

LWVIL Board 2013-2015



Mary Kubasak has been on the State Board for nearly six years, serving two terms as a Board Member and one term as Secretary and member of the Executive Committee. Mary has been a member of the McDonough County LWV for over forty years and has served on their board as President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Finance Chair. Until she retired in 2010, Mary was the Assistant Director of Student Activities at Western Illinois University, involved in fundraising, arts programming and coordinating local and international volunteer activities. Mary enjoys travelling, especially with her husband, Wayne, and their grown sons, Jason, Nicholas, and Benjamin.



Nancy Clark has been an Illinois League member since the early 80s and has served two terms as treasurer of LWVIL. She has also been LWV Oak Park–River Forest treasurer, and previously was treasurer of the Oak Park & River Forest Day Nursery. Nancy is an AARP Tax Aide, volunteers at the Economy Shop (a resale shop benefiting 6 charities) and spent thirty plus years as a computer programmer/systems analyst. Her entrepreneurial son is in San Francisco and her daughter is a jeweler/boutique owner in the East Village (NYC). Nancy jokes about running a B&B for folk musicians, hosts house concerts, patiently reads her husband's food engineering manuscripts, and sometimes manages to read her book club selection by the meeting date.



Mary Cay Murray joined the LWV of Oak Park & River Forest in 2005 after working for 33 years managing large-scale, complex surveys, mainly under contract with various federal agencies. Since joining the League, she has been active on the voter service committee, registering voters, poll watching, and organizing candidate fairs. She was co-president in 2007-2009 and vice president for several years. In 2011 she led a study concerning a referendum for the local school district. For the 2011 and 2013 local State of the Villages fundraiser, she led the effort to secure underwriting funding from local banks, senior residences, hospitals, and other local businesses. She also organized the new member breakfast for 2012 and 2013. Mary Cay participates in the League book club, enjoys cooking and gardening, and attending classes at the Graham School of the University of Chicago. She and her husband Jim enjoy travelling now that they are retired, especially to London to visit her son and his family.

Mary Klonowski has been a member of the League since 1966. She served as President, Program Chair, Treasurer and Voter Service Chair for the La Grange Area League. She is

currently on the Board of Directors of the La Grange Area League. She served as a Director on the State Board from 2002-2005 and on the State Study Committee for Pension Reform in 2012. She is a retired teacher.

Ann Yoshida has been as member of the Glenview League since 1989. She has served as Vice-President and President of her local league and currently serves on the Glenview LWV Board, where she chairs a Local Government Study and the Observer Corps. Ann is a tutor in Oakton Community College's VITA literacy program and she also plays lots of tennis. Ann and her husband Mike Hummel live in Glenview and have two children, Will and Amelia.



Kathi Graffam has been a member of the League since 1996. She served as President, Voter Services Director, and County League Representative for the La Grange Area League. She is currently its Treasurer. She was on the State Board as Voter Service Chair in 2007-09. She also is a member of the LWVIL Foundation Committee. Kathi is employed as a product manager in the Investment Bank of JPMorgan Chase Bank, but is looking forward to her retirement in May which will give her more time for golf, garden, and League.

Sharon Alter joined the LWV of Chicago in the late 1990s. She has been co-chair of LWVIL Constitutional Convention (Con Con) Study Committee re: state referendum and, most recently, chair of LWVIL Pension Study Committee. Currently, Sharon is Professor Emeritus of History & Political Science at William Rainey Harper College in Palatine, Illinois. For several years, she was co-host of the Comcast election night coverage of Northwest Suburban municipal elections and, through 2012, she was an Illinois Humanities Council Road Scholar lecturer on U.S. First Ladies. In her travels overseas, Sharon recently participated in a delegation of American political scientists meeting in China with Chinese political scientists under the auspices of the American Political Science Association.

Bonnie Cox, Galena, is a founding member of the League of Women Voters of Jo Daviess County. She and Marge Hospodar, a long time Oak Park Leaguer who retired to Galena, spearheaded efforts to begin a LWV chapter in Jo Daviess County in the early 1980's. Bonnie is currently President and has held several board positions over the years. She is a former teacher. After finishing a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from Loras College, Dubuque, she worked for seventeen years as an outpatient mental health therapist at the community mental health center. Bonnie is the wife of former 16th District Congressman John Cox. She managed his first primary (1990) campaign and coordinated his health care study committee when he served. Bonnie is past president of the local Habitat for Humanity chapter, original organizer and co-chair of the Galena Country Fair with her husband for 10 years, and currently serves on the Galena Historical Society Board. Bonnie and John have three children and five grandchildren.



Gigi Moore has worked tirelessly in her community for many years. She is an 20 year member of the League of Women Voters and has served two years as local President. For the past 15 years she has worked hard to end domestic violence by facilitating intervention groups and anger management groups for men and women. Currently, she is the Program Coordinator for Aunt Martha's Youth Service Center where she works with community teens in the Youth Development and Prevention Program that helps to empower young people to have a voice in their community and learn leadership skills. She is also working on the Pathways to Graduation program with local schools in the south suburbs of Chicago. As a hobby she relaxes by reupholstering furniture, and making clothes for her grandchildren. Gigi lives in Park Forest with her husband, Jeffrey. They have one adult son, Anwar.

Jean Pierce is a relative new-comer to League. In May, 2008, she retired after 34 years as a Professor of Educational Psychology at Northern Illinois University. In November, she was invited to serve on the US League's committee to prepare materials for the study of the Federal Role in Education. She wrote the materials on issues regarding funding and equity. In 2010, Jean was asked to assist Claire McIntyre as an educational funding specialist for the Issues Committee of the League of Women Voters of Illinois. In that capacity, she has been helping to create materials and deliver presentations regarding the need for a State Constitutional Amendment for a Graduated Rate Income Tax. Locally, she serves on the Central Kane County League's Board. Beyond the League, she is Social Justice Chair for her Unitarian church and Treasurer for the Northern Illinois Jobs with Justice. She lives in Geneva, IL with her husband, Lou, a retired attorney. Together, they enjoy international traveling.

Irene Pritzker has been active in the League of Women Voters of Greater Peoria since about 1970 and has held many offices. These have included Membership Chair, Chair of the Handgun Control Study Committee, Voter editor, and she has been President twice. She is a retired teacher with a husband, Ira, and two grown children. When she is not busy with League business, she plays in a local orchestra and visits hospitals, schools, and libraries with her therapy dog, Chloe.



Erin Roeper has been a member of the Homewood-Flossmoor Area LWV since 2005. She served as Membership Chair 2007-2009, became Co-President 2009-2010, and has served as President 2010-2013. She posts frequent articles about the H-F LWV on the Homewood-Flossmoor Patch.com, is a voter registrar, and has served on the 2013-2015 LWVIL nominating committee. After spending 32 years as an English educator at Thornton Township High School Dist. 205 -- the last seven as English Dept. Chair -- Erin retired in 2001. She is co-chair of the Arts & Environment Committee for her church and writes a column for the "ex-205ers"

newsletter. She enjoys spending time with her two grandchildren in IL and visiting the other three in Seattle. She and her husband George reside in Homewood and share a love of *ShawChicago*, Music of the Baroque, foreign films, cross-country skiing, hiking in the U.P., and traveling throughout the world.

Kim Reed has been active in the League of Women Voters since the mid 1990's. She served two terms on the State Board, one term as the 2009-2011 LWVIL VP of Issues. She is currently on the LWVIL Nominating Committee and serves as one of the LWVIL Immigration Issues Specialists. She had co-chaired the LWVIL's two year Immigration Study from 2005 to 2007. She is still involved with her local League, the LWV of Glen Ellyn, and has served on its board a number of terms. In addition to League activities, Kim is active in her community and church.



Annie Logue is a freelance business writer; the author of four books, including *Socially Responsible Investing for Dummies* (Wiley 2009 ;) and a lecturer in finance at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She holds a BA from Northwestern University, and MBA from the University of Chicago, and the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. She served for two terms on the board of the League of Women Voters of Illinois, most recently as secretary. In addition to being a member of the LWV of Chicago, Annie is a member of the Junior League of Chicago. She lives in Chicago with her husband, Rik Lantz, and son, Andrew

Claire Flynn McIntyre joined the League of Women Voters in 2005 because the LWV offered the best opportunity to promote better school funding. Along with chairing the education committee and acting as membership co-chair for the League of Women Voters Greater Rockford, Claire has served since 2006 as state issues specialist for school funding. From 2009-2011, she also served as a member the LWVIL Board of Directors. She is currently working to coordinate the League's effort to pass the graduated rate income tax. She (finally!) learned how to set up a Facebook page and put Greater Rockford League on the social media map. She enjoys gardening, golfing, and traveling. She lives in Roscoe with her husband, Randy. They have 3 adult children- Caley, Aislinn, and Devin.