

# *In League*

Newsletter of Athens County League of Women Voters  
April 2010

## *From the Co-presidents*

*April 1, 2010*

*At the March 2nd members' meeting, Ellsworth Holden presented further developments in a process for analyzing public policy issues as a basis for choosing among alternatives. The issue discussed was a Framework for Social Security Reform.*

*On March 6<sup>th</sup>, the LWV Ohio hosted a regional meeting in Athens. Melissa Currence of the LWV of the Cincinnati Area described how local Leagues can use social-networking packages such as Facebook to promote the League. In attendance from Athens County were Debbie Schmieding, Muriel Grim, and Ellsworth Holden.*

*League Members: Our April calendar is VERY FULL! Please participate in as many events as you can.*

*April 6, Members' Meeting. **Guest Speaker: Matthew Martin, Senior Budget Analyst in the State of Ohio Office of Budget and Management.** Join us to hear the perspective of the OBM office and to ask questions of someone at the center of the process. Martin is a native of Athens and holds both a BS and an MS from Ohio University.*

*This is also a League Consensus Meeting on State Taxation and Finance. The meeting will be from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 6, in the Hocking Valley Bank meeting room on Stimson Avenue. The public is invited to attend.*

*The April Board Meeting of the LWVAC will precede the Members' Meeting and will be held at 5:30 P.M. on April 6 in the same HVB meeting room.*

*April 8, Athens Town Hall Meeting, at the Athens Community Center from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. The topic of this evening will be **Athens' Third Century: Problems and Practical Solutions.** The format will be to form small groups to brainstorm solutions to the following contentious community issues: Noise, Signage, Trash, Building Code, Police/Fire Staffing and Safety Issues and Community Vitality and Integration. This public meeting is sponsored by the City of Athens and the League of Women Voters of Athens County.*

*Candidate Forums for the May 4 Primary Election: they will both be in the Library on Home Street in Athens:*

*Thursday, April 15, at 7 P.M. : Democratic candidates for Athens County Commissioner*

*Thursday, April 22, at 7 P.M. : Republican candidates for Congress in the Sixth Congressional District*

*Ellsworth Holden and Carol Patterson, Co-presidents*

# *Meetings*

## **LWVAC GENERAL MEETING**

*Tuesday, April 6, 2010*

*7:00pm*

*Hocking Valley Bank Meeting Room*

*(across the street from the bank on Stimson Avenue)*

*LWVO & LWVAC Consensus Meeting on Taxation and Finance*

*Guest Speaker: Matthew Martin, Senior Budget Analyst in the State of Ohio Office of Budget and Management*

*will share the perspective of the OBM office and answer questions about the topic*

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## **LWVAC ANNUAL MEETING**

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING**

*Thursday, May 13, 2010 at Holiday Inn Express on East State Street*

*Buffet dinner includes  
appetizers, salad, meat or vegetarian lasagna, dessert  
coffee, tea, and wine*

*5:30pm Gathering .... 6:00pm Annual Meeting and Awards ...6:45pm Dinner*

*Speaker: Sky Cone will talk about the changes that occurred in women's clothing during the decade of their political empowerment--the 1920s*

**Please make reservation by May 8. Mail check for \$25 payable to  
League of Women Voters, P.O. Box 5788, Athens, OH 45701**

**Or call 592-3444 or 696-1249**

## Proposed 2010-2011 Budget:

### LWVAC BUDGET FY 2010-11

	Budget FY 2010-11			Budget FY 2010-11	
<u>INCOME</u>	Operating	Op. Fund Comments		Education Fund	Ed Fund Comments
Beginning Balance*	\$335			\$1,527	724 for Mock Election; 803 for Gen'l.
Dues	\$2,780	FY10-11 mbrs=34 individuals@ \$50 & 8 households (16 family) mbrs @ \$85 = 55 total mbrs			
Education Fund				\$150	
Mock Election					
Fund Drive/General Fund	\$300				
Annual Dinner	\$800				
Interest	\$5				
Transfer from Ed Fund	\$300				
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$4,520</b>			<b>\$1,677</b>	
<u>EXPENSE</u>					
Publications	\$50				
Convention & Meetings	\$150				
Fund Drive	\$100				
Newsletter & Program Booklet	\$250				
PMP State (\$23.50/Ind; \$11.75 for 2nd mbr in family)PMP Nat'l.(\$28/Ind; 14 for 2 <sup>nd</sup> mbr in family)	\$2,500	State PMP: \$25; Nat'l. PMP (Proposed):\$29.20			
P.O. Box Fee	\$44				
Voter Education/Services	\$200				
EF/Mock Election	\$0			\$550	300 for PMP; 250 for Mock Elect.
Annual Dinner	\$800				
General Operating	\$150				
Membership Activities	\$50				
Programs/Speakers	\$100				
Miscellaneous	\$126				
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$4,520</b>			<b>\$550</b>	
Ending Balance	\$0			\$1,127	

**Proposed 2010-2011 Slate of Candidates:**

The Nominating Committee Report is not ready at this time but will be sent out as soon as possible. Watch for it!

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*LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ATHENS COUNTY*

**2009-2010 Officers**

Co-Presidents: Ellsworth Holden and Carol Patterson

Co-Vice Presidents: Dana Carlson and Sarah Watling

Secretary: Mary Wryst

Treasurer: Mary Costello

Board Members: Tim Foran, Katherine Jellison, Elaine Mather, Debbie Schmieding, Karen Harvey, Muriel Grim

**Calendar for 2010**

January 5 ===== Consensus Process

January 26 === Town Hall Meeting

February 2 === LWVAC and LWVUS Program Planning Meeting

March 2 ===== Social Security Reform

April 6 ===== Taxation and Finances

April 8 ===== Town Hall Meeting

May 13 ===== Annual Meeting

*For questions about anything you see in the newsletter or for meeting information, email [athensleagueofwomenvoters@gmail.com](mailto:athensleagueofwomenvoters@gmail.com)*

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