

**LWVSC CONVENTION 2011**  
*Empowered for Action: Staying True to Our Mission for 60 Years*

**SATURDAY, MAY 14**

**8:00 a.m.      REGISTRATION**

**9:00 a.m.      OPENING PLENARY SESSION--***Barbara Zia, LWVSC President*

**WELCOME**

*The Honorable Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor, City of Sumter*

*Chuck Gibbs, LWV of Sumter County President*

**APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN, SECRETARY, AND CREDENTIALS**

**CHAIR**

**ADOPTION OF RULES, ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**PARLIAMENTARIAN'S BRIEFING**

**CREDENTIALS REPORT**

**INTRODUCTION OF LWVSC BOARD**

**ROLL CALL OF LOCAL LEAGUES**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**—*Dianne Haselton, LWVSC Treasurer*

**PROPOSED BUDGET**—*Rebecca Lambert, LWVSC Budget Committee Member*

**PROPOSED BYLAWS**—*Janie Shipley, LWVSC Membership Services Vice President*

**10:30 a.m.      CONVENTION RECESSES**

**PRESENTATION: Educating the Next Generation of South Carolina Voters--iCivics**

**Presenters:**

*Dr. Jane Brailsford, Lexington County One School District & National iCivics Coordinator*

*Allison Sullivan, Chair, S.C. Bar Young Lawyers Division iCivics Committee*

**11:15 a.m.      CONVENTION RECONVENES**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**—*Frances Elmore, LWVSC Nominating Committee Chair*

**PROPOSED PROGRAM OF STUDY AND ACTION**—*JoAnne Day, LWVSC Issues & Action Vice President*

**Noon            LUNCHEON**

**ADDRESS**

*The Honorable Curtis M. Loftis, Jr., State Treasurer of South Carolina  
Transparency and Openness in Managing Our State's Finances*

**1:30 p.m.      PANEL DISCUSSION--***Making Every Vote Count in South Carolina: Ensuring the Integrity of Our State's Voting System*

**Panelists:**

*The Honorable Joseph H. Neal, S.C. House of Representatives (Dist. 70-Richland & Sumter Counties)*

*Duncan Buell, Computer Scientist; LWVSC Election Technology Advisor*

*Eleanor Hare, Computer Scientist; LWVSC Board Director*

*Frank Heindel, Citizen Election Activist*

- 2:30 p.m.      WORKSHOP**--*The Leadership Ladder: A Tool to Engage Members & Develop Leaders*  
**Presenters:**    *Mary Klenz, LWVUS Board Liaison to South Carolina*  
                          *Janie Shipley, LWVSC Membership Services Vice President*
- 3:30 p.m.      ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**CONVENTION RECESSES FOR THE DAY**  
*Delegates are welcome to network, enjoy wares and exhibits, caucus on League issues, relax poolside or explore Sumter.*
- 6:00 p.m.      WINE & HORS D'OEUVRES RECEPTION HONORING 2011 SPIRIT OF**  
**DEMOCRACY AWARDEES**—*Hosted by LWV of Sumter County*
- 7:00 p.m.      BANQUET**  
**ADDRESS**  
*The Honorable Ruth V. McGregor, Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice, retired*  
*A National Perspective on Judicial Independence and Diversity*  
**PRESENTATION OF SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY AWARD** to the Honorable Ernest A.  
*Finney, Jr., South Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice, retired*
- 9:00 p.m.      INFORMAL NETWORKING FOR LEAGUE LEADERS (optional)**

<b>SUNDAY, MAY 15</b>
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- 7:30 a.m.      BREAKFAST FOR LOCAL LEAGUE PRESIDENTS & MAL UNIT CHAIRS, OR**  
**THEIR DESIGNEES**
- 8:30 a.m.      REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 a.m.      CONVENTION RECONVENES**  
**ADOPTION OF 2011-2012 LWVSC BUDGET**  
**BYLAWS ADOPTION**  
**ELECTION OF LWVSC OFFICERS, DIRECTORS & NOMINATING COMMITTEE**  
**DEBATE AND VOTE ON PROGRAM OF STUDY & ACTION FOR 2011-2013**  
**PRESENTATION OF MEMBERSHIP GROWTH AWARD**
- Noon            LUNCHEON**  
**PRESENTATION OF SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY AWARDS** to Sarah Leverette and  
*Mary Ann Washington Deku*  
**ROUNDTABLE**—*Issues to Action: Update on League Study & Action Projects*  
**Facilitator:** *JoAnne Day, LWVSC Vice President, Issues & Action*  
**Presenters:** *Holley Ulbrich, Robin Kimbrough-Melton, Carole Cato, Peggy Brown,*  
*Peggy Huchet*

**1:30 p.m. PANEL DISCUSSION--***Transparency and Independence in the South Carolina Judicial Selection Process*

**Facilitator:** *Constance A. Anastopoulo, Assistant Professor, Charleston School of Law; Co-Coordinator, LWVSC Judicial Initiative*

**Panelists:** *The Honorable W. Jeffrey Young, Circuit Court Judge At Large  
The Honorable J. David Weeks, S.C. House of Representatives (Dist. 51-Sumter County); former Chair, S.C. Legislative Black Caucus  
Janet R. Lynam, Member, Pee Dee Citizens Committee on Judicial Selection  
Victoria L. Eslinger, S.C. Women Lawyers Association*

**2:30 p.m. CLOSING PLENARY SESSION  
GUIDANCE BY LOCAL LEAGUES TO LWVSC BOARD  
ADDRESS BY NEW LWVSC PRESIDENT**

**3:00 ADJOURNMENT**

**This Land is Your Land**

This League is your League  
This League is my League  
From hilly Clemson to coastal Charleston  
From Horry's beaches  
To Darlington's race track

As we continue a great tradition  
Of voter service and taking action  
Our past is with us and gives us vision  
This League is home for you and me  
This League is here for everyone

**Broad River Valley**

Don't tax my farmland,  
Don't tax my homestead  
Exempt my fact'ry  
Tax poor folks instead  
Forget the school kids  
Fire up the coal plants  
This state was made for industry

Come and lobby the Gen'ral Assembly  
They will listen and even sing our praise  
They will treat us with Southern politenes  
Though they long for those all-male good ol' days

This state is their land  
This state is our land  
From the Blue Ridge Mountains  
To Hilton Head and Bluffton  
From the Sumter Forest  
To th' Atlantic Ocean  
This state was made for you and me

Oh, they think that our League is too lib'ral  
Cause we care about voters and kids  
But on some things we're mighty conservative  
Like ethics and competitive bids

This League is my League  
As we are gathered  
In state convention  
From big and small Leagues  
And in-between Leagues

We want merit selection of judges  
From diverse, qualified applicant pools  
Protection for forests and wetlands  
And full funding for all of our schools

So come and lobby the Gen'ral Assembly  
They will listen and even sing our praise  
They will treat us with Southern politeness  
Though they long for those **all-male good ol' days**