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KICK-OFF POTLUCK SUPPER

Tuesday, August 30th, 6p
Community Church Unitarian Universalist
6690 Fleur de Lis Drive

LWVUS 85TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY

TOPIC: "Report from LWVUS"

SPEAKER: CAROL DEVILLE

Carol is a member of the LWVUS Nominating Committee.
She is a long-time member of the Ruston/Grambling LWV.
Call Barbara LaFleur for reservations: 368-0629

BRING GUESTS

REPORT ON STEM CELL RESEARCH

Wednesday, September 14th, 7p

University of New Orleans Library

SPEAKER: DR. DARWIN J. PROCKOP, DIRECTOR
Center for Gene Therapy, Tulane University Medical Center

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Joint Meeting with Zonta Club of New Orleans/Zonta International

BRING GUESTS

TERREBONNE BAY AND LUMCON FIELD TRIP

Saturday, October 22nd, 8a-6p

Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium at Cocodrie, LA

SPEAKER: DR. MARK FORD, COALITION TO RESTORE COASTAL LOUISIANA

10a - Lecture on Coastal Issues

12p - Lunch on own at Coco Marina

1:30p - Boat Trip for 12 LWV members

Cost: \$25 pre-paid for boat trip

No cost for lecture and tour of LUMCON, no limit on participants

Sign up at Potluck Supper or

call Linda Walker, 899-2582

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2005-2006 LWVNO CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2005

- 16: Board Meeting, Tuesday, 6 pm, LWVNO office, 234 Loyola, Suite 421. All members welcome.
- 20: 2nd Education Summit Meeting, CBNO/MAC, at UNO/Lindy Boggs Center, Education Committee.
- 30: 6 pm, Kick-off Pot Luck Supper. 85th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Speaker: Carol Deville, LWVUS Nominating Committee, member Ruston/Grambling LWV. Community Church Unitarian Universalist, 6690 Fleur de Lis Drive.

SEPTEMBER 2005

- 5: Labor Day
- 14: 7 pm, Joint Meeting with Zonta International, "Stem Cell Research Report", Dr. Darwin J. Prockop, Director, Center for Gene Therapy, Tulane University Medical Center, UNO Library.
- 20: Board Meeting, Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location TBA. All members welcome.

OCTOBER 2005

- 4: Rosh Hashanah
- 13: Yom Kippur
- 18: Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location TBA. All members welcome.
- 22: Saturday, 8 am-6 pm. Field trip to Cocodrie and LUMCON. Update on coastal erosion and preservation efforts presented by Dr. Mark Ford of the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana at 10 am. Lunch on your own at Coco Marina. Boat trip in Terrebonne Bay limited to 12 reservations, cost \$25. No limit for lecture and tour through LUMCON.
- 25: 7 pm. General Meeting, TBA.
- 31: Halloween

NOVEMBER 2005

- 3: Forum "Distilling the Issues". Media and policy analysts debate the issues for the 2006 municipal elections. Thursday, 7 pm, Jewish Community Center, St. Charles Avenue at Jefferson. Co-sponsors: LWVNO, NCJW, YLC, ACORN, and African-American Leadership Project.
- 15: Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location TBA. All members welcome.
- 19: Voter Registration Drive.
- 20: Voter Registration Drive.
- 24: Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 2005

- 3: Voter Registration Drive.
- 4: Sunday, Holiday Party.
- 10: Voter Registration Drive.
- 14-16: Qualifying for Municipal Elections.
- 25: Christmas

JANUARY 2006

- 1: New Year's Day
- 4: Last Day to register to vote in February 4th primary election.
- 9: Monday, 7 pm, Forum on Council-at-Large seat, JCC.
- 17: Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location TBA. All members welcome.
- 23-28 (until noon): Absentee voting for February 4th election.

FEBRUARY 2006

- 1: Last day to register to vote in March 4th runoff election.
- 4: Primary election for municipal offices. Poll monitoring.
- 15: Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location TBA. All members welcome.
- 16: General Meeting. *Division Housing & Neighborhood Development*. Time and place TBA.
- 20-25: Absentee voting for March 4th election.
- 28: Mardi Gras Day

MARCH 2006

- 4: Municipal election run-off. Poll monitoring.
- 14: General Meeting. *Levee Board Field Trip*.
- 21: Board Meeting, 6 pm, location TBA. All members welcome.

APRIL 2006

- 1: Saturday. Algiers Point Porch Sale. L WVNO fundraiser.
- TBA: LWVLA Council Meeting.
- 9: Palm Sunday
- 11: General Meeting, TBA.
- 16: Easter
- 18: Board Meeting, 6 pm. Location LWVNO office. All members welcome.
- 24-28: UNO Elections.

MAY 2006

- 9: General Meeting. TBA.
- 14: Mother's Day
- 16: Board meeting, 6 pm. Location LWVNO office. All members welcome.
- 29: Memorial Day

JUNE 2006

- 1: Thursday, Annual Meeting, potluck supper. Time and place to be arranged. Election of LWVNO officers and board.
- 10-13: LWVUS Convention, Minneapolis, MN.
- 15-19: LWVNO-sponsored trip to LWV of Bartlesville, OK. Focus on energy issues and the oil and gas industry.
- 18: Father's Day

Save this calendar

Watch for future Strategic Planning Meetings



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WHAT TO THINK ABOUT FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING

Please review the **Principles** and think about how our local LWVNO should look in the future. All members are invited to participate in formulating a plan for the direction of LWVNO program and actions in the next five years. We will address the following:

1. What the LWVNO is. 2. What the LWVNO does. 3. Why the LWVNO does it.
Some LWVNO decisions and actions are more important than others. This means that we may decide to concentrate our efforts in some directions while not continuing our efforts in other directions.

In the League organization, the **Principles** serve as authorization for adoption of program and for taking action at the local, state and national levels. The **Principles** are:

- The LWV believes in representative government and in the individual liberties established in the Constitution of the United States.
- The LWV believes that democratic government depends upon the informed and active participation of its citizens and requires that governmental bodies protect the citizen's right to know by giving adequate notice of proposed actions, holding open meetings and making public records accessible.
- The LWV believes that every citizen should be protected in the right to vote; that every person should have access to free education that provides equal opportunity to all; and that no person or group should suffer legal, economic or administrative discrimination.
- The LWV believes that efficient and economical government requires competent personnel, the clear assignment of responsibility, adequate financing, and coordination among different agencies and levels of government.
- The LWV believes that responsible government should be responsive to the will of the people; that government should maintain an equitable and flexible system of taxation, promote the conservation and development of natural resources in the public interest, share in the solution of economic and social problems that affect the general welfare, promote a sound economy and adopt domestic policies that facilitate the solution of international problems.
- The LWV believes that cooperation with other nations is essential in the search for solutions to world problems and that development of international organization and international law is imperative in the promotion of world peace.