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School District Elections

Jr. College – Subdistrict 4- includes Parkway, Kikrwood, Lindbergh, Mehlville, Rockwood, Valley Park, Meramec Valley, & part of Jefferson Co. and Franklin Co. - Trustee (1) #4 - 6 yr. term

County Districts

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

Affton: Director (2) #3

Bayless: Director (2) - #4

Clayton: Director (2) - #3;

PROP. W – GO Bonds: \$39.4 mi. new middle school and other facilities. \$.623 @\$100 AV to remain

Hancock Place: Director (2) - #4

Hazelwood: Director (2) - #3

Jennings: Director (2) - #3

Kirkwood: Director (2) - #3

Ladue: Director (2) - #5; **PROP.**

O – GO Bonds \$32 mi. acquisition, construction, furnishing, equipping schools,

incl. early childhood center.

Increase of debt service levy from \$0.23 to \$0.35 @ \$100 AV

Maplewood-Richmond Hts. -

PROP. Y Increase of debt service levy from \$1.02 to \$1.11 @ \$100 AV for acquiring, constructing, equipping, etc. school sites and related facilities, refinancing lease obligations and issue GO bonds.

PROP. S – Operating tax increase by \$0.67 @\$100 AV; req. simple majority

Meramec Valley R-111: Director

(2) #3; **Prop M** – Special Bond issue \$15.31 mi. for renovating, furnishing, equipping, etc.

buildings and related sites, incl. technology improvements & purchasing buses. Debt service levy unchanged \$0.69 @\$100 AV.

Normandy – Director (2 yr. unexpired term) #2;

Pattonville R-3: Director (2) - #4; Director (1) #2 (1-yr. unexp. term)

Riverview Gardens: Director (2) - #4

Rockwood R-VI: Director (2) - #5

Prop. 5 - special bond election; \$55 mi. GOB buildings and technology; Debt service levy to remain at \$0.68 @\$100 AV.

University City: Director (2)- #4

Valley Park: Director (2) #3, **Prop. E** – Special Bond for implementing building improvement plan. \$4 mi.

for improvements to buildings and technology. Debt service levy to remain at \$0.65 @\$100 AV

Webster Groves: Director (2) - #3;

Prop. S – operating levy increase by \$.55 @\$100 AV. to \$4.90 @ \$100 AV; req. simple majority.

Prop. W - Special Bond Election \$36 mi. GOB for buildings,

including addition to the high school & technology. Debt service levy to remain at \$0.56 @\$100 AV.

SAVE THE DATES

Sat. April 24 - LWV 90th Anniversary Celebration

Sat. May 8 - LWVSTL Annual Mtg. **Contact the League:** 314.961-6869 or lwwstl.org for more information.

LWVSTL Voter Registration 2009

As in the last several years, in 2009 LWVIS registered new citizens following naturalization ceremonies. We registered 1,269 individuals out of approximately 2,380 petitioners at the 47 events.

Big thank you to registrars:

Lois Bliss, Joan Botwinick, Stefany Brot, Evelyn Buretta, Lori Calcaterra, Esther Clark, Jim Clark, Marj Courtney, Susan Fluegel, Joe Kleeman, Rea Kleeman, Cindy Mitchell, Carol Portman, Mary Beth Reynolds, Judith Smart, Carol Teig, Billie Teneau, Carol Washburne, K Wentzien.

In addition to the naturalization ceremonies, we registered 16 students at DeSmet High School

Carol Portman,
voter registration chair

Tributes to the LWV Information Service

In honor of being named to 2009 Class of Ageless, Remarkable St. Louisans

Mary Ellen Brucker from
Sydell Shayer

Sydell Shayer from Agnes
Garino

IN Memory of Teresa Vietti
from Marjorie Courtney

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PROPOSITION A METRO TAX SIMPLE MAJORITY REQUIRED

Shall the County of St. Louis impose a countywide sales tax of one-half of one percent for the purpose of providing a source of funds for public transportation purposes including the restoration, operation and expansion of MetroLink, MetroBus, disabled and senior transportation, in addition to an existing sales tax of one-quarter of one percent for the same purpose? YES NO

. The sales tax is expected to raise \$75 million a year. In addition, a previously passed sales tax in the City of St. Louis will go into effect and produce \$8 million.

. A sales tax proposal similar to Proposition A failed in November 2008, necessitating a one-third cut in transit services in Missouri. Metro was able to restore some of the services with emergency help from the State of Missouri and the Federal government. These emergency funds will run out in May. If Proposition A passes, the first priority for Metro will be restoration of the services that were cut in 2009. In addition, the funds will allow Metro to make improvements to all areas of transit services.

Proponents say (or Pro arguments):

1. A half cent sales tax increase will restore the services cut in both Metro Link and MetroBus. Access Service will return to levels prior to cuts – thereby increasing service to those with disabilities. 2. Mass transit and buses are essential to reduce the footprint of global warming, and provide for financial and economic development to the St. Louis Region. 3. Metro link has been working to increase security & to ensure fares are collected.

Opponents say (or Con arguments): 1. A half cent sales tax increase is a burden on low income people. 2. Metro has been inefficient and not cost effective. 3. Metro link does not enforce tickets on MetroLink resulting in lost income

Websites: Pro: <http://advancelouis.com/> and <http://www.moremetrolink.com/index.html>
Con: <http://www.stoptheprop.com/>. and (<http://stlouisteaparty.com/>).

NOTE: For the League position on the issue check the website: lwwstl.org or call: 314.961-6869.

LWVIS - Theatre Party - Fun Fund Raiser

Good Friends, Good Food and Provocative Political Theatre

Friends and members of the League gathered on Saturday afternoon, February 13 to experience HotCity Theatre's production of playwright Christopher Durang's award-winning "Why Torture is Wrong and the People Who Love Them". The play, a black comedy on America's War on Terror, was complete with enough irreverent treatment of various political skirmishes to keep everyone on their toes.

The HotCity Theatre housed at the Kranzberg Arts Center in Grand Center gave theatre-goers the opportunity to check out the Craft Alliance gallery, enjoy a delicious buffet, and catch up with their friends—all there to support the League.

The League's talented Patti Walley was both co-hostess for the event and stage manager for the HotCity production. Thanks to everyone who helped League Vice-President and event Chairman Kathleen Farrell with the event: Patti Walley Anna Mannerick and Julie Behrens in the office, Julian Long, Linda McDaniel, Becky Clausen, Mary Long, Pat Jones, Marty Rulo, Marty Ott, Betty Ann Gilbert, and Sydell Shayer and Janice Dahl for their sage advice. The proceeds will go to both the League of Women Voters and the League of Women Voters Information Service to support our work. Without the following generous sponsors this event would not have been a success.

Special thanks to these sponsors:

Ann Bader, Lois Bliss, Mary K. Brown, Mary Ellen Brucker, Janice & Bill Dahl, Sue Dellbringge, Kay Dusenbery, Robert & Naomi Edmonds, Robert Elgin, Kathleen Farrell & Julian Long, Susan Fluegel, Agnes and Dave Garino, Eve and Jeff Golden, Andrea Jackson, Yvonne & Joseph Logan, Mary Long, Tom & Cindy Mitchell, Jeanne Morrel-Franklin, Thomas J. Newcomb, Jr., Mary Beth Reynolds, Sydell and Larry Shayer, Ruth Siteman, Judith Smart, Lolly Wehrli, K Wentzien, Ida West, and Patrick & Vicky Witte and an Anonymous contributor.

Final financial figures for the event are not yet available.

April 2010 St. Louis County Elections

Tues. April 6 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. "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*
- Bel-Nor:** Trustee (2) #4
- Bel-Ridge:** Trustee (4), #9
- Bella Villa:** Mayor, Ald., W 1*, 2*, 3; **Prop. B** lateral sewer line program increase to \$50 annually.
- Bellefontaine Neighbors:** Ald W 1*, 2, 3, 4 – 4 yr. terms
- Bellerive Acres:** Trustee (3) #4
- Berkeley:** Council member at large 1*; *Councilman—W I, III, V – 4 yr. terms
- Beverly Hills:** Ald.—W I, 2
- Black Jack:** Councilperson—W 1*, 2*, 3, 4*
- Breckenridge Hills:** Council Member—W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4
- Brentwood:** Ald. W 1*, 2, 3*, 4
- Bridgeton:** Council Member—W 1, 2*, 3, 4*
- Calverton Park:** Trustee (2), #2*
- Charlack:** Ald.—W 1*, 2
- Chesterfield:** W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*
- Clarkson Valley:** Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3 – no candidate filed
- Clayton:** Mayor* - 3 yr. term
- Country Club Hills:** Ald. -W 1, 2
- Country Life Acres:** Trustee (2)*
- Crestwood:** Ald.—W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4 - 3 yr. terms
- Creve Coeur:** 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*, 4*
- Edmundson:** Ald.—W 1*, 2
- Ellisville:** Council Member—Districts 1*, 2, 3* - 3 yr. terms
- 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*
- Frontenac:** Ald. - W 1, 2, 3*
- Glen Echo Park:** Trustee (2), #2
- Glendale:** Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3*
- Grantwood Village:** Trustee (2), #3
- Greendale:** Ald.—W 1(no candidate), 2*,
- Green Park:** Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*
- Hanley Hills:** Trustee (4), #5
- Hazelwood:** Councilmember W 1*, 3*, 5*, 7* - 3 yr. terms
- Hillsdale:** Trustee (3), #3
- Huntleigh:** Mayor*, Marshal*, Ald.—W 1*, 2*
- Jennings:** Council—W 1*, 2*, 3, 4*
- Kirkwood:** Council Member (3), #5—4 yr. terms
- Ladue:** Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3*
- Lakeshire:** Mayor*, Ald. - W 1*, 1 (1 yr. unexp. Term), 2*, 3*; **Prop. B** tax increase to 37.5 cents @ \$100 AV
- Mackenzie:** Trustee (2), #2
- Manchester:** Mayor, Ald. -W 1, 2*, 3
- Marlborough:** Trustee (2), #2
- Maryland Heights:** Mayor-4 yr. term* Councilman—W 1, 2*, 3, 4
- Moline Acres:** Ald. - W 1*, 2*
- Normandy:** Council Member—W 1, 2, 3, 4*
- Northwoods:** Ald. W 1, 2*, 3*, 4*
- Norwood Court:** Trustees (2) #2
- Oakland:** Ald. - W 1*, 2*; **Prop. 1** tax on commercial communications antenna
- Olivette:** Councilmember (2) #3 -3 yr. term
- Overland:** Mayor #2 - 4 yr. term Councilman W 1, 2, 3, 4
- Pacific:** Mayor-#5; Marshal #2; Municipal Judge* ; Collector #2 --all 4 yr. terms. Ald.- W 1, #4- 2 yr. term.
- Pasadena Hills:** Ald. W 1*, 2*,
- Pasadena Park:** Trustee (2), #3
- Pine Lawn:** Ald. - W 1*, 2*, 3, 4
- Richmond Hts:** Council member - Districts 1*, 2*, 3*, 4* - 4 yr. terms
- Riverview:** Trustee (2) #5
- Rock Hill:** Mayor - 4 yr. term, Ald. - W 1, 2, 3*
- Shrewsbury:** Mayor-4 yr. term; Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*
- St. Ann:** Mayor #3 (1 yr. unexpired term) Ald. W 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- St. George:** Mayor* - 4 yr. term, Ald.- W 1*, 2, 3
- St. John:** Mayor*; Council - W 1*, 2* - all 3 yr. terms; *; **Prop W** – \$1 per month on all residential properties for repairs
- Sunset Hills:** Mayor, Collector – no candidate filed, Ald. W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*
- Sycamore Hills:** Trustee (2), #2
- Town and Country:** Ald. - W 1, 2, 3, 4*
- Twin Oaks:** Trustee (2), #2
- University City:** Mayor, Council-W -1, 2, 3 - all 4 yr. terms; **Prop. P** – 4/7 req. GO bonds – \$3 mi. for fire upgrades & equipment
- Uplands Park:** Trustee (3) #4
- Valley Park:** Mayor - 2 yr. term, Collector, Marshal, - 4 yr. terms; Ald.—W 1, 2, 3, 4 - 2 yr. terms
- Velda City:** Ald. W 1*, 2
- Velda Village Hills:** Trustee (2) #6
- Vinita Park:** Mayor, Collector* - 4 yr. terms; Ald. W 1*, 2, 3
- Vinita Terrace:** Trustee (2) #2
- Warson Woods:** Mayor*, Ald. W 1*, 2, 3*, 4*
- Webster Groves:** Mayor*, Councilman (3) #4; 4 yr. terms
- Wellston:** Mayor - 4 yr. term, Council W 2, 4, 6
- Westwood:** Trustee (2), #2
- Wilbur Park:** Trustee (2) #3; **Prop. 1** – up to \$50 charge annually, funds for defective lateral service lines.
- Wildwood:** Council Member—W 1*, 2*, 3*, 4, 5*, 6*, 7, 8*;
- Prop. 1** – authorize up to \$8 mi. for new City Hall.
- Winchester:** Alderman—W 1, 2
- Woodson Terrace:** Mayor, Marshal*, Collector*; Ald. W 1*, 1 (1 yr. unexpired term) 2, 3*, 3 (1 yr. unexpired term)*, 4* - 4 yr. terms

FIRE & EMS DISTRICTS Directors - 6 year terms Creve Coeur: Dir. (1) # 2 Metro North: Dir. (1) #5

ANNEXATION PROPOSAL
Castlepoint Street Light District and St. Louis County Proposed Annexation Area
Prop. C - SIMPLE MAJORITY REQUIRED in both for approval.



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APRIL ELECTION Local Candidates Forums

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: call LWVIS: (314) 961-6869 to CONFIRM

7-8:30 pm	Hazelwood School Board	Thurs. March 4	HSD Learning Center, Board Room, 15955 New Halls Ferry Rd.
7-8 pm	Kirkwood R-7 School Board	Mon. March 8	R-7 Admin. Center, 11289 Manchester Rd.
7-8:30 pm	Rockwoods School Board	Tues. March 9	Crestview Middle School, 16025 Clayton Rd.
7 pm	Ladue School Board	Mon. March 15	Ladue Horton Watkins HS, Warson Rd.
6:30-8:30 pm	Webster Groves School Board & City Council	Thurs. March 18	Hixson Auditorium at Elm & I44
7 pm	Wildwood City Council	Tues. March 23	Wildwood City Hall, 183 Plaza Dr.
7-8 pm	Valley Park Mayor & Board	Thurs. March 25	Valley Park Middle School Cafeteria
?	Crestwood Board of Aldermen	Mon. March 29	?
?	Sunset Hills Mayor & Aldermen	Tues. March 30	?
7 pm	University City Mayor, Council & School Board	Wed. March 31	University City Library, Delmar & Kingsland

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

LWV Joins Media to Produce April Voters Guide

I am very pleased to announce that the League of Women Voters of St. Louis and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Stltoday.com and the Suburban Journals have established a collaborative relationship to have the April Voters Guide published as an insert in the newspaper the weekend before the election.

This is quite a project so you will not be surprised if I say – **All hands on deck**. Come join us in this grand opportunity to be part of a project that is what the League is all about. We continue the work of the League as we celebrate our 90th Anniversary. There are many jobs and skills needed to complete this voters guide! We need your help! “Many hands make light work.” We need data entry, envelope stuffers, research on ballot issues, phone callers to contact non-responding candidates and more. Email the office, league@lwvstl.org or call the office, 314.961.6869 and let us know what you would like to do and the days you have available and we will get back in touch with you. AND some jobs can be done at home. I thank you in advance for all you do. --- **Linda McDaniel, Co-President LWVSTL**

County Voters: VOTE TUESDAY APRIL 6 • 6 am - 7 pm
