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### Schedule for Board Retreat July 17-18, 1989 Mount Olivet Retreat Center

### Monday, July 17, 1989

12:15

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Lunch

Board Meeting

3:00 p.m.	Check in, refreshments
3:30	Introductory remarks - McKinnell Orientation packets
4:00	Personal styles - Higinbotham
5:00	Free time
5:30	Dinner
6:15	Group Effectiveness - McKinnell Teambuilding - Erickson
7:00	Communications, meetings - McKinnell Norms
7:30	Goals and Objectives - McKinnell
9:30	Ice breaker & social
Tuesday, July	18, 1989
8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:15	EF Orientation
10:15	Break
10:30	Board Meeting

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TO: Board Members

FROM: Beverly McKinnell

SUBJECT: Board Retreat/Meetings

**DATE**: June 5, 1990

MEMO

The Board retreat will be from 3 p.m. Monday, June 18th to 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 19th at the Mount Olivet Retreat Center, Farmington. (Directions and map are enclosed.) Sheets and towels are provided.

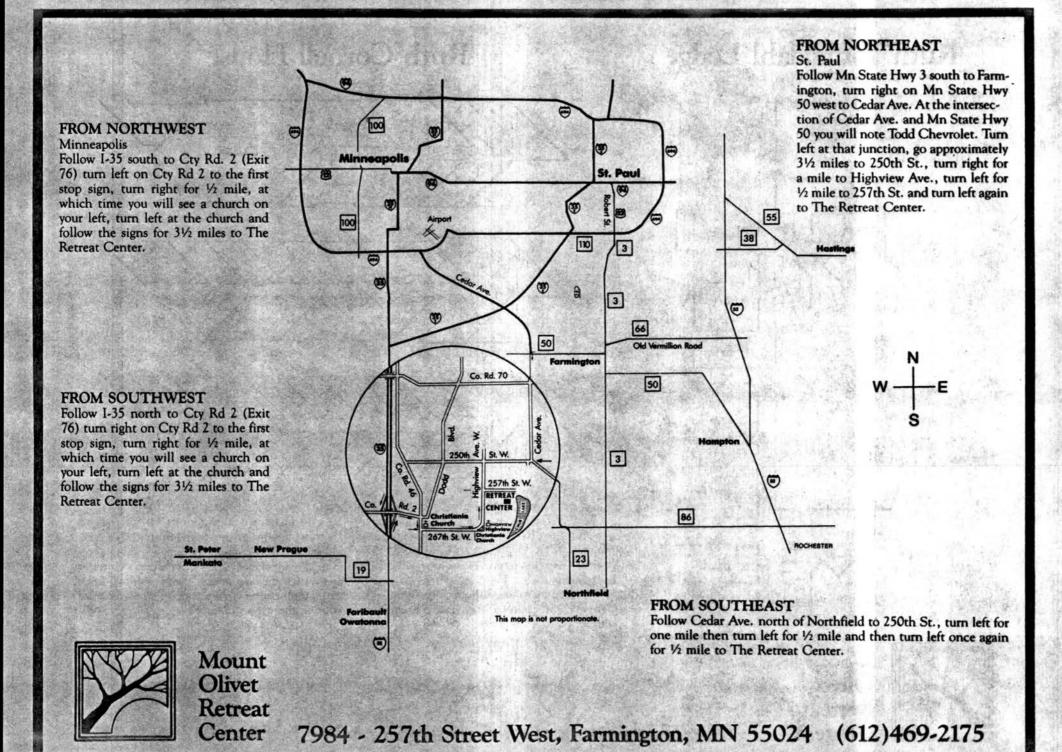
Please indicate on the attached form if you can attend. Since LWVMN and EF Board meetings will be held during this time, your presence is needed! The agenda packet will be available at the retreat. It will not be mailed to you in advance. Please read the enclosed article as background to our discussion at the retreat.

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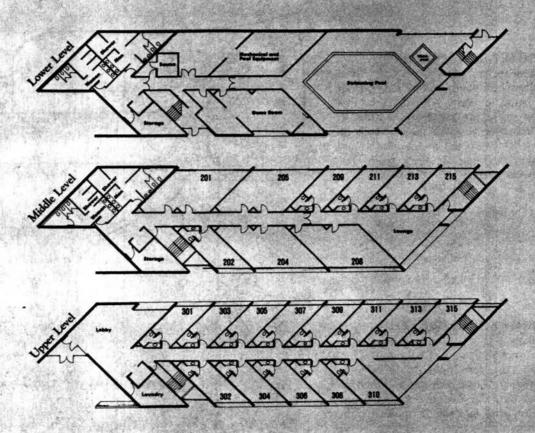
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## Ruth Cornell House



Nestled on 151 acres adjacent to Chubb Lake, Mount Olivet Retreat Center is located just 45 minutes from downtown Minneapolis. The Retreat Center can provide dining facilities and conference rooms for groups from 5 to 105. Surrounded by rolling hills and woodlands, the Retreat Center offers a relaxed yet contemporary setting for your meeting.

Overnight accommodations for 84 persons feature 18 semi-private and 4 dormitory rooms, library, 2 lounge areas, indoor swimming pool, sauna, whirlpool and gameroom. Outdoor activities include nature trails, softball field, volleyball courts and cross-country skiing trails during the winter months.



Mount Olivet Retreat Center

7984 - 257th Street West, Farmington, MN 55024 (612)469-2175

### REQUEST FOR TIME ON THE STATE BOARD AGENDA

INSTRUCTIONS	:
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Action Items include all decisions needing Board approval.

Discussion Items include those involving informal Board directions; these items may become Action Items at a subsequent Board meeting.

Information Items are those on which no Board decisions per se are anticipated and Board members need only to be informed.

State motion exactly as you, or your committee, plan its proposal.

In background information, include all pertinent information needed for decisionmaking (i.e. statement of the problem; pros, cons, alternatives, summary and suggested solutions.)

Only materials received in the office by 4:00 p.m. the Tuesday preceding Board meeting may be placed on the agenda.

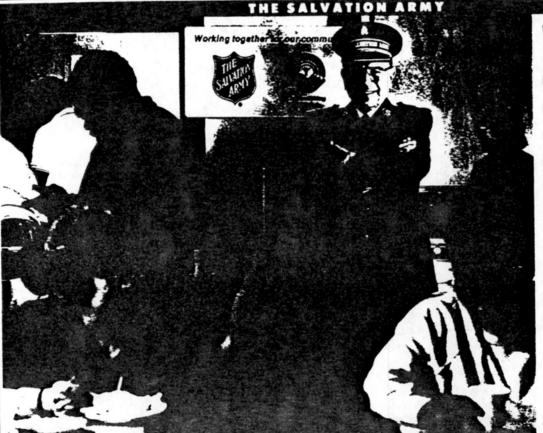
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# **Cover Story**





We have limited resources, which means we have to manage them even better to achieve the best results'

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MINNESOTA Mount Olivet Retreat Center

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Monday, June 18, 1990

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3:00 p.m.	Check in, refreshments
3:30	Convention Report/Discussion - McKinnell, Erickson, Borgen, Bowman, McDonald
5:00	Free time
5:30	Dinner
6:30	How do we run LWVMN? . Board Organization . Board Meeting Dates and Times
8:00	Break
8:15	Board Organization Continued Membership/Field Service Plan
9:15	Social Hour
Tuesday, June	19, 1990
8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:15	Membership/Field Service Plan
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### **BOARD AND ADMINISTRATOR**



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October 1992

Dear Nonprofit Board Member,

In the nonprofit world, programs and services are the name of the game. But if your nonprofit covers a large area, it may be difficult to understand the varying needs of everyone you serve. Here's how a board in California overcomes this problem:

Board Member Mary Wood and her fellow board members <u>rotate</u> <u>board</u> <u>meetings</u> to each of the different facilities their organization operates.

"We're not required by law to hold public meetings, but we feel it's important to keep in touch," she says. "So our board meets throughout the county our organization serves."

The location of each upcoming meeting is announced, and residents of the area are invited to attend. "This gives everyone a chance to talk to us as a full board," adds Wood (Markleeville, CA).

Of the 12 board meetings held each year, six are in the organization's main office, five in a facility at one end of their service area and one in a less-populated area.

<u>"By rotating board meetings around the county, board members are reminded that we serve all areas--not just the neighborhood near our main office</u>. And the majority of our clients appreciate the fact that we move around so everyone can hear what's going on in the organization."

### Loose meetings don't cut it for this board chairperson

Wasted time at meetings is a major peeve of most board members I know. Spending hours in a board room only to walk away with no sense of accomplishment can sap any board member's enthusiasm.

Board Chairperson Joan Harvey not only agrees, she backs up her words with action. "My life is run according to a tight schedule," she says. "And as board president, I also try to <u>run well-organized meetings</u>."

When Harvey (Lakewood, CA) wields the gavel, she means business! Here's her advice to keep board meetings moving along:

1) **Be prepared.** "I prepare myself, board members and others who play a role in the board meeting," she says. "I meet with the executive director two days before a meeting to discuss each agenda item and the support materials that go with it. And I insist that board members read the board packet well before a meeting. How else can they make informed decisions or discuss important issues?

"If committee chairs or other presenters are giving reports, I call them," says Harvey. "I make notes about each presentation--how long it is and what audiovisual equipment is needed. If there are handouts, I ask that extra copies be made--just in case. This helps prepare the presenter and me for a smoother report, which makes for a more efficient meeting."

2) Stay in control. "When the meeting begins, I introduce committee chairs and guest speakers. I briefly explain what each presentation is about and set guidelines for board member

questions. The entire meeting runs better when questions are saved for the end of a presentation, so I ask that no interruptions be made.

- 3) Thank board members for being on time! "This is a small reminder that meeting times are established for a good reason," says Harvey. "Board members know they'd better arrive early if they want to catch up on things with a friend. Once the meeting begins, we don't stop to back up for late comers."
- 4) **Don't take a recess.** "At the start of the year, I told board members that there would be no breaks of any kind during meetings. If someone needs to stretch, get a cup of coffee or use the rest room, he or she is free to do so. We won't, however, disrupt the entire meeting for one individual's needs."

Harvey says these guidelines keep board meetings running smoothly--to the delight of board members. "We're able to get business accomplished without wasting meeting time. And this makes everyone happy!"

### Step back and take a look at your role

Board Member George Corcoran (Seattle, WA) tells me that boards can easily fall into the habit of <u>interfering</u> with the day-to-day affairs of a nonprofit. When this happens, it's time to step back and refocus the board's proper role. Here are suggestions he offers to steer board members back onto the straight and narrow...

- "When we're heading in the wrong direction, the best thing we can do as a board is <u>set</u> aside <u>time for a retreat</u>," he says. "Retreats are a great way to clear up misunderstandings-especially when we lose sight of the responsibilities board members were chosen to fulfill."
- Retreats work great for group teambuilding and problem-solving. But there are always one or two members who need special help in understanding their areas of responsibility.

If a board member can't or won't comprehend his or her role, Corcoran recommends dividing the full board into small groups to work the problem out. "Small group discussions enable the erring board member to see his or her mistakes. And it's easier to talk in a forum of this type than it is in a large group," he adds.

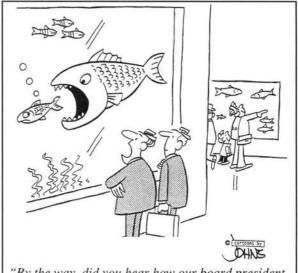
"If nothing seems to work, ask your administrator to get involved. When it comes right

down to it, most board members really want to work together--but getting over some hurdles may require the expertise of a professional."

■ Once board members are on track, work together to keep things running smoothly. A board evaluation gives everyone a chance to discuss board shortcomings--and set goals for improvement. "Evaluations not only identify core problems, they re-energize a board and point out the things it's already doing well," Corcoran adds.

"Once the evaluation process is accepted, the results can be built into the work plan for the coming year," he says. "Within a short time frame, you'll know if you're becoming more effective in the board room. And this is exciting to see!"

Sincerely, Chuck Elliot, The Board Doctor®



"By the way, did you hear how our board president handled Smith when he **missed his fourth** meeting in a row?"

Administrator Frank R Holmes (Houston, TX) realized the importance of his board's changing information needs when his nonprofit felt the effects of a recent economic downturn. "Board members used to want all kinds of facts about programs and projects," he says. "But almost overnight, they started asking me for financial information.

### "B&A" compensation report nets \$14,000 raise!

Our annual compensation survey was included in last month's issue of "B&A." And we recently mailed you a second copy as well. If you haven't yet completed it, please do so today! We need your input to make the "1993 Report on Nonprofit Administrator Compensation" as comprehensive as possible. Why? Because the report can make the difference between a mediocre salary increase and one that you really deserve! Here's an example of what I mean:

"A year ago, I used the data in the 1992 compensation report to net a \$14,000 increase--and I know it wouldn't have happened without your help," an executive director recently told me.

"I used your narrative, charts and tables to show board members that I was grossly underpaid compared to national averages," she adds. "They saw the staggering differences and must have felt a bit quilty. I got more than I ever expected! Thanks, 'B&A!"

Convinced? Please complete your survey now! (If you can't find it, let me know--I'll fax you another copy!) *The deadline for completion has been extended to October 5.* 

"Since then, I've been real sensitive to what type of information my board members want and when they want it," Holmes adds. "To reassure them that our nonprofit's finances are healthy, I've been giving them detailed reports."

Holmes drafts a cover memo for each of his financial reports. "The memo defines what's in the report and answers questions before our meeting," he says. "It directs board members' attention to the details they want to know."

Don't settle into a routine when it comes to board communication! At least twice a year, <u>ask your board members</u> what type of information they need. Then you can fill the order correctly!

### Let the vice chairperson make motions

Has your board ever been cursed by members who become tongue-tied when it's time to make motions? They don't know how to put the words together--so no one says a thing when action needs to be taken!

You can put a stop to these embarrassing situations by following Administrator Kenn Battaile's lead. Battaile (Salem, OR) convinced his board to let the vice chairperson make all motions in the board room. Now meetings run more smoothly and no one worries about wording the "perfect" motion.

"We simplified the motion-making process by assigning one person to make all board motions," he says. "Everyone on the board was excited about the change." And why not? It takes the heat off them and keeps board business moving right along.

Battaile tells me he walks the vice chairperson through each issue. "I prepare my recommendations in the form of a motion before the board meeting. We discuss these and the vice chairperson is free to read them verbatim if he or she so desires."

The process enables board members to get on with discussion without stalling on the first step. After all, the motion is just a springboard for talking about an issue. Once each motion is on the floor, board members can share their opinions and freely make amendments if necessary.

"Now board members know whom to look to when a motion is being made," Battaile adds. "And our secretary doesn't have to guess who's going to speak--she can focus on recording the motion accurately."

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### FOR ADMINISTRATORS ONLY

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Dear Nonprofit Executive Director,

A few months ago, I heard a bona fide "horror story" on the Board Issues Hotline (712/568-2418) that I've been meaning to share with all my "B&A" readers...

An executive director from Nebraska called to tell me about the frustration he recently experienced. "A board member was driving me crazy," he says. "But he wasn't just any board member. He was this nonprofit's former executive director--the man I replaced!

"Every morning at 9 am, he would be standing at the door waiting for it to open. Once inside, he pleaded with my staff members for something to do. If he didn't find some task, he wandered in and out of my office, listened to phone calls and peered at papers on my desk. At board meetings, he had the gall to tell everyone else how poorly this office operates!"

It's surprising how often I hear about former executive directors serving on the board of the nonprofit that once employed them. And many boards recruit active and former administrators of other nonprofits as members. When these individuals join your board, you can find yourself locked in a real <u>power struggle</u> because they often think they know the best way to run your organization.

### Steer meddling board members into useful service

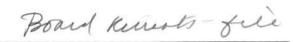
This Nebraska administrator told me things got so bad he considered giving in to the board-member pest. In the end, however, he chose to attack the problem. "I found ways to monitor and redirect the board member and keep him out of my hair," he says. Here's how he did it:

- First, I politely but flatly told the former administrator I had a problem with the way he interfered at the office," he says. "I described to him what he did that disrupted my staffers and me, and then said I didn't appreciate his dropping in unannounced. Once I got this out on the table, he became much more understanding.
- "This blunt approach helped, but it wasn't 100% effective--he occasionally would drop by to 'help out.' My next step was to keep close tabs on his visits. I started calling him on Mondays to ask what his plans for our nonprofit were for the week, so I could make adjustments here. These phone calls enabled me to understand his motivation--which was to stay actively involved in our organization.
- "Understanding his motives and knowing when he would show up helped me steer him to activities where I knew he couldn't meddle in my job. He wanted to serve in a volunteer capacity. So I asked him to get involved in programs that needed extra help. It appeared like I was helping him stay active. Actually, I was putting him where I could keep an eye on him.

"This strategy helped me turn the situation around," says the administrator. "I learned a few things too. People who've held leadership positions like to stay in charge. Administrators have to divert this impulse away from themselves--or the 'take charge' types may try to take over!"

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Editor's Note: You may not have an administrator on your board who interferes with your job, but these strategies can help you deal with any meddling board member if the need arises!

### Meet each group's differing needs to avert board rift

When two groups on your board have divergent views about how things should be done, you've got a major problem on your hands. Getting board members to march in step calls for creativity in meeting their needs without forcing them to sacrifice their preferences.

It's no easy task, but Executive Director Gail Scott recently proved that it can be done. Her problem? A board with two opposing cliques: Group A had lots of time to give to the board. It enjoyed meetings and could spend hours talking about issues. Group B was pressed for time. It was impatient with long discussions and wanted brisk, businesslike board meetings.

"I was at my wit's end about what to do at first," says Scott (Ypsilanti, MI). "Some board members complained that meetings were so long they had to leave early or risk missing business appointments. Others said that shorter meetings wouldn't give them adequate time to discuss issues. It was a real quandary!"

Scott neatly solved the problem by changing the structure of her board meetings to accommodate the needs of both groups of board members.

"Now we make sure our board meetings start promptly, limit the formal meeting to about one hour and then adjourn," she says. "After a break, those who want to stay and discuss other issues reconvene in small focus groups. Each group tackles a specific issue on an informal level."

Scott's busy board members are free to leave at the end of the formal board meeting. "It's not mandatory to attend the focus groups," she says. "Those who have other things on their schedules can go, while board members who live and breathe our nonprofit stay and discuss issues facing us in the months to come. Both groups are happy with the new arrangement!"

Morale of the story: If groups on your board seem to be on a collision course, follow Scott's lead and work out some creative solution that all parties can live with.

### Six tips to make your next retreat the best ever!

A well-orchestrated retreat can recharge your board! It can smooth out rough board relations and offer an opportunity for an otherwise business-oriented group to relax and have fun!

To accomplish specific goals and offer a positive experience to board members, you need to plan your upcoming retreat carefully--or the idea will be met with something less than enthusiasm

when you suggest it next year.

Executive Director Mick Hull has years of experience providing retreat services to nonprofits throughout North America. He offers these sage words to help make your next board retreat the best ever...

1) Decide on the purpose of the retreat well in advance--so everyone is rowing in the same direction. Board member confusion or uncertainty about what is expected at a retreat can negate even the most diligent efforts at planning.

There are many variations in the theme of board retreats: Teambuilding, planning or just to have fun. "Agree, in advance, if your



retreat is a getaway to relax, strictly business--or somewhere in between," says Hull (Issaquah, WA). "For example, an executive director may want to conduct an informal retreat to get board members reacquainted. This is fine, as long as they know what to expect. If board members think 'wall-to-wall' meetings and you give them nature walks, they'll be confused and disappointed."

2) Visit the retreat facility. Brochures and other printed information are helpful, but on-site visits tell the real story. If you don't personally visit the location for the retreat, you may be in for some unpleasant surprises when you and your board members arrive.

"On-site visits enable you to give the meeting rooms the once-over for things like adequate space or comfortable chairs--and to check out the sleeping quarters," he says. "You'll also know what kind of service to expect by observing how courteous and prompt the staff is."

3) Assign a board committee to plan the retreat and sell the idea to the rest of the board. Members of the committee should assist the executive director by taking part in the on-site visit. planning activities and developing the itinerary.

"When board members actively plan the retreat, they easily buy into it," Hull says. "They visit the facility, get excited about it and 'talk things up' to the rest of the board. Committee members can be your best selling tool for a board that may still be hesitant about a retreat."

4) Promote the retreat well in advance for maximum board attendance. Board members don't always see a retreat's value. You must entice them with activities and get them to commit.

"Publicize the fun things and events--like door prizes and team-oriented games," says Hull. The best way to encourage attendance is to let everyone know that he or she will have a good time and accomplish something worthwhile.

5) Build in relaxation time. It's appropriate to let board members get away on their own.

### Spark board interest in strategic planning

When it comes to long-range planning, many executives find themselves in a sticky situation. They just can't convince board members to get involved. Some make the mistake of throwing in the towel and writing the plan themselves. When you do this, however, you excuse board members from one of their major responsibilities.

Executive Director Clint Hawes (Houston, TX) has found a way out of this predicament. To give his board a taste for long-range planning, he wrote his own limited, one-year plan, detailing the good things he wanted to accomplish in the upcoming months. His strategy worked!

"When board members read my operating plan, they instantly saw how our organization could benefit from long-range planning. The idea mushroomed and they set up a committee to undertake the project. Now all we're waiting for is board approval of the plan!"

"Board members do enjoy downtime," he says. "So don't start group activities until 10 am and finish business meetings by mid-afternoon so they can get in some personal relaxation. You'll find that this makes them more effective for the business part of the retreat."

6) Pick a new location each year. Changing sites brings a freshness and new excitement to retreats--and piques board members' enthusiasm.

"We went to the same facility two years in a row. And although we had a great time the first year, the second time was just so-so," says Hull. "A retreat should be a unique experience each and every year so board members don't get bored!"

### Administrators beware! Information needs do change

It's easy to slip into a communication routine with your board. But remember: Board needs change with time. The information you've been giving it for the past three years may not be what it wants today. If you're in this rut, board members might begin to suspect you of being out of touch.

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- 2. Goals and Objectives, Committees meet- McKinnell
- 3. EF Orientation and reading Treasurer's Reports Erickson, McDonald
- 4. Board meetings

### Monday, July 17, 1989:

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5:00 free time

5:30 dinner(cannot be changed)

6:36- 9:30 McKinnell and ? Goals and objectives, committee meetings, report back

9:30 ice breaker and social

### Tuesday, July 18, 1989:

8:30 breakfast

9:15 EF Orientation

10:15 Break

10:30 Board Meeting

12:05 lunch

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- \* Strategic Planning Committee, 1986-88
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- \* Vice-President for Voter Service, 1983-85
- \* Voters Service Chair, 1981-83
- \* Membership Chair, 1980-81

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- \* Vice-President, 1976-78
- \* Board of Directors, 1973-76

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- \* Board of Directors, Women in Charge, 1988-Present
- \* Co-Chair, Coalition for Adequate Revenue for Illinois, 1988-89
- \* Governor's Task Force on Day Care, 1988
- \* Blue Ribbon Committee on the Improvement of Teaching as a Profession, State Board of Education, 1987-Present
- \* Central Area Naperville Development Organization, 1985-Present

### Employment

\* Management Consultant

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\* Basic Human Needs Study Committee, 1986-88

### LWV Tennessee

- \* Chair, Social Policy, 1987-90
- \* Action Chair, 1988-89

### LWV Nashville

- \* Vice-President, 1986-87
- \* Nominating Committee, 1988-89
- \* Chair, Voter Service, 1984-86
- \* Housing Chair, 1982-84

### Other Experience

- \* Cumberland Valley Girl Scout Council Nominating Committee, 1989-Present
- \* Middle Tennessee United Way Board of Directors, 1988-Present
- \* Chair, United Way Discrimination Task Force for Partnership
- \* President, Nashville Women's Political Caucus, 1986-87
- \* YWCA Nashville Board of Directors, 1985-Present
- \* Senior Citizens Board of Directors, 1983-89
- \* Leadership Nashville Alumni Association Board, 1987-89

### Awards

- \* Honorary Member of Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators
- \* Outstanding Young Women of America

### Employment

\* Publisher of <u>Metropolitan Times</u>, a free weekly inner-city newspaper in Nashville

### PEGGY LUCAS

### LWVUS

- \* ERA Committee
- \* Meeting Basic Human Needs Committee

### LWV Minnesota

- \* Nominating Chair
- \* Social Policy Chair, 6 years
- \* Chair, development team for Minnesota Women's Building

### LWV Minneapolis

- \* Vice President
- \* Action Chair
- \* Housing Chair

### Other Experience

- \* Chair, Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund
- \* Vice Chair, Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission
- \* Partner Brighton Development, a developer of low and moderate income housing. (We have developed 1000+ units in our 10 years).

### BARBARA MCCORMICK

### **LWVUS**

\* Board of Directors, 1988-Present

### LWV Texas

\* Board of Directors and Social Policy Director, 1981-87

### LWV Houston

\* Board of Directors and Human Resources Coordinator, 1977-81

### LWV Diablo Valley, California

- \* President, 1975-76
- \* Joined League in 1971

### Other Experience

- \* Allocations Panel, United Way of the Gulf Coast, 1990
- \* Vice-Chairman, Family Services Panel, United Way of the Gulf Coast, 1990
- \* Board of Directors, Houston Advocates for Mentally Ill Children, 1989
- \* Panel Member, Family Services Panel, 1987
- \* Board of Directors, Houston Area Urban League, 1981-88

### Employment

\* Associate Director, Interfaith Hunger Coalition of Houston Metropolitan Ministries, 1988-Present

### LINDA MOSCARELLA

### LWVUS

- \* UN Observer, 1986-90
- \* Alternate Observer, 1985-86
- \* National Study Committee National Security Study Part III U.S. and The Third World

### LWV New York State

- \* Board, 1980-89
- \* Directed reevaluation of financing education
- \* State Finance Director, 1980-82
- \* International Relations and National Security Study, 1983-89

### LWV Orange County South

- \* President, 1977-79
- \* Vice President for Program, 1975-77
- \* Public Relations, 1973-74
- \* Voter Service, 1972-73
- \* Joined League 1970

### LWVED

\* Founded Town newsletter, Co-editor and political reporter, 1979-Present

### Other Experiences

\* Ran town recycling center, 1980-88

### Employment

\* Advertising Copywriter, print and television, 1960-64

### ALVIN M. MOSS

### LWV Maine

- \* 1st Vice-President, 1989-91
- \* 2nd Vice-President, 1985-89
- \* Board Member; Campaign Finance Reform, Tax Reform, International Relations, 1976-85
- \* Chair and Founder, Greater Ellsworth Area MAL Unit

### Other Experience

- \* Advisor Center for Defense Information
- \* Former National Governing Board, Common Cause
- \* Observer, Maine Commission on Government Ethics and Election Practices
- \* Peace Activist, Professional and Volunteer Experience

### Employment

- \* Former Business Superintendent, Radnor, Pennsylvania
- \* Retired Military

### ROBIN J. SEABORN

### LWV Florida

\* President, 1987-91

\* Board of Directors, 1983-87

\* Finance/Development Director, 1983-85

\* Vice-President, Legislative Program/Action, 1985-87

\* Chairman, Legislative Seminar, 1986-88

\* Budget Chair, 1982-83

### LWV St. Petersburg

\* President, 1981-83

\* Chairmanships: Tax & Constitution, Membership, Finance, City

& County Government, and Political Fair

\* Committee Member: Social Policy, Mental Health, Education, Natural Resources, Voters Service, Public Relations, and Election Laws

### Other Experience

- \* Member, Advisory Comm. to Florida Budget and Tax Reform Commission, 1990
- \* Member, Florida Bar Joint Commission on Legal Services for the Poor, 1990
- \* Member, Florida Treasurer/Insurance Commissioners Advisory Committee, 1990
- \* Member, Florida Bar/Board of Governors Commission on Lawyer Professionalism Ethics, 1988
- \* Member, 1000 Friends of Florida, 1987-Present
- \* Member, State Task Force Review of Insurance/Tort Reforms, 1987-88
- \* Vice President, St. Petersburg Free Clinic, 1984-88
- \* Board of Directors, St. Petersburg Free Clinic, 1982-Present
- \* Board of Directors, Neighborhood Housing Services, 1979-80
- \* Chairman, Citizens Budget Review Committee, 1978-80
- \* Board of Directors, St. Petersburg Leadership Training Program, 1976-80
  \* Board of Directors, United Way of Pinellas County, 1973-80
- \* Member, Community Alliance Bi-Racial Stearing Committee; Chair, Drug Abuse Committee; Legis. Repres. Comm and Police/Community Relations Committee, 1973-80

\* President, Young Women's Residence, 1972

### SUSAN SHAER

### LWVUS

- \* Board of Directors, 1988-90
- \* 1990 National Convention Chair
- \* Delegate to NATO tour of Brussels, Bonn and Berlin
- \* Chair, Budget Committee
- \* Member, Budget Committee, 1984-86

### LWV Massachusetts

- \* President, 1984-87
- \* Vice-President, Program and Action, 1981-84
- \* Vice-President, Finance, 1979-81
- \* Membership Director, 1977-79

### LWV Holliston, Massachusetts

- \* President, 1975-77
- \* Vice-President, Voters Service
- \* Joined League in 1971

### Other Experience

- \* President, Tax Equity Alliance for Massachusetts, 1987-Present
- \* President Council for Fair School Finance, Inc., 1982-89
- \* Board of Directors, Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, 1987-Present
- \* Board of Directors, Ford Hall Forum, 1987-Present
- \* Advisory Board, Women in Politics and Government, 1987-Present

### Employment

\* Political and Communications Consultant, Radio and Television Political Commentator

### KATHLEEN WEISENBERG

### LWV California

- \* Chair, Nominating Committee, 1989-91
- \* Member, Voters Service Marketing Committee, 1989-Present
- \* Management/Training Vice President, liaison between Board and 1 MAL Unit, 1 ILO and 41 local Leagues, 1987-89
- \* Member, Executive Committee, 1987-89
- \* Director, Public Relations and Marketing, The Guide to California Government, 13th edition, 1985-87
- \* Member, Legislative Committee, 1985-87

### LWV South San Mateo County

- \* President, 1983-85
- \* Executive Vice President, 1981-83
- \* Chair, County Health/Care Committee, 1978-83
- \* County Director, Health/Care Committee, 1975-81
- \* Director, Membership, 1972-74
- \* Director, Development, 1971-72
- \* Member, 1969-Present

### Other Experience

- \* PTA, Menlo-Atherton High School & Encinal Middle School, Legislative Director and Chair of several committees, 1986-88
- \* Troop Leader, Girl Scouts of America, 1980-88
- \* Member, San Mateo County Ad Hoc Health Care Committee, 1978

### Employment

- \* Office Manager, 1989-Present
- \* Head Nurse, Intensive Care Unit, 1965-68

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