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## Calendar (League activities in bold)

EVENT/ACTIVITY	DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION/INFO
<b>August Pot Luck</b>	Aug 28	W	6-8:30 pm	Renee Robbins' house
<b>Voter Registration</b>	Sept 19	Th	10 am	After the naturalization ceremony, 401 Market St., Camden. Contact the League at <a href="mailto:lvcc@hotmail.com">lvcc@hotmail.com</a> or call 856-795-7878 if you are interested in helping register.
<b>LWVNJ Fall Workshops</b>	Sept 21	Sa	9-1	How young women enter politics, plus other workshops and training opportunities
<b>LWVCC Kickoff</b>	Sept 28	Sa	12-3	Beneficial Bank, corner of Route 70 & Springdale Rd, Cherry Hill. Cherry Hill then and now.

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### Board Report

This issue of the Voter is coming to you before the August Pot Luck/ board meeting. There was no board meeting in July or early August.

**League of Women Voters of Camden County**

## Board Message:



Hello Fellow Members,

Our new League year is about to begin. We'll have the fall Pot Luck/ meet & greet on August 28, then two exciting fall activities -- the LWVNJ fall workshops on Sept 21 and the LWVCC fall Kickoff on Sept 28. I hope you'll be able to join us for both.

The Kickoff topic is "Cherry Hill then and now". It'll be a historical presentation about a key area of Camden County that should be of interest to everyone, whether or not they live in Delaware Township -- I mean, Cherry Hill.

The LWVNJ fall workshops are tentatively on a theme of "Politics of the Millennial Generation". In addition, there are always opportunities for training - moderator, advocacy, and other useful League activities after the plenary.

In League,

Ed Gracely  
Member of the Board

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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.*

**Cherry Hill, Beneficial Bank 1901 Marlton Pike East.** Going north on Springdale (from Kresson towards 70) the bank is on your right just before 70 (one floor building, kind of reddish bottom part, steeply sloping black roof). Also easy to reach on 70 E (just \*past\* Springdale). You can't get there from Route 70 west. You'd have to turn at Springdale (go past it, see turnoff on the right).

**Voorhees: Vogelson Regional Library:** Driving south on 30, turn left onto Somerdale Road just above the Voorhees Town Center. 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. The library is on your right as you pass the mall.

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## Board Meeting & Pot Luck

We'll be gathering at Renée Robbins' cool house in the woods in Cherry Hill for a board meeting, chat, and discussion about the upcoming year. **August 28** 6-8:30. All members and prospective members are welcome to join us. Please call Renée (she's in the League directory) or contact the League Voice Mail ((856) 795-7878) if you can't find Renée's number! Let us know you are coming, and what you are bringing! And get directions if you need them.

## Slide Show on the LWVCC Web Home Page

Check out <http://www.lwvnj.org/camdencounty/>

The slide show is the upper right picture square. It should start automatically (or warn you to get Flash Player). Unfortunately, captions are not the default. To see the show with captions, hover over it, click on the little "speech bubble" on the lower left, then click the triangle in the middle to get the pictures moving again.

More pictures will be added! Enjoy.

## LWVNJ Human Trafficking Study Coming Very Soon

At the last NJ Convention, delegates approved a study of human trafficking.

We already oppose trafficking on general principle, of course! But since we have no specific position, it is sometimes unclear how strongly we can support specific activities (such as training for law enforcement, services for former trafficking victims, etc...). A position will enable us to do more specific actions and have a more specific League basis for them.

We also hope to take our position to national Convention in 2014 and have it become (or be incorporated into) an LWVUS position on Human Trafficking by concurrence there. To do this, we need local Leagues in other states to recommend it (or a similar position elsewhere) for consideration. Then we can bring it up in a relatively easy way for consideration at convention. I won't bore you with the details, just say that if so many local Leagues recommend adoption of a human trafficking position by concurrence that the national board "recommends" it, that would speed the process considerably.

This is how the LWVUS got its position against the death penalty -- The Illinois opposition to the death penalty position was supported by other Leagues and State Leagues like NJ, recommended by the national board, and adopted by delegates without an additional study. Several states had studied the topic and agreed on the basic conclusion, so national delegates felt we could simply go along with their results.

The deadlines will be fairly tight -- to get a consensus we can recommend to national program planning groups around the country, we need to complete the study and have a position by December of this year. So, local Leagues will have to plan a study sometime in the fall. The state board thinks that many of them will prefer to wait till after the crazy election season, and do the consensus meeting in early November.

We'll keep you posted in CamCo on when the consensus will be.

Some of you on my email list are Members at Large from nearby areas. You are welcome to join us at our consensus meeting when we hold it. There's even a spot on the form for "How many MAL's participated in your meeting?" We'd be happy to put 5 or more in that spot!

If you want information on human trafficking in the meantime, check out some web sites:

**NJ Human Trafficking Task Force:** <http://www.nj.gov/oag/dcj/humantrafficking/>

**Philadelphia Anti-Trafficking Coalition:** <http://www.patcoalition.org/>

**US Homeland Security Trafficking site:** <http://www.dhs.gov/topic/human-trafficking>

**Polaris Project (global effort):** <http://www.polarisproject.org/>

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## Fall Election Deadlines at a Glance

[A PDF with all of these dates is available here.](#)

### Special Primary Election: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 **I hope you all voted in it!**

- **Deadline to register to vote or change address:** July 23, 2013
- **Deadline to apply by mail for mail-in ballot:** August 6, 2013 - Note: County Clerk must receive application by this date.
- **Deadline to apply in-person for mail-in ballot:** August 12, 2013, 3:00 pm

Both of the following are **General** elections. All registered voters can vote, and you are not restricted to voting for a party.

### Special General Election for Senator: Wednesday, October 16, 2013

- **Deadline to register to vote or change address:** September 25, 2013
- **Deadline to apply by mail for mail-in ballot:** October 9, 2013 - Note: County Clerk must receive application by this date.
- **Deadline to apply in-person for mail-in ballot:** October 15, 2013, 3:00 pm

**The winner of the Oct 16 election will fill Frank Lautenberg's seat and hold that position until January 2015. Thus there will be new elections in 2014 (primary and general) for the same seat.**

### November General Election for Governor and other seats: Tuesday, November 5, 2013

- **Deadline to register to vote or change address:** October 15, 2013
- **Deadline to apply by mail for mail-in ballot:** October 29, 2013 - Note: County Clerk must receive application by this date.
- **Deadline to apply in-person for mail-in ballot:** November 4, 2013, 3:00 pm



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



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**Call 856-795-7878 or send this form to: PO Box 245, Voorhees, NJ 08043**

Annual membership is \$60 (plus \$30 for each additional household membership). To join, or for more information, send this form or call the number above.

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Please send me information on membership in the LWV of Camden County \_\_\_\_\_

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