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League Calendar

Tuesday, October 3rd	7:30 - 10 pm	What Poultry Plants Mean for Local Communities. <i>Douglas County Fairgrounds.</i> Dr. Don Stull, presenter
Tuesday, October 3rd	8:30 am - 10:30 am	Voter Registration. <i>Eudora High School. 2203 Church St., Eudora.</i> Contact Melissa Wick to volunteer; wickma @ aol.com
Wednesday, October 4th	Noon - 3:00 pm	Voter Registration. <i>Eudora High School. 2203 Church St., Eudora.</i> Contact Melissa Wick to volunteer; wickma @ aol.com
Wednesday, October 4th	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Legislative Forum. <i>Lawrence Public Library Auditorium, 707 Vermont St.</i>
Thursday, October 5th	5:30 pm	Voter Suppression Panel. <i>KU Memorial Union Centennial Room, Level 6, 1301 Jayhawk Blvd.</i> Please see article on page 2.
Thursday, October 5th	Noon - 12:45 pm	Public Forum for USD 497 Superintendent Search. <i>School District Offices, 110 McDonald Drive.</i>
Thursday, October 5th	5:30 - 6:15 pm	Public Forum for USD 497 Superintendent Search. <i>Free State High School, 4700 Overland Dr.</i>
Thursday, October 5th	6:45 - 7:30 pm	Public Forum for USD 497 Superintendent Search. <i>Lawrence High School, 1901 Louisiana St.</i>
Tuesday, October 10th	7:00 - 8:45 pm	LWVL-DC Board Meeting. <i>Lawrence Public Library, Room A, 707 Vermont St.</i> All League members are invited to attend.
Wednesday, October 11th	7:00 pm	Lawrence Pedestrian Coalition. <i>Lawrence Public Library, Room A, 707 Vermont St.</i>
Thursday, October 12th	8:30 - 9:30 am	Voter Education Coalition Meeting. <i>Chamber of Commerce, 718 New Hampshire St.</i>
Tuesday, October 17th	11:00 am - 4:30 pm	Final Day to Register to Vote - League Registration Table. <i>Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont St.</i> Contact Melissa Wick to volunteer; wickma @ aol.com
Thursday, October 19th	7:00 pm	Hot Topic: Sales Tax Proposals. <i>Plymouth Congregational Church, 925 Vermont St. .</i> Speakers on all 3 ballot issues. Please see article on page 3.
Saturday, October 21st	TBA	League Day in Leavenworth. Details TBA.
Saturday, October 21st	4:00 - 6:00 pm	Candidate Forum: City Commission Candidates. <i>City Hall, 6 E. 6th St.</i> Sponsored by the Voter Education Coalition.
Sunday, October 22nd	4:00 - 6:00 pm	Candidate Forum: School Board Candidates. <i>City Hall, 6 E. 6th St.</i> Sponsored by the Voter Education Coalition.
Thursday, November 7th	8:00 am	Naturalization Ceremony. <i>Lied Center, 1600 Stewart Drive.</i> Contact Melissa Wick to volunteer; wickma @ aol.com
Tuesday, Nov. 7th	7:00 am - 7:00 pm	Election Day - Go Vote!
Tuesday, Nov. 14th	7:00 - 8:45 pm	LWVL-DC Board Meeting. <i>Lawrence Public Library, Room A, 707 Vermont St.</i> All League members are invited to attend.

Co-President's Message

Several of us from Lawrence attended the ACLU Conference in Wichita on September 8 titled Increasing Citizen Participation in Kansas Elections. The program was divided into panel discussions and the speakers were world class. The day began with the topic – Enhancing Civic Health and Social Capital by Modernizing Voter Registration. Simple things like online automatic voter registration improves access and improves integrity of process. A interstate database checking program called ERIC checks for duplicates, name variations, changes of address, etc but is an encrypted and anonymous 20 random character match system. This is not the system that Kobach uses; his is loaded with errors and is not encrypted.



Kevin Kennedy presented the keynote on election day registration. This is an idea that has been implemented in Oregon and increased voter participation by 60%. There is fear about fraud usually raised but since 1984 Oregon has protected authenticity of the election system. In the afternoon Making Citizen Participation Easy-Trends in Election Administration. Talking about same day registration the panel stated that it fosters opportunity as people perceive voting is important and it increases turnout for elections. Another increasing trend is voting by mail – last election it was 70% of those voting and it is predicted to increase to 90% by 2020. Outreach to minority voters panel shared ideas like vote pamphlets, staging music at registration events, Rock the Vote, Community election working group to assist people with language problems, disabled, etc with voting. And here is another great idea – Voting Rights Compliance Reports; would not that be nice to have!

On September 15 our League assisted with Naturalization ceremony at the Dole Institute. Of the 92 new citizens, we registered 62 voters. That was phenomenal and we will have the opportunity again in November. This month also was National Voter Registration Day and League members were out across the town to register voters. A special thanks to Melissa Wick for organizing the day.

The Council on Aging met and Dr. Marvel Williamson of the Senior Resource Center talked about the Senior Summits. The last one was held in Eudora to work on improving services there. Currently there is no senior center and no CHAMPSS program in Eudora.

It is encouraging to see more involvement in League activities. We have always been great at Voter Registrations but it has been nice to see folks at our Coffee and Conversation events and we have had great turnout at our Hot Topics. Please give me a call or email if there are things you would like League to be more involved with or if there are events you would like to participate in.
- Marlene Merrill, Co-President

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Four new League members joined in September:
**Alicia Cusano-Weissenbach, Eileen Horn,
Becky Plate and Christian Sellier**
Please welcome them when you see them at our next events!



ACLU VOTER SUPPRESSION PANEL

The ACLU of KU is sponsoring an expert panel to discuss the continually emerging state and national issue of voter suppression. Please join us for an inspiring discussion of the actions/legislation being taken to limit voter participation and actions taken to counteract these efforts. Let's turn our focus to what we can do to combat this threat to democracy.

Voter registration by the League of Women Voters. Light refreshments and meet panel members after. The modera-

tor is Amii Castle and the panelists are Attorney and KU Professor Mark Johnson, Steve Lopes, Johnson County Voting Coalition, Davis Hammet, Activist and Loud Light Founder, and Jamie Shew, Douglas County Clerk

- Teresa Malarky

OCTOBER HOT TOPIC

Sales Tax Proposals for Public Transportation, Infrastructure & Equipment, and Affordable Housing

Thursday, Oct. 19th, 7:00 pm
Plymouth Congregational Church

Please join us the evening of Thursday, Oct. 19 for a discussion of the upcoming November election questions for Sales Tax Proposals for Public Transportation, Infrastructure and Equipment and Affordable Housing.

Representatives from the following Lawrence organizations will discuss aspects of the Sales Tax renewal propositions that will be on the November ballot. If you want to learn more about this important election issue, bring your questions and join us at the Plymouth Congregation Church for what promises to be a lively discussion.

Participating Panel Organizations:
Friends of Lawrence Transit
Lawrence Pedestrian Coalition
Justice Matters
Lawrence Sunset Alliance

Voter Informational Brochure

The League will also have a voter informational brochure available which will provide background, clarification and a discussion of pros/cons of the Sales Tax Proposals for Public Transportation, Infrastructure and Equipment, and Affordable Housing. The brochure will be available after mid-October. - Teresa Malarky



REPORT ON SEPTEMBER HOT TOPIC: VOTER SUPPRESSION

Kansas, the current national leader in voter suppression, was the latest Hot Topic attended by more than 75 League members and guests. The meeting at the Watkins Museum on September 19 was moderated by KU Professor Amii Castle. The panel included Davis Hammet, creator of Loud Light, Vignesh Ganapathy, Policy Director, ACLU KS, Representative Brett Parker, a member of the House Elections Committee, and Rev. Eleanor McCormick, Plymouth UCC.

Hammet is the creator of Loud Light, an organization devoted to increasing youth civic participation in Kansas, working for social good and justice in the community. One of the many challenges in increasing participation by minorities is to have better elections training, especially for Native Americans, and more help getting voter ID for African Americans who live in major cities and don't drive. "Sometimes you need a caseworker to get one person registered," he said. Hammet also encouraged more direct voter engagement and coalition building on college campuses.

Rep. Parker defined gerrymandering as a way "legislators choose their voters instead of voters choosing their legislators." They often create a district that is best for themselves, their party, or a cause, he added. But on a more positive note, Parker stated that Kansas is a vast improvement over many other states. Four top leaders in each party, with a non-partisan chair, will make up the legislative redistricting committee. This Tuesday, October 3, the US Supreme Court will hear the Wisconsin gerrymander case, Gill v. Whitford, a case challenging Wisconsin's Legislature district line as an unconstitutional Republican gerrymander. Parker quoted Justice Ginsberg in saying "it's the most important case of the year."

Ganapathy spoke about the October 1 nationwide launch of "Let People Vote," a campaign that will empower more people to take part as active and informed citizens. The event was held at the Lied Center here in Lawrence and live-streamed. People Power is, at its core, a grassroots member-mobilization project, Ganapathy explained. Through People Power, the ACLU engages volunteers across the country to take action when Trump or his administration attempt to enact unconstitutional policies or trample on people's constitutional rights. By mobilizing in defense of our civil liberties, volunteers will build local



communities that affirm our American values of respect, equality, and solidarity.

Rev. Eleanor McCormick talked about white privilege, the restrictions on voting, and the fear and intimidation that socially and economically diverse populations feel about voting. Many even fear entering the polling place, she said. "Let's pay attention. If voting is a right, then let's make it a convenient right," she said. She spoke about the role for faith leaders, acting as "translators," in civil disobedience. "We can be effective, like Rev. William Barber, who is breathing new life into the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. You cannot be 'too political' as a pastor. We can partner with the ACLU and LWV," she said. - Ann Carlin Ozegovic

To watch the video of the meeting, link to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FrwsonOemGU&feature=youtu.be>

SEPTEMBER VOTER SERVICES REPORT

National Voter Registration Day was in September and it was a very busy month for us! We held 9 events yielding 54 new registrants, 27 address changes, 2 name changes, 6 advance ballots and 1 new member. Events were held at Lawrence Farmers Markets, Haskell University, Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence High School, Edgemoor Public Housing, Babcock Place Apartments, Lawrence Public Library and Festival of Cultures.

Thanks to the following individuals who gave their time for these events: Marjorie Cole, Denise Pettingill, Teri Caufield, Teresa Malarky, Janice Friedman, Tamara Cash, Kim Gibson, Marlaine Stoor, Nichole White, Deb Duncan, Karen Heintzen, Jane Imber, Ann Ozegovic, Tayler Bertelsman.



National Voter Registration Day September 26 at Bishop Seabury School. Melissa Wick helps several seniors get registered to vote. History & government teacher Bill Gollier is in background. Photo by Ann Carlin Ozegovic.



Voter Services Chair Melissa Wick visits with Sonja Czarnecki, Bishop Seabury Dean of Students, world history teacher, and organizer of the event for National Voter Registration Day. Photo by Ann Carlin Ozegovic.

We will continue with events through October 17th, the final day to register for the November 7th, 2017 election.

- Melissa Wick, Voter Services Chair

NATURALIZATION CEREMONY REPORT

On September 15, a Naturalization Ceremony for 92 new American Citizens was held at the Dole Center at the University of Kansas. Members of the League were there to help them become registered voters as well. Volunteers helped 52 men and women complete forms and copy certificates to ensure that they will be able to vote in future elections. We want to thank everyone who made this such a success.



- Janice Friedman

REPORT FROM THE NEW COMMITTEE FOR OUTREACH TO UNDER-REPRESENTED POPULATIONS

In early August, League Members Jamie Benvenuti, Sonja Czarnecki and Melissa Wick met with the Douglas County Sheriff's Department Director of Re-entry Mike Brouwer. Mike said he saw it as a duty to meet with a civic organization but couldn't conceive of what LWV had to offer for his program.

Shortly into our discussion about how voting is a right taken away from felons but rarely discussed upon release from the penal system, how voting is a beneficial engagement with the community, and how we could provide voter registration materials to the Douglas County Jail library along with a Myth/Fact sheet to clear up some misconceptions, Mike got excited about our program.

At the invitation of Director Mike Brouwer, and with the assistance of Douglas County Clerk Jamie Shew, members of the Lawrence Douglas County League of Women Voters led a voter education/registration information session

at the 2nd annual Douglas County Conference for Probation Officers, Friday September 15 at the Douglas County Public Utility Training Room. Approximately a dozen corrections professionals serving the counties of Allen, Anderson, Coffey, Douglas, Franklin, Neosho, Wilson and Woodson were in attendance, along with Douglas County Clerk Shew, Director Brouwer, Kansas League Co-President Cille King, and Jamie Benvenuti and Sarah Vandermast of the new formed LDC LWV Committee for Outreach to Under-Represented Populations, chaired by Melissa Wick.

Co-President Cille King led the presentation while Douglas County Clerk Shew was there to answer questions as well as inform participants about the processes currently in place to assist eligible voters in Douglas County.

To supplement the presentation, committee members Jamie and Sarah distributed voter information packets put together specifically for the event. This packet included a registration form, instructions for completion of the form, fact sheets about the voting rights of ex-felons in Kansas and benefits to the community of having them become engaged citizens. Director Brouwer said the information packet details how easy it is to register ex-felons to vote and the impact voting has on reducing recidivism. Jamie Shew felt the meeting went very well and questions asked by the attendees helped him dispel some myths. Mike and Jamie were also impressed by the enthusiasm and engagement of the parole officers in implement voter registration with their charges.

Some of the MYTHS cleared up in the presentation included:

Only individuals convicted of felonies temporarily lose their right to vote in Kansas. Individuals who are charged with felonies, but not yet convicted, and those convicted of misdemeanors do not lose their right to vote.

Individuals who have lost their right to vote due to felony conviction automatically get their rights restored at the completion of their sentence – their sentence includes all terms of probation/parole; however, they will need to re-register if they had been registered prior to their conviction.



Additional clarifications were made regarding the voting process in KANSAS where there are two distinct steps to being able to vote – 1) Registering to Vote, and 2) Voting

1) Registering to vote can be done via the state form of the federal form. The state form requires proof of citizenship while the federal form does not. Kansas voters are currently allowed to vote in elections if they have registered with the federal form without providing proof of citizenship; however, if they don't follow the state standards to submit proof of citizenship, these voters will not receive an auto-generated postcard in the mail informing them of their voter registration and polling place.

A lawsuit brought by the LWV and the ACLU against the Secretary of State's requirement to submit proof of citizenship is also pending which means it is not yet known if the courts will side with the League and ACLU or the Secretary of State. If the State prevails, the voters who registered without providing proof of citizenship may have to re-register. It is for these reasons that the League recommends providing proof of citizenship while registering to vote, even though not currently required.

2) Voting in Kansas requires a valid photo ID in order to cast a ballot. If an eligible voter does not have one and cannot afford one, they can request a free photo ID from their local DMV for the purposes of voting.



Voter information specific to Douglas County, Kansas:

- If any Douglas County resident needs assistance getting a valid photo ID or birth certificate, they may contact Douglas County Clerk Jamie Shew's office. 785-832-5267 or elections @douglas-county.com

- Even if the eligible voter was not born in Kansas, Jamie Shew's election office team will be able to assist in getting the necessary documentation ****free of charge**** to the voter. He recommends contacting his office ASAP before the next election as it can take several weeks to months to receive birth certificates from out of state, depending upon the state.

In addition to those already mentioned, the Committee wishes to thank everyone who



contributed to this successful event including League members Sonja Czarnecki and Thea Perry, and Bennet Magnusson of Kansas Appleseed. We would especially like to thank Director of Re-entry Mike Brouwer for this special invitation to address this credit need and for his enthusiasm and support, KS LWV co-president Cille King and Douglas County Clerk Jamie Shew for their expertise and presentations. This would not have happened without their collective participation and we look forward to working with them for service to other under-represented groups.

Our efforts will now be to work with the other Kansas Leagues to present this program to the re-entry directors and parole officers in their areas. Jamie Shew mentioned that he has already sent some program information to other County Clerks. Our first targeted group is those attending a meeting of parole officers on November 2, 2017 in Salina. Mike Brouwer said he thinks there is time on the agenda for this presentation.

For those who are interested in receiving a PDF of the information packet compiled by the Committee, please contact Voter Services Chair Melissa Wick at wickma@aol.com.
- Melissa Wick

REPORT ON THE THIRD QUARTERLY COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Thanks to Denise Pettingill's calls, we had a great turn out on Saturday, September 23rd at Z's Divine Espresso on W. 31st. We had a lively discussion about recent and continuing attempts by our SOS at voter suppression, congratulated Janice Friedman on running a great naturalization ceremony voter registration, and discussed the need to examine all states current voter registration laws. Of course, we all enjoyed some great Z's beverages and treats. Kim Gibson determined it was a great idea to put up links to the city commission and school board candidates on our website. We also distributed information and discussed the upcoming Let People Vote national campaign by the ACLU kicking off here in Lawrence, KS on Sunday October 1st.

Glad you all could attend and enjoy some fellowship!

- Melissa Wick



OBSERVER REPORT: PUBLIC INCENTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE (PIRC)

Meeting place: City Manager's Conference Room, 4th Floor, City Hall, September 14, 2017
Subject: Review Requested Economic Development Support for Vermont Place (800-815 Vermont Street)

PIRC members attending:

Brad Burnside, US Bank,
Aaron Cromwell, Cromwell Environmental,
Leslie Soden, Mayor and PIRC chair,
Jill Fincher, Board of Education,
Ken Easthouse,
Mike Gaughan, Douglas Co. Commissioner,
Michelle Fales,
Stuart Foley, Vice Mayor.

Others attending:

Bob Schumm, Vermont LLC applicant, Britt Crum-Cano, City Economic Development Analyst, Danielle Buschkoef, City administrative assistant
Tom Jackson, City Economic Development Consultant, Qin He, City Intern, Stan Hernley, Project Architect, Chris Kollman, RCB Bank, Marketing President, Rochelle Valverde, Lawrence Journal-World Dan Dannenberg, L-Dg.Co. LWV observer.

Agenda:

1. Consider request for tax incentives and rebates under the Neighborhood Revitalization Act (NRA) and sales tax exemptions on project construction materials under Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB)
2. Applicant is Vermont LLC owned by Robert Schumm
3. Project
 - a. Basement: 22 subterranean parking spaces

- b. Floor 1: Commercial spaces depending on tenant(s) and their needs
- c. Floor 2: 30 office units
- d. Floors 3 & 4: 11 Residential Condominiums (1 unit will be designated affordable housing in perpetuity.)
- e. Floor 5: Private condominium for applicant not eligible for tax incentives or rebates.

The project is state NRA-eligible and city NRA and IRB eligible. This can be summed up as follows:

Total Project Capital Investment: \$9,673,522
 Property Valuation for Property Tax Revenues: \$8,390,854
 Total Estimated Sales Tax Exemption Savings (City, County, State) \$283,621
 Total Estimated NRA Rebate (10 years, 75%) \$1,019,888

Tax revenues over the estimated useful life of more than 15 yrs. for the property.

- 1. Over the 10-yr. NRA rebate period, taxing jurisdictions will realize \$538,000 more in property tax revenues.
- 2. Over a 15-yr. period, taxing jurisdictions will realize \$1,480,000 more in property tax revenues compared to the undeveloped property

The PIRC committee voted to approve the project by 7 votes for and 1 vote against. That vote was cast by Mayor Leslie Soden.

Next:

- 1. City Commission Public Hearing: (9-19-17 to 10-03-17)
 - A. Receive recommendations
 - B. Consider/vote on 1st reading of ordinance establishing the NRA
 - C. Consider/vote on IRB resolution of intent
- 2. USD 497 consideration (10-09-17)
- 3. County Commission consideration (10-11-17)
- 4. City Commission final action (11-07-17)

NOTE: At the September 19, 2017, meeting of the Lawrence City Commission the following were unanimously approved on first reading: Ordinance No. 9396 repealing the Joint Economic Development Council, and Ordinance No. 9397 assigning the former Joint Economic Development Council responsibilities to PIRC and removing the Mayor and Vice Mayor from PIRC - *Dan Dannenberg*



LAWRENCE PEDESTRIAN COALITION

The Coalition met on September 13. Erin Paden presided. The group discussed plans for the Safe Routes for All Town Hall, which was held on September 21.

The next meeting of the Coalition will be on October 11 at 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A of the Lawrence Public Library. - *Alan Black*

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST LWVL-DC BOARD MEETING

Present: Ann Carlin Ozegovic (Co-President), Marjorie Cole (Treasurer), Sharon Brown (Secretary), Margaret Arnold, Tamara Cash, Debra Duncan, Anne Fluker, marci francisco, Janice Friedman, Kim Gibson, Cille King, Thea Perry, and Melissa Wick

Absent: Marlene Merrill

TREASURER: Marjorie reported income of \$1,480 for July 2017 (dues \$1460, contributions \$20) and expenses of \$167.25 (Voter Services \$100, Meals and Hospitality \$45, VOTER printing \$22.25). Net Inflow/Outflow was \$1,312.75. In-kind contribution was \$47.04 for postage stamps. Current balances as of July 31 were checking account \$11,874.44, money market account \$2,106.83, Stucky Account \$2,633.74, Education Fund \$430.39. Marjorie also announced that we have three new members.

STATE PRESIDENT: Cille announced the following items:

LWVK is seeking members to help with a review of current League positions and also nominations for the National Board.

LWVK is considering a KS Health Foundation grant opportunity (\$75,000 for



3 years): KANSAS INTEGRATED VOTER ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVE: HEALTH DEPENDS ON A VIBRANT DEMOCRACY

The Douglas County Suspense List for 06-30-17 contains 487 names. 116 (under 18 years) submitted DPOC but cannot vote; 37 used KS form without DPOC/cannot vote and will be removed after 90 days; 330 registered at DMV or with federal form without DPOC and can vote as of now; 4 incomplete applications

VOTER SERVICES: Melissa reported that Voter Services Committee members Melissa Wick, Jamie Benvenuti and Sonja Czarnecki met with Mike Brouwer, DG County Sheriff's Department Reentry Director. Each year this office works with between 75-100 DG County residents to make their reentry into society after incarceration a success. Plans are being made to get voter registration information and forms for the jail's library, conduct a seminar with probation and/or parole officers on registering voters, and find a way to fit registration and the importance of voting into the Life Skills program currently conducted by the Corrections Department.

MENTOR COMMITTEE: Debra reported that Ann, Sharon, Margaret and Marjorie met at her home on August 4 to discuss a mentoring program. A list of League members who might act as mentors was generated.



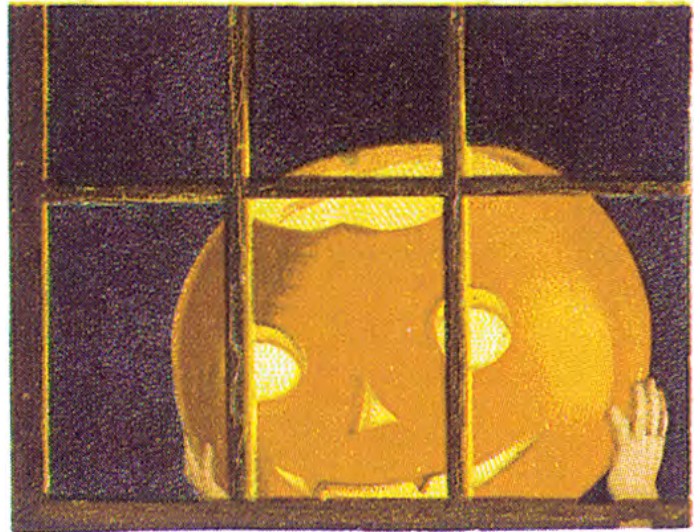
We may be able to use neighborhoods or interests to connect mentors with newbies. Approximately 55 new members have not gone through an orientation yet. - Submitted by Sharon Brown, Secretary

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JULY BOARD MEETING

Present: Marlene Merrill (Co-President), Ann Ozegovic (Co-President), Marjorie Cole (Treasurer), Margaret Arnold, Debra Duncan, Anne Fluker, Cille King, Melissa Wick

Absent: Sharon Brown, Tamara Cash, marci francisco, Janice Friedman, Kim Gibson, Thea Perry

TREASURER'S REPORT: Marjorie reported income of \$1,510 for June 2017 (dues \$510, transfer from Stucky Fund, \$1000) and expenses of \$1,055.53 (Stucky award



\$1000, Meals and Hospitality \$25, VOTER printing \$30.53). Net Inflow/Outflow was \$ 454.47. In-kind contributions were \$7.85 for clipboards. Current balances on June 30, were checking account \$11,467.14, money market account \$2,106.75, Stucky Account \$1,633.64, Education Fund \$1,042.39.

CO-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Ann reported on the monthly League President's Call. Topics included the need to send reports on any new issues on programs to the state league; the possibility of reestablishing leagues that have closed in Newton, Garden City, Abilene, and Concordia; the need to discover what the SAFE act is costing Kansas by seeking information from county clerks.

James Fluker was in town for a meeting to discuss the continuation of the Fluker Award, especially expanding the pool of potential candidates statewide although we would continue to have the reward luncheon in Lawrence. Only two silver platters are left and some alternative needs to be found for future awards.

STATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Cille had attended the National LWV Council which included 100 state officers who primarily met in small groups to build consensus and a path to a LWV that is more informed, responsive, and inclusive, because: 1. Our democracy is under attack; 2. The League, with our non-partisan stance and history of advocating for voting rights, is the organization people want to join to help our democracy; 3. LWV needs to be more agile, quicker, and more inclusive to respond to the current attacks on voting rights and representative government.

VOTER SERVICES: Melissa reported that the June 21 Naturalization Ceremony resulted in 161 new registrations. It was praised as one of the smoothest registration events we have had. Other registrations sites in June had been the Farmer's Market, Lawrence Public Library, and the Fourth of July event.

- Submitted by Marjorie Cole, Substitute Secretary



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New or renewed memberships received now will expire March 31, 2019.)*

Date _____ Renewing member
_____ New Member. I heard about the League via (Facebook, Web Site, Friend, Other): _____

Suggested voluntary membership assessment:*

Approximate Household Income	Individual membership	Household membership
Student**	_____ \$17	_____ \$29
Under \$25,000	_____ \$20	_____ \$35
\$25,000 to \$50,000	_____ \$35	_____ \$55
Over \$50,000	_____ \$55	_____ \$85
Sustaining member	_____ \$100	_____ \$150
Life member (of 50 years)	_____ \$0	

* Our membership assessment supports the National and State Leagues at \$50/member (\$32 National and \$18 State).
** High school or postsecondary student enrolled at least part time in an accredited institution.

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

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. Write check to "LWV Education Fund."

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Name(s) _____
Address _____
Telephone _____ Email _____

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

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| <p>General Membership Meetings:</p> <p>___ Set up and/or tear down</p> <p>___ Hospitality (provide coffee/tea/dessert)</p> <p>___ Taking notes/writing up report of meeting</p> <p>Membership:</p> <p>___ Recruitment</p> <p>___ Mentor/follow-up with new members</p> <p>___ Provide a ride to a fellow member</p> <p>___ Phone members without internet access about special updates</p> <p>Voter Services:</p> <p>___ Register voters</p> <p>___ Help with voter education</p> | <p>Promotion of League to our Community:</p> <p>___ Public speaking</p> <p>___ Represent League at community events</p> <p>___ Observer corps (attend/report on government meetings)</p> <p>___ Help with research for League studies on issues</p> <p>___ Serve on the Board of Directors</p> <p>I have the following skills:</p> <p>___ Editing articles/reports</p> <p>___ Database management</p> <p>___ Microsoft Word / Excel / Quickbooks</p> <p>___ Website/Social Media design/management</p> <p>My interests include:</p> <p>_____</p> |
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