

Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE:

All events on this page have been called off or postponed. Please see Co-Presidents' Note on page 1 of this document

Celebrate 100 Years of Voting and Advocacy:

Friday, March 27, 7:00 pm, Montview Blvd. Presbyterian Church, Denver, CO

Making Democracy Work Award Ceremony for Kathy Wright:

Wednesday, April 1, 4 – 6 pm, Cheyenne Country Club, Cheyenne, WY

Board Meeting/s (tentative schedules):

Mondays, April 06, 6:30 pm, Law Offices of Pence and MacMillan, 501 Garfield, Laramie. Office and conference room are handicap accessible. All members are welcome*

Case Study Method – a presentation by Meaghan Todd on Equal Rights Amendment

Monday, March 30, 7:00 pm, Albany County Public Library, Laramie

LWV-Laramie Annual Meeting 2020:

Saturday, April 25, 8:00 am, Methodist Church, 1215 E. Gibbons, Laramie, WY. Includes breakfast hosted by Board (details on Page 5 of this newsletter)

LWV-WY State Convention 2020:

Saturday and Sunday, May 2 and 3, hosted by Cheyenne LWV in Cheyenne. Details on registration - in LWV-WY [website](#)

LWV-US 54th National Convention 2020:

June 25 – 28, Washington DC

***Recurring events:**

Board meetings every first Monday of the month at 6:30 pm, Law Offices of Pence and Macmillan, Laramie WY

Coffee and Conversation every Wednesday 5 to 7 pm at Night Heron Books and Coffee House, 107 E. Iverson. Laramie, WY

Thoughts from the Co-presidents: “League in the Time of Coronavirus”

Coronavirus' impacts are extensive and global and we all bear a responsibility to do what we can to protect and care for ourselves and for every individual worldwide.

To this end, The National League is focused on accessible safe voting:

“... calling for states to expand absentee voting and extend deadlines and dates as needed during the primaries. This request also extends to the general election. Now is the time to prepare and support voters so that they can cast their ballot in elections later this year”

The National League is asking state and local leagues to support their communities and provides the following link to a blog regarding safe voting in upcoming elections:

Voting in the time of Coronavirus

Locally, our league members are considering what sort of response/action we should take to inform our community of recommended precautions and how they can help others, especially direct assistance to those most impacted by this pandemic. We shall ramp up our social media voice. For now, you might use:

- [Boomerang online](#)
- [Laramie Live online](#)
- [NPR WY COVID-19](#)
- [Laramie Downtown](#)

Please contact your league leadership with your ideas.

We have a board meeting scheduled for April 6 and our annual meeting for April 25. We will likely either cancel both or hold them as a phone/internet conference where members connect to the meeting by phone or internet.

Please check your e-mail for further information.

Best regards to all,

Nancy Lockwood, Lynne Ipiña
LWV Co-presidents

Dear LWV-Laramie Members : Coronavirus

Please be aware of the uncertainty of any scheduled meetings at this time due to the pandemic. Members/friends should check their e-mail and the League's [Facebook](#) and [web page](#) regularly for information about any changes to how the meetings will be held to maintain safe social distance. They may be cancelled, postponed or held by phone or internet conference.

Co-presidents note on Coronavirus

Due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus), we are suspending the Wednesday 5:00 PM coffee conversation meet-ups at Night Heron until the CDC deems it safe to congregate together. We could consider a virtual meeting at this time in the coming weeks.

Best to all - and hoping you stay healthy.

*Nancy Lockwood
Co-president, League of Women Voters of
Laramie*

LWV-Laramie Board Meetings :

First Monday of every month at 6:30 pm

Open to all LWV members
Guests and guest-speakers with prior
approval, are welcome

Upcoming Events This Year (Look for Email- Announcement)

Spring 2020 Community Cleanup

It is the Election Year:

- Candidate Forums and discussions in the Summer and Fall of this year, co-sponsored by the LWV-Laramie and Albany County Public Library
- Voter Guide will be published in the Boomerang Newspaper

2020 Glass Recycling

Wyoming Conservation Corps (WCC) is excited to announce that they will be holding seven glass recycling events throughout March and April.

The WCC will collect glass in the Wal-Mart Parking lot on the following days:

Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.;
Sunday, March 29, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.;
Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.;
Sunday, April 19, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.;

The WCC will also hold a glass collection in Simpson's Plaza on the University of Wyoming Campus on the following day:

Wednesday, April 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

For more information contact wcc@uwyo.edu or visit [uwyo.edu/glass recycling](http://uwyo.edu/glass%20recycling)

*Katie Morgan
LWVL Treasurer*

Current LWV-Laramie Board Members

listed on Page 17 of this document

LWV-Wyoming State Convention

May 02 and 03, 2020
Cheyenne, WY

Postponed/possibly web-conference due to Coronavirus

Stay Tuned for updates by
email/Facebook/Website

Please contact Treasurer Katie Morgan,
to find out more information

Invitation to Join LWV-Laramie Board

Dear Member of the Laramie League of Women Voters,

As a member you obviously support the mission of the League of Women Voters to promote an informed and responsible electorate, and you also have a keen interest in local, state and national issues. How do you express that interest and support the League? The Laramie League board of directors needs more participation in a variety of areas including:

- Serving as secretary. (Our #1 priority)
- Serving as a director on the Laramie or Wyoming State League board.
- Working on the election year Voter's Guides published in partnership with the Laramie Boomerang prior to each election.

- Organizing public meetings on topics of interest to the community.

Something you think should be done but that isn't mentioned here? Tell us.

Please let your Nominating Committee know right away!

Sonya Moore
Sidney Walter
Amy Williamson)

September 1870 - A Momentous Month in Laramie, WYOMING

On September 6, 1870, Louisa Swain of Laramie stopped at a voting station on her way to pick up the morning's milk. She cast her ballot immediately, thereby beating 27-year-old Cheyenne resident Augusta Howe to become the first woman to vote—by 30 minutes. James H. Hayford, editor of the *Laramie Daily Sentinel*, proudly reported the event the next day as: "Yesterday, for the first time in the world, Wyoming put into practice the theory of female suffrage. ... There were ninety-three ladies voted at the polls in this city. ... The polls here were opened at just as early an hour as, by the fastest time, the law would permit, and as soon as they were declared open, Mrs. Louisa A. Swain, a lady seventy years of age, walked up and deposited her vote."

Hayford grew passionate and poetic. "And that first little slip of paper which ever fell from the hand of a woman into the ballot-box—that all potent talisman against oppression and wrong, 'Which executes the freeman's will, As lightnings do the will of God' may be fraught with interests as momentous as the booming of the first gun in the slaveholder's rebellion."

This was but one sign of the progressiveness of the young town of Laramie, established just two years earlier. Also in September 1870, nine days after Swain voted, an announcement appeared in the *Sentinel*. "TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—All those who are interested in the formation of a Literary Society are invited to be present at the Schoolhouse on Tuesday evening, Sept. 19th, 1870, at 7½ o'clock."

A Literary Society in a remote wild west town might sound like a harebrained scheme or a practical joke, but no. The citizens who gathered at the schoolhouse were serious about cultural advancement, and the Wyoming Literary and Library Association (WLLA) was born. It would serve the community well, providing educational and entertaining lectures and debates; and, more far reaching, a library. Books were available on loan to members (\$2 to join, \$1 per quarter thereafter), and all residents were welcome to visit the reading room, which featured the latest issues of popular periodicals, including *Scribner's Monthly*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *Harper's Weekly* and newspapers from major cities in the eastern U.S.

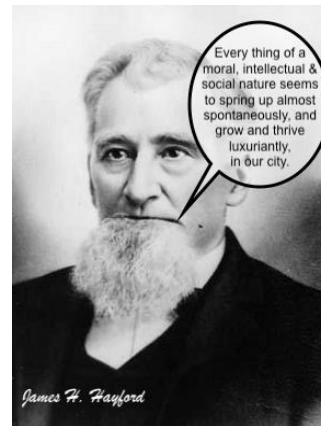
That November, suffrage hero Louisa Swain again made news, this time as a speaker in one of the WLLA's earliest programs. "The meeting of the Literary Association on Wednesday evening was well attended. These gatherings are rapidly gaining in popular favor," reported Hayford in the *Sentinel*. "An essay by Judge M.C. Brown upon the subject of Charity, was among the best things on the programme. The article by Mrs. Eliza Boyd, upon the mental culture and the improvement of time was an able essay ... and Mrs. Swain read Poe's *Raven*, with a great deal of taste [italics added]." Ever the booster, Hayford concluded that "of all the sources of instruction and amusement which our town furnishes, there are none which excel these literary gatherings."

Not long after, Swain and her husband moved back to Maryland, where she stayed until her death in 1880. But women's suffrage and the WLLA lived on in Laramie, though not without threats of demise. Late in 1871, Wyoming women almost lost their right to vote when the legislature passed a bill to repeal it. But Governor Campbell vetoed the bill, and though the House successfully voted to override, the Council failed by a single vote.

The Literary Association also faced challenges. Occasionally it seemed to be dying, with no sign of activity for months. But after a public scolding by Hayford in the *Sentinel*, it would always miraculously come back to life. The WLLA served Laramie for almost twenty years. In the late 1880s, its books were turned over to the new public library, thereby becoming available to all county residents free of charge.

With his frequent boosterism, it's tempting to accuse James Hayford of excessive civic pride. But given the momentous events of September 1870 "first practice of the theory of female suffrage" and the beginnings of the

longest-serving library in Wyoming (150 years)—he had good reason to be proud of Laramie.



James H. Hayford
Photo from Wyoming State Archives

Hollis Marriott
LWVL Member



Wyoming local LWV - update

The LWVWY state board recently voted to recognize the Fremont County LWV.

The request for recognition is on its way to LWVUS. We do not know how long national recognition might take. The LWV Fremont County has 17 members, making it the third largest in the state.

Other local League member-count: Laramie: 46; Cheyenne: 23; Campbell: 15; MAL: 8; and Casper: 7.

Annual Meeting LWV-Laramie

Saturday, April 25, 8:00 am
1215 E. Gibbons, Laramie, WY

Includes hot breakfast @ 8:00 am hosted by LWV-Laramie board.

Open to all members of League of Women Voters

Tasks during Meeting Include:

- Adopting new Program Plan** for the fiscal year 2020 – 2021 (a draft of the Proposed Program Plan was developed during the Program Planning meeting in February (Page 10 of this newsletter))
- Review and adopt new budget for fiscal year 2020-2021 (Proposed budget on pages deleted for web)
- Elect/re-elect and Appoint/re-appoint officers of the Board
- Discuss any other issues relevant to our mission

** A copy of documents for this meeting is included on Pages 10 through 13 of this newsletter

Statehood and Suffrage in Western States

After the Civil War, Congress proposed giving women suffrage in the territories. What follows is a political account of women's suffrage in Wyoming and its two neighbors, Dakota Territory and Utah.

Wyoming

During the first session of the Wyoming Territory's legislature, the women of the Territory were granted

suffrage. The 1869 population took 21 years to increase to a size large enough for statehood.

The Wyoming residents held a constitutional congress in late 1889, and then tendered a constitution that included women's suffrage. After concerted efforts (in Congress) to excise suffrage from the draft, Wyoming's suffrage survived a narrow vote. It became a state July 1890. The population was over 62,000 by 1890.

Utah

Utah was the second state to give women suffrage. Starting in 1852, polygamy was practiced in Utah Territory. Congress would not allow polygamy in one of its states and in 1862 it imposed sanctions on the Territory. In response, the Utah legislature granted women's suffrage in 1870, a few months after Wyoming. Women in Utah exercised their vote two days later, but they did not vote against polygamy at any time during the next 17 years.

In 1887 Congress decided to squeeze Utah tighter. One privilege revoked was women's suffrage. Three years later Utah banned polygamy and became a state in January 1896. Like Wyoming, Utah made women's suffrage part of its constitution.


Dakota Territory

Dakota Territory was organized in 1861. It was one of four territories admitted in the 1888 compromise: Dakota, Montana, Washington, and New Mexico. Dakota and Montana were expected to vote Democratic and the other two Republican. After the GOP presidential win in 1888, the Dems feared the GOP would admit only Montana and Dakota. A new deal was made splitting the Dakotas giving the GOP what was assumed to be two more Senate votes in the deal.

The SD legislative suffrage efforts began after statehood (1889), although its constitution did not include women's suffrage. Instead, there was a promise to hold a referendum soon after statehood. The referenda of 1890, 1895 and 1898 failed in part because suffrage had become linked to temperance.

20% of the SD population was of German ancestry. Its constitution offered immigrants (male) suffrage after 6 months' residency. By 1917 the country was in a German hysteria and SD amended its constitution giving women suffrage and deleting the immigrant suffrage. Women's suffrage became law in 1918.

Lynne Ipiña
LWVL Co-president



**Making
Democracy
Work**

Join the League of Women Voters
of Wyoming as we honor

Kathy Wright

*2019 Recipient of the League's
Making Democracy Work Award*

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Cheyenne Country Club
800 Stinner Road

4-6 p.m.
Ceremony • 4:15 p.m.
Reception following ceremony

Districting I: Congressional Apportionment

2020 LWVUS Campaign

The national league has undertaken a campaign for its second century: PPFM or [People Powered Fair Maps](#). One of five foci is education so let's educate ourselves.

In this piece we shall refer only to congressional redistricting. The proportion of seats corresponding to each state may change, and since 1941, Congressional apportionment is done using the Huntington-Hill method. Hill was a statistician for the US Census Bureau and Huntington was a mathematician at Harvard.

House Seat History

The US Constitution spelled out the assignment of House seats for 1789, e.g., 3 for GA versus 6 for Maryland. 13 states shared 65 seats. Based on the census of 1790, the

size of the House grew and so did the number of states. KY and VT joined the Union. Until 1910 the House size grew with each census. One consideration was whether, for a specific number of seats, two popular methods (Webster and Hamilton) gave the same results. Since 1929 the size of the (voting) House is 435.

The early formulas to compute each state's share of Congressional seats (e.g., Hamilton, Jefferson, Webster) involved decimals. While rounding or ignoring decimals is common practice, states are jealous of every decimal place when they represent a House seat.

To illustrate the problem that the founding fathers faced, suppose there are only seven seats and three states, call them A, B and C. Their respective populations determine the fair proportions (called **quotas**). For this example, the quotas for A, B and C are 1.30, 2.64 and 3.26, respectively. While true that these three numbers sum to 7, nobody wants part of a seat. Here are some ideas proposed to fix the problem:

- Round down to get the **lower quotas** 1, 2 and 3. We have a problem of an unassigned seat.
- Round up to get the **upper quotas** 2, 3 and 4. Now we've assigned two seats too many.

Alexander Hamilton proposed a two-step process. Round down to get 1, 2 and 3. So one seat remains unassigned (so far). Next, order the decimal parts from small to large: 0.26, 0.30 and 0.64. The seventh seat is given to the state with the lower decimal, state C. Our "apportionment" is 1, 2 and 4 seats for states A, B and C.

Each apportionment method has issues. Today, Congress uses a modification of Daniel Webster's formula, the Huntington-Hill method. It has three-steps.

1. Calculate the quotas {1.30, 2.64, 3.26}, the lower quotas {1, 2, 3} and the upper quotas {2, 3, 4}.
2. Calculate the geometric means between upper and lower quotas: $\sqrt{1 \times 2} = 1.41$, $\sqrt{2 \times 3} = 2.45$, $\sqrt{3 \times 4} = 3.46$
3. Only state B has a quota larger than its mean: $2.64 > 2.45$ so it gets the seventh seat. The apportionment is 1, 3 and 3.

A caveat: Typically, the Huntington-Hill method doesn't work out exactly. Too many or too few of the seats get assigned. The method covers these cases: we tweak the quotas.

Lynne Ipiña
LWVL Co-president



SECOND AND REVISED CALL TO CONVENTION 2020

Where? The Historic Plains Hotel, 1600 Central Avenue, Cheyenne

When? **Saturday, May 2**

10:30 a.m. Tour our renovated Wyoming State Capitol (tentative)

12:00 p.m. Lunch provided at the hotel

12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. *Business Meeting*

6 p.m., Dinner, Cheyenne Country Club, 800 Stinner Road

"Wonderful Wyoming Women Voters"

Performed by the League of Her Own Acting Troupe

Guest: Kathy Wright, Making Democracy Work Recipient (tentative) Silent

Auction Ends

Sunday, May 3

9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. Meeting Continues

1 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

Lunch on your own—a list of local nearby restaurants will be provided at the meeting

Lodging: The Plains Hotel is a 3-star venue with a charming lobby and western displays.

Convention rate is good from May 1 to May 4: \$75 Queen; \$85 King; 2 Queens \$95. Rate includes Sunday breakfast. The Cheyenne lodging tax is 4%. Please reserve by May 1 and indicate you are with the League of Women Voters to receive the courtesy rate.

Deadlines

April 17: Program suggestions go to President Susan Simpson, info@wyominglwv.org

April 17: All reports—local leagues, committees, resolutions, studies--go to Vice-President Kelley Pelissier, kelleyc.pelissier@gmail.com, for the convention book. We hope to distribute it early. Please send WORD or editable text documents, not PDFs so we can edit and have consistent page numbering.

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April 25: Final head count to restaurant. Register before to confirm a place at the dinner. Late reservations might be possible, but meal choice won't be guaranteed.

May 2: Bring silent auction items with you—food, wine, handicrafts, books, jewelry, art. Proceeds benefit LWVWY programs. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted.

Observations from ACSD#1 School Board

The 3/12/2020 meeting was a welcome change. Dr. Yennie had invited informed guests: teachers who designed a new assessment, a calendar committee rep, the band director and the District lawyer. It was a night of constructive, incisive Board member questions.

A first example of questions from Board members (BM) went to the Middle School leadership team. Nate Martin (BM) asked about the discrepancy between teachers and students on the 2019 climate survey. Do students respect student differences? In response, the teachers made points not on their slides and explained why they wish to purchase the "Lead the Way" project intended for at risk 6th-8th grade students.

The bids for the ID security and "Lead the Way" projects raised questions about data. Dr. Yennie reassured all there was no hurry to decide even though money and bids had been received. The ensuing discussion involved 3-4 administrators. We heard about servers, security and faced the question "What happens to security if the high school loses power?" Decisions needed more info.

The CoVid-19 crisis erased concerns about 2020-2021 snow days. There was praise not questions about two years of work on the DIY teacher evaluation tool.

The bid for sports equipment and uniforms caused excitement. Adidas will discount new equipment and uniforms. UW's coach Bohl pulled strings so that ACSD#1 players will have collegiate level gear, e.g., helmets worth \$350 but costing much less.

Board members were stunned with the narrative supporting the band instruments bid. Ms. Olson described her 10 years at LSHS, saying that the percussion section was the last open wound. In 2021 All State music will be in Laramie. Ms. Olson doesn't know how to cover the expectation with their percussion instruments. The band has grown from 17 to over 100, so there is a need under normal circumstances too.

Dr Yennie described feelings of paralysis both for the confusion at the Federal level and now the coronavirus. He finds himself "writing policy all the time" to support the 10 active school committees knowing that the DOE and Office of Civil Rights have conflicting rulings. The District lawyer joined Dr. Yennie, Nate (BM) and Jason Tangeman (BM) for a legal/political exchange. They agree to stick with (good) current policies even though they are out-of-date with federal policies. Dr. Yennie ended with sober remarks about the pandemic.

Margaret Brown and Lynne Ipiña
LWVL Observer Corps ACSD#1

Registration Form

Registration includes all meetings, lunch, and dinner. Dinner guests are welcome. Please print. Lunch will be a variety of sandwiches, chips, etc. Dinner choices are salmon with pasta, beef with potatoes, or vegetarian with salad, dessert, and drinks or cash bar.

Member Name: _____

Dinner Choice: salmon _____ beef _____ vegetarian _____ Diet Issues: _____

Phone/Cell: _____ Email: _____

Member/ Guest Name: _____

Dinner Choice: salmon _____ beef _____ vegetarian _____ Diet Issues: _____

Member/Guest Name: _____

Dinner Choice: salmon _____ beef _____ vegetarian _____ Diet Issues: _____

Number	Item	Total
_____ League Member(s)	Convention and Meals \$90 RSVP by April 25 to assure a dinner choice	
_____ League Member(s)	Convention Alone \$50	
_____ Dinner Guest(s)	\$40 each— RSVP by April 25	
		Total

Please send registration and check payable to: LWV of Wyoming to:
Katie Morgan

Email your RSVP and plan on paying at the door.

Other Questions? Call 307-760-8078 or email info@wyominglww.org.

LWV of Laramie
Proposed (Draft) Program 2020-2021
Revised at February 23, 2020 Program Planning Meeting

Planning

- a. Support a master/comprehensive plan for the city. (adopted c. 1985, reworded 2019, 2020)
- b. Support a master/comprehensive plan for the county. (reworded 2019, 2020)
- c. Support cooperative city and county planning. (added 2019)
- d. Support adequately funded, diverse recreational activities and open space. (reworded 2010)

Government Support city council/manager form of government

- a. Support city council/manager form of government. (added 2019)
- b. Support election of Laramie City Council members from the three wards of three councilors each. (adopted 2011)
- c. Support measures to identify and report potential conflicts of interest by elected and appointed officials. (reworded 2010, 2017)
- d. Support a process of filling vacancies on both appointed and elected boards and commissions in Albany County which includes and open application and interview process, a choice from the applications submitted, materials and training to prepare them to server. In addition, for elected boards, support a process that ensures voter choice even in the case of unexpected vacancies. (reworded 2014)
- e. Support efforts to secure adequate funding to maintain city and county government with a possible emphasis on including approaching the legislature. (restored 2015, reworded 2017, 2019)
- f. Support emergency preparedness policies and programs to ensure that people in Albany County can be adequately notified and aided in the event of local emergencies in order to assure their health and safety. (adopted 2008, reworded 2010, 2011, 2019)
- g. Support diversity, equity, and inclusion in make-up of all appointed boards and commissions. (adopted 2017, reworded 2019)

Human Resources

- a. Support comprehensive physical and mental health care and planning for community health needs. (reworded 2011)
- b. Support education efforts in areas including, but not limited to, stewardship of democracy, affirming diversity, equity, and inclusion, disability awareness, literacy, parenting/life skills, discipline/respect, health care and sexuality, conflict resolution, suicide prevention, antibullying, anti-violence, and effects of substance abuse. (reworded 2010, 2016, 2019, 2020)
- c. Support affordable full-time, after school, drop-in and sick-child care for preschool and primary school age children in Albany County. (adopted 2000)
- d. Support income-sensitive housing in Albany County, with an emphasis on needs of the very low income and special needs populations. (“income-sensitive” added 2008, reworded 2019)

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- e. Support the development of minimum **developing** standards of health, sanitation, and safety in rental housing. (adopted 2002, reworded 2011, 2019, 2020)
 - f. Support efforts to provide shelter and services for Albany County homeless population. (added 2019)
 - g. Support smoke-free workplaces in the community. (adopted 2004)
 - h. Support employment and housing practices that do not allow discrimination.

Crime

- a. Encourage the coordination of local service efforts in the areas of crime prevention, early intervention and treatment services. (adopted 1994)
- b. Encourage community efforts to address the connection between the effects of mental health issues, substance abuse, personal injury, accidental death, and crime in Albany County. (reworded 2011, 2019, 2020)
- c. Encourage and support gun safety measures and legislation.

Transportation

- a. Support adequate transportation services to meet the needs of the community. Support adequate funding **for these** to maintain this services. (reworded 2019, 2020)
- b. Support multi-modal transportation in Albany County, with adequate provisions and enforcement for safe pedestrian, bicycle, bus and automobile **motorized** traffic. Support bike path marking and maintenance. (adopted 2006; reworded 2010, 2011, 2020)
- c. Support convenient and reliable public access to interstate and intra-state transportation by public carriers. (adopted 2005)
- d. Support a transportation master plan for Laramie and Albany County with annual review and provision for adequate input by local citizens. (adopted 2006, reworded 2011)

Immigration

- a. Support equitable treatment and opportunities to include education, scholarships, drivers' licenses, bank accounts, employment, housing, and social services for all residents of Wyoming regardless of immigration status. (adopted 2018, apostrophe moved 2020)
- b. We respect **Support** safe zones. (adopted 2018, reworded 2020)

Study on County Commissioners: The Laramie LWV will conduct a feasibility study of the size and representational composition of the board of county commissioners

Respectfully submitted by
Matthew Link
LWVL Secretary

Agenda: Annual Meeting LWV of Laramie
April 25, 2020, 8:30 AM (Breakfast beginning at 8:00 AM)
Tentative Location, Methodist Church, 1215 E Gibbon

May be held by phone/internet conference (instructions will be provided by e-mail as needed)

1. Call to Order – Lynne Ipiña and Nancy Lockwood
2. Introductions
3. Appointment of reading committee for the annual meeting minutes from this meeting
4. Motion to authorize board to approve the minutes from this meeting following review by the reading committee
5. Adoption of this agenda to include any revisions
6. Co-president's report –
7. Report on the County Commissioner Study – Sid Walter or another committee member
8. Proposed Program – Lynne Ipiña and Nancy Lockwood
 - a. Brief Review of the 2019-2020 program
 - b. Adoption of the program* (motion and discussion)
9. Proposed Changes to Bylaws – Lynne Ipiña and Nancy Lockwood
 - a. Adoption of the changes inspired by COVID-19 (motion and discussion)
 - b. Suggestions from the floor
10. Proposed budget for fiscal year 2020-21 - Katie Morgan
 - a. Adoption of the proposed budget (motion and discussion)
11. Election of Officers
 - a. Slate of officers from the Nominating Committee for terms generally ending in 2021 (2-year terms)
 - i. Co-President:
 - ii. Treasurer:
 - iii. Secretary:
 - iv. Elected Directors (2 positions)
 - b. Nominations from the floor
 - i. Election of Officers (Motion and discussion)
12. Suggestions/volunteers for appointed Directors (one year terms)– to be appointed by the board at their next board meeting) – Lynne Ipiña and Nancy Lockwood
13. State Convention – Susan Simpson
 - a. Selection of Delegate to the State Convention (up to 9)
 - b. General Preview and Suggestions
14. Suffrage committee report – Robin Hill

15. MLD report --- Margaret Brown and Cindy Elrod
16. Other Business including instructions to the board
17. Adjourn

*The Program includes:

- a. Proposed Positions
- b. Proposed Issues for concerted study and action (i.e. proposed study items)
- c. Proposed action items to be brought forward to our State League
- d. Proposed action items to be brought forward to the National League

Celebrate 100 Years of Voting and Advocacy



*with a special
Spirituals Project Choir Concert*

**Friday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.
Montview Blvd. Presbyterian Church**

The Spirituals Project Choir will sing songs of suffrage in addition to spirituals at this special concert sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Denver to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the League of Women Voters of the United States.

Join Us! All Are Welcome!

*There will be no admission charge,
though donations will be accepted for the work of the choir.
A reception will follow the concert.*

100 YEARS STRONG
LEAGUE of
WOMEN VOTERS®

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1920 – 2020

Office	Member (term end)	Portfolio and/or other appointment	Observer Corp. Assignment
Co-President	Lynne Ipiña (2020)	Education	ACSD#1 School Board
Co-President	Nancy Lockwood (2021)	Voter Service Committee	
Vice President	Devon O'Connell (2021)		
Treasurer	Katie Morgan (2020)**		Hospital Board, Tourism Board
Secretary	Vacant		
Elected Directors	Jamie Egolf (2021)	Natural Resources	
	Cindy Elrod (2020)	Immigration, Local MLD coach	
	Robin Hill (2021)	Web Master, Membership	
	Sid Walter (2020)		
	Martha Pheneger (2020)	Human Resources	
Appointed Directors (one year appointments)	Judy Snoke (2020)		City Council
Off-Board Appointments	Margaret Brown****	State MLD Coach	ACSD#1 School Board
	Mandira Sanyal, Lynne Ipiña	Laramie Voter newsletter editor	
	Susan Simpson*	Backup secretary, Tech Committee	
	Catherine Ryan	Mental health issues	
	Judy Knight***	Voter Service, Backup secretary, Membership committee	
	Robin Hill Sue Simpson Matt Link Mandira Sanyal Lynne Ipiña	Tech Committee	
	Jo Carol Ropp	Human Resources	

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LWV Laramie Membership form (Membership open to any person Citizen of voting age, 16 years or older)

Name _____

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