



The VOTER August 2019

Our Mission: Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.



CENTENNIAL LUNCHEON RAVING SUCCESS!

The banquet hall of the Wichita State University Metropolitan Complex was at full capacity as the League of Women Voters Wichita Metro celebrated 100 years of service and the 19th amendment. On August 24 at 1:00 pm, women, men and children filed into the centennial luncheon event to pay tribute to the women of Wichita and Kansas whose work helped to ensure the passage of the 19th amendment, giving women the right to vote.

With Senator Nancy Kassebaum Baker and LWVUS President Chris Carson as keynote speakers and ARISE providing entertainment, the full capacity crowd of donors, friends and supporters enjoyed an unforgettable afternoon. The Kansas centennial exhibit, other historical documents provided by Betty Ladwig and handmade quilts were on display for enjoyment throughout the afternoon.

The LWVWM Centennial Committee is grateful to all who contributed to making the event a great success.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Sep 24 - Tuesday Topics: Are Our Children Falling Behind in Reading? Advanced Learning Library, 711 W. 2nd, noon. Dr. Kim McDowell, WSU Education Department will share insights on reading proficiency rates and what strategies are being explored to help students improve in reading.

LWV WM Monthly Meetings for Sept and Oct have been postponed so that our members may attend these important ICT Engage/ KMUW Events:

Tuesday Sept 10 - Mayoral Candidate Debate, Tuesday, Sept. 10. Roxy's Downtown, 412 1/2 E. Douglas, Appetizers at 5:30, debate begins at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday Oct 8 - KMUW's panel on *Women in Politics* with NPR's 1A at the Crown on October 8 from 5:30 to 7:30.

Plan to attend and wear your LWV button or T-Shirt!

Continue your membership in our 100 year old organization

Welcome new members Crystal Worthan, Mary Ware and Jana Besore Cytrynbaum.

- Mail dues (\$65/year for an individual, \$97.50 for a household, \$10 for student membership*) to Treasurer, LWV Wichita-Metro P.O. Box 2411 Wichita, KS 67201 or renew on-line at lwvwichita.org. *Students may be K-12 or college/university students.

HELP REGISTER NEW VOTERS!!!

Well ladies and gentlemen, we may have done our job too well getting the word out. September is a busy month. We are starting our voter registration project in the High Schools, this month is Open Streets ICT and National Voter Registration Day as well as a candidate forum plus more. Please signup by using the links below. [If you have never done this before we will train you!](#)

Date	Time	Events	Sign Up Link
10 SEP, TUE	5:30 – 7:00 pm	Mayoral Candidate Forum	volunteersignup.org/XXY9K
14 SEP, SAT	11am – 3:30pm	Advanced Learning Library – Voter Registration	volunteersignup.org/3YJAW
15 SEP, SUN	2 – 5pm	Voter Registration-XY Bar	volunteersignup.org/P7MHJ
17 SEP, TUE	5:30 – 7pm	Voter Service Meeting	
18 SEP, WED	11am – 1pm	Empower Hour - Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority	volunteersignup.org/FPD9F
19 SEP, THU	9am – 12pm	Naturalization Ceremony	volunteersignup.org/DKQAJ
19 SEP, THU	4pm – 8pm	ISSN-Welcoming Week Event	volunteersignup.org/LR8JA

21 SEP, SAT	11am – 3pm	Westlink Branch Library	volunteersignup.org/4PLMH
22 SEP, SUN	11am – 5pm	Open Streets ICT	volunteersignup.org/FQXBW
28 SEP, SAT	11am – 3pm	Voter Registration - Rockwell Library	volunteersignup.org/QXP4W
30 SEP, MON	10 am - 2 pm	Northwest High School - Classroom	volunteersignup.org/H9ECF
1 OCT, TUE	8:30 – 2:30 pm	Northwest High School - Classroom	volunteersignup.org/TML8X
1 OCT, TUE	5:30 – 7:00 pm	City Council Candidate Forum	volunteersignup.org/9A4MD

Voter Service Report

Well Leaguers, registering voters and helping others learn about elections was our game for August.

Ernestine Krehbiel and I spoke to the USD259 Social Studies and Government teachers at their in-service day at the Hyatt. We were able to tell them about the League, the 100th celebration and our services to come into the schools in classroom for presentations and voter registrations. Barbara Coats and I met with Terrell Davis, Executive Director of Public Affairs and Special Projects and Suzy Finn, Marketing and Strategic Partnerships with USD 259 in regard to helping us with our High School Voter Registration project. They have agreed to help us to get the word out.

Several of our members worked at the polls during the Primary Election, we would like to hear back from their experiences.

We were asked to have a voter registration and information table at the Trust Women showing of the film After Tiller at the Orpheum and changed 2 voter registration addresses and got a new member. We had voter registration table at the Haysville USD 262 Back to School event for all of the districts employees. We registered and changed addresses of 16 voters and again gained a new member. The administration was very supportive and invited us to the schools.

We have been working with the SoCe Neighborhood organizations and had a voter registration table at their event on Main and Harry. These events are targeted towards bring services and access to low income areas. We only registered 3 voters but made great contacts with local officials and other organizations.

On the 16th we had the voter registration at the Naturalization Ceremony and registered 71 new citizens and handed out forms to another 50. We had several new volunteers working the event. The following Saturday we were at the 4th annual Love Your Community Event at Evergreen Rec & Park. This was a great community event and we met some young people who are working to register their peers. They are from the Root the Power Group, Barbara Bell and myself will be meeting with their organizer to see how we may work together. We registered 8 voters but handed out several forms and instructions on how to register on line.

Thank you to all of the Leaguers who have stepped forward to help with all of our events. We registered a total of 131 voters this month plus handed out 100's of bookmarks, forms and QR codes.

Respectfully submitted by Carole Neal, Voter Service Chair



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