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Upcoming Speakers

Auburn Holiday Inn - Max's

May 1: Pros & Cons of June Ballot Measures

June 5: Election of LWVPC Board; Guest speaker: Jim Holmes, County Supervisor

Welcome New Members!

Mike Monahan
Ellen Griggs
Delana Ruud

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Randi Swisley, President
Bernadette O'Keefe, 1st VP
Diana Madoshi, 2nd VP
Pat Burke, Secretary
Teri Harrison, Treasurer
Diane Eilers, Membership
Lynne Roberts, Voter Service
Terri Ciau, Budget Committee
Kathy Souza, At Large

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Open Letter From LWVPC President to Members

Last summer when I met with most of you over coffee, it was clear we share a strong conviction to be informed voters, a need for unbiased information to do that, and a desire that our fellow citizens are informed voters too.

Networking with the richly-knowledgeable group of LWV members across the state and country has been a privilege of mine for the last 6 years. LWV continues to be the go-to organization in our country for unbiased research and resources about public policy and non-partisan politics.

LWVPC member input has guided our progress over the last 8 months. We have welcomed 13 new members since July, embraced the refreshing ideas and contributions of two student interns, and gained increased visibility including a brief spot on KCRA Channel 3 prime time news. Contributions in leadership have been provided by Lynne Roberts on the Water Forum, Janet Bradford on the Agricultural Study, Pam Hart on Board Nominations, Bernadette O'Keefe on Publicity, Lydia Tahraoui on Twitter and our Newsletter, Lindsay Dickason on Facebook, Terri Ciau on the Budget, Pat Burke on Program Planning, and Lee Therrien on an investigation into sewer issues in preparation for a forum next year.

Another take-away from speaking to you is how busy we all are. Contributions from members are especially valued and necessary to continue our momentum. Thank you to all who have contributed in every way to our thriving organization.

June Ballot Measure Pros & Cons

LWVPC Speakers' Bureau is ready to provide unbiased information to help you make choices that reflect your values and your vision for California's future. Bypass the swamp of TV ads and that steady stream of mailers, and get the straight story by scheduling a presentation on state-wide ballot measures and election logistics. This free service is available to members and non-members. To schedule a presentation to your group, email president@lwvplacercounty.org.

Congratulations Norma, Sheila & Pam!

Norma Sexton, Sheila Reynolds and Pam Hart are nominees for Treasurer, 2nd Vice President and Secretary for our upcoming Board election in June. They fit our criteria perfectly for new leaders as part of a team of professional, transparent, and respectful decision makers bent on grassroots planning. Do you know someone – including yourself – who would be a good fit for Nominating Committee Chairman for next year? Let us know: Pam Hart, (530) 823-6799 or pamula1@hotmail.com .

Attention Poll Workers

We have two elections coming up in 2014 – June 3rd Primary and November 4th General Election. LWVPC will staff two precincts – one in Auburn and one in Roseville/Rocklin.

Contact Lynne at voterservice@lwwplacercounty.org if you are interested in working the polls. This is the primary source of income for our league - we hope you can participate!

Program Planning

LWVPC's Annual Program Planning Meeting took place on February 6, 2014. This meeting provides input to program planning done at the National level of LWV and also helps set the focus for LWVPC's activities for the coming year.

Members discussing recommendations to the National League reached consensus on submitting two requests on behalf of LWVPC:

- 1) LWVUS review and update its existing position on Campaign Finance and
- 2) LWVUS take a position on National Security and Privacy.

Members at the meeting recommended a focus on "Social Justice in Placer County" to fill out our local 2014-2015 calendar. Suggested topics include housing, drugs and homeless services, children in foster care, food insecurity, human trafficking, the ACA, mental health and the undocumented.

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EARTH DAY FORUM **WATER** WARS, WARRIORS, & CLIMATE CHANGE **April 22 at 4 p.m.**

Dietrich Theater, Sierra College

A lively panel and Q & A discussion on major water issues and conflicts facing California, the Sacramento Region & Placer County

Climate Change ~ Drought ~ Delta Tunnels ~ Sustainability ~ Protecting the Environment

Join the conversation with college, local and state experts.

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