



**JOIN LEAGUE MEMBERS FOR THE LWV ANNUAL MEETING ON
MAY 20, 2025**

The meeting will be held at the Lariat Steakhouse, 2232 W Glen Ave, Peoria. The event will be from 6:00 P.M. - 7:15 P.M., with social time at 5:30 P.M. Twenty percent of membership is needed to attend the program for a quorum. Please plan to attend and help us usher in the new Board! RSVP to cromanus1249@yahoo.com.

Attached is slate of Officers and Board of Directors, as well as the Program Plan. The proposed budget has been published in the April newsletter for your review. Copies of last year's Annual Meeting minutes will be available for review. They will be verified by the two readers: Toni Moretto and Jackie Orren.

NOMINATING SLATE LWVGP FOR 2025-2026

(Openings for 2 additional Board Members)

President	Chris Kaergard	newsletter	2025-26
1 st VP	Theresa Koehler	Membership Chair	2025-27
2 nd VP	Eileen Steed	Voter Service Chair	2025-26
Secretary	Jim Runyon	Observer Chair	2025-26
Treasurer	Sean Koors		2025-27
Board Member	Datika Peeples	Communications Chair	2025-27
Board Member	Sue Russell	Issues & Advocacy	2024-26
Board Member	Hind Abi-Akar	Issues & Advocacy	2025-27
Board Member	Dottie Strickler	Co Chair Membership	2025-27
Board Member	Kristie Collier	Co Chair Programs	2024-26
Board Member	Joan Wojcikewych	Co Chair Programs	2025-27
Past President	Connie Romanus	Advisory	2025-26
	Kristie, Theresa, Joan	Fundraising	2025-26

LWVIL PROGRAM 2025-2026

Voting Rights and Election Processes

The League works to ensure free, fair and accessible elections, promote equitable voter access, protect voting by mail, voter registration, election security, and to standardize best practices and processes across election authorities.

We support initiatives which conform to our positions regarding campaign finance and ethics reform, redistricting, and abolishing the electoral college.

Climate Crisis and Environmental Protection

The League believes that climate change is a serious threat facing our nation and our planet. We advocate for policies to mitigate climate change and adapt to its impacts, including promoting renewable energy sources, reducing reliance on fossil fuels and reducing waste.

We work for environmental justice and policies that ensure an equitable distribution of environmental risks and benefits across all communities. In addition, we support the protection of the air, land, and water to promote healthy ecosystems, biodiversity and a clean and healthful environment.

Equitably Meeting Basic Human Needs

The League advocates for policies that equitably meet basic human needs for all residents, including health care, reproductive health and behavioral health, economic support, housing, education, safety, freedom from violence, and justice.

To support these initiatives, we advocate for a state revenue system that is equitable, progressive, stable, responsive, and simple.