



THE VOTER

January 2018 Issue

The League of Women Voters of Arapahoe and Douglas Counties

UNIT MEETINGS -

Program Planning Meeting Topic Info & Date, Time and Location Details for January Unit Meetings



January for League members is traditionally the time we think about Program Planning. This year we plan for the League of Women Voters of the United States national convention in Chicago and our own Annual Meeting in June.

As they did last year, the national LWV is urging us to focus on [Making Democracy Work](#) by emphasizing protecting [Voting Rights](#), improving our [Redistricting](#) process, and pushing back on [Money in Politics](#), as well as related issues. That means that the National League does not encourage us to adopt and push for new national studies. We already have many and they believe that we can be more effective at present by supporting and pushing our existing positions.

However, that does not mean that we can not consider new local studies or working to support our own local positions. Other local leagues around us have planned programs and action on Hunger and Homelessness. What's happening in our counties on these issues? Another huge issue centers on Opioid Addiction. Is the funding for this sufficient or does it need to be increased? These are certainly not the only issues in Arapahoe and Douglas Counties. What do you think?

Bring your ideas for a possible study or a public meeting or a unit presentation to one of our January Units. If you do want to present an idea for a new study, remember that it takes preparation before our June Annual Meeting.

- Will this issue attract people willing to chair and work on a committee.
- Does it duplicate studies that have already been done?
- Is it a governmental issue?
- Is the League of Women Voters the best group to work on this issue?
- Why is it important that the League take this issue on?
- Is another organization already effectively addressing the issue?

While you are thinking about the above, please also take a look at our existing [local](#) and [national](#) positions.

- Are they still valid?
- Do they need updating?
- Do League members still support them?
- Are they too old, too stale?
- Do Leaguers understand what they mean?

In many ways, our January Units are the heart of what we do--a time to have a good discussion about our LWV priorities and activities. A chance to recommend future LWV programs at Units and let Management Team members know what's important to you. We hope to see you there.

Contact Maggi Markey for more information -

Maggi Markey

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EVENING UNIT

Monday, January 8 @ 5:30 PM

[Las Brisas Mexican Restaurant](#)
[Clinton Shoppette](#)
[6787 S. Clinton St.](#)
[Englewood, CO 80112](#)



Las Brisas is southeast of I-25 and Arapahoe Rd.
Go south on Clinton St from Arapahoe Rd. It's next door to Target.

There will be a 20% gratuity and individual checks.

THURSDAY AM UNIT

Thursday, January 11 @ 9:30 AM

[Southglenn Library](#)
[6972 S Vine St](#)
[Centennial, CO 80122](#)



Contact Fay Plummer for more information -

Fay Plummer

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EAST ARAPAHOE UNIT

Thursday, January 11
Dinner & Social Hour @ 5 PM,
Meeting @ 6:00 PM

[Heather Gardens, Rendezvous](#)
[Restaurant Meeting Room](#)
[2888 S. Heather Gardens Way](#)
[Aurora, CO 80014](#)



In December, East Arapahoe Unit members and others conducted two Voter Registration Drives at the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. We also supported the Severe Weather Shelter project by donating gloves, socks, etc., which were collected at the Holiday Party.

Contact Gladys Hodges for more information -

Gladys Hodges

Email: hgladys5066@yahoo.com

OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS -

**Date, Time & Location
Details for Great
Decisions, Know Your
Douglas County,
Lunch Bunch,
Management & Water
and Climate Change
Meetings**





GREAT DECISIONS

Friday, January 12 @ 9:30 AM

[Southglenn Library](#)
[6972 S Vine St](#)
[Centennial, CO 80122](#)

January's meeting will include Hot Topics, assigning Great Decisions Topics and Distribution of Great Decisions Book.

Contact Vicki Harimon or Monique Hea for more information -

Vicki Harimon

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Monique Hea

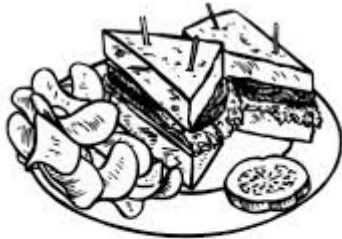
Email: heamph@hotmail.com



KNOW YOUR DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 24 @ 1 PM

Location TBD



LUNCH

LUNCH BUNCH

Wednesday, January 24 @ 11:30 AM

Restaurant Location TBD

Contact Vicki Harimon for more information -

Vicki Harimon

Email: vickiharimon@aol.com



MANAGEMENT TEAM

Monday, January 22 @ 6:30 PM

[Southglenn Library](#)
[6972 S Vine St](#)
[Centennial, CO 80122](#)



WATER & CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 17 @ 1:00 PM

Location TBD

The Committee will interview a Douglas County Water Planner.



2018 LWVCO LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE - Meeting Info, Date, Time & Location Details & Registration Form

LWVCO Legislative Conference

Monday, January 29, 2018

Registration Deadline: Friday, January 19, 2018

\$45 per person

Speakers have been invited to discuss National Popular Vote, Campaign Finance and Renewables. There will be training on TRACER and Twitter, and a Legislative update.

Scottish Rite Temple
1370 Grant St, Denver, 80203

The location is on the SE corner of 14th and Grant. Parking would be available in the Art museum garage.

Doors open at **8am**

Program will begin at **8:30am** and run until **2:30pm**
Continental Breakfast 8am - 9am

Buffett Lunch **Noon - 1pm** (Offering two entrees, salad and dessert)

Check payable to LWVCO or Online Charge Card at www.lwvcolorado.org

Please send a Registration Form regardless of payment type

LWVCO Legislative Conference Registration Form

Monday, January 29, 2018

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018

Registration Fee: \$45.00 includes program, breakfast and lunch

SEND THIS FORM (via mail, email or fax) REGARDLESS OF PAYMENT
TYPE.

Name: _____

Local League: _____

Email Address /Phone: _____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Payment Options:

CHECK payable to LWVCO
ONLINE CHARGE CARD at www.lwvcolorado.org (Events)

SEND THIS FORM (via mail, email or fax) REGARDLESS OF PAYMENT
TYPE.

Mail: LWVCO, 1410 Grant Street, Suite B204, Denver, CO 80203-1855

Email: info@lwvcolorado.org

Fax: 303-837-9917

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE -

USCIS Event Dates and Times & Annual Re- certification Reminder



EVENTS AT USCIS FIELD OFFICES

Below is the schedule for January opportunities to continue our service in Making Democracy Work. We anticipate more of the good drives that we managed and experienced with the newly sworn-in citizens and look forward to working with each of you at some point in the coming year.

- Wednesday, January 10 @ 2 PM
- Wednesday, January 17 @ 2 PM
- Thursday, January 18 @ 2 PM
- Thursday, January 25 @ 2 PM

VRD ANNUAL RE-CERTIFICATION

As some of you already know, the Colorado Secretary of State requires that every Circulator (you) and every Agent (Paula) and Organizer (Gladys) review the training videos and take/pass the tests each year. The address below will take you to the videos and tests. It also provides the Training Acknowledgment document for each of us to download and sign. Then, if you will, please, simply bring your signed Acknowledgment when you come to work at the VRD of your choice. Gladys will keep them on file.

[Voter Registration Drives \(VRDs\)](#)

Contact Gladys Hodges for more information -

Gladys Hodges
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WOMEN'S MARCH

ON JANUARY 20, 2018 -

The League is
Participating!



The Women's March is scheduled for January 20th, 2018 in Denver.

The League will be participating and asking all members to join in for this event. LWVCO will be coordinating a Member Meet-up at the League office prior to the 9:30am start. You can familiarize yourself with the movement's details via the websites of both the Colorado Chapter and the National organization.

Colorado Chapter:

<https://www.marchoncolorado.org/>

Women's March National:

<https://www.womensmarch.com/>



EQUIPPED FOR ACTION -

Latest Updates

We've concentrated on the tax bill lately, but other equally important items of note have happened, particularly regarding immigration policy. That message was sent December 15, 2017.

We are following additional issues that will occur in 2018, so watch your email. We welcome your interest and participation. But please remember the messages you receive are for the use of LWVADC members.

Members are welcome to share this information on a limited basis with friends and families but should not share it with other organizations for publication or further distribution to their members. **When sharing please remove all references(name, logo, official League positions or quotes) to Equipped for Action or the League of Women Voters.** We have initiated this guideline as we want to protect the League's name and ensure the messages are presented in their original manner.

Contact Marlu Burkamp or Sonya Pennock for more information -

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SPECIAL THANKS - Gerry Cummins



Gladys Hodges and the East Arapahoe Unit would like to extend heartiest appreciation for the able and ready support rendered by LWVCO Vice-Chairman of Voter Services **Gerry Cummins**.

Since we began to work with USCIS in February her faithful presence has strongly reinforced our efforts to offer voter registration to the newly sworn U.S. citizens. Not only has she served as liaison between our efforts and the Federal folks, but she always makes sure that we have the supplies we need.

Many thanks to Gerry for her part in a successful year of VRDs by LWVADC.



Item	Date Acquired	Description	Location	Category	Status	Notes
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EQUIPMENT LOG -

New LWVADC Equipment Tracking Process

We've created a shared online equipment log in order to better track the location of our equipment and supplies.

If you are in possession of any League items, please go [here](#) and update the log.

Contact Lena Brown for more information -

Lena Brown

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HELP WANTED - Movie Night

Do you appreciate documentaries about issue that are important to you and probably to most Leaguers? Koelbel Library even has a movie room with large chairs and screen.

If you would be interested in helping out with this let Alice know. We could use a couple of people to help with this.

Contact Alice Ramsey for more information -

Alice Ramsey

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Phone: 303-841-7839

ONGOING INITIATIVES-

**King Soopers Cards,
Observers Corp, Full January
Calendar of Events, Joining
LWV & LWVADC Chapter
Contact Info**



KING SOOPERS CARDS - FUNDRAISING MADE EASY

Cards will be available at Meetings. **Don't buy them at the store directly**, our League won't get the credit for those cards.

Contact Ann Roux for more information -

Ann Roux

Email: landaroux@comcast.net

Phone: 303-674-7163



OBSERVERS CORP

If you are curious, and want to participate and learn at the local level consider participating in the Observers Corp.

As an observer, you will attend governmental meetings, note what happens at the meeting, and report back to the League. By attending these meetings, you and the League, will learn what our government is doing, learn about issues facing our Counties, and if warranted, take action through the League.

Simple Observer forms, as well as "how to" information to participate will be made available— no speaking required.

Contact Jo Feder for more information -

Jo Feder

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JANUARY 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

www.free-private-calendar.com

FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

An up-to-date calendar of all January meetings and events can be found [here](#).



HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

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.

Joining the League of Women Voters is a great way to get involved in your

community and play an active role in our democracy.

Memberships dues -

\$60 per individual
\$85 for house-holds
\$25 for students

Contact Jo Feder for more information -

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LEAGUE CHAPTER INFO & MISSION STATEMENT

To learn more about how to contact our league chapter and management team members, click [here](#).

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.

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 Email  Facebook  Website

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