

CELEBRATE WOMEN!

at the 2017 League celebration of **Women's Equality Day**.

Uncle Sam and **Aunt Samantha** will be on hand to commemorate the day that women won the right to vote. Former national LWV president Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins will keynote this special event, featuring a skit, fellowship and food.



Dr. Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins

Dr. Jefferson-Jenkins is a recognized authority on the voting rights of African-Americans and is the author of *The Road to Black Suffrage* and *One Man One Vote: The History of the African-American Vote in the United States*, along with contributions to numerous journals and books on election reform. The working title for her next book is "More than a Footnote! Honoring the Contributions of Women of Color in the League of Women Voters."

In 1994 Dr. Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins of Colorado Springs, CO was elected the **first African American president of the National League of Women Voters**, becoming the 15th president of the League. At that time, the League was the largest nonpartisan citizen organization in the United States with more than 120,000 members in all 50 states. She served two terms and then headed the LWV Education Fund. She joined the League in 1982.

After her League service, she participated in democracy building efforts in Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil, the Netherlands, Israel, and eight African countries through her work with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in these nations. She also has served on the board of directors of the Women's Foundation of Colorado, the Colorado Board of Nursing, the Colorado Judicial Institute and a variety of community based organizations. She moved to North Carolina to work at the James B. Hunt Jr. Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy, formerly an affiliate of the University of North Carolina.

In North Carolina, she served as vice president of the Women's Forum of North Carolina and remains on the board. She continues to advocate for educational excellence and stronger citizen participation in the electoral process.

Friday, August 25th
6:00 – 8:00 pm

Midwood International Center Auditorium
1817 Central Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28205

