



The Voter

The League of Women Voters of Columbia-Boone County, MO

CANDIDATE FORUM FOR AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION WILL BE JULY 14



The candidates in primary races for the August 2 election will participate in the League of Women Voters Candidate Forum on Thursday, July 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the Columbia Public Library. The primary races and candidates are:

- Boone County Presiding Commissioner – Republican Candidates: Connie Leipard and James Pounds
- Boone County Recorder of Deeds – Democratic Candidates: Shannon Martin, Bob Nolte, and Nick Knoth
- Associate Circuit Judge, Division X – Democratic Candidates: Angela Peterson and Kayla Jackson Williams

- State Representative, District 47 – Democratic Candidates: Adrian Plank and Chimene Schwach

The Columbia Public Library is co-sponsoring our forum. KFRU and KOPN will be broadcasting the forum live. David Lile will be our moderator. The forum will include an in-person audience and a Zoom audience. A link to sign up for in-person or Zoom will be emailed to our members and is also available at dbri.org. Mask policy will be determined by the Library policy at the time of the forum.

— Carol Schreiber, Chair
Voter Service Committee

LWV AUGUST PRIMARY VOTER GUIDE AVAILABLE SOON

The League of Women Voters will be producing a digital Voter Guide for candidates running in contested primary elections. These races include:

- Boone County Presiding Commissioner – Republican Candidates: Connie Leipard and James Pounds
- Boone County Recorder of Deeds – Democratic Candidates: Shannon Martin, Bob Nolte and Nick Knoth
- Associate Circuit Judge, Division X – Democratic Candidates: Angela Peterson and Kayla Jackson Williams
- State Representative, District 47 – Democratic Candidates: Adrian Plank and Chimene Schwach
- Columbia City Council Ward 3 – Karl Skala and Roy Lovelady

We will send the digital Voter Guide to our members and post on our website at lwcabc.org.

— Carol Schreiber, Chair
Voter Service Committee

VOTERS GUIDE FOR THE August 2, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

**Boone County Presiding Commissioners –
Republican Candidates**
**Boone County Recorder of Deeds – Democratic
Candidates**
**Associate Circuit Judge, Division X –
Democratic Candidates**
**MO State Representative, District 47 –
Democratic Candidates**
Columbia City Council Ward 3 Candidates

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is summer, and I hope you are taking time to relax and enjoy it. Since the temperature will be in the high 90's this week, it is a perfect time to stay indoors or sit outside, under the shade of a tree with a cold lemonade, and read a good book.

Looking for a good book to read this summer? Please join the LWVMO for a DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) Book Discussion on Zoom at 4 pm on Sunday, July 24. Pick up a copy of [Dying of Whiteness: How the Politics of Racial Resentment Is Killing America's Heartland](#) by Jonathan M. Metz.

The discussion will address the first chapter of this non-fiction book, which focuses on Cape Girardeau and Missouri's lax gun laws. [Click here to sign up](#). The book is available at many public libraries and sells for \$13-15 on Amazon.

The extremely high temperatures so early in the summer are a searing reminder of the need to do everything we can to address climate change and global warming and its devastating effects worldwide. Please contact me if you are interested in joining our Climate and Energy Committee, we are looking for a few more good members.

On a different note, I hope you watched the U.S. House Committee hearing that was aired on June 8, and the two subsequent hearings since, regarding their investigation of the January 6, 2020, attempt to violently overthrow our government and stop the lawful transition of power. These hearings are continuing and new information will be released.

The testimony of William Barr, Ivanka Trump, Police Officer Edwards, and others, and new film footage are potent reminders that we cannot take democracy for granted and must always remain vigilant in protecting and furthering it. It also made clear the big lie that has been and continues to be perpetuated, which unfortunately has undermined the confidence of many otherwise good people in our election integrity.

The LWVCBC will continue to work for fair and free elections and make voting more accessible to all voters, who have both a duty and a right to have a voice **and a vote** in their government. Thank you for helping us in that effort.

— Barbara Hoppe, President
yesforparks@hotmail.com



HOW TO WATCH LUNCH & LEARN VIDEOS

Do you know you can go to our LWV-CBC webpage at <https://lwvcbc.org/> And by clicking on the VIDEOS tab on the top banner, you will find our past Lunch & Learn presentations.

If you would like to watch one again, or if you missed a Lunch & Learn and want to watch it now, please take a look.

- June - Alternative Voting Methods and Ranked Choice Voting

- May-Social Media and its Impact on Children and Youth
- April-The Sunshine Law
- March-The Columbia City Manager
- February-Renewable Energy

— Sharon Schneeberger

LUNCH & LEARN UPDATE



Our June Lunch & Learn Program was a virtual discussion with Dr. James Endersby, professor of political science at the University of Missouri, on Alternative voting methods and Ranked Choice Voting. This is a timely and important topic, as there may be a Rank Choice Voting initiative measure on the November ballot.

Several alternative voting methods exist. Our League will continue to work on educating people about the various alternative voting options, as well as the one that may be on November's Ballot.

There will be no Lunch & Learn Programs in July and August. We will resume in September and

are now planning programs for the Fall months. If you have a program topic idea please email us at lwvcbc@gmail.com

Lunch & Learn Programs will most likely continue on Zoom for the coming year. At some point, we may have hybrid programs (simultaneously in person and on Zoom).

You can view previous Lunch & Learn Programs at your leisure; links can be found on our website and our Facebook page. Thanks as always to Lauren Williams and the Columbia Public Library for co-sponsoring these programs.

— Barbara Hoppe, Chair
Lunch & Learn Committee

THE LUELLA PROJECT: THE LUELLA CAMPAIGN GOES SOCIAL!

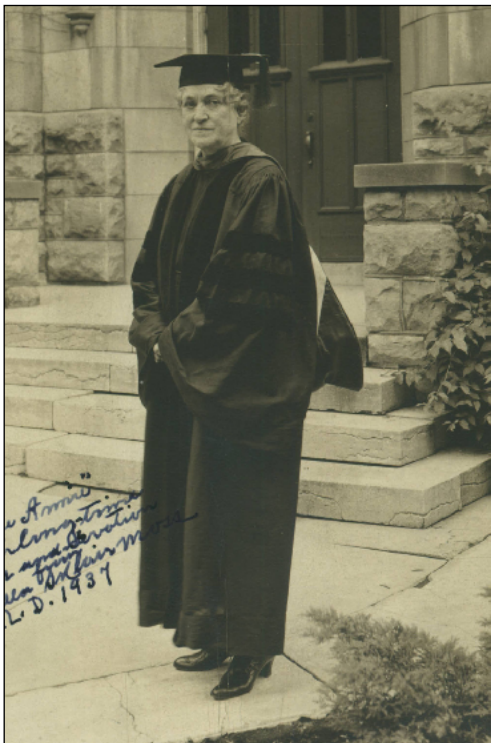
Our campaign to have the next Columbia Public School named after famous Missouri suffragist and first female member of the CPS Board of Education, Luella St. Clair Moss, continues.

The Luella committee has created a Facebook page to spread the word about the League's campaign. The page shares information about Luella and her accomplishments, as well as information about the process of school naming.

With this page, the committee hopes to get the community invested in Luella.

You can help by liking the page and interacting with its posts. You can [find the page here](#).

— Kate Canterbury
Luella Committee



*Luella
St. Clair Moss*

FOR THE NEXT CPS SCHOOL NAME

MEDICAID EXPANSION UPDATE

The average wait time to enroll in expanded Medicaid coverage was 101 days in April 2022. Federal rules give states a maximum of 45 days. The Family Support Division Director has promised an oversight committee that this goal will be reached by the end of July. As of June 1, there were 58,000 pending applications.

Missouri has chosen to review each application individually, rather than using information provided to other federal programs such as SNAP as other states have done. Missouri's customer call center for Medicaid and other state services is overloaded, and the wait time is hours long. The Director pointed to staff shortages as the primary source of the problems.

— Mahree Skala, Chair
Health Committee



MORE LEGISLATION THAT REDUCES LOCAL CONTROL

The Missouri General Assembly passed several bills this spring containing provisions that remove decision-making authority from local governments. This trend toward state control has been accelerating in recent years. Here are some prominent examples:

- HB1606 forbids local building codes from prohibiting certain refrigerants and requires local entities to enforce prohibitions on public camping, sleeping, or obstruction of sidewalks (which some consider criminalization of homelessness).
- HB1662 limits local authority to regulate home-based work through zoning ordinances or regulations. It also prohibits counties, cities, towns, and courts from imposing or enforcing eviction moratoriums.
- HB1667 prohibits any local subdivision from regulating the sale of kratom products or dealers. (Kratom is a leaf used as a sedative

and for opioid withdrawal symptoms; it can cause serious side effects).

- HB1878 places limitations on county clerks and local election authorities; broadens the authority of the Secretary of State to audit voter rolls and remove voters from the rolls; mandates cybersecurity audits; and stipulates ballot/voting machine types. Due to many controversial provisions, including narrow voter ID requirements, this law will likely be challenged in court if it takes effect.

As of press time, Governor Parson has not yet signed any of these bills. If he does not veto them, they will automatically take effect in August.

The legislature also passed several other long "omnibus" bills that may include preemptive provisions.

—Mahree Skala, Chair
State Preemption Committee

TEA FOR THREE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER SUCCESSFUL AND ENJOYED BY ALL

After a few years of 'non-event' fundraisers due to the pandemic, we were happy to have an event for our annual fundraiser. It was a play, as in the past, but this time we were able to combine a play with an online venue. It was very topical for the League since it featured some well-known women from the world of politics.

"Tea for Three" was a filmed performance with actress Elaine Bromka. She presented a monologue by three First Ladies - Lady Bird Johnson, Pat Nixon and Betty Ford, sharing a bit about their histories and relationships with their husbands.

More than 50 people watched it at their leisure over a 24-hour period. Then we had a unique

opportunity to have a live one-on-one with the actress, who was most charming. She shared the story of how she came to do the play and answered questions from the audience.

We raised a little over \$2000 from this event. Thank you to all our members and friends who tuned in, and a special thanks to our underwriters who contributed at least \$100.

We hope you enjoyed the show!

— Marilyn McLeod, Member
Fundraising Committee

**"Tea for Three"
2022 Fundraiser
League of Women Voters
of Columbia-Boone County
Thank you to our underwriters!**

**Kathryn Allen
Elaine Blodgett
Kate Canterbury
Joan Christopher
Win Colwill
Meredith Donaldson
Linda Headrick
Barbara Hoppe
David Leuthold
Marilyn McLeod
Joni O'Connor
Marjorie Sable
Sharon Schneeberger
Carol Schreiber
Mahree Skala
Linda Smith
Janet Thompson**

**And thank you to all our attendees!
We hope you all enjoyed the play!**





Upcoming League Events!



JUNE/JULY/AUGUST 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	JUNE 1 FUNDRAISER TEA FOR THREE 7PM ZOOM	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Lunch & Learn Zoom at Noon	15	16	17 Lunch & Learn Committee 10a.m.	18
19	20 LWVCBC Board Meeting 7pm Zoom	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Education Committee 4-5:30 Library	JULY 1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Candidate Forum 6:30p.m. Library Hybrid: In-person and Zoom	15	16
17	18 LWVCBC Board Meeting 7pm Zoom	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	August 1	2	3	4	5	6 Voter Registration VAC Back to School Event
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 LWVCBC Board Meeting 7pm Zoom	16	17	18	19	20 Voter Registration Indian Hills Park 12-2pm
21	22	23	24	25	26	27

LWV Officers:

President: Barbara Hoppe
(424-9668)
1st VP: Mahree Skala (474-2195)
2nd VP: Sharon Schneeberger
(443-4605)
Secretary: Carol Schreiber
(657-0639)
Treasurer: Ruth Millege (268-9591)
thru 6/22; Elaine Martin starts 7/22.

Elected Directors:

Elaine Blodgett (256-2803)
Kate Canterbury (214-536-1300)
Meredith Donaldson (289-3018)
Linda Headrick
Marilyn McLeod (239-3708)
Rene Powell (864-4087)
Sharon Schneeberger (443-4605)
Pam Springsteel (445-0642)
Diane Suhler (443-0549)

Appointed Directors:

Dick Parker (256-4397)
Zainab Nasim
Terryonna Samuels

Committee Chairs:

Budget:
Civil Liberties: Pam Springsteel
Education: Zona Burk
Energy & Climate: Vacant
ERA: Susan Koenig
Fundraising: Open
Health: Mahree Skala
Hospitality: Pam Springsteel
Luella Committee: Pam Springsteel
Lunch & Learn: Barbara Hoppe
Membership: Meredith Donaldson
Mental Health: Mahree Skala
Redistricting Committee: Sharon
Schneeberger
Speakers Bureau: Open
Voter Registration: Linda Smith
Voter Service: Carol Schreiber

The Voter Editor: Ava Fajen

Local Website: lwvcbc.org
State: lwvmisouri.org
National: lwv.org

Like us on Facebook: "League of
Women Voters - Columbia, MO"

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome to New Member:

Barbara Boshard

Current Membership = 197
Membership Renewal is in November of each year

2022 MEMBERSHIP FORM

League of Women Voters Columbia-Boone County

COME AND JOIN US!

Simply fill out the form and mail to the address below

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

Phone _____

Email _____

First Time Member _____ Renewal _____

Membership dues include local, state and national membership. ***We invite you to add an additional \$22 for 2022 to support the work of our League.**

Individual Dues \$65 _____ ***\$87** _____

Household Dues \$100 _____ ***\$122** _____

New member 30 years of age and under. \$30 _____

Student Dues (Ages 16 to 25) Enrolled FT/PT \$FREE _____

Subsidized Dues (for members on limited income) \$25 _____

Donation to subsidize dues for \$ _____

members who cannot afford membership rates.

General Donation \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to LWV and mail to:

League of Women Voters
PO Box 239
Columbia, MO 65205

Newsletters are sent via email. If you need a paper copy,
please check here _____

**Donation to LWVCBC Education Fund \$ _____

**Donations to Education Fund are tax-deductible. Please
include a separate check payable to LWVEF-MO704



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

League of Women Voters

PO Box 239

Columbia MO 65205

<http://lwvcbc.org>

A graphic with a background of a waving American flag. A large, semi-transparent white circle is centered on the page, containing election information. The text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. In the bottom right corner of the graphic is a circular logo for "VOTE boone BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI".

August 2, 2022:
Style of Election:
Primary Election

Last Day to Register to Vote:
July 6, 2022

Saturday Hours (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM):
July 2, 2022
July 30, 2022

Application Deadline for Absentee Ballots to be
mailed to Voter:
July 20, 2022

Deadline for absentee voting in person in the
county clerk's office:
August 1, 2022

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BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI