



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®

January 2007

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Calendar Of Events

January 18 (Thursday): Noon

Lunch & Learn,
US Bank Bldg 20th Floor,
13th & M.

Guests: First Year State Senators
Bill Avery, Amanda McGill, and
Danielle Nantkes.

(See article at right.)

January 15 (Monday): 5:45 pm

LWVLL Board Meeting
At the Apothecary, 140 N 8th St.,
Second Floor conference room.

January 21-March 11

(Sundays, omits Feb. 4): 7:00 pm
Unitarian Church

Winter Lecture Series:

“Climate Change:

Causes and Responses”

(See information on page 2.)

January 25 (Monday): 5:30 pm

January Warm-Up-to-2007 Party
AAA Nebraska, meeting room
2900 O Street

(See information below.)

Lunch & Learn

For Nebraska’s 100th Session of the Unicameral Legislature, history is being made because the result of term-limits is that the body has 22 new Senators. Three of those new Senators, Bill Avery, Danielle Nantkes and Amanda McGill, were elected to represent Lincoln.

Senators Avery, Nantkes and McGill are the featured speakers for the “Lunch and Learn” program sponsored by the Lincoln/Lancaster County League of Women Voters for their January monthly meeting. They will tell their personal experiences of the transition from a candidate to an elected official as well as discuss any particular legislative agenda they have.

The January “Lunch and Learn” will be held Thursday, January 18th, at noon at the Nebraska Club – top of the U.S. Bank on 13th and “M” Streets. Everyone is welcome. Reservations should be made early – no later than January 16th – as space is limited. The luncheon cost is \$8.00, including tax and gratuity. Rides will be provided if requested. Leave a message at the League office (475-1411) to make reservations.

Spring Candidate Debates

Plans are being made for candidate debates in this spring’s Lincoln City elections. Current hope is to schedule primary debates for mayoral and/or city council district races in which three or more candidates run, and general election debates for contested mayoral and council races. (Other offices such as school board and airport authority may be considered for debates; those decisions have not yet been made.) If you would like to help, or if you have questions to suggest, please contact Sharon Nemeth at wayova@msn.com or 489-3571.

**LWV-LL members are invited to attend a
January Warm-Up-to-2007 Party**

Thursday, January 25th

5:30 - 7:30

AAA Nebraska's meeting room

2900 O Street

Bring something to share, we'll fill a table with nibbles and sips

**We also invite you to bring a guest.....We'll review 2006 and preview 2007
in some creative ways!**

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Climate Change: Causes and Responses
2007 Winter Lecture Series - Unitarian Church

The 2007 Winter Lecture Series at the Unitarian Church, 6300 A Street, Lincoln, will begin Sunday, January 21, 2007 at 7:00 PM with the first 2-hour lecture session, and will run 7 “almost consecutive” Sundays, skipping the Super Bowl.) The Series will conclude on March 11, 2007 with a dinner.

1/21: “The climate detective: Unraveling the evidence for global warming.” Professor Kenneth F. Dewey is a Regional Climatologist in the School of Natural Resources, High Plains Regional Climate Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UN-L). He specializes in storms and weather features of the plains states, especially tornadoes, and teaches courses in climatology and meteorology at the graduate and undergraduate level.

1/28: “Basic warming science and an introduction to the Brokaw film on climate change.” The discussant, Professor Clinton M. Rowe is Associate Professor of Geosciences at UN-L. His research interests range from climate modeling and climate cycles and water distribution in the sandhills (and elsewhere) to climactic change evidence derived from ice core drilling in Greenland.

2/4: Super Bowl. No WLS

2/11: “The ANDRILL project: Determining 20 million years of climate conditions.” Assistant Research Professor Richard H. Levy is a faculty member in the Geosciences Department at UN-L, and he is a staff scientist on the ANDRILL project. The ANDRILL project is supported by a \$13 million National Science Foundation grant that features the drilling of rock (not ice) cores from below Antarctic ice shelves and sea-ice

to determine climatic conditions for periods of time during the past 20 million years.

2/18: “Public policy and the impediments to concern and action.” Professor Charles Harper is in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Creighton University. His interests, expertise, and several books range from food security to how human perspectives affect social and governmental responses to environmental concerns. His teaching spans courses from Religion and American Society to Environmental Sociology.

2/25: “Christian environmental worldviews and the implications for climate change policy.” Professor Janel M. Curry is Dean of Research and Scholarship, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Her scholarship and a recent book have focused upon how faith and faith communities impact views of nature, the cosmos, and the environment.

3/4: “Tackling climate change: The U.S. potential for renewable energy and energy efficiency to 2030.” Dr. Charles F. Kutscher is an NREL (National Renewable Energy Lab) scientist in Golden, Colorado. He has been developing technology (e.g., solar collectors) relevant to renewable energy for decades. In recent addresses and in his WLS lecture he will focus on how policy changes could lead to world and national energy efficiency in the future. Chuck’s presentation will be co-sponsored by the Sierra Club and the Sorensen Lecture Foundation of the Unitarian Church.

3/11: Dinner is planned to include a panel with a Nebraska focus on climate change.