

LWVOPRF 2nd Tuesday Discussions

8 September 2015 at 19th Century Club from 9:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Resource speaker: Peggy Kell, LWVOPRF President

Topic: How does 2nd Tuesday discussion fit the LWVOPRF Mission?

There were about 18 participants to pose questions about the league mission and how 2nd Tuesday fits within those parameters. Peggy Kell's vast understanding of LWV mission enabled her to sort out answers quickly.

Much discussion surrounded voter registration and league members who can be deputy registrars, even at local block parties! A small minority of participants were not deputy registrars and were urged to become one.

Evening meetings were discussed and noted: LWVOPRF is offering a free drink and snacks on third Wednesdays at Doc Ryan's in Forest Park, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., with a focused format for discussions. Drinks and Dialogue

The topic of the challenge of communicating much information in this 21st century, and our need to be selective for information pertinent to our needs was discussed. Especially in the area of the low voter turnout even in Illinois, and limited political involvement, it is a challenge to the League's mission of education for informed political choices.

Last year LWVOPRF and IL did a study on Charter Schools to support a league position. The question for this year is waiting to be selected. Of note is the national focus to study amending the US constitution to deter corporations' largesse to candidates.

Peggy discussed LWVIL joining a consortium of states to broaden the knowledge base of issues attended to by individual states and share community knowledge. An example might be if our environmental committee is dormant at the moment, a member might attach themselves to an active environmental committee in another state.

October's topic is "How are local governmental units cooperating?" Matt Baron, President of the OPPL Board of Trustees, and active in the Illinois library consortium will be here to answer your questions. We trust we will see on 13

October 2015 at 9:15 a.m. for another lively discussion. All questions are entertained and answered!

Thank you for your interest,
Dale and Marilyn Fitschen and Mary Rose Lambke, Co-Chairs 2nd Tuesday



Peggy Kell, Mary Rose Lambke and Dale Fitschen