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National League President Elisabeth MacNamara will also be attending!

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The VOTER

Bulletin of the LWV of Lawrence-Douglas County, KS

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League Calendar

Saturday, March 23	10 am - Noon	Review League's Position on Low-Income Housing Policy. <i>Ninth St. Missionary Baptist Church Christian Education Bldg., 833 Ohio Street</i>
Saturday, March 23	7 - 9 pm	Land Use Committee Meeting. <i>912 Holiday Drive.</i> PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING PLACE.
Monday, April 8	9:00 pm	VOTER Submission Deadline. Please send submissions to voter@lawrenceleague.com
Thursday, April 11	7 - 9 pm	LWVL-DC Board Meeting. <i>Plymouth Congregational Church, Heritage Room, 945 Vermont St.</i> All League members are invited to attend.
Saturday, April 20	11:30 am	Annual Meeting with Keynote Speaker Sandy Praeger. <i>Smith Center at Brandon Woods, 4730 Brandon Woods Terrace.</i> Please see article on page 2.

A Message from President Melinda Henderson

Spring officially arrives March 21st, and that means spring cleaning; so I guess it's time for me to start tidying up the President's office in preparation for David Burress to assume the role on April 20th.

The League membership year officially ends March 31st. I'd like to leave David with 100% renewals by the end of this month. Our per-member-payments (PMPs) to National this year will be based on our membership count from February 4th. That number is 129 and includes 6 members who joined after September 30th and 9 members who renewed before the September 30th deadline last year. So far, 20 members have renewed for this year...THANK YOU! That still leaves 73 members we're waiting to hear from. Have you renewed your membership for the coming year? The renewal form is included with this issue of the VOTER. Please take a moment to fill it out, be sure to check a volunteer opportunity, and send it back in.



Hey...are you checking my math? How'd I only come up with 73 members instead of 94? That's because we now have 21 LIFETIME MEMBERS! (We don't pay PMPs for Lifetime members because they're not required to pay dues.) To find out who all these incredible members are, please see the article on Page 3.

March also signals March Madness, and there are a lot of things that come into play (pun intended?) this time of year.

Approximately 50 people attended our annual Helen Fluker Open and Accessible Government Award Luncheon on March 9th. Mitzi McFatrigh, Executive Director of Kansas Advocates for Better Care, a statewide advocacy group devoted to making high quality long-term care available to all Kansans, was the award recipient and she made me feel so much better knowing that she's out there advocating for people like me (big birthday coming up!) and other League members with her job. Thank you to Lee Ketzler and Marguerite Arnold, Fluker Award committee co-chairs, along with committee members Margaret Arnold, Lynne Bodle and Bonnie Dunham for covering every last detail to make the event such a success. (If you ever need a team to pull an event together, this is the one!)

March 10-16 was National Sunshine Week. Our City Commission provided a proclamation which I was happy to accept on behalf of League. I think I did say something to the effect that "there can't BE enough sunshine at the state level right now" and did offer a suggestion to the commission that we try to figure out a way to have Planning Commission meetings available for live-stream on their website as soon as possible.

A new year means a new Board of Directors. A big thanks to Sharon Brown, chair of the Nominating Committee, board members Marjorie Cole and Bonnie Dunham, and members Kay Hale and Mary Lou Wright. Please see the article on page 3 about the Board of Directors for 2013-14.

Proposed Bylaws Change

This will be voted on by the membership at the Annual Meeting.

The current categories of membership for purpose of paying dues, and the amount of the dues will remain unchanged for the 2013-2014 membership year. In addition, two new categories will be added: Sustaining Membership, Individual, \$100; and Sustaining Membership, 2 Members in the same Household, \$150.



Lawrence-Douglas County League of Women Voters

Annual Meeting

with keynote speaker

Sandy Praeger

April 20th

Reservations by April 15 to melinlww@gmail.com or 841-8191

Smith Center, 4730 Brandon Woods Terrace * Doors open at 11:30 * Lunch served at 12:00 * Cost of the lunch is \$15. * Ms. Praeger speaks at 12:30 * Business Meeting at 1:45.

Officer Nominations

The Nominating Committee presents the following candidates for election at the Annual Meeting to serve as officers for the 2013-2014 League year:

Co-Presidents:	David Burress & Cille King
President Elect:	Cille King
Vice President:	marci francisco
Secretary:	Caleb Morse
Treasurer:	Marjorie Cole
Directors:	Margaret Arnold, Caroljean Brune, James Dunn, Ruth Gibbs, Midge Grinstead, Melinda Henderson, Marlene Merrill.
Nominating Committee:	Sharon Brown, Bonnie Dunham, and Kay Hale replaces Mary Lou Wright

our archives at Spencer Research Library and to Marjorie Cole for contacting the prospects and verifying their original join date with the League. We now have a process in place to do this every year so that we don't miss anyone in the future.

And thank you to all of our wonderful Lifetime members who have contributed a combined 1000+ years of service to help make our League (and many others, over the years) what it is today. We look forward to honoring each and every one of you at our Annual Meeting.

Welcome! New Members

Claudean McKellips; Adina Morse; Laura Routh;
Lucy Russell; Gayle Sigurdson

Housing for Low-Income Study

Saturday, March 23, 2013

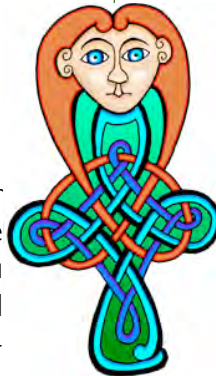
League Members will review the League's position on Housing for Low-Income Groups
10:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Location: Ninth St. Missionary Baptist Church
Christian Education Bldg.
833 Ohio Street

For more information, please contact James
Dunn at 843-5272.

What Does It Mean to be a Lifetime League Member?

If you have been an active League member for 50 years, you are recognized as a Lifetime League member. One of the perks is that you are no longer required to pay annual dues, and your local League is not required to pay a per-member-payment for you. This year we have 21 active Lifetime members in our League!



The following members were already recognized as Lifetime members:

Marnie Argersinger; Margaret Baker; Lynne Bodle; Della Hadley; Lee Ketzal; Mary Miller; Virginia Seaver; Jane Volker; Marian Warriner; and Eleanor Wenger.

We're pleased to add the following members to our Lifetime roster this year:

Marilyn Bradt; Sarah Casad; Marilyn Chamberlin; Carolynn Crawford; Danny Drury; Sue Himes; Audrey Kamb-Studdard; Betty Lichtwardt; Margie McKinney; Violet Smith; and Genny Weston.

Additionally, inactive member **Carol Worth** is also a Lifetime member.

Many thanks to Margaret Arnold and Melinda Henderson for undertaking the task of identifying potential Lifetime members by doing some research in

Helen Fluker Luncheon

The Helen Fluker Open and Accessible Government Award Luncheon took place at the Smith Center, Brandon Woods, on Saturday, March 9, with a great crowd of about 50 attendees, including three members of Helen Fluker's family, and four of the past thirteen Fluker Award winners: Hilda Enoch (2001), Betty Lichtwardt, represented by her husband Bob and her daughter Ruth (2003), marci francisco (2008), and Margaret Farley (2010).

Gayle Sigurdson, President of the Older Women's League, spoke of the strengths and attributes of Mitzi McFatrach that led Gayle and two other nominators, Barbara Braa and Molly Wood, to put their award-winning proposal together. Following the presentation of the engraved silver-plated salver to Ms. McFatrach

by LWV L-DC President Melinda Henderson, the honoree spoke about the achievements of citizen-activists in securing safeguards against abuse and neglect during the change from public to private management of all Medicaid-provided services in Kansas.

The event served to restore our confidence in the effects of citizen-initiated activism, including "good" lobbying.
- Lee Ketzell

Report on the February Housing Position Study Meeting

On February 23 the last of three LWV-DC sponsored informational meetings on affordable housing was held at Fire Station Number 5, 1911 Stewart Avenue in Lawrence. The meeting began at 10am with introductions of guest speakers from two local housing programs: Rebecca Buford, Executive Director of Tenants-to-Homeowners (TTH), and Shannon Oury, Executive Director of the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority (LDCHA). Present for the meeting were 13 League members: Bill and Margaret Arnold, Pat Benabe', CJ Brune, James Dunn, Kay Hale, Cille King, Marguerite Lohrenz,, Ruth Lichtwardt, Laura Routh, Marilyn Roy, Milton Scott, and Saunny Scott. Leslie Soden, City Commission candidate, also attended. James Dunn presided.

Tenants to Homeowners, Inc.

Tenants to Homeowners is a non-profit agency, operating since it was certified in 1992 as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), to provide low-moderate income homebuyers and renters with safe, affordable housing. Its history goes back to the mid-1980's, when a group of experienced homeowners came together as volunteer mentors for first-time homebuyers. Once CHDO certification was received, TTH became a legal entity eligible for Federal funding through the Community Development Block Program (CDBG) and HOME funds, providing money for subsidies that significantly reduce the final cost of a home. In 1993, Homeowners-Out -of -Tenants (HOOT) First-Time-Homebuyers Financing Program was born. Between 1993 and 2005, this program helped over 200 low-income families to finance and purchase their first homes. In 2005,



HOOT was phased out, and replaced by an innovative new program, The Lawrence Community Land and Housing Trust. (LCLHT). The Land Trust retains ownership of the land on which the house is built, while the resident family owns the house, and any improvements on the land.. Under this plan, homeowners pay 25.00/ monthly to lease the land, giving them the right to use the land for at least 99 years. This renewable agreement is called a "ground lease". This keeps the resale price of the home affordable for successive buyers, while allowing the current owner to keep the equity built during their occupancy. Thus, the subsidy initially invested in a land trust property is recycled. As the number of lower- income families become homeowners, neighborhood stability increases and school populations become more stable, which in turn contributes to the betterment of the entire community.

Tenants to Homeowners offers educational support through free First Time Homebuyer Workshops and individual credit counseling. Properties available are newly built 2, 3, and 4 bedroom houses, duplexes, and newly renovated older homes, for sale and rent. All meet Energy Star* standards for energy efficiency.

Currently, there are 58 owner occupied homes - 11 of those renovated older houses - 51 rental properties, a new group of 4 rental homes, and a new development of 18 homes for sale within the Lawrence Community Housing Trust. For more information, call the TTH office at 842-5494, or go to the website: www.tenants-to-homeowners.org.

The Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority

The LDCHA provides affordable rental housing to eligible families and individuals living in Lawrence and Douglas County. The agency follows HUD regulations as well as state and local laws and regulations. It receives federal, state, and local grants and subsidy. Public housing units owned by the LDCHA and Section 8 vouchers for renting from private landlords are available. Eligibility and voucher payment amounts are based on annual family income of 80% or below the median for our area. Family size determines the size of residence (number of bedrooms) allowed for each household.

The Public Housing Program consists of family and elderly housing located throughout the City of Lawrence which are operated and managed by the



LDCHA. Locations include Babcock Place, 1700 Massachusetts; Peterson Acres, 2930 Peterson Road; Edgewood Homes, 1600 Haskell; and 94 other living units from apartments to duplexes to single-family houses scattered throughout the community.

The Section 8, or Voucher program, includes over \$2.9 million in rent subsidies paid to private landlords throughout Douglas County. Some landlords who accept Section 8 vouchers will lower the rent for voucher holders, others will continue to charge market-rate rents.

Within these 2 overall programs are programs that provide housing for persons with developmental disabilities, psychiatric conditions, persons recently released from the Douglas County jail, transitional housing for the homeless community, and more.

Transitional Housing is a HOME funded voucher program that requires the applicant to be homeless at time of application and to enter into an agreement for support services as a condition of housing assistance.

As you can imagine, there are waiting lists for all of these programs, some of them very long. And unfortunately, the Emergency Housing Program Grant for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Recovery (HPRP), expired on February 8, 2012, so no emergency housing is available.

Once a family or individual becomes a resident of the LDCHA, they are eligible to participate in the many programs offered under the Resident Services Program. These programs include youth, adult and senior programs.

Both public housing and Section 8 properties are subject to, and must pass annual, rigorous health and safety inspections in order to remain on the Program. Public housing units are managed and maintained by the Housing Authority's onsite employees; Section-8 landlords are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of their properties. They are given 30 days notice from the time of inspection to make repairs on any items that fail the inspection. There are benefits and "downsides" to this for property owner/ potential Section-8 landlord, and renters. Benefits are: guaranteed rent for the duration of occupancy, protection of both landlords' and tenants' rights through The Kansas Landlord-Tenant Act, and annual



inspections keeping the residence safe to occupy. However, the very same benefits are often off-putting to property owners who do not want to spend money on upkeep and maintenance. Or, prior Section-8 renters have not taken care of the property, leaving the owner reluctant to continue with, or re-enter the Program afterward. The paperwork involved in the application/ approval process for potential landlords can also seem daunting to some. These factors, combined with the large numbers of students competing for the same housing, can make it extremely difficult to find a property owner willing to rent to Section-8 voucher holders.

- Marilyn Roy

Highlights of the February Board Meeting

Present: Melinda Henderson (President), David Burress (President Elect), Marjorie Cole (Treasurer), Caleb Morse (Secretary); Directors: Margaret Arnold, Bonnie Dunham, James Dunn, Cille King, Ruth Lichtwardt. Absent: Milton Scott (Vice President), Sally Hayden, Marlene Merrill. **Others present:** Marilyn Roy; and Jan Pool, Danielle Pool, and Claudean McKellips, who stopped in after attending a 1 Billion Rising Day event downtown.

Treasurer's report. Marjorie reported total income for Jan of \$594.54 and expenses of \$1,016.51; net outflow was \$421.97. The net return of our fund drive to date is \$2,732.17. As of 1 Feb, balances in various accounts were as follows: Checking = \$820.32; Money Market = \$2,101.18; Stucky = \$6,371.23; Judiciary = \$593.58; Education Fund (LWV EF) = \$1,623. Membership and Leadership Development. Bonnie reported that Laura Routh joined. Melinda noted that we now have 129 members, including 21 lifetime members, and that our membership rosters are on deposit in our archive at Spencer Research Library.

State League Day at the Capitol. Cille, James, Marilyn, Melinda, and Kay and Gary Hale attended, as did several members of the Douglas County Legislative delegation. Attendees participated in round table discussions of KanCare restructuring, activities of Secretary of State Kris Kobach, and gun con-



trol and concealed carry issues, and heard comments from Jean Schodorf on issues related to social services and from Paul Johnson on taxation. James noted that he had learned that 6 states have full sales tax, but only 2 (Kansas and Alabama) have full sales tax and no available rebates, and also that Kansas counts 65,000 farms in the state, since we define as a farm any property generating farm income.

Land Use Committee. Melinda circulated a letter from West Lawrence resident Ryan Fike, thanking the LUC for their work on an issue affecting his neighborhood. David reported that the issues discussed at the last meeting concerned where to put truck stops, including changes proposed to allow these at 3 locations where automotive services are already allowed. LUC objected to the proposal, arguing that truck stops bring with them noise, pollution, and prostitution, and also that two truck stops are already present within 3 miles of Lawrence along I-70.

Bylaws Update. David presented his motion on dues, circulated previously ("That current categories and due will remain unchanged for the 2013–2014 membership year. However, we will add two new categories: \$100 sustaining membership for one member; \$150 sustaining membership for two members in the same household.") Marjorie voiced her concern about the creation of membership classes, noting also that money for sustaining memberships could not be targeted for the Ed Fund. David replied that he thought many sustaining members would still be willing to contribute to our fund drive. David (Margaret) moved to adopt the proposal; carried 6-2 (Marjorie and Caleb voting no).

Policies Update. Melinda circulated a revised version to an update to our policy on Member Scholarships, which had been submitted by Marjorie and David. In discussion, several modifications to the proposed revision, including modifications to the modifications, were made. The header ("Interested and eligible individuals should not be prevented from joining the League for financial reasons") was changed to read "Interested and eligible individuals should not be prevented from being active in the League for financial reasons." Where Marjorie and David had included a requirement for scholarship recipients to contribute \$10 towards the cost of their membership, Melinda suggested requiring them to contribute 10% of the cost. David defended the \$10

requirement, noting that this is equivalent to the cost of 3 decent beers [or 6.7 pretty bad ones] or a movie, and also that 10% of a membership is actually less than \$10. In discussion, however, the phrase "a token amount toward their dues" was suggested by Marjorie, and this was generally accepted as a better requirement. Melinda's addition to the update of the statement (that "They should also explain how they will volunteer during the year") was revised in discussion to a requirement that "They should also explain how they will participate and support the League during the year". And, finally, it was clarified that all nominees for scholarships would receive a complimentary, 1-year, e-mailed [ie, not paper] subscription to the Voter. A suggestion posted by Marlene Merrill that scholarships be limited two consecutive years per recipient failed to generate any interest. David (Marjorie) moved to adopt the policy as circulated by them with these emendations; carried.

. Marjorie volunteered to serve on the committee as one of two members from the Board of Directors. Bonnie volunteered to fill the remaining slot.

Voter Registration. There was a brief discussion of a recommendation from LWV to cease voter registration efforts, pending further direction from LWV US. Cille, James, and Melinda will consider the issues surrounding new requirements for voter registration. - Caleb Morse

Land Use Committee

Because the meeting room in the Merc was occupied the evening of Saturday, February 23rd, the Land Use Committee (LUC) met in their cafeteria at 7:00 pm. We discussed mainly the two items on which we decided to write letters.

The first issue was three combined items: (1) the adoption of Comprehensive Plan (CP) amendments to accommodate the new commercial zoning district, CC600, (2) the Text Amendments to the Land Development Code (LDC) to incorporate this district into the Code, and (3) the rezoning to CC600 of the 146 acres in the northwest corner of the West 6th and K-10 corner. This node (the four corners of the W 6th/K-10 intersection) is the only location currently considered in the Com-

prehensive Plan for the CC600 designation. This northwest corner had originally been considered for the Sports Village location but was abandoned for the recently approved Rock Chalk Park/City Rec Center project. Following this abandonment of the plans for the Sports Village on the 146-acre tract, the Planning Commission (PC) had then recommended against the commercial proposal for this node. However, contrary to the PC recommendation, at the request of the landowner of the 146-acre tract, the City Commission then sent this West 6th St./K-10 node back to the PC for reconsideration with several requests, one of which was to rezone the node to CC600.

We had sent several previous letters on this issue, but chose again to respond. We pointed out our position in support of a strong Downtown, that the market analysis had indicated that there was already overzoning for commercial retail use, that this location was very special because of its ready access to transportation, and was needed more for employment-related use. We suggested that it should be preserved by zoning it as Urban Reserve and then seek help in finding sponsors for this as an employment-related use. We also suggested that the method of conditioning the zoning needed a better guarantee by using either a Special Use Permit or Planned Development, and that otherwise, in order to be binding, the conditions needed to be incorporated into the specific ordinance adopted to rezone this property.

OUTCOME: The PC incorporated the CC600 District into the CP including the four corners of the

W 6th/ K-10 node, but allocated specific amounts into each corner of the total retail zoning allowed for this node (thus lessening the impact of each corner). The amount of retail allowed in the 146 acres was 155,000 gross square feet, but also included a limit on general retail building size, one of the requirements stipulated in the Land Development Code for all CC districts. The 146 acres was then recommended to be rezoned to CC600 including these conditions, with the added restriction that the district on the northwest corner would not include multiple family use.

Our second letter was on Item No. 5, a proposed text amendment to the LDC to modify the requirements for parking lot perimeter screening. As the screening requirement now reads, in addition to the placement of trees every 25 feet, parking lots must be screened from streets with berms or solid masonry walls. The proposed change would allow the substitution of a fence for the wall and as an alternative in place of all other screen types, a continuous row of evergreen shrubs. There was no definition of the term "fence" or provision for maintaining the evergreen shrubs. We objected to the changes because they were not adequately defined as substitutes. We pointed out that the evergreens would require much more city involvement in keeping them clean and alive than the originally required screening, and asked that the changes not be made. OUTCOME: The PC deferred action on this text amendment until March 25 for further consideration.

Two other items worth mentioning are Item No. 6, a Text Amendment to define occupancy limits in detached (single family) housing as not more than three unrelated adults throughout the Land Development Code, and Miscellaneous Item No. 1, regarding "Truck Stops" placement in Horizon 2020. The redefinition of occupancy, Item 6, makes clear that it is restricted throughout the Code in detached housing regardless of zoning district. In the case of "Truck Stop" as a use, it now has been eliminated from the "Auto-related" designations in the Comprehensive Plan and does not appear anywhere else in Horizon 2020.

An issue of note coming up in the March 25 Planning Commission meeting is the reconsideration of the current requirement that the Land Development Code conform to the Comprehensive Plan. When this appeared several months ago on the City Commission Consent Agenda, we sent a letter to the Commissioners strongly objecting to its initiation as a text amendment, but to no avail.

Land Use Committee Annual Report

JANUARY 2012 TO MARCH 15 2013
The LUC met monthly, generally at the Merc public meeting room, but on one occasion at their cafeteria and on another at the home of David Burress.



We generally discussed Planning Commission issues. However, occasionally items on the upcoming City Commission agendas were of particular concern to us and we responded with letters to them. We sent a total of 28 letters, four of which were sent to the City Commission, and the remainder to the Planning Commission.

The issues on which we were most concerned or sent the most letters were (1) on the rezoning of the node to a new commercial district, CC600, at the northwest corner of 6th and K-10, (2) the new City Recreation Center and Rock Chalk Park, (3) the Penny Sand Pit mining operation proposed for northwest of Eudora, (4) the new category of Truck Stops in the Land Development Code (as it is now interpreted), (5) the proposed expansion to the Northeast Area Plan (North Lawrence and Grant Township) from mostly agricultural use to more indus-

trial use (outcome: it wasn't expanded), and (6) the rezoning of Langston Heights Addition to multiple family. This last instance is an example of an ongoing problem that we see increasingly: the lack of predictability and compatibility of land uses in residential areas. This is radically reflected in the most recent issue that has occurred—the proposal to eliminate the requirement in the Land Development Code to conform to the Comprehensive Plan, Horizon 2020. This will be coming up at the March Planning Commission meeting, and it has been scheduled as the last item on a very long agenda.

Presentations were made to the commissions by Melinda and Alan Black for which we thank them very much. A debt of gratitude is also due the Merc and their ever busy and efficient Arranger, Nancy O'Connor, for making our meetings there possible.

A Heartfelt Thank You to our Generous Contributors!

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 fiscal year 2012-13, the per member payment to LWV-US is \$31 and to LWV-K is \$18; our dues are \$55 for individual members and \$85 for household members.)

Your contributions to our General Fund provide us with resources for production of the Voter newsletter and other operating costs, include Voter Service/Education materials. 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 state and national Leagues. (Only Education Fund contributions are tax deductible. If you made a contribution to our Education Fund, you received a letter for tax purposes.)

We are deeply appreciative. Thank you to everyone listed below who contributed during our fiscal year, thus far:

David Burress
Sue & Dick Himes
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Cille King
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Reminder - Membership Renewals Are Due by March 31st!

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: _____