



## **WATCHDOG**

### **In Memory of Luellyn Withrow**

This issue of the Watchdog will be dedicated to an icon within our League – Luellyn Withrow. She was an amazing woman and a dedicated supporter to everything we did. We definitely have been touched by the presence of such an amazing woman!

#### **Message From the President**

The year 2012 has almost come to a close and we have been very active in the things we have participated in. Even though we didn't have a lot of members at the September meeting with Mayor Caldwell, it was an excellent event. He was fascinating to listen to and it was interesting to hear his plans for Ogden. The debate in October between Donna McAleer and Rob Bishop was a lively one. Many thanks to Leah Murray who arranged the debate and moderated. This was the only debate Rob Bishop participated in and the turnout was excellent. We

had wonderful coverage from the paper. I will forward a copy of the pictures taken by one photographer in another e-mail to all members so you can see them.

Our meeting in November was sponsored with the Utah Historical Society and held at Weber State. Leah Murray gave a wrap up of the effects of the recent election. We had a good turnout from the League, and Leah was amazing in her presentation.

Our meeting in January has been developed by Evelyn Bertilson and Heather Hill. Lisa Nichols, from the Midtown Health Center, will be speaking about health care provisions for the underserved population and what she sees in the future. We hope to see everyone attend.

With the holidays upon us, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support – especially the board. You have an outstanding group of leaders in them. I also want to wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season. Enjoy your time with family and friends and know that I do appreciate you all!

### **LUELLYN WITHROW**

As you know, the League lost an icon on November 28, 2012. Luellyn was 92 years old when she passed away, and had been active up until her death. Luellyn was born on December 23, 1919 in North Dakota. She moved to Virginia and graduated from high school there. She graduated from George Washington University in 1943, where she met the love of her life, Robert Withrow. They were married on July 20, 1945. He preceded her in death on February 14, 1994.

Bob and Luellyn had two children, John and Marilyn, that were raised in Ogden. Luellyn worked for 27 years at Weber State University as an office manager in the athletic department. Weber State was always in her blood!

Luellyn was extremely active in the community. She gave lots of hours to the First Presbyterian Church, the YCC, Women's Legislative Council, AAUW, COR, Family Counseling Services, Widowed Persons, SHARE, Inc. and PEO. In 1995, she

was designated a Living Treasure by the Weber Human Services Council on Aging, and in 1998 she received the Mattie Watts Harris Woman of the Year Award for community service. She was Weber County League President in 1992.

This fantastic lady will definitely be missed, and the League is thankful for the many years we got to have her with us.

### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Please make sure that you have sent in your \$45 membership dues to Evelyn Bertilson at 1047 East 5675 South, Ogden UT 84405.

### **A HISTORY OF VOTING RIGHTS**

Marilyn O'Dell shared a video that is very interesting on the history of voting rights. If you would like to view it, go to:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=2k57ARG7Kxg](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=2k57ARG7Kxg)

### **VOTER REGISTRATION IN LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS**

Pat Garner will begin registering high school students in January. She has always had good success. If anyone wants to help in any way, please contact her at 801-479-5316.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Please mark the following dates on your calendar. Further information on the meetings will follow:

January 14, 2012 – 7:00 – Weber County Library – Lisa Nichols from

Midtown Clinic will discuss health care for the underserved population.

February 11, 2012 – Tentative Topic of the Common Core in Education

March 11, 2012 – Update on the Health Care Policy

April 8, 2012 – Annual Meeting