From the Co-presidents

We had a lovely turnout for the Annual Meeting on May 13. The speaker, Sky Cone, was outstanding and it was a festive evening with lots of time to socialize. Among the business duties of the evening was the election of officers, board and nominating committee. Congratulations to all.

We are delighted to be serving with you for another year. The new slate will assume their offices on July 1, the start of our fiscal year. July 1st is also the date that 2010-2011 dues come due. If you did not pay at the Annual Meeting, be sure to send dues to Leslie Schaller, our newly elected Treasurer. (4641 Angel Ridge, Athens, OH 45701). Dues remain at $50.

There will be a board meeting on June 1 at the Hocking Valley Bank Meeting room on Stimson Ave. Starting time is 5:30. Officially the meeting is the retiring Board, but we would love to have new board members join us as well.

Please don’t forget our final Town Hall Meeting on June 29 at our Community Center at 6:30. These meetings have been a cornerstone of our community service. We will continue with meetings next year. Thanks for all your participation and special thanks to Milt Greek who has been the coordinator of all of our Town Hall Meetings.

Carol Patterson and Ellsworth Holden, Co-presidents

Officers and Board Members for 2010-2011: Co-Presidents – Carol Patterson and Ellsworth Holden; Vice President – Dana Carlson; Secretary – Mary Wryst; Treasurer – Leslie Schaller; Board of Directors – Mary Costello, Tim Foran, Muriel Grim, Karen Harvey, Debbie Schmieding, vacant seat (member to be appointed)

Next Meeting: Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 1, at 5:30pm at the Hocking Valley Bank Meeting Room on Stimson Avenue across the street from the bank. All members are welcome.
### 2010-2011 Schedule

- **January 5**  
  *Consensus Process*
- **January 26**  
  *Town Hall Meeting*
- **February 2**  
  *LWVAC and LWVUS Program Planning*
- **March 2**  
  *Social Security Reform*
- **April 6**  
  *Taxation and Finances*
- **April 8**  
  *Town Hall Meeting*
- **May 13**  
  *Annual Meeting at Holiday Inn Express on East State Street*

Meeting locations are subject to change and will be announced prior to the meeting.

### Meetings

**Tuesday, June 1, LWVAC board meeting, 5:30pm at the Hocking Valley Bank meeting room.**

**LWVUS Convention-**

- **Atlanta, Georgia**
- **June 11-15, 2010**

### News

**DIRECTION TO THE LWVO BOARD REGARDING ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION AND PMP**

The LWVO board has considered the recommendation that PMP savings might accrue to local Leagues when 70% of their members receive their copies of The Ohio Voter and all other LWVO/EF publications solely by electronic means. The board shares local Leagues’ desire for less expensive, more efficient communication. However, LWVO will realize little significant savings by subdividing our mailing list by individual League—or even if 70% of the entire membership received The Ohio Voter electronically.

**TAXATION AND FINANCE CONSENSUS PROCESS**

During State Convention 2007, the membership decided that update on Taxation and Finance was needed. The Members Only Section of the Website contains the information to complete the Consensus Process by November 30, 2010, including the Study Committee materials, consensus guidelines, consensus questions and the report form. The consensus questions were provided to all members in the latest Ohio Voter Newsletter.

**HISTORIC PHOTOS NEEDED FOR LWVUS CONVENTION SLIDE SHOW**

May 18 was the deadline for submitting historic LWV photos to LWV-Ohio to be shown at LWVUS Convention during a one minute in the spotlight for Ohio at Roll Call time. Unfortunately the LWVAC could not get the word out in time, however if you have some really special photos, the LWVO might still want to use them. Submit photos to the state office at lwvoinfo@lwvohio.org. Make certain to let them know the approximate date/year, the occasion and any other info you may know about the people pictured. They expect to use the photos again at the LWVO 2011 Convention.

**MESSAGE FROM SPIRIT AWARD RECIPIENT DEBBIE SCHMIEDING**

(who was “a little too stunned for an on-the-spot response!” at the annual meeting)

Here is a belated thank you for the honor of the 2010 Spirit Award! Thanks to my mom for being so committed to the work of the League through my childhood. To the awesome work of the indomitable, previous awardees. To dear friends - hard-working and visionary - in the Athens League. And, to the committee. I look forward to many years of ever better government through our shared effort.