

# The Voter

Jan 6

2025



## HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Empowering  
Voters  
Defending  
Democracy**

This week's Voter is inspired by a post shared by George Lakoff - Keep Democracy Alive in 2025 (theframelab.org).

On the anniversary of the January 6, 2021 Capital Hill Attack, this issue is a framework for 2025 resolutions to defending democracy.

## Program Planning

If you haven't yet, please make plans to participate in our 2025 Program Planning meeting. An important aspect of each league's grassroots process, Program Planning is how we, as a league, recommend and select governmental issues for study and agree in reaching a position and allows members personal input into our direction. But we can't do it without YOU.

Our Program Planning Meeting will be held January 25, 2024, at Andres Restaurant in Batavia from 1:00 p.m. to about 4:00 p.m. Please RSVP so that we reserve an appropriate space to accommodate everyone.

*please note, coffee and tea (iced or hot) paid by CKC, lunch is available on a "dutch treat" basis.*

**RSVP**

### Stay Up-to-Date

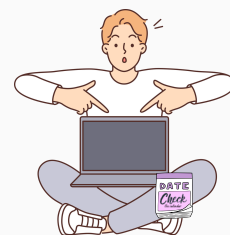
This area features upcoming CKC events. *For detailed info and links to Volunteer, use the graphic to check our website calendar.*

**JANUARY  
2025**

- 8 **CKC Open Board Meeting, 7 p.m.**  
Geneva Public Library
- 15 **Know Your Rights, 6:30-8 pm**  
Batavia Public Library
- 15 **Mis/Dis Information Committee Mtg**  
Messenger Library, N. Aurora, IL
- 16 **Third Thursday Member Cocktails 6:30 p.m.**  
Burger Local, Geneva, IL
- 22 **Voter Registration Geneva HS**
- 22 **Bright Future St. Charles, 6:30-8 pm**  
St. Charles Public Library
- 23 **Voter Registration Batavia HS**
- 25 **Program Planning, 1 - 4 pm**  
Andres Restaurant, Batavia, IL
- 29 **Candidate Forum, 5:30 - 8:30 pm**  
St. Charles Public Library
- 30 **Candidate Forum 6:30-9 pm**  
Batavia City Hall

**FEBRUARY**

- 3 **Candidate Forum, 5:30 - 8:30 pm**  
St. Charles Public Library
- 4 **Candidate Forum, 6:30 - 9 pm**  
Batavia City Hall
- 5 **CKC Open Board Meeting, 7 p.m.**  
Geneva Public Library
- 5 **Voter Registration St. Charles, East HS**
- 6 **Voter Registration Oswego East HS**
- 9 **Candidate Forum, noon - 4:30 pm**  
Geneva Public Library
- 12 **Voter Registration Waubesa Community College**
- 20 **Third Thursday Member Cocktails 6:30 p.m.**  
Location TBD



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## LAST CALL for 2024-2025 Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2024- 2025 are due now past due. With the pending changes by National to the dues collection system, any member not paid by January 15, 2025, will be removed from our roster.

**Please Pay Your Dues Now**

2024 - 2025 Membership Dues



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Remit payment to:

LWV Central Kane County  
PO Box 12  
Batavia, IL 60510

## KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

**Batavia Library**  
Wednesday, January 15th  
6:30pm- 8pm

Learn about your rights when interacting with Immigration, ICE, or Police

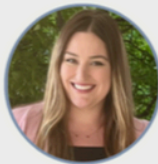
English presentation also available via zoom (Scan QR code) Spanish interpreters for in-person attendees

Our Presenters:

**Annie Jarvis**  
Coordinator & Paralegal at the YWCA Elgin



**Jasmine Pedraza**  
Immigration Attorney at the YWCA Elgin



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Scan QR Code to register and receive zoom link

Join Us as a Volunteer! The municipal elections are just around the corner, and your help is crucial! We have candidate forums lined up in all three cities, along with several additional events. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with the community and support our democratic process.

See the CKC League Calendar above, or check our website for Candidate Forum dates and times. We can't do these without you, please look at your calendars and see what your time will allow. There are needs for all levels, first times are as needed as our veteran leaguers.

[candidate forums](#)

[voter registrations](#)



Join Prairie Rivers Network on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 6:30-8 pm at the St. Charles Public Library for this important discussion and learn how St. Charles can lead the way toward a cleaner, healthier energy future for all. This is a chance to ensure the city's energy decisions align with the rapidly evolving energy landscape.



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## Keep Democracy Alive in 2025

*2025 resolutions modified from theframelab.org*

### Be Brave

Avoid helpless/hopeless talk. Courage, Faith & Optimism are essential.

### Cultivate Empathy

Do your best to understand other people's feelings and perspectives. Democracy depends on it.

### Stay Focused

Maintain your focus, keep your eye on the big picture...limit your intake of social media (designed to destroy your attention span and manipulate your brain).

### Foster Real Connection

Build strong relationships with neighbors, friends, & coworkers. Connect beyond your political difference & strengthen your community.

### Be Proactive

Get involved! Show up! Build local power... a strong democracy starts with empowered communities.

### Avoid Brain Rot & Lies

Seek legitimate information sources; subscribe to trusted media outlets; *fact check* before sharing/sending memes, texts or stories.

### Share a Positive Message

Offer a positive message centered on freedom. Be ready with a compelling, moral vision.

### Demand Accountability

Insist on accountability. Write letters, sign petitions, demand transparency and fairness. Participate!

### Engage Youth

Engage young people in conversation and *listen* to what they have to say; Empower them with tools, education, mentorship; Encourage them.

### Learn From History

None of this is new. Study past movements for democracy and justice to know what works.

### Support Artist/Arts

Literature, music, & art are crucial to a healthy society & functioning democracy. Buy the ticket, buy the art, buy the book.

### Take Part in Self-care

Protecting democracy requires an extraordinary amount of energy and stamina. Take care of your health, get plenty of sleep, drink lots of water. Exercise.

### Celebrate Victories

Celebrating the victories regardless of how small, will keep hope alive and will inspire others.

### Persist

Persistence in the best resistance.



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