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CALENDAR

July 2008

**1 Tuesday Topics -
YWCA, 11:30**

Speaker - David L. Pope, Engineer, "Water Issues and Energy"

MENU: Chicken Breast on Wild Rice, Tossed Salad, Carrots, Rolls & Butter, Brownies, Beverages

8 LWVT/SC Board Meeting – Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, Upstairs meeting room, all members welcome 11:30-1:00.

August 2008

**5 Tuesday Topics -
YWCA, 11:30**

Speaker – Jae D. Chang, Ph.D., "Thinking, Planning, and Building Green"

MENU: Variety of meat salads in Puff Pastry, Fruit Kabobs, Variety of Cookies, Beverages

7 SPECIAL @9:00 am

Westar will lead us in a Tour of the Jeffrey coal fired plant

12 LWVT/SC Board Meeting – Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, upstairs meeting room, all members welcome, 11:30-1:00.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of public issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Prez Sez



Georgia Sandlin
President LWVT/SC

As I write this on June 11 Maryanna Quilty and I are preparing to travel to Portland, Oregon for the LWVUS

Convention. As usual, many issues will be presented and debated. Our election system seems to be of interest to several Leagues around the country. From Virginia we have proposals on re-districting. From the Monterey Peninsula we have received material on VVPAT (Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail). Leagues in Vermont are advocating that the National Popular Vote be passed by state legislatures. We have heard these issues at previous conventions but the volume seems to be turned up. We will also be hear-

ing a lot about global climate change and the ever-present FUND RAISING, among many other topics.

Kansas delegates will be promoting Janis McMullen for the LWVUS Board. My guess is we will all be wearing our sunflowers in "The City of Roses." We hope to learn more about the League, as well as successful strategies, while meeting new people. We will report back in the next VOTER.

Georgia

LWVTSC GARAGE SALE A SUCCESS

The day was warm, windy, and sunny. Customers stopped at the League garage sale starting at 7:00 AM and continued to shuffle through our "treasures" until after 2:00 PM as we were packing up the leftovers. The grand total is \$510.25. Many thanks to those who contributed items to sell. Special thanks to those who worked pricing and selling: Nancy Sargent, Anita Epps, Judy Seitz, Lois Scibetta, Jan Waide, Gwen Elliott, Pat Stinson, Diana Siegal, Sue Gaither, Jane Holt, Judy Moler, Nancy Wagner, Carol Yoho, Maryanna Quilty, and Georgia Sandlin. We are going to celebrate our efforts.

DAVID L. POPE**Tuesday Topic's
Speaker in July**

Mr. Pope was raised and educated in Oklahoma. He holds BS and MS degrees in Agricultural Engineering from Oklahoma State University, where he specialized in irrigation and water resources engineering.

His professional career includes serving as an Extension Irrigation Engineer for Kansas State University in Manhattan and Garden City and working for the Division of Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture, where he spent the last 24 years as Chief Engineer and Director.

In 2007, David retired from state service and began providing consulting services related to water and natural resources, through Pope Consulting, LLC. A major client is the Missouri River Association of States and Tribes (MoRAST), where David serves as Executive Director. Mr. Pope also provides consulting services to the state of Kansas and several other clients interested in water and natural resources.

JAE D. CHANG**Tuesday Topic's
Speaker for August**

Dr. Chang received his BA in Architectural Studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

He received a Master of Architecture, Master of Science in Architecture and Doctor of Philosophy in Architecture at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Dr. Chang was a Teaching Assistant at the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning at the University of Michigan from 2002-2004. He has been an Assistant Professor at the School of Architecture and Urban Planning at the University of Kansas since 2004.

From 2006 to the present Dr. Chang has been involved in 10 different research projects, published 14 papers, abstracts and journal articles and given over eleven scholarly presentations. He has made presentations from Lawrence, Kansas to Seoul, Korea. We are pleased to welcome him as a speaker for the League of Women Voters of Topeka-Shawnee County.

REMEMBERING**LOIS MONTO**

Lois joined our league soon after the Montos moved here in the '70's. (Lois had been a member in New Mexico.) She was active on our environmental committees, was often on the board and served as secretary, treasurer, and Voter editor (the Voter was then mimeographed.)

Lois had a career as physical therapist, enjoyed back packing, explored with the Audubon Society, and edited the newsletter for the Friends of the Library (TSCPL). Lois and George enjoyed travel and were active learning Spanish in a local group. Lois went to Talpatetes, El Salvador in the 80's thus assisting in the launching of the El Salvador project of Trinity Presbyterian Church. I remember her tales of walking to this village from the last bus stop carrying her luggage on muddy roads. She slept in the best bed of a village family, a hammock with chickens and roosters underneath in the home of a very gracious and grateful family.

Several years ago Lois and George moved to a retirement community in Oregon to be near their son and grandchildren. Lois died there on April 26. We send our sympathy to her family and cherish memories of this special person.

By Nancy Sargent

REFLECTIONS ON THE TOPEKA CITY COUNCIL FOR APRIL AND MAY, INCLUDING THE JUNE 4TH MEETING

BY JOE SARGENT

The issues surrounding the purchase of a second Robinson helicopter and the Lawson Enterprise Resource Planning System continued as hot topics during this reporting period. In addition, charges of ethic violations were brought against council members Blackburn and Preisner because of votes cast in rezoning properties owned by developer, Gene Jani. Another issue that required considerable deliberation by council members was the possible granting of a 60 day extension to Community First's contract with the city to acquire Sumner school.

Prior to the council's meeting on April 15th, city workers sent e-mails in support of the purchase of the Lawson Enterprise Resource Planning System [ERPS]. Actually, the city began to put the system in operation this past January. In April there were already five Lawson employees working with city staff to get the system up and running. Because of the e-mails council members Blackburn and Kennedy changed their previous votes so that the council overrode a veto by Mayor Bunten by gaining the necessary seven votes for the override. Council members Alcalá and Ortiz cast dissenting votes. However, this drama did not end there. Two

days later, Alcalá filed suit to allow him to intervene in District Attorney Hecht's suit which was concerned at the time only with the purchase of the helicopter. Eventually, Hecht filed an amended petition declaring the purchase of the ERPS also illegal since the council did not have the authority to override Mayor Bunten's veto. Thus, this matter remains unresolved.

The question of the legality of the purchase helicopter remains even murkier. On April 5th the council failed to override Mayor Bunten's veto regarding the helicopter. Hecht filed a suit on February 29th stating that the approval of a communication authorizing the helicopter's purchase was illegal since Mayor Bunten was denied his legal rights to vote on and veto the communication. On May 6th the council tried to terminate the helicopter contract but postponed any decision for one week so that council members Haynes and Harmon, both lawyers, could work with interim city attorney Braxton Copley on the language for a resolution to terminate the contract. On May 13th the council postponed action on the resolution for 30 days.

Both of Hecht's suits contend that the purchases vio-

lated the Kansas cash basis law. This law states that it is illegal for a governmental entity to incur debt in excess of the amount of funds actually on hand. Further, there is the question of whether the charter ordinance authorizing our present city government allows an override of a mayor's vote.

On June 3rd the council decided that council members Blackburn and Preisner had not violated the Topeka ethics ordinance approved by the council in March 2007. At the same meeting the council reached a decision to hold a work session within a week to consider allowing Community First a 60 day extension to their contract with the city for the acquisition of Sumner school.

In April the council passed a measure increasing water and sewer rates substantially. It was determined by the Public Works Department that these increases in funding were necessary to pay for needed infrastructure work since previous water and sewer rates were not sufficient to provide adequate funds to complete this work.

NOTES ON THE COUNTY COMMISSION

BY GEORGIA SANDLIN

April 10, 2008—Under unfinished business the commissioners continue to discuss the need for two Polk City Directories. Although, the dispatchers claim that the Internet is sometimes down Commissioner Miller feels that there are other alternatives to the Polk Directories. The decision was deferred.

A Public Hearing regarding the tax exemption for Goodyear Tire and Rubber was set for April 28.

For the rest of the meeting the commissioners approved contracts, bids and purchases.

April 14, 2008 – The big ticket item approved by the commissioners at this meeting was the replacement of a bridge over Indian Creek on NE 43rd Street. The budget for the bridge is \$651,350. The commissioners approved bids or, elected to award low bids, for eight pieces of equipment ranging from mowers to a van.

Two requests for out-of-state travel were approved. A citizen was awarded payment for damage to his vehicle but another citizen was denied the request for a waiver for the \$10 replacement check fee. As my grandmother used to say, “Watch your pennies and the dollars take care of themselves.”

April 21, 2008– The Commissioners addressed some unfinished business at the beginning of today’s meeting.

Commissioners Buhler and Ensley approved the request for Proposals for concrete replacement at the Courthouse and Detention Facility. Commissioner Miller was opposed.

Approval of other requests came easily with the exception of the cell phones in the Health Agency. Commissioner Miller needs to be convinced when a cell phone is requested as he contends that often many are distributed but few are used. After some discussion one cell phone was approved for the Gatekeepers Program.

April 24, 2008 – There were several different events that deviated from the routine business of the commission today. First, a claim from Martin Tractor Company for damage to a vehicle was denied by the commission. Commissioner Miller suggested the matter was more appropriate at small claims court.

Second, the request for county money for the East Gate Redevelopment District was deferred until after the May 13th JEDO Board meeting. Third, Commissioner Miller expressed his displeasure to a county employee for negative comments made about the GIS system and Marti Leisinger (Audit-Finance). Fourth, Dave Sterbenz (Emergency Management) explained why the sirens did not work during a test. He assured the commissioners that the system has a built-in-resolution.

April 28, 2008 – This date was designated as the Public Hearing on the tax exemption for Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. There were no comments at the meeting so the exemption was approved 3-0. Apparently, Seaman School District and county officials had already expressed approval.

Representatives from Cook, Flatt and Strobel gave their after-the-spring-thaw report to the commission on the pavement on Valencia Road. They reported no major changes in the road's condition and explained the two options the county had for repair of the road. One option was complete removal and replacement of the road. The other option was patching and a four inch overlay over the road. Kevin Bitner, representing the Valencia neighborhood, had also contracted a study that reported that more patching would be needed after 3-5 years if an overlay was applied. Commissioners deferred the decision until they saw the second engineers report.

A resident of the Valencia neighborhood also reported to the commission that the land occupied by Kansas Sand and Gravel was still designated agricultural land. The commissioners seemed unaware of this oversight and pledged to investigate the matter.

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May 1, 2008 – The bulk of the meeting this morning dealt with the repair options for Valencia Road. The report from Schwabb-Eaton, hired by the Valencia Neighborhood Association, did not change the commissioners' minds. Commissioner Buhler wants the road completely redone, Commissioners Ensley and Miller voted for the overlay. Commissioner Miller noted that Kansas Sand and Gravel would continue to be responsible for repair of the road and must meet criteria for repairs as specified by the county. Kansas Sand and Gravel has a 30-year permit that calls for maintenance of the road, we have 28 more years to go.

May 5, 2008 – A zoning change from partial residential/light industrial to complete light industrial at SW University and SW Topeka Blvd. was approved with no opposition. Also a change from VHS camera systems to DV-1 camera systems was approved for the sheriff's department.

Libby Ensley of the election office is preparing for the upcoming election by asking for approval of space and employee changes. Since the legislature approved part-time workers at the polls the workers needed jumps from 600 to 800. Ms Ensley is proposing that the workers that work 14 hour days receive \$100. Other workers will receive \$45.85 a day. She is also requesting that county workers be allowed to volunteer to work at the polls in lieu of their regular

departments. Ms Ensley contends she would get quality workers and the county could save money. The decision was postponed until details could be worked out.

A representative of Family Resource Center came to the commission to ask for funding to continue the Immediate Intervention Program. The grant for the program was lost. The commission approved the funding based on the evidence that 90% of first time offenders do not re offend and on the letter written by the district attorney recommending the program. Money is to be taken from general expenses.

May 12, 2008 – A request by Mission Township board members was moved to the top of the agenda. The township was requesting that a 10,000 pound load limit be imposed on sections of SW Valencia Rd and SW 53rd because heavy trucks have been harming the road. Even though Commissioner Miller reported that he had never heard of Valencia Rd.(wishful thinking) request was approved 3-0.

Marilyn Nichols, Register of Deeds, reported to the commissioners that a scam has been operating in Shawnee County. People have been offering to obtain a copy of property deeds for the fee of \$69.50. The copy can be obtained from the county office for a fee of \$2.50. Television cameras were at the meeting and Commissioner Miller expressed the wish that the media would spread the word to the public.

Marti Leisinger, Audit Finance, reported that the new computer system training and implementation was on schedule. There has been testing for each phase. SunGard representatives have been prompt and efficient with help when needed.

May 19, 2008 – The issue of county workers working at the polls for elections returned. Previously, Elizabeth Ensley had proposed establishing a system for recruiting election workers from Shawnee County employees. There were some questions from department heads and union representatives that needed to be answered before the plan was put into place. The commissioners voted to approve this resolution at this meeting. The new law allows for shifts of seven hours as well as fourteen hours so more workers are needed. The county will save money if county workers fill some of these slots.

Other purchases were approved including hardware/software for the county computer systems.

May 29, 2008 – The Shawnee County Commissioners agreed to a contract with ASA Marketing to raise private money for county park improvements. I think that means we will be looking at ads in the parks.

There was some discussion between Larry Wilson, County Treasurer, and the commissioners (mostly Commissioner Miller) on the system for collecting and depositing tax money. Mr. Wilson is in favor of a lock box service. With the lock box service checks are sent to a PO box, collected by the bank and deposited. Now county employees open the mail and deposit checks, sometimes getting behind in the process because other office business must be tended to. US Bank is offering, and demonstrated, a service they claim would be more efficient, getting funds into the bank, and collecting interest

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sooner. The checks would be scanned at the treasurer's office and automatically deposited without transfer of paper. To process because other office business must be tended to. US Bank is offering, and demonstrated, to Commissioner Miller's chagrin, Mr. Wilson did not attend the demonstration given by US Bank when it was offered. The commissioners deferred action on the issue to give the treasurer time to attend a demonstration of the new system.

June 2, 2008 – When a citizen enters the Shawnee County Courthouse he or she must pass through the, now familiar, security system. The sheriff's office requested that the commissioners approve a re-model, to the tune of \$16,000, that would move the security station south to remedy the problem of congestion in the hallway. The commissioners did not think the problem warranted a \$16,000 solution. Commissioner Buhler stated she needed more compelling evidence that the current placement causes a security problem.

Business turned contentious when Shawnee County Counselor Rich Eckert's agenda item came up. Mr. Eckert had issue with the practice of allowing a person to register his or her vehicle without having paid personal property taxes. Apparently, if a person had filed a grievance with Kansas Board of Tax Appeals that person could renew his vehicle registration. Would you believe, some people file a grievance with BOTA, register their vehicle, then BOTA dismisses the appeal because the \$15 was not paid? After some lively discussion, Shawnee County Treasurer Larry Wilson said it will happen no more.

June 5, 2008 – Former Shawnee County Commissioner Mike Meier appeared before the commission this morning to accuse Commissioner Miller of question-

able ethics when the county reconfigured the commission districts. Mr. Meier reported that he was looking forward to running against Commissioner Miller but they were no longer in the same district. Commissioner Miller answered the accusations with his own explanation. Words were exchanged such as: "...can tell a lie so well" and "Anybody with a brain...". After he spoke Mr. Meier left the room in a hurry with Tim Hrenchir of the Capital-Journal, pad and pen ready, close behind.

Bill Singer, of the Information Technology department, submitted a letter to the commission announcing his retirement, effective August 1. Apparently Mr. Singer supervises two departments so there was some discussion as to whether they would advertise for one or two positions.

Dave Sterbenz, of Emergency Management, asked for funds to replace two new sirens. We learned there has been only one bidder for sirens since 1997. A new siren is \$20,000.

Dick Kline of Corrections wanted the commissioners to know that Shawnee County was named in the American Jails Magazine. The article was recommending ways to recruit employees and Shawnee County was cited as a good example.

June 9, 2008 – This meeting began with Capital Federal Savings presenting a check for \$20,000 as Title Sponsor for the fireworks display at Lake Shawnee July 4th and 5th. Capital Federal has been a sponsor since 2003.

Commissioner Ensley reported on the award the Shawnee County Department of Corrections received for partnering with Sheltered Living Inc. Inmate work crews help with the annual Festival of Trees. Commissioner Ensley's heart was warmed when he received a hug at the award ceremony.

Commissioners are also considering an increase (from 47 cents to 51 cents) in reimbursement for gas used by county employees. Before ap-

proving the increase commissioners requested the records showing which individual employees are receiving reimbursement and to what degree

RECORD IT! REPORT IT! & RECOVER IT!

The Safe Streets Coalition in partnership with the Topeka Police Department, Shawnee County Sheriff's Office, Crime Stoppers, and Topeka Area Pawn Shops are promoting a program to deter theft of property and to help return property to the owner if it's stolen. Law enforcement reports that only one percent of all items in the property room are marked. The League has three invisible identification markers for members to use and then pass on to other members. These pens were available at the June Tuesday Topics meeting with the information on how to use them. We plan to have this information available at future Tuesday Topics meetings.

CRISES INTERVENTION TEAM AND THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

By Lois Scibetta, PH.D., R.N.

Fresh from serving on the LWV Mental Health Committee, a notice came across my desk from NAMI, of a Crisis Intervention Training Summit, meeting to be held here in Topeka, in January 2007.

The issue and focus was on the mentally ill in the community, and how to handle crisis situations related to them safely and more effectively.

The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is an innovative first responder model of police based intervention with community, health care and advocacy partnerships. The first CIT model was developed in Memphis, Tennessee. The model provides for crisis intervention training for police officers to assist those with mental illness in the community. The training improves safety for the individual, the police and the community.

The Summit meeting held in Topeka was excellent. Various models of

training the intervention were shared, as well as, stories from families dealing with mental illness. The meeting clearly identified a need for CIT here in Shawnee County. Planning meetings were arranged.

Gwen Elliott and myself attended several planning sessions for several months. The meetings were held under the able leadership of Dennis Bosley, board member of NAMI.

The second CIT Summit meeting was held in January 2008, and was attended by Dr. Scibetta. The format was very similar to the first Summit, and considerable progress had been made in terms of planning the actual CIT training sessions here in Topeka. The League has been involved since the beginning, with a focus on our advocacy role. It should be noted that the LWV were welcomed and encouraged to participate in the planning.

The first five day CIT

training sessions were held in the VA hospital, here in Topeka in April 2008. Thirty three officers attended the sessions, many from Topeka, and around the state. Gwen and I attended several of the classes, which were excellent and very well received. The Topeka LWV was noted as a sponsor, although we did not contribute financially, they felt our interest and support was very helpful.

At the recent state LWV meeting, the Topeka League spoke about our involvement with this program, and now the Wichita League is also involved. We hope other Leagues will become involved in this program.

Interested in getting involved?? More details in October, 2008, Tuesday Topics presentation by Lois Scibetta, Gwen Elliott and Dennis Bosley.

REPORT FOR THE VOICE MEETING ON NUCLEAR ENERGY AND WATER

Nuclear power and water scarcity

Some problems associated with nuclear power have been discussed for years. The first thought in some people's minds is the connection to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Another thought is the problem of the waste generated from the plants and its disposal. Less well known is the fact that nuclear power is the most water-hungry of all energy sources, with a single reactor consuming 36-65 million liters of water each day. A December 2006 report notes that the water requirements for a nuclear power station are 20- 83 percent higher than for other power stations. Those calculations do not include water consumption by uranium mines.

Water outflows from nuclear power plants can damage the local environment. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency states:

“When nuclear power plants remove water from a lake or river for steam production and cooling, fish and other aquatic life can be affected. Water pollutants,

such as heavy metals and salts, build up in the water used in the nuclear power plant systems. These water pollutants, as well as the higher temperature of the water discharged from the power plant, and negatively affect water quality and aquatic life.” A report by the U.S. Nuclear Information and Resource Service details the destruction of delicate marine ecosystems and large numbers of animals, including endangered species, by nuclear power plants. Most of the damage is done by water inflow pipes, while expulsion of warm water causes further damage.

The Salem Nuclear Generating Station alone takes 3 billion gallons a day from the Delaware Bay. Studies of the environmental consequences of this water demand indicated that Salem is responsible for an annual 11 percent reduction in weakfish and 31 percent reduction in bay anchovy. At the Indian Point 2 and 3 reactors on the Hudson River, the number of fish impinged totaled over 1.5 million fish in 1987.

Source – Alliance for Nuclear Responsibility, Oct. 200

Comparison of water consumption by energy source

- Nuclear energy consumes 400 gal/mWh with once-through cooling, 400 to 720 gal/mWh with pond cooling and about 720 gal/mWh with cooling towers.

- Coal consumes somewhat less, ranging from 300 to 480 gal/mWh for wet cooling systems

- Natural gas consumes even less, at 100 gal/mWh for once-through, 180 gal/mWh for cooling towers and none for dry cooling

- Hydroelectricity's typical water consumption is 1,430 gal/mWh, due in large part to evaporation from reservoirs.

- Solar thermal consumes 1,060 gal/mWh, and geothermal ranges from 1,800 to 4,000 gal/mWh.

- Biomass is similar to coal, ranging from 300 to 400 gal/mWh for wet cooling systems.

- Solar photovoltaic is lower at 30 gal/mWh.

- Wind is lowest at 1 gal/mWh

Source – Nuclear Energy Institute, Nov. 2007

VOTER REGISTRATION

We will continue to register voters once a month at the Topeka-Shawnee County Public Library. We have also set a time to go to Breakthrough House on July 14, 2008 to register their clients. An invitation to register voters at the Topeka Independent Living Resource Center on July 26th at their open house has been accepted.

Contact has also been established with an employee at the Federal Court, and we will soon begin registering new citizens following their naturalization ceremonies. The first opportunity will be on June 23, 2008 at the Frank Carlson Federal Building when seventy people will become citizens.

On July 25, 2008, there will be two separate events at TPAC where 1200 people in total will become citizens. Big events such as this are handled routinely in Kansas City, so an effort will be made by Georgia Sandlin while at the national meeting to get guidance from league members as to the logistics of registering such a large number of potential voters.

Now that this contact has been made, we will be

alerted to each naturalization ceremony as they are scheduled. The person I spoke with was quite pleased that the League of Women Voters wanted to assist in this way and said no registration of voters to his knowledge had been done at those events in Shawnee County.

Other upcoming registration efforts are to be set up at the Farmers' Market, Back to School Fair and Fall Perfect Wedding Guide fair. If there are members interested in helping with these events, please contact me at (785)232-4851 or at repps@cox.net.

Board workers are needed during primary and general elections at precinct sites. If you would like to help, please call Election Commissioner's Office (7895)266-0285 and a letter and application will be mailed to you. Training for workers is provided a week before the elections. Payment is \$100 for working 6:00 am to 8:00 pm on election day. There will be one worker at each precinct site whom will work only a seven hour shift, and that person will be paid \$45.85. If you are chosen to be a supervisor at the site, there would be a slight increase in pay plus mileage allowance.

Advanced Voting: Individuals wishing to vote can call (785)266-0287 to request an Application for Advance Voting Ballot for either the primary or general election or for both. Those applications need to be filled out and returned to the Election Commissioner's Office at 911 SW 37th Street; Topeka, KS 66611. If you need a Permanent Advance Voting Ballot due to illness or disability, that can be arranged by calling the same number as well. The last possible day to request a ballot is the Friday before the elections and should be returned to their office by election day. Advance voting can be done by appearing at the Election Commissioner's Office beginning July 22, 2008 for the primary election and October 21, 2008 for the general election. Advance voting at that site concludes at noon the day before each election day. Call to confirm times to vote as office hours are extended as each election day nears.

Thank you to volunteers who have helped in this process.

Anita Epps

NUCLEAR ENERGY AND WATER USE

Nuclear power is the most water-hungry of all energy sources, with a single reactor consuming 35-65 million liters of water each day. The water requirements for a nuclear power station are 20-83 percent higher than for other power stations, not counting the water consumption by uranium mines. The temperature of the water and pollutants from nuclear plants also negatively affect water quality and aquatic life.

BOARD BRIEFS

The July, Tuesday topics will be at the YWCA and will feature David Pope, engineer, Water Issues and Energy.

The August Tuesday Topics will also be at the YWCA featuring Dr. Jae Chang. Thinking, Planning and Building Breen.

Lois Scibetta resigned from the Board because she is starting a new business.

Profit from the Garage Sale held on June 7th was \$501.00. Thanks to everyone who helped with this project.

NEW MEMBERS

Remember we are an organization that is always looking for new members. Do you have a co-worker, friend, or neighbor that you could ask to join?

Also remember even though the title of our name says League of Women Voters, we are not an organization that does not allow men to become members. So while you are thinking of someone to ask remember your husband, companion, boy friend or any other male you can think of.

Remember all of the above might enjoy our programs.

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
LOIS COX, VOTER EDITOR
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I want to add my voice to yours by joining the League of Women Voters. I enclose:

_____ \$53 for a 1 year Individual Membership

_____ \$75 for a 1 year Household Membership

_____ \$83 for a 1 year Sustaining Membership

_____ \$25 for a 1 year Student (age 18) Membership

_____ I am unable to join the League at this time, but enclosed is a tax-deductible

Contribution in the amount of \$ _____

Name

Address

Please make check payable to League of Women Voters Topeka Shawnee County and

Send to Sybil Wiegand, Treasurer, 2805 SW Tall Grass DR., Topeka, KS 66614-6026

(785) 478-1679