



Caucus Update

Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus

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Governor's Forum

Co-sponsored by Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus

**April 18, 2007
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

**Frankfort Convention Center
405 Mero Street
Frankfort, Kentucky**

**Open forum
Featuring all 10 candidates for GOVERNOR (invited)**

Co-sponsors:



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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
Nonprofit Leadership Initiative

Contributors: Kentucky League of Cities, Women Lawyers Association of Jefferson County, Kentucky Association of Counties, Kentucky Nurses Association, Federally Employed Women Derby City Chapter, Common Cause of Louisville, Single Women Voters, Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus, Ky. ProERA, Business and Professional Women River City, League of Women Voters of Louisville, League of Women Voters of Lexington, National Association of Women Business Owners Louisville Chapter, Louisville Alumni Council NPHC, Ky. Foundation for Women, Ky. Women in Agriculture, University of Louisville Women's Center, The Coalition of Labor Union Women Derby City Chapter, Kentucky American Association of University Women, Bluegrass Alliance for Women, The Louisville Black Lawyers Association, Eta Omega Alpha Kappa Alpha Chapter Sorority

Member recognition

MLWPC members Mary Craik and Dolores Delahanty were honored recently as "Women of Grace" in a reception at the Mary Craik Gallery on Market Street. Congratulations to them both.

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.

Member and non-member survey

Please complete the following survey questions to help us in selecting future programming for the MLWPC. One respondent will receive a gift certificate to a local restaurant. Survey comments can be returned by mail to MLWPC, 1906 Hillcircle Road, Louisville, KY 40214 or bring completed surveys with you to the April and May meetings. We appreciate your feedback.

How many monthly meetings have you attended in the past year? _____

Are you a dues paying member of MLWPC? Yes _____ No _____

As facility fees increase, so may our meeting costs. Would you pay \$10 to attend a monthly presentation and dinner? Yes _____ No _____

Would you pay \$20? Yes _____ No _____

Would you prefer evening _____ or luncheon _____ meetings in the future?

Please list speakers you like to have or topics you'd like to see presented at the monthly meetings.

Is the current location (Holiday Inn, Downtown) convenient for you to attend meetings? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have a suggestion for an alternate location?

Are you interested in serving on the Executive Committee or on a standing committee of MLWPC? Yes _____ No _____

Other comments

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

E-mail _____

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 open to all members, public and guests.** 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.**

April 26	Legislators Speak Out: General Assembly 2007 State Senator Denise Harper Angel (invited), Representative Tom Burch, Representative Joni Jenkins, Representative Daryl Owens, Representative Mary Lou Marzian. Come hear this discussion about what bills were championed and which will appear again next session. Cost is \$10 for meeting and hors d'oeuvres.
May 24	Viewing of the movie <i>The Inconvenient Truth</i> This documentary with its recent Academy Award has made global warming a common household news topic. See what all that chatter is about as we view the film presented by former Vice President Al Gore.
September 27	Discussion of Louisville Metro Office for Women
October 25	Annual Meeting and Election of Officers
December 6	Installation of Officers and Holiday Reception

A message to our membership

If you have not yet renewed your MLWPC membership for 2007, it is not too late. We can use your support!

What an exciting time to be a member of the Metropolitan Louisville Women's Political Caucus as we witness the first really viable Presidential Campaign that will include a woman.

It is through your commitment that the MLWPC can still focus on the recruitment and training of progressive women for appointment and or election to political office.

Buoyed by our successful MLWPC Campaign School, we hosted over 60 registrants, and heard from political consultants from the Clinton Presidential Campaign, O'Bama's U.S. Senate race and many, many others.

Now after hearing from Justice Mary Noble, Mayor Elaine Walker from Bowling Green, Mayor Sherry Connor from Shivley, Commissioner Kathy Carter from Frankfort, Councilwoman Judy Green and Amy Shir about their political experiences, we are ready to move on to our next program opportunity to empower women so eloquently expressed by Washington, DC Center for Women Policy Studies president Leslie Wolfe.

It is only with your continuing support that the MLWPC is able to provide or co-sponsor a number of programs that enhance our community and stimulate the involvement and empowerment of women within the political process. No one will hear you if you don't first speak out.

Please renew today!!

Virginia Woodward, MLWPC Membership Chair

Community Calendar

April 18, 6:15 to 8:30 p.m.
Governor's Forum
Frankfort Civic Center

May 9, 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.

May 10, 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.

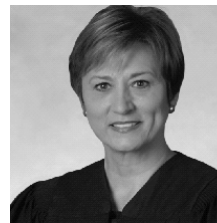
May 19
Coalition of Labor Union Women, Derby City Chapter Annual Meeting and Luncheon
UAW Union Hall, Fern Valley Rd.
Representative Mary Lou Marzian will keynote. E-mail or call Vera Newton at 267-0764 or vnewton2@ford.com for details and reservations. \$25 per person.

June 13, 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.

June 14, 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.

Send us your announcements.
The Caucus Update promotes programming and announcements for other organizations. MLWPC is a multipartisan group.

All organizations are welcome to submit event information to nicole.candler@insightbb.com



Justice Mary Noble



Leslie Wolfe

2007 Membership Renewal

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 _____

____ 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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