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League Calendar

Dec 4 Sun	3-6:00 pm	Review of Land Use Position. <i>Lawrence Public Library Auditorium, 707 Vermont St.</i>
Dec 10 Sat	3:30-5:30 pm	Afternoon with our Legislators. <i>Home of Marlys Harder, 1351 Engel Rd. Parking is permitted along Westwood Rd for this event. (See announcement on p 10.)</i>
Dec 10 Sat	7:00 pm	Land Use Committee meeting. <i>Lawrence Community Mercantile meeting room, 901 Iowa St.</i>
Dec 14 Wed	7-8:30 pm	LWVL-DC Board Meeting. <i>Lawrence High School Library, 1901 Louisiana St. LWV L-DC members are welcome to attend!</i>
Jan 26 Thurs	12-1:00 pm	January Brown Bag Lunch featuring speaker Eric Haar, from Congressman Jim Ryun's office. <i>Lawrence Public Library Auditorium, 707 Vermont St. (Look for additional details the January Voter.)</i>

A Note from President Carrie Lindsey

Living in Kansas makes life interesting. In addition to the beauty of the prairie countryside, the never-ending, flat highways of western Kansas, and the ever-changing weather, we have a long history of political dissent and activism. Kansas has been home to its fair share of mainstream politicians. We have also been home to the famous and the infamous, rowdy, disagreeable, and trend-setting politicians, and we continue that tradition today. Many of us have become frustrated by attacks on our public education system, coming in the form of under funding, censorship, and grossly misguided attitudes towards science standards. Our judicial system has come under attack; more extremist groups enter Kansas solely for the purpose of influencing our policy and elections. And the view of Kansas is increasingly reflected through the image of Fred Phelps and Steve Abrams instead of Boeing and Bob Dole.

The League of Women Voters is committed to positions that promote a healthy society for all. We speak out when our positions allow and respect the rights of all individuals to speak of ideas and ideals that we might even feel to be misguided. The League takes seriously its mission to "to make democracy work for all citizens." In order to continue its mission locally, LWV L-DC needs to build its membership. New members bring new energy and new ideas on how to promote a healthy society for all. With that in mind, consider giving a 2006-2007 League membership as a gift this holiday season. What could be more interesting than being a member of the League in a state like Kansas? Who wouldn't want the opportunity to have a voice in the making of Kansas policy and a ringside seat during elections? All gift memberships will be specially recognized by a card from the President and an invite to coffee, and a special invitation to Annual Meeting. If you would like more information (or an additional sales pitch), please do not hesitate to contact me (785-766-8561; carriblindsey@yahoo.com). Your gift could help create a new face for Kansas!

Movie, Review



This Sunday, December 4th! Join the Land Use Committee in a film viewing and review of our Land Use Position. From 3–4:00 p.m., we'll view *Save Our Land, Save Our Towns*, a film that examines the causes and effects of—and remedies for—suburban sprawl. From 4–6:00 p.m., members of the Committee will review our positions on Planning Principals and Financing, and discuss how the committee has addressed these in recent actions.

About the film: Vibrant towns or sprawl? Small town newsman (and Pulitzer Prize winner) Tom Hylton explores how America can save its cities, towns, and countryside in this program. *Save Our Land, Save Our Towns* taps into a growing concern about sprawl. Americans are frustrated with traffic congestion, angry about the loss of open space, and perplexed by the decline of America's cities. Many think sprawl is inevitable. But it's not. *Save Our Land, Save Our Towns* is a story of hope—logical reasons why America's towns can be rebuilt and its countryside preserved from strip malls and subdivisions. The program is designed to be engaging and personal—a voyage of discovery, rather than a mere recitation of facts, with moments of revelation, humor, and emotion (Bullfrog Films).

LWVK Mental Health Care Study Update

The state League committee charged to conduct a two-year statewide study of mental health care in Kansas met in Wichita on November 20. The goal of the study is to develop a substantive public policy position on mental health care. Highlights from the meeting are provided here as a way to inform and engage the local League.

First and foremost, the time line for distribution of study materials to local Leagues was revised. Leagues should anticipate receiving materials on the approximate dates listed in this table and arrange opportunities to answer the discussion questions contained in the packets.

Item	Mailing Date
Study packet # 1	End of 2005
Study packet # 2	Mid-February 2006
Study packet # 3	Mid-May 2006
Consensus Questions	Early September 2006

The first packet will include several questions on the availability and accessibility of local services, along with contact information to help local study committees get started on local interviews and research. A videotape of the State League Day program on mental health will also be included in the first packet. Viewing portions of the program will provide an excellent springboard for local Leagues to get involved.

The study committee identified the lack of a local League in western Kansas as an issue. Input is needed from that from area of the state. Therefore, it was agreed that an effort would be made to develop study contacts in Great Bend.

Of interest to our local League is that one of our own members (Liz Smith) is co-chairing the Mental Study Committee along with Gwen Elliott, a member of the LWVK Board. If you are interested in participating in the local study, please contact Kay Hale (843-2784; kayhale@sunflower.com).

—*Kay Hale, LWV L-DC Member and Mental Health Study Committee Member*

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LWV L-DC Observer Reports

Lawrence Memorial Hosp Board of Trustees.

October 19. Board Chair Donna Osness introduced new board members Allen Belot, an architect appointed to the facilities committee, and Chuck Heath, a retired investment manager appointed to the hospital finance committee. She also announced the other committee appointments for 2005–2006. Each board member serves on two or three of twelve hospital committees.

Jeff Novorr, Vice President of Corporate Compliance and privacy officer, and Janice Early-Weas, Director of Community Relations, were the administrators on call October 7 when the fire at the Boardwalk Apartments developed into a Mass Casualty Incident. They reported that the emergency department called them in the middle of the night, and they were on hand as 15 patients were treated and about ten radio, television, and newspaper crews arrived to report on the incident. An interesting problem arose after almost all the patients were released. Officers from the Lawrence Police Department showed up asking for the contact information Boardwalk residents had given the hospital. Since their apartments had been destroyed, the residents had scattered and the police needed help tracking them down. The hospital took the position that their privacy rules wouldn't allow them to release such information, but staff members were able to help the police by contacting most of the patients and asking them to initiate contact with the police.

Chad Lawhorn, *Lawrence Journal-World* reporter, got a warm ovation for his October 14 article on the hospital's fund raising campaign.

Gene Meyer presented a strategic plan for the hospital in the form of a list of 33 "to-do" items. Among them were: • increase market share within the 40–55 age group; • get an A bond rating with Moody's; • make more money or lose less on inpatient services; and • develop product lines in oncology, cardiology, women's services, and imaging services.



November 16. The board voted to buy the most advanced CT (computerized tomography) scanner on the market for \$1.2 million. That's twice what was budgeted, but CEO Gene Meyer explained that the hospital has made a commitment to be on the cutting edge of imaging technology, and that's what this instrument represents. Our new CT scanner works fast enough to image your heartbeats, but, FYI, this type of study isn't reimbursable by your insurance company or the government—you would be \$2,000 out of pocket. The new scanner can also do the same (reimbursable) studies as the CT scanners we already have, but it does them faster and with better resolution.

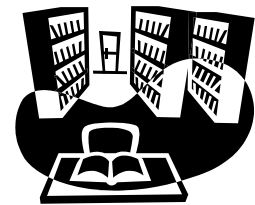
Dana Hale, Vice President of Nursing Services, reported that patients used the hospital's psychiatric crisis stabilization service 69 times in October. After they were stable enough, 37 patients were transferred to a psychiatric hospital, 31 were discharged, and one was admitted to LMH. This month the hospital has started tracking repeat visitors.

—Carolyn Coleman, *League Observer*

Lawrence Public Library Board.

November 21. Librarian Bruce Flanders introduced Kyle King, Executive Assistant, who will take minutes of board and committee meetings, compile statistics, and perform other duties. Circulation of fiction was higher than in '04, highest in June, July, and August, but has dropped since it was moved upstairs, except for paperbacks. He has applied to Kan-Ed for a grant to improve computer service, including greater security. The library needs an acquisitions computer module and an updated online circulation module.

These can be funded from the Capital Improvement Fund, now at \$150,000 with \$118,000 to be added this year. The board voted to buy these modules at \$86,000.



Craig Penzler, reporting for the New Directions Task Force, said that, among university towns of 80,000 to 100,000 population, Lawrence fell into the 15th percentile in resources and services! Our goal should be to fall into the 75th percentile. Present size is 45,000 sq ft. We need 75,000 sq ft today and will need 137,000 sq ft by 2025. This does not include space for a used book store or sorting space for the Friends of the Library. Present need is for a greatly improved main library, with satellite libraries to be considered in the future. The Task Force must create guiding principles to give physical parameters for expansion. Do we want an autonomous project, or possible space sharing or space swapping with developers? Three local developers have indicated interest in working with the library, but with no definite plans.

John Nalbandian said it was necessary to present a plan that could be accepted by the public and the City Commission, considering that our ideal library would be the biggest building in town, a landmark destination, but would not pay taxes.

— Mary Michener, *League Observer*

Willow Springs Township Board. November.

All board members present (Charles Wintermantle, Trustee; Jerry Smith, Clerk; Suzanna Eppinger, Treasurer). Also present: Tim Kohler, Road Maintenance; Lyle Bowlin, Volunteer Fire Department Chief; Peggy Baker, League Observer.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Treasurer Eppinger gave her report, with these highlights: FEMA funds (for repair of roads from last year's heavy rains) will be finished with rock and culvert purchases. M/S/P not to apply for Orsheln credit card. M/S/P to cancel AT&T for long distance phone carrier, and replace with Spring. Cautioned that funds are being expended faster than replenished, making budgetary considerations cautious. Suggested restraint in spending for remainder of year. Accepted.

Truck purchase contemplated. This will be a sand scatterer for use after ice storms, and was discussed at length last winter. A used truck of

sufficient strength has been located (Hanson's Used Trucks, U.S. 56 & 59) for \$20,950. It will need to have a longer bed installed, a snow blade and sand dispenser installed. Decision to purchase truck and spend no more than \$26,000 for truck and modifications.

Fire Department: FEMA grant for new truck not granted. Truck repairs for existing vehicles estimated at \$2,000–4,000 for next year. M/S/P to purchase 250 "support your volunteer fire department" magnets @ \$1.59

each. M/S/P to purchase 4 dozen new fire department shirts, mostly for new firemen. Discussion about purchasing 123 extra air bottled (\$700). This would make all county fire department bottles uniform. Existing non-uniform bottles to be sold out of county. M/S/P

— Peggy Baker, *League Observer*



LWV L-DC Land Use Committee Report

October 22. The Land Use Committee (LUC) met at the Community Mercantile to discuss Planning Commission (PC) items on their October agenda. LUC sent one letter on the most pressing issue-Bauer Farm, a proposed "New Urbanism" development between Wakarusa Dr and Folks Rd on the north side of 6th St. This development required several waivers and rezonings, as well as approval of a Preliminary Development Plan. We sent a letter on the proposed development addressing several issues that we believed needed more discussion. There was a procedural problem in approving rezoning without sufficient conditions that would insure predictability of the project. We had concerns about elements of the Preliminary Development Plan design itself, such as the proposed vacation of Champion Ln, parking lot aisles substituted for private streets, and lack of use-specificity for one of the large lots. We also voiced concern about the absence of provisions for future maintenance of privately-owned,



commonly-shared features. Some waivers needed for reductions in required set-backs from 6th St and distances between residential buildings we believed were unwise. We also were concerned that the suggested limit on “building” size should have been required of “structure” size instead, a more accurate term for the intended meaning. *Outcome:* The PC approved one rezoning request to POD-1 (Planned Office), but deferred the other requests for this development until their December meeting.

November 12. The Land Use Committee met on November 12 at the Merc to discuss PC items on the November agenda. The one letter sent this month was an analysis of the revision to Chapter 7—Industrial and Employment Land Use of *Horizon 2020*. Both the text and map are being reviewed by the PC. We asked that two proposals in the text and on the map be denied. One proposal called for locating warehousing on South Iowa St; the other called for locating an industrial business park at the interchange of Highways 59 and 56. We believe heavy truck traffic on Iowa bound for McDonald Dr would be excessive and dangerous, and that an industrial park located so far outside Baldwin City would create rural sprawl around it. Our other comments dealt primarily with clarifying wording and discouraging direct driveway access onto major arterials. The PC members appreciated the format of our letter and were receptive to some, but not all, of our suggestions. They left the map unchanged. This draft of Chapter 7 will come before the PC again in December.

LWV L-DC November Board Meetings in Brief



Two meetings of the Board were held in November. The first took place in the **Lawrence High School Library on November 9**, after a screening of the documentary, *Call It Democracy*. Present were

President Carrie Lindsey, Carolyn Coleman, Aline Hoey, Arla Jones, Jennifer Dropkin, and Kay Hale. Since a quorum was not present, no actions were taken, but there was a report from Carrie of her experience at LWVK Presidents Day and at a LWV JoCo-sponsored presentation by Susan Stamberg. Items discussed included the possible showing of the documentary, the December Land Use Position review, and plans for Afternoon with our Legislators. Aline Hoey took minutes.

The second board meeting took place in the **Lawrence High School Commons Area on November 16**. Present were Carrie, Marjorie Cole, Carolyn, Jennifer, Kay, Aline, Caleb Morse, and Paula Schumacher. Carrie appointed Caleb and Marjorie to the Nominating Committee. She also announced that Mary Miller is starting a call list of League members without e-mail.

Paula presented a proposal for “HoopsMania,” a fundraiser [see p 10!]. A motion was made and passed allowing the purchase by the League of a limited number of tickets.

Carrie reported that the 2006 State Council meeting has been firmly scheduled for April 29 in the Lawrence High School Library. There was discussion of the League’s participation in the Voter Education Coalition, which will be continued at the next meeting. Aline reported on the meeting of the Joint Housing Committee of the League, Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods, and Kaw Valley Living Wage Alliance.

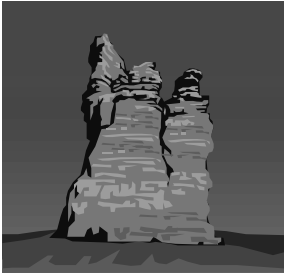
After discussion concluding that movement of some drug violation cases to the Municipal Court is consistent with League policies opposing interference with an individual’s education, a motion was passed that the League should offer support for a proposed ordinance for Lawrence, if support is needed.

After discussion, a motion was made and passed not to renew the League’s membership in the Chamber of Commerce.

Caleb reported on the formation of a local chapter of the new Kansas Equality Coalition, dedicated to “ending discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression and to ensure the dignity, safety, and legal equality of all Kansans.” A motion passed to support the establishment of this organization.

— *Marjorie Cole, LWV L-DC Secretary*

Every voter counts! Arla Jones registered four voters in October. Way to go, Arla!



LWK News

November 1. I hope you have checked out the LWUVS' website. Admittedly, I am still finding my way around on it, but I do know there is a lot more information available on this site than on the previous one. One item I want to call to your attention is "Custom Products." LWVUS has entered into an agreement to have a printing company prepare letterhead stationery, envelopes, business cards, *etc.*, at a considerably reduced rate compared to what you can obtain from a local printer. We saw an example of their quality product at

Council last summer, so, if you are about to order items for your League, please check this out first.

Congratulations to the Wichita-Metro League for being chosen as one of two hosts for the "Kenya's Working Together for Good Governance: Civil Society, Government, and Members of Parliament" project through LWVUS.

The LWVK Board met on October 15 and discussed and/or approved the following: The date for State Council in Lawrence will be Saturday, April 29. • Approved LWVK joining the Coalition for a Prosperous Kansas, the group that is providing an alternate voice to those who are supporting TABOR (Taxpayers Bill of Rights). This will be an active issue in the 2006 Kansas Legislature. • Focusing our advocacy efforts for this year, to better reflect our strengths, the need to be visible all year, and the small number of members who are in Topeka during the legislative session. For further discussion and consideration at the January Board meeting: merit selection of judges and Supreme Court justices, energy, education, health care including mental health and TABOR. Additionally, it was noted that we benefit from joining coalitions with other groups whose positions on issues coincide with ours. • Carrie Moore and her finance and development committee will soon be sending out finance drive letters; consideration is also being given to emphasizing contributions to our Endowment Fund. • Reviewed Directions to the Board from State Convention, and developed a plan for moving those forward.

We held our first local League Presidents Day/ Treasurers Day last Saturday and representatives from five Leagues were present. Mary Ann Bradford reviewed a variety of topics, including a great list of "League Lingo" that we all need to be certain we understand and explain to new members. Bob Kruh and Lee Rowe have prepared a Treasurers Guide, and Lee led a discussion on issues that treasurers need to be aware of. I discussed topics relative to Voter Service and candidate forums. It was a great experience for both the participants and the presenters. Our plan is to do a second training session with representatives from the three Leagues who couldn't attend the first session.

And speaking of Mary Ann, there is bittersweet news. She and her husband, Larry, will be moving to Iowa City, IA on November 10. Their daughter, son-in-law and grandson live there, and Mary Ann and Larry have been planning for sometime to eventually "retire" there. We will miss her greatly here in Kansas—for her wonderful friendship, and for her passion, commitment and loyalty to League! And because of these traits, Mary Ann will be helping us from afar, via the wonders of the internet. She plans to compile a list of all study areas from each of the local Leagues. This will make it very easy for a League that wants to do a study to find out what might have been done in another of our League communities. I think this will become a valuable resource for all of us. We wish them well as they start a new chapter in their lives!

Merit selection of judges—I have been involved as a League representative in a coalition that is forming in Kansas to provide an alternate voice to those legislators and citizens who are attacking our court system and who are wanting to change our current system in Kansas of selecting justices for the Kansas Supreme Court. Our plans will be finalized in early December and will be shared with all of you in more detail then. I will be encouraging all Leagues to join in an education effort in your respective communities, to apply for grants from LWVUS to use in hosting forums and/or preparing educational materials. And I, as well as others, will be available to assist you in this process.

— *Janis McMillen, LWK President*

LWV L-DC semi-annual Treasurer's Report, April 2005–March 2006, dated October 31, 2005

Year-to-date (YTD) Budget figures are provided to give members an approximate idea of expected totals in October (month 6 of the League year), although some budgeted expenditures take place later in the year. Not included in this report is the annual expense of \$750.00 for the Stucky Scholarship, which was not included as a separate line in the 2005–2006 Annual Budget. The Stucky Scholarship was claimed by this year's recipient in September.

Fund Balances, as of October 31, 2005

ASSETS	
Checking & Savings	
Central National Bank	2,521.20
Central National Bank MM	3,850.82
Stucky Money Market	9,061.76
<i>Total Checking & Savings</i>	<i>15,433.78</i>
Other Assets	
Bulk Mail	121.73
Douglas County Bank #108939	1,895.00
LWVEd Fund	1,413.33
<i>Total Other Assests</i>	<i>3,430.06</i>
TOTAL ASSETS	18,863.84

INCOME	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	Balance
Contributions				
Education Fund	465.00	600.00	1,200.00	-735.00
General Fund	1,065.50	1,250.00	2,500.00	-1,434.50
<i>Total Contributions</i>	<i>1,530.50</i>	<i>1,850.00</i>	<i>3,700.00</i>	<i>-2,169.50</i>
Dues	2,570.00	1,980.00	3,960.00	-1,390.00
Interest	81.28	50.00	100.00	-18.72
Meals	308.50	500.00	1,000.00	-691.50
TOTAL INCOME	4,490.28	4,380.00	8,760.00	-4,269.72
EXPENSES				
Administration				
Administrative Fund	310.78	150.00	300.00	-10.78
Finance Drive	22.20	100.00	200.00	177.80
PO Box	38.00	20.00	40.00	2.00
<i>Total Administration</i>	<i>370.98</i>	<i>270.00</i>	<i>540.00</i>	<i>169.02</i>
Meals & Hospitality				
Meals	246.50	500.00	1,000.00	753.50
Hospitality	0.00	20.00	40.00	40.00
<i>Total Meals & Hospitality</i>	<i>246.50</i>	<i>520.00</i>	<i>1,040.00</i>	<i>793.50</i>
Membership				
Membership Chair	0.00	25.00	50.00	50.00
Roster	194.13	100.00	200.00	5.87
Other	93.09			-93.09
<i>Total Membership</i>	<i>287.22</i>	<i>125.00</i>	<i>250.00</i>	<i>-37.22</i>
Program (Position Support)				
Copies	28.49	50.00	100.00	71.51
Meetings	0.00	37.50	75.00	75.00
Publicity	0.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
<i>Total Program</i>	<i>28.49</i>	<i>137.50</i>	<i>275.00</i>	<i>246.51</i>
State & National PMP				
LWV Kansas	1,329.75	886.50	1,773.00	443.25
LWV US	1,812.12	1,159.65	2,319.30	507.18
<i>Total State & Natl PMP</i>	<i>3,141.87</i>	<i>4,046.15</i>	<i>4,092.30</i>	<i>950.43</i>
Travel				
Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	146.36	292.70	292.70
National Convention	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
State Convention	215.00	122.50	245.00	30.00
<i>Total Travel</i>	<i>215.00</i>	<i>268.85</i>	<i>537.70</i>	<i>322.70</i>
The VOTER				
Bulk Mail Permit	0.00	75.00	150.00	150.00
VOTER Copy	556.03	800.00	1,600.00	1,043.97
VOTER Postage	180.63	125.00	250.00	69.37
<i>Total VOTER</i>	<i>736.66</i>	<i>1,000.00</i>	<i>2,000.00</i>	<i>1,263.34</i>
Voter Service				
Forums	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Voter Guides	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Voter Service Chair	0.00	12.50	25.00	25.00
<i>Total Voter Service</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>12.50</i>	<i>25.00</i>	<i>25.00</i>
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,026.72	4,380.00	8,760.00	3,733.28

Helen Fluker Open and Accessible Government Award 2006 Nomination Form

Name of Nominee _____

Title/Organization (if applicable) _____

Address: _____

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Criteria: Nominees must be Douglas County residents age 18 or older whose efforts have promoted improvement in government. Although a nominee may draw upon professional experience in these efforts, the activities for which he or she is nominated must be volunteer and not an extension or responsibility of a regular job position. The nominee could have accomplished improvement in government in a variety of ways, such as attempting to increase citizen participation in government, educating the public about an issue, working toward more open government, or being involved in the community in ways that lead to better political decision-making. Nominations for those who are not selected to receive the Fluker Award in the year they are nominated are considered current for two years. However, we encourage submission of updated nomination forms. Current members of the LWV L-DC Board of Directors are ineligible for this award. **Deadline** for nominations is January 31, 2006. Questions? Contact Sara L. Taliaferro (842-9754; sara@happybeetle.com).

In the space below, or on an attached sheet, please provide a short statement explaining why you believe this nominee should be considered for the Helen Fluker Open and Accessible Government Award.

Your Name _____

Title/Organization (if applicable) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

This form may be copied if you wish to make more than one nomination. Please return completed forms to: Helen Fluker Award Selection Committee, LWVL-DC, P.O. Box 1072, Lawrence KS 66044-1072

March Madness Fundraiser

Keeping with last year's basketball theme, we have chosen HoopsMania—an NCAA basketball tournament-based raffle—as this year's fundraiser. For a donation of \$10, you get a ticket with 16 randomly chosen teams in the tournament. Your teams' scores determine the value of your ticket. There are 37 winners, ranging from \$10 to \$500 in prize money. Odds of winning are 1 in 49.2. These will make great stocking stuffers for college basketball fans! HoopsMania is a hit among people who are March Madness maniacs. Please contact Paula Schumacher (785-550-2109; paulaschumacher@gmail.com) to get your tickets.



Welcome new members. Please add the names of our four new members to your roster!

Janine Colter
2909 Lankford Dr
Lawrence, KS 66046

Esther Smith
1612 Crescent Rd
Lawrence, KS 66044

Mary Jane Mangino
1725 Lake Alvamar Dr
Lawrence, KS 66047

Maley Wilkins
1652 Mississippi St
Lawrence, KS 66044

Welcome

League Membership Info: Join or Renew Today!

Dues for LWV Lawrence-Douglas County are \$40 for a single membership and \$60 for a household membership (two members sharing one mailing address). Joining at the local level automatically makes you a member of State and National Leagues. Dues are used to cover our per-member-payments to LWV Kansas and LWV United States. Money we raise ourselves covers all local expenses. The League year begins April 1 and ends March 31. To make sure your membership is up to date, check the address label on the back of *The Voter*. The date listed above your name is the date through which your membership dues have been paid. (If you have recently renewed, but your label does not show it, don't worry! We are in the process of updating all memberships prior to publication of the annual roster and will correct any errors within a couple of weeks.)

PLEASE FILL IN THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN TO:

Membership Chair, LWV L-DC, P.O. Box 1072, Lawrence KS 66044



LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Date _____ Join Renew

Individual membership (\$40) Household membership (\$60)

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

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AFTERNOON WITH OUR LEGISLATORS

***Come to LWV L-DC's annual event,
Afternoon with our Legislators, Saturday,
December 10th, from 3:30–5:30 pm, at the
home of Marlys Harder, 1351 Engel Rd.***

Please join us for hors d'oeuvres and lively conversation about the upcoming congressional session. You can reach Marlys' house by turning on to Engel off of 15th St just east of Iowa St. Parking is permitted along Westwood Rd for this event.

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