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*Mission: The purpose of the Democratic Women's Caucus is to fund, inspire, recruit, support, and train progressive, pro-choice women to increase the numbers of women in the electoral process and in elected and appointed positions*

Wednesday October  
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Dear Lisa,

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◆ **WOMEN-TO-WOMEN WRITING CAMPAIGN  
– HELP OUR CANDIDATES!**

Please join us in our writing campaign for women! We have lists of women voters who are likely to vote in this election but need some suggestion as to whom to vote for. Lists are arranged according to township so that Linda Robbins is in each set, Cheryl Munson is in District 2, and the township candidates are in their own sets, as well. Please bring stationery (or use some that we'll have there) and your favorite pen, and find your friends or acquaintances on these lists. You will then write a little note to them, suggesting our endorsed candidates. Please come to the library Tuesday at 7pm (after the WFHB forum from 6-7) to help our endorsed women candidates get elected! Thank you!!



◆ **GREAT BREAKFAST LAST FRIDAY TO SEND OFF OUR  
CANDIDATES!**

Over 65 enthusiastic attendees were present for our pre-election rally for our endorsed candidates, all of whom briefly commented about what the Caucus has meant to them. Members then read the bios of Patty Avery, Robin Shackelford, Karen Tallian, and Sue Errington, who are running in other parts of the state and who are Vi Simpson's mentees as she works to elect progressive women to the Senate. The Caucus announced that it made a donation to support these wonderful women; we are so pleased to be in a position to do this. Thanks to all of our members for your wonderful support and for all the ways you give, day in and day out, to do this work – woman's **work!**

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**EARLY VOTING IS NOW OPEN AT THE CURRY BUILDING!**

- ◆ The election is officially on, as early voting opens today from 8:30am-4pm weekdays! The early voting site will also be open late this Friday until 8pm, the only extended hours before the election, so vote on Friday if you need extra hours. Early voting will be closed on Columbus Day, Monday, 10/11. Come out and vote early at the Curry Building at the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> and Morton Streets to be sure your vote counts!!
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**OUR OWN LINDA ROBBINS AT FIRST WFHB/CATS FORUM  
TUESDAY!!**

- ◆ The first WFHB Community Radio and CATS forum will be held at the Monroe County Public Library on Kirkwood this Tuesday evening at 6pm; scheduled to last only one hour, this forum will feature Linda Robbins, endorsed Democratic candidate for County Clerk! This forum promises to be interview-like, interesting, and informational and will be broadcast live on both WFHB and CATS at once! Please come and cheer Linda on as she meets her opponent head-on tomorrow.
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**POSTPONED: CHERYL MUNSON WILL BE AT LWV FORUM  
WEDNESDAY!**

- ◆ Endorsed candidate Cheryl Munson will be featured at the postponed League of Women Voters forum, which is now scheduled at 8pm at the Library following the school referendum meeting (come at 7pm) on Wednesday, October 6. CATS was unable to appear at last week's forum so rescheduled it; Cheryl had the opportunity to answer questions next to her opponent so will be well practiced! See you Wednesday...
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**INDIAN CREEK TOWNSHIP FORUM THIS THURSDAY, 7-8:30PM!**

- ◆ All are welcome to attend the Indian Creek Township Forum, which will feature the Trust Team including endorsed candidates Vicky Sorensen for Trustee and Meri Reinhold and Amy Swain for Township Board. Only township candidates will participate in the forum, but all candidates are welcome to attend and to bring literature to hand out, as well. The forum is at the Indian Creek Fire Department at 8019 S. Rockport Road.
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**CITY HOSTS AFFORDABLE HOUSING INFORMATION SESSION!**

- ◆ The City of Bloomington Community and Family Resources Commission will host an informational session titled "There's No Place Like Home: Affordable Housing - Information and Opportunities for Rental Property Owners/Managers" on **Tuesday, Oct. 5**, from 5:30-8:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 401 N. Morton Street

Snacks and beverages will be provided for the reception beginning at 5:30pm. The informational session begins at 6 p.m. and focuses on addressing the critical need for affordable housing in Bloomington and Monroe County. The session will focus specifically on how property owners can benefit by renting to low- and moderate-income residents. Representatives from the Bloomington Housing Authority and the Monroe County Circles Initiative will present information pertinent to property owners, including addressing myths about Section 8 rentals. Current rental owners, managers and residents of Section 8 housing also will be on hand to share their experiences and give advice on how Section 8 housing can benefit renters and owners. Time will be reserved at the end of the session for questions and discussion. This free session is a great opportunity for rental property owners and managers to learn more about other housing options.

Sponsors include the City of Bloomington Community and Family Resources Commission and Department, Bloomington Housing Authority, and the Monroe County Circles Initiative. Printing services were donated by **Cartridge World**. For more information about the session, visit [bloomington.in.gov/cfr](http://bloomington.in.gov/cfr) or contact Kathy Mayer at [mayerk@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:mayerk@bloomington.in.gov) or 349-3430.

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**NAACP DINNER IS SATURDAY – LAST CHANCE FOR TICKETS!**

- ◆ The Monroe County Chapter of the NAACP will hold its annual Freedom Fund Banquet on Saturday, October 9, at Terry's Banquet Center, 3124 Canterbury Court, Bloomington. The social hour will begin at 6:00pm and dinner will start promptly at 7:00pm.

The guest speaker will be Indiana State Senator Jean Breaux. Adult tickets are \$35 and youth (under18) are \$20. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available from Caucus members Doris Sims or Regina Moore. Email [ladydsims@yahoo.com](mailto:ladydsims@yahoo.com) for more information, and see you this Saturday!

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- ◆ **CITY-COUNTY CITIZENS' BREAKFAST IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14...** Come to the Village Deli at 7:30am to hear a program entitled "The MCCSC Referendum: Facts & Fiction". MCCSC School Board members Sue Wanzer and Lois Sabo-Skelton will provide an in-depth look at the benefits that passage of the proposed property tax increase would bring, and examine the price tag for taxpayers. City Councilwoman Susan Sandberg and County Councilwoman Jill Lesh invite you to add your perspective to the discussion of this critical November 2 ballot issue, one that will affect Bloomington and Monroe County for years to come.
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