

LWW LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS[®] OF SOUTHWEST MISSOURI

The Voter

THANK YOU 2023-2024

We express our deepest gratitude to Sherry Buchanan and Emily Fessler for your outstanding leadership, unwavering dedication, and timeless efforts in steering our collective vision forward.

Throughout your tenure as co-presidents, you have exemplified the true essence of teamwork, collaboration, and commitment. Your ability to inspire, motivate, and unite our members toward common goals has been nothing short of exceptional. Your leadership has left an indelible mark on our organization.

2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT


We are thrilled to share with you our latest Annual Report for 2023-2024. This document encapsulates our journey over the past year, highlighting key achievements, milestones, and initiatives that have shaped our organization. Your continued involvement has been instrumental in driving our progress, and we are excited to share this snapshot of our journey with you. [Click here](#) to view the entire report.

LWVMO SPRING CONFERENCE

We hope that you plan to join us at the LWVMO Spring Conference on June 8 in St. Louis! It will be held at the Ethical Society (and also online).

**KNOWLEDGE IS POWER:
We have a lot of work to do!**

2024 LWVMO Spring Conference



Where: St. Louis
When: Saturday, June 8, 9 am to 3 pm

Topics include: Election Security;
How to be the Face of the League;
Library Censorship; Youth Voting; and
League Work on Initiative Petitions

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Watch for registration information at LWVMO.org

To register, go to [LWVMO Spring Conference | MyLO](#). Registration is \$40 for in-person participation that includes lunch. You can also join by Zoom for just \$10.

The Ethical Society is located just west of I-64 at 9001 Clayton Road between McKnight and Brentwood. The Brentwood Drury Inn has double rooms for \$175. Other nearby lodging options include the Clayton Plaza, Courtyard Marriott and Homewood Suites.

MEMBER UPDATES

If you have a new address, phone number or email since you joined the League, please update it to continue receiving communications from the LWVSWMO. [Click here](#) to update your contact information.

VOTER AND ELECTION SERVICES UPDATE

May began with the yearly Wilson's Creek Naturalization Ceremony and ended with our first registration event for the summer held at the Saturday Farmers' Market on Republic Road. Registrars provided registration opportunities during Artsfest and persevered during the Sunday rainstorms. Residents at the Waterford Senior Living Center had an opportunity to update/register to vote and folks were happy to receive information about absentee voting and the Permanent Disabled voters list. Registrars were available for voter registration during the May O'Reilly Center Day of Hope Event. We were also present during the "Pints with Promo" event at the Golden Girl Rum Club on the Square.

The History Museum's "Civics on the Square" presentations continued during May with three civic engagement programs for community youth. The League provided an opportunity for participants to "register to vote" and then vote on a "community issue".

Primary Election Day palm cards are available. Contact Joan at joangentry2012@gmail.com if you would like some for distribution. We need to have the new cards distributed to county libraries and other locations.

PROGRAM / POLICY PLANNING

The Policy Positions team will continue our work this summer. If you have ideas about policy positions or would like to join the work team, please contact one of following: Ann Elwell, Marge Bramer, Cindy Mueller, or Sherry Buchanan.

RADIO PROGRAM

Have you listened recently to our weekly Making Democracy Work program on KSMU radio? The League hosts a weekly program, every Monday at 9:45am, on KSMU 91.1FM. In case you missed the most recent episodes, you can click here to browse through the archives for topics you might want to listen to now: [Making Democracy Work](#).

May 6: [Families are unaware of benefits of palliative hospice care](#)

May 13: [Good Dads program in Springfield focuses on helping men be better fathers](#)

May 20: [What is the difference between misinformation and disinformation? Drury University professor explains.](#)

May 27: [Options are limitless to connect with others - combating isolation and loneliness in the world of social media](#)

TURN UP FOR ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE

This spring the League launched One Person, One Vote, our long-term campaign to build the movement to end the Electoral College. Together, we will move our nation beyond the archaic Electoral College and toward true representation.

Join the LWVUS as we are bringing together a panel of experts to speak to our Convention audience. We will be [live streaming this panel here on Facebook](#) and invite you to join us in hearing them share their views on why the Electoral College has existed for so long and how we will dismantle this system and build a democracy powered by the people, for the people, ALL the people.

Moderated by:
Celina Stewart, Chief Counsel, LWVUS

Panel:

Na'ilah Amaru, Advocacy & Policy Strategist
Carolyn Dupont, University of Kentucky professor, historian around Electoral College
Keesha Gaskins-Nathan, Program Director, Democratic Practice- US, Rockefeller Brothers

UPCOMING DATES

Deputy Registrar Training

Community Room B, The Library Center
Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 1:00pm
Friday, September 13, 2024, 10:00am

LWVMO Spring Conference

Saturday, June 8, 2024, 9:00am-3:00pm
Location: The Ethical Society
9001 Clayton Rd. St Louis, MO 63117

Ozarks Pridefest 2024 – It’s Giving: Revolution

Saturday, June 8, 2024, 12:00pm-6:00pm
Education Booth – The Importance of Voter Registration, 2:00-2:30pm
Downtown Park Central Square

SWMO’s Largest Juneteenth Celebration

June 14-16, 2024

Facebook Live: Turn Up for One Person, One Vote

Thursday, June 27, 2024, 7:00pm-8:30pm EDT
Facebook Live

Trash Pick-Up Dates

Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9:00am
Saturday, November 2, 2024, 9:00am

