

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

YES, I want to join the League of Women Voters of the Copper Country (check one):

\$45 INDIVIDUAL membership \$ _____

\$65 HOUSEHOLD for two members who share an address \$ _____

\$20 STUDENT individual membership \$ _____

I wish to make a **CONTRIBUTION** to the League at this time (please fill in amount)

- General LWVCC purposes \$ _____
 - Kay LaRue Memorial Membership Fund \$ _____
 - LWV Education Fund (tax deductible) \$ _____
- Total \$ _____

____ I wish to apply for a scholarship for membership.

____ I prefer to receive the C C Voter by email

Name(s)

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone Day Evening

Email address

Please make your check payable to League of Women Voters of the Copper Country, and return it with your application form to:

Treasurer, LWVCC
PO Box 815
Houghton, MI 49931-0815

Any citizen over 18, female or male, may become a voting member of the League of Women Voters. League members receive the *Copper Country Voter*, *Michigan Voter*, and *National Voter* newsletters; and the opportunity to learn about local, state, regional, and national issues.

BUDGET 2010-2011

GROSS EXPENDITURES

General administration	\$200
Board and administrative committees	\$450
Delegates, travel, & workshops	\$2,100
<i>Copper Country Voter</i>	\$500
Educational activities	\$600
Position support	\$25
Annual meeting, misc.	\$650
State and national dues	\$2,950
Total	\$7,475

GROSS INCOME

Member dues (single, household, student)	\$ 2,705
Annual meeting, designated funds, grants, interest, reserves, LWV Education Fund external source, miscellaneous and reserve.	\$ 1,570
Contributions:	
Member	\$1,000
Non-member	\$600
Member Ed Fund	\$600
Non-Member Ed Fund	\$900
Kay LaRue Scholarships	\$100
Total	\$7,475

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE COPPER COUNTRY

OFFICERS

President	Fredi de Yampert
1 st Vice President/ Natural Resources	Kristine Bradof
Treasurer	Mary Marchaterre
Secretary	Barry Fink
Education	Karen Hubbard
Social Policy	Mary Jane Hatton
Voter Service	Kathy Flagstadt
Children & Youth	Carol Kreher
International Relations	Carol Kurz
Health Care	Judy Crotty

OFF-BOARD

Finance Drive	Faith Morrison
Voter Editor	Linda Ott
Health Care	Carolyn Weissbach
Website	Dale Yeo

Members of the League of Women Voters of the Copper Country give many hours of volunteer time in service to the community.

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 dues and contributions to the League of Women Voters (except LWV Education Fund contributions) are not deductible as a personal or business expense for tax purposes.

2010 Report To The Community

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THE LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS

**Fredi de Yampert
President**

**LWVCC
P.O. Box 815
Houghton, MI 49931-0815**

**Internet
<http://www.lwvccmi.org>**

HIGHLIGHTS 2009-2010

VOTER SERVICE

- Provided voter information at MTU Community Welcome
- Provided voter information at Finlandia University's Community Welcome
- Provided voter information online at website (<http://www.lwvccmi.org>)

CITIZEN EDUCATION

- Published and distributed *Your Government Officials* (a listing of elected government officials) to government offices, libraries, high schools and in the community in Houghton County
- Maintained web site: <http://www.lwvccmi.org>
- Participated in voting-related public information/awareness events on both college campuses and in the community
- Published information updates on Health Care Reform and Sustainability



HIGHLIGHTS 2009-2010

ADVOCACY & PROGRAMS

- Hosted program on the Copper Country Great Start Collaborative
- Hosted program on Great Lakes Water by Alex Mayer, Professor, MTU
- Hosted program on Health Care reform: Where are we now?
- Hosted annual meeting celebrating our 50th anniversary. Guest speakers: Past Presidents for the local League.
- Served on the Justice Center taskforce

LWV STUDIES RESULTING IN ACTION

- LWVMI Re-Study of Michigan prisons resulted in updated State Position
- LWVUS 2-Year Immigration Study resulted in new position on immigration at the national level
- LWVUS Climate Change Task Force published new toolkit on Global Climate Change

LWVUS NATIONAL STUDIES

- Role of Federal Government in Education
- Privatization in Government

LWVMI STATE CONVENTION

- One voting delegate attended LWVUS convention in Atlanta, Georgia

PLANNED FOR 2010-2011

VOTER SERVICE/EDUCATION

- Voter Guide for mid-term 2010 election
- Participate in campus and community awareness days and voter registration
- Update and publish *Your Government Officials* and maintain website, <http://www.lwvccmi.org>
- Co-sponsor candidate forum with Copper Country agencies for children
- Co-sponsor candidate forum with the Keweenaw Chamber of Commerce
- Voter education and registration

STUDY, PROGRAMS and ADVOCACY

- Climate change & sustainability events
- Informational sessions on health care
- Annual meeting featuring speaker TBA
- Send one voting delegate to the LWVMI state convention. Location: to be determined.
- Advocacy for ballot issues supported by League positions

NON-PARTISAN BUT POLITICAL

The League is non-partisan in that it does not support or oppose any political party or candidate. The League is political in that it takes positions on selected governmental issues after member study and agreement and publicly advocates for those positions.

JOIN THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE COPPER COUNTRY

We need you with us – join now

- Join to stay informed about issues and government, and about decisions that directly affect you and your community.
- Make your voice heard as an advocate for change and community problem solving.
- Sharpen your skills in leadership, communications, networking, public speaking and more, as you organize and act on local and national issues.

You will join the national, state and local Leagues in an exciting new effort to do something about the distrust and hostility that dominate public debate in America.

- We're advocating for changes in the political process, including campaign finance reforms that reduce special interest influence and make decisions fair.
- We're getting voters to the polls, because the system won't change unless we all hold government accountable and vote.
- We're creating opportunities for citizens to come together to discuss issues and shape solutions for the future.
- We're educating citizens and young people, giving them the knowledge and the tools they need to make a difference.
- We're opening new doors for women and minorities so our government is more representative of our society.