



The Voter



The League of Women Voters of the Space Coast
www.lwv-spacecoast.org

Volume 36: No. 7

March 2017

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

Open Primary Consensus Meeting for Members

Date and Time: - Saturday, March 4 at 2 p.m.
Place: Cocoa Beach Library

Timely Topic Luncheon

What are the options for our students in high school?
Preparing students to enter local high-tech industries through better vocational training and other programs in Brevard County.

Speakers are :

Matt Susin, School Board Member & Janice Scholz, Director of Secondary Leading and Learning.

When: Wednesday, March 22, 2017
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Where: Cocoa High School Auditorium at 2000 Tiger Trail, Cocoa, FL 32926
Cost: \$22.00
Meal will be prepared by students of Cocoa High School's Culinary Arts Program.
Details on meal and options for reservations found at www.lwv-spacecoast.org Contact Doreen Archer at 321-622-4071 if you have questions.
Public is invited.

| In This Issue | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| President's Report | 2 |
| Voter Service | 2 |
| Health Committee | 3 |
| Name Badges | 3 |
| Board Bytes | 3 |
| Program of Work | 4 |
| In Memoriam | 4 |
| Nominating Committee Report | 5 |
| Welcome to New Members | 5 |
| International Relations | 6 |
| Natural Resources Committee | 6 |
| Education Committee | 7 |
| Calendar | 7 |



Hold the Date "Celebrate the League" – April 27th

The Board of League of Women Voters of the Space Coast is hosting the 5th "Celebrate the League" and inviting all League members and friends who might be interested in joining League to a

Wine and Hors d'oeuvre Party.

This is an enjoyable social event. Camaraderie and long lasting friendships are also benefits of League Membership.

When: Thursday, April 27th
Time: 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Where: 115 River Drive River House 115 N. Indian River Drive, Cocoa, FL 32922

The River House is located across the street from the 115 River Drive Condominium. There is no cost.

Co-Presidents:
Fran Baer &
Priscilla Griffith
321-264-1465
fbair@cfl.rr.com
Editor: Lucia Watson
321-779-6758
lucbil_99@yahoo.com
LWVSC: Phone # 321-254-7183
P.O. Box 360823
Melbourne, FL 32936-0823
www.lwv-spacecoast.org

Diversity Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters of the Space Coast will promote in all aspects of the League's activities, a philosophy of inclusion that reflects the diverse composition and issues of the community.



President's Corner

Fran Baer & Priscilla Griffith

LEADERSHIP AND THE LEAGUE: ONE AND THE SAME

For nearly 100 years, the League of Women Voters has been synonymous with leadership when it organized to encourage women to use their new power of the vote to participate in shaping public policy. Today men are invited to stand with women in pursuing the very mission that sustains the League and our Communities.

Leadership doesn't come without training and commitment. In January, fourteen of our members participated in a weekend Leadership Conference hosted by our Florida League of Women Voters. Titled, "LWVF 2017 Kickoff: Powerful Leaders Demanding Action", the event focused on our role in and priorities for the Florida legislative session, commencing March 7, 2017.

The take away messages throughout the sessions were the need to "unabashedly" reclaim LWV role in the American election process through the clear expressions and actions of our values and to "get involved; the world is run by people who show up".

The messages echo the words of League pioneer, Carrie Chapman Catt. In 1920 she wrote, "To the wrongs that need resistance, to the right that needs assistance, to the future in the distance, give yourselves." Joining the League is the first step; advocacy, study, and training will follow.

In studying League history, I rediscovered a fact long forgotten. Did you know that in 1952 the League hosted the first nationally-televised presidential debate in U.S. history? From 1976 to 1984, the League codified the formats of presidential and vice presidential debates, ardently affording equal time to all candidates with strict adherence to their established rules. In 1987, the two major parties, fearing loss of control, together created The Commission on Presidential Debates, cutting out the League's participation. Might this be an area the League would wish to reclaim?

Today we continue the tradition of involving ourselves in the election process by registering and informing voters on the priorities set by our members and presented to our elected officials. Education, election law, gun safety, health care, and natural resources topped the list of the many issues we address.

In one such district meeting, the legislator was commenting on the stops and starts of legislation because of the loss, through death or term limits or defeat, of colleagues. I couldn't help but think what better reason for the League to remain the champions of the causes we advocate. Like a dog with a bone, we stay the course when good government and sustainability are at stake. The proof is in our approaching 100 year history.

Our elected officials can depend on our informed, non-partisan leadership.

Another opportunity to exercise our leadership will be the League's Legislative Summit, March 28-29th when we

meet with legislators and monitor the process in Tallahassee. Details will follow. Please let Fran fbaer@cfl.rr.com know of your interest in attending.

Fran Baer



Voter Service

Tony Dutton – Chair

FLORIDA'S CONSTITUTION REVISION

COMMISSION

More than 50 years ago, in 1965, the Florida Legislature established a formal CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION (the "CRC"). That first CRC brought forth Florida's 1968 Constitution and determined that it would meet again in 10 years and every 20 years thereafter to review its work and, perhaps, make revisions. It is now time for the fourth CRC to convene and review every aspect of our Florida Constitution. The first CRC decided that 37 members would make a well-sized Revision Commission and directed Florida's political leaders, the Governor (15), the Senate President and the Speaker of the House (9 each) and the Chief Justice of its Supreme Court (3), to pick that number of Commission members (plus Florida's Attorney General). It also directed that the Governor name the CRC Chair and that the CRC members be named within 30 days before the opening of the regular Legislative Session. That time has come, as the Florida Legislature will convene on March 7, 2017.

Since we are now within the 30-day period, Chief Justice Jorge Labarga, with the advice of his colleagues on the Court, has become the first to act, appointing his three CRC members. As might be expected from a jurist, they are all lawyers, being:

Hank Coxe, a Jacksonville criminal defense lawyer and former President of The Florida Bar,

Arthenia Joyner, a former Democrat Florida State Senator known for her progressive record, and

Roberto Martinez, a former U.S. Attorney.

These three will be the only members of the CRC who will not be appointed by a Republican (the Florida Governor, Senate President or House Speaker). In making his appointments, the Chief Justice commented that he has "looked for people skilled in the law, but also those who have a wide range of knowledge about all of the functions of government and its impact upon the everyday lives of everyday people." Chief Justice Labarga has insisted that he has not considered the political orientations of his three appointees.

The Governor and the two legislative leaders had not yet announced, on the date this article was written, when they would make their appointments to the CRC, but it must be prior to March 7th. House Speaker Corcoran has stated several times that he intends to appoint only conservative individuals to the CRC.

(continued on Page 5)



Health Committee

Jo Shim & Connie Dobrin Co-Chairs

Mental Health Funding

Do you know someone with a mental health illness? The chances are that you do!

According to a 2016 Florida Policy Institute article "One in two Floridians will experience mental illness in their life time". There are an estimated 784,558 adults with serious mental illness (severe depression, schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder) and 330,000 children with severe emotional disturbances living in the state and needing services. Yet, Florida ranks 49th out of 50 states in per capita spending on mental health care. In 2012 Florida spent just \$37.28 per capita compared to an average of \$125.00 and \$360 per person in Washington DC.

Listed below are three major Mental Health concerns that you can raise for discussion with members of the Brevard Legislative Delegation:

Insurance Claims

Mental Health organizations such as the American Counseling Association have been fighting for parity. They want mental health claims paid the same way that medical claims are paid. Typically mental health claims have limits and are paid at lower rate than medical claims.

Funding Cuts

Advocacy for Mental Health is necessary for services to be provided. In the last decade Florida has cut funds for Mental Health hospitals, agencies, services and staff to balance the budget. These cutbacks led to agencies closing and prisons taking over mental health with poor results. Tampa Bay Times reported in 2009 that incidents of violence soared with 15 people dying in a five year period.

Substance Abuse Treatment

Substance abuse services have also been affected negatively. Florida was once the leader in substance abuse because of well written compassionate laws that mandated treatment. These agencies have also been defunded and closed and Florida is now considered to be the worst in the country for substance abuse treatment. The CDC reports the country is in the grip of an overdose epidemic. Estimates run from 70 to 140 overdoses a day nationwide and it may be even higher as not all overdose deaths are reported. The Florida Association of Drug Abuse & Alcoholism and the Florida Behavioral Health Association report there are about ten overdose deaths a day in our state, or one every two and a half hours.

Research by government agencies such as HHS and others inform us that there is a biological, perhaps genetic cause of addiction. Addicts are not moral failures but people suffering who need treatment. Best treatment results

are from medication assisted therapy (MAT) but few facilities provide it.

More funding is necessary in the Mental Health/Substance Abuse field to help those who need treatment it, but many fear more cuts are in the future especially as Florida continues to resist taking Medicaid expansion dollars.

The future of health care funding is uncertain and currently the State of Florida is in the grasp of a pervasive mental health, substance abuse and overdose epidemic that impacts the lives of many residents. Mental illness and substance abuse do not discriminate, it impacts individuals of all ages, races and economic backgrounds. Tragically underfunding means that treatment is unavailable for many and this may be contributing to increased incidents of gun violence, suicides and unnecessary incarceration.

by Dr. Vicki Barlow and Jo Shim



Name Badges

League members who would like to have a magnetized name badge can follow the procedures below for ordering the badge. Thank you to Barbara and Roger Williams for facilitating the ordering.

League name badges are only to be worn at League events or when a member is representing the League.

To order a badge:

1. Notify Barbara and Roger Williams that you would like a badge and by e-mail write how you want your name to appear on the badge. E-mail address is: rogbarb@cfl.rr.com
2. Write a check to LWVSC for \$9.36 and mail the check to Brigitte Sinton at 6629 Canal Road, Melbourne Village, FL 32904.
3. Barbara or Roger will let you know when the badge is ready and will deliver them to the Local Government Committee meeting or pass on for delivery at other League events.



Board Bytes

- E-mail Marcia Booth at marcia@recyclebrevard.org to volunteer to judge recycling awards program set for afternoon of Wednesday April 19th.
- Task force needed to research more facts and gather studies for Styrofoam Elimination Project. Contact Marcia Booth at marcia@recyclebrevard.org
- Observer Corps training meeting set for Saturday, March 25th at Suntree Library from 2:30 to 4:30.

Program of Work for 2017–2018

Information to be voted upon at
Annual Meeting on April 8, 2017

Education Committee

1. Monitor and report the results of Brevard Public Schools’ status and student achievement results.
2. Monitor and report the implementation of Florida Standards in Brevard Public Schools.
3. Support the homeless children and children of low socio-economic status attending Brevard Public Schools.
4. Monitor and report on the status of early childhood education in Brevard County concentrating on greater accountability and transparency in financial management and reporting.
5. Research, monitor and report on the adequacy of and advances in technology in Brevard Public Schools.
6. Continue to monitor charter schools in Brevard County concentrating on greater accountability and transparency in financial management and reporting.
7. Promote civics and citizen education for all secondary school students in Brevard Public Schools.
8. Monitor and report on the implementation of the half cent sur-tax on sales funding Brevard Public Schools.
9. Explore the extent and oversight of school vouchers given to Brevard County private schools from public and/or private funding.
10. Monitor and report on the status of equitable access to all educational programs in Brevard Public Schools.

Health Care Program

1. Monitor and report on any changes to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) and advocate for adequate health insurance coverage for all Floridians.
2. Monitor changes to Medicare and the Florida Medicaid program.
3. Monitor funding and implementation of children’s health insurance programs including:
 - a. Efforts to provide basic health care for all children in Brevard County.
 - b. Outreach to increase enrollment in the KidCare program for eligible children.
4. Monitor and advocate for major health issues with an emphasis on:
 - a. Mental Health
 - b. HIV/AIDS
 - c. Women’s Health Issues
 - d. Oral Health Services

Natural Resources

1. Monitor, act and provide timely information to the public on the protection of the Indian River Lagoon System, all surface waters and the St. Johns River to include:
 - a. Monitor the Wetlands Guidelines implementations by the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard and the municipalities of Brevard County.
 - b. Monitor the Fertilizer Ordinance adoption and implementation of the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard and the municipalities of Brevard County.

- c. Monitor the BMAP (Basin Management Action Plan) program as set forth by the FDEP (Florida Department of Environmental Protection).
 - d. Monitor, support and provide timely information on the activities of our partner, the Brevard Indian River Lagoon Coalition.
 - e. Monitor, act and provide timely information on the dispensation of funds from the Brevard Indian River Lagoon sales tax referendum.
 2. Educate and encourage recycling by all Brevard County residents and businesses.
 - a. Review Brevard’s municipalities’ progress toward the recycling targets as defined in their collection contracts.
 - b. Study the return policies of local stores and laws pertaining to donation of returned items including examination of the costs incurred by business to handle items no longer allowed to be sold and formulation of best practices guidelines to facilitate more donations and less waste.
 - c. Advocate for more ample, affordable and easy to understand and follow recycling programs for residents, businesses and public places.
 3. Monitor, act, and provide timely information to the public regarding alternative energies, including solar, and the public policies that guide the implementation of alternative energy, both for the electrical grid and for personal conveyance.
 4. Monitor, act, and provide timely information to the public regarding offshore and onshore and exploration issues in Florida, including but not limited to hydraulic fracking and acid fracking and seismic testing off-shore of Florida.
 5. Monitor, act, and provide timely information to the public regarding growth actions and policies of Brevard County, the municipalities and surrounding regions as they affect Brevard County.
 6. Monitor, act, and provide timely information to the public to ensure the full and fair implementation of the Florida Water and Land Conservation Amendment.
 7. Working in conjunction with the Local Government Committee, monitor, act, and provide timely information to the public upon any proposals of the Canaveral Port Authority to construct a freight rail extension to the Port or to develop the Port into a major commercial freight site.
 8. Review and revise, as appropriate, the “Natural Resources Position Statement” that appears in the 2015-2016 LWVSC Membership Book.
- Note:** Proposed programs for other committees will be sent to you by e-mail or mail a month before the annual meeting on Saturday, April 8th.

In Memoriam
*Condolences to long time League Member
 Kathryn Kowalski for loss of her husband
 Gerald Kowalski*



Report of Nominating Committee

Officers

Co-President: Kathy Wall 2017-2019
Co-President: Barbara Williams 2017-2019
1st Vice President: Sharon Reynolds-Mixon 2017-2019

Elected Directors:

Marcia Booth 2017-2019
Lorraine Koss 2017-2019
Lucia Watson 2017-2019

Nominating Committee for 2018

Jo Shim Chair
Martha Bradshaw
Anthony Dutton

These three elected members will serve with two members appointed from the Board of Directors after the 2017 Annual Meeting.

Thank you to this year's Nominating Committee

Barbara Dutton-Chair, Doreen Archer, Martha Bradshaw, Debra Mischley and Ruth Schechter.

Welcome to our New Members

**Lourdes Cotto, Lorelei Hosler,
 Ruby and April Saunders, Sami (Mary) Bolger,
 Seeta Durjan Esmailbegui, Colleen Bryan,
 Jeanne Ryba, Jodie Laverone, Deborah Abram,
 Anna Heiney, Patricia L. Shelton,
 Carolyn Wainwright, Tenesna (Tess) Martin,
 Holly Abeels, Linda Seals, Linda Gombert,
 Gail & Ken Harland, Wendy Hixon,
 Lorraine Edey, Denise Fahnestock,
 Nancy H. Roberts (SBA) & R. Michael Godfrey,
 Jo & Jim Riordan, Kathleen Duffy,
 Erlene Padgett, David & Patty Martin,
 Karen Goertzel, Gloria Parra, Ruth Lambert,
 Jacqueline Chandler, Pamela Salvi,
 Trudy Burke, Rebecca Goodwin,
 Beth Lambdin & Jim Henze,
 Alison Carver, Susan Schleith,
 Kendall Doran, Amy Reaume, Denise Wilson,
 Cheri Hawes, Lisa Perl, Marcia Berry,
 Karen Atlas**

We have 48 new members who have joined since our February Voter was printed. Addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of new members will be sent to you by e-mail.

You can add the information to your membership book that was published last summer.



(Voter Service Article continued from Page 2)

This pre-judgement as to how Commission delegates will act runs counter to the conventional wisdom that CRC members should come from varied and diverse backgrounds and ideologies. But each of the appointers may act as she or he wishes.

Probably the CRC will spend its first several months dealing with its organizational details. Then, through the summer and fall of this year it will consider how our Florida Constitution and state government can and should be changed. The House Speaker has been quoted as saying that he wants to restrict the judicial arm of our state government and to have the Constitution impose term limits on judges. Others have suggested eliminating the office of Lieutenant Governor and one or more Cabinet positions and even eliminating the CRC itself. Surely there will be some effort by the legislative appointees to revise the present election redistricting rules.

Whatever Constitution changes are voted by the CRC will appear on the November 2018 ballot where they will be able to be adopted by a vote of 60% of those voting. Forty years ago, in 1978, the CRC adopted eight proposals, none of which were accepted by the voters, even though at that time only a simple majority vote was required for passage. In 1998, however, the CRC acted more conservatively and marketed its proposed Constitution revisions, and eight of nine were adopted by a simple majority vote. (It is noted that there is presently pending in the Legislature a proposal to increase, from 60% to two-thirds, the number of voters who voted in the last Presidential election needed to amend the Constitution. However, even if it passes, it will not be effective for the 2018 election.)

There certainly will be opportunities for Florida's citizens, including the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast, to present their positions and priorities to the CRC. We should begin to think now about the changes we would like to see in our Constitution and the issues it covers. What are they - restoration of voting rights of former felons, protection of funding for public schools, solar and other environmental protections, gun safety, more?

When the time comes we should attend and speak at any hearings of the CRC that are held on or near the Space Coast. And we should consider sponsoring a Timely Topics or other events to alert our citizens of this important matter. The League and its allies had to collect at least 700,000 signatures to place the water and land legacy "Amendment 1" on the 2014 ballot. It may take only 20 to 25 affirmative votes of the CRC members to place a proposed amendment on the November 2018 ballot. Imagine that!



International Relations
Joyce Calese – Chair

March meetings are: Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 28 at the Satellite Beach Library from 1 p.m. to 3 pm. **The March 14th topic is U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum led by JoDee Wilfong and the March 28th topic is Saudi Arabia in Transition led by Ruth Almeida.** We invite you to join us.

A presentation entitled “The European Union – How It Works” was presented to the International Committee by Jane Wilson in January. Ms. Wilson has worked in the context of European Union law for 17 years. Before discussing the structure of the European Union (EU), Ms. Wilson discussed the differences between (1) the common law system, which the United States and the United Kingdom have, and (2) the civil law system, which all European countries other than the United Kingdom have. Understanding the civil law structure helps in understanding how the EU works.

Europe began the transition to a more united, common structure after World War II. Because of the great suffering and extremism suffered in Europe, there was a strong desire to ensure such a war could never happen again. A series of treaties enabled the previously warring countries to come together over time beginning with the Treaty of Paris, which created the Coal and Steel Community (coal and steel being the two elements necessary to make weapons of war), and culminating in the Maastricht Treaty, which created the European Union proper. Other treaties have further developed the EU.

The three main institutions of the EU were described and discussed – the European Commission, the European Council and the Parliament, including their composition and decision-making. Further, the division of jurisdiction between the three bodies of the EU, and the current 28 Member State countries and the EU was also discussed.

The process to become a member of the EU was also presented, along with the criteria, such as candidate countries being required to accept the *acquis communautaire* (the accumulated legislation, legal acts and court decisions that constitute the body of EU law). Once the various chapters of the *acquis* are negotiated between the EU and candidate country, a draft accession treaty is signed; thereafter, all of the Member States must approve the candidate’s accession to the EU.

A special process – the Stabilisation and Association Agreement Process – was established for the Western Balkans, with the aim of stabilizing the region for eventual EU membership for the various countries. The presentation ended with a discussion of the recent application for EU membership by Bosnia and Herzegovina and its acceptance by the EU, along with

the European Commission’s preparation of a questionnaire. The answers to the questionnaire will enable an assessment of Bosnia’s readiness to join the EU and provide the basis for further negotiations as to what Bosnia needs to do before accession can be agreed.



Natural Resources
Susan Little – Chair

The End of the Environmental Protection Agency? by Maureen Rupe

According to a story in the Pensacola News Journal by Joseph Baucum, titled “Obliterating EPA would create Chaos” experts say, Matt Gaetz, U.S. Representative from Fort Walton Beach, has Representatives from Kentucky, Georgia, and Mississippi on the Natural Resources Committee’s who support to eliminate the EPA. The committee’s chairman, Representative Rob Bishop, a Republican from Utah decides if it goes to a vote. They say it will fall back to the states to enforce federally administrated regulations.

There is a host of reasons this should not happen. There may be some regulations that hinder economic growth, but Florida has prime examples of what goes wrong when you put politicians in charge of science. What about the recent story concerning Mosaic, where Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) was caught helping the Mosaic Fertilizer plant prevent public disclosure of the huge sinkhole where at least 200 million gallons of waste water went into the aquifer. Another is where the DEP is proposing higher levels of cancer-causing agents into the state's waterways, when the environmental member seats are vacant. There are lawsuits in the works, which Florida would love to go away if the state is put in charge. Another example of Florida politics in DEP, is the recent announcement that the Department of Environmental Protection Secretary, Jon Steverson is resigning to go work for one law firm he approved to bill Florida taxpayers for various lawsuits like Georgia and BP, so he can oversee the funds Florida is getting from BP for our share of the Gulf oil spill settlement. Florida has already spent 74 million to law firms on its lawsuit with Georgia, and Florida has received 3.25 billion for its share of the BP oil leak settlement. Big money attracts.

Besides Florida’s examples of why we need to keep the EPA, what about the state of Michigan. I’m sure they would be eager to keep any words on lead poisoning in Flint, Michigan from reaching their citizens. The EPA ensures there is oversight to keep individual states honest and standardized when it comes to protecting the environment for all United States citizens. The EPA also ensures poorer states have availability to technical services to have the same protections for their air and water as the richer states. *(continued on Page 7)*



Education

Linda Scales – Chair

ICOC Report to the BPS Board

The Independent Citizens Oversight Committee (ICOC) has a responsibility to provide information to the School Board and the community on the utilization of the monies generated by the half cent surtax on sales. Furthermore, they monitor and report on the appropriateness and sequence of each project to ensure it aligns with the School Board’s published plan. Each year they present a report to the School Board. The latest was approved by the ICOC on October 26, 2016 and presented to the School Board at their December 13, 2016 meeting.

Since the implementation of the surtax on January 1, 2015 thru September 30, 2016, \$64.5 million have been received. This is \$12.6 million more than projected! While this is good news, we cannot count this as “extra” because the targeted revenue of \$198 million has not yet been reached. However, this increase in revenue has allowed critical failures to be more quickly addressed. Understand that this goal of \$198 million represents only 26% of the identified needs for facility renewal, education technology, and school security, with \$9,918,681 being reserved for contingency funding. These categories funded were deemed to be essential to supporting a successful learning environment and were part of a pre-election list given to voters. Appendix IV of the complete report includes a list of the categories funded and not funded.

Allocation of monies to each category is only made available after it is received and is distributed based on the original distribution percentages in the ballot initiative. If revenue goes down, the same percentages will be used. Distribution of the \$64,534,804 to each category through September 2016 is as follows: Facility Renewal \$51,163,826, Education Technology \$8,267,634, School Security \$1,873,215, and Contingency \$3,230,130. Furthermore, of the surtax expenditures allocated through September 2016, \$38,322,783 has been encumbered or expanded for projects because some major projects require longer lead times and are usually taken on during the summer break.

The entire 98 page report including pictures, memos, graphs, tables and appendixes can be found at <http://capitalprojects.brevardschools.org/ICOC/Forms/AllItems.aspx> ,scroll down and click on “ICOC Annual Report to the School Board” to gain access to both annual reports.



Natural Resources *(continued from Page 6)*

Please ensure our U.S. Representatives and Senators takes this terrible idea off the table. We cannot afford inconsistent oversight for all states.

U.S. Representative Bill Posey

Phone: 202-225-3516

Fax 202-225-3516

Web Site: posey.house.gov

U.S. Senator Marco Rubio

Phone: 202-224-3041

Web Site: rubio.senate.gov

Reference:

<http://www.pnj.com/story/news/politics/2017/02/02/obliterating-epa-would-create-chaos-experts-say/97399494/>

<http://www.orlandosentinel.com/opinion/os-florida-georgia-lawsuit-scott-maxwell-20170127-column.html>

<http://www.cnn.com/2016/03/04/us/flint-water-crisis-fast-facts/index.html>

U.S. Snator Bill Nelson

Phone: 202-224-5274

Web Site: billnelson.senate.gov

March Calendar - ~Members are welcome at all meetings~

Wednesday, March 1st Board Meeting – Large Room at Suntree Library at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, March 4th Consensus Meeting – Meeting Room at Cocoa Beach Library at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 14th International Relations Meeting at Satellite Beach Library 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday, March 20th Health Committee Meeting at Suntree Library at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Marth 22nd Timely Topics at Cocoa High School at 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 28th International Relations Meeting at Satellite Beach Library 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursday, March 30th Local Government Committee Meeting at Suntree Library 10:15 to Noon.

(As additional dates of Committee Meetings are known they will be posted on member’s calendar on the website.)

Voter: Monthly publication (except June, July, August)

Issue Date: March 2017

League of Women Voters of the Space Coast

P.O. Box 360823

Melbourne, FL 32936-0823

www.lwv-spacecoast.org



League of Women Voters
of the Space Coast
P.O. Box 360823
Melbourne, FL 32936-0823

Men Are Welcome to Join LWV!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR INTERESTS

- Education
- Fund Raising/Finance
- Health Issues
- Hospitality/Events
- International Relations Study Group
- Justice
- Legislative Action
- Local Government/Observer Corps
- Membership
- Natural Resources
- Publicity & Public Relations
- Recycling
- Social Media/Facebook
- Speaker's Bureau
- Telephone Committee
- Voter Service
- The Voter (monthly newsletter)
- Website
- Women's Issues

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please complete the information below and return with your check made payable to League of Women Voters of the Space Coast

Mail to: LWV Space Coast
6629 Canal Road
Melbourne Village, FL 32904

Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____

Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____

Phone _____

New Member _____ Returning Member _____

ANNUAL DUES

- \$60.00 for Individual Membership
- \$85.00 for Household Membership
- \$25.00 for Student Membership