

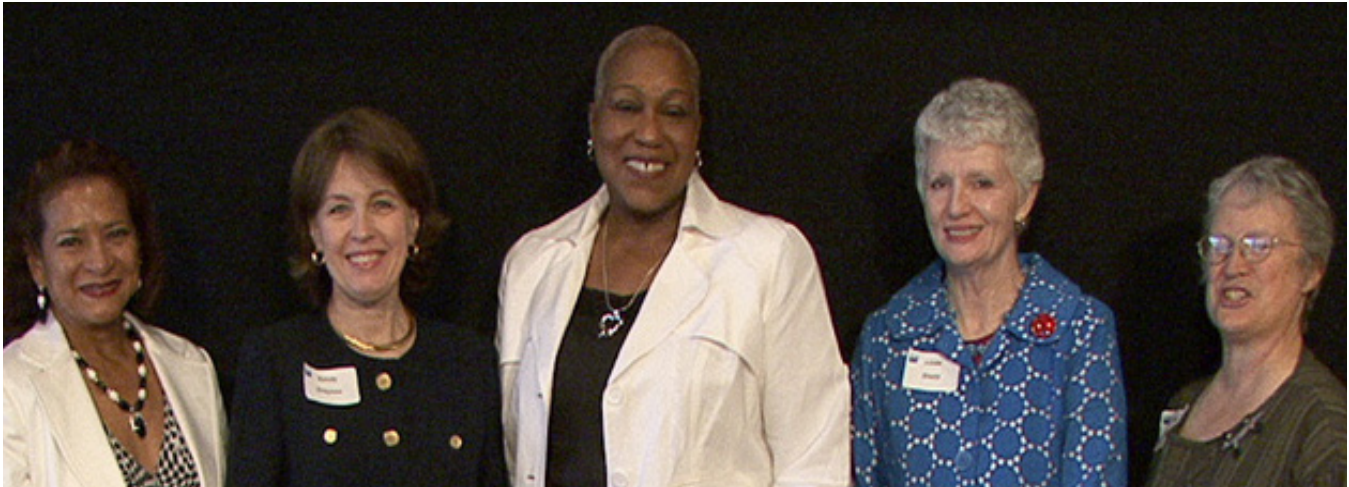
League of Women Voters
of Dallas

VOTER



A nonpartisan organization that encourages informed participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Annual Meeting All-Stars



Left to right: Cecilia McKay, Sandy Greyson, Libbie Lee, Linda Sharp, and Liz Wally.

2009 Annual Meeting Outcomes

- New Board Officers and Directors Elected. **New Board Member Profiles** on page 2.
- New Local Study on *Economic Tools for the City of Dallas* adopted.
Scope: To educate LWVD members about TIFs (tax increment finance districts) and MMDs (municipal management districts) and their use in Dallas.
Focus: To determine the use of TIFs and MMDs in relation to the city's tax base. How many are too many? Are the state guidelines for the use of TIFs and MMDs being followed? Is the city adhering to its financial standards in the use of these economic development tools?
If you are interested in serving on this Study, please contact Sandy Greyson at 972-385-9322 or sandygreyson@yahoo.com
- Appointed Boards & Commissions position updated as follows.
The League of Women Voters of Dallas supports: **serious consideration by the City Council of specific recommendations** submitted by appointed boards and commissions, appointed task forces and ad hoc committees.
- New Local Program Bylaw on conducting concurrence was adopted.
Section 7. **Concurrence, an Alternate Form of Member Agreement**
(3) To update or enlarge an existing local program position, the Program Review Committee or a Board appointed Committee shall review the issue and present its recommendations, along with the pros and cons, for Board approval. The approved recommendations and the pros and cons shall then be presented to the membership through a general meeting and/or a unit meeting not less than 21 days before the Annual Meeting in order to be considered for their concurrence and adoption.
(4) To concur with a consensus reached by another Local League, a Committee shall be appointed by the Board to consider the other League's Facts and Issues, pros and cons, and then present those findings to the membership through a general meeting and/or a unit meeting for their concurrence.
- Financial Administration Bylaw changed to our **fiscal year commencing on the first day of January** each year.
- **Member Dues retained at \$60** and Budget for June 1-December 31, 2009 adopted.

New Board Member Profiles

Judy Coats, Director

Judy Coats is a fourth generation Texan. She grew up in Yorktown, Texas, and first moved to Dallas in 1965. She attended Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas and the University of Texas at Austin, where she earned a BA Degree in Central European History. Judy has served on the Dallas Library Board and the Dallas County Health and Human Services Board. She is also a past Chair of the Friends of the Dallas Arts District and was a long time member of the Mental Health Association. She and her husband, Sam, have four grown children and two grand children, all of whom live in the DFW area.

Judy Jacks, Director

Judy Jacks, a seventh generation Texan, graduated from the University of Texas, Austin with a Bachelor in Business Administration in Marketing. Judy's corporate career includes: National Bank Examiner (First female in the country); IBM sales rep; and Regional Marketing Manager for Lincoln Property Company's apartment division.

Judy's nonprofit career includes: Executive Director of Oasis Housing Corp., a small long term housing program for those graduating from short term housing programs; Executive Director Vickery Meadow Learning Center, an English language school for low income non-English speaking adults and their preschool age children; and Executive Director for the Friends of the Dallas Public Library.

Judy has always been active in volunteer activities both as a participant and a leader in her church and the community and is currently serving on the Park Lane Place TIF Board and serving in a leadership role for a couple of church wide mission projects.

Philippa McDonald, Director

Philippa is currently the treasurer for the Kirby Creek Home Owners Association. In her professional life she was an administrative assistant to a vice president at Citigroup and to a Colonel in Okinawa, Japan, as well as working for the British Tourist Authority in London, England. Philippa became a citizen of the US in 1990.

Philippa has been married for 33 years to Thomas, who served in the Air Force for 30 years and was a senior enlisted advisor in Saudi Arabia for 2 years. They have two children and seven grandchildren. Their son Miles is a pastor in Tallahassee, Florida, and daughter Amber is a 911-operator in Houston.

Although Philippa had a stroke in 2004, it left her with no residual effects. She loves to do furniture refinishing, sewing, and volunteering with LWVD (new citizen voter registration) and CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate for abused children).



Pictured are Judy Jacks on the left and Philippa McDonald on the right.



Going Green to Make a Difference
Katherine Homan, Organization VP

To save money, trees and reduce paper clutter, we are **transitioning in September from hard to electronic copies of the VOTER and Dues Renewal Notices**. You may have been contacted recently by Office Administrator Meg Kimberland who is updating our e-mail address list for that purpose. **If you are not on the Internet, print copies will continue to be mailed to you.**

Another saving in our consumption of paper products will be by **posting our Handbook online**. The Member Directory will be accessible through a secured link. **Hard copies of the Handbook & Directory will be mailed only by request.**

As noted in the Member Profile Survey on the reverse side, **the Member Directory will contain whatever contact information you authorize us to publish**. Regardless of whether or not you wish your contact information to be published, **please complete and return this survey form so that we know how to best serve your membership expectations.**

Thank you for helping us to keep the environment safe, as well as our Membership Dues at \$60!

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League of Women Voters of DALLAS
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LWV-Dallas Member Profile Survey

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE LEAGUE DATABASE

Name
Address

Preferred Phone
FAX
Email

I authorize this information for publication in the LWVD Membership Directory____(Initials)

OR

I authorize this information for LWVD internal office use only____(Initials)

I would like to:

- receive information about League issues and activities,
- be active with voter registration and voter education events,
- join Unit discussion groups on public policies,
- financially support the League, but participate minimally. *(Check all that apply.)*

Employment: Full Time____ Part Time____ Retired____ Student____ Not Employed____

Do you have special skills/talents/interests that you would like to share with the League?

As a grassroots organization, the League depends upon the work of its active members to carry out its program. We ask that active members volunteer at least a few hours per year in the League's ORGANIZATION, PROGRAM, ADVOCACY or VOTER SERVICE activities of their choice.

Please indicate your interest(s) below.

LEAGUE ORGANIZATION

- Communications (Web-site, Publicity, Speakers Bureau)
- Finance/Development (Finance Committee, Special Fundraising Events)
- Production of VOTER Newsletter
- Membership Recruitment and Welcoming
- Serving on the LEAGUE Board of Directors

PROGRAM

- Serving on Local Study Committee
- Assisting with arrangements for Unit Meetings
- Assisting with arrangements for General Meetings and Issue Forums
- Serving on Program Exploratory and Planning Committee

ADVOCACY

- City Hall and County Commissioners Court Observer Corps
- Specific issue expertise
- Relations with City, County and State Officials

VOTER SERVICE

- Voter Registration and Turnout activities
- Candidate Forums/Debates
- Production of print and online Voters Guide

Please complete and return by mail or fax to 214-688-4126.

You may fill in this page, fold, tape, stamp, and mail.

However, you may prefer to fax it, or copy and send in your own envelope.



In the picture above, Eleanor Sutherland pours coffee for Dottie Box and Agnes Ellsworth. At the right, you can see the lovely buffet breakfast Ann Adams is about to enjoy



LWV DALLAS ANNUAL MEETING 2009

At the right, Essie Reed expresses her delight as she is honored for her 50-year membership in the League of Women Voters. Below, Linda Sharp anticipates seeing her Macdonald Award.



The picture at the left represents Libbie Lee passing the gavel as our Preident-Elect Sandy Greyson steps into her new role as President.



At the left, Secretary Suzy Wills, Program VP Mildred Pope, and Time Keeper Barbara Downey pay attention as President Libbie Lee and Organization VP Katherine Homan explain the proposed changes in the Bylaws.

In Remembrance of Nancy Todes

Nancy has graced and embraced our Dallas League since 1988 when she retired from 20 years of teaching in DISD elementary schools. In addition to being a founding member of the Evening Unit, she has served over ten years on our Board of Directors, six of those years as Organization Vice President.

In 2006, Nancy was honored with our League's Myrtle Bales Bulkley Award in recognition and appreciation of her many years of exceptional service to the League and the community.

Dallas Leaguers, who attended Nancy's funeral service in the Olan Sanctuary of Temple Emanu-El, remembered fondly Nancy's penchant for achieving a quorum at Board and Annual Meetings. They all agreed that at her service:

"We had a quorum."

Contributed by Katherine Homan

August is Women's Equality Month

Christine Jarosz, Dallas Women's Coalition*

Woman's Suffrage has a long history in the United States. It was championed by Abigail Adams in the 18th century when she asked her husband "to remember the women" as he rode away to write the U.S. Constitution. Apparently John Adams forgot. It was addressed and debated by a full and well-attended Women's Convention at Seneca Falls, New York in 1848.

After years of consistent and dramatic efforts by Suffragists (protesting and demonstrating, chaining themselves to the White House fence, being arrested, and being force fed in prison), it was finally passed by Congress and made into law on August 26, 1920. The law did not include all women and though the U.S. was well behind the rest of the world, it did mark a turning point for women in America.

There are many ways to remember and celebrate this achievement, this important step *towards Women's Equality*.

Please join us to honor and celebrate our mothers, daughters, and our sisters:

Women's Equality Day
Dallas City Hall
Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at Noon

*Excerpted from Christine Jarosz's First Announcement DWC Town Hall Forum

League Bulletin Board

Contributions

Dottie Box in memory of Nancy Todes; Texans for **Dan Branch**, Patron membership and the Scholarship Fund; **Kristen Castellanos** in memory of Nancy Todes; Carolyn Clark in memory of Nancy Todes; **Marlene Cohen** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Shirley Cooper** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Patricia** and Dr. Frank **Crumley** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Joanne Early** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Agnes Ellsworth** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Leah Filzow-Perez** for the Scholarship Fund; **Lea Frailey** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Monica** and **Gabriel Fried** in honor of **Louise Raggio's** birthday; **Genie Fritz** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Lenora Graham** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Sandy Greyson** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Rose Harder** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Sandra** and **John Hebley**; **Katherine Homan** in memory of Nancy Todes; Charlene W. Howell in memory of Nancy Todes; **Gayle Hurst** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Kathleen Irvin** for the Scholarship Fund; Janet and Jonathan Kutner in memory of Nancy Todes; **Elisabeth Lerner** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Sue Lichten** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Julie** and **Michael Lowenberg** in honor of **Sandy Greyson's** Presidency, **Liz Wally's** Bulkley Award, and **Linda Sharp's** McDonald Award; **Brenda Marks** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Mickey Maribo**; **Dorothy** and Bill **Masterson** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Barbara Materka** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Pamela Myercord**; Joan and Robert Pollock in memory of Nancy Todes; **Lucy Polter**; **Mary Anne Mayer Redmond**; **Susan Roman** for the Scholarship Fund; **Pat Sabin** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Jan Sanders** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Judi Stewart** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Eleanor Sutherland**; **Shirley Tobolowsky** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Jo** and **Dennis Tuck** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Sandra Thornton**, Patron member; **Molly Van Ort** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Pam** and **Lewis Waber**; **Linda Wassenich** in honor of **Liz Wally's** Bulkley Award, **Linda Sharp's** McDonald Award, **Cecilia McKay's** Meritorious Service Award, **Essie Reed's** 50-year membership, **Libbie Lee's** service as LWVD President, and in memory of Nancy Todes; **Elaine Wiant** in memory of Nancy Todes; **Suzu Wills** in memory of Nancy Todes; Women's Issues Network in memory of Nancy Goldberg Todes.

IN MEMORIAM

We note with sadness the passing of former League member
Billye Jewell Taylor Dishner
May 11, 2009

Welcome New Members

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As you read through the list of contributors, please note that we indicate current members in bold face type and use a semi-colon to separate individual contributors.

Designated contributions may be made in honor of living members, in memory of deceased members, or for special purposes..

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Good Neighbor Program
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\$114.30**

Please join our program!

Help Make Democracy Work

Join the **League of Women Voters of Dallas** *Not for Women Only!*

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DALLAS
DIVERSITY STATEMENT

The League of Women Voters of Dallas (LWVD), in both its values and practices, affirms its belief in, and commitment to, diversity and pluralism.

LWVD welcomes any person to participate in any activity of LWVD, regardless of gender, race, religion, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or political persuasion.

LWVD recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision-making.

LWVD subscribes to the belief that diversity and pluralism are fundamental to the values it upholds and that inclusiveness enhances its capability to respond more effectively to changing conditions and needs.

LWVD affirms its commitment to reflecting diversity in its membership, board, staff and programs.

Membership Levels

___\$60/year Individual ___\$30 additional member at same address
___\$150/year Patron ___\$500/year Benefactor

___Reduced Membership rates available upon request. Call 214-688-4125
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Name(s) _____

Address _____

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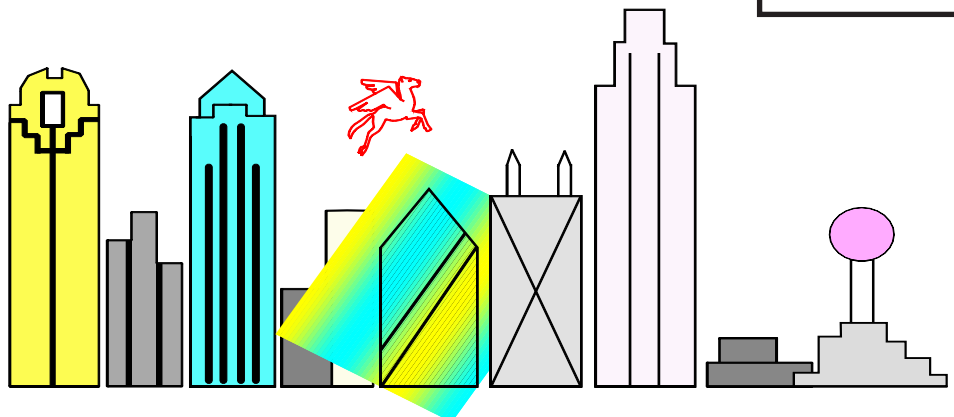
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