

# League of Women Voters of Oak Park & River Forest

## Hazel Hanson Award Winners

Hazel Hanson had a long history of involvement in the League and held the office of President twice: 1953-55 and 1969-71. She shared her wealth of knowledge and expertise not only with the League, but also with the larger Oak Park community. She served as a trustee for the Village of Oak Park and was instrumental in the passage of the Oak Park Fair Housing Ordinance. She was also active on the committee to build a new library and was involved in many other community activities.

This award was proposed and established at the Annual Meeting in May 1987, in response to a \$1000 donation by Mrs. Hanson. Hazel did not specify how the donation should be used, leaving it to the discretion of the Board. We were extremely grateful for her most generous gift. The award is given in her name to a League member whose work within the League not only serves to promote the goals of the organization, but also has a positive impact on the community at large.

The Nominating Committee is responsible for eliciting nominations from the general membership. Information on nominees is reviewed by members of the Nominating Committee, and a recommendation is made to the Board. The recipient is honored at the Annual Meeting.

1988	Therese Sabo	2006	Elizabeth Lippitt
1989	Child Welfare Committee	2007	Nancy Staunton
1990	Elsie Jacobsen	2008	Priscilla Mims
1991	Catherine Deam	2009	Winifred Pozorski
1992	Esther Brodsky	2010	Marge Gockel
1993	Margot Clayton	2011	Nancy Clark
1994	Sue Rizzo	2012	Nancy Leavy
1995	Janine Katonah	2013	Mary Cay Murray
1996	Carlotta Lucchesi	2014	Pauline Koch
1997	Sherlynn Reid	2015	Peggy Kell
1998	Nancy Waichler	2016	Sarah Shirk
1999	Mary Ellen Matthies	2017	Marilyn Cantisano
2000	Kathryn Nesburg	2018	Mary Rose Lambke
2001	Barbara Furlong	2019	Marge Massarello
2002	Senior Services Committee	2020	Marsha Borders
2003	Laurie Huget	2021	Beverly Graham
2004	Virginia Cassin	2022	Mary Haley
2005	Jeanette Fields	2023	Joan Petertil
		2024.	Harriet Hausman
		2025	Jane Hastings