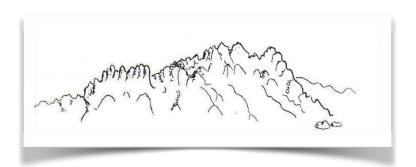
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# Annual Legislative Breakfast

Saturday, December 10, 2016 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Good Samaritan Social Center Creative Arts Room 3011 Buena Vida Circle

The 2016 elections are over, and you are invited to join us for our Annual Legislative Breakfast to welcome newly elected New Mexico Representatives and returning local New Mexico Senators. League members and guests will have an opportunity to discuss legislative issues and priorities for the upcoming legislative session, ask questions and share with them program priorities we have established.

Please **RSVP** to Gwen Hanson by December 6, 2016 to gwenhanson10@gmail.com or by phone: 575-556-9251

The LWVGLC Board has chosen Jardin de los Ninos as our holiday philanthropic project this year. If you would like to participate, please bring a package of disposable diapers (any size) or a package of baby wipes to the Legislative Breakfast on Saturday. The donations will be delivered after the meeting. Thank you for your generosity!

### Calendar

\*Due to the holidays, December, January & February major events are listed.

**December 1** – LWVGLC December Board Meeting , 2:00 p.m., Branigan Library

**December 10** - Legislative Breakfast, Good Sam's, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., RSVP required

December 15 - 3rd Thursday Book Club, My Beloved World by Sonia Sotomayor, 2:00 p.m., Home of Kelly Burnham

**January 5** - LWVGLC January Board Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Branigan Library

January 9 - LWVGLC January Dinner with a Leader: Dr. Fred Martino, Director of Content, KRWG Public Media, NMSU, 5:15-7:00 p.m., Good Sam's, RSVP required

January 17 - Opening Day - NM State Legislative Session

January 19- 3rd Thursday Book Club,

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#### Calendar Con't:

January 21 - LWVNM Board Meeting - Albuquerque, NM

February 2 - LWVGLC February Board Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Branigan Library

**February 8** - NM Legislative Reception, Santa Fe, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

February 9 - League Day, Santa Fe, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

February 13 - LWVGLC Program Planning Meeting, 10:30 a.m., Good Sam's

**February 16** - 3rd Thursday Book Club, <u>Let There Be Water: Israel's Solution for a Water-Starved World</u> by Seth M. Siegel, 2:00 p.m., TBD

### A Note from the President:

I attended the U.S. Naturalization Ceremony, Nov. 18th, when 94 people from about 10 different countries were sworn into U.S. citizenship. This ceremony is so powerful to experience. The program for the ceremony included the poem on the Statue of Liberty. It is a reminder of the promise of this country to us all. I wish everyone a very happy holiday season and a peaceful New Year! ~Gwen Hanson, President LWVGLC

#### **The New Colossus**

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame, With conquering limbs astride from land to land; Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand a mighty woman with a torch, whose flame is the imprisoned lightning, and her name Mother of Exiles.

From her beacon-hand glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command the air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.

"Keep ancient lands your storied pomp!" cries she with silent lips.

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-toss to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!" Emma Lazarus (1849-1887)

