



Special Edition of League Links February 2023

LWVMI 2023 Convention

Our 2023 LWVMI Convention will be held on May 19-21, 2023 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center in East Lansing, Michigan. This year's in-person Convention promises to be informative, productive and fun. State Convention provides us with an opportunity to conduct the important business of the state League and create and renew friendships with League members across the state. Unfortunately, there is not a virtual option.

Delegates will:

- Adopt the 2023-2025 state program, including any state studies
- Adopt the LWVMI budgets for the next two years
- Elect LWVMI officers and members of the Board of Directors
- Consider amendments to the LWVMI bylaws, if proposed

Remember that **any** member can attend the convention – whether they are a voting delegate or not. Here are some of the details so far:

Timeline

Friday: Optional pre-convention activities in the afternoon and a “dine around” in the East Lansing/Lansing area. The first Plenary is at 7:00 pm.

Saturday: Breakfast followed by 2nd Plenary. Lunch, then afternoon workshops, Awards Banquet in the evening (our banquet will be held in the MSU "Club Room" overlooking Spartan Stadium!)

Sunday: Breakfast and 3rd Plenary. Should wrap up by 11:00

Costs

Kellogg Hotel rooms: \$124/night; Rooms have 2 double beds or 1 queen or 1 king.

AUCTION



LWVMI will also be holding an auction to raise money for the state League. This a fun diversion at the Convention as members compete for favorite items. We hope that every local League will be able to donate at least one item. Individuals can donate too! Ideas include a basket of regional products, event tickets, vacation rentals, new or gently used items of interest or anything having a value of at least \$25. Watch for more information from the Convention Committee on this later.

If your League wants to sell fundraiser items in the auction room, please let the state office know (office@lwvmi.org) so that we can plan enough display space.

WHAT'S COMING

By **mid-February**, we will send out:

- Convention registration link
- Hotel registration information (Hold off until you receive the code for the discounted group rate)
- Awards information

Information about the slate of nominees, the budget, bylaw amendments (if any) and the program will be available later this spring.

LWVMI Leadership 2021-2023

Co-President: Christina Schlitt (Grand Traverse Area)
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