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UPCOMING EVENTS

- > **Annual Meeting** - May 13, 2019, a dinner/membership meeting, 6:00 pm.
Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 536 Ouray Ave., Grand Junction
- > **Summer Break** - LWVMC activities resume in August

MEETING AND ACTIVITIES REPORT

April 8 – Students United of the Grand Valley

About twenty-five members and citizens were treated to a presentation – titled **Gun Sense** – by **Students United of the Grand Valley**. The group, representing all the high schools in the area, discussed the point of view of young people regarding the “gun debate” in our society.

While they addressed the well-known issues such as background checks, gun sales loopholes, gun safety and security, and proposed legislative approaches to the problems – from the perspective of young persons, it was powerful to hear them deal with the pressures unique to young people – how such things as school-lock-down drills and concern for their friends’ safety are making a lasting impression on their lives.

Gun Sense is not the only issue of concern to these students, but their recent performance provides a very favorable outlook for our area as they move on through their lives. Thanks, **Students United!**

Letter from the Leadership Team

Again this year we have scheduled a pot-luck dinner for the Annual Meeting. This is our main Members’ meeting of the year - where we relax together - and tell our Leadership Team what should be the direction and goals of the upcoming year. It is important that we spend some time exchanging ideas about the health and future of our League chapter. That’s one goal for the Annual Meeting.

We have been told that personal interactions among our members have been neglected while we have focused on “presentations.” We should find a way to involve Members into every League presentation. We must merge the strengths of our own members into the needs of the League of Women Voters and the needs of our community. That is another goal for the Annual Meeting.

We hope to identify the objectives of our own League, define the main activities that we should/can undertake which will address these objectives, and then how each of us can contribute to this effort.

So - as an individual - what is your part? Once the needs are identified, which areas are most interesting to you? Do you have the time/strength/ability to lead? ... to help with that particular undertaking? ... occasionally or regularly?

Please give this some thought - and help us reorient our Chapter of the League.

See you on May 13th!

Review the **Annual Manual** -

<http://lwvmesa.org/vote/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/2019-Annual-Manual.pdf>

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