League of Women Voters of Tompkins County

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The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government. The league works to increase and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Any person 16 years and older, male or female, may become a League member.

Save the Date!

The League’s Annual Soup & Bread Luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd at the Borg Warner Room in the Tompkins County Public Library (ALERT – this is a different space from last year!!!).

Achieving Beulah Land — A History of Suffrage Activities in Tompkins County will be presented by Elaine Engst, Cornell Library Archivist Emerita, and Carol Kammen, Tompkins County Historian.
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The Natural Resources Committee by Kay Wagner

The Natural Resources Committee is busy planning our upcoming program, to be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, February 25, in the Borg Warner Room of the Tompkins County Public Library.

We are excited that our two speakers will be Hilary Lambert, Steward of the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network, and Andrew Zepp, Executive Director of the Finger Lakes Land Trust. Hilary will talk about environmental problems confronting Cayuga Lake and the many rivers that feed it. Andy will talk about projects the Land Trust is working on that will help to protect the lake and rivers from runoff, sometimes by means of improving critical wetlands. It should be a very interesting program, especially in light of the serious problems we had with toxic algae this past summer. We hope to see you there.

In addition to planning our program we are paying attention to environmental concerns with regard to new building projects, in particular Cornell’s North Campus project and the project on Green Street that is in preliminary planning stages. We are pleased that the Green Street project will include a significant number of affordable housing units of varying sizes.
## Upcoming Events

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<td>Monday, May 6th, at 5:30pm</td>
<td>To be Announced</td>
<td>The League’s Annual Meeting! Dinner and program for all members</td>
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Interested in becoming a league member?

The league would love to have you!

Who can join LWV-TC? Membership is open to all men and women, 16 years or older.

What does membership bring?
Joining the League of Tompkins County automatically enrolls you in the League of Women Voters of New York State and the League of Women Voters of the United States.

Membership includes our Voter newsletter with reports, legislative action, events, news, membership updates, and more. For more information, here is our Membership Booklet.

To join LWV-TC, print and complete the membership form and return it to League of Women Voters of Tompkins County 303 Savage Farm Drive Ithaca, NY 14850

You will receive a packet from the Membership Chair. If you have problems accessing or printing the form, please contact lwvtompkins@gmail.com

Are you interested in being more hands on with the League? If so, then please consider joining our amazing Executive Board!

The nominating committee is searching for a Secretary, a Co-Voter Service, and a President. Each position has a key role, and is supported by the other board members. Please contact Ann Warde or Kay Wagner for more information.
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Important Links

http://lwvtompkins.org/bulletins.html
See all of the League’s Past Bulletins

http://lwvtompkins.org/calendar.html
The League’s Calendar of Events

http://lwv.org/
The National League Website

http://www.lwvny.org/
The State League Website

http://lwvtompkins.org/stand.html
Where the Tompkins County League stands on important issues

http://www.lwvtompkins.org/program_archive.html
A link to previous league sponsored programs which were videotaped.

http://www.lwvtompkins.org/voting.html
Find out when the Upcoming Elections

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