



The Voter

The League of Women Voters of Columbia-Boone County, MO

JULY 8 PROCLAMATION CEREMONY AT THE CAPITOL ROTUNDA

The Governor and Secretary of State have issued a proclamation in honor of the centennial of Missouri's ratification of the 19th Amendment. Missouri Governor Gardner signed the ratification on July 3, 1919.

On July 8, 2019, Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft will present the Proclamation to League members and friends at the Capitol Rotunda in Jefferson City at 2:00 p.m.

Prior to the ceremony, members from around the state will gather for lunch, if they wish, at noon at Madison's Café in downtown Jefferson City.



If you are interested in attending and want to carpool, contact Pam Springsteel, pspring@socket.net.

— Marilyn McLeod, marilyn_mcleod@yahoo.com

JULY 14 FILM: "ONE WOMAN, ONE VOTE" THE HISTORY OF WOMEN'S STRUGGLE TO WIN THE VOTE

As part of our Centennial celebration, we will show the PBS documentary, "One Woman, One Vote" on Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Public Library, with refreshments at 1:30 p.m. The library is cosponsoring this event.

The U.S. Congress passed the 19th Amendment in June 1919 and Missouri was the eleventh state to ratify it in July 1919. But it took more than 70 years to get to that momentous occasion. This film is a sweeping look at the women's suffrage movement, from Elizabeth Cady Stanton's famous Seneca Falls call to arms to the passage and ratification of the 19th Amendment.

Narrated by Susan Sarandon, the documentary features historical photos and video clips, as well as contextual commentary from historians.



The film delves into the deep divisions within the suffrage movement, like the split over the question of whether to support voting rights for black men. In addition, the film looks at regional differences within the movement and differences over whether to use militant tactics.

— Marilyn McLeod, marilyn_mcleod@yahoo.com

REQUEST TO ALL MEMBERS

PLEASE BE PREPARING A LETTER TO SEND TO THE COLUMBIA SCHOOL BOARD WHEN THEY ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT IN NAMING THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL on Sinclair Road. The school board's next meeting is July 8.

In the letter please mention some or all of Luella St. Clair Moss's many achievements which include the following, among others: Mrs. Moss was the first female president of Christian Academy for Women (now Columbia College) serving several terms spanning three decades; the first female member of the Columbia Public School Board; the first president of LWVMO from Boone County; and the first Missouri woman to be nominated for national

office when she ran for Congress in 1922. Walter Williams, founder of the MU Journalism School, called Luella "a steam engine in petticoats."

Please send the letter to the Columbia School Board, 1818 West Worley, Columbia, MO 65203 or email the school board president, Helen Wade hwade@cpsk12.org



Luella St. Clair Moss

— Pam Springsteel, pspring@socket.net

JUNE BOARD MEETING REPORT

The LWVCBC Board met on Monday, June 17, at the Unitarian Universalist Church.

We approved an Ed fund request for a **Constitution Day Program** to be held on September 18 at the Boone County Commission Chambers, featuring women judges. AAUW will co-sponsor the event and share the expenses as part of the Holly Burgess Public Policy Forums.

We approved a request from Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP) to cosponsor a program about **“Medicare for All”** by Claudia Fegan, M.D., Chief Medical Officer for Cook County Medical Center. The event, which will occur on September 26 at noon in the Lester Bryant Auditorium of the Medical School Building, is intended to be educational.

The Board expressed a big **Thank You to Pam Springsteel** for the hard work she and the Fundraising Committee did for the fundraiser. Over 140 attended and we raised \$3700. We had many compliments on the play and food.

For about a year, we have pursued the possibility of getting **501(c)3 designation** from the IRS. (We are a 501(c)4 organization). After discussion the Board decided with the new tax law, there is very little incentive for people to give to the League to get a tax deduction (due to the significant increase in the standard deduction) and if someone did want to give a large amount of money for a tax deduction, they could give it through LWVMO’s Ed Fund as has been done in the past. Once we receive confirmation that we would get our \$600 application fee back, we will cancel the 501c3 application.

Upcoming Centennial celebration events:

The Secretary of State will present the proclamation for the 100th Anniversary of Missouri’s passage of the XIX Amendment on July 8th at 2:00 p.m. in the State Capitol Rotunda.

“One Woman, One Vote” – Film showing – July 14 at 2 p.m. The library will co-sponsor this event.

Voter Registration events – We will have voter registration at the July 12 Boone Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting. We will also have voter registration on July 27 VAC Back to School event; and on National Voter Registration Day on

September 24, at the library, along with our Lunch and Learn.

Census Columbia Committee – Carol reported the LWVMO has prepared a census fact sheet and has prepared a palm card template that we can hand out at our events. We will send a letter to Brianna Lennon to offer LWV help on local efforts for the census count and to ask that Sharon Schneeberger serve on the Columbia Census Committee. Elaine, Diane and Sharon agreed to join Carol and Mahree on the LWV Census Committee.

Lunch and Learn for September-November – Barbara reported that the L&L and CAT TV Committees met to discuss ideas for future L&L events. The library will begin co-sponsoring our L&L programs and hosting them at the library beginning in September. Our September L&L will be related to the One Read book *Nomadland*, about income inequality. For October, the L&L will focus on the census. The November L&L will be on historic preservation. Ideas for 2020 are climate change adaptations; bail issues; importance of local government and voting; and domestic violence.

Suffragist sashes –The Board approved the purchase of 20 “Votes for Women” sashes to sell to members. We think there will be members who would like to wear these in the parade (and to other events) and to have as a memento of this year of celebration.

Board members were encouraged to attend the Columbia City Council meeting, following the board meeting, as the Council was going to vote on the **Climate Action Adaptation Plan**.

Be sure to take a look at the articles in this issue of the “Voter” for more details on our upcoming plans. Even though it is summer, we continue to be active and engaged in our community.

— Marilyn McLeod, marilyn_mcleod@yahoo.com



FUNDRAISER FINAL REPORT

We had a full house at this year’s fundraiser play at the Columbia Entertainment Company. The theater company did a great job – great singing, dancing!, music and general fun! We know that everyone who attended had a great time. And the food was amazing!

After expenses, we raised about \$3,700 which is probably the highest amount we have raised from this annual event. This will provide funding for our activities for the next year.

Special thanks to the planning committee, under the leadership of chair Pam Springsteel, with members Ellen Atkins, Linda Lou Brown, Win Colwill, Meredith Donaldson, Marilyn McLeod, Joni O’Connor, Win Scott, Margaret Tyler, and Sarah Wolcott.

Special thanks to the “bartenders” – Robert Schreiber, Karl Skala, David Leuthold and Dick Parker.

Be sure to visit and thank the following restaurants and businesses for their generous contributions: Bamboo Terrace, Coleys, D. Rowes, House of Chow, Las Margaritas, Pasta Factory, Stone 44, and Tellers.

Door Prizes compliments of: Bleu, Columbia Entertainment Company, and HyVee Conley Road.

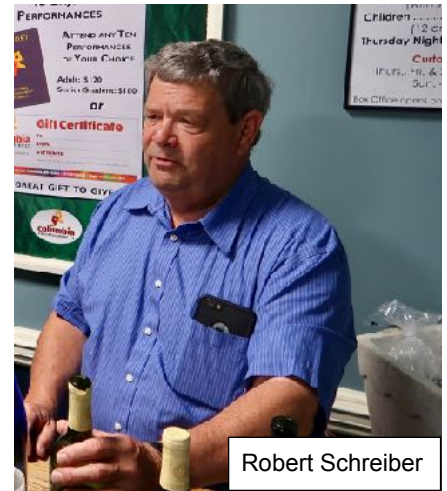
Wine Contributed by Les Bourgeois Winery.

Our list of contributors at the play inadvertently did not include the contribution by Les Bourgeois Winery, so we want to doubly thank them now!

— Marilyn McLeod, marilyn_mcleod@yahoo.com



Dick Parker



Robert Schreiber



Win Colwill at the bar before the show with Karl Skala and David Leuthold.



Special thanks to our underwriters:

- Kathryn Allen
- Anonymous
- Ellen Atkins
- Kathryn Bergman
- Zona Burk
- Win Colwill
- Joe & Meredith Donaldson
- Pat Etienne
- Barbara Hoppe
- Leigh Huesgen
- Pat Hutchinson
- David Leuthold
- Paula McFarling
- Marilyn & John McLeod
- Joan & Stephen Mudrick
- Joni & John O'Connor
- Betsy Peters
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- Jean Sax & Sharon Lee
- Sharon Schneeberger
- Barbara Schneider
- Carol & Robert Schreiber
- Sarah & Mike Seat
- Jan Swaney
- Janet Thompson
- Lael Von Holt
- Marcia Walker
- Vicky Wilson



Ken Schneeberger and Greg Suhler chat before the show.



Bill Clark, Joann Vest and Judy Burke enjoyed the evening.



2020 Census is Important to You

The LWVUS has encouraged local Leagues to work to ensure all people are counted in the 2020 U.S. Census. Our local League has formed a Census Committee to help educate our members and the public about the importance of an accurate census count. Below is a list of all the important uses of census data, taken from the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee Guide. This is not a political issue, but a critical issue for all states and local communities.

The October Lunch and Learn will focus on the census. We plan to have speakers discuss the data analysis and a speaker on what is happening in Columbia. Please, join us at the Columbia Public Library on October 15 at noon.

— Carol Schreiber, carolschrei@gmail.com

50 WAYS CENSUS DATA ARE USED

- Decision making at all levels of government.
- Drawing federal, state, and local legislative districts.
- Attracting new businesses to state and local areas.
- Distributing over \$675 billion annually in federal funds and even more in state funds.
- Forecasting future transportation needs for all segments of the population.
- Planning for hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, and the location of other health services.
- Forecasting future housing needs for all segments of the population.
- Directing funds for services for people in poverty.
- Designing public safety strategies.
- Development of rural areas.
- Analyzing local trends.
- Estimating the number of people displaced by natural disasters.
- Developing assistance programs for American Indians and Alaska Natives.
- Creating maps to speed emergency services to households in need of assistance.
- Delivering goods and services to local markets.
- Designing facilities for people with disabilities, the elderly, or children.
- Planning future government services.
- Planning investments and evaluating financial risk.
- Publishing economic and statistical reports about the United States and its people.
- Facilitating scientific research.
- Developing “intelligent” maps for government and business.
- Providing proof of age, relationship, or residence certificates by the Census Bureau.
- Distributing medical research.
- Reapportioning seats in the House of Representatives.
- Planning and researching for media as background for news stories.
- Drawing school district boundaries.
- Planning budgets for government at all levels.
- Spotting trends in the economic well-being of the nation.
- Planning for public transportation services.
- Planning health and educational services for people with disabilities.
- Establishing fair market rents and enforcing fair lending practices.
- Directing services to children and adults with limited English proficiency.
- Planning urban land use.
- Planning outreach strategies.
- Understanding labor supply.
- Assessing the potential for spread of communicable diseases.
- Making business decisions.
- Understanding consumer needs.
- Planning for faith-based organizations.
- Locating factory sites and distribution centers.
- Distributing catalogs and developing direct mail pieces.
- Setting a standard for creating both public and private sector surveys.
- Evaluating programs in different geographic areas.
- Providing genealogical research.
- Planning for school projects.
- Developing adult education programs.
- Researching historical subject areas.
- Determining areas eligible for housing assistance and rehabilitation loans.

UPDATE: 100TH ANNIVERSARY LEAGUE CELEBRATIONS IN 2019

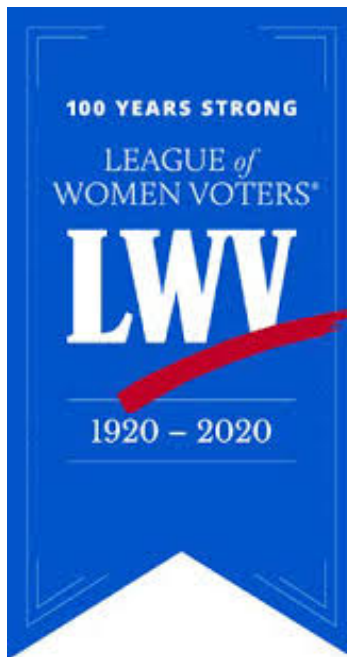
July 8 - Monday, 2:00 p.m.: The rotunda of the Capitol in Jefferson City has been reserved for the league to celebrate Missouri's ratification of the 19th Amendment. Secretary of State Ashcroft is to present the proclamation to us. See the article on page one for more information. Those who wish to carpool to Jefferson City should contact Pam Springsteel pspring@socket.net or 573-445-0642.

July 14 - Sunday, 2 p.m. Public Library, Friend's Room, 1:30 refreshments: showing of the PBS Documentary "One Woman, One Vote." Library will co-sponsor.

On Sunday, August 25 we will celebrate the 99th Anniversary of the ratification of the XIX Amendment. We will have an afternoon reception at the Boone County History and Culture Center, featuring the exhibit: ***At Last Their Work Bore Fruit, Winning the Vote*** - The Missouri Equal Suffrage Movement. We will begin with a sing-along with the Joy Boys, followed by our speaker, Catherine Rympf, MU History Professor, who will speak on U.S. Women's Political History. The Liz Schmidt scholarship will be awarded. Refreshments will be served.

September 16 - "Women's Role in Justice" featuring women judges - 7:00 p.m. (refreshments 6:30 p.m.) - Boone County Commission Chambers. This will be our annual Constitution Day event. AAUW will co-sponsor the event and share the expenses as part of the Holly Burgess Public Policy Forums.

October 29 - Tuesday, Friend's Room, Columbia Public Library, 6:30 refreshments, 7 p.m. program: "Bonded Justice: Race, Class, Gender, and Suffrage." Dr. April Langley, Black Studies Chair & Associate Professor of English and Black Studies at MU will speak about Frances Ellen Watkins Harper, a Black suffragist and founding member of the American Woman Suffrage Association.



November 24 - Sunday 3-5 p.m. Columbia's Holiday Parade Three of us will ride in Todd Crawford's Model T, others will walk along. There may be an additional antique car. The parade goes from the corner of Broadway and College, along Broadway to 6th & Locust - 10 blocks. There will be centennial banners on the model T and carried by some members walking. Contact Pam Springsteel if you wish to be in the parade.

December 7, Saturday 2-4 p.m. Broadway Christian Church, 100th Anniversary Celebration for LWV-Columbia. There will be a proclamation from the Boone County Commission, and we will be requesting a proclamation from the mayor that this be recognized as LWV week. Music will be provided by Mothersingers, and the Liz Schmidt citizenship award will be presented. The President of LWVMO, Columbia Mayor, City Council, Boone County Commission, Friends of the League and members will be sent special invitations. There will be a speaker and refreshments will be served.

December 11, Wednesday 100th Anniversary of the Founding of the Columbia League of Women Voters -Brianna Lennon, Janet Thompson, and Kate Canterbury are planning a happy hour event at Dog Master Brewery, complete with a signature drink to honor the occasion.

This year's mission is to have the Columbia Public School Board name the new middle school on Sinclair Road after Luella St. Clair Moss. Please be prepared to send a letter in support of naming the middle school after Luella. See page one for more details.

— Pam Springsteel, pspring@socket.net

VOTER REGISTRATION OPPORTUNITIES!!



One of our favorite activities is helping to register citizens to vote and we look for opportunities to do this around the county. We are planning the following:

July 12 – Boone Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting.

July 27 – Voluntary Action Center Back to School Event – 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

September 24 – National Voter Registration Day – Columbia Public Library.

If you have suggestions for other locations, please contact Marilyn McLeod, marilyn_mcleod@yahoo.com.

FRIENDS OF THE LWV OF COLUMBIA-BOONE COUNTY

The LWV of Columbia-Boone County recognizes the many organizations and individuals who have helped us educate the public, provided meeting space, and given of their time, talent and treasure to the LWV. Each month we recognize a group of our Friends of the LWV as voted on by the LWV of Columbia-Boone County membership at our Annual Meeting on May 1, 2019. For July 2019 we recognize:

- **Terry Smith** was our Lunch and Learn speaker on “Voter Fraud vs. Low Voter Participation” on September 18, 2018.
- **Gary Oxenhandler** was our guest on the CAT TV show “Jail Overcrowding Study” on August 15, 2018.
- **Columbia Daily Tribune** and the **Columbia Missourian** provided free ads with the purchase of ads, and covered our forums in their newspapers.

Thanks for being a Friend of the LWV!

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ADOPTED BY COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL

On June 17, 2019, the City Council approved and adopted the Climate Action Plan. Over the last 18 months, the Mayor’s Task Force held about 80 subcommittee and full task force meetings, and recommended about 125 actions.

The City Council acknowledged that a group would need to be assigned the responsibility of making recommendations to enact specific actions. A final decision was not made, but the Environment and Energy Commission, with some increase in membership, may be assigned this job. This work will be done in cooperation with City staff who ultimately either enforce regulations or take the action within the specific responsible departments. Implementation of any of the recommended actions will take a vote of the Council in the future.

A year ago the Council adopted these targets:

- **Community-wide Target:** Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions to 35% below the 2015 baseline by 2035, 80% by 2050, and 100% by 2060.
- **Municipal Operations Target:** Reduce GHG emissions associated with City operations by

50% below the 2015 baseline by 2035, and 100% by 2050.

Clearly using more renewable energy to produce electricity — since it accounts for 63% of the total GHG — is required. All three Columbia electric utilities have added renewable energy since 2015. I find one action particularly important: “E-1.3.2 Codify through ordinance Columbia Water & Light’s responsibility to meet 100% renewable energy generation or purchase by 2035, including parameters for the use of Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) and equity and cost impacts.” The existing Renewable Energy Ordinance would need to be modified to “100% by 2035” (from 30% by 2028).

There are significant sources of greenhouse gas which are not addressed in this plan — everything purchased but not produced in Columbia, such as food, clothing, air travel, etc. This all falls upon each of us to address individually.

— Dick Parker, rbparker111@gmail.com
LWV Energy Matters Committee



Upcoming League Events!



JULY 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	JULY 1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Proclamation on 100th Anniversary of Missouri's Passage of XIX Amendment Capitol Rotunda 2:00 p.m.	9	10	11	12 Voter Registration at Boone Electric Coop Annual Mtg	13
14 Film: "One Woman One Vote" 2 p.m Library	15 Board Meeting UU Church 2615 Shepard Blvd 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Voter Registration Voluntary Action Center 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
28	29	30	31	AUGUST 1	2	3
4	5	6	7 LWV on Paul Pepper KBIA 8:50 a.m.	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Board Meeting UU Church 2615 Shepard Blvd 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23	24
25 Celebration of Passage of XIX Amendmt Boone County History and Culture Center	26	27	28	29	30	31

LWV Officers:
 President: Marilyn McLeod (445-3500)
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Member News

Welcome to new members
Kyna Byerly and Barbara Skinner.

In Memoriam - Darwin Hindman

Beloved former Mayor Darwin Hindman (and League member) passed away on June 17th. His amazing legacy of leadership on community betterment projects includes: promoting the construction of Columbia's MKT trail as a pilot rail-trail project and then being the founder and chairperson of the Katy Trail Coalition; creative ideas such as Columbia's deposit ordinance; Columbia's innovative sewage-treatment wetlands; and the building of the ARC, a public recreation center. Other causes he supported included the city's Percent for Art policy; a salt drive for Kutaisi, Columbia's sister city in the Republic of Georgia; co-chairing the Citizens Committee for Soil, Water and State Parks in 1996 and 2006; and the creation of a Race Relations Task Force for the city in 1996. He received numerous awards, including our League's Outstanding Citizen Award (along with his wife Axie) in 2010.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership dues are \$65 for individuals, \$100 for a household, and \$25 for local students. Individual and household memberships also include state (LWVMO) and national (LWVUS) membership.

Send to PO Box 239, Columbia, MO. 65205

Name _____

Email Address _____

Street _____

City _____

State and Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

I am particularly interested in _____.

I would like to receive my Voter by postal mail _____

(Note: Tax deductible donations to the Education Fund should be a separate check payable to LWVMO Education Fund.)



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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LUNCH & LEARN: PROGRAMS TO RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

Our September Lunch & Learn program will focus on this year's One Read book, Jessica Bruder's *Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century* and the struggle by transient workers (of all ages) to survive in this economy and vote.

For October, the L&L will focus on the census. The November L&L will be on historic preservation.

The Lunch and Learn Dates for the Fall are: September 24, October 15, and November 12th at noon. There will no Lunch and Learn in December

For the coming year we are pleased to announce that our Lunch and Learn Programs will be presented in collaboration with the Columbia Boone County Public Library and held at the Library. (A full list of our Fall Lunch and Learn Programs will also be published this year in the Columbia Public Library's Program Guide.)

— Barbara Hoppe

