

# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MELROSE

## Spring 2009 Bulletin

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### CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MELROSE  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2009

7:00 p.m.  
Wine and other beverages  
Hors d'oeuvres  
Desserts  
Business Meeting  
Melrose Highlands Congregational Church  
355 Franklin Street  
Melrose, MA

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I will be attending Annual Meeting. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

I will be bringing a guest/prospective member. \_\_\_\_\_  
(no. of guests)

Email response or mail response to: Louise Mason  
171 Perkins Street  
Melrose, MA 02176

Please respond by June 1, 2009

**Dues Reminder:** Annual dues payments are due June 1, and members are always welcome to bring their dues to annual meeting or to send them in with your response to this invitation to avoid mailings. The cost of dues has not changed. Checks should be payable to "League of Women Voters, Melrose."

Individual	\$ 52.00
Family	\$ 78.00
Senior	\$ 39.00

## Message from the Steering Committee

Dear League member,

The Steering Committee is happy to report to you on its activities this year. We have concentrated our efforts on the League's core missions to register and inform voters. We held voter registration at the Victorian Fair in September and during two days of a voter registration drive at Melrose High School in October.

We were happy to continue the League traditions of participating in the annual vigil and walk for the Melrose Alliance Against Violence, and co-sponsoring the Martin Luther King celebration. In March, we administered a special election for the Tenants Association at the Steele House as neutral observers. In March, we held our annual State of the City meeting with the Mayor. In April we held a consensus meeting on the national study concerning the issue of the popular vote versus electoral college.

Now we are also preparing for Annual Meeting. We are not proposing any projects or studies for the upcoming year. It is the recommendation of the Steering Committee that we put our energies into increasing our membership and continuing to concentrate on the League's core missions of registering and educating voters. Please join us at Annual Meeting to discuss next year's focus.

The Steering Committee's two year terms are expiring and we will be holding elections for a new Steering Committee at Annual Meeting. All seven current members are willing to serve for another two-year term, and returning member Heather Doyle has agreed to serve.

A proposed budget is also enclosed for you to review. It too will be voted on at Annual Meeting

Annual meeting will be held at the Highlands Congregational Church on Franklin Street on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. It will be a wonderful opportunity to see old friends and discuss League business. There is no charge for annual meeting this year -- the members of the Steering Committee are providing the refreshments. Kindly respond by June 1, 2009 if you are able to attend. If you wish to respond by email, feel free to respond to this message or to contact any Steering Committee member through the "contact us" section of our website, [www.lwv-melrose.org](http://www.lwv-melrose.org). You can also send your response to our Treasurer, Louise Mason, at her address on the first page of this message. See you on the 9th!

Very truly yours,  
Anna Bastian  
Arline Broberg  
Katinka Csigi  
Anne DeSouza Ward  
Louise Mason  
Sally Stubbs  
Joyce Zeiner

LWV MELROSE  
PROPOSED BUDGET 09-10

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>PROPOSED 5/1/08-4/30/09</b>	<b>ACTUAL 5/1/08- 4/30/09</b>	<b>PROPOSED 5/1/09- 4/30/10</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Assessments	\$1,609.00	\$1,655.10*	\$1,820.00
Unit Meetings	\$ 45.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 120.00
Meetings/ Conventions	\$ 250.00	\$ 0	\$ 0
Membership	\$ 90.00	\$ 42.42	\$ 0
Community Services	\$ 400.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 622.50**
Fundraising	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 50.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 2,394.00</b>	<b>\$2,362.52</b>	<b>\$2,612.50</b>
 <b>Income</b>			
Dues	\$1,612.00	\$1,729.00	\$1,618.00
Meetings/Conventions	\$ 250.00	\$ 0	\$ 0
Fundraising	\$ 507.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 864.50***
Interest	\$ 0	\$ 37.15	\$ 30.00
Donations	\$ 25.00	\$ 38.00	\$ 100.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$2,394.00</b>	<b>\$1,832.15</b>	<b>\$2,612.50</b>

\* Assessment expenses are currently under review with national.

\*\* Community involvement expense includes Victorian Faire, MMTV membership, Bridge donation, and two Candidates' Forums.

\*\*\* This amount can be obtained through fundraising and/or an advance from capital.

**Proposed Steering committee 2009-2011**

Anna Bastian  
Arline Broberg  
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Heather Doyle  
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