

COUNTIES COLORADO

December 2016

Membership 83

DECEMBER meetings

Unit Meetings: NO UNIT MEETINGS

LWVADC Movie: No movie, coming in 2017

Lunch Bunch: No lunch, coming in 2017

Great Decisions: Friday December 9 at 9:30am Southglenn Library at the Streets of

Southglenn . See more info page 3

December Holiday Party: Tuesday, December 13 at Deb Armbruster's. See attachment.

JANUARY meetings

Thursday, January 5 at 5 p.m. Rendezvous Restaurant in Heather Gardens, 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way, Aurora. Dinner meeting.

Monday, January 9 at 5:30 p.m. at Las Brisas a Mexican restaurant at 6787 S. Clinton St, Englewood 80112 303-792-3212. This restaurant is across Clinton St from the Target in the SE corner of I-25 and Arapahoe Rd.. There will be a 20% gratuity and individual checks.

Thursday, October 13 at 9:30am in the Southglenn Library across from the parking garage.

<u>LWVCO</u> is participating in **Giving Tuesday**, on December 6 you can participate in a worldwide movement by going to the Colorado Gives Day <u>website</u> and scheduling a donation to be made on December 6. Your donation will count toward the LWVCO Education Fund's share of the **\$1 million Incentive Fund!**

Easy online donations: Just go to the Ed Fund's <u>profile page</u> and schedule your donation using the *CO Gives Day* button.

VOTER SERVICE ACTIVITY

You won't believe the Voter Service activities in September and October this fall. The complete list of the Voter Registration Drives (VRD), ballot presentations, a large ballot issue forum and contributions to VOTE 411 and keeping our website up to date is attached.

A huge THANK YOU to our members who provided these services to the Arapahoe and Douglas County citizens. Out mission is to educate voters and we certainly made an effort to do this.

UNIQUE COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

There is still time to do this community activity.

Eaglecrest High School in Aurora will conduct Mock Congressional Hearings as a culminating activity for 254 Sophomore Government students This is a program sponsored by the <u>We the People Center for Civic Education</u>. It's is a chance for students to make the Constitution come to life!

This semester's hearings will be held Wed Dec. 7th, from 7:30 am - 10:45 am. Each judge will be a part of a brief morning training and then take part in judging 5 rounds of hearings. This is experiential civic education at it finest and our community members who volunteer to judge always walk away feeling inspired by our youth's engagement in civic education! We are also in need of classroom mentors during various classes between 11/15 and 12/5.

If you would be interested in coming to judge please contact Lenore Schmitt in the Social Studies Department of Eaglecrest High School lschmitt3@cherrycreekschools.org or 720.886.1112

The school is located at 5100 Picadilly St., Aurora, CO 80015 (this is at Picadilly and Arapahoe Rd east of Parker Rd)

KING SOOPERS CARDS—FUNDRAISING MADE EASY

New, painless "as good as free" fundraiser started this fall! League members are encouraged to purchase and use **King Soopers gift cards** for groceries AND gas at King Soopers or Loaf & Jug stations. You buy the card through League, use it on groceries and gas, and our league gets 5% of the sales. Cards can be reloaded indefinitely. Many local groups have earned a LOT with this painless method, so we're giving it a try. Cards are available now -- call Ann Roux for details 303-674-7163 -- and will be available at unit & general meetings. **Don't buy them at the store directly**, as we need cards registered to our League to get the profit. You will be able to order cards at the Holiday Party and at the January Unit meetings.

GREAT DECISIONS:

The December meeting will be on the second Friday, December 9. The January meeting be on the 2nd Friday January 13. Then beginning in February every Friday. December's topic is Thailand —an Overview.

The popular Great Decisions program meets at 9:30am at Southglenn library in the Streets of Southglenn. The library is located across the street from the parking garage. The program is free and open to the public, but participants are urged to use the Policy's Great Decisions topic book. For more information contact Vicki Harimon vickieharimon@aol.com or 303-770-8738 or Monique Hea at heamph@hotmail.com or 303-220-9273.

HOLIDAY PARTY

On December 13 our annual Holiday Party will be at Deb Armbruster's newly renovated home. This is a great opportunity to get together with other members and their spouses or friends and share some good food and conversation. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Wine and beverages will be provided. Spouses and prospective members invited.

See details on how to get there in the attachment.

JANUARY MEETINGS will focus on the positions LWV has taken in order to educate our members and to promote advocacy. This is a great way to learn about what LWV is all about.

<u>A BRIEF NOTE</u>. For those who know Mary Ann McCoy her longtime friend, Alexander Zuber, Sr., died November 10 (while she was traveling in Portugal). A memorial service is scheduled at St. Thomas Moore on December 6, at 11:00 a.m.

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Mission

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization neither supporting nor opposing candidates, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Join Us

Join the League to help make your community a strong, safe, and vibrant place to live. Help shape the important issues that affect you and your family.

Memberships are \$60 per individual; \$85 for house-holds and \$25 for students. For more information call Jo Ann Feder, 904-608-3932, jolvs10s@gmail.com

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Voter Information

<u>Vote411.org</u> to get information on candidates and more

<u>GoVoteColorado.com</u> to register to vote or make changes in your registration