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**“Water: So Many Questions,
So Many Efforts, So Few Answers ... Yet!”**

All new Peninsula water supply projects are scheduled around the Cease and Desist deadline of December 31, 2016, but all are highly likely to miss it. Many state, county, and city agencies have critical roles. Only one has been deeply involved in every issue, historically and currently, from project development and permitting to negotiations and financing. Our guest speaker **David Stoldt**, General Manager of the **Monterey Peninsula Water Management District** (MPWMD) since 2011, will describe the District’s history and current role in water supply.



The search for a new water supply has a 40-year history. Current plans include: desalination, advance treated reclaimed water, and saving winter runoff. Stoldt will describe risks and alternatives, timetables, critical hurdles, and the implications of the State-ordered deadline on the community. He will explore rationing, penalties for missing the deadline, who pays if there are fines, how the current statewide drought affects our situation, and other related issues.

Mr. Stoldt has over 22 years of experience in the public infrastructure sector (investment banking and consulting to public agencies), has served as Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer for early stage *(continued on next page)*

**LWVMC September 10, 2014
Lunch & Learn Meeting**

(Held on the second Wednesday of the month)

Lunch 12 noon / Presentation 12:30

\$15 per person for lunch

(salads, beverages, and dessert provided by Café Athena)

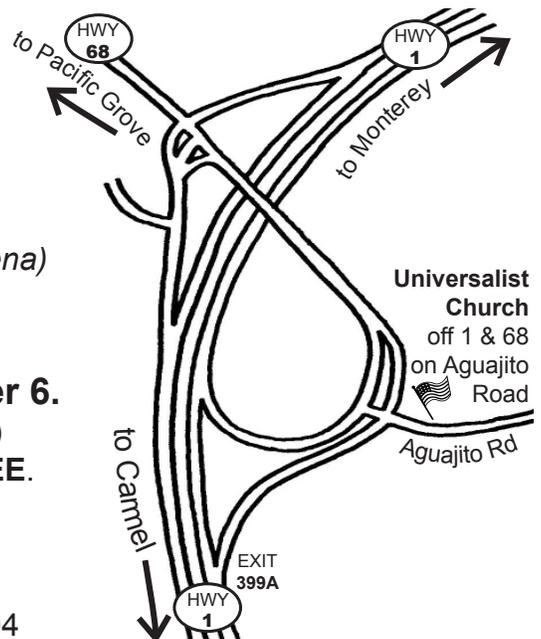
Reservations are a must for lunch!

Contact Lorita Fisher by Saturday, September 6.

(phone 375-8301 or e-mail GLFisher@redshift.com)

Pay at the door for lunch: meeting/presentation is **FREE**.

*LWVMC Lunch & Learn Meetings are held at the
Unitarian Universalist Church <http://uucmp.org>
490 Aguajito Road / Carmel CA 93923 (831) 624-7404*



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start-up companies (providing strategic planning, finance, marketing, logistics, and management), and has served in various positions in the public sector, both appointed and elected.

Prior to his current position, Stoldt had acted as a consultant on the Regional Desalination Project, proceedings at the California Public Utilities Commission, Carmel River Dam investigations, and bank financing for the public-private Water Reclamation Project benefiting Pebble Beach. He worked on 40 other public agency projects totaling over \$3 billion, including the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project, the Monterey Regional Waste Management District, and Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency.



Stoldt's analytical and financial background has resulted in creating high-impact outcomes working in the context of legal agreements, organizational constraints, and political frameworks. Stoldt has a BS, Civil Engineering (University of Illinois, Urbana), an MS Energy & Resources (UC Berkeley), and an MBA, Public Management (Stanford University).

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The President's Message

I hope you have had a good summer. While the Board took most of the time off, we met twice, primarily to prepare for the upcoming year and to review League policies and procedures.

2014-2015 Lunch & Learn Programs and General Meetings

This month the **Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's General Manager** will update us on our water situation (see front page). In October we will hear **Pros and Cons on the November General Election propositions**, and in November we will learn about the **Common Core curriculum**. In January we will present the **Pros and Cons of pesticide use in Monterey County**. February and March will be devoted to **climate change** (adaptation and prevention) and **Campaign finance reform**, respectively. We will have an update on **Fort Ord land use issues** in April, and end the League year as always in May with our **Annual Meeting**.

Upcoming Candidate Forums

Our hard working **Voter Service Directors** are gearing up for a busy election season. Forums already planned for September are: **Monterey County Sheriff** (Friday, September 12), **Pacific Grove Mayor and City Council** (Tuesday, September 23), **Seaside Mayor and City Council**,

and **County Sheriff** (Wednesday, September 24) **Monterey Peninsula Airport Board** and **Monterey City Council** (Monday, September 29). See details on all forums on page xx.

Non-Partisan Policy

At the beginning of each year the Board reviews its **nonpartisan policy** which is intended to assure that the League is seen as having no positions on candidates or political parties. We also review and update Board policies on **conflict of interest**, **Voter contents**, **action guidelines**, and others.

Ballot "Measure O"

Finally, the outcome of "Measure O" on the June ballot was a disappointment. Interestingly, the measure passed in Carmel Valley, was fairly even in Pacific Grove and Monterey, but failed significantly in Seaside.

One fallout of the campaign was the interest expressed by two Monterey City Council members in a **city campaign finance ordinance**. The League sent a letter encouraging the City to pursue such an endeavor, noting our active participation in the ordinance adopted by the City of Pacific Grove a number of years ago.

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★ ★ JUNE 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION FORUM & POLL WORK

Candidate Forums

In June the League conducted forums for: **Board of Supervisors District 2** (Prunedale), **County Sheriff** (Carmel Valley), and **Judge** (Marina).

Thank you Moderators **MaryEllen Dick** and **Marilyn Maxner**, and League members in many other jobs: **Kathy Aguras**, **Beverly Bean**, **Janet Brennan**, **Brielle Bumba**, **Diane Cotton**, **Regina Doyle**, **Carson Eoyang**, **Kemay Eoyang**, **Cynthia Hall**, **Judy Lind**, **Dennis Mar**, **Darold Skerritt**, and **Dina Stansbury**. Special thanks to Videographers **Herbard Olson**, **Bob Evans**, and **Joe Asling**.



Polling Place Work

We also provided workers for the Larkin Street Lutheran Church, Salinas polling station in June.

Thank you **Candy McCarthy** who worked all day as the polling place inspector.

And many thanks to our volunteer clerks: **Janet Brennan**, **Brielle Bumba**, **Linda Gin**, **Alice Ann Glenn**, **Joanne Haag**, **Tamara Harris**, **Marilyn Maxner**, **Nancy McInnis**, **Sharon Miller**, and **Lynn Santos**.

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LWV 2014 POSITION ON FEDERAL AGRICULTURE POLICIES



Months of meetings, analysis, and hard work by our own **LWVMC Agricultural Study Committee** from late 2013 into the early part of this year contributed to a badly needed update on Agriculture as of May 2014. Kudos to **Study Committee Chair Patti Fashing** and her dedicated team, **Kalah Bumba, Max Chaplin, MaryEllen Dick, Anne Herendeen, Nancy McInnis, Sherry Mermis, Phyllis Meurer, and Lynn Santos** for excellent work reflected in the final position shown below. Well done!
MaryEllen Dick, Mevolst@sbc.global

Statement of Position on Federal Agriculture Policies

The League believes that government should provide financial support for agriculture that includes disaster assistance, crop insurance, need-based loans and incentives to adopt best management practices. Support should be extended to specialty crops, such as fruits, vegetables and nuts, to new production methods, such as organic, hydroponic, and urban practices, and to farms that supply local and regional markets.



Subsidized crop yield insurance should be linked to implementation of best management practices with the subsidy denied for marginal or environmentally sensitive land. The premium subsidy for crop insurance should be available for a wide range of crops, such as fruits, vegetables and specialty crops. Government should limit the amount of the premium subsidy received by larger farms.

The League supports policies that **increase competition in agricultural markets**. Antitrust laws should be enforced to ensure competitive agricultural markets. Alternative marketing systems such as regional hub markets, farmers' markets and farmer cooperatives should be promoted.

Clean air and water regulations should apply to all animal and aquaculture production and processing facilities, and not just to the very large confined animal feeding operations (CAFOs). Such regulations should be designed in a manner that takes into account environmentally sound technologies and the scale of the operation being regulated. Small size operations should not be

granted automatic exemption from regulation.

The League believes that **government regulatory agencies dealing with animal and aquaculture production** should have adequate authority and funding to 1) **enforce regulations** and 2) **gather information** that supports monitoring the impacts of all animal feeding and aquaculture operations on human and animal health and the environment.



Government should fund basic research related to agriculture.

Government funded research should also address the impact of new technologies on human health and the environment prior to widespread adoption of products developed with such technologies.

Assessment of products developed with new technologies should be conducted as transparently as possible, while respecting intellectual property rights. Research should be funded to support the continuation of diversified and sustainable agricultural systems, such as seed banking and promoting and preserving genetic diversity.



To provide **adequate safety of our food supply**, government should:

Clarify and enforce pre-market testing requirements for foods and food additives developed using any new chemical technology, such as genetic engineering or nanotechnology;

Require developers to monitor all such new

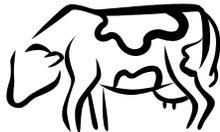
food products developed after releasing to the market;

Require developers of such new food products to provide data and other materials to independent third parties for pre- and post-marketing safety assessment;

Fund independent third party risk assessment examining how long term and multiple exposures to such new foods affect human health and the environment;

Withdraw marketing approval and require recall if such products are shown to be unsafe;

Require post-market monitoring of human health and environmental impacts for pharmaceutical applications used in animal and aquaculture production;



Limit use of antibiotics in animal production to the treatment of disease;

Promote crop management practices that decrease dependency on added chemicals; and

Fund, employ and train sufficient personnel for assessment and compliance functions of regulatory agencies.



The League supports government developing and requiring **more informative and standardized definitions on product labeling.**

Food labeling and advertising should display only approved health and safety claims and an accurate representation of the required ingredient and nutrition lists.

The League supports **consumer education** about labeling of foods developed using any new technology.

<http://www.lwv.org/content/lwvus-position-federal-agriculture-policies>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: NOVEMBER CANDIDATE FORUMS & POLL WORKERS

★★★CANDIDATE FORUMS★★★

The LWVMC will conduct local candidate forums in advance of upcoming elections. These non-partisan, public events bring attention one of the League's best-known activities, and are an important way for voters to directly question and hear from those seeking office.

We need moderators, clerks, question sorters, timers, and pages. Some jobs are ideal for new volunteers!

Contact **Jeanne Turner**, jturner215@comcast.net, 373-7671; or **Dennis Mar**, DennisRMar3@yahoo.com, 372-9388.

★★★ POLL WORKERS ★★★

Working at election polls is a service to the community, a way to learn the fundamentals of the election process, and a way to raise funds---the county pays workers a stipend traditionally donated to the League.

Precincts to be staffed are: Larkin Street Lutheran Church, Salinas and two co-located at the Community Center, Pacific Grove. **Candy McCarthy, Bob Evans, and Dennis Mar** will serve as inspectors.

We need about 40 volunteer clerks to work one 4-hour shift at any of the three polling places. Volunteers must attend a two-hour training session in addition to working on election day. Workers need not be members of the League, but must be registered voters, so you can volunteer spouses, partners, friends, and family!

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The Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee and LWVMC present:

MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF FORUM

Friday, September 12, 2014

Will's Fargo Restaurant, 16 W. Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, CA 93924

12 noon: Lunch and Forum begin

Lunch, beverage dessert, including tip is \$20, cash/check (Candidate's and League event volunteer luncheons paid for by CVVIC).

Reservations are required: call **Deb Monnastes** (831) 594-5591 by Wednesday, September 10th.

Candidates for Monterey County Sheriff:
Steve Bernal / Scott Miller (incumbent)



NAACP Monterey County, Seaside Voter Education Center, Sustainable Seaside, and LWVMC present:

SEASIDE MAYOR, SEASIDE CITY COUNCIL, and MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF FORUMS

Wednesday, September 24, 2014

Oldemeyer Center, 986 Hilby Avenue, Seaside, CA 93955

6:15 pm: Information tables; submit written questions for candidates

6:45 pm: Introductions

6:50 pm: Mayoral and City Council Forum

8:10 pm: Break

8:20 pm: Sheriff Forum

Candidates for Seaside Mayor:
Felix Bachofner / Ralph Rubio (incumbent)

Candidates for Seaside City Council:
Dennis Alexander / Jason Campbell / Alvin Edwards (incumbent) / **Ronald Guth**

Candidates for County Sheriff:
Steve Bernal / Scott Miller (incumbent)

The Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce and LWVMC present:

PACIFIC GROVE MAYOR and CITY COUNCIL FORUMS

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

PG Community Center, 515 Junipero Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950

6:00 pm: Meet and greet; submit written questions for candidates

6:30 pm: Forum begins

Candidates for Mayor:
Bill Kampe (incumbent) / **John M. Moore**

Candidates for City Council:
Brian Brooks / Shannon Cardwell / Ken Cuneo (incumbent) / **Rudy Fischer** (incumbent) / **Robert Pacelli / Bill Peake**



The New Monterey Neighborhood Association and LWVMC present:

MONTEREY PENINSULA AIRPORT BOARD and MONTEREY CITY COUNCIL FORUMS

Monday, September 29, 2014

Hilltop Park Center, 871 Jessie Street, Monterey, CA 93940

6:30 - 6:45 pm: Meet and greet; submit written questions for airport board candidates

6:45 - 7:30 pm: Airport Board Forum

7:30 - 7:40 pm: Break; submit written questions for city council candidates

7:40 - 8:50 pm: City Council Forum

Candidates for Airport Board:
Carl Miller (incumbent) / **Matthew Nelson** (incumbent) / **Dan Presser**

Candidates for City Council:
Timothy Barrett / Hansen Reed / Nancy Selfridge (incumbent) / **Ed Smith**



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CAMPAIGN FINANCE PART 2: CALIFORNIA CAMPAIGN FINANCE RULES

Part 2 of a two-piece article. See "Part 1: Federal Campaign Finance Rules," in LWVMC The Voter May 2014, Vol 86, No 8.

Autumn Means Election Season

At least for the League of Women Voters, it does. Here in California candidates are asking for money, and supporters and opponents of various ballot measures are asking for money. But what is legal under California campaign finance rules? And are California rules important in Monterey elections?

Donation Limits

In California in 2013-2014 an individual can legally donate a maximum of:

\$4,100 per election (primary, general, and run-off) to a state legislature candidate

(Assemblyman, State Senator)

\$6,800 per election to other statewide candidates (i.e., Secretary of State)

\$27,200 per election to a candidate for California Governor

\$34,000 per year to a political party for California candidates

\$6,800 per year to a committee (which is not a political party committee) that gives to a state candidate

\$200 per year to a small contributor committee (contributions to such committees are limited to \$200 per person per year)

An individual may donate every calendar year to as many California candidates as they wish. An individual may donate every election cycle to as many California political parties, committees, or other political action committees as the individual wishes. There is no aggregate total. There are no limits on an individual donating to a committee or political party "...so long as the donations are not used for a state candidate." The donation can however be used for voter registration, voter turnout, and out-of-state candidates.

Who Can Not Contribute

Foreign nationals can not donate but permanent residents holding "green cards" (lawful permanent residence document) can. State lobbyists can not donate if they are registered to lobby the officer's agency or agency for which the candidate is seeking election. State lobbyists can not contribute to a local committee of that state candidate.

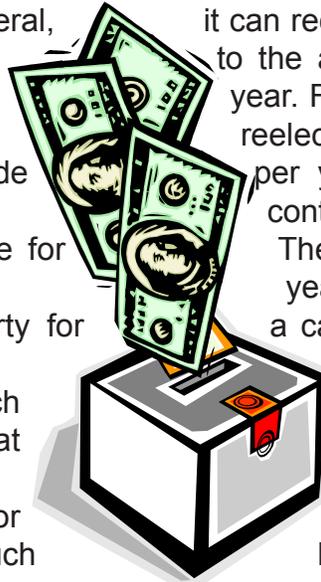
Contribution Restrictions

With so much money flowing from individuals to candidates for California offices, do candidates have restrictions? Incumbent state officeholders may set up reelection committees to receive campaign contributions. However a reelection committee is limited each year as to the amount it can receive from any source. And it is limited to the aggregate amount it can collect each year. For example a California Assemblyman reelection committee is limited to \$3,400 per year from any source (person, small contributor committee, or political party). The aggregate amount is \$56,000 each year from all these sources. Over a career, a candidate may have multiple reelection committees—one for each election—past, present, and future.

There are no limits on contributions to ballot measure committees controlled by a candidate. By law these funds are used to support or oppose any ballot measure, including proposals under development that did not appear on the ballot. Any company or larger donor interested in spending on a ballot measure can donate unlimited amounts. However contributions from one ballot measure committee controlled by a state candidate to another state candidate controlled ballot measure committee are subject to a \$4,100 limit.

Voluntary Limits

A California candidate may choose to voluntarily accept limits on election expenditures. When they declare themselves as a candidate, they can sign a



Candidate Intention Statement form in which they agree to abide by campaign expenditure ceilings. In return statewide candidate's names appear in the state ballot pamphlet, or the voter information part of the sample ballot (Assembly or Senatorial candidates), and they may buy space for a 250-word statement.

An example of voluntary limits would be for a candidate for California Assembly or Senate agreeing to limit campaign expenditures to \$544,000 in the primary and \$953,000 in the general election. If a candidate does not appear on a sample ballot, the candidate has chosen not to limit campaign spending.

Campaign Finance Oversight

The Secretary of State maintains a database on campaign contributions of over \$100 (www.sos.ca.gov/campaign). She is also responsible for oversight of all campaign financing through the bipartisan **California Fair Political Practices Commission** (FPPC) (www.fppc.ca.gov).

As of May 2014, one loophole was closed with a law requiring large donations from non-profits and other "multi-purpose" organizations to California state committees be disclosed. Also the top ten contributors to California committees will now be disclosed on the FPPC website. Previously, a non-profit or other "multi-purpose" organization could make a one-time donation in California, but donors identities didn't need to be disclosed (www.fppc.ca.gov/press_release.php?pr_id=793#).

Current Campaign Investigations

In March 2013 the **Sacramento Bee** studied the 2011 and 2012 state-wide elections. It found that state legislators collected \$2.7 million in their "ballot measure" committees. More than two dozen legislators maintained ballot measure committees in the two years leading up to the 2012 election. Sometimes money went to existing campaigns, but more often, not: a quarter went to supporting or opposing ballot measures, and another quarter went to the legislator's own initiative qualification drives, polling, and political advertisements. Some money may have been for ballot measure campaigns, but

the campaign finance statements were unclear. The rest went to expenses which could be justified but also result in personal or political benefit for the legislators. Examples: gifts to a fund-raising firm, gloves sent to lobbyists attending a fundraiser, seminars attended by the legislator, a hotel stay at the Bellagio, and steak dinners in Las Vegas for guests as part of fundraising (www.sacbee.com/2013/03/10/5250295/California-lawmakers-avoid-campaign.html).

Monterey County Campaign Finance Rules

Contribution limits posted by the FPPC (www.fppc.ca.gov), say candidates should "Check with the pertinent local jurisdiction for information regarding limits imposed by a local campaign ordinance." However, Monterey County does not have a campaign finance ordinance: only the City of Pacific Grove has: donations to candidates for Pacific Grove elected office are limited to \$500 per election (www.fppc.ca.gov/index.php?id=9). All other local elections in Monterey County are subject to California's campaign finance requirements and restrictions alone.

LWVMC's Stand on Campaign Finance

Our League supports a Monterey County Campaign Reform Ordinance with the following emphasis:

- Encourage voluntary expenditure limits in campaigns
- Require frequent and timely disclosure requirements in campaigns with penalties for failure to meet deadlines or incomplete disclosure statements
- Require campaigns to reject contributions several days before elections
- Require disclosure several days before elections

The League supports an ordinance similar to a model developed by LWVMP in 2006 (www.lwvmryco.org/files/model_cfr_ordinance.pdf), placing a limit on out-of-county contributions and adopting Campaign Reform Ordinances based on a Model Ordinance by local cities in Monterey County.

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The LWV 2014 National Conference Dallas Texas, June 6-10, 2014



LWVMC Secretary Kalah Bumba (on left below) and I attended The National Conference which was, as usual, inspiring---I always leave feeling fired up about what the League can accomplish!

Here are some highlights! **MaryEllen Dick**, MEvolst@sbcglobal.net

Facts in Brief

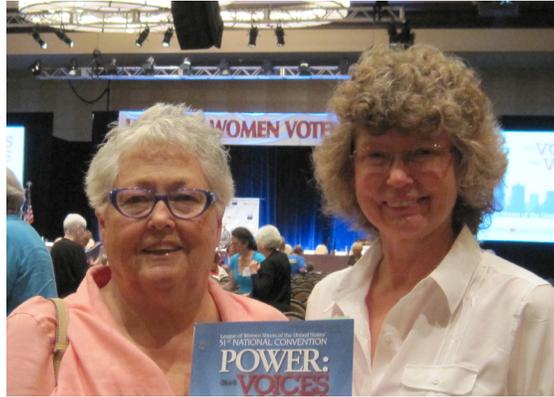
Nationwide, we are 50,352 members in 772 State and Local Leagues; ten new Leagues formed in 2013-14; membership has remained stable for the last three years; the Conference had 633 Delegates representing 47 states, DC, and the Virgin Islands; PMP will remain at \$31pp for 2014-15 and rise to \$32pp for FY 2015-16; the Board slate recommended by the Nominating Committee was elected (the Presidency was disputed, but after a lively campaign the vote was two-thirds for the current President, **Elizabeth MacNamara**, and one-third for write-in candidate **Deirdre MacNab**).

What the League is Doing to Grow Membership

The **Young People's Participation Task Force** offers two scholarships for young potential League leaders. The **Ruth R. Schurr Fellowship** provides recruitment mentors. LWV, with a focus on the core message: "*Democracy only works if you participate,*" provides: training, mentors, and coaches to help local Leagues become more relevant, rebuild participation; staff to promote active participation in traditional and new forms of social media; and materials on the Members section of the website for local Leagues.

League Advocacy

Most LWV time/energy is focused on core issues – voter engagement, voter rights, and representative government (including campaign finance reform and money in politics), e.g., climate change; gun control; the Affordable Care Act; promoting League issues to Congress; voting rights litigation (in multiple states); and voter suppression.



Approved Resolutions

The LWVUS: Supports a price on carbon emissions as part of an overall program to improve energy efficiency and to replace fossil fuels with renewable energy; advocates for passage of legislation to restore voting rights in federal elections to citizens with felony convictions (released, paroled, or on probation); and support to Leagues working to repeal state felon disenfranchisement laws.

Program Planning

248 Leagues from 38 states submitted recommendations on 70 different topics; 91 Leagues proposed a study and/or review of campaign finance position; and 36 Leagues proposed concurrence on New Jersey's human trafficking position

Adopted Programs

A program combining study and review of key specific structures of American democracy includes: 1. A study of the process of amending the US Constitution; 2. A review and update of LWV's position on money in politics (campaign finance); and, 3. A review of the redistricting process for the US Congress. After discussion, a proposal for a new Agriculture Study to flesh out testing and labeling language was defeated.

Approved League Positions

1. Retain all current positions including the new position on agriculture adopted as a result of the 2013-14 National Study (*see the new Agriculture Position on page 4*).
2. Concurrence with the LWV New Jersey Human

Trafficking position: *“The League of Women Voters opposes all forms of domestic and international human trafficking of adults and children, including sex trafficking and labor trafficking. We consider human trafficking to be a form of modern day slavery and believe that every measure should be taken and every effort should be made through legislation and changes in public policy to prevent human trafficking. Prosecution and penalization of traffickers and abusers should be established, and existing laws should be strictly enforced. Extensive essential services for victims should be applied where needed. Education and awareness programs on human trafficking should be established in our communities and in our schools.”*

Approved Bylaws

The current bylaws were approved with minor wordsmithing and major discussion. The list of officers was updated to eliminate the second VP and separate the positions of Secretary and Treasurer.

Training Sessions

“Leaderful Practice: How to Get Participating Members,” **Melissa Breach, Executive Director LWVCA**

The challenge – not enough people to do the work; this is not a battle for people’s time, it is a battle for their energy; never assume people are thinking what you are thinking that they think–ask!; membership drive practices that work: Voter Registration at school book fairs; High School contests; *“Coffee and Conversation with the League”* aimed at new people, not members; ask people to join at every opportunity!

“Money in Politics: Developing a Common Understanding of the Issues”

Summary of the adopted program on campaign finance: review of history, tools to educate members, citizens, and how to prepare for the next two years and beyond.

Always use the term *“money in politics,”* not *“campaign finance reform.”* Primer at: <http://www.lwv.org/files/cfr%20Primer%20Final%20>

[May%2027.pdf](#)); *presentation materials* (http://lwvma.org/topics/money_and_politics); a button/ bumper sticker **“Democracy is NOT NOW for Sale”** and other websites : Opensecrets.org, Publiccitizen.org, Sunlightfoundation.org, Commoncause.org.

“Recommendations on Repurposing LWV Media Content to Increase Visibility”

REMEMBER: sell/promote our ideas; reuse event photos, letters to editors, etc. on websites, Twitter, Facebook, etc.; keep messages neutral, non-partisan, focused on facts; the League’s goals of making democracy work, protecting voters, and educating the public (they resonate and get attention); remind people about the impact of our work; make sure that all social media communications direct people back to the website; and social media is an add-on to our websites.

SPEAKERS

Pat Vaughn, President LWV Dallas and Lupe Valdez, Dallas County Sheriff, gave welcoming remarks, followed by **Annise Parker, Houston City Mayor Houston**, *“The Oldest Profession – Government!”*

Steve Murdock, former Chief US Census Bureau, *“Changing Demographics and Its Implications on Our Future.”*

Peter Harkness, Founder/Editor Emeritus “Governing” Magazine, *“The Role of States in Governing.”*

Ray Martinez, former US Election Assistant Commissioner, and Ann McGeehan former Director, Texas Elections Division, *“The State of Voting in America.”*

Peter Bresette, Public Works and Peter Levine, CIRCLE, *“Organizing for Civic Impact and Renewal.”*

Conference presentation/training materials at: <http://forum.lwv.org/page/presentations-training-materials-convention-2014>
http://forum.lwv.org/sites/default/files/convention_2014_communications_workshop_presentation_-_local.pdf

MEMBERSHIP MEMO

Thanks to those who responded to our membership letter and renewed! If you have not, you can use the form on this page.

50 Years with the League

Congratulations to **Janet Brennan, Sally Gamble, Ann Clifton, and Jennifer Greyson** who have been League members for 50 years! Our records are not complete, so if you also belong to this distinguished group of 50+ year membership with the League, please let me know.

Welcome New Members

Dotty Smith, Anna Hammond, Phyllis Sokol, Erika Fiske, and Richard Rosenthal

Thank You to Our Generous Donors

League of Women Voters Education Fund

\$200 - **Janet Bruman**

\$100 - **Janet Brennan, Kemay & Carson Eoyang, Dennis & Susan Mar, and Jean & Kneale Marshall**

\$50 - **Serita Sue Woodburn**

\$25 - **Jean Donnelly and Ann & Ken Helms**

Florence Curlee Scholarship Fund

Harriet Mitteldorf \$50, Julie Tucker \$25, and Diane Cotton & Bill Leone \$65

LWVMC "Above Basic Membership"

\$250 - **Gillian Taylor & Peter Neumeier and Konny Murray**

\$200 - **Barbara Baldock & Phillip Butler**

\$150 - **Judy Higgerson & Jim Procida and George & Judy Riley**

\$100 - **Doris Auerbach, Della & Roger Bossart, Ann Clifton, Carole Erickson, Molly Erickson, Howard & Linda Fosler, Fran Gaver, Nancy Green, Tamara Harris, Margie Kay, Lorri Lockwood, Betty Matterson, Joy Osborne, Raul Rodriguez, Lyn & Alan Rosen, Dotty Smith, Phil Smith, Jean Stallings, Karen Strasser Kauffman, and Julie Tucker**

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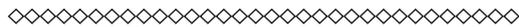
LWVMC Board Meeting

Monday, 8 September, 5pm

Mariposa Hall, 801 Lighthouse, Monterey

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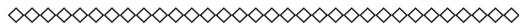


Lunch & Learn with the League

Wednesday, September 10, 12 noon

*"Water: So Many Questions and Efforts,
So Few Answers"*

(see details on front page)



Natural Resources Committee Meeting

Thursday, 11 September, noon to 1:30pm

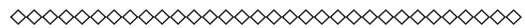
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Pacific Grove Mayor and City Council

Tuesday September 23, 6pm



Seaside Mayor, Seaside City Council,

and Monterey County Sheriff

Wednesday, September 24, 6:15pm



Monterey Peninsula Airport Board

and Monterey City Council

Monday, September 29, 6:30pm