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Facts are Facts are Facts

Empowering Voters Defending Democracy Philosopher William Clifford said "It is wrong always, everywhere and for anyone to believe anything upon insufficient evidence".

That said, last week, <u>KFF</u> released poll results regarding the public's view on Measles outbreaks and the misinformation associated with it. Their results were astonishing and alarming. Sadly many Americans when faced with false claims, be it regarding the Measles vaccine or other information, aren't sure what to believe.

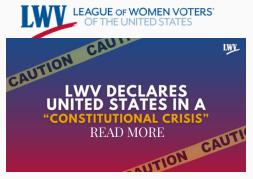
This is where we *must* shine. We must be a trusted voice in our community. Leaders without Judgment.

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.

MAY

- Volunteer Fair Batavia Public Library2-6 pm Volunteers needed
- Open to all members)
 - 7 LWVIL Lobby Day Springfield

- 15 Member Mixer 6:30 pm Location TBD
- 29 Annual Meeting/Dinner 5:00 p.m. Geneva Golf Club, Geneva







Interested in attending the State Convention? Email lwvckcil@gmail.com, subject line IL Convention for more info.







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mark your calendar

BATAVIA VOLUNTEER FAIR - May 6th. We'll be participating at two levels - info regarding LWV and CKC as well as Voter Registration. For those volunteering please not park in the library parking lot. Please use Bethany Lutheran Church or the parking along Wilson Street or Water Street (see graphic).



Interested in volunteering? Shifts available.



League of Women Voters Lobby Day in Springfield on May 7, 2025, to visit with legislators legislators and advocate for the issues we care about.

Never lobbied in Springfield before? No worries, LWVIL will provide assistance. Register now.



Annual Meeting & Dinner -

May 29, 2025 5:30 - 9:00 p.m. Our Annual Meeting & Dinner is a compilation of business, pleasure and

learning. It's our opportunity to elect our Board for the coming year (2025–2026). Business includes review our budget; discussion of a leadership succession plan; and a proposal to make our League more efficient, quicker to respond and better able to communicate.

Guest Speaker: Brian Turnbaugh will present on Media Literacy.



Demogracy

Under Attack: The State of Democracy Around the World

Is the world's democratic moment coming to an end? What does the future of democracy hold? Join us for our May Ideas Forum featuring Dr. William Muck, Professor of Political Science at North Central College. Professor Muck will explore global trends in democracy, highlighting data showing that in every region of the world, democracy finds itself under attack. He will explore the implications of this democratic decline and focus specifically on the case of American democracy. How do you know when your democracy is in danger and how should you respond? He will also reflect on the dramatic actions taken by the Trump administration and offer thoughts on how they fit within this broader anti-democratic moment.



William Muck is the chair of the Political Science Department as well as the coordinator for the College's Global Studies program. He teaches a variety of courses on international politics and foreign policy. His scholarship focuses on international security, the practice of military intervention, and the pedagogy of promoting civic engagement. He has been active in presenting research at various international studies conferences around the world. In 2018, Bill was named a Ruge Fellow by North Central College for his contributions to teaching and learning on campus. He is co-author of the book, *Technology and Civic Engagement in the College Classroom* as well as other articles on international

security and higher education pedagogy. If you are in the Chicago area you may have seen Bill on ABC 7, CBS Chicago, Fox 32 Chicago, or WGN Evening News offering political analysis. He is also a regular guest host for WCPT 820am radio. You can also listen to him on his weekly podcast. The Politics Lab.



Our first Novel Ideas Book Club selection is "Twilight of Democracy" by Anne Applebaum.

Our book club will be held the evening of June 19 as our social event for June.





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