

League of Women Voters Kerrville Area

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VOTER for September 2008

A LETTER FROM THE 2008-2009 PRESIDENT: Barbara Lingle

This September will mark the beginning of a very active season for the **League of Women Voters Kerrville Area** and I would like to begin by introducing your **LWVKA Officers and Board of Directors for the 2008-2009 League year:**

President:	Barbara Lingle
1 st Vice-President:	Ann Sullivan (Programs)
2 nd Vice-President:	Melinda Wasson (Organization & Membership Chair)
Secretary:	Ingrid Painter
Treasurer:	Linda Smith
Voter Service Director:	Meg Scott Johnson
Communications Director:	Donna Snow Robinson

Having worked closely with these board members for the past several months, I can tell you that they are full of creative ideas and have planned an exciting year for **LWVKA**, and we want you to be a part of the **FUN**.

First, we want you to know that we will have a **regularly scheduled** General Membership Meeting on the **second Tuesday** of each month (except for July and August) at **Billy Gene's Restaurant** (in their meeting room):

5:00 PM – Fellowship & order meal

5:30 PM – Brief Business meeting followed by Program

6:30 PM – Meeting will adjourn promptly at 6:30 PM

Second, the Board is actively working on lining up some interesting speakers and events for you to attend. We welcome your ideas and suggestions and look forward to seeing everyone on **September 9** at **5:00 PM** at **Billy Gene's Restaurant**, 1489 Junction Hwy, Kerrville. The first speaker of our new League year is your new League President, **Barbara Lingle**. The topic will be: **The League of Women Voters...Who Are We?**

Invite a guest, come yourself, and let's get ready to work together to make this the year of the most well-informed electorate in the history of our nation.

DUES for the NEW LEAGUE YEAR...

Current dues are \$55 per member annually (or \$75 for a couple). Members have been billed pro-rated dues through the end of 2008 based upon their anniversary of joining. [Starting in January 2009, dues will be raised to an amount agreed on by the](#)

members at our **October** monthly meeting. All members will be billed for the new amount in December. Dues for 2009 will be due by mid January.

Contributions are also welcome and help us carry out our work in providing information to voters about their government, and about candidates who run for political office. Any contributor of \$15, or more, can become a **Friend of the League**. Larger tax-deductible Contributions go specifically to Voters Guides, and other educational projects. Checks of this nature should be made to **LWV-Texas Education Fund**.

Send all Dues & Contributions to the League of Women Voters, Kerrville Area at P.O. Box 290303, Kerrville, TX 78029-0303 or you may bring them when you attend a meeting. Thank you for helping LWVKA continue to educate voters.

THE GENERAL ELECTION IS ALMOST UPON US.

Prior to the upcoming November 4th General Election, **The League will sponsor the publication of a VOTERS GUIDE**, and conduct a **CANDIDATE FAIR**. The following contested races will be on our local ballot: [1] U.S. President; [2] U.S. Senator; [3] U.S. Representative District 21; [4] Railroad Commissioner; [5] Chief Justice, Supreme Court; [6] Justices, Supreme Court; [7] Justices, Court of Criminal Appeals; [8] Judges, Court of Criminal Appeals; [9] State Senator, District 24; [10] State Representative District 53; [11] District Attorney, 198th Judicial District; [12] Justice of the Peace #1 - Unexpired Term; [13] Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District, Precinct One.

October 6th - Last Day to Register to Vote (make sure you and everyone you know is registered).

End of September - **VOTERS GUIDE** is tentatively planned for shipping.

October 20th - Early Voting begins

October 23rd - **CANDIDATE FAIR**

October 31st - Early Voting ends

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING PROGRAMS.

September 23rd – **Schreiner University**- the SU Women's Issues Committee and Panhellenic are joining **LWVKA** to offer a **public education forum: "My Vote is My Voice Being Heard: Women's Issues in the 2008 Presidential Election."** All SU women will be polled the week of September 2nd - 5th to find out the top four issues the university women are most concerned about in this year's election. SU faculty will make a 4-5 minute presentation on each issue and why it matters particularly to women. LWV is recruiting representatives from each political party to share where each presidential candidate stands on particular issues.