

The Voter

SUMMER SOUNDING BOARDS

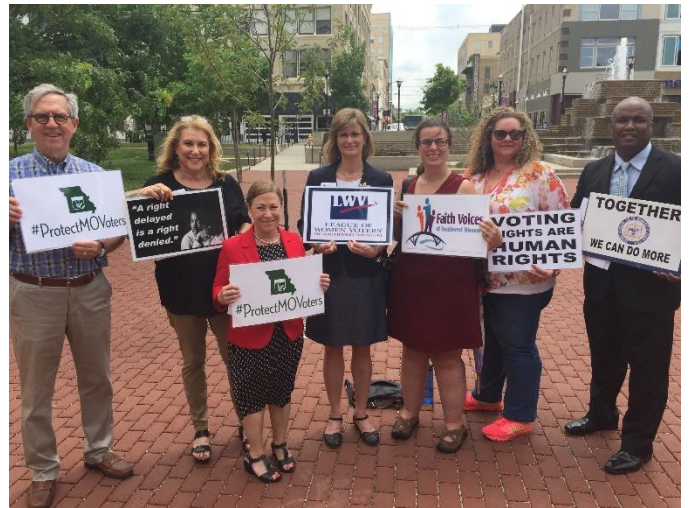
During the summer months, we don't have our usual unit meetings; instead, we have a monthly Summer Sounding Board, held the 3rd Saturday morning of the month at 9:30am. It's a casual coffee and brunch with a speaker and discussion. Our second Summer Sounding Board is scheduled for Saturday, July 15th at 9:30am at the Southwest Center for Independent Living. An email with details will be forthcoming.

The June Summer Sounding Board was a presentation about "Fake News" by Dr. Jonathan Groves.



MO PHOTO ID LAW UPDATES

On Wednesday, June 14th, representatives from NAACP, Faith Voices, League of Women Voters of Southwest Missouri, and the Missouri Voter Protection Coalition held a press conference on Park Central Square. Each spoke about the importance of protecting the right to vote in Missouri, how this law undermines and confuses those already registered to vote who don't have the proper identification, and that there is inadequate proposed funding and no budget yet approved by the Governor.



KRBK Fox5 and the News Leader reporters were there. Members of the League in attendance are Marla Marantz, Leeza McEowen, Susan Schmalzbauer, and Kelly Wood. Also present was Denise Lieberman from the Missouri Voter Protection Coalition. She is one of the attorneys who is overseeing our lawsuit seeking to stop the Photo ID law. Jeff Munzinger from Faith Voices and Marlon Graves, VP of the NAACP of Springfield were also in attendance.

Denise Lieberman also spoke to a group of about 35 people, including 15 or so League members the night before and Leslie Carrier interviewed her on KSMU. Click to listen to ["A Conversation on the Missouri Voter Photo ID Law."](#)

COMMITTEE UPDATES

PR & Communications Update

The committee has met several times and assigned some "next steps" for our Action Group. Look for improvements to the content, look and navigation of our website, www.lwvswmo.org coming soon. We will also be rolling out a new email service to members that will help streamline notifications and reminders. Don't forget to also look at our Facebook page [@LWVSWMO](https://www.facebook.com/LWVSWMO) and Twitter account <https://twitter.com/lwvswmo>.