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Thanks to the Membership!

by Paneen Davidson, Membership Chair

I am writing this as National Volunteer Week approaches – April 12 to 16 – and there is no better time to acknowledge all the volunteers and supporters who make the work of the League possible, both locally and nationally.

The Seattle-King County League could not exist without the many, many hours devoted by volunteers and supporters. League members are some of the most dedicated and committed (and learned!) volunteers I know. They give countless hours in the performance of myriad tasks to help ensure freer and fairer elections and give a deeper understanding of the issues that impact our area and the nation as a whole.

On behalf of the Board of Directors (who are also volunteers) Thank You to all our volunteers for giving your time and talents to the League! Your hard work keeps our organization vibrant and strong and ensures our positive impact on our democracy.

We rely on volunteers at all levels for what we do. I hesitate to name names for fear of missing anyone, but let me try: everyone named in the back of each *Voter* (the Board, Committee Contacts and Unit Chairs) deserve our thanks. And: committee members, those who staff the CIS desk, those who assist with the membership database, those who register voters, speak for the speakers' bureau, moderate or otherwise help with forums. And: those who call their representatives or speak or write letters on action items, those who volunteer at events, forums, and for special

projects in the office. And, and, and...any other people that work diligently on behalf of League that come to mind. Some volunteers are seen often while others make their contributions in the background – but all are absolutely vital to the League. I think we can all see that every area of what we do involves lots and lots of volunteers working separately and together to make things happen. Thank you all!

Involving Members

One of the themes in my Membership column this year has been how to engage more members in League events and activities. We have over 600 members and it would be wonderful to see more of you present at the upcoming annual meeting on Thursday, May 21. At this meeting, in addition to determining the programs and studies for the next year and approving the budget, both of which are very important, we have a chance to celebrate the things we have accomplished in the past year and to honor our 50-year members (four this year!) and to award

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Please join us for our
Annual Meeting
*- as we recognize our members and
 set our plans for the coming year.*
Thursday, May 21, 5:00 to 9:30 p.m.
 at the Seattle First Baptist Church

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Connecting with the Leadership

The Wing Luke “Toast to Our Diverse Heritage!” Event was successful and fun. We honored several community members: State Senator Pramila Jayapal, with a lifetime achievement award for her work with One America; David Perez, an attorney with Perkins Coie, who has worked tirelessly on voting rights issues; and the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), an organization devoted to increasing voter registration and participation among Muslim-Americans. If you missed the event, you missed some exciting and inspiring stories from our award recipients. They were all very supportive of League – what we stand for and what we do. It was a great honor to have State Representative Cindy Ryu of the 32nd district as our Emcee, and King County Assessor Lloyd Hara spoke, saying good things about League and requesting donations. The food was good, the wine flowed and attendees enjoyed the museum, raffle drawings and speeches.

We raised over \$18,000 in ticket sales, donations, sponsorships and raffle ticket sales. With expenses of approximately \$8,000, the result is a net of about \$10,000. Unfortunately, this is less than budgeted. While events are fun to attend and are good for morale and outreach to non-members, they are labor-intensive, and lately have not brought in enough funds to enable us do the things we would like to accomplish.

It has been a challenging year for us budget-wise, as we have had difficulty meeting our fundraising goals. There are several reasons for this: fewer people coming to our events, fewer donations received, especially for TRY, and new sources of revenue are proving elusive. As you will read elsewhere in this publication, our board members have been busy doing the work of the organization, and Allison has been very busy keeping up with us. We have sorely missed having a development chair with the expertise and enthusiasm necessary to assist us in reaching our fundraising goals.

The board has considered several funding options, one of which will be presented at the annual meeting: raising dues. As you may know, \$51 of each member’s dues goes to State and National. When dues are \$60, we are left with just \$9 per member, which is not enough to cover our budget of approximately \$270 per person. If each member simply pledged an additional \$20 per month, the lowest Leadership Circle amount, we could devote all our time to doing what we do best -- registering and educating voters!

Despite our fundraising challenges, we have had a very active year. The many activities performed by our board members, members of our committees and our dedicated volunteers are detailed in this Voter.

The Board decided to present a budget this year acknowledging the challenges experienced in meeting our fundraising goals. Since 2013, expenses have been approximately \$20,000 more per year than budgeted. The upcoming budget includes the assumption that will continue during our 2015-16 fiscal year. If more is raised through fundraising or member generosity then we won’t have to dip into reserves. It is important that you know that we are not in financial trouble; there is a funds cushion of approximately \$180,000.

Please consider additional support to the League in any way you can, by: joining the Leadership Circle, making a legacy gift, adding the League’s name as a beneficiary on your bank accounts, investment accounts or IRAs, or by simply donating additional funds when you are able to do so. Your financial support is very important to our League and its continued viability and we thank you for your help keeping our 95-year-old organization strong into the future!

Ellen Barton
President

May/June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Board Meeting 9:00 a.m.
3	4 Int'l Relations Committee 12:45 p.m.	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Transportation Committee 10:00 a.m.	20	21 Climate Change Comm. 10 a.m. Annual Mtg. 5:00pm	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Education Committee 10:00 a.m.	29	30 Econ & Tax Committee 9:30 a.m.
31	1	2	3	4	5	6 Board Meeting 9:00 a.m.

Units meet on a special schedule - see pp. 25-26

May

Board Meeting
Saturday, May 2
9:00 a.m.
League Office

International Relations
Committee
Monday, May 4
12:45-2:45 p.m.
League Office

Climate Change Committee
Thursday, May 21
10:00 a.m.
League Office

Transportation Committee
Tuesday, May 19
10:00 a.m.
League Office

Annual Meeting
Thursday, May 21
5:00 p.m.
Seattle First Baptist Church

Education Committee
Thursday, May 28
10:00 a.m.
League Office

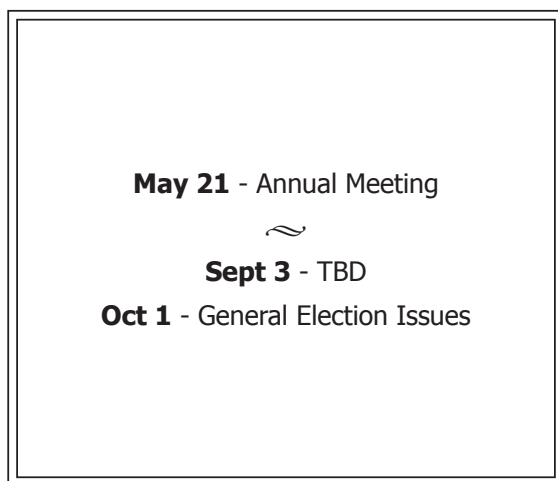
Econ. & Tax. Committee
Saturday, May 30
9:30 a.m.
909 E. Newton #D-9, Seattle

June

Board Meeting
Saturday, June 6
9:00 a.m.
League Office

The Voter Deadline
Monday, June 22

Forum Schedule



The League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County (LWVS-KC) presents a public forum most months between September and May, generally on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Most forums are held at the Seattle First Baptist Church, but occasionally they are scheduled at other locations and times. The tentative schedule of forums for 2015 appears at left; check *The Voter* each month or the LWVS-KC website, seattlelwv.org, for up-to-date information. Past forums are frequently televised and can be accessed from the resources page of the website.

Board Briefs by Amanda Clark, Secretary

The League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County and Education Fund Boards met on April 4, 2015. This is a summary of their work.

As you read this, we will have had our spring fundraiser, but as I write we're still planning all the details, which the Board spent a fair amount of time on. We hope that the attraction of the Wing Luke Museum and the wonderful raffle prizes bring in a good crowd and that fundraising is successful.

Fundraising is uppermost in the minds of the Board members. As you will see in the budget to be presented at our Annual Meeting, we have not been meeting our fundraising goals recently. While we have sufficient money banked to cover our operations, we are looking for new ways to raise money. One plan is to raise dues, bringing us in line with other Leagues around the nation. At the annual meeting you will see what dues are used for, as out of our current \$60 annual dues, \$51 goes to State and National. We've also discussed hiring a part-time development consultant to guide and assist us in fundraising, but a final decision is pending.

Voter Services is gearing up for a busy summer and fall of candidate forums. Because Seattle has gone to district elections for City Council, the logistics are challenging.

The Program Committee is also busy planning forums for next year. Forums in September and October will probably be concerned with elections, but possible subjects for other months include the role of media in elections and government, carbon pricing, the Duwamish waterway, income inequality, juvenile justice, homelessness, and other social issues.

Judy Bevington, co-chair of the Climate Change Committee, attended the meeting to discuss presenting a resolution supporting a carbon pricing system at the State Convention in June. The Governor's proposed carbon pollution cap-and-trade system for Washington polluters did not pass the Legislature. Many environmental organizations are working to implement Wash-

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Board Briefs continued:

ington's emission goals, and the Climate Change Committee thinks League needs to be able to join them in support of carbon pricing—hence the resolution. The Board was asked to comment on the proposed resolution, and also to consider a forum next spring to coincide with an expected initiative.

Jeannette Kahlenberg presented the Nominating Committee's slate for new board members, listed in this issue, as are their biographies, who will be introduced at the Annual Meeting.

Finally, planning for Annual Meeting has begun, and we look forward to an informative and even entertaining meeting. We hope to see you there.

Diversity Policy

The League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County (LWVS-KC), in both its values and practices, affirms its beliefs and commitment to diversity and pluralism, which means there shall be no barriers to participation in any activity of the League on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin or disability.

LWVS-KC recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision-making. LWVS-KC subscribes to the belief that diversity and pluralism are fundamental to the values it upholds and that this inclusiveness enhances the organization's ability to respond more effectively to changing conditions and needs.

LWVS-KC affirms its commitment to reflecting the diversity of Americans in its membership, board, staff and programs.

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our annual Carrie Chapman Catt award – which never fails to be an inspiration to those in attendance. Mark your calendars with the date. If you usually attend, this time please try bringing another member who hasn't been before, and if you've never attended then please consider trying it this year - bring a friend and celebrate our past League year and help determine the next.

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- mittee meeting starts. Only those on the list will be heard, and the number of slots is limited.
- Each person will have two minutes for their statement.
 - If another meeting is going on when you arrive, you may enter quietly and stand along the walls. When that meeting concludes, move to the front and wait for the clerk to bring the Waterfront Committee meeting sign-up sheet.
 - The meeting will not start before 2:30.
 - Someone from League will attend and give the official League testimony. Thus, you are testifying on your own behalf. Please do not mention your League affiliation.
 - Speak up so you can be heard; state your name first, then begin your statement.
 - Your testimony may be as short as you wish or as long as two minutes. It does not need to be written or given to the clerk.
 - The testimony period may be at the beginning or end of the committee's meeting, so be patient, wave your sign, and enjoy helping save park views for us and for generations to come!

Committees

Climate Change Committee

DATE: Thursday, May 21

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: League Office

Speakers: Lisa MacLean, Alliance for Jobs and Clean Energy; Rod Brown, Co-Chair, Governor's Carbon Emissions Task Force; and Joe Ryan, Carbon Washington

Economics and Taxation Committee

DATE: Saturday, May 30

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: 909 E. Newton #D-9, Seattle

Education Committee

DATE: Thursday, May 28

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: League Office

Best Starts for Kids Project Manager Jennifer DeYoung will discuss King County Executive Dow Constantine's plans to expand health and development programs for young children, and to propose a levy in 2015 to fund the program. Also, organizing for the planned study on testing; proposed title: High Stakes Testing: what it is, benefits, losses and costs.

International Relations Committee

DATE: Monday, May 4

TIME: 12:45 – 2:45 p.m.

PLACE: League Office

Transportation Committee

DATE: Tuesday, May 19

TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: League Office

Speaker will be Will Knedlik, a Washington transportation funding practices critic.

Some of our committees do not meet during the summer or their usual times may change. Contact the committee chairs (listed on the inside back cover) or check our website for the latest information.

We encourage participation in our committees by all interested members. It's a great opportunity to meet and talk to community leaders, stakeholder organizations, and experts where you can have direct input on local issues that affect you.

Don't see a committee that covers your issue? Call the office and let us know. Sometimes people are working more informally without regularly scheduled meetings. If so, we may be able to help connect you with them or help you start your own.

Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Updates from our State and National Leagues

All members of the LWV of Seattle-King County are also automatically members of the LWV of Washington and the LWV of the United States, whose work focuses on issues of state and national concern, respectively. Be sure to sign up for weekly email newsletters and/or visit their websites: www.lwvwa.org and www.lwv.org for the latest information.

Olympia and Our Washington

In Washington State, the League of Women Voters has a long history of action. With your help, we've played a lead role in voting rights, campaign finance reform, reproductive rights, establishing the public disclosure commission, redistricting reform and requiring civics in school. Now we are focusing on the need for a new, fair revenue source to fund the *McCleary* decision and other state services, as well as other League legislative priorities. Keep the pressure on the legislature - as the special session starts, call again to let them know what you want to see them work for:

1-800-562-6000 Legislative Hotline

Convention in Yakima is a little over a month away! Interested in being a delegate? Call the office and we'll put you on the list. Members attend at their own expense but we can sometimes help coordinate transportation.

DATES: June 12th-June 14th, 2015

LOCATION: Holiday Inn Downtown Yakima
802 East Yakima Avenue, Yakima, WA 98901

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Early Bird Registration (\$170) will close on May 19, 2015. Thereafter, registration will be \$195.

In addition to the regular business of adopting program and electing a new board, there will be some great workshops, speakers, tours and more. It's also great fun meeting and learning from League members around the state. Details are available on the state League website. Check it out!

National News

At the National offices they are in the midst of a major overhaul of their database of members and donors - this will take over a month so bear with us if queries about membership or donations take a little extra time to answer.

Despite that major project, National continues to follow critical issues such as the Keystone Pipeline (don't forget to reply to the action alert to President Obama) and opposing the so-called Ratepayer Protection Act which would allow states to opt out of the EPA's Clean Power Plan.

Things are also progressing quickly on the national study of the Constitutional Amendment Process which will be a part of our program this coming year.

Voter registration and education is also a big part of National's workload. LWV is one of the key organizers of National Voter Registration Day and provides the framework for the Vote411.org website that we use to provide local candidate and election information here in Washington. We are looking for volunteers to work on both those projects - hours are flexible - so please let us know if you might be interested. Candidate filing week and the official start of election season is this month!

Getting Connected Membership News

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

Genevra Gearhart studied Russian at the University of Washington and at the School of Oriental Languages in Paris, France. She worked for the CIA in the 1950's on the "Berlin Tunnel" project, which was foiled by a Russian mole. Before reconnaissance satellites and other sophisticated systems were operational, wire taps were a means of collecting data about Soviet military capabilities. Berlin was the center of a vast communications network stretching from France to deep within Eastern Europe and Russia. Tunneling from West Berlin into the underground cables in nearby East Berlin was judged to be feasible and hidden from visual surveillance.

Later, she returned to the University of Washington and earned a teaching certificate. She wrote a book describing Russian common knowledge titled, "Russian's World." She married a UW physicist, and raised two children, who reside in Seattle. Her particular interest is "death with dignity," and in joining League hopes to be kept aware of trends in politics, health and education. Genevra says that she, "fails to understand why the lower class does not revolt."

Debora Juarez is an enrolled member of the Blackfoot Nation. As an attorney, she began her career as a public defender, providing legal representation to indigent defendants by day and taking law school classes by night.

Her outstanding legal advocacy was noticed by her peers, and she became a pro-tem judge, then was appointed to King County Superior Court. After her judgeships, Debora was appointed Executive Director of the Governor's Office Of Indian Affairs, where she was a financial advisor on economic development projects that created hundreds of jobs. Leaving there, she started the first Tribal Practice Group in the United States at Williams Kastner, a prominent Seattle law firm. Currently taking on a new challenge, she is running for a local elected office.

Debora has raised two daughters, Raven and Memphis Irene, and lives in Seattle.

Jane Hillman Pelly, a native of Seattle, attended St. Nicolas School before going on to Stanford University. In her first career, she was a personnel manager at Sears, and then started a family. Her children were raised on Bainbridge Island, where she was an active member of the community, serving on the Planning Commission and as treasurer of the Library Board. She was also a member of Children's Hospital Guild, the Seattle Garden Club and on the Board of the Women's University Club.

Time for play includes skiing, golfing and bridge. Jane is a retired realtor now living at Horizon House, where she learned about the League. She is especially interested in the living wage issue, and looks forward to gaining information on current affairs as a League member.

Sue Shaw earned a B.S. in Health Science at San Jose State University and worked in non-profit health care administration for more than 30 years. This included Western Region Planned Parenthood affiliates, and she retired from Kaiser Permanente Medical Group. She currently serves as Secretary to the King County Advisory Council on Aging and Disability Services, and is also on the Council's Planning and Allocations Committee and the Advocacy Committee.

She is a member of Puget Sound Advocates for Retirement Action (PSARA), and the National Alliance for Mental Illness.

With this interesting and productive life, Sue makes time to enjoy Scrabble, swimming, cooking and being Mom to her two adult daughters. She is a member of the First Hill Unit and has already helped with registering voters. In joining League, she looks for opportunities for advocacy legislation and networking with politically-engaged people.

Ann Wechsler is new to Seattle but not new to the League. While working at the University of Utah, she helped coordinate a unit meeting to involve students in Salt Lake City League issues, which proved a good recruiting tool. After retiring, she joined their League Board and served as natural resources chair. The League's conservation concerns in fast-growing Salt Lake City, with its extraordinary recreational areas and beautiful natural surroundings, led to significant collaboration with other local conservation groups. This dovetailed nicely with Ann's long experience as an active member of the Sierra Club.

This February, she went to "the other" Washington to lobby our congressional delegation on public land legislation, America's Redrock Wilderness Act, designed to protect nine million acres of pristine land in southern Utah.

She has previously lobbied on national issues involving the Wilderness Act, the Clean Water Act and public lands that were hotly contested in and around Salt Lake City's hosting of the 2002 Olympics.

Ann grew up in Canada but married an American citizen and immediately chose American citizenship to enable her to vote here. She has been voting ever since, and says, "The League could not be a better organization for promoting participatory democracy." Currently, she serves on Sierra Club's Water and Salmon Committee for Washington State, also attending the Seattle League's Climate Change Committee meetings. She belongs to our northeast Seattle unit, and appreciates "its wide-ranging and lively discussions."

LEAVING A LEAGUE LEGACY – YOUR 'WILL POWER'

The Board of the Seattle-King County League of Women Voters continues to explore different funding options for the League operations, over and above dues and direct cash donations. There will be more information on these options in upcoming *Voter* articles.

In the meantime, please consider becoming a member of the Bertha Knight Landes Legacy Society. This simply entails including the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County's Education Fund in your will, and is one of the easiest ways to help sustain the education and voter service work of the League for years to come without impacting available cash during your lifetime. You can leave a specific dollar amount or you can leave a percentage of your estate.

This Legacy involves having the appropriate language in your will. Suggested language to use is, "I give, devise, and bequeath ___% of my residual estate (or the sum of \$_____) to the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County Education Fund, a civic organization located in Seattle, Washington, with offices at 1620 – 18th Avenue, Suite 101, Seattle, Washington 98122."

If you already have a will, you can have your attorney add a codicil to include the LWVS-KC Ed Fund. If you don't have an attorney, you could contact the King County Bar Association for a referral to a private attorney or to the Elder Care Law Clinic. Or, call the League office for referral assistance.

After you've included the League in your will, contact the LWVS-KC Ed Fund office so that we can list you as a member of our Bertha Knight Landes Legacy Society. Bertha Knight Landes was elected mayor of Seattle in 1926. She was the first woman, and to date the only woman, to be elected to that office.

The League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County Education Fund is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations and bequests are tax-deductible to the extent the law allows. The Fund's tax identification number is 91-1224769.

Features

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE

by Judy Bevington

At our March meeting, Jill Simmons, Director of the Office of Sustainability and Environment for the City of Seattle, presented information about Seattle's progress in meeting climate change goals. Transportation and buildings are the chief contributors to carbon pollution and climate change in Seattle, with cars and freight transportation accounting for approximately 64% of pollution and buildings 33%. Per-person emissions have decreased, but overall reduction goals have not yet been reached. Unfortunately, transportation greenhouse gases have increased by 9%.

Jill stated that we could help by contacting our legislators in Olympia and asking them to create incentives for multi-family housing efficiencies, such as funding for incentives to build appropriately and conserve energy. Population increases will make reaching goals harder. Carbon neutrality, economic prosperity and being climate-ready are goals.

Selden Prentis, of Seattle 350, talked to us about the Trans-Pacific Partnership Trade Agreement (TPP). There are environmental and process concerns; for example, members can sue when they feel their profits have been harmed. Instead of dispute settlements in a regular court, this process would be done by a secret tribunal. The issue is on a fast track for approval, with little opportunity for debate possible. According to Selden, TPP has been negotiated in secret and there is no enforcement funding provided for environmental standards. Only Jim McDermott of Washington's congressional delegation has opposed this so far, but a coalition of groups is sending a letter to the Seattle City Council voicing their concerns.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

by Janet Winans

On March 17, the committee welcomed DeAnna Martin, Community Relations Planner, and Melany Joyce, Accessibility Manager from King County Metro. They presented planning summaries from Metro's work to reallocate resources and routes around Sound Transit stations opening in Capitol Hill and at the University of Washington in 2016.

Sound Transit's (ST) light rail will be the spine of our multi-service transportation network, with hub stations. Land use planning encouraging high-density building near stations is in place; as a result, building has accompanied the stations' development. Transit between stations is designed to be direct, rapid and frequent (at approximately 10-minute intervals) and carry a high volume of riders. Metro is assuming that most riders close to ST stations will switch to light rail, although many will need to bus to the stations, and others not using light rail will continue to use buses.

Metro planners' challenge is to consider the needs of current bus riders during the resource reallocation process, and any redundancies due to light rail. Ms. Martin and Ms. Joyce described Sound Transit's community outreach efforts of focus groups, surveys, and meetings with stakeholders, all of which has provided data for decision-making.

They brought two maps showing potential route changes: "Midday Frequencies" (Alternative 1) and "All-Day Routes" (Alternative 2), which show different ways to meet Metro riders' needs. Alternative 1 is for those wanting the most frequent, fast, and reliable service. Alternative 2 preserves more bus routes for regular, daily use that people depend on. Both maps are user-friendly and intended to stimulate public input. Final changes will incorporate community discussion, analysis, town hall meetings results, stakeholder outreach and on-line survey partic-

ipation.

Both of the maps and some data being analyzed are available online. At this time Metro is seeking input on this information and gathering rider feedback prior to changing routes. Now is the time to interact with them and let them know your thoughts.

More details, the survey and a calendar of events can be found online at: www.kingcounty.gov/metro/LinkConnections. Or, you may email DeAnna Martin directly at Deanna.martin@kingcounty.gov or call her at 206-477-3835. Metro's social media address is #Bus2Link.

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE

by Nancy and Charles Bagley

WATERFRONT PARK REMAINS AT RISK ATTEND THE MAY 18 CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR OUR PARK!

There is a public meeting with Councilmember Godden's Special Waterfront Committee in May, and it is likely that all City Councilmembers will be there. This is an exciting opportunity not to be missed—to provide testimony supporting retention of the city's Waterfront Park views, and we need your help!

On Monday, May 18, SEAS will present their public outreach plan, seeking comments on each of the three options, and also outline their proposed Master Plan for developing the Aquarium over the next 20 years.

Updated Background

Our committee has met with eight of the nine Seattle City Councilmembers and shared our concerns about placing the Aquarium in front of the City park's view. We have cited the many city codes, rules and plans that the Council must overrule or disregard in order to approve the proposed southward expansion: SEPA protection of Waterfront Park's view, SEPA protection of the view from historic landmark Pier 59, the Shoreline Master Program that protects Waterfront Park as a view corridor, the lease that SEAS

signed in 2010 requiring them to preserve view corridors in its Master Plan, the adopted Waterfront Framework Plan that states that the Park will have, "unobstructed views," as well as the fact that the City blocked a prior plan of Pier 57 owners (on the other side of the park) to build a much smaller expansion in front of the Park.

The public has used Waterfront Park for years, and the City's new Waterfront Plan calls for a total Park update with better public access, fountains and art. We believe that it is a public right to enjoy this new park without blocked views by anything, even the Aquarium. We have asked, and will continue to ask, what City codes are for, if not to protect the public's right to full use and enjoyment for all.

Details on the May 18, 2:30 PM Meeting

The May 18 meeting will start at 2:30 pm in Council Chambers in City Hall on the second floor (accessible). Come early, and sit in the front center seats. While members of the Waterfront Committee will be present, it would be a great help if you could also give a short oral statement opposing the south expansion and supporting the other options. Meeting details are below. You may bring signs into the chamber; these should be large and legible with a short message supporting park views, which you can wave periodically. Example: "I love (heart) park views." Turn it around periodically so that TV cameras can catch it. You may speak with reporters and TV people, if you can or if they ask you.

City Hall is located on 5th Avenue between Cherry and James. Entering from 5th Avenue puts you on the first floor (entry may be made from 4th Ave, but it is more difficult.) Council chambers are on the second floor; the person at the desk in the lobby can direct you.

- It is "first come, first heard," so those testifying should plan to arrive at least ten minutes early and sit or stand close to the podium in order to sign up as soon as the clerk brings the list out.
- To testify, you must sign up on the list the clerk sets on the podium before the Com-

BOOK REVIEW by Vicky Downs

THE REPUBLIC OF IMAGINATION By Azar Nafisi

Nafisi wrote *Reading Lolita in Tehran*, in which she showed how discussing Western books together helped her students discover their own worth and affirmed their personal values in contrast to those of a totalitarian state.

In *The Republic of Imagination* she urges us to read fiction and read it deeply, because our own identity and citizenship are at stake. “This crisis besetting America is not [just] economic or political,” she says. “Something deeper is wreaking havoc across the land, a mercenary and utilitarian attitude that demonstrates little empathy for people’s actual wellbeing, that dismisses imagination and thought, branding passion for knowledge as irrelevant.”

One solution, she writes, is in American literature, which she calls our “moral guardian.” She discusses aspects of three novels, showing how each can offer help for these difficult times, and asks us to re-read these books, as they deal with the wisdom of the marginalized, the vagabond, and the “freak”; these are characters who think outside of and against today’s cultural norms.

Nafisi begins with Mark Twain’s *Huckleberry Finn*, and says America “owed its most sacred foundational myth – that of restless individualism – to that orphan boy who’d left home to escape being ‘sivilized’ by his aunt.” In time, Huck decides not to turn in the runaway slave Jim, not because ‘he knowed’ it was the right thing to do, but because it felt right. “This,” writes Nafisi, “is what American individualism at its best is all about – not phony adventurism of the kind advertised by Sarah Palin’s Alaska, but a quiet and unobtrusive moral strength.”

In Sinclair Lewis’ *Babbitt*, Nafisi shows similarities between George F. Babbitt and many modern-day Americans. Babbitt sees himself as a self-made man who through “a gradual sur-

render of the self to a higher ideal” is making money and accumulating things. Much as we yearn for the latest technological gadgets, Babbitt yearned for a Dictaphone “and a typewriter which would add and multiply.”

Babbitt is annoyed that his son has to study “old junk” such as Shakespeare, and wants schools to focus more on useful courses like math and science. Nafisi writes about the “Babbittization” of schools where we focus on teaching to the test, cutting out such ‘extras’ as art, music and sometimes even fiction.

In the section focusing on *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*, by Carson McCullers, Nafisi shows us that the lonely misfits “who do not know how to interact, how to connect, how to communicate are like Americans glued to their smart phones and seem to prefer texting to real-life human beings.”

I admire the way this author braids together ideas about American literature with the lives of her own companions. She likens her best friend Farah, who escaped from Iran where her husband was jailed and executed, to *Huckleberry*, who escapes his aunt’s narrow sense of propriety. She sees a bit of President Obama in Huck, saying, “Obama confirmed my belief that you could cultivate new roots in this land with seeds from another country, that it was possible not to be paralyzed by your past. This was in part Huck’s message.”

I enjoyed reading this book and agree with Nafisi that it is imperative we teach great American literature in all our schools!

Opinions in this review are personal and do not represent those of the LWV.

Annual Meeting



League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County and the Education Fund

Plan to attend the annual meeting of the membership of the League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County. It is here that members decide on the issues that set the direction for the coming year, elect and meet new officers and directors; approve the budget; vote on bylaw changes, and decide on the adoption new studies and positions. While five percent of the membership makes up the required quorum for all votes, a strong grassroots voice requires all members to be engaged.

The Carrie Chapman Catt award will be presented to a member who has contributed significantly to the League over the years, 50-year members will be honored, and our leaders and volunteers will be recognized for their dedication to making democracy work.

The annual meeting provides an opportunity for all of us to regroup and to renew our commitment. It is a time to reaffirm the mission and principles of the League and to set goals. It is only with the continued support and participation of the members and units that the LWVS-KC can realize its mission.

\$15 to attend, includes dinner. Please RSVP to the office by May 18.

Agenda Items:

5:00 Registration

5:30 Call to Order

LWVS-KC Annual Meeting

- Re-adoption of Current Positions
- New Program: Motions to Consider Non-Recommended Program Items

6:30 Dinner

7:05 Carrie Chapman Catt Award

7:15 Musical Performance

7:25 Reconvene

- Adoption of Non-Recommended Program Items
- Election of Officers, Directors and Nominating Committee
- Volunteer Recognition
- Adoption of Budget

8:40 Direction to the Board and Discussion

9:00 LWVS-KC Education Fund Annual Meeting

- Election of Board of Directors
- Adoption of Budget

The complete annual meeting kit with detailed agenda, rules, the Year in Review, announcements, and more will be available a week before the meeting. Members not planning to attend but desiring a copy should contact the office.

Proposed Program 2015–2016

Overview

The League program for the year consists of educational and action forums, along with related discussion topics at the unit level. In some cases, the forums represent the culmination of League studies at the National, state, or local level, and the discussions may lead to new positions. Alternatively, forums may present information or lead to action on existing positions.

Because the League year begins in July, planning for the coming year is a process which begins at the unit level in January. The program chairs prepare a proposal based on responses from not only the units, but also the standing committees and individual members. From the suggestions which meet the criteria listed below, they select those in which there is high interest from the membership. Finally, they choose topics which members have signed up to work on. The last phase of program planning consists of the adoption of the program and approval of any new studies at the annual meeting.

Criteria for Selection of New League Programs

- The issue must be one on which government action is needed.
- The issue must fall within the principles of the League of Women Voters.
- League members must be willing to spend time and effort on the issue.
- League involvement must be expected to make a difference.
- It should be a crucial time for the issue.
- The issue should be a current topic of discussion in the community or able to generate interest from the community.

Tentative Program Schedule for 2015-2016

July: Primary Election

September: Ballot Issues/Candidates

October: Ballot Issues: General Election

November: National Studies - Constitutional Amendment Process & Money in Politics

December/January: Program Planning

February: Media's Role in Government

March: Carbon Pricing

April: Capital Punishment

May: TBA

Types of Programs

Studies: Members of the League propose new studies when they believe existing positions are not adequate to support action in an area that falls within the Criteria for Selection of New League Programs. In addition to meeting all those criteria, successful proposals will have a core study group in place, with a chair on board to set up the study committee and get the study going. The proposals will set out the scope of work to be undertaken, as well as its focus. Studies generally take one or two years from plan to production. A study is just what it sounds like: a careful investigation of a subject. The study committee will read available materials, interview experts, determine what the key questions are and figure out where to dig up the answers. Committee members take on the project because they are interested and consider it necessary, but they approach it with an open mind, not a predetermined outcome.

Updates: An update is a mini-study or report that provides new or additional information of current interest to League members on an issue or topic that has been previously studied. Like studies, updates need to fall within the criteria for the selection of local programs previously cited. In contrast to full studies, updates are meant to be brief and concise reports targeted at bringing new or additional information to light regarding a previously studied topic. They typically take about four to nine months to complete from the initial planning stage to final production.

Hot Topics: Hot topics are designed to be a more flexible, streamlined and sustainable model for producing League program. They are hot button issues that everyone in the civic community is talking about. In contrast to studies or updates, these are not limited to local issues. They may be issues on which the League positions are adequate, but on which action is needed. Or they may be national or even international issues which are of interest to League members. Hot topic programs do not have the stringent requirements of studies and updates. Study materials may consist of existing resources. If the League has positions on the issue, forums do not have to represent both sides.

Non-Recommended Studies

The following study or update topics were suggested at our program planning meetings in January. They are “non-recommended topics,” which can mean either that a proposal was submitted to the Board but was not accepted or (more commonly) that a complete proposal was not submitted within the time allotted. A member, who wishes to propose one of these items or any other, must present in writing a scope and focus for the study/update and the name of a potential committee chair. Adoption of a non-recommended study or update requires approval by a 2/3 majority vote.

- Duwamish River
- Pay Inequality

Proposed Hot Topics

The following potential topics for non-study program items, listed in order of interest, were suggested at our program planning meetings in January. Which items actually appear on the program will depend on the willingness of members to work on them.

- Homelessness
- Media Concerns in Regard to Climate Change
- Taxation/Revenue
- Affordable Housing
- King County Governance
- Duwamish River Update
- A State (Public) Bank
- Juvenile Justice

Nominees for the Board of Directors & Nominating Committee

2014 – 2015 Nominating Committee Report

submitted by Jeannette Kahlenberg, Chair

Officers

President	Amanda Clark	2015-2017
1st Vice President	Ginna Owens	2015-2016
2nd Vice President	Janet Winans	2015-2017
Secretary	Dora Taylor	2015-2017

Board of Directors

Katie Dudley	2015-2017
Zara Kublin	2015-2017

Continuing Board

Paneen Davidson	2014-2016
Pat Griffith	2014-2016
Julie Anne Kempf	2014-2016
Cindy Piennett, Treasurer	2014-2016
Amelia Woolley	2014-2016

Nominating Committee 2015-16

Ellen Barton, Chair
Susan Jones
Carol Goldenberg

Nominating Committee 2014-15

Jeannette Kahlenberg, Chair
Carol Goldenberg
Jeanette Johnson
Amanda Clark
Amelia Woolley

Board Nominees

Amanda Clark, President

Amanda is a relative newcomer to the League, although she has been aware of its good work for many years. After retiring as a technical editor, she became active in Mercer Island civic activities, such as the Arts Council and Friends of Luther Burbank Park. She was involved in reinstating the Candidates' Forum for Mercer Island elections, and tries to attend as many of those as possible.

When a friend invited her to a League unit meeting, Amanda was hooked, and has been active ever since. Serving as Seattle League's Board Secretary for the past two years, she looks forward to continuing to serve.

Ginna Owens, First V.P.

Beginning in the 1960's, the League became the basic catalyst for my understanding, debating, and acting upon issues affecting our democracy's quality of life. Dramatic changes in recent years confront the League with new challenges as we seek to remain relevant and build constituencies that share its passion for good government. I'm delighted to be on hand for that discussion.

My checkered 45+ year professional career in nonprofit management and development along with personal adventures in the theatre have served to strengthen my passion for League. Diverse life highlights include work with Job Corps, Comprehensive Employment and Training, Community Action, Children and Family, Law and Justice, and Immigrant Rights. These life adventures have taken me from Illinois to Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Iowa, and finally, back to Washington.

My baccalaureate degree is in social work and communications with an emphasis on community organization; my graduate work is in institutional advancement.

Janet Winans, Second V.P.

After joining Seattle League, Janet has embraced many of the opportunities available for leadership in our organization: Transportation Committee Chair, Board member, 1st Vice President, Action chair, member of the LWVUS Campaign Finance Task Force and the LWVWA study committee researching the impact on Washington state of the 2010 Supreme Court decision in *Citizens United v. the Federal Election Commission*.

She says, "I came to the League as an anthropologist and an academic, but...I have been...tutored into opportunities for [League] leadership. I celebrate the collaborative intelligence and dedication to our tasks that I get to share here in this center of 'Intelligent Life in the Universe'."

Dora Taylor, Secretary

Dora is an architect, additionally teaching an introductory architecture class to students from third grade through high school.

After joining Seattle League, she became an Education Committee member. She is also a founding member and president of another non-profit education organization. Her passion for writing has resulted in her co-authoring two books, co-editing a nationally-recognized blog, and she is a featured writer for a national magazine. She is also politically active for her party of choice, and recently moderated a presentation for the Washington State Senate.

Katie Dudley, Director

Katie is an Oregon native who was introduced to the League of Women Voters by her coworker, Ellen Barton, and by her sister, former Board Member Katie Bethell. Impressed with the dedication that the League of Women Voters has maintained regarding a variety of social and political issues, she finds the passionate attitude and continued endeavors of its members to be a source of inspiration.

Her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Oregon, is in English Literature and Cultural Anthropology, and her Master's Degree from San Jose State University, is in Library and Information Science. Katie has also lived internationally, teaching for a year in Japan (while there, she made sure to overnight her mail-in ballot to Oregon for the 2008 election!) She also finds time to volunteer at fundraising events in the Washington wine community, and currently works as a paralegal.

Zara Kublin, Director

Zara has lived in several American cities as well as Iquitos, Peru, and Blantyre, Malawi. She has worked as an artist, teacher, and is the mother of four.

She comes from a highly political family who saw civic participation as both a duty and a pleasure. Growing up volunteering along with her parents, who still work for campaigns and causes, Zara was introduced to the

League by her paternal grandmother. Through her, she gained an indelible respect for how the League helped women work together as knowledgeable and engaged citizens. She became a member of Seattle-King County League in 2012, joining the Education Committee.

Nominating Committee 2015-16

Ellen E. Barton, Chair

Ellen is current League President, and has led the Board in developing new fundraising models, taking an active role in providing input into decisions by public officials pertaining to the waterfront, transportation, low income housing and family leave for county employees. In addition, she has recruited new members and inspired other board members to be actively engaged in fundraising, registering and educating voters, and lobbying efforts.

Ellen is a practicing attorney with a focus on elder law, guardianship and trusts. Prior to being elected president in 2013, Ellen was Seattle League's Action Chair and a vice president. Other involvement in League includes work on the Port Study, voter registration, speaker's bureau and moderating forums.

She enjoys skiing, biking and gardening, and lives in Ballard with her cat, Smudge.

Susan K. Jones

Susan moved to Seattle from the East Coast in 1986 and joined the League soon thereafter. However, because of the travel demands of her job at the time, she did not become an active member until the last decade. Most of her career she was a planning and marketing executive for a number of healthcare management companies, and later worked with her husband in their own small business.

She enjoys traveling, gardening, volunteering and walking the dog. Susan has been active in her local community of Seward Park, most notably as a board member of the Rainier Valley Chamber of Commerce. She was also a member of the League's Auction Committee for several years, one of them as its Chair.

Carol Goldenberg

Carol Goldenberg is a Lifetime Member of the Seattle-King County League of Women Voters, having joined Lake Washington East more than 50 years ago. She served on the Board of Directors there as well as in the Seattle League as Vice President for Program. At the state level, she has carried the International Relations portfolio. At the national level, a League task force on national security provided another satisfying opportunity to serve.

Honored with the Carrie Chapman Catt Award in 2004 for long-time League service, her current League activities include staffing the CIS desk office on Friday mornings, welcoming new members and providing biographical information for *The Voter* to introduce them to the membership. For the March 2015 topic of human trafficking, she worked on both the study materials and the forum.

Education Fund Board 2015-16

All nominees to the LWVS-KC Board are also nominated to the Education Fund Board. Only the Treasurer of the Education Fund does not serve on both boards per the Education Fund bylaws.

Donna Price-Sheckler

Donna recently returned to her native state of Washington after living in Kansas, Texas, and then Florida over the past 15 years. She graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles with a major in Political Science, attending law school at the University of Puget Sound (now Seattle University School of Law.)

Over the years, Donna has worked in various parts of the country registering voters, as an elected port commissioner in Washington, as a guardian ad litem, and as a deputy prosecuting attorney. She also spent five years working in the telecommunications industry as a project manager and contract negotiator. She is a practicing attorney, licensed in two states and experienced in both criminal and civil litigation as well as juvenile law.

Donna served on League's Spring Event Committee and has accepted nomination to serve as Treasurer of the Education Fund Board.

Statement of Financial Position LWVS-KC

League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County c-4
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
 Modified Cash Basis
 June 30th 2012, 2013, 2014, April 22, 2015

	Actual 6/30/2012	Actual 6/30/2013	Actual 6/30/2014	Actual 4/22/2015
ASSETS				
Cash				
Checking	74,314	159,326	23,686	18,598
Money Market Savings	38,580	38,607	138,214	143,392
Bridge Fund MM Savings	20,046	20,054		
Bridge Fund CD	49,385	-		
Total Cash	182,325	217,987	161,899	161,990
Acct Recv- LWVSKC Ed Fund	52,168	14,673	50,293	-
PayPal Funds	300			-
Postage Deposit	58	45	45	45
Office Lease Deposit	1,819	1,819	1,819	1,819
TOTAL ASSETS	236,670	234,524	214,056	163,854
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES				
LIABILITIES				
Payroll SUI, L&I Payable	(28)	(36)	-	(4)
FUND BALANCE				
Unrestricted Net Assets	236,698	234,560	214,056	163,858
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	236,670	234,524	214,056	163,854

For the Years Ended June 30th: 2014, 2015, 2016

	2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	YTD 4/22/15 Actual	Full Year Forecast*	Proposed Budget
SUPPORT & Revenues						
Dues	34,564	34,180	35,500	29,230	35,000	40,120
Member Contributions	3,200	2,967	2,500	1,535	2,000	2,500
Nonmember Contributions	500	1,802	1,000	110	500	1,000
LWVS Education Fund	69,500	71,746	97,280	33,919	75,113	97,455
Election Monitoring	300	300	300	-	-	-
Units	2,500	828	500	375	375	-
Interest	50	175	190	178	235	2,000
Miscellaneous Income	100	2,215	12	12	12	200
TSWI-The State We're In	800	673	500	38	150	200
Annual Meeting					1,500	1,500
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES	111,514	114,886	137,770	65,397	114,885	144,775
EXPENSES						
Affiliations						
LWVUS PMP	9,690	8,789	8,800	8,409	8,409	8,500
LWVWA PMP	12,274	10,773	10,775	10,308	10,308	10,775
Total Affiliations	21,964	19,562	19,575	18,716	18,716	19,275
Voter/Citizens Information Svcs						
They Represent You Printing	9,000	11,129	14,000	12,701	12,701	13,000
TRY Distribution	250	193	200	136	136	100
Election Publications	500	241	250	42	100	100
Election Forums	500	70	500	10	75	75
Speakers Bureau	200	501	200	33	150	150
Voter Registration	200	22	200	55	100	100
Voter Services Admin	150	74	100	50	75	75
CIS Desk	50	67	75	50	50	50
Program Administration	500	315	500	129	300	300
National & State Education	400	246	500	500	200	200
Forum Hall Rental	3,500	1,625	2,925	300	2,925	2,925
TV/Video Production	500	327	500	400	400	800
Other Programs as Designated	400	327	400	100	100	100
Civics Education (3)	2,000		2,000			2,000
Women's History Program	125		125			
Other Study & Update Materials	250		250			100
Total Voter/Citizens Information Svcs	18,525	14,810	22,725	13,455	17,312	20,075
Action						
Action - Misc Expense	600	250	600	23	250	300
Ballot Issue Action	200	200	200	-	100	200
State Action	100	100	100			-
Coalition Support & Memberships	450	100	150	100	100	100
Outreach on Advocacy Issues	250	250	250	27	100	100
Total Action	1,600	550	1,300	151	550	700

Proposed Budget LWVS-KC 2015-2016

League of Women Voters of Seattle-King County c-4
Modified Cash Basis

NET REVENUES
For the Years Ended June 30th: 2014, 2015, 2016

	2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016
	Budget	Actual	Budget	YTD 4/22/15 Actual	Proposed Budget
Administration					
General Administration	500	444	450	455	450
President	600	667	450	97	300
Board	500	307	400	346	400
Public Relations/ Outreach	300			375	375
Bulk email service fee	500	713	710	575	665
Unit Organization	150	8		-	-
Voter (Publication & Mailing)	2,750	2,082	3,000	2,354	2,750
Postage	1,600	934	1,600	2,022	2,000
Supplies	1,600	987	1,000	770	900
Membership	1,250	496	250	26	150
Annual Meeting Expense	1,200	972	1,200	-	1,500
Annual Meeting Workbook	150		150		150
Conventions, Nat'l/State	6,000	5,042	5,500	397	6,600
Council, Nat'l/State	500	505	1,300	1,300	600
Total Administration	17,600	13,157	16,010	7,417	16,840
Operations					
Rent & Utilities	28,800	26,400	29,000	24,430	29,900
PayPal/ Cr Card Fees	250	330	300	234	300
Computer Network & Website Host	250	22	200	158	160
Technical Consulting Fees	2,500	1,735	2,000	-	1,000
Telephone & DSL Line	2,750	2,758	2,400	3,764	3,000
Insurance	3,000	2,854	2,900	2,572	2,600
Copier Maintenance	2,750	1,875	1,900	239	2,760
Computer Hard/Software Upgrades	1,500	199	1,000	75	350
Minor Equipment/Furnishings	150	34	100	-	100
Total Operations	41,950	36,207	39,800	31,471	40,170
Staff					
Salaries	39,425	40,343	40,910	35,259	43,500
Payroll Service Fees	1,200	1,256	1,250	1,062	1,185
Consulting Services	7,000		6,500		12,000
Health Insurance	5,200	5,991	5,925	4,989	7,240
Employer PR Taxes	3,550	3,515	3,775	3,074	3,790
Total Staff	56,375	51,105	58,360	44,385	67,715
TOTAL EXPENSES	158,014	135,390	157,770	115,596	164,775
NET REVENUES Increase/(Decrease)	(46,500)	(20,504)	(20,000)	(50,198)	(20,000)

* Forecast is 9 mo's Actual plus 3 mo's forecast

Statement of Financial Position Ed Fund

LWV S-KC EDUCATION FUND c-3
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
Modified Cash Basis
June 30th 2012, 2013, 2014, April 22, 2015

	Actual 6/30/2012	Actual 6/30/2013	Actual 6/30/2014	Actual 4/22/2015
ASSETS				
Cash				
Checking	3,019	8,001	11,063	23,759
Savings	77,903	17,766	48,310	204
TOTAL ASSETS	80,921	25,767	59,373	23,963
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE				
LIABILITIES				
LWVS-KC Payment	52,168	14,673	50,293	-
FUND BALANCE				
Unrestricted Net Assets	28,753	11,094	9,080	23,963
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	80,921	25,767	59,373	23,963

Proposed Budget Ed Fund 2015-2016

LWV S-KC EDUCATION FUND c-3
NET REVENUES
Modified Cash Basis
For the Years Ended June 30th: 2014, 2015, 2016

	2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016 Proposed Budget
	Budget	Actual	Annual Mtg Budget	Board Rev'd Budget * YTD 4/22/15 Actual	
SUPPORT & REVENUES					
TRY/Annual Solicitation	24,000	25,610	25,000	26,000	25,000
Donations	10,000	5,805	5,500	6,500	10,500
Grants	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	5,000
Fundraisers:					
July 2014 Toast Breakfast	45,000	8,249		8,393	-
Nov 2014 Town Hall Event	30,000	21,882	25,000	29,000	30,000
April Wing Luke Event			70,000	29,000	16,000
Total Fundraisers	75,000	30,131	95,000	66,393	46,000
Leadership Circle	35,000	24,820	30,000	30,000	34,000
Interest / Misc. Income	50	22	50	150	50
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUES	146,050	88,388	157,550	131,043	120,550
EXPENSES					
LWVUS PMP	9,690	8,788	8,800	8,500	8,500
Vtr Serv/Prog Hard Costs	18,525	14,810	22,725	22,725	20,075
Shared Admin. Expense	50,975	56,936	74,555	74,555	77,380
Total Payment to c-4	69,500	71,746	97,280	97,280	97,455
General Administration	550	1,364	750	1,400	1,395
D&O Insurance					1,000
TRY/annual solicitation	100	1,117	1,650	1,250	200
Fundraiser Expenses:					
July 2014 Toast Breakfast	10,000	2,671		11,684	-
Nov 2014 Town Hall Event	6,000	4,184	4,000	4,179	7,500
April Wing Luke Event			24,000	4,750	3,500
Total Fundraiser Expenses	16,000	6,855	28,000	20,613	11,000
Leadership Cir/Donor Dev	1,000	533	1,070	2,000	1,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	96,840	90,403	137,550	131,043	120,550
NET REVENUES Increase/(Decrease)	49,210	(2,014)	20,000	-	(8,806)

* Ed Fund's Budget was revised by the Board after the July Toast Breakfast results were finalized.

** Forecast is 9 mo's Actual plus 3 mo's forecast

Unit Meetings

Several units are not meeting this month, most are not meeting in June, and none meet during July and August except the First Hill unit which will continue to meet as usual on the second Monday. June units are listed here as there is no June edition of *The Voter*. The next edition will be out in mid to late July.

The information listed below was current at press time; please contact the unit leaders for confirmation.

MAY/JUNE UNIT MEETINGS

Unit Leader email	Phone	Time	Location	Date
BALLARD/MAGNOLIA/QUEEN ANNE DAY – Alice Peterson				Saturday, May 16
peterson-alice-jack@msn.com	206-524-5530	10:00 a.m.	Hostess: Janet Anderson 4560 W Cramer, Seattle 206-285-2460	
CAPITOL HILL/MONTLAKE –				Monday, May 11 June TBD
	206-329-4848	7:15 p.m.	Hostess: Linnea Hirst 1602 E McGraw St, Seattle 206-322-3076	
FIRST HILL – Joan Lawson				Monday, May 11 and June 8
joanvlawson@gmail.com	206-382-3147	10:00 a.m.	Horizon House, Forum & Social Room 900 University St, Seattle	
ISSAQUAH – Margaret Austin				Thursday, May 21
margaret.austin@comcast.net	425-392-5760	10:00 a.m.	Hostess: Susan Cotterell 1221 - 1st Ave #2013, Seattle 425-392-1868	
MERCER ISLAND – Cynthia Howe				Thursday, June 11
howe.john@comcast.net	206-236-0593		Contact unit leader for details.	
NORTH KING COUNTY – Toni Potter/ Marjorie Hawkes				No dates set
antoniapotter@comcast.net	206-365-8949		Contact unit leaders for details.	
mshawkesis@gmail.com	425-582-2481			
QUEEN ANNE/MAGNOLIA/BALLARD EVENING - Teddy Geokezas and Elsie Simon				Wednesday, May 6
tgeokezas@msn.com	206-782-5036	7:30 p.m.	Hostess: Mary Burki 8706 - 40th Ave SW, Seattle	
elsiesimon@comcast.net	206-283-6297			

MAY/JUNE UNIT MEETINGS cont'd

Unit Leader email	Phone	Time	Location	Date
SOUTH SEATTLE - Marian Wolfe and Vivian Montoya				Saturday, June 6
hedgwolfe@aol.com	206-763-9430	10:30 a.m.	Hostess: Hilke Faber	
montoyaviv@gmail.com	206-695-2620		3921 - 25th Ave S, Seattle 206-723-1646	
SOUTHEAST KING COUNTY/ENUMCLAW - Cathy Dormaier				Thursday, May 28
clcathy@skynetbb.com	360-802-6799	11:30 a.m.	Hostess: Cathy Dormaier	
			42108 - 200th Ave SE, Enumclaw	
SOUTHWEST KING COUNTY				Wednesday, June 17
– Mary Ehlers and Kathy Jorgensen				
maryehlers@comcast.net	253-941-1930		Hostess: Mary Ehlers	
kjorgensen@juno.com	253-859-8349		Contact unit leaders for details.	
WEST SEATTLE				Tuesday, May 12
– Ethel Williams and Pat Lane				
etheljw1@q.com	206-932-7887	1:00 p.m.	Daystar Retirement Village	
plain11@juno.com	206-932-1578		2615 SW Barton, Seattle	

The following units are not meeting in either May or June:

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206-329-4848

Board & Committee Contacts

Term Executive Committee

2013-15	<i>President</i>	Ellen Barton	206-329-4848	president@seattlelwv.org
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2013-15	<i>Secretary</i>	Amanda Clark	206-236-0517	amandac5@comcast.net
2014-16	<i>Treasurer</i>	Cindy Piennett	206-329-4848	cindypiennett@gmail.com

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2014-16	<i>Voter Services</i>	Amelia Woolley	206-329-4848	voterservice@seattlelwv.org

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Note: Board members Amanda Clark and Amelia Woolley have been appointed to serve on the nominating committee.

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LWV SEATTLE-KING COUNTY:

Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 21

5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - Program Begins

Seattle First Baptist Church
1111 Harvard Ave (at Seneca)
Seattle, WA

Accessible entrance on Harvard

\$15 to attend, includes dinner.

Topics include:

- **Adopting the program for the coming year**
- **Election of Board Members**
- **Recognition of Volunteers including the Carrie Chapman Catt Award**

Featuring a performance by:

- **The Raging Grannies!**

Please RSVP by May 18th!