



# Oakland Voter

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**LWV Oakland Area and Detroit Metropolitan Area  
present a  
Fall Luncheon and Panel Discussion**

**WHAT TO DO ABOUT IMMIGRATION**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007  
12:00 pm Lunch, 1:00 pm Discussion**

**First Baptist Church, 300 Willits, Birmingham, MI  
Open to the public, please bring your friends**

**A diverse panel of legislators and experts will discuss various aspects of the immigration issues that are of concern to our nation.**

\$15 Lunch & Discussion (delicious lunch, beverages & dessert) \$3 Discussion only

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(Reservation form and directions to the church are on [page 11](#))**

## **IMMIGRATION STUDY**

*By Dr. Bernadette Najor, Program Vice-president*

The Immigration Consensus questions posed for our consideration are on pages 9-10. The LWVUS will provide us with pros and cons on each question. We should keep in mind these consensus questions at our upcoming luncheon planned by **Dorothy Conrad** and **Marge Polidori**. Reading the papers posted on the LWVUS website ([www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org)) under Immigration Study, discussing and using the League's pros and cons, and watching for other resources will help us form better outcomes in our study. We also should keep our minds open to new ideas and issues during the study process.

Another general membership meeting to provide Oakland Area members with background on significant issues addressed by the Immigration Consensus questions is planned for October 29 at 7:00 pm at the Costick Center, 28600 Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills 48334. Finally, the Consensus meeting will be on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Immigration Committee members are **Bernadette Najor (Chair)**, **Mary Ann Barkach**, **Karen DeGrendel**, **Ann Fishman**, **Don McHarness**, and **Eva Packard**.

This is a crucial issue, and we should listen to all the voices in our league and involve as many members as we can. This is the reason we are trying to get this information out to everyone, hoping to get our members input.

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization,  
encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding  
of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Eva Packard**

It has been a busy summer for ambitious Board members who set **six major goals** for the 2007-2008 League year. Below are the goals and the activities planned so far to implement them:

- **Continue & Enhance Voter Services provided** (See pages 5, 6, 8)
  - For 2 city primaries and 6 village elections in August and September, we prepared Voter Guides for all and held Candidate Forums for the two cities and four villages. Voter Service Chair **Deb Horner** has begun work on the voter guides for 27 cities and 6 school districts for the Nov. 6 election and **Judy Bateman, Jerry Burden, and Ann Edwards** have set up six Candidate Forums with more being planned. Our popular website will be kept up to date with election information. Planning has begun for 2008 judicial elections.
  - **Donna Sklar** and I met with three Clerks to discuss voter registration options and she has invited members to a meeting to follow up and develop registration plans.
- **Participate in Program Studies of Public Policy Issues** (See pages 1,8-10)
  - **Bernadette Najor** and the Immigration Study Committee met and have planned informational meetings leading to Consensus.
  - There will also be a background meeting and Consensus on the state Local Government study. Members have also volunteered for the update of the state Prisons position.
- **Increase Advocacy for Our Positions at ALL Levels**
  - Members respond to US and MI Calls for Action such as advocating to all our state legislators for action on the state fiscal crisis. We will look for opportunities to take action on local and regional issues.
- **Achieve Fund-Raising Goals** (See pages 1, 3)
  - **Dorothy Conrad** arranged for a booth at the Dream Cruise and **Andrea Zalewski** arranged for volunteers to staff it to sell beverages and (new this year) pizza.
  - **Dorothy Conrad and Marge Polidori** are putting on our Fall Luncheon in cooperation with the Detroit Metropolitan Area LWV.
- **Increase Membership & Member Involvement** (See page 4, 8)
  - **Sue Abrams** is contacting new members to determine their interests and get them involved.
  - **Deb Macon** will coordinate Michigan's participation in the LWVUS Membership Recruitment Initiative. LWVOA volunteered to be one of the state's participating Local Leagues.
- **Increase Visibility** (See page 7)
  - **PJ Royale** developed a student PSA contest for the 55 public high schools in Oakland County. The PSAs will be played on radio and TV and urge citizens (especially youth) to vote and participate in civic activities and will highlight the League of Women Voters.
  - The League has been featured recently on two radio programs on WWJ 950 – **PJ Royale** on "Making the Grade" about schools regarding the PSA contest and **Eva Packard** on "Making a Difference" about volunteerism and providing voting information on our website.
  - We hope to hold Town Hall meetings on topics of public interest and invite other organizations.

We need your help to achieve our goals. If something caught your interest, please volunteer.



## **Dream Cruise Fund-Raiser**

*By Mary Ann Barkach and Andrea Zalewski*

Saturday, August 18, was a perfect day for the Dream Cruise Fund-raiser, not too hot and not too cold, cloudy but the rain held off. Families, friends and pooches were out in force enjoying the spectacle of these beautiful cars.

Once again we owe a big debt to **Dorothy Conrad** and her husband **Ken**, who collected donations of beverages, transported them to our location on Old Woodward, set up the tent, and made arrangements for the pizza. The tent with the League of Women Voters sign was great publicity for our organization. One young woman was riding her bike down Old Woodward and stopped at the booth to buy a bottle of water. She said she really wasn't thirsty but she wanted to show her support for the League. That kind of compliment is priceless.

Besides beverages, we sold pizza for \$1.00 a slice which was a huge hit. The pizza delivery man (who had to cross Woodward Avenue) was kept busy as **Dorothy Conrad** kept reordering in order to keep up with the demand. The pizza turned out to be exactly what was needed at the Dream Cruise this year. Due to the cool weather, sales of beverages were down a little, but the sale of the pizza kept the total revenue from the Cruise comparable to last year. A warm slice of pizza was exactly what the public wanted that day.

In addition, we were the grateful recipients of the donation of the "special ice" from the **Vineyards** that was brought to us by **Larry Brown** and the tent and supplies to hold the beverages furnished by **Jerry Burden**.

We also thank **Andrea Zalewski** who coordinated volunteers who worked in shifts from 8:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. Volunteers were **Dorothy Conrad** (who remained the entire day to oversee the operation of the booth), **Laura Gogola, Lola Koch, Holly Atkins-Child and her friend Valerie, Maureen Field, Beverly Frank, Christine Jurgenson, Lisa Bauer, Barbara Van Dusen, Mary Ann Barkach, Judy Bateman, Mary Ellen Stroup, Tera Moon, Sandra Sanchez, Patricia Blackard, Margaret Kanost, Harriet Alpern** and **Andrea Zalewski**.

Additionally, we extend a big thanks to **Ken Conrad and Paul Zalewski** who were able to tear down the booth and load the supplies in Ken's truck before the rain started. We stayed dry, so it turned out to be a success in all aspects.

Thank you also to those who donated cash or beverages to supply our booth: **Nancy Duffy, Fran Fisher, Sally Green, Ruth Hathaway, Margaret Kanost, Donald Katz, Betty Spehar, Jean Walker, Sue Abrams, Mary Ann Barkach, Judy Bateman, Jerry Burden, Dorothy Conrad, Karen DeGrendel, Ann Edwards, Sybil Levenson, Debbie Macon, Eva Packard, Julia Reisig, Libby Richards** and **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority**.

## **SEPTEMBER 30 LAST DAY TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP FOR 2007-08**

*By Sue Abrams, Membership Vice-president*

This year LWV Oakland Area is changing the deadline for membership renewal in order to be more compatible with the membership renewal practices suggested by LWVUS. The League's membership year runs from July 1 of one year to June 30 of the next.

In the past we continued to treat as active members those who waited to renew until January of the new calendar year. However, our **Bylaws state that membership dues renewals must be paid within three months after the start of the League year.** This applies to all members except new members who joined the League early in 2007 and will not have to renew until July 1, 2008.

Starting this year, 2007-08, we have shortened the renewal period to conform to our Bylaws. If you have yet to renew, **dues must be received in the League office** (LWVOA, 200 S. Washington Ave., Suite #4, Royal Oak, MI 48067) **by September 30** in order to be counted as a member for 2007-08 and **continue to receive uninterrupted local, state and national mailings.** You should have received a letter in July that contained the renewal form and an interest sheet for you to fill out. You can also renew online at [www.LWVOA.org](http://www.LWVOA.org) or use the membership form on page 8.

Don't wait. It's time to renew. We value your membership. We don't want to lose you. If you have not yet done so, **please renew in September.** If you have any questions, please call the office at 248-548-1097.

## **LWVOA TO BE INVOLVED IN LWVUS MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INITIATIVE**

*By Sue Abrams, Membership Vice-president*

LWV Michigan has been chosen as one of five state Leagues (along with California, Delaware, Indiana and North Carolina) to participate in the second phase of the Membership Recruitment Initiative (MRI), a nationwide project sponsored by LWVUS to assist local leagues in recruiting new members. **LWV Oakland Area** has been selected by our state league as one of five local leagues to participate in this second phase of the Initiative.

The first phase of the MRI focused on messages, activities, and outreach tactics to help five local leagues that were selected from around the nation to recruit recently retired women ages 50 to 65, the demographic group that the Initiative has chosen to target. LWV Saginaw was one of the pilot leagues selected for this first phase.

LWVMI was encouraged by Oakland Area member, **Debbie Macon**, to apply for selection in the second phase of the Initiative. Debbie has recently been appointed to the LWVMI Board as a Director for Special Projects and chairs the MRI Committee. **Linda DePoorter**, former President of Oakland Area and a former LWVMI board member, is also a member of that committee.

The second phase of the MRI will focus on how to maximize state league involvement in recruiting members at the grassroots level. Participating local leagues will work on outreach to the media and to community groups that are already interacting with the target demographic group. Efforts will also be focused on ensuring that every activity is a membership growth opportunity.

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**We are forming a membership committee** to help with the work we will have to do in this phase of the MRI. If you are interested in becoming a committee member, please get in touch with Membership Vice President **Sue Abrams**. If you need to contact her, call the League office at 248-548-1097 and leave a message. The membership recruitment initiative promises to be a fascinating and challenging activity.

### **Candidate Forums Appreciated** by Eva Packard

"Anyone who wants to get a better feel for the individuals running for Mayor and City Council in Rochester Hills should tune into the candidate forum held by the League of Women Voters." wrote the *Rochester Eccentric* in an editorial. They noted that the League provides a valuable service by organizing candidate forums. In addition the editorial says: "Reading the voter guide at [www.lwvoa.org](http://www.lwvoa.org) is also a good idea."

**Ann Edwards** is the member whom we can count on to arrange forums for contested elections in the Rochester area. She has the place reserved even before the filing date if it looks as if there might be a forum. She set up **Primary forums for both Rochester and Rochester Hills**, the only two cities in the county with Primaries. Both had many candidates and were very well attended. The forums are rerun on cable and streamed on the websites of the cities. **Mary Howarth** and **Carla Gribbs** each moderated one forum and helped at the other. **Karen DeGrendel** and **Linda Brown** helped at both forums and **Darlene Janulis** at one. Thank you to all of them.

For the Sept. 11 **village** elections, **Judy Bateman, Jerry Burden, Lisa Bauer and Don McHarness** coordinated **forums in Franklin, Milford, Ortonville and Oxford**, respectively, in late August.

Candidate forums have already been set up by **Ann Edwards** for the **General Election** for the cities of **Rochester** (10/18) and **Rochester Hills** (10/4) and the **Rochester School District** (10/16). Forum co-chairs **Judy Bateman and Jerry Burden** are working to set up forums for the cities of **Berkley** (10/11), Ferndale, Keego Harbor, Madison Heights, **Southfield** (10/16), **Sylvan Lake** (9/26), and Wixom as well as for the Birmingham School District. Filing dates for these have passed and, as other communities file, additional forums may be considered. See the Calendar of Events on the last page for details on those forums that have been arranged. Also check the Candidate Forum Calendar on our website as we will post forums there as soon as they are planned and cable rerun times of forums as soon as they are known.

### **Changes to the LWVOA Board**

- Secretary **Lysa Postula-Stein**, who served as Secretary for a year and a half and been a wise counsel on the Board, submitted her resignation. Regretfully, the combination of a new baby plus a new job will be taking a big chunk of her time.
- **Patricia Finn**, a recently rejoined member, will join the Board as Secretary. She served on the LWVOA Board previously. We welcome her back.
- **Judy Lessin** was just appointed to the Board as a Director, but the demands of caring for her ailing mother out of state led to her resignation.

## **Voter Guides for Fall 2007 Elections**

*by Debra Horner, Voter Service Chair*

The League has begun assembling Voter Guides for elections in various Oakland County communities this fall. In our Voter Guides, each candidate is given an opportunity via a questionnaire to provide biographical information and to tell us their views on issues important to the office being sought. The guides also provide information about any proposals on the ballot.

So far, guides for the **primaries** in the cities of Rochester and Rochester Hills and elections in the **villages** of Bingham Farms, Franklin, Holly, Lake Orion, Milford, Oxford, and Ortonville have been assembled and posted on the LWVOA website. Thank you to **Ann Bieneman** for preparing the Rochester and Rochester Hills guides, **Laura Gogola** for typing faxed and mailed responses, **Debra Horner** for handling emailed responses and preparing Village guides, **Tera Moon** for posting the guides online, and **Eva Packard** for proofreading, candidate communication and oversight.

Guides for the numerous upcoming **November 6 city elections** (Auburn Hills, Berkley, Birmingham, Clarkston, Clawson, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Keego Harbor, Lake Angelus, Lathrup Village, Madison Heights, Northville, Novi, Oak Park, Orchard Lake, Pleasant Ridge, Rochester, Rochester Hills, Royal Oak, South Lyon, Southfield, Sylvan Lake, Walled Lake and Wixom) **and school district elections** (Avondale, Berkley, Birmingham, Rochester, Royal Oak, and South Lyon) will be assembled and posted on the website gradually. Filing dates for candidates vary so posting dates will vary from mid-September through mid-October.

County Elections now posts candidate lists and proposals on their website about a week after the filing date so any citizen can see the names of those running in their community. Go to [www.oakgov.com/clerkrod/](http://www.oakgov.com/clerkrod/) and click on Election Division and then select the info for the election date of interest.



### **2008 Judicial Races**

*by Linda DePoorter*

**LWVOA** will be working again with the **Oakland County Bar Association** and the **Detroit Free Press** to prepare and provide a questionnaire and candidate forums for contested judicial races in Oakland County in 2008. **Linda DePoorter** and **Eva Packard** represented the League at the first planning meeting on August 21.

**Circuit Court** may present a challenge, as many candidates are expected for the two open seats resulting from the retirement of judges who are over 70. In addition, five incumbents will likely be running for full terms plus one for a partial term. **Probate Court** also will have one open seat. Sixteen **District Court** Judges will be up for reelection to full terms plus two to partial terms and some may have challengers.

The Oakland County Bar Association had convened an Ad Hoc Committee to address the best way to approach this next election season. Its report included eight standards for judicial candidates and positive and negative factors to consider relevant to each standard. They also included an introduction explaining them, which could be used for replays of the forums.

We are hoping to use the Oakland County Commissioners Auditorium for the week of June 23 to hold candidate forums for the Circuit and Probate Courts for the August 2008 Primary. We will be meeting again in early 2008 for further planning.

## **HEAR LEAGUE ON THE RADIO VIA WWJ'S WEBSITE**

President **Eva Packard** was interviewed by **Bill Stevens of WWJ 950** radio for "**Making a Difference**", a 60-second feature on volunteerism that runs each weekend. Eva's work for the League to encourage voting and provide voter information was the topic of the July 28-29 program. Go to [www.wwj.com/pages/475839.php](http://www.wwj.com/pages/475839.php) to hear a podcast of that program.

Vice-president **P.J. Royale** was interviewed by **Greg Bowman of WWJ 950** radio for "**Making the Grade**", a 75-second feature about kids and schools. It featured the Student PSA Contest which PJ has set up to encourage youth to vote and take other civic actions. It first aired August 7<sup>th</sup> and ran several times for a week. Go to [www.wwj.com/pages/7737.php](http://www.wwj.com/pages/7737.php) to hear a podcast of that program.

These podcasts will be likely be available online through late September.



### **LWVOA YOUTH PSA CONTEST**

*by PJ Royale, Development Vice-president*

Students in 55 public high schools in Oakland County have an opportunity to participate in an LWVOA contest to create Public Service Announcements (PSAs) encouraging youth and the general public to take civic action by registering to vote, by voting, by being involved in community issues and other civic actions. PSAs to raise awareness of the League of Women Voters and its activities will also be developed.

The contest will be divided into three categories: (1) Schools with their own TV or radio facilities where students can write and produce their own PSAs; (2) Schools without media facilities where students will write PSA scripts and the winning script will be produced by a professional production company; (3) Students or groups of students who utilize their own equipment to produce the scripts they write.

PJ Royale has been working with Oakland Schools to develop this contest. It will be presented to school district representatives in early September. The contest will run from October 1 to November 2, 2007. Judging will occur in November. Preliminary Judges include League members and others who will review the entries. Selected entries will be forwarded to celebrity judges from various Detroit-area media organizations, including TV and radio stations, cable organizations and newspapers. Winners will be announced in early December and an awards banquet will be held in January. The winning PSAs will be shown on various media outlets.

PJ has contacted many organizations and businesses for sponsorships or in-kind donations and has received several commitments for prizes, airtime, food and facilities, but more are needed. If you have contacts or suggestions for sponsors, call **PJ Royale** or email her at [lwvoa\\_psa@yahoo.com](mailto:lwvoa_psa@yahoo.com). Our website, [www.LWVOA.org](http://www.LWVOA.org) will contain contest information.



## **DETERMINING VOTER REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

*by Donna Sklar, Voter Registration Chair*

"Democracy is not a spectator sport" is a League motto. Unfortunately too many people don't even try out for the team, noted Oakland County Clerk Ruth Johnson. Eva Packard and I met with her and also with Pontiac City Clerk Vivian Spann and Farmington Hill City Clerk Kathy Dornan recently to talk about voter registration options.

The Voter Registration Committee is meeting now to create strategies with communities and schools in Oakland County to help increase voter participation. As plans develop the League will need your help to register and encourage all our citizens to vote. Help us make sure that every player "gets into the game". For more information and to find out what you can do, call **Donna Sklar**.

## **MICHIGAN LOCAL GOVERNANCE STUDY**

*By Dr. Bernadette Najor, Program Vice-president*

This is the year for study and consensus. In addition to the national immigration study, we will be studying Local Governance in Michigan. County and township government are the key areas in this state study. Background on the issues, pros and cons, and the consensus questions are already posted on the LWV of Michigan website ([www.lwvmi.org](http://www.lwvmi.org)) under What is New. We will be planning a background meeting for our membership on this topic prior to taking consensus early in 2008.



## LWVUS Immigration Study Consensus Preview

Below is a preview of the questions for the upcoming Immigration Study Consensus process. These questions are for discussion only and will NOT be accepted as a response to the consensus process.

Question 1: Federal immigration laws should take into consideration criteria such as the following (not listed in any particular order or hierarchy):

High Priority       Lower Priority       Disagree       No Consensus

Part a:

- a. Ethnic and Cultural Diversity
- b. Economic, Business and Service Employment Needs
- c. Environmental Impact/Sustainability
- d. Family Reunification of Authorized Immigrants and Citizens with Spouses and Minor Children
- e. History of Criminal Activity
- f. Humanitarian Crises/ Political Persecution in Home Countries
- g. Immigrant Characteristics (health and age)
- h. Rights of All Workers to Safe Working Conditions and Liveable Wage
- i. Rights of Families to Remain Together
- j. Rights of all Individuals in U.S. to Fair Treatment Under the Law (Fair Hearing, Right to Counsel, Right of Appeal, and Humane Treatment)
- k. Education and Training

Instructions: In Question 1, Part a, you marked items as "High Priority." Of these items, please take a moment and select the three most important criteria and list them, in order (1, 2 and 3, with 1 being the most important) below.

Question 1, Part b:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Question 2: Unauthorized immigrants currently in the U.S. should be treated as follows: (rate each one)

High Priority       Lower Priority       Disagree       No Consensus

- a. Deport Unauthorized Immigrants
- b. Some Deported/Some Allowed To Earn Legal Adjustment of Status Based on Length of Residence in U.S.
- c. Some Deported/Some Allowed to Earn Legal Adjustment of Status Based on Needs of US Employers
- d. All Allowed to Earn Legal Adjustment of Status by Doing Things Such as Paying Taxes, Learning English, Studying Civics, Etc.
- e. If Deported, Assess Fines Before Possible Re-Entry
- f. Assess Fines Before Allowed To Earn Legal Adjustment Of Status

Question 3: Federal immigration law should provide an efficient, expeditious system (with minimal or no backlogs) for legal entry into the U.S. for immigrants who are: (rate each one)

High Priority       Lower Priority       Disagree       No Consensus

- a. Immediate Family Members Joining Family Member Already Admitted for Legal Permanent Residence in the U.S
- b. Entering the U.S. to Meet Labor Needs
- c. Entering into the U.S. as Students
- d. Entering the U.S. because of Persecution in Home Country

Question 4a: In order to deal more effectively with unauthorized immigrants, Federal immigration law should include:

High Priority       Lower Priority       Disagree       No Consensus

Social Security Card or Other National Identification Card with Secure Identifiers for *All* Persons Residing in the U.S.

Question 4b: Federal immigration law dealing with unauthorized immigrants should be enforced by including: (rate each one)

High Priority       Lower Priority       Disagree       No Consensus

- i. Physical Barriers (such as Fences) and Surveillance at Borders
- ii. Increased Personnel at Land, Air, and Sea Entry Points
- iii. More Effective Tracking of Persons with Non-Immigrant Visas Until They Leave the Country
- iv. Verification Documents, such as Green Cards and Work Permits with Secure Identifiers.
- v. Improved Technology to Facilitate Employer Verification of Employee Visa Status
- vi. Improved Technology for Sharing Information Among Federal Agencies
- vii. A Program to Allow Immigrant Workers to Go in and Out of the U.S. to Meet Seasonal and Sporadic Labor Needs
- viii. Significant Fines Proportionate to Revenue for Employers Who Fail to Take Adequate Steps to Verify Work Authorization of Employees

Instructions: Please mark each question as "Consensus" or "No Consensus"

Question 5: Federal immigration law should address and balance the long-term federal financial benefit from immigrants with the financial costs borne by states and local governments with large immigrant populations.

Consensus:       No Consensus:

Question 6: Federal immigration law should be coordinated with U.S. foreign policy to pro-actively help improve economies, education and job opportunities, and living conditions of nations with large emigrating populations.

Consensus:       No Consensus:

Instructions: If desired, please add your brief comments. (Limited to 150 words.)

Question 7: Comments

**RESERVATION FORM FOR ALL LUNCHEON, MONDAY, September 29**

**\$15 Lunch & Discussion** (delicious lunch, beverages & dessert) **\$3 Discussion only**

PLEASE MAKE CHECK OUT TO LWVOA

**Send to:** Marge Polidori (see membership directory for address)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ No. for Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ No. for Discussion Only \_\_\_\_\_  
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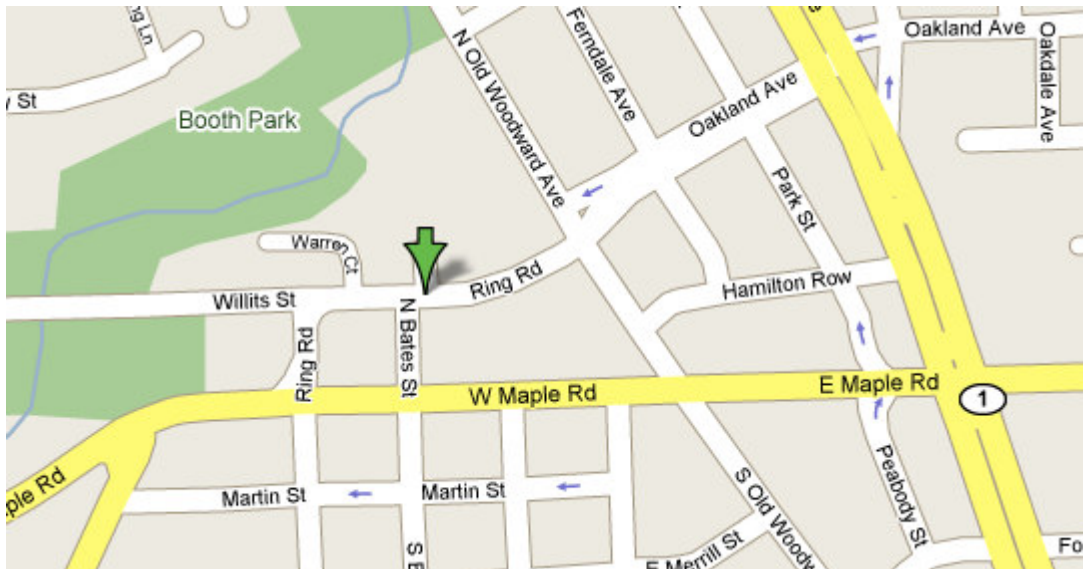
**CHOICE OF PITA SANDWICH:**

Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

**FALL LUNCHEON, Monday, September 24  
First Baptist Church, 300 Willits\*, Birmingham, MI**

\*Willits is just north of Maple Rd. between Southfield Rd. & Old Woodward. Open parking lot & structure are available just east of the church on Bates St. Ample handicapped parking in open lot (directly behind Church). Parking structure also at Maple & Chester west of Church (2 hrs. free parking at city lot & structures).

**ENTER THE FELLOWSHIP HALL FROM THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**





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## Time Dated Material Enclosed

### Calendar of Events

- Mon. Sep. 10 6 pm LWVOA Board Meeting, Residence Inn, 27477 Cabaret Dr., Novi 48377
- Tue. Sep. 11 7am-8pm **PRIMARY Election** for Rochester Hills. **Village Elections** for Bingham Farms, Franklin, Holly, Lake Orion, Milford, Ortonville, & Oxford
- Sat. Sep. 15 1 pm Immigration Study Committee at Bernadette Najor's home.
- Mon. Sep. 24 12 noon FALL LUNCHEON on Immigration with DMA**  
 Birmingham First Baptist Church, 300 Willits, 48009  
 Cost: \$15 Reservation form on Page 11.
- Wed. Sep. 26 7 pm Sylvan Lake Council Candidate Forum  
 @ Sylvan Lake Lutheran Church, 2399 Figa, West Bloomfield 48324
- Thur. Oct. 4 7 pm Rochester Hills Mayor & Council Candidate Forum @ City Hall
- Thurs. Oct. 11 7 pm Berkley Council Candidate Forum @ City Hall
- Tues. Oct. 16 7 pm Rochester Schools Board of Education Candidate Forum  
 @ School Administration Bldg, 501 W. University, Rochester 48307
- Tues. Oct. 16 7 pm Southfield Council Candidate Forum @ Southfield Library
- Thur. Oct. 18 7:30 pm Rochester Council Candidate Forum @ City Hall
- Mon. Oct. 29 7 pm Background Meeting on Immigration with Consensus questions**  
 Costick Center, 28600 Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills 48334
- Tue. Nov. 6 7am-8pm **Local GENERAL Election** for 27 cities, 6 school districts.