

September  
2014

# The DARE Voter

## Mark Your Calendar

2014—2015

September 23 – National Voters Registration Day – voter registration at Hot Line @ Manteo, Nags Head, and Kitty Hawk – contact Lin Logan, 480-2866, if you are available to help

September 24 – Annual Kick Off Event, Duck Woods Country Club, 6:00 p.m. – \$20.00 per person – contact Nancy Birindelli with reservations – pay at the door

Early Voting – 9/23 – 11/1 at Dare County Board of Elections in Manteo, the Baum Center in Kill Devil Hills, the Fessenden Center in Buxton, and the Pitts Center in Southern Shores – the Dare County Board of Elections for hours of operation

September 29 – “NC Budget 101” – Jockey’s Ridge State Park Auditorium – 6:30

October – FORUMS – See separate flyer with details

November 4 – ELECTION DAY – VOTE

November 19 – Presentation on Fracking

December 5 – Annual Holiday Luncheon and Silent Auction

### Tentative schedule:

January 21 – Health discussion with Carmen Hooker Odom

February 18 – Abuse of Prescription Drugs

March 18 – Girl Power

April 15 – Go See Tour to the Colored School at Jarvisburg, NC, with lunch

May 6 – Rising Tide

May 29 – Annual Meeting

June – Planning Retreat



## Co-President's Letter

Hi Everyone,

It is finally September and the weather has decided it is mid-summer! Who knew? But the League is up to date with a summer style picnic Kick-Off Event on September Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup>. We have some nice prizes for those who know some US political and historical trivia. This is a great event to meet new potential members and reacquaint ourselves with other Leaguers. Please try to make this event and bring guests. (Poster included)

Tuesday September 23<sup>rd</sup> is National Voter's Registration Day. We have signed-up with the LWVUS and will be receiving some materials from them. We hope to have three voter registration events on that day. If you want to volunteer to help with that event send me an email. (Poster included)

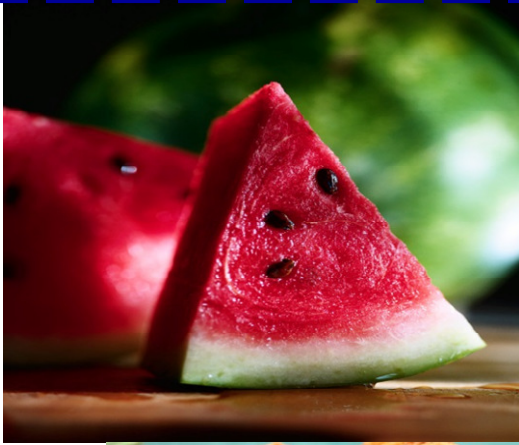
Finally on September 29 at 6:30 PM at Jockeys Ridge we are having a program, entitled "NC Budget 101." I know you won't want to miss it. This program, which is open to the public, will be presented by Tazra Mitchell, policy analyst, NC Budget and Tax Center, and Alexandra Sirota, Budget and Tax Center Director. They will discuss how the state budget impacts the daily lives of NC citizens with regard to: education, health, housing, and economic growth. The money for the budget comes from: Personal Income Tax 53%, Sales Tax 29 %, Corporate Income Tax 6 %, and all other taxes 12 %. The top five budget pressures: School Children, Health Care (Medicaid), Aging Population (booming retirement, senior population), Diminished Baseline (down 8.3%) and Eroding Tax Revenue. (Poster included)

The month of October is always a busy month for the League. We will conduct FOUR candidates' forums. (Poster included) We have applied from a grant of \$250.00 to help with our costs. Voter Services will need your help to conduct this very important function of democracy. Please call Mary Ellen Hawthorne, 480-1062, to help.

Again I hope to see you all on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>,

Lin

[www.LWVDareNC.org](http://www.LWVDareNC.org)



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

**2014 KICK-OFF BAR-B-QUE**

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**

**6:00 "TIL**

**DUCK WOODS COUNTRY CLUB**

**\$20.00 PER PERSON**

**CASH BAR**

**GAMES AND PRIZES**

**ALL LEAGUERS, THEIR SPOUSES, AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED**

**RSVP BY THURSDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2014; BEFORE NOON**

**NANCY BIRINDELLI 261-3915**

**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND AND BRING YOUR "BETTER HALF" AND A ANOTHER FRIEND**

**WE HAVE A GREAT YEAR AHEAD!!**



**Presents**

**“N.C. BUDGET 101”**

**Tazra Mitchell, Political Analyst, NC Budget and Tax Center**

**Alexandra Sirota, Budget and Tax Center Director**

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**September 29, 2014**

**Jockey’s Ridge Auditorium**

**6:30PM**

**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

“What Happens in Raleigh Matters at Home”--- NC Budget 101

Join the League of Women Voters for a special program: Monday, September 29, 2014 at Jockey’s Ridge State Park Auditorium, Nags Head, 6:30PM-8:00PM.

Tazra Mitchell, policy analyst for the NC Budget and Tax Center will show members of the League of Women Voters and members of our communities how decisions made in Raleigh affect us all. Mitchell will look at some of the budget cuts on public school education here in North Carolina, as well as health care, and the living income standard 2014.



League of Women Voters  
Dare County  
Celebrates  
National Voters Registration Day

September 23, 2014

At All Hot Line Locations  
10:00AM – 2:00PM

We will have registration materials, polling information,  
& voting locations, times, and dates





# CANDIDATE'S FORUM SCHEDULE 2014

US SENATE AND HOUSE  
NC STATE SENATE AND HOUSE  
SUNDAY OCTOBER 19, 2014  
NAGS HEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
4:00 - 6:00 PM



DARE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8, 2014  
Kill Devil Hills Town Hall  
7:00 - 9:00 PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15, 2014  
Fessenden Center Buxton  
7:00 - 9:00 PM



JUDICIAL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS  
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22, 2014  
Nags Head Commissioner's Conference Room  
7:00 - 9:00 PM



**The League of Women Voters of Dare County is a nonpartisan political organization which encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase the understanding of major public policy issues, and influence public policy through education and advocacy. The local League is affiliated with LWV-NC at the state level and LWV-US at the national level.**

**In Dare County, the League sponsors candidates' forums prior to local election for town, county, state, and national candidates. The League publishes a Voters' Guide about candidates, their biographical information and platforms. Monthly informational meetings on topics of local interest are held for the general public. An annual project is the printing and distribution of the Dare County citizens Guide which contains information about government and county services.**

**New members are welcomes at any time. Membership is opened to women and men, 18 years and older. Annual dues are \$50.00 for an individual membership, \$75.00 for household membership and \$25.00 for student membership.**

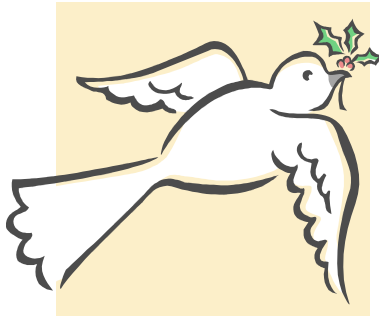
**The League's website and Facebook page contains information about membership, programs, the monthly newsletter, the annual citizen's Guide, and contact information.**

**[www.LWV-DareNC.org](http://www.LWV-DareNC.org)**



## **New Rules for Voting:**

1. Voter ID – In 2016, voters will have to show a government-issued photo ID at the polls. In 2014, election officials will ask if you have one, but you not need to show it to vote.
2. Citizens must register to vote – forms are at libraries, high schools, on [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov) or call 888-OUR-VOTE.
3. Voters must register in their home county by April 11 to vote in the 2014 May primary and by Oct. 10 for the Nov. election.
4. Students may register at a campus address if is considered home or at another address where they intend to return. Only one registration is allowed.
5. People with a felony record from any state can register and vote in NC after serving their sentence, including probation or parole.
6. Early voting has been reduced to 10 days; however, the number of hours has remained the same. Call the local Board of Elections for times and locations.
7. Voters do not lose the right to vote if they have a warrant, fine, misdemeanor, or have declared bankruptcy.
8. Absentee voting is permitted, and a mail ballot can be obtained at [www.ncsbe.gov](http://www.ncsbe.gov).
9. A family member can help a person vote if there is a disability or difficulty reading due to language or vision. Assistance can be from anyone of the voter's choice except for an employer or union agent.
10. If the voting site is not accessible due to age or disability, a voter may vote at the curb in a vehicle.
11. On election day, the polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. If a voter is in line at closing time, he/she will be allowed to vote.
12. Photo IDs for the 2016 election can be one of the following:  
NC driver's license or an ID issued by NC DMV; US military or veteran's ID card; US passport; enrollment card from a federal or NC recognized tribe.
13. Inside the polling location, voters may wear a shirt or hat with the candidate's name or take a list of choices to help remember the voter's choices; however, cell phones and cameras are not permitted.
14. If there is a problem with the use of the regular ballot, a voter has the right to obtain a provisional ballot and learn if it is counted



Jean Joseph, March 24, 1921 – July 11, 2014  
Jean Joseph was the co-president of the League of  
Women Voters Dare County, 1997-1999.



League of Women Voters of Dare County

**ANNUAL DUES**

Individual membership:	\$50
Household membership:	\$75
Amount enclosed (checks made out to LWV of Dare)	\$ _____

**CITIZEN EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

Please consider enclosing a tax deductible contribution to the Citizen Education Foundation (CEF). Contributions provide direct support for citizen education programs and the publication of the annual Dare County Citizens Guide which provides information about government and services to county residents.

Amount enclosed (checks payable to LWV-CEF): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE - IF YOU CHANGE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AT ANY TIME DURING THE YEAR, PLEASE LET US KNOW SO WE CAN UPDATE OUR RECORDS AND KEEP YOU INFORMED OF ALL OF OUR ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

I/we are interested in assisting with: Voter Services \_\_\_\_\_; Education \_\_\_\_\_; Natural Resources \_\_\_\_\_; Health \_\_\_\_\_; Public Relations \_\_\_\_\_; Citizens Guide \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have any interests/talents that you would be willing to share/assist our league?**

Plases remit to: League of Women Voters of Dare  
PO Box 689  
Kitty Hawk, NC 27949

## League of Women Voters of Dare County

Lin Logan, Co-president (2013-2015)

480-2866

Mary Jane Slesinski, Co-president (2014-2016)

261-1591

Lorelei D’Bernardo, Vice-president (2014-2016)

Glenda Keel, Secretary (2013-2015)

Nancy Birindelli, Treasurer (2014-2016)

Elected Board Members

(2013-2015)

Audrey Esposito

Carol Butscher

(2014-2016)

Marion Midgett

Lori Williams

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Appointed Board Members

(2014-2015)

Ursula Bateman

Mary Ellen Hawthorne

Geri Sullivan

Committee Chairs

Citizens Guide – Geri Sullivan

Education – Marion Midgett

Fundraising – Carol Butscher

Health – Ursula Bateman

Hospitality - vacant

Membership – Lori Williams

Natural Resources – Lorelei D’Bernardo

Newsletter – Nancy Birindelli and Lauren Logan

Nominating Committee – vacant

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Membership is open to both men and women. Annual dues, payable July 1, are \$50 for individuals and \$75 for households. To join, send a check made payable to: League of Women Voters of Dare County, P.O. Box 689, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949.