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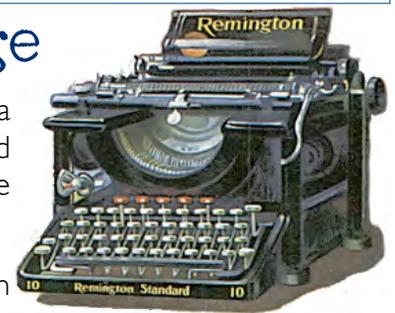
League Calendar

Thursday, September 19th	11:30 am - 1 pm	Brown Bag Gathering. County Courthouse Commission Room, 111 E. 11th St. "The ABCs of County Government"
Saturday, September 28th	7 - 9 pm	Land Use Committee Meeting. Community Mercantile Meeting Room, 901 Iowa St.
Monday, October 7th	9:00 pm	VOTER Submission Deadline. Please send submissions to lightwatcher@gmail.com
Thursday, October 10th	7 - 9 pm	LWVL-DC Board Meeting. Co-President David Burress' House, 912 Holiday Drive. All League members are invited to attend.
Saturday, October 12th	9:30 am - 2:30 pm	State League Day. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1275 SW Boswell Ave, Topeka. Please see article on page 3.
Saturday, October 17th	11:30 - 1 pm	Brown Bag Gathering. Watkins Community Museum, 1047 Mass St. Four Perspectives on Healthcare in Lawrence: How Affordable Is It?
Friday, November 15th	11:30 - 1 pm	Brown Bag Gathering. Watkins Community Museum, 1047 Mass St. "Mexican Immigrants In Lawrence , KS :Their History and Their Stories"

Co-Presidents Message

Thanks to Margaret Arnold and several others, our 19th Amendment rally was a great success. We achieved good press coverage, better than expected turnout, and generated much material for our website and the voter. See the report elsewhere in this issue for details.

The Kansas ACLU has sent a demand letter and 90 day notice for filing a lawsuit on voter registration to Chris Kobach, Kansas Secretary of State. The LWV-LDC was one of the organizational plaintiffs. The law suit also has Scott Jones, a Douglas County resident, as one of the individual plaintiffs. Jones moved here from Indiana about a year ago. He tried to register at the County Clerk's office using the official federal form, with his new driver's license as proof of citizenship. That was not acceptable under the law, even though he had had to show proof of citizenship in order to get the license. His registration has joined 17,000 other Kansas registrations that are suspended in limbo because documents have not yet been provided. That constitutes about 1/3 of all registration attempts made this year in Kansas.



As always in every League, voter registration is a top priority for us. The law changes lobbied through by Kobach have made the task vastly more difficult. The biggest obstacle is that the county clerk needs photocopies of an ap-

proved proof of citizenship document (usually a birth certificate, naturalization certificate, or passport) to register a new voter, but:

- there are privacy and liability reasons why the LWV should not possess such copies, and
- most people don't carry these documents with them.

The new approach we are using for people who do have documents is to use a copying machine that does not make an internal record, and seal the document with the registration form in an envelope in the applicant's presence.

On Constitution Day (September 17) we registered 26 new voters at the naturalization ceremony at the Dole Center. On September 24 we will join hundreds of organizations across the country to celebrate National Voter Registration Day, in our case by registering voters at Checker's Supermarket. To participate in registration work, email president@lawrenceleague.com.



Ruth Gibbs has resigned as Board member and Voter Services chair. Sharon Brown and the Appointments Committee will work on finding a replacement. In the meantime Marjorie Cole, Margaret Arnold, and Cille King are managing our voter services efforts.

This year we are participating in two Consensus studies. Marci Francisco will be a moderator for our participation in a LWVUS study for revising national policy on agriculture. Marlene Merrill is replacing Marci as moderator for our participation in a LWVK study on fracking. If you would like to be on the LWV-LDC email distribution list for either study, let me know at president@lawrenceleague.com. - David Burress

Brown Bag Lunch: The Affordable Care Act and Kansas

Beginning October 1, 2013, sign-ups for the Health Care Marketplace will begin.

The aim of the Affordable Care Act is to improve the quality of health care for all and make it affordable. "The more people insured, both healthy and sick, the easier it is to keep coverage affordable," explained Sandy Praeger, Kansas Insurance Commissioner, at an informational meeting. She went on to say the major concern for Kansans is misinformation. "Over 40 percent of Americans recently polled thought the law had been repealed, so there is still a lot of confusion."

People satisfied with their current health insurance don't need to do anything, but if you do not have health insurance, or wish to lower your costs, you may access the Health Care Marketplace at HealthCare.gov to apply for coverage, compare plans and enroll in health insurance plans after October 1. This site will also answer questions about your per-

sonal situation, without asking for any personal information, in an online chat.

If you choose not to buy coverage next year you will have a minimum of \$95 (or up to 1% of your income) penalty fee for the 2014 year and up to a maximum of 2.5% of your annual income in ensuing years. For more information about the Affordable Care Act, see www.whitehouse.gov/HealthReform.com. To get quotes for insurance, see www.United-States-Health-Insurance.com

Lawrence League of Women Voters will offer a Brown Bag lunch, on Health Care, October 17, 2013, at Watkins Community Museum, featuring a Panel Discussion with Representatives from Health Care Access, Douglas County Child and Family Services, (formerly SRS) and Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

Special Guest Panelist: James Bart---Ombudsman for "KanCare", the new Kansas Medicaid Program

Location: Watkins Community Museum of History Ground Floor Meeting Room, 1047 Massachusetts Lawrence, KS. **66044** Please come and bring your lunch and your questions.

- Margaret Arnold and Marilyn Roy
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LEAGUE DAY 2013 – TOPEKA, KS

October 12, 2013

9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Westminister Presbyterian Church

1275 SW Boswell Ave.

Topeka, KS

PROGRAM



9:30 – 10:00 am Registration and Breakfast (Food, Fruit and Beverage)

10:00 – a.m. Greeting & Overview of the Program

10:05 a.m. Introduction to LWV K study: **Fracking, Water and the Future**

Moderator: Elaine Giessel, Chairman of Study Committee

Panelists:

Susan Stover, Manager, Kansas Water Office

Rex Buchanan, Interim Director, Kansas Geological Survey

Ed Cross, President, Kansas Independent Oil & Gas Association

Duane Schrag, Journalist/Environmentalist, the Land Institute and
Kansas Sierra Club

Q & A

11:45 – 12:30 p.m.

Lunch: Soup, Sandwich and Cookies -----Exchange ideas

12:30 p.m. Professor Bill Rich, Washburn University Law School

Voting statutes versus the U.S. and Kansas Constitutions

1:15 -2:15 p.m. Small Group Discussions

- Fracking committee: Elaine Giessel
- MLD teams: Ellen Miller
- Communication issues, website, VOTER: Jill Quigley
- Voter Service: Marti Crow

2:30 Adjournment

Registration Fee: \$ 27.00 (submit names to dfurtado08@gmail.com and pay at the door). Includes Breakfast, Lunch, fee for meeting space and a bit of Fundraising (Protect the Vote Campaign)..

Please consider a contribution. We need to start working on the Voter registration issues. Not able to attend the meeting, contact Dolores to send a contribution.

November Brown Bag Lunch

Friday, November 15, 2013 – “Mexican Immigrants In Lawrence, KS: Their History and Their Stories”

Local professionals and Lawrence residents discuss various issues related to assimilation into our community, highlighted by personal stories. (More information about presenters to follow closer to the program date.)

LOCATION: Watkins Community Museum of History Ground Floor Meeting Room 1047 Massachusetts Lawrence, KS. 66044 - Marilyn Roy

ing includes photos and the text of speeches by Burrell and Soden. There are also links to Journal-World reports of the event. - Margaret Arnold

Observer Report Lawrence Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

July 15, 2013, 4:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chris Burger, Brady Flannery, Ursula Minor, David Vance.

Absent: Joan Golden, Fran Devlin, Deborah Thompson, Gould/Evans Architects, Gordon Fitch/ Friends of the Library.

Library Staff: Brad Allen, Director; Kathleen Morgan, Library Foundation Director; Sherri Turner, Assistant Director.

Guests: Elinor Tourtellot, League of Women Voters.

Library Director's Report

Brad Allen reported that the Vermont Street Parking garage is due to open by the end of August. The basement of the library building is progressing.

Many rooms are framed, the floor of the future administrative offices has been raised. There will be an audio visual space where local musicians can play and record their music.

The library participated in the Annual Sidewalk Sale where Brad enjoyed connecting with hundreds of citizens.

Brad made two appearances on the radio, an hour long conversation with Iverson on "Cadre Lawrence" and on "About the House" with Jeremy Taylor. Both were great opportunities to keep people informed about the library. Jeremy would like the library to manage the "books and authors" component of his show.

"Read Across Lawrence" for adults kicks

Voting Rally

Thanks to all who gathered in South Park on August 24 to celebrate the anniversary of the 19th Amendment, which granted women in the U.S. the right to vote in elections at all levels of the U.S. government. Speakers Marci Francisco, Jamie Shew, Leslie Soden, and David Burrell related facts from suffrage history, emphasizing Kansan struggles and successes as they now pertain to current voting issues. All encouraged the audience to continue extending the franchise, taking heart from the persistence of our foremothers and also the men who assisted them. In honor of the day Christine Smith, Laura Routh, Lee Ketzler, and Marjorie Cole read selections from the Declaration of Sentiments, authored by Elizabeth Cady Stanton in 1848. Some colorful costumes appeared in the audience. The event also included celebratory singing led by Marlene Merrill with members of the Lawrence Civic Choir and Lillie Mason, guitarist and singer. Lawrence Older Women's League, the Lawrence Coalition for Peace and Justice, Lawrence National Organization for Women, and MadreLawrence joined in planning and attending the event.

For a more detailed account, please visit our website at <www.lawrenceleague.com>. The post-



off on August 30th. Timothy Egan, the author of Worst Hard Times, will be speaking at the Lied Center on August 26th. "Read Across Lawrence" for children begins August 31 for upper elementary students. They will be reading Turtle in Paradise which is about the Great Depression in Key West.

The Board Retreat is scheduled for September 16 from 2:00-4:30 p.m. with the Board meeting following at 5:00 p.m. in the trailer. Jenna Millsap will be the retreat's facilitator.

Library Foundation Director's Report

Kathleen announced that The Ross and Marianna Beach Foundation has awarded the library a grant to establish the Ross and Marianna Beach Speakers Series at the library. This \$250,000 gift will establish a fund bringing a prominent author to the library each year. In addition, should the Foundation's application for a Challenge Grant be approved by the National Endowment for the Humanities in December, the Beach grant will be eligible for a 25% federal match. Suggestions for which authors to invite have been pouring in from patrons.

The library has received a second grant from the Walmart Foundation. The \$1,500 award will fund an eReader Book Club in a Bag for the library. The first annual Banned Books Trading Card Awards is on September 19. The seven winning original artworks that will become 2013's Banned Books Trading Cards will be unveiled at the event. Admission is free and there will be light refreshments with a cash bar. The Preview Party begins at 7 p.m. in Liberty Hall to view and bid



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on all the artwork for this year's competition. The official awards ceremony begins at 8p.m. Thanks to the KU Theatre Department, the program promises to be fun and might include a few banned authors.

The Foundation is continuing to recruit members to its New Chapter Society. These are donors who make an annual gift to the library of \$1,000 or more

or include the library in their estate plans. Anyone who has given \$5,000 or more to the library's capital campaign will automatically be included in the Society. The Friends of the Library have agreed to include a Friends membership among the benefits of joining the New Chapter Society. The Foundation will reimburse the Friends \$25 for each new member.

The board went into executive session.

- Elinor Tourtellot



Highlights of the August Board Meeting

7:10-9 pm, home of David Burress

Present: David Burress (Co-Pres), Cille King (Co-Pres and Pres Elect), Marci Francisco (VP), Marjorie Cole (Treas), Caleb Morse (Secr); **Directors:** Margaret Arnold, Caroljean Brune, James Dunn, Ruth Gibbs, Marlene Merrill. **Absent:** Midge Grinstead. It was noted that Scott Criqui had tendered his resignation from the Board earlier in the day. Scott has volunteered to stay on as person in charge of our Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Treasurer's report. Marjorie reported total income for July of \$796 and expenses of \$897.45. Current balances as of 30 July: Checking Acct = \$3582.28; Money Market = \$2102.12; Stucky = \$6374.06; Judiciary = \$581.93; Education Fund (LWVEF) = \$1,571.98. Half of the LWVK PMP for the 2013-14 year has now been paid from our checking account as budgeted. The two remaining payments will be paid from the Education Fund. A payment of \$11.95 was paid from the Judiciary Grant fund for our website hosting. Con-

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tributions of \$70 were made to the Education Fund, in memory of Nancy Dunn.

Annual program. The following Annual Program as adopted by unanimous consent.

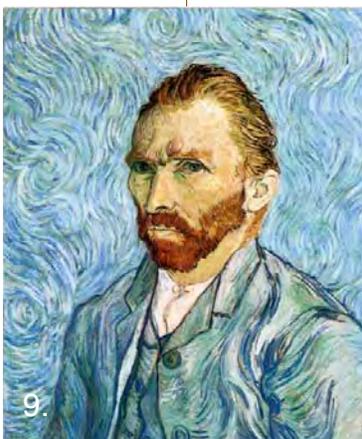
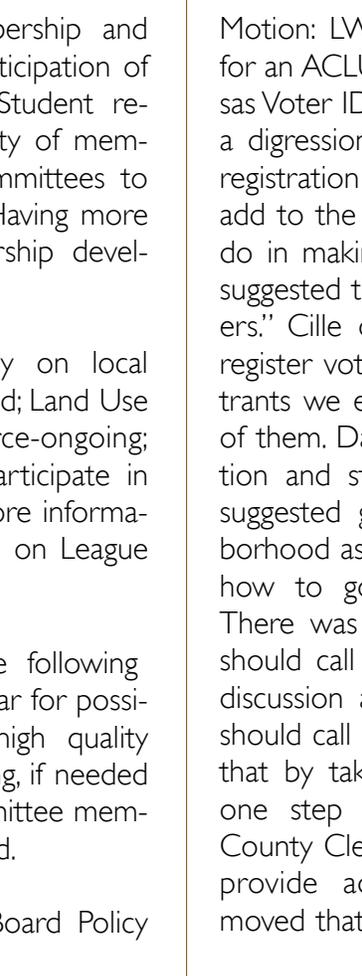
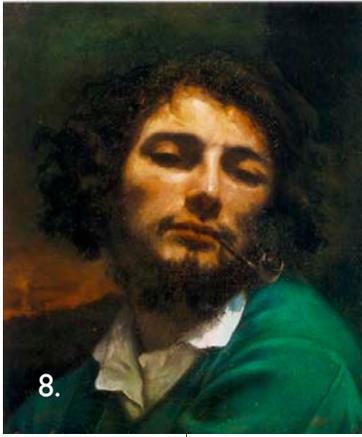
I-YEAR ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS.

Liaison better with other organizations in Lawrence for informational meetings and action (+ Regular Brown Bag lunches + Improve meetings calendar structure + If local studies, then unit meetings connected to the studies); Increase membership and member retention (+ Increase active participation of membership + Mentoring program + Student recruitment + Expand quantity and diversity of membership); *Expand the functions and committees to include members outside the board (+ Having more complex committee structure + Leadership development); Revive Observer Corps.

I-YEAR PROGRAM PRIORITIES: Study on local boards and commissions-already authorized; Land Use Committee-ongoing; Sidewalk task force-ongoing; Open meetings action group-ongoing; Participate in state study on hydraulic fracturing; Put more information on website on how legislators voted on League issues.

DISCUSS PARKING LOT ISSUES (The following issues should be considered during the year for possible action): Giving out honoraria to high quality speakers; Revise dues structure; Fundraising, if needed to achieve a goal; Adding Land Use Committee members - need younger people to get involved.

Data Privacy and Distribution Policy (Board Policy #8). Motion: Approve policy on data and roster privacy. Prior to the meeting, Marci had circulated a version with significant editorial suggestions. The draft was further amended in discussion, and a revised policy was adopted by unanimous consent. [Download an updated set of Board policies from our website at <http://lawrenceleague.com/about.html>.] Marci (Marlene) moved a second motion that the Executive Committee has authority to set passwords and rules



of access and custody for all LWW L-DC datasets, bank accounts, web accounts, customer and government accounts, and physical property; the Executive Committee shall create and maintain a confidential manual inventorying all such items and explaining how they can be accessed. There was no objection, and the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

Voter registration issues and legal challenge to the citizenship ID requirement.

Motion: LWW-LDC will be an organizational plaintiff for an ACLU challenge to selected aspects of the Kansas Voter ID law. The conversation began with a bit of a digression on what we actually do when we take registration forms. CJ said she thought we shouldn't add to the 13K voters already in suspense, which we do in making the pretense of registering voters, and suggested that we stop saying we are "registering voters." Cille opined that much of what we do is re-register voters, but for the (relatively) few new registrants we encounter, we do explain what is required of them. David added that we are gathering information and starting the registration process. Margaret suggested going to some retirement homes, neighborhood associations, to help people start to find out how to go about obtaining required information. There was some further discussion about what we should call what we do. David tried to redirect the discussion about what we should do, not what we should call it. Marci, Margaret and Marlene all thought that by taking registration forms, we get registrants one step closer to actually registering, since the County Clerk's office will contact those who need to provide additional information. David (Marlene) moved that we continue doing what we are now doing; agreed by unanimous consent. David suggested we call it "pre-register"; Marci expanded this to "re-register or pre-register" to vote; there was no motion but everyone agreed to this new language. David followed this with some commentary on several different kinds of legal challenges to the new requirements for proof of citizenship for first-time voters. The easiest is the kind of challenge is one in which they take your data, but don't give you the goods. Harder kinds

include motor-voter laws, and how provisional rule applies to registrations in suspense. Marci suggested finding names of registrants in Douglas County in suspense.

ISSUE with the MOTION: LWVK President Furtado doesn't want to sign on as an organizational plaintiff. CJ (Margaret) moved to extend meeting another 5 minutes. David took straw poll about interest in motion. Marci said she, for one, would support the motion if a Douglas County plaintiff were identified. There were no objections to that. David will contact the ACLU and advise them that we would sign on if Douglas County client is found. - Caleb Morse

Land Use Committee August, 2013 Meeting

The Land Use Committee met on August 24th 7:00 p.m. at the Merc community meeting room. We discussed all of the Agenda items, and sent one letter to the Planning Commission (PC). There was only one public hearing meeting in the month of August for the PC—on Monday, the 26th—because of the relatively short Agenda.

The main issue for the PC was a major residential and neighborhood shopping development proposed for the approximately 36-acre tract on the northeast corner immediately adjacent to the proposed intersection of the K-10 and Bob Billings Parkway extended. (This will be a connection between this Lawrence major trafficway and the northern extension of K-10, otherwise known as the SLT.) The new development will be known as Langston Commons and is located immediately south of a newly approved development known as Langston Heights, which was approved by the PC last January. The development pattern of the Langston Heights project had been modified to include duplexes, higher density single family (RS5) as well as RS7 single family areas in response to the adjacent single family neighborhood's objections to having unexpected multiple family housing in an area they had anticipated as being all single family. The current pattern of housing types in the proposed Langston

Commons repeated that approved for the Langston Heights development; therefore, we found it impractical to object to it. Our previous objection to the original Langston Heights proposal had been because the area's close proximity to the Langston Hughes School would allow families with children to walk there. Our other objection to that development was based on its unpredicted changes.

his current development, Langston Commons, is an example of the same problem of unpredictability in Lawrence as to how a residential area will develop based on the Comprehensive Plan (CP) or on area plans. The low-density designation in the CP and area plans gives no indication of housing types permitted. For example, a developer can develop any housing type in the low density CP and area plan designations from three-story apartments to townhouses to duplexes as well as single family housing, as long as the total density of the development doesn't exceed the permitted 6 units an acre. This creates distress and uncertainty among existing homeowners who were expecting adjacent areas to also be single family developments. In our judgment, our Comprehensive Plan should allow predictability, and in fact, is one of the principal reasons for having such a plan, and we believe that this problem should be corrected.



Our one letter to the PC was on Item No. 10. IG, the Langston Commons Preliminary Plat. We were concerned that the number

of curb cuts from this proposed CN2 (Neighborhood Shopping) development would create safety problems because of their number and locations. For example, one curb cut to a service area on a curve would provide access to large trucks, and we questioned the sight line here. This was one of four curb cuts within approximately a block distance opening onto Renaissance Drive, a major connector street. Another would be in line with another important street for the area, Silver Rain Road, and would provide a shortcut to Bob Billings Parkway, encouraging traffic through the shopping center by its configuration. We asked that these curb cuts be re-examined. One of the Planning Commissioners noted our letter and recommended that this issue be examined at the Site Plan stage. (We should note that the reason this



could be determined later was because the Preliminary Plat showed the commercial area as a single large lot, allowing the final configuration of the uses on this lot to be determined at the Site Plan stage.) **OUT-COME:** all of the rezonings were approved, as well as the Preliminary Plat. Other issues on the

Planning Commission Agenda were Item 2, the annexation of land currently in the County, southeast of Mary's Lake to be able to extend 31st Street and connect Haskell to the SLT; and Item 3, incorporation of the Transportation Plan, T2040 into the Comprehensive Plan. There were also two Miscellaneous Items requiring no action by the PC: (a) the update on a proposed Text Amendment for Parking & Access Standards and (b) receiving minutes from a joint Historic Resources Commission and Planning Commission meeting on Downtown redevelopment.

Government in Secrecy in Douglas County, Kansas 2009 - 2013

For the past year, I have been studying compliance with the Kansas Open Meetings Act by the City and County boards and commissions in Douglas County. I have concentrated on the City Commission and the County commission because of their leadership roles and on the Board of Trustees of Lawrence Memorial Hospital and the Board of Directors of the Health Department because of the relatively-high frequency with which they have held closed meetings. The following is a summary of my findings. The full report is available at <http://lawrenceleague.com/>.

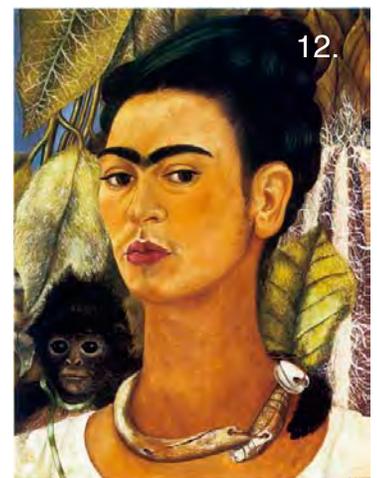
Since January 2009, the Board of Trustees of Lawrence Memorial Hospital, the Board of Directors of the Health Department, the County Commission and the City Commission have held at least 176 closed sessions (closed portions of open meetings). In at least 120 instances, with the full support of their attorneys, no meaningful information was disclosed to the public

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about the subject(s) or issues discussed in those closed sessions. By doing this, these groups have conducted a substantial portion of their business in complete secrecy, and have acted in opposition to the clearly-stated purpose of the Kansas Open Meetings Act, which is that "the conduct of governmental affairs and the transaction of governmental business be open to the public." Although one interpretation of the Open Meetings Act might make it possible for boards and commissions to do business in secrecy without getting fined for violating the Act, such action is inconsistent with the respect I believe most citizens of Douglas County want shown for open government.

In addition, the Health Board, the Douglas County Commission and the Lawrence City Commission have successfully hidden their discussions of a \$750,000 lawsuit and other unknown matters. Most of the instances of closed sessions were not mere technical violations because, in not specifying the subjects of their discussions in meaningful ways, a significant public right to know was denied. As long as boards and commissions close meetings at will to do business in complete secrecy, there seems to be little value in having an Open Meetings Act in Douglas County, Kansas.

In order to comply with the letter and the spirit of the Open Meetings Act, and avoid the appearance of an intent to subvert the purposes of the Act, I have asked the boards and commissions studied to provide the public with meaningful descriptions of the subjects discussed in past closed sessions, review the requirements of the Kansas Open Meetings Act, in future motions calling for closed sessions, specify the subject(s) to be discussed in sufficient detail that citizens can readily identify the topics being discussed and understand the issues that caused the group to close the open meeting and, when a consensus is reached or decision made in a closed session, take appropriate action in open meeting. This can be done while protecting the interests of the City and County



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entities those boards and commissions serve.

I have no evidence that anyone has profited personally by conducting meetings in secrecy. To the contrary, most board and commission members give substantial time and effort and receive little or

no compensation in return. Nevertheless, they should not conduct government business in secrecy, as they have in the past.

Reluctantly, I have come to the conclusion that open government in Douglas County cannot be left entirely in the hands of our boards and commissions and their attorneys. Therefore I propose the creation a City-County Open Government Advisory Board. Such a board would monitor the use of closed meetings and provide assistance in following the Kansas Open Meetings Act and the Kansas Open Records Act. For this purpose, I have requested that the City Commission and the County Commission place the subject of open government on their agendas. I will keep you informed of developments as they progress. Those who would like to have email updates on this subject should send their email addresses to

BigAlCowles@gmail.com. - Alan L. Cowles, M.D., Ph.D.

Responsible Drone Use

During the past few months, a new organization called Kansans for Responsible Drone Use has asked the Lawrence City Commission to pass a resolution limiting the use of unmanned drones. The resolution has attracted interest from both local and national media, including the Huffington Post and Washington Times. The resolution would apply only to the city and would implement three guidelines:

- 1) The city does not purchase or use drones until the Kansas Legislature takes action on the issue.
- 2) The city does not use drones that have been weaponized.
- 3) The city does not use drones for surveillance to collect evidence admissible in court. (There is an exception to this item in the event of a terrorist, hostage or other emergency situa-

tion. Officials must obtain a warrant in all circumstances if the drone has been deployed for 24 hours.)

Patrick Wilbur, a member of Kansans for Responsible Drone Use and League member, explained the resolution to the Lawrence-Douglas County League Board on Thursday, September 12. Wilbur said the primary of the resolution was for Lawrence to stay ahead of the curve in protection of privacy rights and civil liberties. "So often we are working to undo damage done by poor legislation", Wilbur said. "This is an opportunity for Lawrence to implement protections before drone usage becomes a reality." The Board did not offer official support for the resolution, but will draft a separate statement supporting civil liberties.

Ben Jones, who has led the effort, stressed that the organization's goal was not to "ban drones" as they can be implemented for several useful tasks. "We have spoken with the commission, members of the community and Chief Khatib. We want to ensure that we have a sensible resolution that works for the community." for Responsible Drone Use will be attending the Lawrence City Commission meeting on September 24 to ask commissioners to take action on the resolution.

The following groups have officially endorsed the resolution: ACLU of Kansas and Western Missouri, MadreLawrence, Douglas County Republican Party, Douglas County Libertarians, Lawrence Coalition for Peace and Justice, Young Americans for Liberty – University of Kansas and Food not Bombs.



Just for Fun: Self-Portraits - Name the Artist

The paintings in this issue are all **self-portraits** by well-known artists. See how many you can identify.

Also just for fun, a helpful website:

<http://themetapicture.com/how-to-recognize-the-artist-of-paintings/>

Join or Re-Join the League!

Complete form, enclose check made out to LWV L/DC, and mail to LWV L/DC • PO Box 1072 • Lawrence KS 66044

(Please note: new or renewed memberships after September 30, 2012 are valid through March 31, 2014)

Our dues support the National and State Leagues as follows: \$31 National and \$18 State per member. Total: \$49/member
Our local League retains only \$6 from Individual membership dues and \$5.75 each for Household membership dues.

Date _____ New member _____ Renewing member _____
_____ Individual Membership (\$55) _____ Household Membership (\$85) _____ *Student Membership (\$20)

*University student enrolled full or part time in an accredited institution.

I'm interested in joining the League...please send me information on financial aid available for membership.

I have enclosed a contribution of \$ _____ to help sponsor a League membership.

I have enclosed a contribution of \$ _____ for the League General Fund.

I have enclosed a contribution of \$ _____ for the League Education Fund*

*This contribution is tax-deductible

_____ I am not a member, but would like to support the League with my contribution as indicated above.

PLEASE PRINT

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

As a League member, I would like to help support League activities by participating as follows:

General Membership Meetings:

- Set up and/or tear down
- Hospitality (provide coffee/tea/dessert)
- Taking notes/writing up report of meeting

Promotion of League to our Community

- Public speaking
- Attend community events as League representative

Membership

- Recruitment
- Mentor/follow-up with new members
- Provide a ride to a fellow member
- Phone members without internet access about special updates

Observer corps (attend/report on government meetings)

Help with research for League studies on issues

Serve on the Board of Directors

Voter Services

- Register voters
- Help with voter education

I have the following skills:

- Editing articles/reports
- Database management
- Proficient in Microsoft Word / Excel / Quickbooks
- Website/Social Media design/management

My interests include: _____