



## Calendar



Feb. 6  
Saturday  
11:45  
Unit Meeting  
Ambassador Hotel  
R.S.V.P. (see flyer)

Feb. 20  
Saturday  
9:00 am  
Board Meeting  
St. Paul's Lutheran  
Church

Feb. 23  
Tuesday  
Noon  
Tuesday Topics  
Infant Mortality  
Central Library

Feb. 25  
Thursday  
9:00 am  
Day at The Capitol  
League Day  
see flyer for details



Democracy is not a  
Spectator Sport!

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

The weather has been great, for January, and I want to thank everyone for attending two unit meetings and Tuesday Topics plus registering voters. We took consensus and discussed future studies and had a program on Human Trafficking– all in January.

February will be just as busy as the Sedgwick County Election Office will be having an open house on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1-5:00 pm for a demonstration of the available voting machines up for purchase. February 6<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 11:45pm will be the unit meeting for February. It will be at the **Ambassador Hotel** where the old Dockum's Drug Store used to be. This was the place of the first civil rights sit-in in the country. Please plan to attend!! This will be the only unit meeting in February. League Day will be February 25<sup>th</sup>, in Topeka. Anyone interested in going, please let me know, as we will try to car pool as much as possible. The Wichita City Council will be discussing the proposed new library on Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. It would be great if the League could show support by attending the meeting. I plan to go. There will be more registering of voters in February as well as Tuesday Topics. February 20<sup>th</sup>, the Wichita League will have a table and a silent auction basket at the Trivia Night. This is a fund raiser for "Filling the Gap." If you would like to volunteer to be a team member contact Betty Ladwig.

In addition to League activities, the Legislature is busy presenting bills on education, health care, and juvenile justice– these are issues that the League has studied and taken a position. Please stay in touch with your Representative and Senator– know how they are voting! The Nominating Committee is busy asking members to serve on the Board. If they call, please say "yes" or better yet, volunteer! The League makes a difference!!!



## Voter Service- Betty Ladwig, Chair

The ending to a busy month and another one coming up. Voting registration requests are ramping up and program requests for March and April.

A big thanks to Carole and Paul that assisted during the five hour stint at the Central Branch Library on the 21st. We registered 16 voters, Sara Dixon that coordinated for the Library and brought her p.c. to facilitate the registrations wants to coordinate future events on a regular basis. Two gentlemen went home to get birth certificates and Sara copied them. As a result of a discussion with one of the patrons, Marco Alcocer, we are registering voters for three hours at Evergreen Center on 2-11. Martha Sanchez is helping provide assistance and a flyer will be distributed to patrons of the Lord's Diner at the Center. Janet Miller is also excited about having us there, I had worked with Janet at Colvin Neighborhood Center and Filling the Gap lunches for children, she then moved to the City. I made it clear that the registrants have to be citizens.

Speaking of the Filling the Gap, there are certain centers that are still looking for helpers, please let Sally Fahrenthold know if you are available, those dates are March 14th thru the 18th.

We are registering voters on three days in August and September. It will continue to be a busy year ahead.

Please remember two former members of our League here in Wichita, Joan Beren and Vivian Wasser who both passed away in the past weeks. Joan was on the board many years ago and a dedicated member of the community, active in so many arenas.

So many memories of Vivian, she was so active with portrayals of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, working on registration of voters, forums and whatever she was asked to do she did well. She was a fine quilter and

seamstress, gardener, Grandma, helped on the State Fair booth in Septembers when asked. Hold these ladies in your thoughts this month.

## TUESDAY TOPICS:

February 23, 2016

Infant Mortality in Kansas

**Speaker: Candace Johnson of the  
Sedgwick County Health Department**

12-1 pm -Program

Wichita Public Library  
223 S. Main St. Wichita, KS

Room opens at 11:30 for brown bag lunch

## Treasurer Report - Elaine Harvey

We currently have 85 LWV Wichita-Metro members. Thank you to so many of you who renewed early and we also appreciate those who renewed later. Our membership chair has to report our membership to LWVUS as of January 31. Our LWV Wichita-Metro Dues year is from July 1 to June 30.

Our calendar project was very very successful. Our net is \$2,676.88. This is a big boost to our Education and Scholarship Funds. Also, we raised \$580 at the Holiday brunch at Dewey's. A big THANK YOU to the Dewey's for hosting the Holiday brunch!

We currently have \$6,205.47 in regular funds in the bank and \$8,043.18 in Education and Scholarship Funds. This year we need a higher balance as we will pay a portion of the registration for our delegates to the LWVUS Convention in June. We will be beginning the process of making an award to a college student studying political science or a related public service field. New application forms have been approved by the Board.



## Fund Raising - Sally Dewey, Chair



Celebrating 95 years  
Woman Getting the Vote &  
the League of Women Voters

Get your LWV Wichita Metro  
Calendar Honoring the  
Women of Wichita

The calendar is a tax free  
donation of \$10.00 payable  
to LWV Education and  
Scholarship Fund. Calendars

are made available for purchase at each LWV Metro  
event.

## Highlights from the January Board Meeting

Marilyn Hansen, Secretary

Present: Sharon Ailsieger, Paul Babich, Sally Dewey,  
Barb Fuller, Marilyn Hansen, Elaine Harvey, Wendy  
Kabler, Ernestine Kreihbel, Betty Ladwig, Judith  
Loganbill, Carole Neal, and Martha Pint.

President's Report: Sharon reported on her recent  
speaking on the League's behalf at the Legislative  
meeting supporting the League positions on voting,  
mental health, and education. Upcoming speaking is  
schedule on 3/3 at the Shepherd's Center West by  
Sharon and Betty.

Treasurer's report: As of 1/15/2016 funds were:  
\$6,1145.47 in regular funds, \$4,819.57 in Education  
and Scholarship Funds, \$3,063.61 in Education and  
Scholarship Funds with LWVUS.

Membership: We have 82 paid members and 20 are  
new members.

Voter Service: Betty is looking for volunteers for  
1/23, from 2:30 to 7:30 at the Central Library. There  
was a long discussion about the registration forms  
and the law suit.

The library suggested that Hot Topics is renamed to  
Tuesday Topics. Coming programs for Tuesday Topics  
include:

- i 2/23/16 - Infant Mortality
- i 3/22/16 - Planned Parenthood / Pregnancy Crisis  
Center
- i 4/26/16 - Election Integrity with Dr. Beth  
Clarkson. The Sedgwick County Election office  
was invited, but declined to participate

Unit Meetings: Upcoming Unit Meetings will be held  
2/6/16 from 11:30 – 1:00 at the Ambassador Hotel  
with Gretchen Eik as the guest speaker on Black  
History in Wichita. March and April Unit Meetings  
will be in the evenings. On 3/8 the County Manager  
will be the guest speaker and on 4/12 it will be the  
Legislative Summit. The Sedgwick County Delegation  
will be invited.

Carole announced the details of League Day at the  
Capitol on February 25.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05.

## OTHER HAPPENINGS:

LWV U.S. press release, "THE USE YOUR VOICE TOUR  
2016" begins February 12<sup>th</sup> in St. Petersburg, FL and  
will be performing at Hutchinson's Historic Fox  
Theatre on **March 26, 2016**. According to the article,  
Patty Griffin, Sara Watkins and Anais Mitchell are  
teaming up with the LWV for the 38 city tour and  
voter engagement drive. #UseYourVoiceTour

**Check out [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org) for additional  
information about the tour or review updated  
press releases and articles.**





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Annual Dues \$ 60.00

Add'l Household Membership \$ 30.00

Student Membership \$ 30.00

Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Interest:

Voter Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Studies: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

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League of Women Voters - Wichita Invites You to...



**Join us as we....**

**Celebrate Black History Month**

**Saturday, February 6th at 11:45 a.m.**

**The Ambassador Hotel  
104 S. Broadway, Wichita, KS  
Historic site of the former Dockum Drug Store**

**Lunch and Dr. Gretchen Eick presenting  
"Young Wichitans Who Changed History:  
The First Successful Student-Led Sit-in."**

A special lunch meeting at a special location,  
our lunch will cost \$20.00 and  
**requires RSVP by February 3<sup>rd</sup>** to  
martha\_pint@hotmail.com or 316-259-6182

# League Day at the Capitol

## Thursday, February 25, 2016



9:00 am – Topeka/Shawnee County Library -1515 SW 10<sup>th</sup> – Topeka, KS

Registration – Coffee/Rolls

9:30 am- Car pool to Kansas Capitol – 300 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Ave – Topeka, KS

Meet in Visitor’s Center Auditorium for information on session and committee meetings by Paul Johnson. Observe sessions, committee meetings and meet with your legislators (contact them before the day to see if they are available).

12:00 - Return to Topeka/Shawnee County Library

12:15 – Lunch/Announcements

1:00 – Speakers –

Tim Carpenter - State House Bureau Chief - Topeka Capital Journal –

*Transparency in our legislature.*

Celia Llopis-Jepson – Education Editor - Topeka Capital Journal –

*Update on Education Funding in the legislature.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Local League \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee \$20.00, includes lunch. Mail registrations to LWV Kansas, 515 So. Kansas, Suite C, Topeka, KS 66603. You may pay at the door but please let us know in advance if you are planning on attending by email at [lww.kansas@gmail.com](mailto:lww.kansas@gmail.com) or call 785-234-5152.