



November 21
11:30 AM
Our Asset: OCCC
OCCC North Center
in Lincoln City

Our November meeting will be held at 11:30 on November 21st at Oregon Coast Community College North Center (3788 SE High School Drive, Lincoln City), where Dave Price (Director of Marketing & Community Development and Director of the Small Business Development Center) will share the many ways our Community College interacts with Lincoln City (Newport & Waldport) on a daily basis. We will learn about the variety of courses & workshops available to all ages, OCCC's relationship with our high schools, the local businesses, and the new programs offered (Welding and the Digital Media & Marketing Studio, to mention only two). And finally, we will be given a tour of the North Center Facility. Come and learn what an asset OCCC truly is! Refreshments will be served.

December Luncheon
Dec 19 at 12:15
Sylvia Beach Hotel

“What will our planet be like for our children, grandchildren, and beyond?”

by Marilyn Podesta

Come join members of the League of Women Voters and their guests at the Sylvia Beach Hotel in Newport on Thursday, December 19, at 12:15 noon.

Hailey Feuling, Maia Stout and Kaydance Redwine, all Lincoln County students, will be talking to us about their concerns, research and experiences in studying Climate Change. [According to a recent publication from the Oregon Coast Aquarium (sourced from Project WILD/WILD BC), Climate change is described as: “A change in global or regional climate patterns, in particular a change apparent from the mid to late 20th century onwards, and attributed largely to the increased

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“The League of Women Voters of Oregon is a grassroots, non-partisan political organization which encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government in order to build better communities statewide.”

Membership Report

The League of Women Voters of Lincoln County welcomes new members

Kaety Jacobson
Mark Farley
Katherine (Kaye) Hering

We hope that each of them will be greeted by longer-term members at our next meeting at OCCC in Lincoln City on November 21 and at our Holiday Luncheon at the Table of Contents restaurant at the Sylvia Beach Hotel on December 19.

It is an exciting time to be part of League of Women Voters:

- Centennial of Women's Suffrage 2020
- Centennial of national League of Women Voters 2020
- Primary elections May 2020
- Possible quilt displays of above centennials in August 2020 in Newport
- National election November 2020

Thank you for joining LWVLC, and we hope that you will contribute your time and talents to make our year a success!

Carol Hall,
Membership Chair



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levels of atmospheric carbon dioxide produced by the use of fossil fuels.”]

Lunch will be served at 12:15. The menu consists of a **choice of entrée – Salmon Cakes served with saffron rice, or Pasta Primavera in a red sauce.** A green salad and homemade bread will be served family style before the entrée and dessert will be fruit sorbet with a cookie. Coffee, tea and gratuity are included in the price of **\$23.** Other libations may be purchased that afternoon as well.

If you are interested in reserving a seat at the table, and hearing from these impressive young women, contact League member Marilyn Podesta at 541-765-4422, or email emmyrumsey@centurylink.net.

Reservations must be received by Friday, Dec. 13. Your food choice, along with your check made out to LWVLC can be sent to:

Marilyn L. Podesta
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Action Alert – Climate Change

Date: November 11, 2019
 To: All League Members and Oregonians
 From: Julie Chapman, LWVOR Climate Change Portfolio and Becky Gladstone, LWVOR President

On November 18, Renew Oregon is mounting a Day of Action in Salem, during the week of Interim Committee Hearings.

We want the legislators to know that their work is not done. Climate change is an immediate existential threat. We urgently need climate policy with emission goals based in climate science, investments for a transition from fossil fuels, and supports for the communities most impacted by the adverse climate effects. These principles were embedded in House Bill 2020 – the “Clean Energy Jobs” bill. The best way forward for Oregon is comparable, comprehensive legislation.

Join us for a short training at 245 High St NE, Salem, OR 97301 on Monday, November 18th any time between 8am-4pm. Volunteers will let their State Legislators and Governor Kate Brown know the time for action is now in a variety of ways:

- Visiting Legislative offices
- Writing individual letters to the editor
- Attending Committee Hearings
- Distributing materials, letters and postcards throughout the Capitol
- And much more!

We understand the urgency of acting to protect our planet. We need our decision makers to feel it too, and we need your help on November 18 to make that happen!

Our voices need to be heard!

Questions? Contact Julie Chapman, LWVOR Climate Portfolio, bugthewonderdog@gmail.com, 503-415-9715

Redistricting Initiative Filed

On November 12 the League of Women Voters of Oregon Advocacy Fund joined the People Not Politicians campaign to put nonpartisan redistricting reform on the 2020 ballot. This diverse coalition represents many voices from across Oregon, united in our movement to ensure a fair redistricting process for all.

We urge our members and Oregonians statewide to support this effort. Together we will make redistricting a more fair, open, nonpartisan process so Oregonians can have a voice in their representation.

Here is the Press Release:

November 12, 2019

Contact

Norman Turrill: (503) 386-7996

People Not Politicians, a coalition of Oregon voters and organizations concerned about good government, today filed a statewide initiative to reform Oregon’s redistricting process.

The initiative would amend Oregon’s constitution to change how legislative and congressional district boundaries are drawn, creating an independent citizen redistricting commission to draw voting districts. Currently, Oregon legislators draw their own districts, often without taking input from everyday Oregonians into account.

“Letting politicians manipulate voting maps is like putting the fox in charge of the hen house. Politicians in power shouldn’t be allowed to draw voting maps that benefit themselves, but that’s exactly what they do now. It’s a conflict of interest.” said Norman Turrill, Chair of People Not Politicians and President of the League of Women Voters of Oregon Advocacy Fund.

“We need to reform the process to create a fair system so that voters are choosing their politicians instead of politicians choosing their voters,” said Turrill.

Traditionally, state legislators draw district boundary maps every 10 years based on national census data. New district lines based on the 2020 census will be especially important because Oregon is projected to gain a sixth U.S. congressional seat due to population growth. People Not Politicians

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Calendar of Events

As of November 15, 2019

DATE	TIME	WHERE	What
Nov 18	8:00 AM to 4:00 PM	Oregon Capitol	Renew Oregon --Day of Action on Climate Change
Nov 21	11:30 AM to 1:30 PM	Community Room at OCCC, Lincoln City	General Meeting – The Value of our Community College (& tour) – David Price
Dec 19	12:15 PM to 2:00 PM	Table of Content at Sylvia Beach Hotel	Holiday Luncheon – Lincoln County students talk about studying Climate Change.
Jan 2	1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Driftwood Library	Leadership Team Meeting
Jan 17 (Friday)	11:30 AM to 1:30 PM	Newport Public Library	General Meeting – Rebecca Gladstone on Cyber Security
Feb 6	1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Driftwood Library	Leadership Team Meeting
Feb 20	11:30 AM to 1:30 PM	Newport Library	General Meeting – US Census
Mar 7		Salem Convention Center	LWV 100 th Anniversary Celebration
May 15-17		Agate Beach Best Western Inn in Newport	LWVOR Council 2020



Fruit Sale Deadline Nears

There are just a few days remaining in our annual fruit sale fundraiser. Please remember to contact your customers from last year so they won't feel forgotten. Get your orders to Jack Kistler by November 21.



LWVLC Leadership Team

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Equal Rights Amendment Closer to Ratification

By Ruth Kistler

The Equal Rights Amendment states:

“Women shall have equal rights in the United States and every place subject to its jurisdiction. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.”

“Congress and the several States shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.”

“This amendment shall take effect two years after the date of ratification.”

This November, Virginians elected a majority in both houses of their state legislature pledged to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. If the Virginia General Assembly ratifies the Amendment, as expected, during its 2020 session, Virginia would be the 38th state, the last state needed for ratification.

After the 19th Amendment was passed in 1920, the strategic goals of the leaders of the Woman’s Suffrage movement diverged. The more “radical” suffragists, among them Alice Paul, founded the National Woman’s Party which sponsored the first ERA, introduced in Congress in 1923. Others, including the founders of the League of Women Voters, opposed the ERA because they felt it would erode special protections for women. (LWV maintained a position opposing the ERA until 1954.) The ERA was reintroduced in every session of Congress following its original introduction. In March 1972 the ERA finally received the required two-thirds majority in both the House of Representatives and the Senate and was sent to the states for ratification. Delegates to the May 1972 LWV national Convention voted to support the ERA as one of the major ways to take action in support of the League’s equal rights positions.

The 1972 Congressional bill that approved the ERA set a seven-year deadline for ratification. That deadline was later extended to June 30, 1982. Yet by that date only 35 of the constitutionally required 38 (three-fourths of the) states had ratified. With renewed advocacy by supporters, Nevada

became the 36th ratifying state in 2017, and Illinois the 37th in 2018. In anticipation of Virginia’s ratification, the House Judiciary Committee is working on a bill to remove the deadline for ratification. A possible roadblock to making ERA part of the Constitution is that five states, Idaho, Kentucky, Nebraska, Tennessee, and South Dakota, have attempted to withdraw their approval; such withdrawal of ratification has never been accepted. This decades-long effort to amend the Constitution seems to be coming to a successful conclusion (but the Supreme Court may yet have the final say).



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launched this campaign in order to ensure that the 2021 redistricting process and every process that follows is fair, impartial and transparent.

The initiative would create the Oregon Citizens Redistricting Commission consisting of 12 Oregonians selected from qualified applicants – four Democrats, four Republicans and four others who are third party members or non-affiliated. Major donors to political candidates or parties would not be eligible. Neither would elected officials, political party officials or their family members. Commissioners would be selected to represent the broad diversity of Oregonians.

The commission would be required to follow strict criteria in drawing the maps and would be prohibited from favoring or discriminating against any candidate, elected official or political party, nor could they create districts for the purpose of diluting the voting strength of any language or ethnic group.

The initiative has already been endorsed by the League of Women Voters of Oregon, Oregon Farm Bureau, Common Cause Oregon, the Independent Party of Oregon, NAACP Eugene/Springfield Branch, Taxpayer Association of Oregon, OSPIRG, American Association of University Women of OR (OR AAUW), Oregon’s Progressive Party, and many others.

“When politicians engineer voting maps, they’re effectively fixing elections,” said Sharon Waterman, President of Oregon Farm Bureau and Chief Petitioner on the initiative. “Turning the redistricting process over to impartial citizens will take partisan politics out of the equation.”


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League of Women Voters
of Lincoln County

Membership Form

For information call Carol Anne Hall
 Membership Chair, 541-614-4091
 depoebaycarol@gmail.com

Name _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Additional household members if new
 Names:

<u>Annual Membership Dues</u> (Circle one.) _____ Or Low Income	Individual \$60 Individual \$40	Household \$90 Household \$60	Student \$5
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I am a new member

I am renewing my membership

The membership year begins July 1.

I am interested in working with the League.

Please call me.

I wish to make a contribution to LWV Lincoln County in addition to my dues \$ _____

Total Member Dues and contribution Make check out to: LWV of Lincoln County \$ _____

I wish to contribute to the LWV of Oregon to assist LWVLC's Voter Service activities and education projects. (Separate Check Required. Make check out to "LWVOR".) \$ _____

Only contributions to LWVOR are tax deductible.

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please mail to: LWVLC P. O. Box 1648, Newport, OR 97365