

President's Message – March 2020

It continues to be a very busy month for us and will probably not slow down until after the state convention in June. Membership is way up thanks in large part to the hard work of Cindy Fallona. We have our second major event coming up later this week with Michelle Duster, great granddaughter of Ida B. Wells. Jacqui continues to spread voter registration assistance throughout the Fox Valley. We have a program on March 16 on both the 2020 Census and Fair Maps Redistricting. Linda Bjella and Shirley Strange have been working on the complete count census committee for Outagamie County and will keep us informed as to how LWV Appleton can help. We need to send in our application for the Flag Day Parade. Sue Hopfensberger has secured the Lamers trolley for a very reasonable price and Spectrum wants to sponsor us. Our own Renee Gralewicz will be one of the keynote speakers for the state convention talking about Native American women's history and best practices for working with their communities. Dr. Pam Her is a potential speaker also regarding working with the Hmong community although she comes at a cost which we would have to pick up part of. The Nominations committee has met one time and should have a slate of nominees to vote on by our April Board meeting. As a reminder, Irene Strohbeen will need all Annual Meeting reports to members 30 days prior to the meeting which is on May 21. Please get these to her by April 1 if possible. Also, we would like to get one more newsletter out before summer so please get articles and photos to Dottie so she can start work on this.