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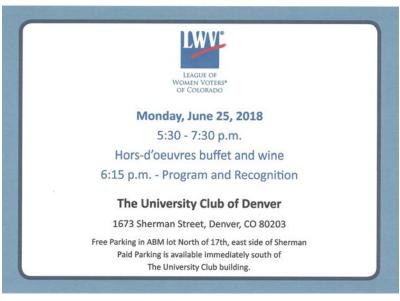
### LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF COLORADO

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#### KEN SALAZAR – LWVCO 2018 LEADER OF DEMOCRACY



The League of Women Voters of Colorado invites you to join us in recognizing
The Honorable Ken Salazar



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Breaking news: LWVCO awarded \$30,000 grant from LWVUS for our redistricting effort!

Stay tuned...

#### President's Message

#### LWVCO 2017-2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

Several issues and activities pushed the state League into responding with an aggressive agenda. Below is a brief description of some of these issues and activities not necessarily in the order in which they were addressed or their priority.

Carrying over from the previous year were three goals adopted by the board. Goal I: This year the state League continues to work with local Leagues on voter registration at naturalization ceremonies. Several sessions are held each month keeping volunteers busy signing up new voters. Goal II: Making Democracy Work®, the umbrella project of the national League and of many state Leagues includes Money in Politics, Constitutional Amendments, and Redistricting. Redistricting was and is the focus of the Colorado League, and we, with a coalition, have successfully placed referred proposals on the November 2018 ballot. Stay tuned for more information on redistricting and what you can do as we approach the election. Goal III: Sustainability of the environment, broadly defined, was addressed mainly by the Legislative Action Committee at the state legislature.

To further Goal III, the state League has requested to join as an *amicus* in a case concerning maintaining a **clean and healthy environment** for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare, or protection of the environment and wildlife resources in the case of mineral extraction. This follows a similar *amicus* brief filed by the LWVUS and the LWV Oregon on behalf of children arguing that since they do not have a vote, they must use the judiciary system to protect the environment for the future.

Early this year, the state League voted to engage in a **strategic planning process**. Realizing this is an ambitious undertaking, we contracted with a strategic planning consulting organization. A survey of local Leagues was conducted, a retreat was held, preliminary task forces and goals were established, and now the board is ready to move into a refining and implementation stage. (See article on page 5.)

As most of you remember, the state League voted to become a single 501(c)(3) organization last year at the state convention. This was the first step; several months were required to put in place all the conversion details.

A recent decision by the board is to **forego paying Per Member Payment** (PMP) for students. In our quest to attract a younger and more diverse membership, the national and now many other Leagues including Colorado have decided to waive the PMP for students until at least 2021.

An issue growing in League support is **National Popular Vote Compact**, an interim step to the direct election of the U.S. President and Vice President. Legislation has been introduced in Colorado in previous legislative sessions, and we anticipate it will be introduced again in 2019. There is a movement to make this a priority at the national level of League as well.

An overall goal is to **modernize and streamline** the League making it more productive and relevant. We also plan to keep League members informed of all state board activities. We are counting on your support and help.

Toni Larson, LWVCO President

#### THE HONORABLE KEN SALAZAR: LEADER OF DEMOCRACY

By Barbara Mattison, Development

The Honorable Ken Salazar, LWVCO's fifth annual Leader of Democracy recipient, is well-known to Coloradans for his successful career in public service both at the state and federal level. He joins previous honorees: Andrew Romanoff, Dottie Lamm, Rebecca Love Kourlis, and Carlotta Walls DeNier.

From 2009 – 2013, he served as the 50th U.S. Secretary of the Interior in the Obama Administration. From 2005 to 2009, he was a U.S. Senator from Colorado. He and Mel Martinez from Florida were the first Hispanic U.S. Senators since 1977. Prior to his election to the U.S. Senate, he served as Attorney General of Colorado from 1999 to 2005. Currently he is a partner in the international law firm of WilmerHale, where he opened the firm's Denver office.

Ken Salazar is a product of the San Luis Valley, born in Alamosa and growing up near Manassa. He is a graduate of Colorado College in political science and received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Michigan Law School. He was later awarded honorary degrees (Doctor of Law) from Colorado College and from the University of Denver.

In 1990, Gov. Roy Romer appointed Salazar Director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources. In this position, Salazar authored the Great Outdoors Colorado Amendment, which created a sizeable land conservation program. The Great Outdoors Colorado program was a model for President Obama's America's Great Outdoors Initiative. During this time, Salazar established reforms that forced mining and petroleum operations to better protect the surrounding environment and he helped plan Denver's South Platte River redevelopment.

As Colorado Attorney General, Salazar led numerous investigations, including into the 1999 Columbine High School massacre. He was awarded the Conference of Western Attorneys General Profile in Courage Award for his work. His office pursued environmental cleanup cases around the state, including the Summitville Mine water contamination case in Rio Grande County, where he helped broker a joint settlement in which the federal and state government shared the \$5 million settlement proceeds.

As U.S. Senator, Salazar was a leading member of a bipartisan group of Senators that developed the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2007, which would have provided a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants and increased funding for border security. That bill ultimately failed. Salazar introduced legislation in the Senate to limit natural gas drilling on the Roan Plateau in western Colorado. This bill increased the amount of acreage on the Plateau designated too environmentally sensitive to drill for gas. He worked to give benefits to Rocky Flats workers who became ill after working at the former nuclear weapons plant.

Salazar and his wife, Hope, have two daughters and one granddaughter. Here's a link to an expanded bio: <a href="http://lwvcolorado.org/lwv/event/leadership-democracy-award-reception-2018/">http://lwvcolorado.org/lwv/event/leadership-democracy-award-reception-2018/</a>

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#### LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE (LAC) WRAP-UP FOR 2018

By Jeannette Hillery and Andrea Wilkins, LAC

As has been said a number of times, the 2018 Legislative session was "strange". The sexual harassment charges put a reserved mood on it; then, at the end, there was a flurry of bills and lots of action. These included many "statement" bills, those that legislators introduce that they know will die either in their house or the other but can show their constituents that they are dealing with issues they feel are important to them.

LAC had fewer volunteer lobbyists, but we were able to address the areas of interest to the League. One area that needs another Leaguer, is social policy. This portfolio follows welfare and other social policy topics. Does this sound like YOU? You do not have to live in the metro area; most committee sessions and hearings are webcast. Call either Jeannette Hillery (303.494.7718) or Deb Gard (720.933.2803) to discuss. LAC also partners with a number of groups and coalitions on a variety of bills, which enhances our impact and effectiveness.

The big push during the session and at the end was all the bills addressing redistricting, mentioned elsewhere in this Voter. The incredible united effort to get these bills referred to the ballot this year was monumental. Congratulations to all.

The work done by Frank Bennett on the Legislative Letter, assisted by Sally Augden, was outstanding as usual. These nine bi-weekly issues can be accessed on the League website, but it is always helpful to have a subscription. As usual, Andrea Wilkins our paid lobbyist was constant and informative on all areas she covered. Deb Gard, LAC chair-elect, was also helpful and added great knowledge.



Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-Being, toured by some Council attendees, is a partnership between the Northeast Park Hill community and the Mental Health Center of Denver. Dahlia offers services based on what the community says it needs, such as preschool, a children's dental clinic, access to fresh produce and health protein, and mental health services.

#### EMPOWER VOTERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Local leagues Invited To Use VOTE411 Voter Guide for 2018

By Anne Thompson and Cath Perrone, VOTE411 Coordinators VOTE411.org is a nationwide online network of candidate and ballot issues information that is made available to all Colorado local Leagues by the League of Women Voters Education Fund (LWVEF) and the League of Women Voters of Colorado (LWVCO).

This year's VOTE411 voter guide will cover all statewide candidate races and provide the pro/con information on all statewide ballot issues. Your local League (LL) may choose to add local races and ballot issues to this guide. Training and continuous support are provided by the LWVCO VOTE411 Coordinators during the election cycle for your local League VOTE411 Coordinator.

The LL Board has complete control over what is entered/displayed in the VOTE411 Voter Guide for their communities. Leagues participating in VOTE411 are strongly encouraged to adopt a set of criteria and operating procedures regarding Candidate Eligibility\* prior to signing up for this guide.

STEPS TO USING VOTE411 VOTER GUIDE for LOCAL RACES & Ballot Issues:

- LL Board identifies a VOTE411 Coordinator and adopts Candidate Eligibility Guidelines.
- 2. LL Coordinator reaches out to LWVCO VOTE411 Coordinators: Anne Thompson at acwt43@gmail.com or Cath Perrone at pcperrone@yahoo.com
- 3. LL Treasurer pays VOTE411 Invoice of \$50 to LWVCO. (FYI Education Funds may be used to cover this fee.)
- 4. LL VOTE411Coordinator schedules training with LWVCO and receives materials.

Notes about Training Session:

- At the training session, the LL Coordinator will be entering into the LIVE system and by the end their local area races and ballot issues will be ready to be published.
- Stable and steady WiFi access is required for the training. Sessions have been held in the past at private homes, libraries, conference rooms and local County Clerk's meeting rooms.
- 5. LL Coordinator prepares and gathers all materials for local races, candidates & ballot issues.
- 6. Training takes place. LL Coordinator invites and tracks candidate responses.
- 7. Local races and ballot issues go LIVE on VOTE411.org (determined by LL Coordinator)
- 8. Advertise VOTE411.org Voter Guide within your community. (Sample materials provided by LWVCO)

\*Sample Candidate Eligibility guidelines are available by emailing gerry.cummins@prodigy.net (Gerry Cummins, LWVCO VP Voter Services).

#### LWVCO STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

By Ruth Stemler, LWVCO Strategic Planning Task Force
Last January LWVCO kicked-off our Strategic Planning
process with the consulting firm of Joining Vision and
Action. (JVA). Over the next several months JVA helped
us collect documents and data on all aspects of our
organization: financial, program, communications,
membership, marketing, fund development, events,
partnerships, human resources, and more. We conducted
models research. This meant interviewing other state
leagues and other similar non-profit organizations in
Colorado, 11 interviews in total. And then we surveyed
our members and leaders to learn our strengths and
potential areas of improvement. Thank you members for
an amazing 32% response to our survey!

After data tabulation and analysis the Board of Directors, one local League leader, one representative from the MLD program, and our office administrator met on April 25<sup>th</sup> for a retreat to develop the Plan. The desired outcomes of our retreat were: to ensure sustained energy, renewed energy, and support for our mission; to build organizational capacity to adapt and lead most effectively in the future; and to increase our impact in Colorado to make a difference in building the active, informed citizenry Colorado needs and deserves.

As a result the Plan we developed focuses on membership, external and internal communication, partnership and collaboration, and fund development for Year One. The Board of Directors is also considering the staffing needs of the state office, conducting a needs assessment for the use of an association management system, and conducting a needs assessment on the training and technical needs of state and local leagues.

Now the hard work begins as the Board of Directors and staff work to develop the Action Plans/SMART\* goals in each of these critical areas for implementation over the next year and beyond. We will continue to keep all members updated.

As we embark on this LWVCO change journey, the Board will embrace the camaraderie and teamwork from the retreat to move through the processes of implementation. We look forward to increased collaboration and input from local leagues. Those attending the retreat agreed that we would like LWVCO to be seen as a "force to be reckoned with." This is an important time for our country. We want our Colorado citizens to know "When our democracy is tested, the League stands up!!"

\* SMART = Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time bound

## REDISTRICTING REFERENDUMS ON THE BALLOT!

By Jean Fredland, Legislative Action Committee
After a year and a half of hard work, LWVCO and a
broad coalition of individuals and groups from all across
the political spectrum, have succeeded in getting two
Colorado constitutional amendments on the ballot. Late
in the session, the Colorado legislature, with the
sponsorship of the leadership of both parties, passed the
referendums without a single no vote in any committee or
on either floor. They are now on the ballot, and we won't
have to spend our summer getting signatures!

They are now officially titled "Amendment Y, Congressional Redistricting" and "Amendment Z, Legislative Redistricting." We can finally forget about all the temporary numbers.

But, our work is not over. Before the election in November, we must be sure that the public understands that these measures are going to improve the fairness in how our representative boundaries are drawn, so as to prevent gerrymandering. It takes a 55% approval vote to change the Colorado Constitution, so we have a challenge ahead. We are hoping that, come late August, each local League will hold town hall meetings and other events to get the word out. The state League is here to help, if needed. Also, the state League is hoping to be able to hold at least one event on the Western Slope, in the eastern plains, and in the southern part of the state. We'll let you know when plans are firm.



Jean Fredlund, LAC, left, presenting Toni Larson, LWVCO president, with an Appreciation Award at Council for her hard work on the redistricting project.

#### LWVCO 2018 COUNCIL RECAP

By Cath Perrone, Admin VP

Thirty-four delegates attended the recent LWVCO Council meeting in Denver with 15 local Leagues represented. The business side of Council resulted in the 2018-2019 LWVCO Budget being approved and the slate of Directors elected into office. In addition, time was provided for discussions to take place among the delegates sharing their past successes and future plans with community outreach and educational efforts and voter service projects. Many delegates came away with a feeling of excitement and positive reinforcement that League is all about Making Democracy Work!

The approved LWVCO 2018-2019 Budget may be requested by contacting the LWVCO office at info@lwvcolorado.org or by contacting your local League delegate. Thank you to **Pat Long**, LWVBC for chairing the Budget Committee, **Linda Porter** for serving as our past Treasurer and **Bonnie Seals** for taking over the position.

The Nomination Committee presented a slate that was elected into office at Council. Thank you to the Committee Members; Chair - Barb Mattison, LWVCO - Marlu Burkamp and Sue Vaughan, LWV Montezuma - Eleanor Kuhl, and LWV Arapahoe/Douglas - Vicki Harimon.

Thank you to LWV Denver members for hosting Council. Because of their dedication and assistance, the two-day Council event was a great success! LWVCO sincerely thanks Marge Fisch, Committee Chair; Peg Oldham, Volunteer and Tour Coordinator; Mina Soltz, Greeter and Goodie Bag Coordinator; Sandra Shreve and Nancy Banks, Registration Assistants; Patty Cordova, Evening Coordinator; Carolyn Medrick, Marcia Verba, Pat Horoschak, Elsie Haley, Marty Sloven, and Barbara Ford, Council Meeting Assistance; and Andrea Mitchell, Tour Driver.

The **Bluff Lake Trail** provided many of the delegates a beautiful natural place to regain their energy. The area supports native short-grass prairie bluffs surrounding a nine-acre lake adjacent to Sand Creek. It is operated by the non-profit Bluff Lake Nature Center, which offers a variety of educational programs.

Some of the delegates took part in a tour of the **Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-Being** hosted by **Jeannie Ritter**. It is a strong partnership between the Mental Health Center of Denver and the Northeast Park Hill community. The campus offers a comprehensive array of services focused on what neighbors report they need: preschool, a children's dental clinic, access to fresh produce and healthy protein, deaf and hard of hearing services, mental health services, and outdoor and indoor community space.

During the Friday Night Celebration Dinner, we looked back on the past year and all that LWVCO had accomplished. **Toni Larson, Jean Fredlund, and Andrea Wilkins** were honored and thanked for all of their efforts that resulted in the redistricting measures on the ballot. Their dedication and hard work over the past year and a half was recognized and applauded by the delegation. **Catherine Lykken**, Routt County member, was honored for 50 years with the League. Her speech can be viewed on our Facebook page.

**Gerry Cummins**, LWVCO 4th VP, celebrated her birthday with the delegates during the Voter Service caucus. We covered the following: the new Automated Voter Registration service was announced and how to fill out the revised form was reviewed along with an overview of VOTE411.org and how it can be used by local Leagues.

**New Era Colorado, Project Manager, Emma Marion,** ended Council on a high note inspiring delegates. New Era works to engage, educate, and train a new generation of active citizens and young leaders in Colorado. And they're all about empowering young people to lead Colorado "not left, not right, but forward." More information on this exciting and groundbreaking group can be found at <a href="http://neweracolorado.org/">http://neweracolorado.org/</a>.

The pre-Council workshop on HOW TO BECOME A 501(c)(3) organization, held prior to the Council meeting by **Louisa Young**, LWVBC, was very well received. Louisa, an attorney, reviewed the steps and shared experiences on this timely topic. Over 15 local League treasurers and interested members attended this training to gain critical information. The materials are available from the LWVCO Office and on our website. In addition, local League treasurers may reach out to Louisa directly with their questions at louisa.young@colorado.edu or call at 303.444.6428.

#### 2018 LWVUS CONVENTION

LWVCO Board members Toni Larson, Ruth Stemler, and Andrea Mitchell, and at least 19 local League members will enjoy the LWVUS Convention in Chicago June 28-July 1. Follow Convention activities day by day on the LWVUS Management website:

http://forum.lwv.org/category/member-resources/council-and-convention/convention-2018

#### LWVCO 2018-2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Front Row: Cath Perrone, Jean Fredlund, Sue Vaughan
Second Row: Ruth Stemler, Marlu Burkamp, Toni Larson, Deb Gard, Gerry Cummins, and Jeanette Scotland
Not pictured: Andrea Mitchell, Lena Brown, Bonnie Seals, Barb Mattison, Patty Schoedler, and Anne Thompson

## MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK® CONFERENCE: Save the Date!!

By Cath Perrone, Admin VP

Save the date to attend the Colorado League annual kickoff event MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK! Conference (formerly League Day). Plan to attend this motivational day of discovery where we will explore and learn how best to defend our democracy and empower voters.

This Conference will be held on Saturday, September 29th at the Holiday Inn - Stapleton Denver East. The all-day event will run from 9 am until 3 pm. Lunch will be included in the ticket price. Open to all. Watch for more information coming out in the next edition of the newsletter.





LYKKEN - 50 YEARS OF SERVICE!

To honor her 50+ years of League service, Catherine Lyyken received an LWVUS certificate and an LWVCO 50-year pin. She joined the Greeley/Weld LWV in 1963. She has been a leader and member in Colorado and New Jersey. Her work includes many Board roles and portfolios. She helped found the LWVCO Northwestern League of Women Voters, which later became the Routt County LWV. As Routt County is mostly a seasonal community, the Routt County League began to lose active members during the 90's, but as a member-at-large with LWVCO, she continues to guarantee a consistent League presence by distributing Ballot Issue pamphlets and giving ballot issue talks, among other things. Currently, a real estate agent, she praises the League for enabling individuals, including herself, to become better informed voters. LWVCO is grateful for all that Catherine has done and continues to do for the League of Women Voters and her community.

You make us proud!

Left: Eleanor Kuhl, Montezuma County LWV Convener, displays The Journal's front page below the fold coverage of the three different forums their League sponsored for town and city council elections in Cortez, Mancos, and Dolores.



More new citizens register to vote! Gerry Cummins, LWVCO Voter Services director, right, teamed with Gladys Hodges and Stephanie Salas, of the Arapahoe-Douglas LWV, for the naturalization ceremony May 14 in Arapahoe County. League members from Adams, Boulder, Denver, Estes Park, Jefferson, and Larimer Counties have also provided support by registering our new citizens to vote. To date since we started in February 2017 we have registered over 800 new citizens at naturalization ceremonies. Kudos to all!

## LWVUS GRANT FOR NATURALIZATION CEREMONIES

By Gerry Cummins, Voter Services

LWVUS awarded a \$900 grant to LWVCO to cover expenses related to registering new citizens to vote. A requirement of the grant is that we register these new citizens by covering at least five naturalization ceremonies. (Note: We have covered at least 10-12 in the last two months.) Because candidates for naturalization come from across Colorado, the local VRD (Voter Registration Drive) coordinator must send the voter registration form to the county of residence within 15 business days. Postage and associated materials can be the primary expense item for a local League. All local Leagues who cover one of these ceremonies in their area are eligible to be reimbursed for their relevant expenses.

#### REFERRED BALLOT ISSUES

By Gerry Cummins, Voter Services

The General Assembly has referred several measures to the November 2018 ballot. All are constitutional changes and will need to pass by 55% as required by Amendment 71 of two years ago. They are as follows:

- Amendment V Proposes a reduction in the age qualification for running for the General Assembly from 25 years to 21 years.
- Amendment W- Ballot language change for judicial retention elections – Under the current language in the constitution, county clerks are required to write a separate retention question for each justice or judge on the ballot for retention. This change would allow county clerks to write a single ballot question for each level of courts. It would shorten and simplify the ballot.
- Amendment X Moves industrial hemp from constitutional to statutory regulation – Changes the definition of industrial hemp from a constitutional definition to a statutory definition and align the definition of industrial hemp in state statutes with the federal definition.
- Amendment Y Congressional Redistricting –
  Establishes a 12-member, independent, citizen
  commission to draw Congressional district
  boundaries. The Commission is comprised of 4
  members from each major political party and 4
  citizens who are unaffiliated.
- Amendment Z Legislative Redistricting –
  Establishes a 12-member, independent, citizen
  commission to draw state legislative district
  boundaries. The Commission is comprised of 4
  members from each major political party and of 4
  citizens who are unaffiliated.
- Amendment A Repeals the exception to the constitutional ban on slavery – Prohibits slavery and involuntary servitude as a punishment for a crime and in all other circumstances.

[Editor's Note: Amendment A was on the November 2016 ballot but was defeated. The Legislature has referred it to the ballot again.]

#### **CATHERINE DECKER 1938-2018**

We read with sadness of the death of Catherine Decker, long-time member of the Denver LWV, on May 16, 2018. According to Bobbie Heisterkamp, Catherine was 'the consummate treasurer, taking turns between the LWVCO and the LWVD over the years. She helped both boards understand their finances in a direct way because of her patient teaching skills.' We are all going to miss her.

## LOCAL LEAGUES MAKE GOOD USE OF EZ AND PROJECT GRANTS

By Liz Nick, Grant Administrator

EZ grants: The Denver League was awarded an EZ grant to host two candidate forums and newspaper ads. Other EZ grants were awarded to Greeley-Weld County for outreach and marketing events and for the purchase of two desktop signs and marketing items for distribution. Larimer County used their grant to purchase and distribute Great Decisions 2018 briefing books to Poudre Valley High School. Mesa County published a civic directory and printed educational materials for distribution at voter registration sites, and paid for venues.

The following Leagues received Project Fund grants for their projects: Chaffee County offered four Drinks & Dialogue events with a focus on voter rights, access and information, with a resulting increase in membership. Pueblo County updated membership brochures, distributed VOTE411 cards, and paid for social media management. Jefferson County used their funds to purchase two add-on website features.

EZ grants are for a maximum of \$300 and Project grants are for up to \$1500. These grants continue to be available in the LWVCO FY 2018-2019. Applications are in the Local League folder in LWVCO Drop Box.



#### **HISTORY DAY AWARD WINNERS**



The League of Women Voters' annual National History Day Award celebrated a poster presentation on "Wyoming Women's Suffrage Movement" created by two girls from Hamilton Middle School, Denver. In addition to their trifold display, the girls made a ballot box that explained that Wyoming women were segregated in voting at that time, with separate ballot boxes for men and women! The girls will share the \$100 prize and they and a parent or teacher will receive LWVCO and local League memberships for one year. Judges for the 2018 LWVCO award were Sonia Koetting, Carol Pace, and Jane Hamburger.

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Left: Andrea Wilkins, left, LWVCO staff lobbyist, receiving an Appreciation Award from Toni Larson, center, and Gerry Cummins for effective successful advocacy in the Legislature.



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#### Calendar

June	11	VOTE411.org Voter
		Guide LIVE for Primary
		Election

26 PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Reminder: No Leadership Retreat this year!

Sept 29 Making Democracy Work® Conference Holiday Inn Stapleton Denver East

Oct 6 VOTE411.org Voter Guide LIVE for General Election

Nov 6 ELECTION DAY