers, & Websites**

**Chester County:** 610 644-5960 [www.palwv.org/chesco](http://www.palwv.org/chesco) [www.healthyfrog.org](http://www.healthyfrog.org)

**Southeastern PA (SEPR):** 215 474 7669 [www.palwv.org/SEPR](http://www.palwv.org/SEPR)

**Pennsylvania :** 800 692-7281 [www.palwv.org](http://www.palwv.org)

**United States** 202 429-1965 [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org)

**LWVCC Officers:** Co-Presidents: Jean Goerth & Pat Horrocks, 1st VicePresident: Charlotte Gosselink, 2nd VicePresident: Marylou Dondero, Secretary: Marg Perina, Treasurer: Joan Safford,

**LWVCC Board of Directors:** Sarah Caspar, Alma Forsyth, Barbar DeWilde, Anna Guglielmo, Marilyn Gross, Meryl Rothman, Norma Smith

**LWVCC Voter Editor:** Susan Fields [sudofields@gmail.com](mailto:sudofields@gmail.com)

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## LWVCC BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2009-2010

## INCOME

	Year-to-Date	Budget	
		2008-2009	2009-2010
A. Dues			
1. Full Members (08-09: 115 @ \$60) 09-10: 113 @ \$65	6,390.00	6900	7345.00
2. Household 2nd member (08-09: 8@ \$30) 09-10: 9@\$32.50	270.00	240	292.50
3. Student Members (\$20 ea.)	20.00		
4. Voter Mailing Fee			300.00
B. Contributions			
1. Member			
a. Cash	509.00	500.00	450.00
b. Election Work	250.00	800.00	400.00
c. In-Kind	28.32	200.00	50.00
d. Restricted use--educational	350.00		
2. Non-member			
a. Cash (Legislative Directory & Bookmarks)		550.00	600.00
3. Memorial Gifts			
C. Other Sources			
1. Fund Raisers			
a. General (Genuardi's, Boscov's, Macy's)	93.42	200.00	25.00
b. Fundraiser		575.00	
c. Web sales (sales tax due)			
2. Interest Income	136.29	300.00	200.00
3. Education Fund from PA004		400.00	
4. Legislative Lunch	458.00	600.00	600.00
5. FarmTour	1,020.75	1,700.00	
6. Savings			658.50
7. Other			
8. Directory Ads			400.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$9,525.78</b>	<b>\$12,965.00</b>	<b>\$11,321.00</b>

Assets As of Dates Shown			
Checking Account-2/28/09			
Less Uncleared Checks-2/28/09			
Savings Account-12/31/08			
CDs: 5647.32 and 2086.18			
Total			
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>Budget</b>	<b>Budget</b>
	<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>2009-2010</b>
A. Operating Costs			
1. Liability Insurance	125.00	125.00	125.00
2. LWVCC Phone	174.36	260.00	260.00
B. Board/Administrative Expenses			
1. President		100.00	50.00
2. Secretary		25.00	25.00
3. Treasurer		65.00	30.00
4. Board Tools Expenses	93.80	25.00	25.00
5. Administrative Committees			
a. Membership			
1) Directory Printing & Mailing	719.63	350.00	800.00
2) Recruiting/Retention	55.55	150.00	75.00
b. Public Relations		100.00	100.00
c. Meeting Expenses			
1) Legislative Lunch	359.78	600.00	600.00
2) Commissioners Lunch		120.00	150.00
3) Other		50.00	
C. Fund Raising	48.43		50.00
D. Delegates/Travel/Affiliations			
1. State/National Conventions		1,800.00	800.00
E. Financial Support LWV			
1. PMP LWVPA (08-09: 111 full @ \$19 + 8 halves @ \$9.50)	1,638.87	2,185.00	
09-10: 113 full @ \$20 + 9 halves @ \$10			2350.00
2. PMP LWVUS (08-09: 111 full x \$29 + 8 halves x \$14.50)	1,703.50	3,335.00	
09-10: 113 full@ \$29.20 + 9 halves @ \$14.60			3431.00
3. SEPR (estimated Jan. 2008 membership x \$0.40)		50.00	50.00

F. Voter	Year-to-Date	Budget 2008-2009	Budget 2009-2010
1. Printing	348.54	475.00	300.00
2. Mailing	171.34	200.00	(combined)
<b>G. Educational Activities</b>			
1. Publications Purchased			
2. Legislative Directory, Bookmarks	463.02	600.00	600.00
3. Local Programs	554.00	400.00	500.00
4. Web Site		100.00	100.00
5. Other	3.82		
6. Voters Service			700.00
a. Candidates Forums	261.43	200.00	*
b. Projects	407.17	250.00	*
7. Voters Guide			150.00
8. Study Committees	28.32		50.00
<b>H. Memorial Projects</b>			
I. Farm Tour	1,095.75	1,400.00	
J. Sales Tax			
K. Miscellaneous			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$8,252.31</b>	<b>\$12,965.00</b>	<b>\$11,321.00</b>

Explanations:

G.6. \* Instead of the present division of Voters Service into Candidates Forums and Projects, we are proposing: Printing & materials \$240, Postage \$100 and Phone \$360 (totalling the \$700 shown)

<b>EDUCATION FUND</b>		<b>Budget 2008-2009</b>	<b>Budget 2009-2010</b>
	Year to date		
Income			
Phonathon		400.00	150.00
Member Contributions - Unrestricted	70.00	100.00	100.00
Member Contributions - Restricted			
Member- Election Work	50.00		
Unrestricted NonMember			
Restricted NonMember			
Memorial Contribution			
Total	<b>\$120.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>

Education Fund Assets	
LWVUS Education Fund PA004 as of 1/31/09	
Restricted to Civil Liberties	175.00
General Restricted	92.98
Unrestricted (available for PMP)	
K W Rauschenberger Memorial Fund	
Total	<b>\$267.98</b>

## Explanation:

The \$479 used for PMP was received in late June from the Phonathon, election night work and a member donation.

## 2009 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2009 Nominating Committee proposes the following slate:

**OFFICERS:**

**Co-Presidents:** Jean Goerth , Pat Horrocks (08-10)

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President** Charlotte Gosselink (08-10)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President** Mary Lou Dondero (09-11)

**Secretary** Marg Perina (08-10)

**Treasurer** Joan Safford (09-11)

**DIRECTORS:**

Meryle Rothman (09-11)

Barbara DeWilde (09-11)

Alma Forsyth (09-11)

Anna Marie Guglielmo (08-10)

Marilyn Gross (08-10)

Norma Smith (09-10)

**2010 NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Susan Fields (Chair ), Carol Bland, June Waterman

Respectfully submitted,

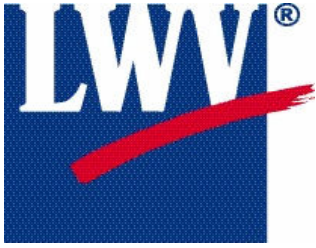
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## CONSENSUS REPORT: National Popular Vote Compact

The Chester County League met in two groups in March and April to discuss the National Popular Vote Compact, a proposed compact between states which, if enacted, would result in election of president and vice president by national popular vote without a Constitutional amendment. The National League has been studying the Compact and is taking a consensus of all County Leagues through a series of Consensus Questions.

Although both groups clearly agreed on the importance of electing the president by national popular vote, there was disagreement between the groups on the National League Consensus Questions relating to the Compact vs. a Constitutional amendment. Our report to the National League was therefore "NoConsensus". However the group agreed and reported to National that answering the Consensus Questions was difficult because the questions were unclear and biased. The groups discussions were valuable because they were both stimulating and informative.

*Carol Bossert, Discussion Leader*



May 2009

Dear League Member,

**It is time to renew your membership in the League of Women Voters of Chester County (LWVCC).**

Your support and commitment to the League is greatly appreciated. Although this past year presented many challenges, we were able to get a lot accomplished. There is still much more work to do, especially with voter services, healthcare, education and the environment. Please say yes, you will join us again in our efforts for 2009-2010 by renewing your annual membership today, effective July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

Our political strength lies partly in the number of members that we have, so your **dues and membership are important contributions**. We need to maintain or increase our membership if we are to remain effective. Perhaps you have a friend or relative who is interested in joining the League. Remind them that volunteering is not essential with membership. We welcome individuals at **all levels** of commitment. The additional page can be used for new members & renewing members.

Renew your membership today. Please complete the Interest Survey carefully and mail it with your check. The information that we glean from these surveys helps us provide accurate data for the National Roster and the Membership Directory. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. With your continued support, the League can grow and become even stronger.

*Enclosure (see Voter pages 8 & 9)*

Sincerely,

Meryle Rothman  
2009-2011 Membership Chair  
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Barbara DeWilde (Term Expires 6/18/09)  
2007-2009 Membership Chair  
[dewilde2249@yahoo.com](mailto:dewilde2249@yahoo.com)

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**NEW AND RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP FORM AND INTEREST SURVEY**

**Mail this copy to Meryle Rothman along with your check**

**Membership is for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010**

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**Do you wish to have your VOTER Newsletter sent via Email? \_\_\_\_\_**

**If VOTER sent U.S. MAIL, please include additional \$10 for the year which covers all the issues of the voter for the 2009-2010 year. \_\_\_\_\_**

Name/Names \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Township \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE CHECK AREAS WHERE YOU WANT TO BE INVOLVED.**

**Issue Committees**

- Child Welfare
- Civil Liberties
- Education
- Election Reform
- Energy
- Environment
- Health Care
- Immigration
- International Relations
- Transportation

**Community Services**

- Naturalization Ceremonies
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Sites

**Election Services**

- Candidate Forums
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- Voter's Guide
- Collecting Election Night Ballots

**Administration**

- Refreshments for Meetings
- Fundraising
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