



The Voter

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

A MESSAGE TO OUR MEMBERS

First, we hope that this finds you feeling well and safe. That is the most important consideration.

As you know, Columbia and Boone County have issued a stay-at-home order. As you will see in the articles in this issue of *The Voter*, all our in-person meetings which were planned have now been suspended and the concerns over the pandemic have affected all our activities for the foreseeable future. There are a few items that are in play, but for the most part our plans for at least the next month, and sometimes beyond, will be affected. This is an unusual time and we must adapt as needed.

According to our Bylaws, our Annual Meeting is held in April of each year. Obviously, that will not be possible this year. As a result, the board has determined to conduct the business of the LWV by email (and postal mail) within that timeframe. That includes the election of officers and board members and approval of the budget for the upcoming year.

Please know that we are planning an in-person Annual Meeting to be combined with the August celebration of the final ratification of the 19th

Amendment, where we will honor all our past presidents and the recipient of the Eleanor Goodge Award for Exemplary Service to the LWV. We expect this to be in August.

You will find the reports of the Nominating Committee, Budget Committee and a proposed change in the Bylaws on pages 6 and 7 in this newsletter. **We will send a ballot by email** (and mail to those members who don't have email) for your vote in a few weeks. If you have questions or concerns about the contents of those official business items, or if you wish to nominate someone for an office, please respond to this message by April 15, by either email: lwcbbc@gmail.com or by phone: 445-3500 (Marilyn).

We look forward to the future opportunities to gather together again in our common commitment to "Making Democracy Work." We will do our best to keep you informed of any updates or changes.

Take care, please.

— Marilyn McLeod, President

DATE OF APRIL 7 ELECTION CHANGED TO JUNE 2

Missouri's municipal elections have been pushed back to June 2 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The deadline to request an absentee ballot from your local election authority is May 20.

Here is the statement from Governor Parson and Secretary of State Ashcroft:

Pursuant to Governor Mike Parson's Executive Order 20-02 declaring a state of emergency in response to COVID-19 and a request from Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft, Governor Parson today signed Executive Order 20-03 ordering all Missouri municipal elections previously scheduled for April 7, 2020, to be postponed to June 2, 2020.

The Executive Order declares that ballots already printed for the April 7 election may be used at the postponed date of June 2. Voters who have attained the age of 18 by April 7 will be allowed to cast a ballot.

"Given the growing concern surrounding COVID-19 and the large number of people elections attract, postponing Missouri's municipal elections is a necessary step to help combat the spread of the virus and protect the health and safety of Missouri voters," Governor Parson said. "Postponing an election is not easy, but we are all in this together. We are thankful to Secretary Ashcroft and our 116 election authorities for their leadership, cooperation, and commitment to doing what is best for their communities during this time."

The full statement is on the Missouri government website: <https://www.sos.mo.gov/default.aspx?PageID=9820>

If you have questions, you can contact the Boone County Clerk at <https://www.showmeboone.com/CLERK/> or phone 886-4375.

— Marilyn McLeod

MARCH BOARD REPORT

The LWVCBC Board met on Monday, March 16, via teleconference, rather than in person, due to concerns about the coronavirus pandemic.

Our April events at the library, including Lunch & Learn and our Annual Meeting, will be postponed due to its closing, as well as our film program at RagTag Theater, due to the city prohibition of gatherings greater than 10 people.

Pam Springsteel, chair of our Centennial Committee, reported that the Columbia School District provided copies from old Columbia School District board member books that included Luella St. Clair Moss' time on the School Board. This was part of our effort to have the new school named for Luella, although the school ultimately wasn't named for her.

Pam, who also serves as chair of our Fundraising Committee, reported that she is in touch with Columbia Entertainment Company about the June Fundraiser. We also discussed that restaurants will not be in a position to donate food until after this crisis has passed. If necessary, we would have the funds to pay for the appetizers. The Board left the decision up to the Fundraising Committee. (Note: the committee decided to postpone the fundraiser until September. See related article on page 8.)

The Board approved the proposed Budget for 2020-2021 which was prepared by the Budget Committee members, Diane Suhler, Ruth Milledge and David Leuthold. The budget reflects the expected payments needed to pay our dues to the state and national League, based on the number of members on January 31 (175). A few changes were suggested by board members. The proposed budget will need to be approved by the members by email (and postal mail, for those members who don't have email). A copy of the proposed budget is included on page 7.

The Nominating Committee, composed of Joni O'Connor (chair), Meredith Donaldson, Ruth Milledge, Peggy Placier, and Lael Von Holt, presented the proposed slate of nominees which was approved by the Board. The members will need to vote approval of this slate. You can find the nominations on page 6.

Several members, including several past presidents, nominated Pam Springsteel as this year's recipient of the Eleanor Goodge Award. The Board approved that nomination by unanimous consensus. More information about this Award is provided on page 3.

Mahree Skala, chair of our Health & Mental Health Committee, has been working with the Children's Grove. They have asked us to cosponsor an event during "National Kindness Week" and to provide some financial support for the event. They have scheduled speaker Dr. Anand Chockalingam who will be speaking on emotional and mental well-being and heart health. The program was scheduled for April 30 at the Columbia Public Library, but that date may need to be changed due to the pandemic. The board approved an allocation of \$100 to support this program.

We had scheduled our Annual Meeting for Monday, April 27 at the Columbia Public Library. The library has canceled the room reservation. According to our by-laws, members must vote on the business of the League during April. Members are required to vote on any bylaws changes, budget, and the nomination slate at our Annual Meeting. Since our meeting is postponed, we will vote by e-mail (and postal mail, for those members who don't have email).

The presentation of the Eleanor Goodge Award to Pam Springsteel will be made at the in-person Annual Meeting whenever it is held. The Board discussed waiting until August to coincide with the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment ratification. We will keep members updated.

Meredith reported that nine new members attended the New Members Welcome meeting at the end of February along with several veteran members. We had a lot of good discussion. It was great to meet such enthusiastic members, all with very impressive and interesting backgrounds. That meeting was followed by the National Program Planning meeting where 12 members responded to the questions posed by national LWV.

We will need to cancel our Lunch and Learn for April and will try to (Continued on page 5)

UPCOMING LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAMS

Tuesday, April 14, 2020 - CANCELLED DUE TO CORONAVIRUS We will work on rescheduling this for the Fall.

RMF Community Bail Fund: Why Bail Keeps Poor People in Jail

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 - Still scheduled.

12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.

Columbia Public Library Friends Room

Topic: “ Diversity & Inclusion“ Part I -

Guest Speaker Kari Utterback

2019 Columbia Values Diversity Award winner

Kari has worked extremely hard at promoting social diversity and cultural understanding in our community. She is a leader in the “Building Inclusive Communities” training program at the City of Columbia. It offers training for employees and members of partner agencies and encourages a cultural paradigm shift through discourse on compassion and acceptance. The program provides a film series, a read-and-discuss book series, and guest lecturer events.

Tuesday June 9, 2020 - Still Scheduled

12:00 noon-1:00 p.m. -

Columbia Public Library Friends Room

Topic: "Diversity & Inclusion" Part II -

"Improving participation & engagement with voters"

Guest Speaker: Nikki McGruder, Director of the Inclusive Impact Institute

Nikki is a dynamic, knowledgeable and engaging speaker. She will focus specifically on inclusivity and diversity as it relates to increasing voter participation and engagement.

NO LUNCH AND LEARN PROGRAMS ARE SCHEDULED FOR JULY OR AUGUST, however, should we need to cancel the May and/or June programs, we might reschedule those in July and August. We will keep you informed.

— Barbara Hoppe, Lunch & Learn Chair

PAM SPRINGSTEEL TO RECEIVE ELEANOR GOODGE AWARD

We are very pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the Eleanor Goodge Award for Exemplary Service to the League of Women Voters is Pam Springsteel.

Pam is a long-standing member of the League of Women Voters. She well understands the LWV's basic mission: Empowering Voters and Defending Democracy.

Most notably, for the past eighteen months Pam has served as Chair of the 100th Anniversaries Committee in celebration of the establishment of the LWV and the ratification of the 19th Amendment.

Under her leadership many excellent educational programs and special celebrations have been presented for our membership and the community to enjoy. The gala reception at the Broadway Christian Church last December in celebration of our League's centennial was



outstanding, with over 100 attendees. Another memorable event enjoyed by all was the recent Equali-Tea at the 1st Baptist Church in honor of Susan B. Anthony's 200th birthday. Pam is at the helm for other events to come, especially in August when we will celebrate the centennial of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. In addition to leading these events and even more upcoming, Pam has served on the League board for many years, and has chaired the Fundraising Committee and the Hospitality Committee.

For her leadership in this 100th year celebration of women's right to vote as well as all her other contributions of time and talent over many years, Pam has shown Exemplary Service to the League of Women Voters.

We will present the Award to Pam at our Annual Meeting, date and location to be announced.

— Marilyn McLeod

EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT UPDATE

The number of states nationally that have ratified the E.R.A. has now passed the required minimum number (38). Legislation that would eliminate the timeline that was in the original wording has passed the U.S. House but is waiting for approval in the U.S. Senate.

The LWVUS is encouraging the League in each state that has not yet ratified the E.R.A. (the last twelve states, including Missouri) to work toward ratification of the amendment with a show of solidarity.



Our E.R.A. Committee has members from the League and other organizations. We are in the preparation stage for raising public awareness of the Equal Rights Amendment by public speaking engagements. In addition, we are working toward a fundraiser to engage people of different ages here in mid-MO to stimulate the required energy to move us to ratification of the amendment in the Missouri Legislature.

— Teri Miller, ERA Committee Chair

FAIR MAPS: A REPORT ON MARCH 2 LUNCH & LEARN

The Lunch & Learn program on Monday, March 2, 2020 focused on “Fair Maps”. About 30 people attended, both League members and non-members, as this was a public program cosponsored with the Columbia Public Library.

Marilyn McLeod, LWVCBC president, presented information about how gerrymandering impacts the voters. If legislative maps are fair, then it seems reasonable that the percentage of legislative districts represented by the various political parties should reflect statewide votes. She compared statewide elections, such as the Governor races over the years, and whether legislative districts reflected the statewide votes. If there is as much as a 20-30% difference in the two numbers, then it seems that gerrymandering of the districts does not reflect the will of the people. A very high number of districts no longer have competitive votes.

We also submitted a letter to the editor to the “Columbia Missourian” on the subject. It appeared in the newspaper on January 31, 2020. Here is the text of that letter to the editor:



“Missouri voters have spoken in a clear voice. They want voting maps that are fair to all. Missouri voters overwhelmingly passed Amendment 1 in 2018 to assure that.

Known as “Clean Missouri,” Amendment 1 ensures that neither political party gets an unfair advantage when district maps are drawn.

Most Missourians believe election results should broadly reflect popular support. They weren’t confused when they voted to have parties represented in the General Assembly in about the same percentage as their share of votes statewide.

In November 2018, 51% of citizens voted for the Republican U.S. Senate candidate, repeating almost exactly the results in the November 2016 statewide races for governor and U.S. Senate. You would expect these percentages to be mirrored in the General Assembly. Instead, one political party holds supermajorities, 70%, in both the Missouri Senate and the House of Representatives. Gerrymandering helped cause this, and it’s a problem for both political parties. Our state — our citizens — deserve better.

There is no public outcry demanding a return to the old system when lobbyists and unaccountable politicians held the power. With Amendment 1, that power is with the people.

Redistricting happens every 10 years based on census counts. Now Missouri lawmakers want to throw out Amendment 1 before giving it a single chance.

Clean Missouri was a great victory for the people. To finish the job, we must loudly and clearly tell Missouri lawmakers to honor our vote.

Please contact your state senator and representative today. Urge them to defend Amendment 1. Your vote counted. Act now to safeguard that vote.”

— Marilyn McLeod



Susie Adams, Elaine Blodgett, Kaye Mallory, Kate Canterbury, and Zainab Jasim pictured at the New Member gathering at the Columbia Public Library on February 20. Nine energetic, interesting new members joined several longtime members to get better acquainted and learn about how our League does its work.

BOARD REPORT (CONT'D)

(Continued from pg. 2) reschedule the topic (Bail Bonds) for a future date. Hopefully, the May 12 and June 9 L&L's will be held as planned. Barbara will get the committee together in April to plan for the fall. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Barbara, at yesforparks@hotmail.com

Members were concerned about what would happen with the April 7 election. After the meeting, the governor ended that conundrum by postponing that election until June 2nd. See article on page 1.

All our planned voter registration opportunities have been cancelled until further notice.

The date of the LWVMO Conference was moved from May 30 to August 29, and it is expected to be in Jefferson City.

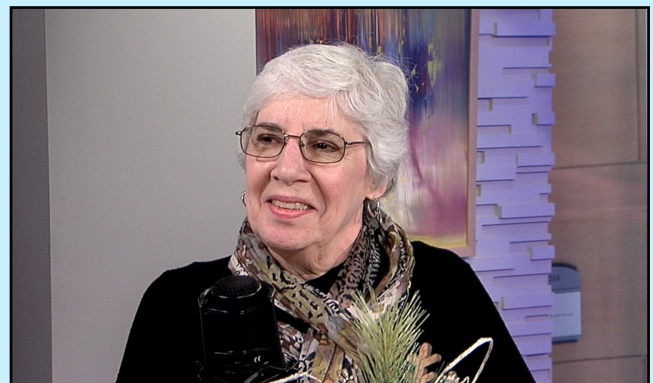
Despite the looming health crisis, and right before everything was about to be shut down, we were able to host two events that were part of our Centennial celebration. The first was the "History of Women at the University of Missouri" by Mary Beth Brown on March 11; about 40 people attended. The second event was Angelica Carpenter, the author of *Born Criminal* about Matilda Joselyn Gage, on March 12, which was attended by about 30 people.

Vote411 Update – Mahree reported that the candidate responses were published. Only three candidates responded, but we thank Mahree for her hard work to get us on VOTE411. We have bumper stickers promoting this service (thanks to a state LWV grant) which we will make available when things are back to normal.

LWVUS Convention – As of now the LWVUS Convention is still planned for the end of June. We expect Kate Canterbury and Ruth Milledge to be our delegates.

As noted above, details about many of our plans are in flux, which is not a surprise. We will do our best to inform members about any updates.

— Marilyn McLeod, President



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The LWVCBC Nominating Committee (Joni O'Connor, chair, Lael Von Holt, Peggy Placier, Meredith Donaldson and Ruth Milledge) presents the following slate of officers, board members, and members of next year's Nominating Committee to be voted on by the membership:

LWVCBC NOMINATION SLATE

Officer Nominees for 2010-21

2nd Vice President - Diane Suhler

Treasurer - Ruth Milledge

Board Member Nominees

Kate Canterbury

Susan Clark

Meredith Donaldson

Sharon Schneeberger

Mahree Skala

Rene Powell (1 year term ending 2021)

Nominating Committee

David Leuthold, Chair

Rachel Brekhus

Joan Mudrick

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

The unusual situation we are facing has led the LWVCBC board to approve a change in the bylaws, which we are submitting to the membership for approval. The change is actually an addition to the bylaws which may be used in the event of an emergency situation, such as we are facing today. The new text is in italics (below).

Article VII - Meetings

Section 2. Annual Business Meeting. The Annual Business Meeting shall be held between April first and May first, the exact date to be determined by the board of directors.

a. In the event of an unexpected emergency which would prevent an in-person Annual Meeting between April first and May first, a vote of the membership may be held by email, mail or phone on the business of the League, or the Annual Meeting may be rescheduled to the first available date, based on the decision by the Executive Board as the best option under the circumstances of the emergency.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

Members of the Budget Committee (Diane Suhler, chair, David Leuthold, and Ruth Milledge) prepared the proposed budget for 2020-2021. Our fiscal year is July 1-June 30.

The budget is displayed on page 7.

Please note that the line item for fundraising for the next fiscal year is double the amount of previous years. This is because we will be postponing this year's (2020) fundraiser until September which will put it in the next fiscal year, with the assumption that we will have a fundraiser again next June.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2020-2021

Proposed Budget for FY 2021 and Proposed and Actual Budget for FY 2020			
	2019-20	2019-20	2020-21
	BUDGET	TO DATE	PROPOSED
Income			
LWVMO Education Fund	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,400.00
Member contribution	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,425.80	\$ 1,000.00
Member dues	\$ 8,100.00	\$ 8,992.69	\$ 9,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 125.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Income from Play*	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,000.00
From Savings	\$ 939.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Centennial Donations	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,217.98	\$ 300.00
Other Contributions	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 100.00
	\$ 16,014.00	\$ 12,736.47	\$ 19,900.00
Expenses			
LWVMO Education Fund	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,400.00
Advertising, awards, scholarships	\$ 800.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 350.00
Board	\$ 250.00	\$ 3.80	\$ 350.00
Bulletin	\$ 500.00	\$ 461.85	\$ 600.00
LWVMO Dues	\$ 2,990.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 3,400.00
LWVUS Dues	\$ 4,624.00	\$ 4,400.00	\$ 5,540.00
Meetings, Lunch&Learn, Fundraisers	\$ 500.00	\$ 70.27	\$ 400.00
Membership	\$ 150.00	\$ 202.92	\$ 600.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 250.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.00
Natl convention	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00
Post office	\$ 400.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 400.00
State convention, council	\$ 350.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 350.00
Voter Service	\$ 350.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 350.00
Centennial Events	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,724.41	\$ 500.00
	\$ 17,464.00	\$ 11,803.25	\$ 15,890.00
* FY 2021 includes two years' income; having this year's fundraiser in Sept. puts it into the next fiscal year.			
Membership 2020 = 176 + 6 Life members.			

BATTLE HIGH STUDENT DESIGNED NEW “I VOTED” STICKER

Muriel Williams Battle High School, which opened in 2013, is Columbia’s newest high school and has a very diverse population due to the wide attendance area. Battle High School was named for a strong female leader in Columbia, Muriel Williams Battle, who serve in several leadership roles in Columbia Public Schools.

Battle High School strives to follow the values of Ms. Battle with honoring diversity and giving leadership opportunities to students. Two such opportunities are the student-developed and student-led clubs, Girl Strong and Battle Political Action Club (B-PAC). B-PAC was developed six years ago by a group of students who were interested in discussing politics in a diverse setting instead of individual and partisan groups. B-PAC has had guest speakers from state government from all political parties, in addition to organizing voter registration drives each year. B-PAC also hosts the annual Veteran’s Day assembly which has grown each year.

Girl Strong, Battle’s newest club, was developed by two Juniors to give female students a place to not only find their power, but to exercise it as well. Girl Strong participated in the Women’s March this past January; organized free feminine hygiene products for female students; helped plan and organize Women’s History Month activities including the sale of t-shirts. BHS is in the third year of producing a Women’s History Month t-shirt, an endeavor organized by two Junior Advanced Placement teachers, with all profits given to True North. Girl Strong has able to donate \$450 to True North from the 2020 t-shirt sales which is something they are extremely proud of it. The slogan of the t-shirt, “She Voted”, honored the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment.

Battle High School is also proud of the level of civic engagement of its students. Nevin Dubinski, a member of B-PAC, was selected as one of the two Missouri representatives at Boys Nation in July 2019. Most recently, Audrey Cornell, a member of both B-PAC and Girl Strong, had the winning design for the newest “I Voted” sticker which debuted at the



March Primary Election. Ms. Cornell also helped to design the 2020 Women’s History Month t-shirt. Battle students have also been very vocal about the recent and unequitable boundary changes. The students at Battle are empowered to participate in civic engagement and have their voices heard. Ms. Battle would be proud of the students who strive to follow her strong example.

— Susie Adams,
Social Studies Department Chair
Muriel Battle High School

FUNDRAISING/PLAY COMMITTEE UPDATE

The fundraising/play will be delayed because of the coronavirus. Our committee has decided to have our fundraiser reception before the Wednesday, September 30, play “Arsenic and Old Lace.” The ticket price will be \$30/ticket or 4 for \$100.

“Arsenic and Old Lace” is a frenzied, hilarious, madcap black comedy. It depicts a drama critic, who learns on his wedding day that his beloved maiden aunts are homicidal maniacs and that insanity runs in his family.

We are hoping to add donations of beer to our reception this year. We have put the plans for donations of food from local restaurants on hold at this time.

Our decisions depend on the conditions regarding the pandemic going forward, so stay tuned.

We are so looking forward to being together in person again!

— Pam Springsteel, Chair,
Fundraising Committee

LWV Officers:

President: Marilyn McLeod
(445-3500)
1st VP: Barbara Hoppe (424-9668)
2nd VP: Diane Suhler (443-0549)
Secretary: Carol Schreiber
(657-0639)
Treasurer: Ruth Milledge
(268-9591)

Elected Directors:

Kate Canterbury (214-536-1300)
Susan Clark (446-1678)
Meredith Donaldson (289-3018)
Elaine Blodgett (256-2803)
Sharon Schneeberger (443-4605)
Mahree Skala (474-2195)
Pam Springsteel (445-0642)

Appointed Director:

Dick Parker (256-4397)

Committee Chairs:

100th Anniversary: Pam Springsteel
Budget:
Census: Carol Schreiber
Civil Liberties: Marilyn McLeod
Clean Missouri: Sharon
Schneeberger
Education: Open
Energy & Climate: Dick Parker
ERA: Teri Miller
Fundraising: Pam Springsteel
Health: Mahree Skala
Hospitality: Pam Springsteel
Membership: Meredith Donaldson
Mental Health: Mahree Skala
Speakers Bureau: Open
Voter Service: Carol Schreiber

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Local Website: lwvcbc.org
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Member News**Welcome to new members:**

Julie Cook
Mary Cunningham
Kaye Mallory

176 Total 2020 Members: 118 Single Members;
58 Household Members (29x2); and 6 Life Members

We had a great turnout of 9 energetic, interesting new members at our new member gathering February 20th. Carol and Meredith with the help of other members helped the new members learn about how our league does its work.

One new member was recruited by her son in Austin, TX who said she should join the LWV! Three reported that Marilyn's letters to the editor motivated them to contact their legislators and to join our League. The new members have interests in voter services, legislative action, mental health, environmental protection, the history of how the women got the vote, and the 100th anniversary.

2020 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership dues are \$65 for individuals, \$100 for a household, \$25 for local students, and **(NEW) first year \$30 for new members 30 years of age and younger.** Individual and household memberships also include state (LWVMO) and national (LWVUS) membership.

Send to PO Box 239, Columbia, MO. 65205

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Email Address _____

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I am particularly interested in _____.

I would like to receive my *Voter* by postal mail _____

(Note: Tax deductible donations to the Education Fund should be a separate check payable to LWVMO Education Fund.)



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UPDATE: 100TH ANNIVERSARY LEAGUE CELEBRATIONS!

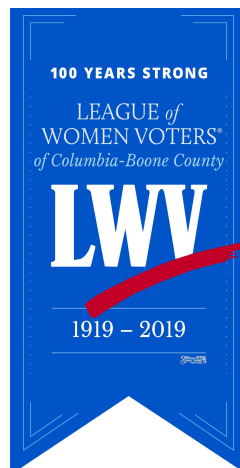
As of the date of the publication of this issue of *The Voter*, the two centennial exhibits are currently closed due to the pandemic. Check the websites updated information as to the schedule for re-opening of the exhibits.

Suffrage exhibit - "She got the Vote". Boone County History and Culture Center, 3801 Ponderosa. The center is open Wed.-Sat., 11a.m.- 4:30p.m. and Sunday noon-4:30pm. The exhibit will be open until September 2020.

March 14-July 25, Exhibition: "Missouri Women: Suffrage to Statecraft," Center for Missouri Studies, Art Gallery, First Floor, 605 Elm Street.

Please keep in mind that the following events may be subject to change.

May 8, 2020, Friday, Odyssey Concert, 7:00 p.m. (6:45 preconcert). Women Composers of the 19th, 20th, and 21st Century. Varied ensembles will perform works by Graznp



Bacewitz, Amy Beach, Libby Larsen, and Clara Schuman. First Baptist Church, 1112 E. Broadway.

June 2, 2020, Tuesday, 6:30pm, Ragtag Cinema, "Year of the Woman" starring Katherine Hepburn. Underwritten by Janet Thompson.

June 30-November 9, Museum of Art and Archaeology, exhibit "American Women Artists since the Vote" Museum hours: Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, noon-4pm.

July 4, Saturday, Kickoff of Bicentennial of Boone County. Noon, reenactments at Columbia Cemetery; 4 p.m., Courthouse Square, Stephens College Theater Dept. , reenactment of Boone County women: Thomasina Talley Green, Maude Adams, Joan Crawford, Rebecca Boone, Sarah Whybark, Shirley Hardwicke, Helen Stephens, Barbara McClintock, Ann Hawkins Gentry, Ann Covington, Muriel Battle, Laura Ingalls Wilder.

August 26, Wednesday. League Celebration of final ratification of the the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment. And our Annual Meeting. Performance by the Stephens College A Capella choir. Location TBA.

— Pam Springsteel, pspring@socket.net