

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SOUTH SAN MATEO COUNTY

2019 ANNUAL MEETING KIT
65th ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday May 29th
6:00pm

The Old Spaghetti Factory
2107 Broadway, Redwood City, CA



Program

**“Why We Should Abolish the Electoral College And How
to Do It”**

Presented by Carol Jensen

**Please RSVP by May 22 with the enclosed registration form, or
Register online using PayPal from our website**

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with you to the meeting ****

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF SOUTH SAN MATEO COUNTY ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

**“ Why We Should Abolish the Electoral College,
and How To Do It.”**

Produced by the State and Local Leagues of Illinois

Presented by Carol Jensen

Carol Jensen spent over 20 years in TV journalism anchoring the local news; with 13 years in Sacramento and over 6 years in Portland, Oregon, where she won numerous awards including a regional Emmy award for specialty reporting. Her journalism roots have fueled her interest in politics and the impact it has on local communities and the people and families that live there. Early in her career, she became aware of the League of Women Voters and had the opportunity to host and MC a number of League events both in Sacramento and Portland. Carol now lives in Menlo Park with her husband and children.

DINNER

Appetizers

Salad, Spinach Artichoke Dip, Garlic Cheese Bread

Choice of Entrée:

Baked Lasagna, Fettuccine Alfredo, or Chicken Marsala

Spumoni Ice Cream

Coffee, Tea, Ice Tea, Milk

(bar beverages available for purchase)

EVENING AGENDA

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| 6:00 | Registration |
| 6:20 | Dinner |
| 7:10 | Presentation |
| 7:45 | Business Meeting |
| 9:00 | Adjourn |

Business Meeting

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| 7:45 | Call to Order Introductions and Privilege of the Floor: Introduction of Parliamentarian Credentials Report Adoption of Rules of the Day Adoption of Order of Business Appoint committee to approve the minutes | Shirley Des Marais |
| 7:50 | President's report | Shirley Des Marais |
| 8:00 | Treasurer's report | Jack Morris |
| 8:05 | Presentation of Dues Change Proposal Adoption of Dues | Ashley Wagstaff |
| 8:15 | Presentation of Proposed Budget Adoption of Budget | Patti Fry |
| 8:25 | Presentation of Recommended Program Adoption of Local Program Positions Adoption of County Program Positions Adoption of Action Priorities | Linda Atkinson |
| 8:35 | Report of the Nominating Committee Nominations from the Floor Election of Officers and Directors | Lalu Kiesling |
| 8:45 | Comments By 2019-21 President | |
| 8:50 | Directions to the Board | Members |
| 9:00 | Adjourn | |

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF
SOUTH SAN MATEO COUNTY
ANNUAL MEETING
Nominating Committee Report
May 29, 2019**

To Be Elected

Officers

President (21) – Tracy Clark
Vice President Admin. (20) – Pam Schwartz
Vice President Program (21) – Linda
Atkinson
Treasurer (21) – Rick Warp

Directors

Communications (21) – Debby Maio
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (21) – Shirley
Des Marais

Nominating Committee

Chair (21) – Lisa Conrad
Member (21) – Margaret Marshall
Member (21) – Ellen Hope

Continuing in Office

Officers

Secretary (20) – Julianna Dodick

Directors

State & National Action (20) – Barbara
Windham
Voter Editor (20) – Bernadette Burns
Voter Service (20) – Geoff Ryder

**To Be Appointed
For one year terms**

Directors

Membership – Ashley Wagstaff
Climate Change Adaptation - Ann Draper
Local Action - Joyce Shefren
At Large – Patti Fry

Budget Committee

Chair - Wanda Ginner

Nominating Committee

Board Member – Ashley Wagstaff
Board Member – Shirley Des Marais

Support Services

Bay Area Liaison – Ann Draper
Candidates Forums – Karen Moore
County Voter Reg Liaison - Judy Rino
Database & Tech Support – Juanita Croft
Development - Christine Elgin &
Lynne Mayer
Education – Susan Briggs
Housing – Joyce Shefren
Membership Renewals – Christine Elgin
& Lynne Mayer
Pros and Cons – Linda Atkinson
Transportation – Barbara Wallis

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF THE DAY

A majority vote is required to amend the agenda and the rules of the day. A two-thirds vote is required to change the order after adoption.

QUORUM

Five percent of Local League membership shall constitute a quorum at this meeting of the LWVSSMC.

VOTING

Voting is limited to LWVSSMC members.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Only members and those persons designated by the Chair shall have the privilege of the floor.

DEBATE

Any member, upon recognition by the Chair, shall address the Chair stating his/her remarks to the question. Debate shall be limited to three minutes for each speaker, unless time is extended by the Chair. No person shall speak twice to a question until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity to do so.

PROGRAM

Adoption of a recommended item and consideration of a non-recommended item require a majority vote. Adoption of a non-recommended item requires a two-thirds vote. Voting shall be on the proposed program first, then on non-recommended items in the order in which they were considered.

BUDGET

Budget adoption requires a majority vote.

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Immediately following the report of the Nominating Committee, nominations may be made from the floor, provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained. Each election requires a majority vote.

LWVSSMC
2019-2020 PROPOSED BUDGET¹

| ACCT # | DESCRIPTION | YEAR-END 2017-2018(1) | ANNUAL BUDGET 2018-2019(1) | ACTUAL YTD as of 3/31/19(1) | PROPOSED BUDGET 2019-2020(1) | BUDGETING CONSIDERATIONS |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| INCOME | | | | | | |
| 100 | DUES | \$11,994.00 | \$12,300.00 | \$12,141.00 | \$12,600.00 | assumes 171 members, including Life members |
| 101 | MEMBER CONTRIB w/Dues | \$1,832.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,000.00 | |
| 102 | MEMBER OUTREACH | \$3,930.00 | \$1,500.00 | \$7,940.00 | \$4,000.00 | FY18-19: \$2,450 memorial gifts (FY17-18: \$2,895 memorials) |
| 102A | PAYPAL DONATION | \$2,212.35 | | \$1,162.35 | | FY19-20: included in line 102 proposed budget |
| 103 | NON-MEMBER OUTREACH | \$8,475.50 | \$1,500.00 | \$2,450.00 | \$3,000.00 | FY18-19 \$2,000 memorials |
| 106 | CNTY VOTER REG CONTRACT | \$3,520.00 | \$3,520.00 | \$3,593.00 | \$7,186.00 | |
| 107 | ANNUAL MEETING | \$1,170.00 | \$900.00 | \$60.00 | \$1,400.00 | assume 40 attend and costs recouped fully |
| 110 | PROGRAMS | | \$600.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | |
| 120 | MISCELLANEOUS INCOME | \$1,539.50 | \$100.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| 130 | INTEREST | \$22.68 | \$20.00 | \$30.83 | \$1,000.00 | assumes moving some money into CD |
| 140 | NV ASSESSMT FOR D&O INS | | \$775.00 | \$0.00 | \$798.00 | does not include potential new ins. |
| | InKind Donations | | n/a | \$53.34 | n/a | does not include The Voter inkind printing, postage |
| | TOTAL INCOME | \$34,696.03 | \$24,215.00 | \$27,430.52 | \$33,984.00 | |
| EXPENSE | | | | | | |
| OPERATING COSTS | | | | | | |
| 200 | CAPITAL EXPENDITURES | \$250.12 | \$400.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| 201 | EQUIPMENT/UPKEEP | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | canopy |
| 203 | TELEPHONE | \$427.46 | \$650.00 | \$593.59 | \$700.00 | |
| 204 | OFFICE LEASE | \$6,000.00 | \$6,000.00 | \$4,500.00 | \$6,000.00 | |
| 205 | OFFICE/SUPPLIES | \$1,257.36 | \$400.00 | \$289.55 | \$300.00 | |
| 206 | TAXES & FEES (2) | \$55.00 | \$20.00 | \$0.00 | \$50.00 | \$50 CA Registry of Charitable Trusts (total assets w/NV = >\$100,000) |
| 207 | INSURANCE | \$906.00 | \$910.00 | \$933.00 | \$933.00 | |
| 209 | SUBSCRIPTIONS / MyLo | \$1,378.00 | \$2,100.00 | \$1,046.00 | \$1,000.00 | QuickBooks \$50; \$500MyLo; \$280 PO Box+some for software |
| 212 | BANK CHARGES | \$3.00 | \$20.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | occasional need to do research that incurs bank charge |
| 213 | PAYPAL CHARGES | \$109.59 | \$100.00 | \$180.23 | \$200.00 | |
| | SUBTOTAL OP COSTS | \$10,386.53 | \$10,600.00 | \$7,542.37 | \$9,683.00 | |
| BOARD/COMMITTEES | | | | | | |
| 220 | PRESIDENT | \$0.00 | \$150.00 | \$726.97 | \$1,000.00 | Unidentified funding opportunity |
| 221 | PROGRAM/HOSPITALITY | \$0.00 | \$600.00 | \$0.00 | \$600.00 | |
| 222A | BOARD ADMIN. EXPENSES | | \$100.00 | \$50.11 | \$300.00 | includes VP, Treas |
| 226 | MEMBERSHIP | \$563.74 | \$490.00 | \$216.21 | \$1,200.00 | \$200 for membership brochure; \$500 Dues Assistance Fund |
| 227 | DUES SECRETARY | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | |
| 233 | FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE | \$172.20 | \$200.00 | \$307.85 | \$500.00 | |
| 235 | VOTER SERVICES | \$600.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$413.61 | \$2,000.00 | Primaries Spring 2020, outreach expansion |
| | SUBTOTAL B/C | \$1,906.49 | \$3,740.00 | \$1,803.66 | \$5,800.00 | |
| PUBLICATIONS | | | | | | |
| 242 | ANNUAL MEETING REPORT | \$373.80 | \$100.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | National and State pubs folded into applicable committees |
| 243 | ROSTER | \$64.04 | \$300.00 | \$0.00 | \$300.00 | assumes most get by pdf not USPS |
| 244 | VOTER | \$0.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$600.00 | |
| | SUBTOTAL PUBLICATIONS | \$437.84 | \$1,440.00 | \$42.00 | \$1,000.00 | |
| CONVENTIONS | | | | | | |
| 250 | NATIONAL CONVENTION | \$3,326.53 | \$2,000.00 | \$1,804.32 | \$5,000.00 | |
| 251 | LWVC CONVENTION | \$0.00 | \$4,000.00 | \$0.00 | | |
| 252 | ANNUAL MEETING | \$0.00 | \$700.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,400.00 | assumes annual meeting/dinner breaks-even |
| 255 | LWVBA MEETINGS | \$33.90 | \$50.00 | \$0.00 | \$25.00 | |
| | SUBTOTAL CONVENTIONS | \$3,360.43 | \$6,750.00 | \$1,804.32 | \$6,425.00 | |
| PER MEMBER PAYMENT | | | | | | |
| 260 | LWVUS | \$3,600.00 | \$4,640.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,120.00 | |
| 261 | LWVC | \$3,937.50 | \$4,205.00 | \$2,123.20 | \$4,480.00 | |
| 262 | BAY AREA | \$112.50 | \$290.00 | \$290.00 | \$580.00 | BA League doubled rate from past. |
| | SUBTOTAL PMP | \$7,650.00 | \$9,135.00 | \$2,413.20 | \$10,180.00 | |
| 270 | MISCELLANEOUS | \$1,655.77 | \$0.00 | \$905.97 | \$1,000.00 | FY18/19: merger expenses and \$500 LWVC conv donation so far; FY19/20: Voter's Edge \$1000 |
| 290 | ACTION/ADVOCACY | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,000.00 | |
| | TOTAL EXPENSE | \$25,397.06 | \$31,665.00 | \$14,511.52 | \$35,088.00 | Consider potential attorney, accountant expenses. |
| | NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | \$9,298.97 | (\$7,450.00) | \$15,954.00 | (\$1,104.00) | FY18-19: at least \$10K expenses remain. |
| | TRANSFER FROM RESERVES | | \$7,450.00 | | \$1,104.00 | FY19-20: if deficit not closed w/ fundraising, new memberships |
| | PROPOSED BUDGET BALANCE | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | FY19-20: balanced budget proposed, with transfer from reserves |
| Notes: 1) Excludes New Voices project; 2) Govt filing fee based on revenue, assets (including NV); 3) Includes EF and CD | | | | | | |
| | Current Bank Accounts (1,3) | | | \$101,931.90 | \$100,827.90 | includes former 501c4's CD; excludes New Voices |

Income and Exp YTD FY19 w FY20 budget 20190420

Meet Your Board

Linda Atkinson and her husband, Bob Barrett, have been members of the League of Women Voters, SSMC since January 2018. 'We had to do something for our democracy!' Starting out, she presented Voters Choice information during the primary season and led the Ballot Proposition Pros and Cons leading up to the 2018 elections.

Linda was born and grew up in a Chicago suburb, Berwyn. Her education included a BS in Biology (Wheaton College, IL) and a PhD in Human Physiology (University of Illinois, College of Medicine, Chicago). After a post-doctoral fellowship in Pittsburgh, PA, Linda held a research position at the Population Council in New York City. Bob and Linda met in NYC then went to San Francisco and were married at the Chateau St. Jean. An opportunity at the Ford Foundation sent the couple to New York where they lived in Larchmont. Meredith and Reid were born in NYC. In 1983 the family moved to Ladera (Portola Valley) where Linda did consulting and later was a Director of clinical development at ALZA Corporation. After retiring, Linda became a docent at Año Nuevo, raised puppies for Guide Dogs for the Blind and tried to improve her bridge game. She has recently added occasional grandkid care to those activities.

Pam Schwartz has been a League of Women Voters SSMC Member since 2017. Last October, she volunteered as a Pro/Con speaker and is excited to be more involved as the VP of admin.

Pam grew up in Rochester, NY and got her undergraduate degree from Boston University where she became interested in campaign finance reform even though she was studying English Literature. She considers herself a Californian after living here for over a decade and reading the voter information booklet for every election. She and her husband, Jeremy, moved from Los Angeles to Redwood City in 2015 where Pam worked as a children's librarian. She now works at the Mountain View Public Library where it's her job to plan engaging programming for adults and purchase items for the collection. LWV is important to Pam because she believes that our government requires active participation of informed voters and supporting LWV still seems like one of the best ways to accomplish that goal.

Rick Warp was born and raised in Tacoma, Washington, near one of the most infamous bridges around, Galloping Gertie (Narrows Bridge). He left Tacoma to attend Stanford, where he completed BS and MS degrees in Mechanical Engineering, and an MBA. He worked for 20 years in operating roles, spending 9 years at HP followed by the life of a serial entrepreneur, where he founded and led two startups. Finally, he started and led a corporate strategy consulting firm for the last 25 years. When not occupied by pro bono work at non-profits, he enjoys golf, family, home projects and a newfound interest in the ukulele.

Bernadette Burns is from Manchester, Vermont, and now lives in Redwood City. She has a French cooking diploma from a trade school in Paris, attended UC Santa Cruz and has an MBA from Santa Clara University. She had a career in cooking, economic consulting, and AirBnB host. Her future career plans: videographer, documentary

filmmaker and writer. She volunteers as a literacy tutor and proofreader. She joined the League five years ago. Her hobbies: attending theater performances, reading and book discussion.

Tracy Clark grew up in Palo Alto, and has lived in Emerald Hills for the past 25 years. She attended UC Davis and received a teaching credential from Santa Clara University. For 10 years, she taught school in Palo Alto and currently is a substitute in San Carlos and Hillsborough. She also works in her family's small business. Tracy joined the League two years ago. Her hobbies: reading, writing, and photography. She lives with her husband and has two daughters.

Lisa Conrad is from the Palos Verdes Peninsula in Southern California. She has a degree in Architecture from UC Berkeley and is self employed, specializing in residential work. She is currently on the Board of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City. Lisa joined the League in 1985; her mother and mother-in-law were both active, and she said it was inevitable that she would join. Lisa snow skis and water skis, and she and her husband, Jamie, who is also a League member, and geologist, live in Menlo Park. Their daughter, Taylor, is a sophomore at Humboldt State.

Shirley DesMarais grew up in Central Indiana. She has a Masters in Education and taught for many years, primarily for 5th grade. Shirley has volunteered for other organizations, including Project Read and PTA. Shirley joined the League in 2010 because she believes in our mission and approach: respect for all voters and the belief that all can be informed about the issues and candidates and participate in our government. Shirley and her husband live in Menlo Park.

Julianna Dodick is a native of the Bay Area. She now resides in Menlo Park with husband David. She has a B.A. in Political Science from UC Berkeley, and a J.D from University of Oregon. Julianna is the Senior Director, Cloud Applications Information Development at Oracle. Her volunteer activities include Commissioner, Menlo Park Housing Commission, and Junior League Palo Alto and San Francisco. She joined the League in February, 2017, focusing on the political climate. Her hobbies: yoga and hiking.

Ann Draper and family have lived in Menlo Park since 1955. She and her husband now live in the house she grew up in. She has a B.A. in Geography from UC Santa Barbara and a MURP in Urban Planning from CSU San Jose. She is now retired from various Bay Area municipal governments. Ann joined the League in 2013. She has represented the League on issues of sea level rise. Ann is the appointed public member of San Mateo County LAFCO. Two hobbies are Giants baseball games and SF Symphony.

Patti Fry grew up in Kansas. She and her husband have lived in Menlo Park for 26 years. Patti has a B.S. and MBA from Stanford University. Retired from a career in management consulting and information systems, she volunteers in various nonprofit and alumni boards. She joined the League in the 1980s to support democracy with an informed population and participating voters. Her hobbies are snorkeling and travel.

Debby Maio is from Chicago and later lived in Washington, D.C. She met her husband and moved to Redwood City in 1996, joining the League in '98 or '99. As a recent transplant Debby wanted to connect with her community and was drawn to the League's initiatives. Debby's career was in the corporate world, primarily with Marriott Hotels - Corporate Headquarters, as Director of Sales and Marketing, with later consulting work in Hotel Sales and Marketing.

Geoff Ryder is from Springfield, Illinois. He has a BA in Asian Studies, a BSEE, MS and PhD in Computer Engineering. He is Lead Data Scientist at [Auction.com](https://www.auction.com). His volunteer activities include VP-Education, Toastmasters Club, and past poll worker and political campaign volunteer. Geoff joined the League in Fall 2017 because he has depended on LWV pros and cons and candidate info over the years, and is a big admirer of Eleanor Roosevelt and her work with the LWV. He says 'In this time when democratic institutions are on the defensive, it's time for all citizens to step up. LWV is an organization that can effectively channel the work of women and men to preserve and enhance democratic forms of government in our country.'" Geoff is married, lives in Menlo Park and enjoys reading and golf.

Joyce Shefren is from Chicago and now resides in Portola Valley with her husband. They have a vacation home in Bear Valley. She attended the University of Illinois and received a degree in nursing. She worked as a nurse manager for Pathways Home Health and Hospice for 22 years. Joyce joined the League in the 1980s. She states "voting in a democracy is a real gift and we need to be informed!" Joyce is on the board of the Bear Valley Music Festival.

Ashley Wagstaff grew up in Providence, Rhode Island. After moving back and forth between coasts, she and her family are now in Menlo Park. Ashley has a BA from St. Lawrence University and a teaching degree from University of SF. Her career spans work in Public Relations and Special Events, but was primarily as a fourth grade teacher in SF and NYC. Other volunteer activities are: PTO Board CoPres at Hillview Middle School; volunteer at Willow Oaks and Random Acts of Flowers. Ashley joined our League in 2016 to learn more about CA politics in an election year, and because her mother was President of the RI LWV in the 70s. Hobbies: tennis, reading, travel, and golf.

Barbara Windham is a native of Kingston, PA. She has a B.A. Cum Laude in Literature from Harvard College. Barb has held marketing management positions over the last 30 years and currently consults in the area of marketing and business strategy, specializing in brand building, customer insight, and new business launches. Past companies include Procter & Gamble, Electronic Arts, Shutterfly, Adobe, UPS and numerous high-tech startups. Barb is currently on the boards of The California Clean Money Campaign, and Congregation Beth Am Women. She is a longtime education volunteer, previously on MPAEF Board and has mentored high school and pre-school students in East Palo Alto, ESL tutor, etc. Barb joined the League in the Fall 2017 because she attended a speaker program and was impressed with the work LWV was doing. She thinks LWV is a great educator and watchdog for our democracy. Barb enjoys cycling and travel and lives with her husband, Jon Windham, and her children Allison and Daniel in Atherton.

Program Report 2019-20

Local Positions

Retain all positions

Issue for Emphasis:

- Housing/Transportation
- Voter Outreach

Joint Position, with LWV Palo Alto

Retain

County Positions

Retain all positions

Issues for Emphasis:

- 2020 Census
- Climate Change Adaptation As It Impacts San Mateo County with a Focus on Sea level Rise and Increased Fire Risk.

Membership Dues Proposal for 2019-20

Individual \$75

Household (up to two members at same address), \$125

Student - \$25

Dues Assistant Fund - Pay what you can

Cost for Dinner: \$30.00

Entree selection will be made at the restaurant.

There is no charge if you prefer to attend only the speech and business meeting.

Parking:

The restaurant is located in Downtown Redwood City at the corner of Broadway and Jefferson.

Garage entrance is off Jefferson, under Century Theatres. First 1½ hour is free, then \$2.50 per hour. Elevator from garage opens onto Middlefield, around the corner from restaurant.

Street parking, free after 6:00

Questions? Contact Tracy Clark, tracy@acuitytx.com

Please detach and return the form below Or

Register using PayPal from our website www.lwvssmc.org

WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR RESERVATION BY May 22.

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Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Number of attendees _____

Total number of meals @ \$30.00 each _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Make check payable to LWVSSMC

Return to: LWVSSMC

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