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Fire Protection Districts (cont)

Metro North: Prop. D - up to \$.2/\$100 AV for emergency dispatching

West Overland - 1 (1 unexp. term ending 4/2016)

School District Elections

St. Louis Community College

Subdistrict 1- includes Clayton, Ferguson-Florissant, Hazelwood, Jennings, Ladue, Normandy, Pattonville, Ritenour, Riverview Gardens, U. City and Wellston-school districts Trustee (1) #4 - 6 yr. term

Subdistrict 3 -includes Affton, Maplewood-Richmond Heights, Bayless, Brentwood, Kirkwood and Webster Groves school districts. Trustee (1) #2 - unexp. term ending in 4/13

County Districts

Directors - all 3 yr. terms unless indicated. All general obligation bonds (GOB): 4/7 majority required.

Affton: Director (1) - #2, unexpired term, ending Apr. 2014

Bayless: Director (2) - #3

Prop. B - \$.92/\$100 AV oper. levy; adj. to \$4.22/\$100 AV

Clayton: Director (2) - #3;

Ferguson Reorganized R-2:

Director (2) - #3;

Hancock Place: Director (2) - #3

Hazelwood: Director (2) - #3

Jennings: Director (2) - #4

Kirkwood: Director (2) - #4

Ladue: Director (2) - #3

PROP. 1 -\$.49/\$100 AV oper. levy; adj. to \$3.24/\$100 AV

Lindbergh: Director (2) - #4

Mehlville: Director (2) - #4

Normandy: Director (2) - #3

Parkway: Director (2) - #3

Pattonville R-3: Director (2) - #3

Ritenour: Director (2) - #4

Rockwood R-VI: Director (2) - #4

Prop. R - GOB -\$43.2 mi. unchanged levy - \$.68/\$100AV

4/7 majority

Valley Park: Director (2) - #3

SAVE THE DATE

Sat. April 28 -

**LWVSTL Annual Meeting
Orlando Gardens, 8352 Watson
Rd. Webster Groves**

**Contact the League: 314.961-6869
or lwvstl.org for more
information.**

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THEATRE PARTY AUCTION: April 14

Bid early and bid often.

There are many treasures that can be yours for the bidding with the silent auction at the Theatre Party this election year. While you may not get a chicken in every pot, you CAN get a night out on the town or a day on the golf course. Would you rather relax instead? Get a massage. It will be worth it.

Auction proceeds will add around \$1,500 to the League's coffers. A listing of all of the auction items will be available prior to the event. Watch the "In League Reporter" or call the office: 314 961-6869 for a complete list of the items.

MISSOURI REDISTRICTING

The latest as of March 6th 11:30 am

Congressional, Missouri Senate and Missouri House districts are not settled. Some are in the courts; some are having suits filed based on constitutionality; the Senate Commission has not filed its report. The first day for filing was February 28. Many filed but might have to re-file depending on how districts are drawn.

Watch the newspaper and check Missouri Secretary of State [http://www.sos.mo.gov/!](http://www.sos.mo.gov/)



APRIL 3 Election Calendar

- Feb. 22** through Mon. April 2 absentee voting from 7 am - 5 pm Monday-Friday, St. Louis County at 12 Sunnen Dr., Maplewood. Sat. March 24 and March 31 9 am - 1 pm
- Mar. 23** Last day to file as a write-in candidate for the April 3rd Election. Write-in candidates must file at the Election Board, by 5:00 p.m. [See 115.453\(4\)](#)
- Mar. 28** Last day (5:00 p.m.) absentee applications will be accepted through the mail or in person from a guardian or relative of the applicant for the April 3rd Election. [See 115.279\(3\)](#)
- April 2** Last day (5:00 p.m.) for voting an absentee ballot in person at the Election Board office for the April 3rd General Municipal election.
- April 3** ELECTION DAY, Polls open from 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

GREAT DECISIONS 2012

The World Affairs Council of St. Louis and The Ethical Society will be sponsoring the Great Decisions series of moderated discussions on Thursdays during March and April. The meetings and parking are free, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., on the lower level of the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd. The meetings are always informative and focus on current foreign policy issues.

Upcoming topics:

- March 15 – Mexico,
- March 22 – Cybersecurity,
- March 29 – Exit from Afghanistan and Iraq,
- April 5 – State of the Oceans,
- April 12 – Indonesia,
- April 19 – Energy Geopolitics.

Additional information or questions: please contact the World Affairs Council, 314.727.9988.

VOLUNTEER CORNER

The League's information Service thrives only because of the dedication of our small, dedicated staff and incredibly valuable volunteers, recently helping with the April voter guide information, state fundraising letters, and newsletters. If you have some time to spare for the League, we would love to have you. Please contact our volunteer coordinator, Barbara Harris at 314.968.3609 (phone) or volunteers@lwvstl.org (email).

Thanks to these volunteers who shared their time with the League: Brenda Banjak, Nancy Bowser, Doris Buzzell, Esther Clark, Becky Clausen, Marj Courtney, Clyde Creel, Verna Tallevast Creel, Sue Dellbringge, Robert Elgin, Janet Fales, Kathleen Farrell, Agnes Garino, Betty Ann Gilbert, Lil Goldman, Mickey Hall, Barbara Harris, Ilene Horenstein, Debby Howard, Pat Jones, Linda McDaniel, Nancy Miller, Cindy Mitchell, Barbara Behiter Nagel, Marty Ott, Janis Pupillo, Mary Beth Reynolds, Louise Reeves, Judith Smart and Patti Walley.

League of Women Voters Information Service Tributes

In Memory of Anna Lee Brown from Sydell Shayer
In Appreciation for their outstanding commitment & participation in the Education Consensus Study - Rosalie Brasch, Doris Buzzell, Bob Elgin, Joan Esserman, Mary Beth Reynolds, and Pat Soraghan from Marty Ott

FROM the Presidents

March is incredibly busy for the League: Voters Guide and candidate forums for the April 2012 local elections: 886 candidates and the ballot initiatives in six counties and 12 candidates' forums. User friendly VOTE 411.org is now available for the April election.

Voters have also been calling for information about the Republican caucuses (see this page, how redistricting will affect them, and contact information for elected public officials at all levels.

Because of the League's increased visibility in the community, we have had requests to work with a number of organizations on issue and candidate forums for summer and fall, including five issue forums with FOCUS St. Louis and the St. Louis County Libraries—2 on Voter I.D. legislation and 3 on state tax ballot initiatives and legislation. We are partnering with MASW on a public forum on Voter I.D. issues and have a number of candidate forums in the works for the fall.

One of the most exciting projects we are beginning this spring is the start of LWVSTL's monthly 30-minute television show on STL-TV. The program would be entitled "Impact on Issues". The show would be informational/educational. The League would be responsible for selecting the topics, preparing the "run down" sheets and other production tasks. Look for our first show later this spring on Charter channel 992, AT&T channel 99 and also on Youtube!

The League's work has never been more important. Please join us and get involved, your help is needed. Just two or three hours would be great.

It's Electing Time.

Kathleen Farrell
Linda McDaniel, Co-Presidents
LWVSTL/LWVIS

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www.facebook.com/lwvstl*

**April 3 - PROP S Special Bond Election 4/7 MAJORITY
Shall St. Louis County, Missouri, issue general obligation bonds in the amount of
up to One Hundred Million Dollars for the purpose of acquiring a site and
constructing, renovating, improving and equipping court facilities and related
improvements, including a new family court for St. Louis County? YES NO**

- \$100 mil. General Obligation Bonds (\$90 mi.new Family Court facility, \$10 mil. improvements to County Civil Court bldg.)
- New bonds will replace current bonds to be retired in 18 months
- No tax increase

BACKGROUND: facilities 40-years-old, Family Court does not meet fire codes, violates state law by not providing separate areas for alleged perpetrators and victims, electronic equipment inefficiencies, current costs to maintain \$750,000 annually. Family Court lack of space requires staff in several locations. Caseloads have increased 1970 - 23,500 to 2010 - 103,000.

Civil Court Bldg. renovation including electrical systems and addressing safety issues.

Procedures for March Republican Caucuses

Locate the place for the caucus in your county/township www.mopog.org to locate your caucus.

Only residents registered to vote in the City of St. Louis (where a single meeting will be held) or in the Township are allowed to vote in the local caucus.

Procedures for voting on delegates and alternates will be decided. Delegates and alternates will be allocated on a proportional basis.

Delegates and alternates will be elected to attend congressional district conventions and the state convention of the Republican Party.

Recommendation: come early, doors close; bring voter identification card and driver's license.

Additional Resources on Missouri elections:

Political Party Contacts in Missouri (Registered with the Secretary of State of Missouri) <http://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/04contactparties.asp>

Missouri Secretary of State <http://www.sos.mo.gov/>

Official Missouri State <http://www.mo.gov/>

Official St. Louis City Information <http://www.stlouis.missouri.org/>

Official St. Louis County Information <http://www.co-st-louis.mo.us/>

St. Louis County Municipal League <http://www.stlmuni.org/>

AUGUST 7, 2012 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION INFORMATION

Missouri's state primary elections are held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August of even-numbered years. Since Missouri has open primaries, every eligible registered voter may select the party ballot of their choice. However, primary voters may select only one party's ballot. Voters who do not wish to give a political party preference may request an issues-only ballot, if one is available in that particular jurisdiction. **The filing period for the August 7, 2012 state primary election is from February 28, 2012 to March 27, 2012.**

LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS VOTERS of ST. LOUIS
 INVITES
 LEAGUE MEMBERS, SUPPORTERS and GUESTS
 to our
**ANNUAL THEATRE PARTY and
 FUNDRAISER**
 for the LWV's Information Service



PRESENTS

THE WINTER'S TALE

Fontbonne University

Big Bend Blvd. south of Wydown, Clayton

by WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

directed by DEANNA JENT

Saturday April 14, 2012

Reception at 12:30 • Performance at 2:00 pm

One of Shakespeare's psychological dramas; it's a story of jealousy, betrayal, murder and forbidden love set in modern day Seattle and the wilderness of Alaska. The production features Native American music and myth.

Sponsorship Levels:

For tax-exempt contributions make check payable to LWV Information Service

Gold: \$500.00 (6 tickets)

Silver: \$300.00 (4 tickets)

Bronze: \$150.00 (2 tickets)

Single Ticket: \$55.00

For contributions to the St. Louis League Information Service make check payable to LWV St. Louis or LWVIS

Yes, I will be a sponsor of the Theatre Party on April 14th!

Name _____ Sponsorship level: _____ # of tickets needed: _____

Address to send receipt to: _____

SEND CHECK AND REGISTRATION TO: LWV St. Louis 8706 Manchester Rd Ste 104, St. Louis MO 63144.

April 2012 St. Louis County Elections

Tues. April 3 is election day for many jurisdictions in St. Louis County. The number in parentheses () shows the number of candidates a registered voter may vote for. W- wards. Ald. Aldermen/women. Unopposed *. All 2- year terms unless indicated, # of candidates. Prop. – proposition. All require simple majority unless indicated.

Ballwin: Ald – W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*;
W-4 - 1 yr. unexp.*

Bel-Nor: Trustee (2) #2

Bel-Ridge: Trustee (4), #7

Bella Villa: Mayor*, Ald., W 1*, 2*, 3*

Bellefontaine Neighbors: Ald W 1*, 2, 3*, 4* – 4 yr. terms

Bellerive Acres: Trustee (3) #4;

Prop. C - \$.50 prop. tax on commercial

Berkeley: Mayor, Councilman—W 2, 4*, – 4 yr. terms

Beverly Hills: Ald.—W 1*, 2*

Black Jack: Councilperson—W 1*, 2*, 3, 4*

Breckenridge Hills: Mayor - 4 yr. term; Council Member —W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*

Brentwood: Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*, 4 - 4 yr. terms

Bridgeton: Council Member—W 1, 2*, 3, 4*

Calverton Park: Trustee (2), #3

Charlack: Mayor* Ald.—W 1*, 2

Chesterfield: W 1, 2, 3*, 4*

Clarkson Valley: Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*

Clayton: Ald. -1, 2*, 3*

Cool Valley: Mayor* 4 yr. term

Country Club Hills: Ald. -W 1*, 2

Country Life Acres: Trustee (2)*

Crestwood: Ald.—W 1*, 2, 2*

unexp. 1 yr., 3*, 4 - 3 yr. terms

Creve Coeur: Mayor - 3 yr. term;

Council Member—W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*

Crystal Lake Park: Mayor*, Ald. - W 1*, 2*

Dellwood: Ald. W 1, 2, 3, 4

Des Peres: Mayor*, Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*

Edmundson: Ald.—W 1, 2*

Ellisville: Mayor - 3 yr. term; Council Member—Districts 1, 2*, 3* - 3 yr. terms

Prop. 1 - Charter amendment for 4 yr. staggered terms for Mayor & Council.

Eureka: Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3

Fenton: Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*, 4*

Ferguson: Council Member—W 1, 2*, 3 - 3 yr. terms

Flordell Hills: Ald. - W 1*, 2*

Glendale: Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3*

Florissant -Council W -1*, 3*, 5*, 7, 9;

Charter amendments: **Prop. 1** - residency requirement for Council when changed by redistricting.

Prop. 2 - tied elections, require new election; **Prop. 3** - special election for vacancy; **Special Annex. Election**

Prop. A - Area 13 Annexation Area

Prop. A - St. Louis Co. Boundary Commission - annexation area voters

Frontenac - Ald. 1*, 2*, 3*

Glen Echo Park - Trustee (2)*

Glendale -Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3

Grantwood Village - Trustee (2) #5

Greendale: Ald. at large -(2)*,

Prop. 1 -elimination office of City Marshall

Green Park - Ald. W 1*, 2, 3*

Hanley Hills: Trustee (4), #4

Hazelwood: Mayor* - 3 yr. term;

Hillsdale: Trustee (3), #4

Huntleigh: Mayor*, Marshal* - 4 yr. term, Ald.—W 1*, 2*

Jennings: Council—W 1, 2*, 3, 4

Kinloch - 1 yr. unexp. term; Ald. 1*, 2*

Kirkwood: Mayor; Council Member (3), #4 – 4 yr. terms

Ladue: Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3*

Lakeshire: Mayor*, Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3* 3* -1 yr. unexp. term;

Mackenzie: Trustee (2), #2

Prop. 1 - lateral sewer assessment

Manchester: Mayor*, Ald. - W 1, 2*, 3*

Marlborough: Trustee (2), #2

Maryland Heights: Councilman—W 1, 2, 3*, 4*

Moline Acres: Ald. - W 1*, 2*

Normandy: Council W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*

Northwoods: Ald. W 1*, 2, 3*, 4*

Norwood Court: Trustees (2) #2

Oakland: Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 2* - 1 yr. unexp. term

Olivette: Councilmember (1)#1*-3 yr. term

Overland: Councilman W 1*, 2*, 3, 4*

Pacific: Ald. - W 1*, .

Pagedale: Mayor* - 4 yr. term; Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*

Pasadena Hills - Ald. W 1*, 2*

Pasadena Park: Trustee (2), #1

Pine Lawn: Ald. - W 1, 2*, 3*, 4

Richmond Hts. - Mayor*, Council

W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*- 4 yr. terms

Riverview - Trustee (2) #3

Rock Hill - Ald. W 1, 2*, 3

Shrewsbury - Ald. W 1*, 2, 3*

St. Ann - Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*, 4, 5*

St. John - Ald. W 1, 2

Sunset Hills - Mayor*, Collector, Ald. W 1, 2, 3*, 4

Sycamore Hills: Trustee (2), #2

Town and Country: Ald. - W 1, 2, 3, 4*

Twin Oaks: Trustee (2), #3

University City: Council-W -1, 2, 3* - all 4 yr. terms;

Uplands Park: Trustee (3) #5

Valley Park: Mayor*, Ald.—W 1, 2, 3, 4*

Velda City: Ald. W 1*, 2*

Prop. A - 4/7 req. GOB -\$500,000 for streets

Velda Village Hills: Trustee (2) #4

Vinita Park: Collector* -unexp.

term till 4-14; Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*

Vinita Terrace: Trustee (2) #2

Warson Woods: Mayor*, Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*

Webster Groves: Councilman (3) #4; 4 yr. terms

Wellston: Council W 2*, 4*, 6*

Westwood: Trustee (2), #2

Wilbur Park: Trustee (2) #3;

Wildwood: Council Member—W 1** , 2, 3, 4*, 5**, 6*, 7, 8*; (**2 yr. term candidate with most votes & 1 yr. candidate with next most)

Winchester: Ald.—W 1, 2*

FIRE & EMS DISTRICTS

Directors - 6 year terms

Aftton: Prop. A - ambulance services, equipment up to

\$.26/\$100 AV for operations

Creve Coeur: Dir. (1) # 2; (1) #2

unexp. term ending 2016

Metro West: Prop. L GOB \$19.4

mi. equipment, construction, unchanged tax rate of \$.15/\$100 AV 4/7 majority

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APRIL ELECTION Local Candidates' Forums

call LWVIS: (314) 961-6869 to CONFIRM

Tuesday, March 13: **Kirkwood Mayor and City Council**, 7 pm Meramec Community College, Student Center, 2d Floor, 11333 Big Bend, Kirkwood.

Wednesday, March 14: **Ladue School Board**, 7 pm Ladue Horton Watkins High School Cafeteria, 1201 S. Warson Rd., Ladue.

Thursday, March 22: **Wildwood Mayor and City Council**, 7 pm Wildwood City Hall Council Chambers, 183 Plaza Dr., Wildwood.

Thursday, March 22: **Ritenour School Board**, 7 pm Ritenour Administrative Center, Board Room, 2420 Woodson Rd., Overland.

Monday, March 26: **Webster Groves City Council**, 7 - 8 pm Webster Groves Rec. Center, 35 E. Glendale, Webster Groves.

Tuesday, March 27: **Ellisville Mayor and City Council**, 7 pm, City of Ellisville Park Admin. Bldg., 225 Kiefer Creek Rd., Ellisville.

Wednesday, March 28: **University City Council**, 7 pm, University City Library, U.City.

Friday, March 30: **Town and Country Aldermen**, 7 pm, Mason Ridge Elementary School Ramsey Theatre, 715 S. Mason Rd., Town & Country.

Call the LWV 314.961-6869 or go to www.lwvstl.org for up-to-date information, including additional forums

LWV Voters Guides Collaboration with Post Continues VOTE411.org

Check it out VOTE 411.org. You can reach the site directly or at www.lwvstl.org to find your polling place, candidates and issues. You can compare candidates and read understandable descriptions of ballot issues. Your choices can be marked and printed to take with you to the polls on April 3.

This will be possible for addresses in Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Louis, and Warren Counties. Printed guides will also be distributed at the end of the month. Spread the word and let us know about your experiences with Vote411!

County Voters: VOTE TUESDAY APRIL 3 • 6 am - 7 pm
No election in the City of St. Louis