## The Never-Regular But Always-True Newsletter From...



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## Dear ACLU Members and Friends,

Thanks to everyone who came out to our annual meeting last Sunday afternoon. It was a beautiful day for an indoor/outdoor meeting! We heard from Ken Page, President of the Springfield ACLU chapter, about concerns in Springfield about the Sonya Massey murder by police and their advocacy for police reform. He also told the fascinating story of his coalition's successful efforts to get National Monument status for the site of the 1908 Springfield Race Massacre. National Park Service info here: https://www.nps.gov/spra/index.htm



And we had live music from The Young and the Fretless! https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=the%20young%20and%20the%20fretless **Thanks to the band** -- Tom Bassett, Lyle Konigsberg, Rebecca Grosser, and Rolf Pendall!

If, like most of us, you are feeling anxious about what may happen during and after the election, we have a few words to pass on from the national ACLU and ACLU of Illinois. Crystal balls and

magic wands are in short supply at the ACLU, but we do have top-notch experienced professional staff planning to ensure a safe and fair election and to ensure that the voices of the voters are heard and respected. ACLU is planning legal strategy for the interregnum ( the time between the election and the inauguration) and for the next administration, no matter who is elected. So, when action is necessary, (and action is always necessary in a democracy), we will be ready! Hope that helps you sleep at night.

Remember -- you can renew or donate here: https://www.aclu-il.org/en/donate.

## Last of all, encourage and/or help someone else to VOTE!

Many undecided voters are not undecided who to vote for, they are undecided about whether voting is worth the effort. PLEASE reassure them that their VOICE AND their VOTE do matter! Illinois Voting Info here: <u>https://www.aclu-il.org/en/campaigns/2024-election</u> OUR VOTE IS OUR POWER!

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