



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF  
ARAPAHOE AND DOUGLAS  
COUNTIES COLORADO

DECEMBER 2017

Membership 100

**LWVADC's Annual Holiday Party: Monday December 4 at 6pm** at the Batelaur Clubhouse 137 Blue Heron Dr. Greenwood Village. NOTE THAT THE ADDRESS IS **137 BLUE HERON** –NOT 136 which is a private home.

Directions: East from University or west from I-25 on Belleview to Fairfax (1 block west of Holly). If coming west there is a left turn lane but the intersection is a bit dark to see.

Turn RIGHT from the east or LEFT from the west onto Fairfax for 1 short block to Stop Sign.

Turn LEFT onto Blue Heron Drive and follow it around to clubhouse at 137 Blue Heron. The Clubhouse sits diagonally on the southeast corner of Blue Heron & Silver Fox Circle. Park in front of clubhouse or on street.

This has become one of the go-to events on our calendar. Bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert to share. Wine and soft drinks will be provided. This is a chance to renew or meet new acquaintances and have great conversations. Bring a friend or significant other. LWVADC is collecting items for the Severe Weather Shelter Network and are asking members, if they want, to bring adult wool socks or gloves, also adult men's or women's new long underwear in all sizes especially XL or XXXL

**Great Decisions: Friday Dec 8, 9:30am** at Southglen Library Meeting Rm A. The library is on the southside of the Southglen Mall. Hot Topics. Anyone welcome.

**Lunch Bunch:** No meeting this month.

**Movie Night:** Need a coordinator. Call Alice if you would like to help with this activity [alice@ramsisle.com](mailto:alice@ramsisle.com) or 303-841-7839. Be a movie reviewer.

**Voter Registration Naturalization Ceremonies:** no dates at this time, see p. 2

**NATURALIZATION REGISTRATION:** Let the leader know if you want to help: no dates yet so watch for updates coming soon. In November we did 4 events with 3-5 members helping register or passing out registration forms. Watch for notices for upcoming registrations.

Contact Gladys Hodges 915-525-4982 [hgladys5066@yahoo.com](mailto:hgladys5066@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping.

**MANAGEMENT TEAM NEWS:** Karyl Storey and Marilyn Ayers resigned from the Management Team in November. We are sorry to see them go especially Marilyn who has been our Treasurer for many years. She "kept the books" meticulously. Lena Brown, a new member, has agreed to come on the Management Team and will be handling Communications, especially local information. Lena is also new to LWV, works fulltime and is the mother of 2 1/2 year old twins (a boy and a girl). We welcome Lena to the League and to the Board.

The LWVADC has purchased a projector for use at meetings where PowerPoint presentations are made . We were able to do this using King Soopers card revenue. So keep those cards in use—Holiday spending can really add up.

### **KING SOOPERS CARDS—FUNDRAISING MADE EASY**

Call Ann Roux for details 303-674-7163 or [landaroux@comcast.net](mailto:landaroux@comcast.net) . Cards will be available at Meetings. **Don't buy them at the store directly, our League won't get the credit for those cards.** We have earned close to \$1000 this year. Thanks to everyone with a card.

## **OBSERVERS CORP**

If you are interested or simply want more information, call Jo Feder, 904-608-3932 or [joluvs10@gmail.com](mailto:joluvs10@gmail.com) . Simple Observer forms, as well as "how to" information to participate will be made available—no speaking required.

An observation report this week from Jeannette Schwecke cataloged the bad behavior of the outgoing Douglas County Board of Education. Attendance at the swearing in of the new board was severely restricted and security was very tight. Many of those waiting to get in were turned away and forced to wait outside in the cold.

Awareness of this occurrence was not noted in the Denver Post article about the meeting so our observer's report was important in showing the continuing lack of transparency of the outgoing Board.

**EQUIPPED FOR ACTION** is our own action committee and is continuing activity on national issues this winter. Please contact Sonya Pennock at [sonsu@earthlink.net](mailto:sonsu@earthlink.net) or 303-794-0430 or Marlu Burkamp at [marluburkamp@gmail.com](mailto:marluburkamp@gmail.com) or 303-798-2939 if you have not signed up and want to get involved or find out more.

There are only a few more days for Congress to get its business done before the end of the year. This means that there could be a lot of legislation being pushed without much study or information. Find out about this legislation and what you can do to support or oppose it. Please watch for alerts and participate in Making Democracy Work.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Douglas County is working at water planning. The County is not allowing any new development in parts of the western section of the County without proof that renewable or surface (not aquifer) water is available, no more depending on ground water from wells. This action recognizes that ground water should be protected and saved for emergency use. (Contributed by Maggi Markey chair of the Water/Climate Change Committee)

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