



LWVCC Receives \$1500 Grant for Website

The League of Women Voters of Colorado granted our Chaffee County League \$1500 to support website development and maintenance. The funds will also go to purchase a video recorder and wireless microphone for taping and streaming forums on the website.

Ultimately our website will serve three audiences: the voters of Chaffee County, members of the League, and people interested in joining the League. For a sneak preview, click on <http://www.lwvchaffeecounty.org/>

Many thanks go to Cheryl Brown-Kovacic, who wrote the proposal, to Carol Sanford, who prepared the financials, and to members who supplied supporting information.

More Good News...

Friends of the SteamPlant awarded LWVCC \$200 to help defray the cost of our March program for the Making Democracy Work Award. Thanks to Karen Robinson for submitting a winning proposal!



Poinsettia Sales Begin

League members can start taking orders for two sizes of poinsettia plants, \$12.00 for small pots and \$30 for large. Colors are the same as last year: red, burgundy, burgundy & white, pink, and white (no pink for large pots). Use the attached Xcel order form to submit your sales.

These locally grown plants are gorgeous! They make wonderful presents as well as spectacular decorations for our homes. And the revenue helps keep our budget balanced.

Plants will be available for pick up at the Buena Vista Library on Tuesday, November 29, from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. Jeanne Younghouse and Marilyn Box are coordinating the sales. If you'd like to help with distribution, call Jeanne at 395-3887.

Opportunity...

For two people (one each in Salida and Buena Vista) to help provide coffee and tea at meetings. Call Karen at 395-3396.



Salida Candidate Forum, October 6, 2011, one of two successful election forums organized by Marjie Gray for Voter Services

CALENDAR

November 14, Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Buena Vista, Sangre de Cristo meeting room at 29780 US Hwy 24 N. Okay to bring a sack lunch.

Topic: Conclusion to our study on the federal government's role in education.

We'll review our consensus on Common Core Standards and Equity in Funding. We'll finish by reaching consensus on questions 1-3:

1. The current role of the federal government in public education is [Choose in a range from too small to too large].
2. What should be the role of the federal government in public education? [Rank five options.]
3. A quality public education is important to perpetuate a strong and viable democracy. [Choose in a range from strongly agree to strongly disagree.]

Program to be followed by a board meeting—all members are welcome.



December 12, Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Salida, Bank of the West (downstairs) at 146 G Street

Topic: An update on geothermal development and its impacts on Salida and the county, along with sustainable energy tips.

Presenters: Paul Morgan of the Colorado Geological Survey and Jay Moore from Salida City Council.



2012 Preview

January 16 – Hospital Update in Salida

February 13 – County Government Review with Dennis Giese in Buena Vista

March 12 – Making Democracy Work Award at Salida SteamPlant

April 9 – Annual dinner with Ed Quillen in Buena Vista

May 14 – Employment at Department of Corrections; in Buena Vista

- Karen Robinson, Program Chairwoman