



January 2020

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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®

Calendar of Events

Jan 9 (Thursday): Noon-1:00 p.m.

LWVLL Lunch & Learn.

Women in Politics:

Challenges and Opportunities

Jane Raybould – Lincoln City
Council Chairperson

Graduate Hotel,

141 North 9th Street, Lincoln

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schedule for remaining L&L
luncheons on page 5.*

Jan 16 (Thursday): Noon-1:00 p.m.

Nebraska History Museum

Brown Bag Luncheon

Nebraska's Suffragist Journalists:

Clara Bewick Colby and Rheta

Childe Dorr

Nebraska History Museum

131 Centennial Mall North

January 9 Lunch & Learn: Women in Politics

League of Women Voters Lincoln-Lancaster County Lunch & Learn Meeting, noon – 1 pm, Thursday, January 9th, 2020

(Note date change: second Thursday instead of first Thursday)
at the Graduate Hotel, 141 N. 9th St.

Speaker – Jane Raybould, Lincoln City Council, Chairperson;

Topic: “Women in Politics”: Challenges and Opportunities;

Luncheon costs \$15 for members \$17 for nonmembers,

includes speaker, buffet lunch and gratuities. Binding

reservations due by Monday, January 6th, 2019. Call

402-475-1411 or email lwv-ne@inebraska.com.

Lunch and Learn events are scheduled each month from

September through May; normally the first Thursday of each

month however the January 2020 and April 2020 luncheons

will be held on the second Thursday due to scheduling issues.

Membership Committee Seeking Volunteers

The LWVLL Membership Committee is looking for people

who would like to help grow the organization. If you would

like to serve on the Membership Committee, contact Sandy

Blankenship at 402-560-7920.

Voter Registration Volunteers Needed

With the 2020 elections on the horizon, Lancaster County and

the League of Women Voters-Lincoln/Lancaster County are in

need of volunteer voter registrars. Prior to registering voters, a

registrar must go through a short training session

(approximately one hour); to schedule a session, contact

Deputy Election Commissioner Maura Kelly at 402-441-6500.

Training certificate must be renewed every three years.



The UNL Chancellor's Martin Luther King award is given to recognize leaders who are role models both on and off campus. The award was established in 1997 to honor individuals who have contributed to the UNL community or the wider Lincoln community by their exemplary action in promoting the goals and vision of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In 2019 this recognition was awarded to Maura Kelly. Maura is the Chief Deputy Election Commissioner for Lancaster County. She is a long time member of the Lincoln League of Women Voters and currently serves on our Board of Directors.

Included in the photo from the left are Ronnie Green, UNL Chancellor; the UNL Campus awardee Charlesette Foster, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Office of Academic Success and Intercultural Services; Maura Kelly, Chief Deputy Election Commissioner for Lancaster County; and Jasmine Kingsley, the keynote speaker for the event. Ms. Kingsley is currently VP Legal and general Counsel at HUDL.

We congratulate Maura on this award and also recognize her efforts in voter registration and in free and fair elections.



Suffrage Journalism
Thursday, January 16, 2020
Noon-1pm



brown bag
learning series



Brown Bag: Nebraska's Suffragist Journalists: Clara Bewick Colby and Rheta Childe Dorr

When: Thursday, January 16, 2020 - 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Where: Nebraska History Museum

Join us January 16 as we learn about two Nebraskans, Clara Bewick Colby and Rheta Childe Dorr, who became the nation's most important suffragist journalists.

Colby published from her home in Beatrice where she established the Beatrice Public Library and became the principal of the Beatrice Public School District. Dorr, an Omaha native, began fighting for suffrage as a child and gained notoriety for confronting Woodrow Wilson in the White House.

The presenter, Dr. Eileen Wirth, is the author of a book on Nebraska's women journalists, "From Society Page to Front Page."

AND THE NOMINEES ARE.....

Please suggest nominees for the following LWVLL Board positions before January 31, 2020. Current office holders may be suggested; LWV does not support term limits. Please keep in mind that these are *suggestions*, not automatic commitments. The Nominating Committee is responsible for determining who is nominated. We are seeking individuals who have the skill, interest, and ability to serve in selected positions as well as being willing to maintain the League’s nonpartisan reputation.

Position	Term	Suggested Name(s) (use separate sheet if needed)	Comments (use separate sheet if needed)
Vice President	2020–2021		
Treasurer	2020–2022		
Secretary	2020–2022		
*Director (VOTER Editor)	2020–2022		
*Director (Membership)	2020–2022		
*Director	2020–2022		
*Director	2020–2022		
Ed Fund Trustee	2020–2022		
Ed Fund Trustee	2020–2022		
Ed Fund Trustee	2020–2022		
Nominating Committee Chair	2020–2021		
Nominating Committee Member	2020–2021		
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*Bylaws require a minimum of 4 elected directors and no more than 8; there are currently 4 elected directors whose terms continue to 2021.

Members whose terms continue through 2021 and therefore should not be suggested unless a suggestion for replacement is included: Mary Boschult (President); Nancy Comer (Director); Karen Dienstbier (Director–Lunch and Learn Chair); Maura Kelly (Director); Maureen Ose (Director–Webmaster); Terri Rittenburg (Ed Fund Trustee); Sheryl Wright (Ed Fund Trustee).

Mail your suggestions to Sharon Nemeth, LWVLL Nominating Committee Chair, 720 West Broadview Drive, Lincoln, NE 68505. Or email them to her at wayova@msn.com. You may also send your suggestions to Nominating Committee members Amy Birky (birkyamy@gmail.com), Judy Koepke (judykoepke@aol.com), Sandy Blankenship (sandy.blankenship@windstream.net), or Karen Dienstbier (kdien@allophone.com).

You may continue to send suggestions through January 31, 2020. The committee will review them confidentially at its February 2020 meeting and then contact those deemed to be most appropriate for the various positions.

2019 – 2020 LUNCH AND LEARN SCHEDULE
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS LINCOLN – LANCASTER COUNTY
LUNCH AND LEARN SCHEDULE FOR YEAR 2019 – 2020
GRADUATE HOTEL, 141 N. 9TH ST, LINCOLN, NE

For reservations please contact via email: lvv-ne@inebraska.com or phone 402-475-1411. Listen to the prompt on the phone and press 1 to sign up for L&L.

Cost for lunch is \$15 for members, \$17 for non-members.

Reservations should be made by the **Monday** prior to the meeting. Meetings take place on the **First Thursday** of each month from **noon – 1 p.m.**, Sept. – May, **except for the January and April meeting which will meet on the second Thursday.**

Reservations are binding

Date	Topic	Speaker
January 9 th <i><u>Note: This is the second Thursday due to the timing of the New Year</u></i>	Women in Politics: Challenges and Opportunities	Jane Raybould – Lincoln City Council Chairperson
February 6 th	2020 Census in Nebraska	Josie Gatti Schafer, Ph.D. Director, Center for Public Affairs Research University of Nebraska at Omaha
March 5 th	YWCA new programs for girls & young women	Karen Bell-Dancy, Director Lincoln YWCA
April 9 th <i><u>Note: This is the second Thursday</u></i>	Ballot Initiatives	Angie Remington, with the NE Civic Engagement Table
May 2 nd	Open Sky an Update on Nebraska’s Fiscal Debate	Open Sky an Update on Nebraska’s Fiscal Debate

December Lunch & Learn: “Meet Susan B. Anthony” as portrayed by Linda Duckworth

The December 6 Lunch & Learn featured a visit from suffragist Susan B. Anthony, as portrayed by Linda Duckworth from Omaha, member of the LWVNE board of directors. Duckworth has done an extensive study of Anthony’s writings, and supplemented her presentation with lots of interesting materials and quotes.



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