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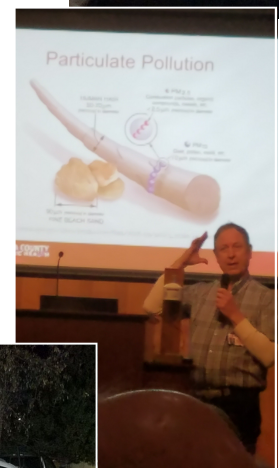
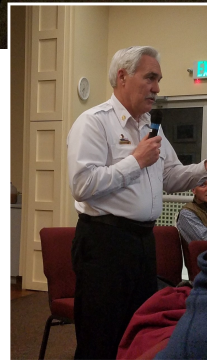
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MEETING AND ACTIVITIES REPORT

February 11 - Citizens for Clean Air Forum



Five member-experts from **Citizens for Clean Air** delivered to seventy audience members a powerful and comprehensive description of air quality in the Grand Valley - the quality as affected by such things as burning, emissions from homes and vehicles, and inversions. Their data were drawn from well-known sources, but also from an air-monitoring program centered at individual sites in Mesa County. Details included the dangers of small-particle pollution, the shared and lingering impacts of individual burning activities, and the potential future mitigation provided by electronic vehicles replacing internal combustion engines. A clear-eyed but optimistic presentation.



Letter from the Leadership Team

Help ~~Wanted~~ Needed

Last month we wrote about getting more members involved in the ongoing operations of our League without creating a burden on their time.

The “primary operations” of the League include Membership/Leadership Development, Development (fund-raising), Voter Services, Presentations/Outreach, Publicity, Volunteer Coordination, Hospitality, Civics and Action, Publications, Finance. We hope to present a proposed plan and structure at the Annual Meeting in May.

We are aware that not everyone can make a serious time commitment, but we hope that everyone can identify with at least one of these areas and help that effort in any way that they can. Please think about this and your role in a vibrant League chapter. We hope to deal with this question at the Annual Meeting, May 13, 2019.

—LWVMC Leadership Team

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Snapshots in Women's History

In a previous LWVMC newsletter I wrote concerning the celebration in August 2019 of the Women's Right to Vote planned by the Women's History Museum in Washington DC. I will write short articles concerning unknown facts concerning women in history.

Deborah Franklin - common-law wife of Benjamin Franklin for 37 years - raised his child, ran his printing press, wrote and edited his Almanac while he was in London trying to negotiate a truce and carrying on his own scientific experiments.

Back in the Colonies, she died alone.

-- Peggy Rawlins

Election Day, April 2, 2019

The upcoming municipal election will have significant impact on the entire Grand Valley - even if you are not a Grand Junction city resident, Please attend the voter forums. Information on the website below is important for all citizens. Ballots are to be mailed to voters on March 11.

<https://www.gjcity.org/city-government/city-clerk/city-election-information/>

On page 3 of this **VOTER** you will find information regarding **LWVMC's Voter Forum** to be held at the Mesa County Library on Sunday, March 10 at 1:30 pm.

Mesa County Democrats will host a similar event the day before - Saturday March 9 at 3:00pm—also at the Mesa County Library.

What's Happening?

Don't miss our **Voters Forum** on SUNDAY, March 10

League of Women Voters of Mesa County, Grand Junction AAUW, and KWSI-LP 100.3 Radio are hosting a forum to introduce Grand Junction City Council candidates to voters and to present the pro and cons of ballot issues.

Voters may attend the forum in person at the Mesa County Central Library or listen to the forum on KWSI-LP Radio at 100.3 on the fm dial or at kwsi.org. Encore presentations of the forum, plus exclusive interviews with the candidates, will air repeatedly until the election on April 2, 2019.

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Operated solely by volunteers, KWSI-LP 100.3 Radio provides Grand Junction with a reliable source for news, community events, self-help, and entertainment, as well as an exciting opportunity for community members to share their talents and resources.

Announcement from Grand Junction Branch of AAUW

AAUW March 13: WOMEN WHO MAKE HISTORY

The Grand Junction Branch of **AAUW** proudly presents the first annual **Women Who Make History** award to **Jane Quimby**.

Jane, retired safety at Colorado Mesa University, also supervised the peace officer academy, the wildlife fire program, the EMS program and emergency dispatch classes during her years at CMU. She taught classes on criminal investigations. Jane is also a retired FBI agent with more than 20 years of experience in the field, spending most of her career in Denver and Grand Junction.

JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL AWARD at the March 13 luncheon, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm at the Chez Lena restaurant on the Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) campus, 2508 Blichmann Avenue, Grand Junction, CO.

For more information or to RSVP your attendance at this award luncheon, contact Jeannie Dunn, (970) 250-1468. Deadline for RSVP is March 8.

The League of Women Voters® of Mesa County, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

FUTURE EVENTS (currently planned)

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