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Calendar (League activities in bold)

EVENT/ACTIVITY	DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
LWVCC Meeting Health	Apr 18	W	7 p.m.	Haddon Township Library
Care and the Constitution				
Voter Registration	May 1	Tu	10 a.m.	After the naturalization ceremony, 401
				Market St., Camden.
LWVCC Board Meeting	May 2	W	7-9 p.m.	Vogelson Library, Voorhees
Nonpartisan Municipal	May 8	Tu	Check	Local election places
Elections for those towns that			locally	
have them.				

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Board Report

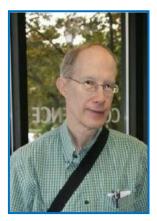
At its April 4, 2012 meeting, the LWVCC board:

- 1. Finalized plans for the April 18 meeting
- 2. Discussed steps needed to put on the Annual Meeting in June.
- 3. Heard a report on our successful Running & Winning event.
- 4. Approved a first draft budget.
- 5. Decided to send all membership renewal notices by mail, not e-mail. Ideally these will be included with the Annual Meeting flier.
- 6. Discussed the idea of an email tree -- e-savvy members get an email about events, and each calls a small number who don't use email.
- 7. Accepted Myrna Schlanger's offer to do the voice mail for a few months.

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Board Message:



Hi, everyone! It's my turn to write the board letter rather than inserting the one written by somebody else into the Voter! This spring we have had (or will have) a number of interesting activities: a public meeting (April 18), our Annual Meeting (June 9), both with interesting speakers, and another successful *Running & Winning* event. Yea! The League is at its best when we are running events and bringing in interesting speakers to educate ourselves and the public.

The **April 18** meeting will feature **Falk Engel**, an **expert on constitutional law**, who will discuss the Supreme Court and health care reform. See the flier later in the Voter. I hope you'll join us for this exciting talk.

Hold the date! The **Annual Meeting** will be on June 9 (from noon till 3 or so, as usual) and will feature Chloe Cooney, Director of Global Advocacy, Planned Parenthood Federation of America who will speak (natch!) on **global issues in family planning**.

Running & Winning was a great success. The high school girls spontaneously commented on how much they enjoyed it. The only glitch was that we could not get our full quota of elected women, so some of the young people had to double up for the interviews. Hopefully we'll elect more women in Camden County and thereby solve that problem! My fond hope is that someday soon we'll get an email or letter from a newly elected female official saying, "I still remember when your *Running & Winning* program inspired me to try for public office!" Not yet, but keep your fingers crossed/

The nominating committee is hard at work. **The board is where much of the League action is!** If you want to get involved at a higher level, consider joining the board. While we expect board members to be willing to help and to work, we also respect different time availabilities and try not to overburden people.

Hope to see a lot of you soon!

Board member, Ed Gracely

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

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Getting there - Directions!

Camden County Courthouse: Take 676 north to Mickle Blvd. Flow right at the fork (don't go on Campbell Place), then turn right onto 5th street in a few blocks. The courthouse is at 5th and Federal, a block up from Mickle.

Camden, Federal Courthouse: 4th and Cooper, but we generally car pool. Call 856-795-7878 if you're interested. *About 3-4 blocks from the City Hall PATCO station*.

Haddon Township: Rohrer Library: Take 295 to Route 30 north. On 30, pass King's Highway. In about a mile after King's Highway, just after Nicholson Road on the left, you'll see Cuthbert Road on the right. Turn right onto Cuthbert from 30. Stay on Cuthbert for about half a mile. Just past Hopkins, turn right onto MacArthur. The library is at that corner. // This is the same Cuthbert Road that becomes Cuthbert Blvd further north at routes 70 and 38, so you could take it south from there. MacArthur is about 0.8 miles south of Haddon Avenue on Cuthbert Blvd.

Voorhees: Vogelson Regional Library: Driving south on 30, turn left onto Somerdale Road (gas station with red horizontal stripes on your left, Cunningham's Cleaners on the right), just above the Echelon Mall. Go under the train bridge in about a half mile, then turn right onto Burnt Mill (at the light). Soon turn left onto Laurel Road at a light. (There is a kind of small park with grass and trees on your left just before the turn and a flower-decorated median on Laurel itself). The library is on your right as you pass the mall. Burnt Mill Road also crosses 544 (Evesham Road) north of the library and White Horse Road (an extension of Springdale) south of it. If you know where the Echelon Mall is, you're home!

It's membership renewal time!

Renewal notices will be going out soon, probably with the materials for the Annual Meeting.

Hey! The LWVCC does NOT send a lot of mails to you, and we rarely ask for money. In other words, our mails are generally not junk mail! Open our mail... Then renew.

Membership is power. We need you!!!

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The League of Women Voters of Camden County

invites you to our

April Public Meeting!

Featuring

Falk Engel, JD

Public Interest Attorney
Adjunct Faculty, Rutgers University

April 18, 2012

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

"Obamacare" and the Supreme Court -- What do the Hearings tell us?

Haddon Township Library

15 MacArthur Boulevard Westmont, NJ 08108 (856) 854-2752

All welcome!

Falk is a League member (Lawrence Township) who has an interest in constitutional law. Now that the court has heard testimony on the Affordable Care Act (and we've heard their questions and comments) he can guide us as to where the issues are and what to expect. Sure to be informative! Join us...





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From the LWVNJ -- An important forum on Human Trafficking

Contact

Pat Thompson
The League of Women Voters of New Jersey
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When

Saturday April 21, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM EDT



Add to my calendar

Where

Rutgers, Douglass Campus, Loree Building, Rm 022 72 Lipman Drive New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Modern Day Slavery: Human Trafficking in New Jersey

New Jersey is a hub for human trafficking. There are between 12 million and 27 million human trafficking victims worldwide. These victims are women and men, children and adults, American citizens and people born in other countries, all forced into modern day slavery.

Join the League of Women Voters of New Jersey and Rutgers University Campus Coalition Against Trafficking, on Saturday, April 21 from 9:00 am -



12:30 pm at Rutgers University, Douglass Campus, New Brunswick and explore this widespread problem. Learn how to identify when and where human trafficking is happening, how to help the victims, and what can be done to prosecute the criminals. Speakers will include New Jersey policy experts, a human trafficking survivor, and experts working in the field.

Speakers Include:

- **Dorchen A. Leidholdt**, Director, Sanctuary for Families
- **Danielle**, a survivor.
- Kaitlyn Keisel, State Director, Polaris Project NJ
- **Jame Bolds**, NJ Representative of FREE International
- Senator Thomas Kean, Jr. and Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttle
- Asha Vaghela, Deputy State Attorney General and Director of the New Jersey Human Trafficking Task Force
- The cost is \$15 and the registration deadline has been extended to Tuesday, April 17.

For more information or to register, visit the LWVNJ web site <u>here</u> or go directly to the information page <u>here</u>.

The LWVNJ Women and Family Issues Committee has taken on human trafficking as a major issue. This presentation is one part of their vital work. Join us!

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- *Getting involved in the political process in nonpartisan ways.*
- *Meeting and working with other citizens who care about good government.*



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