



CALENDAR

<u>June 12</u> Tuesday 5:30 pm	<u>Summer Social</u> The Monarch 579 W. Douglas
<u>June 23</u> 3:30 pm	<u>Calendar Kickoff Event</u> WSU's Rhatigan Student Ctr Pike Room #266
<u>June 23</u> 6:00 pm	<u>Board Meeting</u> TBA
<u>Jun 28-Jul 1</u> Thurs-Sun	<u>LWV National Convention</u> Chicago, IL

Celebrating Women, Kansas, and Voting Kickoff Event

Saturday, June 23, 3:30 pm

\*\*WSU's Rhatigan Student Center, Pike Room #266\*

You are invited to the "Celebrating Women, Kansas, and Voting!" Kick-off Event, where we will be recognizing the 15 living honorees highlighted in our commemorative Aug. 2018-Dec. 2019 calendar planner. This event will be your chance to meet these amazing Kansas women of achievement, get their signatures in your planner, and purchase extra planners for your friends and family. The event begins at 3:30 pm. Parking is directly south of the Rhatigan Student Center. Guests are welcome, so invite your friends. These featured women have significantly impacted the quality of life for all of us in the state of Kansas. We hope you will be able to attend and also that you will procure a wonderful calendar planner for yourself and others. For more information, contact Sharon Cranford, Event Chair, at [scan50452@cox.net](mailto:scan50452@cox.net) or (316) 685-0452.

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SUMMER EVENTS

June Summer Social

Tuesday, June 13, 5:30 pm

\*\*The Monarch, 579 W. Douglas\*\*

Join fellow League members to chat & mingle at our summer socials. These are a chance for you to get better acquainted with League members on a more personal level. June's social will be held at The Monarch bar & restaurant in Delano.

Hold the dates for future socials! Look for the locations in your next issue of The VOTER.

- Tuesday, July 10
- Tuesday, August 14

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**Celebrate Flag Day on June 14!**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last President's message. Laura Thompson and Pat Reinhold will be the Wichita League's Co-Presidents as of July 1, 2018. I know they will do a great job. Next, I want to thank everyone for all their support during my four years as Co-President. I had a wonderful board, who all did their jobs—making mine easier. I enjoyed working with three different Co-Presidents—Carole Neal, Barb Fuller, and Pat Reinhold. It is definitely a two-person show!

For those who were unable to attend the Annual Meeting, the 2018-19 board was elected. Congratulations to everyone who agreed to serve and to those who are continuing for another year. A BIG THANK YOU to those who are going off the Board. The budget for next year was approved, and the recommendation that there be no local study this



year was also approved. We honored two Citizens of the Year—LaVonta Williams and our own Betty Ladwig. LaVonta was unable to attend, but Betty was there—with her family. What a wonderful evening for them. Betty helped to save the Wichita League when membership was down. She and Mary Knecht kept it going! It was a great evening with good attendance, good food, and good fellowship, while “taking care of business” of the League. Good job everyone!

As we go into summer, I want to urge League members to plan to attend the summer socials which will be on the second Tuesday of June, July & August, 5:30 pm at the Monarch (tentatively) in Delano. There will be no meeting—just socializing, great discussion, and fun!! Feel free to bring a friend, significant other, etc.

Since this is an election year, the League will be busy with candidate forums and debates, registering voters, and educating citizens. If you would like to be involved in any of the many activities, just let Carole Neal (cadeneal@att.net) or myself (sailslieger@netscape.net) know. I am going to be the Voter Service Co-Chair starting July 1, 2018. We will also be planning for the 100<sup>th</sup> celebration of the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment in 2019-2020 with the League of Women Voters. Sharon Cranford has agreed to be Chair of the 100<sup>th</sup> planning committee but NEEDS A CO-CHAIR. If this sounds like something you would like to be involved with, let Pat or Laura know.

The calendar/planners are all done and ready to sell. They are \$15 each. Besides being a great “date keeper” it is also full of pictures and history of current and past women leaders. The proceeds will go toward the costs of the 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration. They also make great gifts. If you have not purchased your copy, plus some to sell, please contact Martha Pint ([Martha\\_pint@hotmail.com](mailto:Martha_pint@hotmail.com)). In addition, a kick-off event for the calendars and awareness of the 100<sup>th</sup> celebration is being planned for June 23<sup>rd</sup> (and you thought summer was slow for the League!).

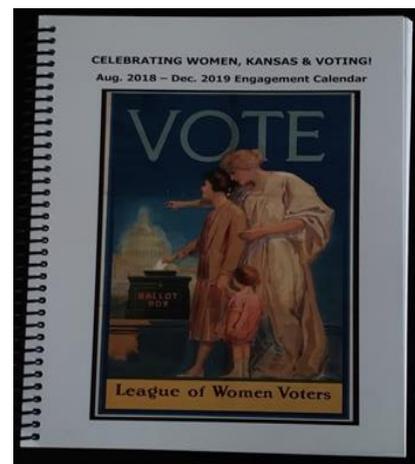
Finally, just some FYI for Wichita Leaguers: Five members will be attending the LWVUS National Convention in Chicago, June 28-July 1—Pat Reinhold, Laura Thompson, Sharon Ailslieger, Megan Wright-Hagan, & Martha Pint. Three Wichita Leaguers are on the LWVKS State Board—Martha Pint, Megan Wright-Hagan & Sharon Ailslieger. Those going off the local Wichita Board—after years of service—include Paul Babich, Ernestine Krehbiel, Barbara Fuller, Sally Dewey, Ellen Estes, and Betty Ladwig. A big thank you goes to ALL of them for their willingness to step up and give of their time and talents to the League. It should be noted that while they will no longer be “on the Board” they will continue to be on committees.

I want to finish with saying another BIG THANK YOU to everyone for their hours of dedication and work while I was Co-President.

Sharon Ailslieger, Co-President with Pat Reinhold



**CELEBRATING WOMEN, KANSAS & VOTING!**  
Our August 2018-December 2019 Calendar Planner is here! Martha Pint, Chair of the Fundraising Committee, has these as well as spoons available with the League imprint on one side and a quotation on the back: “Stirring up Democracy for 100 Years.” To purchase yours, contact Martha Pint at [martha\\_pint@hotmail.com](mailto:martha_pint@hotmail.com) or call (316) 259-6192.





**Voter Service Report**

Well, it feels like we just completed a wonderful job and are exhausted. We need to rest a little for the next three months! Before the July 17 cutoff for registration for the Primary Election, we are planning on registration events at WATC and working in communities that have been underserved. On July 17<sup>th</sup> we will be assisting at the Sedgwick Co. Commissioner Candidates Health Forum. In the meantime, we will be planning other events and will keep you posted.

The LWV Kansas is working on launching Vote411.org for all of Kansas, and all 9 local Leagues will be involved as well as most of the counties in the state. Live date is projected for July 1, 2018.

We held a Voter Service Committee meeting on May 29<sup>th</sup> to not only wrap up our high school registration project but to thank all that participated. We were able to be in each public high school in Wichita in some manner. The committee received thank you planners from Passion Planners for their work. Brenda Neal had submitted our High School Project for a community involvement award and we won.

Carole A. Neal, Chair

**Treasurer’s Report**

**Dues Alert!** At our annual meeting on May 22, 2018, we raised our dues to \$65 a year beginning July 1, 2018. Dues for student members and 2<sup>nd</sup> members in a household will become \$32.50 per year on July 1. Please send an additional \$15 if you want your LWV Wichita-Metro VOTER mailed to you in paper form.

If you have already paid dues for 2018-2019, you are okay! Our “Dues Year” runs from July 1 through June 30. If you are a new member who joined since February 1<sup>st</sup>, you are paid up through June 30, 2019.

We invite our renewing members to pay dues as soon as possible. We are on a pretty lean budget. We are raising funds toward the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment, and we also expect extra Voter Service expenses as we approach this year’s mid-term elections.

**Along with your dues, please consider an additional contribution. You may contribute to our regular operating fund (non-tax exempt) and to our Education and Scholarship Fund (tax exempt). We are depositing contributions toward our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in our Education and Scholarship Fund. Please designate on your check.**

We are delighted to welcome 2 new members: Barbara Bell and Elaine Volkmann. We had 123 members when we reported our membership to LWVUS on January 31 and we now have 134 members! We are growing!

Please mail your membership check and any additional contributions to **Elaine Harvey, Treasurer, LWV Wichita-Metro, 4370 N. Eagle Lake Ct., Bel Aire, KS 67220.**

Elaine Harvey, Treasurer

**LWV Scrapbook**

Here are some recent photos of League events. Enjoy!



*Betty Ladwig accepting Citizen of the Year Award*



*Treasurer Elaine Harvey sharing financial successes of the year at the Annual Meeting.*



*League members Luisa Taylor, Leanne Chase, and Shari Lovendahl proudly displaying their "Passion Planners" at a Voter Service planning meeting.*



*Co-Presidents Pat Reinhold and Sharon Ailsieger presiding over the Annual Meeting.*



*Voter Service registration event with (from left): Claudia Amaro, Luisa Taylor, Ponka-We Victors, Angela Martinez, and another member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.*



**2018-2019**

**LWV Wichita – Metro Board Members**

*Effective July 1, 2018*

**Co-Presidents**

Pat Reinhold  
Laura Thompson

**Treasurer**

Elaine Harvey

**Secretary**

Pat Purvis

**Past Co-President**

Sharon Ailsieger

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Sharon Cranford  
Judy Loganbill  
Carole Neale  
Martha Pint  
Julie Sherwood  
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Megan Wright-Hagan

