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# The VOTER

Bulletin of the LWV of Lawrence-Douglas County, KS

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization encouraging the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influencing public policy through education and advocacy.



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## League Calendar

Saturday, March 24th	7:00 PM	<b>Land Use Committee Meeting.</b> <i>Community Mercantile Meeting Room, 901 Iowa St.</i>
Thursday, April 12th	7:00 PM	<b>LWVL-DC Board Meeting.</b> <i>First United Methodist Church, 946 Vermont St.</i> All League members are invited to attend.
Saturday, April 14th	9:00 PM	<b>VOTER Submission Deadline.</b> Please send all submissions to <a href="mailto:lightwatcher@gmail.com">lightwatcher@gmail.com</a>
Saturday, April 21st	11:30 AM	<b>LWV-L/DC Annual Meeting,</b> <i>Smith Center, Brandon Woods, 4730 Brandon Woods Terrace.</i>
Saturday, April 21st	7:00 PM	<b>Land Use Committee Meeting.</b> <i>Community Mercantile Meeting Room, 901 Iowa St.</i>
April 27th & 28th		<b>LWVK State Council,</b> <i>Salina Ramada Inn and Convention Center, Salina, KS.</i> More details at <a href="http://www.lwvk.org/calendar.html">www.lwvk.org/calendar.html</a>
Saturday, May 5th	10:00 AM - Noon	<b>Privatization Study - Consensus Meeting.</b> <i>First United Methodist Church, 946 Vermont.</i>
June 8 - 12th		<b>LWV-US National Convention,</b> <i>Washington D.C.</i> <a href="#">Register online.</a>

## A Note from President Kay Hale

At the last Board meeting, we discussed the budget and someone asked, "What do local League members get in return for our per member payments (PMP) to State and National League?" That's a good question:

PMP amounts are \$18 per member paid to State League and \$30 per member paid to National League, for a total of \$48. Our local League membership dues are \$50, which leaves \$2 per member to support our local League activities. That's not adequate so we engage in fundraising activities. (See article on page 11 thanking donors for their contributions.)

It is important to realize that each level of the League is responsible for the well being of the League as a whole. The League of Women Voters is greater than the sum of its parts.

Benefits derived from the National League:

- LWV-US has clout in Washington, D.C.! That is made possible by its professional staff, registered lobbyists and active members nationwide.



- LWV-US mobilizes its members-online, by issuing Action Alerts. Just last week I asked my Senator to oppose the Blunt- Rubio Amendment when I learned it was an appropriate time.
- LWV-US organizes its members to develop a program of study and action, adopted at the biannual National Convention.

Benefits derived from the Kansas State League:

- State educational fund money now pays for statewide coverage of the online voters guide, Vote 411. Vote 411 informs voters and increases recognition for the League in Kansas.
- LWVK Legislative E-Report provides timely information about the Kansas Legislature when in session. An observer, under contract with LWVK, writes the report. The Legislative E-report is invaluable.
- LWVK sponsors candidate forums. Perhaps you remember the debate between Chris Kobach and Chris Biggs, which took place at the 2010 League Day.
- LWVK testifies on legislative proposals before the Kansas Legislature.

I hope this message answers the questions about what a local League member receives in return for our PMP payments to State and National League.

Please remember this message when we discuss raising dues at the Annual Meeting. The last time local dues were raised was at the 2007 Annual Meeting.

Please make your reservation to attend the  
 League of Women Voters Annual Meeting and Luncheon  
 Saturday, April 21, 2012

Registration at 11:30 AM

Lunch at noon followed by a keynote presentation:

**“What’s up with the LWV Privatization Study?”**

Presenter: Former KS Ass’t Attorney General Camille Nohe

Annual Business Meeting 1:00 – 2:30 PM

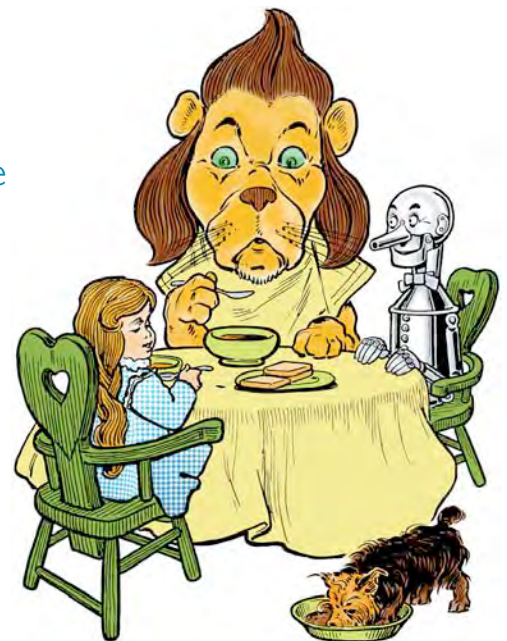
RSVP to Kay Hale [kayhale39@att.net](mailto:kayhale39@att.net) or 785-843

Reservations must be made by Tuesday, by April 17th

Cost of Lunch is \$14.00

Attendance at the business meeting is free.

The event will be at the Smith Center  
 4730 Brandon Woods Terrace



Luncheon Menu

Parmesan Rolls, Homemade Chicken Salad, Meatloaf with Bernaise Sauce, Steamed Asparagus with Orange Butter, Pasta Salad, Roasted New Potatoes & Turtle Cheese Cake



## Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Proposed Program Announcement

Members are hereby notified of the Proposed Program for 2012-14. On March 8th, the LWV-L/DC Board of Directors formulated a Proposed Program for consideration by members at the Annual Meeting slated for April 21st.

One might ask, "What is Program?" According to our bylaws, "program" consists of either: 1) "action to implement the Principles of the League of Women Voters or 2) those governmental issues chosen for concerted study and action."

This year's Proposed Program addresses two different subjects, which may be considered independently. Both of the subjects involve a review of an existing LWV-L/DC statement of position. Each review is described here:

### Social Policy Position #3

Review the position on Housing for Low Income Groups.

### Local Government Position #12

Review the position on Local Board and Commissions with respect to county school boards, and the use of task forces, which are not covered in the position statement. The plan is for a review committee to conduct a one-year review of the position statement. Only if the review committee finds that a restudy is necessary, would a concerted one-year restudy would be undertaken.



The recommendations for Proposed Program were made by participants at the Program Planning session and were agreed upon by the Board of Directors. Each subject will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting on April 21st.

## Proposed slate of LWV-L/DC Officers and Directors for 2012-2013

### Officers:

Carrie Lindsey, President  
David Burress, President Elect (with the provision that next year we nominate a Co-President to serve with him in 2013-2014)  
Milton Scott, Vice-President  
Caleb Morse, Secretary  
Marjorie Cole, Treasurer

### Directors Returning to the Board:

Bonnie Dunham  
James Dunn  
Melinda Henderson  
Ruth Lichtwardt

### Directors New to the Board:

Margaret Arnold  
Sally Hayden  
Cille King  
Marlene Merrill



Non-Board Members of Nominating Committee:  
Sharon Brown, Kay Hale, Mary Lou Wright

## Candidate Questions Needed

In preparation for the fall elections, the State League has asked each local league to submit two questions at State Council for the following races:

- National Congressional
- State Senate
- State House

The State League will then choose questions to be placed on the state Vote411.org site for the candidates to answer. Please submit questions to Kay Hale at [kayhale39@att.net](mailto:kayhale39@att.net) by April 10th. Thank you!

- Melinda Henderson



# Scott Criqui is 2012 Fluker Award Recipient



The winner of the Thirteenth annual Helen Fluker Open and Accessible Government Award is Scott Criqui, the Human Resources Manager for Trinity in-Home Care. On Saturday, March 3, forty five persons gathered to honor Scott at a luncheon held at the Smith Center at Brandon Woods.

The Fluker Award honors a Douglas County resident who shows leadership in promoting citizen participation in government. Through his efforts in Human Relations and Voter Education, Scott Criqui has been an encouraging force for all to have the opportunity to be active participating citizens.

Scott is currently Chair of the Lawrence Human Relations Commission, Vice President of the Kansas State Transgender Education Project (K-STEP), and serves on the board of the Lawrence/Douglas County Chapter of the Kansas Equality Coalition and formerly on the Lawrence Traffic Commission. He has worked for Headquarters Counseling Center and as a volunteer coordinator for Hospice Care of Douglas County. He is active in the Voter Education Coalition and the Kids Vote program, volunteers at his neighborhood polling location, and participates in the KS Human Resource Managers (KS-SHRM) get out the vote program. He offers assistance to human resource managers to help them understand rules and laws about voting.

Scott has been a leader of education efforts to inform city leaders and citizens about the discrimination faced by members of the LGBT community. As a result, the City Commission has voted to include Gender Identity as a protected class in the Lawrence Human Relations Code.

- Jan Roth

Duver, Melinda Henderson, Ruth Lichtwardt. Absent: Carol Jacobson, Chris Lempa, Carrie Lindsey, Milton Scott. Members present: Lee Ann Duver, Gary Hale.

**Treasurer's report.** Marjorie reported total income for Jan of \$205.00 and expenses of \$1105.56.

As of Feb 1, balances in various accounts were as follows: Checking = \$1696.19; Money Market = \$4396.19; Stucky = \$7112.20; Judiciary = \$1088.58; Dues Scholarship Fund (subset of checking) = \$5.00. One dues scholarship was awarded in Jan. As of 9 Feb, this year's Fund Drive has raised \$1,665.

**President's report.** Kay reported on the following: Letter to the Editor: On Jan 21, the LJW published a letter to the editor signed by Kay as League President calling attention to the impact of the governor's tax plan. We have received many positive comments about this letter. Kay thanked Marjorie for editing the final product.

**Forum Evaluation.** On Feb 4, the League and Kansans United in Voice & Spirit co-sponsored a community forum billed as Kansas Tax Policy Proposals and You. A panel made up of a city commissioner, a county commissioner and a school board member was moderated by KU Political Science professor Burdette Loomis. Sixty-seven residents participated in the forum, of which approximately one-third were League members. Participants and panelists expressed concern about the implications of proposed tax policies and asked what we can do. Loomis answered, "Lobby and make your opinions known to the Legislature. Work with groups who share your views. Join coalitions. Lobbying also helps to prevent things from being done." An article announcing the Tax Forum appeared in the LJW along with a listing on its Daily Calendar. Kay thanked Carol for planning the event, Bonnie for submitting the news release, Bob and Lee Ann for providing refreshments and Gary for taking some photos.

**LWVK Nominating Committee.** Kay is serving on the LWVK Nominating Committee, which is seeking a candidate for Treasurer or Co-Treasurer. Longtime LWVK treasurer Lee Rowe



## Highlights of the February Board Meeting 9 Feb 2012, 7-9 pm, First Methodist Church.

**Present:** Kay Hale (President), Marjorie Cole (Treasurer), Caleb Morse (Secretary); Directors: David Burress, Bonnie Dunham, James Dunn, Bob

is willing to work with a co-treasurer to provide training for the position.

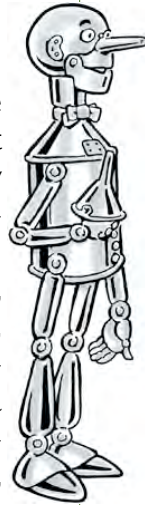
**Annual Meeting.** The 2012 Annual Meeting to be held Saturday, Apr 21, at the Smith Center at Brandon Woods. The Voter should be mailed by Mar 19 to assure that members receive the following notices at least one month prior to the annual meeting: Report of the Nominating Committee, statement of recommended National Program, statement of LWV-L/DC proposed Program, proposed budget for the 2012–2013 year. Melinda volunteered to format the 2012–2013 Membership Directory for distribution at the meeting, Mary Margaret Rowen will confirm catering arrangements, David will serve as parliamentarian, and Kay will appoint Carrie, Marjorie, and Milton to serve on the budget committee.

### Action Items.

**Proposed Revisions to LWV/LDC Policies.** To the proposed revisions discussed at the Jan meeting, Marjorie and Caleb had added a policy on website administration. Caleb (Ruth) moved adoption with this change; carried. The revised policies will be posted on the website.

Consider a proposed change to the 2010 Program study. After some discussion, we decided that what is needed for the study *How Can Voter Participation Be Increased?* is some kind finding of informal inquiry, detailing the reasons for abandoning the study. (Namely, that the results of such a study are obvious and that what is really needed is an action aimed at increasing voter turnout.)

Formulate proposed program to be submitted to the 2012 Annual Meeting. At the Jan 28 program planning meeting, members of LWV L-DC recommended [A] that we make a formal recommendation to LWVUS to undertake no new program for 2012-2014, concentrating instead on voter assistance and action on positions, and [B] that LWV L-DC consider for adoption three local studies. These were [1] a review of our position on Boards and Commissions (Local Government, #4; 1 year review, with a 1 year re-study if recommended as necessary by the review committee) with respect to county



school boards and use of task forces; [2] a study of the Amtrak station and whether the city should consider purchasing it for use as a transportation hub for Lawrence; and [3] a review of the statement of position on housing for low income groups. Caleb (Ruth) moved to forward the recommendation No New National Study to LWVUS; carried. It was decided that recommendations for local studies 1 and 2 should be fleshed out prior to the Mar board meeting, at which time we will consider them further. In the meantime, David (James) moved to identify a review of the statement of position on housing for low income groups as a proposed program for the next two years; carried.

### Committee Reports.

**Membership Report.** Marjorie reported that, as of Jan 31, we have 122 regular members (71 single, 18 1st household, 19 2nd household), 12 honorary members, and 2 student members.

### Membership and Leadership Development.

Bonnie reported on activities related to the Brown Bag Lunch planned for Susan B. Anthony's birthday (15 Feb), featuring speaker KU professor Kim Warren, a quiz with prizes!, and cupcakes with green (=give), white (women), and violet (the vote!) icing.

**LWVUS Privatization Study.** Bonnie reported that we need to decide whether or not to participate in this study, and what angle we should take, if we do. David (Bonnie) moved to participate in the study, holding a consensus meeting on Apr 28, with Annual Meeting serving as an educational meeting on the issue of privatization; carried.

**Voter Services.** Melinda reported that she had followed up her earlier discussion with Jamie Shew with an email, but was still awaiting a response. She is presently working a couple ideas for voter registration projects in the local high schools. James offered to look into the status of the Voter Education Coalition and any plans the group may have for the upcoming election cycle.

**LWVK Board.** James reported that the next



meeting of the State board will take place on League Day (15 Feb). There are many items to cover at that meeting. Kay noted that Lawrence League members Carol, Gary, Jane Bodle, Lee Ketzler, and Marilyn Roy all planned to attend.

- Caleb Morse

## Land Use Committee Report

The

Land Use Committee (LUC) met on Saturday, 7:00 p.m., February 25 at the Merc to study the items on the Planning Commission (PC) Feb. 27 and 29 Agenda. We discussed all of the items but there were none on which the Committee voted to write letters to the PC. However, all of the items are worthy of comment.

The first issue (not a listed item) that the PC was asked to approve was a waiver on the minor subdivision plat for the Lawrence Public Library regarding the placement of the access driveways onto Kentucky and Vermont. There is one existing driveway on Vermont. On Kentucky, the three proposed driveways are "right-in-right out." The City Engineer has determined that although these do not conform to the access management standards, they do not pose safety hazards, and therefore granted the waiver. OUTCOME: the PC approved the waiver requests. [Note: minor subdivisions are approved by the Planning Director rather than by the PC.]

Items No. 1A and 1B were a request to reconfigure the single family and duplex areas for Fairfield Farms East and grant a waiver for sidewalks for

only one side of streets. The reconfiguration would not have fundamentally changed the relationships of the lots. The justification for eliminating the sidewalk on one side was based on cost: these lots are for first-time owners and the developers wanted to make them affordable. OUTCOME: both requests were approved.

Item No. 2 was



to renew the Special Use Permit for the downtown location of the Lawrence homeless Community Shelter for one year. OUTCOME: approved.

Item No. 3 was to change the Final Development Plan of Bauer Farm to relocate a proposed drive-thru restaurant from the east side of Champion Drive to the west side. This clusters the three drive-thru restaurants on the same side. OUTCOME: approved.

Item No. 4 was the Comprehensive Plan (CP) Amendment to Horizon 2020 that would add the "North Mass Development" to the Downtown area. This is a proposal for a mixed-use (commercial, residential, office) development of a little over 20 acres in North Lawrence immediately west of the north end of the Massachusetts St. bridge on the banks of the Kansas River. The Downtown provisions of the CP would be modified to include this area along with limiting language that would include, among other things, design features, parking requirements and a limit on total acreage per individual retail use to 25,000 square feet. We sent a letter earlier on this request objecting to adding more commercial to the total acreage in the city. The North Lawrence and the Downtown Lawrence Associations sent letters supporting the request. OUTCOME: PC motions to defer, deny and approve all tied, thus failing. The effect is a recommendation to deny when forwarded to the City Commission (CC).

Items No. 5a through 5g were all requests for the rezoning to CD (Downtown Commercial) of the North Mass Development individual property ownerships that are now incorporated into "Exchange Holdings LLC," the single property owner of record. OUTCOME: the PC recommended approval 5-4. [Note: This outcome creates a problem of non-conformance to the CP and would make the rezoning to CD



very much in question if the City Commission doesn't approve the CP text amendment. The issue has some very loose ends.]

Item No. 6 was the Final Plat for Bauer Farm Fifth Plat which includes a 4-acre single lot for Theatre Lawrence (formerly known as Lawrence Community Theater). The proposed use for this lot is to build their new facility. It is located in the northern portion of the commercial area of Bauer Farm and east of Champion Lane, with access to Bauer Farm Drive (an internal street) and thereby to Champion Lane and Trail Road. It was reviewed by the PC because it is a Planned Unit Development. OUTCOME: approved.

Item No. 7 was a text amendment to the Lawrence Land Development Code (LDC) that included a new industrial district, the Medium Industrial District (IM), which is intermediate in intensity between the IG (General Industrial) and IL (Limited Industrial) and does not permit commercial uses. In addition, the use "Truck Stop" was separated out of the Fuel Sales uses category and created as a separate use. [We didn't realize



the implications of this change at the time. It now will allow the type of truck stop that is very large, acts as a truck depot and overnight stop, and is extremely intense in terms of land use and impact. This is a new situation that bears close monitoring.] OUTCOME: approved.

The next two item series were for rezoning, Special Use Permits and Preliminary Plats for pump stations (for lifting sewerage) for two sites located on the developing east side of Lawrence. The requested variances were for deferring sidewalks and proper frontage access for later development. These are on publicly owned land. OUTCOMES: approval.

The last item, No. 10, was for a text amendment (TA) to the Douglas County Zoning Regulations to establish tourism as a use in the County A (Agriculture) District. OUTCOME: deferred for additional "committee processing." [Note: the item appeared very late on the website and LUC didn't have time to review it.]

## 2012-2013 Budget Narrative

The Executive Board's proposed budget is based on several policy decisions that will need to be ratified by the membership.

1. Proposed dues increase after April 23.

Dues for 2012-2103 received after April 23 will increase from \$50 to \$55 for individuals, and from \$75 to \$85 for households. Scholarships will continue to be available (paid for by special contributions), and dues for students will remain at \$20.

Rationale: State and national Per Member Payments (PMPs) have been increasing over time. In the 2012-13 fiscal year, the PMP is \$30 for each full member for national and \$18 for state. Under the existing dues structure, only \$2 per individual member is left for local operations after we pay PMPs.

2. Proposed special election year voter ed project.

The board voted to recommend withdrawing \$2300 from our emergency reserves to hire a limited term employee for enhancing voter information, LWV-LDC visibility, and new member recruitment during the election season. After the withdrawal, the emergency fund will still maintain sufficient reserves to continue operations for about 3 months if all other resources had been depleted.

3. Planned budget deficit.

Because last year's budget projection were especially inaccurate, the Board looked carefully at financial projections for the coming year. Even with the dues increase, we are projecting a planned deficit of \$499 (in addition to the \$2300 withdrawal from emergency reserves). We are also projecting an unplanned deficit for the current year of \$1630.

4. Reduced expenses.

To cut expenses we plan to reduce printing and mailing of the voter by 50% of subscriptions. We also plan to send only 1 delegate to national convention.





## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS (BALANCE SHEET)

	2011-2012 Budget	Fiscal YTD*	2012-2013 budget
<b>INCOME</b>			
Total Contributions	\$2,631.00	\$1,505.00	\$1,500.00
Dues	\$4,600.00	\$2,895.00	\$4,200.00
Interest from Money Market Fund	\$30.00	\$12.84	\$5.00
Fluker Luncheon fees net of expense **	\$0.00	\$565.86	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$7,261.00</b>	<b>\$4,978.70</b>	<b>\$5,705.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Administration			
Postage		\$103.80	\$150.00
P. O. Box Rental		\$46.00	\$48.00
Supplies		\$286.35	\$300.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>	<b>\$436.15</b>	<b>\$498.00</b>
Meals & Hospitality			\$100.00
Annual Meeting		\$286.35	\$300.00
<b>TOTAL MEALS AND HOSPITALITY</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	<b>\$53.37</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
Membership			
Directory		\$159.54	\$170.00
Administration		\$79.75	\$80.00
<b>MEMBERSHIP TOTAL</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	<b>\$239.29</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
VOTER			
Bulk Mail Account		\$252.87	\$350.00
Printing		\$1,140.49	\$650.00
Postal seals		\$73.03	\$35.00
Bulk Permit		\$190.00	\$0.00
<b>VOTER TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,600.00</b>	<b>\$1,656.39</b>	<b>\$1,035.00</b>
State and National Leagues PMPs (Per Member Payments)***			
LWVK PMP-paid from general fund	\$1,521.00	\$1,521.00	\$1,521.00
LWVUS PMP-paid from general fund	\$1,380.00	\$1,747.80	\$1,500.00
<b>PMP TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,901.00</b>	<b>\$3,268.80</b>	<b>\$3,021.00</b>
Expenses for State/National Mtgs.			
State <b>Council</b>	\$260.00	\$188.23	\$200.00
National Convention	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
<b>MEETING EXPENSE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,260.00</b>	<b>\$188.23</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>
Voter Service			
Voter Guides		\$87.90	\$100.00
Special project contractor****			\$2,300.00
<b>TOTAL VOTER SERVICE</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$87.90</b>	<b>\$2,400.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$7,261.00</b>	<b>\$5,780.33</b>	<b>\$8,504.00</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>-\$801.63</b>	<b>-\$2,799.00</b>
Transfer from operating fund		\$801.63	\$499.00
Transfer from emergency reserves****			\$2,300.00
<b>NET INCOME PLUS TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (NET WORTH)

<b>FUNGIBLE ACCOUNTS</b>			
<b>OPERATING FUND</b>			
Beginning of period balance	\$2,738.82	\$1,108.81	*****
less net transfer for operation expenses	-\$801.63	-\$499.00	
erratum	-\$73.77		
End of period balance	\$1,863.42	\$609.81	
<b>EMERGENCY RESERVES</b>			
Beginning of period balance	\$4,384.20	\$4,397.04	
less net transfer for operation expenses		-\$2,300.00	
plus interest received	\$12.84	\$6.00	
End of period balance	\$4,397.04	\$2,097.04	
<b>RESTRICTED EDUCATION FUND</b>			
Beginning Balance	\$738.28	\$250.48	
Contributions to Education Fund	\$1,260.00	\$1,500.00	
Per Member Payments to LWV-US***	-\$1,747.80	-\$1,521.00	
Per Member Payments to LWV-K	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Ending balance	\$250.48	\$229.48	
<b>NET WORTH (FUNGIBLE ACCOUNTS ONLY)</b>			
Beginning of period balance	\$7,861.30	\$4,647.52	*****
plus contributions less transfers	-\$1,350.36	-\$2,820.00	
End of period balance	\$6,510.94	\$1,827.52	
<b>INTERNAL SUBACCOUNT: SCHOLARSHIP FUND</b>			
Beginning of period balance	\$355.00	\$195.00	
plus contributions	\$190.00	\$360.00	
less scholarships allowed	-\$350.00	-\$350.00	
End of period balance	\$195.00	\$205.00	
<b>RESTRICTED SPECIFIED ACCOUNTS</b>			
<b>STUCKY FUND</b>			
The Stucky Fund expends \$750 for an annual scholarship.			
Beginning Balance:	\$7,844.30	\$7,116.10	
Scholarship	-\$750.00	-\$750.00	
Interest earned	\$21.80	\$20.00	
Ending Balance	\$7,116.10	\$6,386.10	
<b>JUDICIARY ACCOUNT</b>			
Beginning Balance	\$1,288.58	\$1,088.58	
Website Development	-\$200.00	-\$1,088.00	
Ending Balance	\$1,088.58	\$0.58	
<b>NOTES:</b>			
*The YTD column will be replaced with 12 month data on handout at annual meeting.			
**Fluker luncheon fees have been collected but billing has not yet been received. The net will be near \$0.			
***When funds are available, half of the National PMP is paid from the Education Fund.			
****Proposal to use emergency reserves for special voter ed project			
*****Projected amounts will be replaced with actual April 1 2012 amount on handout at annual meeting.			



**AD ASTRA – TO THE STARS**  
**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF KANSAS**  
**STATE COUNCIL 2012**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Saturday, April 28, 2012 – 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Ramada Inn Convention Center 1616 W Crawford Salina, Kansas 67401 785-823-1739

Name of League \_\_\_\_\_ or Member at Large

Number of:

\_\_\_\_\_ Voting Delegates (including Local LWV President), \$55 per person (includes Continental breakfast, luncheon, all other snacks/beverages, and convention books)

\_\_\_\_\_ Visitors: \$50

\_\_\_\_\_ Luncheon-only visitors: \$20 (no charge to hear the speaker only with no meal)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed (Checks payable to LWV Kansas)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, we need exhibit space. \_\_\_\_\_ No, we do not need exhibit space.



Delegates Registering

Maximum voting delegates allowed per League: Each League is allotted one voting delegate for every 15 members but may send as many members as it chooses.

Name	Address	Designation

Visitors Registration

Name	Address	League

SEND REGISTRATION FORM WITH PAYMENT (checks payable to LWVK) by April 20, 2012 to:

Donita Michaelson 1020 Scott Ave, Salina, Kansas 67401

Address registration questions to Lori Trow at [trow@marykay.com](mailto:trow@marykay.com) or Carla Strand at [carla\\_strand@yahoo.com](mailto:carla_strand@yahoo.com)

When making overnight room reservations for April 27, 2012, please ask for the League of Women Voters of Kansas Guest room rate of \$69.00 plus tax. Salina Ramada Convention Center 785-823-1739

Refunds to local Leagues are available only for meals and only when a registered delegate cannot attend due to illness and when the Convention financial records show an excess of funds after expenditures.

# Thank You to our Generous Contributors!

A heartfelt "thank you" to all members and friends who have contributed to the League of Women Voters Lawrence-Douglas County this year! We are dependent on your support for most of our activities as our dues barely cover the per member payments we make to the National and State Leagues. ( For the year 2011-12, the per member payment to LWV-US is \$30 and to LWV-K is \$18; our dues are \$50.)

Your contributions to our General Fund provide us with resources for production of The Voter newsletter and other operating costs. Your contributions to our Dues Scholarship Fund provide memberships to League members who otherwise could not participate and allow a more diverse membership. Your contributions to the Education Fund support community programs, voter education, and efforts of the national LWV. (Only Education Fund contributions are tax deductible.)

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## There's No Place Like League - Join Today!

Joining at the local level automatically makes you a member of the State and National Leagues. Dues for LWV Lawrence-Douglas County are \$50 for a single membership and \$75 for a household membership (two members sharing one mailing address). Dues are used to cover our per-member-payments to LWV-Kansas and LWV-US. Money we raise ourselves covers all local expenses. The League year begins April 1 and ends March 31. The date listed above your name on the address label on your VOTER is the date through which your dues have been paid.

PLEASE FILL IN THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN TO: Membership Chair, LWV L-DC, P.O. Box 1072, Lawrence KS 66044

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Joining \_\_\_\_\_ Renewing through March 31, 2013

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual Membership (\$50) \_\_\_\_\_ Household Membership (\$75)

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Membership (\$20) - University student enrolled full or part time in an accredited institution  
 Student membership includes email-only newsletter, please give an email address.

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

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like to be added to the LWV L-DC email listserv? Yes No

Would you prefer your VOTER printed and mailed, or emailed? Printed Emailed  
 (Emailed VOTERS are delivered sooner and include live links to the League website and other interesting places!)