



Caucus Update

Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus

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2007 Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month at the Holiday Inn at Second Street and Broadway from 5:30 to 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. **Meetings are FREE and open to all members, public and guests.** Dinner is optional. Please make reservations by contacting Nicole Candler at (502) 550-0252 or nicole.candler@insightbb.com. **No meetings held in June, July, August and November.**

January 25

Sen. Gerald Neal and Caleb Brown of KentuckyVotes.org discuss legislative session
Conversation with State Senator Gerald Neal and Kentucky Votes.org's Caleb Brown. We'll also celebrate the anniversary of Roe v Wade. Join us for an enlightening evening and optional soup and salad buffet for \$10 a person.

February 22

Go Red for Women: Women and Heart Disease
Speaker Julie Bracett of the American Heart Association will discuss the leading killer of women.

March 24

MLWPC Campaign School
This is must event if you are committed to electing the best candidates possible as well as running for political office. Political consultants, elected officials, media and endorsing organizations will fill the conference with what you need to know. See page 3 for more information.

April 26

State legislators discuss 2007 session

May 24

Viewing of the movie The Inconvenient Truth

September 27

Discussion of Metro Louisville Office for Women

October 25

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

December 6

Installation of Officers and Holiday Reception

Founding member recognized for service

Congratulations to MLWPC founding member Dolores Delahanty who received a 2006 Presentation Academy Tower Award for Women Leaders. The award recognizes Dolores' service as a former Jefferson County Commissioner and Executive Director of the Jefferson County Department for Human Resources.

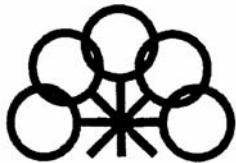
The Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus works to increase women's participation in the political process and to identify, recruit, train and support feminist women for election and appointment to public office.

MLWPC Principles

- To strive for equality for all women
- To ensure reproductive freedom
- To achieve quality dependent care
- To eradicate sexism, racism, anti-Semitism, ageism, ableism, violence, poverty and discrimination on the basis of religion or sexual orientation

MLWPC Goals

- Encourage women to be active and effective in all aspects of the political process
- Support the efforts of KWPC-endorsed women who run for or are appointed to office
- Organize women around the state for political action on women's issues
- Initiate, lobby and monitor legislation which guarantees women equal protection under the law and for programs and measures which benefit women



The Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus uses the Greek symbol for women to form five circles, representing the five races, intertwined to symbolize unity of purpose and that together we can achieve anything.

Is the Caucus still needed?

We are entering into the year 2007 after all. That is thirty-five years after the National Women's Political Caucus and MLWPC were organized.

Women hold at least 50 percent of the elected offices don't they? **NO!**

Women make as much as men today in every career, professional, and job don't they? **NO!**

Women routinely receive appointments to board and commissions on equal basis with men? **NO!**

Women can go into a pharmacy every and anywhere today and expect that her prescription bill control pills will be filled? **NO!**

Women singers like the Dixie Chicks can expect to enjoy freedom of speech without fear of retribution or censorship? **NO!**

Women can expect to have quality, accessible child care available through their work place? **NO!**

Well, may be there still is a place within the political landscape for the Caucus' leadership, agitation and presence. Be a part of the energy for change that is needed. Support the Caucus' efforts by joining today.

Virginia Woodward
MLWPC Membership Executive Officer

2007 Political Skills Campaign School

Women Leaders: Changing the Face of Politics

The MLWPC Political Skills Campaign School will be held Saturday, March 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Holiday Inn at Second Street and Broadway in Louisville, Kentucky.

A preliminary schedule follows.

8-8:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30-8:45a.m. Opening Plenary Session and Keynote Speaker

8:45-9:30 a.m. Panel Discussion

"Lessons Learned That No One Else Will Tell You"

The panel will be comprised of women elected officials and women who have run and lost.

9:40-10:30 a.m. Workshops

"Show Me the Money: Fundraising"

A panel of experts will talk about the dos and don'ts of fundraising for a campaign.

"So You Want To Be a Judge"

A panel of judges will discuss the special nuances of running for judge.

10:30 -11:20 a.m. Workshops

"Strategic Research: Polling, Direct Mail and Issues"

Experts will discuss the fine points and what they will bring to your campaign.

"Endorsements: How Do You Get Them and Who Do You Want?"

Representatives of various endorsing organizations will discuss their criteria and process.

11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Workshops

"Precincts and Targeting: It's Still About Grassroots"

Experts will discuss how to identify voters and how to get them to the ballot box.

"Media and How To Get Heard"

A panel of media representatives will share their ideas on getting the best media exposure for your campaign

12:30 - 2 p.m. Luncheon and Keynote Speaker: Closing Remarks

Community Calendar

January 10, noon

BPW River City

Jefferson Club

Lunch is \$20.

Contact Mary Lewis at 499-4420 or lewism@msdlouky.org for reservations and details. Meetings are held monthly on the second Wednesday.

January 11, 6:30 p.m.

Jefferson County NOW

First Unitarian Church, Fourth St. & York
Contact 499-4419 or info@jefferson-countynow.org for details. Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday.

February 14, noon

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February 15, 6:30 p.m.

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Send us your announcements.

The Caucus Update promotes programming and announcements for other organizations. MLWPC is a bipartisan group. All organizations are welcome to submit event information. Please send event notices and information to nicole.candler@insightbb.com

2007 Political Skills Campaign School Registration Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

E-mail _____

Help us save on expenses by providing your e-mail address. Newsletter and meeting announcements will be available to our membership via e-mail.

Party Affiliation _____ Occupation _____

____ Campaign school registration and MLWPC membership, \$70

SPECIAL RATE

____ Campaign school registration, \$45

Scholarships available upon request and approval. Contact Bobbi Jo Weber at (502) 448-1625 or bobbijo@wesselinsurance.com

Please make checks payable to MLWPC. Send to 1906 Hillcircle Road, Louisville, KY 40214

2007 Membership Renewal

Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

E-mail _____

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Party Affiliation _____ Occupation _____

___ Benefactor Member, \$125

___ Governing Member plus KWPC and NWPC membership, \$80

___ Governing Member plus KWPC membership, \$40

___ Limited-income or Student Member, \$25

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