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Lunch & Issues

IMMIGRATION STUDY KICKOFF

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16 11:30 a.m.

at the Scotch & Sirloin Restaurant

6999 Maple Road, Amherst

Speaker: Diane LaVallee,

Attorney specializing in immigration work

MENU:

Steak Teriyaki, Roasted Baby Potatoes, Caesar Salad, Vegetable and Dessert

COST \$13.00

For reservations call Sally Metzger at 636-0957 or e-mail: semetz@adelphia.net by February 12.

Seating will be available for those who wish to hear the speaker but who will not be having lunch with us.



The Buffalo-Metro Unit invites everyone to join us THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 at 5:30 p.m.

at St. Anthony's R.C. Church (Behind City Hall) Meeting Room in Rectory Basement

BUFFALO'S ETHNIC CHURCHES

Speaker: Dr. Martin Ederer, Professor of History, Buffalo State College, author of "Buffalo's Catholic Churches, the Ethnic Communities and Archtecturaal Legacy."

Dr. Ederer will show slides of the ethnic churches which will be followed by a brief tour of the newly restored St. Anthony's Church.

ALL ARE WELCOME. (It is a wonderful presentation.)



## Highlights From The Board

### President's Message

This month, let's play a matching game:

All you have to do is put a check mark next to the title you would like most and contact me at the numbers listed below

- \_\_\_\_\_ Hospitality Chair
- \_\_\_\_\_ Development Director
- \_\_\_\_\_ Finance Director
- \_\_\_\_\_ Moderator Coordinator
- \_\_\_\_\_ Speaker Coordinator
- \_\_\_\_\_ Special Event Coordinator
- \_\_\_\_\_ Publications Chair

This is your opportunity to learn, to share your expertise, to meet new people, and to help an organization with a missionvision and values that I know you share or you would not have joined us in the first place. We have approximately 400 members but we seem to have a problem matching some of the jobs listed above to the people with the talent to do the job. We know you're out there. We just need help matching the person with the opportunity.

You can call me at 634-2412 or e-mail me at mardeu@localnet.com for further information. Jo Ann Mecca is our volunteer coordinator and she can be reached at 884-5312. She has an array of large and small jobs to fit your interests and your schedule. A major function of the board of directors is to help members take part in activities and derive a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment by learning and developing their skills. As a board, our job is to increase member involvement in every phase of League activity. Being a member can be much more than electing officers and directors, selecting program, adopting a budget, and going to meetings. Members develop and share skills by doing, by serving on committees and by taking on leadership roles. Help us to find you.

*Marian T. Deutschman*

- ▶ The LWVB/N VOTER can be seen on the New York State League web site each month. Go to [lwvny-bulletins.org](http://lwvny-bulletins.org).
- ▶ 2006-2007 board meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month at 4:30 pm unless there is a Monday holiday.
- ▶ The State/National Program Planning Committee met on Jan. 8th and decided to retain all the current program with minor revisions.
- ▶ The Immigration Study group will meet on the third Wednesday of each month.
- ▶ LWVB/N holds memberships in, CRTC and Lake Erie Basin Committee
- ▶ Annual meeting will be held in early June. Co-chairs are Margaret Brunson and Judy Weidemann
- ▶ Budget Committee appointments: Susan Davis, Laura McDade, Jeanne Bowman, Joan Photiadis, Lee Lambert, Diane Showalter, Marian Deutschman
- ▶ FAX number for LWVB/N: 882-3797

### REMEMBER THE LEAGUE WHEN MAKING YOUR ESTATE PLANS

To add a bequest through your will to LWVB/N, you need to inform your attorney. Often the change does not necessitate a new will but simply the addition of a "codicil" to your existing will.

**If you wish to include LWVB/N in your will, our Board of Directors suggests the following language: "I give \_\_\_\_\_ (percentage, residue, or specific amount) to LWVB/N, having its principal offices at 1272 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14209, for its general purposes.**

### GREAT DECISIONS

I'm keeping my fingers crossed that this month's article has the correct information. Last minute changes made that impossible a couple of times lately

Our February meeting will be **Thursday, February 15, 2007**, at 1272 Delaware - **10:00 a.m.** to 12:00 p.m. Our topic will be **"The U.S. in the Middle East"**, facilitated by **Bernice Baeumler**. Although the U.S. will remain engaged in Iraq during the next year, other factors have emerged to challenge stability in the region. Iran's nuclear program, the outcome of the conflict in Lebanon, and Israeli-Palestinian negotiations will all play a key role. How will these issues shape the Middle East?

*Submitted by Bernice Baeumler - 876-0672*

### LWVUS ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION TOOL

LWVUS has a voter registration tool online. It's easy – just fill out the form; then print, sign and mail it to the address given.  
<<http://www.lwv.org/voter/register.html>>

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Express yourself...let me know your ideas and opinions.....keep it short and to the point. Mail your letter to Margaret Brunson, Editor, LWVB/N VOTER, 778 Lawrence Ave., East Aurora, NY 14052 or FAX to 662-2152 **Attn.: Margaret Brunson** by February 9, 2007 - 2 p.m. for the March issue.

E-mail: [margbrunson@yahoo.com](mailto:margbrunson@yahoo.com)

## VOTER SERVICES

**JoAnn Mecca** and **Jeanne Bowman** attended the New Citizens' ceremony on Thursday, January 3. The next ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 1.

**Mary Bowman** is waiting to receive the final results lists from the November elections from the Erie and Niagara Boards of Elections in order to update our TRY brochure.

*Jeanne Bowman, Voter Services Chair*

## STATE AND NATIONAL PROGRAMS.

The next meeting will be February 8th at 10 a.m. at Higher Grounds Coffee House. The agenda will be:

### State Programs:

1. Voting Machines,
2. Redistricting,
3. Act to Regulate Invasive Species in the Great Lakes ,
4. State Judiciary.

### National Programs:

1. Immigration,
2. Health Care,
3. Energy and Global Warming.

Everyone is welcome to attend and participate or observe the program. Higher Grounds Coffee House is at 3622 Sheridan Drive at Millersport. You are required to purchase coffee, juice or pastry etc.

*Submitted by Abbey Bernardis and Polly Ferguson*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*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.*

# IMMIGRATION 101

## Delegates at The LWV June 2006 National Convention adopted a three year study of Immigration Policies.

The Scope of the Study is to include the:

- \*\*\* Underlying values and principles regarding immigration,
- \*\*\* Reasons for immigration,
- \*\*\* Current federal immigration, and
- \*\*\* The impact of immigration.

For those interested in immigration issues or curious about "Immigration 101", join us to shape the League's immigration position.

### Monthly meetings for the immigration committee are scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the League office.

Joan Photiadis, 877-1871, Immigration Study Coordinator  
[joanphotie@verizon.net](mailto:joanphotie@verizon.net)

### JOIN US ON FEBRUARY 16 AT LUNCH & ISSUES AT THE SCOTCH & SIRLOIN TO HEAR THE FIRST SPEAKER IN THE IMMIGRATION STUDY.

Diane LaVallee is an attorney specializing in immigration work. She has worked in the District Attorney's Office and in the New York State Attorney General's Office and is currently teaching Plea Bargaining at the University at Buffalo Law School.

Ms. LaVallee has had numerous speaking engagements over the years; most recently on Judge Penny Wolfgang's radio program, speaking about the Buffalo-Lille exchange program.

*SEE PAGE 1 FOR LUNCHEON INFORMATION .*

## NEW - Immigration Study Papers Now Available

The LWVUS Immigration Study Committee members are researching and writing background papers to help Leagues educate members and communities about immigration issues. The papers' topics include business and economic effects and impact, diversity, global interdependence, federal policy, and motivation of refugees, asylees and other immigrants. The first three papers are now available online. To access these and other immigration materials, go to the web site at [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org) , click on "For Members" and then on the new Quick Link, "LWVUS Immigration Study."

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

***America is God's crucible, the great melting pot...  
Israel Zangwill***

*From "The Melting Pot", Act 1 - 1908*

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## Sunshine Week (March 11 -13, 2007)

Since 2007 will be the third year with national recognition of the importance of transparency and freedom of information in government, many Leagues will want to take advantage of the visibility associated with this week to put on public events. Sunshine Week seeks to enlighten and empower citizens to play an active role in their government at all levels, and to give them access to information that makes their lives better and their communities stronger. Journalists around the country are being encouraged to report on this topic during that week. A national Web site, [www.sunshineweek.org](http://www.sunshineweek.org), provides suggestions for local activities, and names of state coordinators.

LWVUS is partnering with other organizations in a kick-off event for Sunshine Week on March 12th at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. The program, entitled "Closed Doors; Open Democracies?", will include a panel discussion, audience questions, and ideas for action, and will be webcast to sites around the country. The purpose is to share this discussion by national experts with local communities, providing them with material to educate the public on this important issue. In most cases, libraries will be the local host sites. Other organizational co-sponsors are being sought. If you are interested in participating, please contact: Marian Deutschman at 634-2412 or e-mail: [mardeu@localnet.net](mailto:mardeu@localnet.net).

Materials are available to use during Sunshine Week. The LWVEF's 2006 "Looking for Sunshine" tool kit can be ordered through LWVUS publications, publication number 2077. The "Are You Safer in the Dark?" DVD from last year's National Press Club event can be ordered here. Other materials can be downloaded from the Sunshine Week Web site at [www.sunshineweek.org](http://www.sunshineweek.org).

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day



## LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

The Erie County Association of School Boards in partnership with the League, the PTA and other groups of educators is sponsoring its 29th annual Legislative Breakfast, a dialogue with our Western New York State Senators and Assembly Members.

It will take place on **Saturday, February 10**, at Michael's, 4885 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg. Registration and breakfast with be from 8:30-9 am, and the program from 9-11 a.m. **Call 821-7297 for registration**, \$25 per person.

Our League member, **Jean Winsor** will speak on our new Charter Schools position. Call Lee Tetkowsky 773-3266 to arrange carpooling.

**Please register by January 31.** Fee includes breakfast and program materials.

## Letter to the Editor:

### THANK YOU LWVB/N!

Now, when I'm facing departure from the Buffalo area for good, I wish to express my appreciation for the enormously positive experience that LWVB/N has been in my life here.

I joined the League immediately after retiring from 30 years in research at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. My inspiration for joining was the late Marion Nichol, former President of the local League. Her efforts at getting Lake Erie cleaned from phosphates were impressive.

One of my activities in the League was as an observer of the Amherst Town Council, which included writing monthly reports to the local bulletin. Those were the days of the "100 Year Flood" of the Ellicott Creek. I also led a local study of US Agriculture policies at a time when the farmers were accused of "plowing the corridors of Congress" I participated in the study of Financing of Health Care that included an interview of the administration of Buffalo General Hospital. My latest learning experience was leading the study of Global Trade. One of those sessions coincided with the 9/11 disaster.

The greatest fun for me were the eight weekly sessions of the Great Decisions every spring and the Foreign Relations meeting in the fall. For the latter we chose topics such as the Middle East, Africa, China, European Union, nuclear arms, Islam, 'population explosion'. etc. We had a group of enthusiastic participants who took turns in digging deep into the subject at hand and presented it to the others for discussion. The ambience of the Conference Room at Amherst Town Hall that we used was especially conducive for camaraderie and lively exchange of ideas and the meetings were often followed by a luncheon at the Original Pancake House.

Altogether LWVB/N has been an eye opening experience for me, a person with a foreign background and a lifetime in science. I can't thank you enough! I trust that you continue to touch and inspire people as you have done with me.

*Maire T. Zakrzewski*

## CHARTER SCHOOLS/EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Now that at last we have a position concerning charter schools, Lee Tetkowsky and Jean Winsor met with the Editorial Board of the Buffalo News for a briefing. It is a timely subject with our new Governor demonstrating strong support for education, and the issue of raising the cap on charter schools expected to be discussed.

JoAnn Mecca and Lee Tetkowsky attended the news conference for CFE and Alliance for Quality Education to launch "100 Days to Educational Excellence Campaign". This was covered on Ch. 7.

Part III of the Financing Education study has been cancelled due to lack of interest throughout the state. That was the part on gambling as a source of revenue.

The committee will not meet until March 15 at 1:30 at our office. New members interested in following the upcoming renewal of the No Child Left Behind law are very welcome.

*Submitted by Lee Tetkowsky - 773-3266*

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Amherst, NY 14228
- Rep. Brian Higgins** (716) 852-3501  
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Buffalo, NY 14210
- Rep. Louise Slaughter** (716) 853-5813  
Buffalo Office  
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Buffalo, NY 14203
- Rep. Randy Kuhl** (800) 562-7431  
12262 West Lake Road  
Hammondsport, NY 14840

**LWVB/N NOMINATING COMMITTEE  
REPORT**

*Delight Dann, Chair*  
*Margaret Brunson, Nuala Drescher, Allene Falk,*  
*Cathleen Getty, Ellen Neumaier, and Loretta Peszynski*

It is the responsibility of the nominating committee to find outstanding candidates for the following offices and board positions for 2007-2009

- President**
- First Vice President**
- Secretary**
- 5 Directors**

League members are urged to make recommendations. We need your help to locate able and willing candidates. Please feel free to recommend someone you know or recommend yourself.

Let us know who you think would be a good candidate for any (or all) of these positions. If you would like to serve on the board, let us know.

email your recommendations to: [cddann@verizon.net](mailto:cddann@verizon.net)  
or mail to LWVB/N Nominating Committee  
1272 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209

***Letter from Buffalo Common Councilmember Dominic J. Bonifacio***

Last November, the Local Government Committee sent letters to Buffalo Common Councilmembers, the Mayor, and the City Comptroller informing them that, based on our sales tax position, we had written to all of the Erie County Legislators and the County Executive opposing County Legislator Ranzenhofer's sales tax resolution. This resolution would terminate the current sales tax distribution agreement, and it proposes a new distribution formula that would provide more revenue to the towns and much less to the cities. The letter at the right is the response we received from Councilmember Dominic J. Bonifacio.

Dear Ms. Huberman,

On behalf of the residents of the Niagara District in the city of Buffalo, I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to the League of Women Voters of Buffalo/Niagara for sharing the city of Buffalo's fight in finding a more equitable sales tax distribution formula.

There is no doubt in my mind that Erie County Legislator Michael Ranzenhofer's proposal would significantly hinder the City of Buffalo's finances and ultimately have a severe negative impact on the entire region. I will continue to lobby the County Executive and our representatives on the Erie County Legislature to oppose this proposal and fight for a new measure that makes sense for the City of Buffalo, the County of Erie and the entire Western New York region.

Once again thank you for recognizing the value of the City of Buffalo, and I would like to offer the League my assistance with your efforts in the future.

Very Truly Yours,  
Dominic J. Bonifacio  
Majority Leader  
Niagara District Councilmember

## NATURAL RESOURCES

This study is interesting: **Self-reported residential pesticide use is associated with a 39% increase in breast cancer risk.** Increased risk was seen for lawn and garden pesticide use, but not insect repellants or products to control ticks, fleas or lice on pets. This finding comes from a study on Long Island, NY, of 1,508 newly diagnosed women matched with controls. However, there was no indication that higher use caused greater risk. American Journal of Epidemiology. More... <http://aje.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/kwk046v1>

**We have a new LWVNYS Natural Resources specialist: Roberta Wiernik, tel. 914 241 7242 ; email is rfwiernik@aol.com**

Several topics come to mind when thinking ahead to Natural Resources projects:

**Global Warming.** LWVUS has signed a Citizens' Climate Policy "It's Time to Stop Global Warming" that meets the following principles:

1. Guarantees global warming pollution reductions, with enforceable deadlines.
  2. Promotes clean and efficient sources of energy.
  3. Immediate action is required. If we wait, it will be too late.
- Full text on LWVUS web site. Walter Simpson's group is working on this locally.

**Electronics or E-waste.** Only 4 states have laws regulating the recycling/disposal of these materials. Erie County has e-waste collection days twice a year, usually one in May. I will keep you informed when the date is announced.

**Storm Water Runoff.** Recent outbreaks of e.coli that may have come from runoff of animal waste brings this into the headlines. The Ohio group of the League's Lake Erie Basin Committee is working on this and wants us to get involved in the study.

**Alternatives to Pesticide Use education.** Although Pesticide Neighborhood Notification (PNN) passed in Dec. in Erie County (and Ulster) there needs to be much education as to what is available as true alternatives and where these products and services can be obtained.

**Natural Resources meetings are scheduled the second Thursday of the month, 9:30 am at St. Matthias in East Aurora.** Interested but this time does not work for you? Please call Ellen Neumaier, LWVB/N Natural Resources Chair at 652 6882 .

## 2030 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council (GBNRTC) hosted a series of four public open house meetings to share information and solicit community comment on the Draft 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan being developed for Erie and Niagara Counties.

Participants had the opportunity to learn and comment on work completed to date including, a review of the existing transportation conditions in the region, future transportation needs, the goals and objectives of the Plan, and potential projects. When approved, this multi-modal plan will guide the investment of federal transportation dollars in the two-county region over the next 20+ years. The meetings were open to interested individuals.

For further information about the draft plan, see our web site at [www.gbnrtc.org](http://www.gbnrtc.org) < <http://www.gbnrtc.org/> > .

Written comments may be sent to: GBNRTC, Suite 503, 438 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14202. Phone: (716) 856-2026; Fax:(716) 856-3203; E-mail: [staff@gbnrtc.org](mailto:staff@gbnrtc.org). Special accommodations will be provided upon request.

**LWVB/N is preparing a general meeting presentation on transportation for March 22 at 11:30 a.m.**

*Gladys Gifford, LWVB/N Transportation Chair  
836-2825*

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

LWV/BN member, Margaret Talboys, along with her husband, Ron Talboys have been called the Rosalyn and Jimmy Carter of Western New York for their deep commitment to Habitat for Humanity.

Habitat for Humanity is a not-for-profit Christian group of volunteers working to put low income families in safe, clean and affordable housing. Last year the couple won the Buffalo News and WNED-TV co-sponsored Jefferson Award because under their leadership more than 150 homes have been built or renovated since 1965.

According to an article in the Buffalo News on March 5, 2006, it was a study of Matthew 25 by the devout Lutheran couple and the verse 'Inasmuch as you have done it to one of the least of my brethren, you have done it to me' that impacted the lives of the Talboys and lead to their Habitat involvement. "We'll never stop building houses with families in need," Margaret Talboys says. "There's hope for families, neighborhoods and the city in which we now serve." Indeed the leadership which Margaret and her husband have given to Habitat For Humanity has reached many in the City of Buffalo.

The League congratulates you on receiving the Jefferson Award, Margaret, and wishes you and your husband many more years of this fulfilling work.



Please note:  
**The League of Women  
 Voters of  
 New York State  
 and the Education Foundation have  
 a new address:**  
**62 Grand Street, Albany, NY 12207**  
**(518) 465-4162 (518) 465-0812**  
[www.lwvny.org](http://www.lwvny.org)



## Community Events of Interest

**TRAINING FOR POTENTIAL BUFFALO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS** (and their campaign managers!) 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, January 27, 2007, Community Foundation Community Room, 712 Main Street, Buffalo. Sponsored by Erie County Association of School Boards. Contact Jane Burzynski, APR, for more information: [jburzynski@e1b.org](mailto:jburzynski@e1b.org)

**Susan B. Anthony Awards Luncheon**, February 3, 11:30 a.m. at Salvatore's Italian Garden. Honoree - Lynn Marinelli. Price: \$25 per person. If you would like to make a reservation contact Mrs. Dewey Dobson at 632-4136.

**MAYOR BYRON BROWN'S "State of the City Address"**, Tues., Feb. 20 at 11:30 a.m., Buffalo Convention Center. Lunch \$30.00. Reserve by 2/9/07. Call Dana at 984-3109.

## Membership



We print the names and addresses of new members and changes to the LWVB/N Directory in each month's VOTER. Please make note of this new information in your directory to keep it up to date.

### NEW LOCAL MEMBERS

- NOREEN DAVIS**.....510-6382  
33 Linwood Ave. #212, Buffalo, NY 14209
- MAXINE INSERA**.....835-4705  
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### MOVED - NEW ADDRESS

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- JACK QUINN III**.....826-1878  
PO Box 2281, Blasdell, NY 14219

### NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS:

- MARY B. BOWMAN**.....mbb774@yahoo.com

## LWVB/N FINANCE DRIVE

It's not too late to make your annual contribution to the League of Women Voters of Buffalo/Niagara. It's so easy to overlook these things with all the holiday preparations and parties crowding our busy schedules at this time of year.

It has come to our attention that several people have sent money to the State League thinking it would go into our Grants Management Fund. It wasn't emphasized in the finance letter that money to the Education Foundation for LWVB/N should be sent to OUR office with the notation that it is for LWVB/N. Money going directly to the State LWV stays with the State.

*Laura McDade, Interim Finance Chair*

## Amherst Unit News

Lunch & Issues continues at the Scotch & Sirloin Restaurant with DIANE LAVALLEE, an attorney specializing in immigration work speaking to us on February 16 at 11:30 a.m. All Leaguers are invited to attend. See reservation information on page 1.

To observe Amherst Town Board working group call Polly Ferguson at 634-4582; 1st and 3rd. Mondays.

Also, we bid a fond farewell to Maire Zakrzewski who has moved to Watertown, NY. Maire, an educator, writer of scientific articles and League Studies leader will be missed. Contact her at: Maire Zakrzewski, 1200 Jewell Dr., Apt. 301, Watertown, NY 13601; phone (315) 788-0461.

*Judy Metzger - 688-2351*

## Clarence Unit News

Clarence Supervisor Kathleen Hallock will deliver her annual report on the State of the Town at a luncheon meeting sponsored by the Clarence Unit of the League of Women Voters of Buffalo/Niagara on Wednesday, February 14, at 11:30 AM at Orazio's Restaurant, 9415 Main St.

To make reservations for the luncheon, which will cost \$11.00, call Allene Falk at 759-8188 or Diane Showalter at 759-6353.

Our Clarence finance drive has reached \$800 in contributions from the community.

*Allene Falk 759-8188*

## Buffalo Metro Unit News

You are invited to join the OBSERVER CORPS for the following meetings:

**BUFFALO BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS** - 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. (851-3500), Council Chambers, City Hall.

**BUFFALO COMMON COUNCIL MEETINGS** - every other Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. (851-5105) - Council Chambers, City Hall.

*Call Jo Ann Mecca if you have questions about the Observer Corps and its meetings. (884-5312)*

*Elsa Bondar - 773-5344*

### CUT OUT AND MAIL TODAY

Make check payable to **LWVB/N** and send to **LWVB/N**, 1272 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY 14209-2401 (Attn: Membership Chair, Judy Weidemann)

- \$50 Individual (Basic Membership)
- \$60 Carrie Chapman Catt Membership
- \$75 Elizabeth Cady Stanton Membership
- \$100 Susan B. Anthony Membership
- Enclosed is my additional contribution of \$\_\_\_\_\_
- \$75 Household  
*(2 members living at the same address)*
- \$25 Student membership  
*Scholarship fund available to supplement membership dues when necessary*

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### Unit Affiliation *(optional)*

- Amherst
- Aurora-Elma
- Buffalo Metro
- Clarence
- Hamburg
- Niagara County

*LWVB/N keeps only \$6.00 of each member's \$50.00 dues, the rest goes to state and national League.*

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	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>FEBRUARY 2007</b>		LWVNYS CONVENTION MAY 18-20, 2007 AT THE CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL IN WHITE PLAINS, NY			1  New Citizens Ceremony	2  GROUNDHOG DAY	3
	4	5  LWVB/N Board Meeting 4:30 PM	6	7	8 NATURAL RESOURCES <i>See page 6</i> <hr/> STATE & NATIONAL PROGRAM <i>See page 3</i>	9  DEADLINE FOR MARCH VOTER	10  LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST <i>See page 4</i>
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	25	26	27	28		THE CHARTER SCHOOL/ EDUCATION COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON MARCH 15.	

For meeting times of LOCAL GOVERNMENT & MERGER STUDY COMMITTEES Call Lynda Stephens at 875-2707 or Anne Huberman at 882-3083