



League of Women Voters Eden Area

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS EDEN AREA CALL TO 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

All members of the League of Women Voters Eden Area, representing Hayward, San Leandro and surrounding unincorporated areas of Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, Fairview and San Lorenzo are hereby called to the Annual Meeting.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019, 9AM-NOON
LWVEA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Castro Valley Office of Education, 4400 Alma St.**

At our annual business meeting, we will vote in our new board members, approve our budget, and receive ideas from our members concerning top priorities for 2019-2020.



We will also hear from our guest speaker Casey Farmer, discussing the 2020 U.S. Census and related League efforts.

Those attending the League Business Meeting are asked to sign up on Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.com/e/lwvea-membership-meeting-tickets-61266936055. RSVP early, limited seating.

Inside this VOTER is the Annual Meeting Kit. It contains information which will be acted upon at the meeting. Please bring this kit to the meeting and help save trees and printing costs.

2019 ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA AND PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS

9:00 a.m.: Registration & Refreshments

9:30 a.m.: Business Meeting – LWVEA President – Penny Peck

Welcome and Introductions

- Appointment of Parliamentarian by Penny Peck – Jewell Spalding (2 minutes)
- Credentials Report for Quorum – Secretary Marian Handa (2 minutes)
- Adoption of Order of Business – Board Assistant – Rene’ Besold (1 minute)
- Adoption of Rules of the Day – Board Assistant – Rene’ Besold (see below) (1 minute)
- Action on Minutes of 2018 Annual Meeting – Secretary Marian Handa (see below) (2 minutes)
- Appointment of Committee to Review 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes – Penny Peck (2 minutes)
- Financial Report for 2018-2019 – Budget Committee Chair Rene’ Besold and Treasurer Hank Hansen (10 minutes)
- Action on Dues Increase to \$70 – Hank Hansen and Penny Peck (3 minutes)
- Action on Proposed 2018-2019 Budget – Budget committee members Rene’ Besold, Hank Hansen, and Lynda Foster (see below) (8 minutes)
- Action on 2019-20 LWVC Program – (10 minutes)
 - *Penny Peck giving the Program Planning report (see below)
 - *Rita Duncan, April Oquenda and Jewell Spalding giving a report on the state convention
- Action on 2019-20 LWV Bay Area Program – Rita Duncan and Carolyn Darcey (6 minutes)
- President’s Report – Penny Peck (see League Highlights below) (1 minute)
- Action on Election of 2019-20 Board – Nominating Committee – Janice Friesen (5 minutes)
- Charge to the 2019-2020 Board and Swearing In – Shelia Young (3 minutes)
- Volunteers needed for the Local Positions committee, other committees (5 minutes)
- Recommendations to the New Board – Member Recommendations (10 minutes)

10:45 a.m. Business Meeting Ends / Break

11:00 a.m.: Keynote Speaker – Casey Farmer, followed by Questions-and- Answer Session

12:05 p.m.: Adjournment

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS EDEN AREA RULES OF THE DAY

QUORUM

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VOTING

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WRITTEN MOTIONS

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DEBATE

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PROGRAM ADOPTION

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NOMINATIONS

We are pleased to present a slate of twelve (12) Directors for your consideration.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, current edition, shall govern.

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Slate:

ON-BOARD POSITIONS

Jo Loss – PRESIDENT - ELECT

Hank Hansen - TREASURER

(President Penny Peck and Secretary Marian Handa will begin the second of their two-year terms).

Directors (one-year terms):

Carolyn Darcey - Membership Chair

Rita Duncan - Membership

Lynda Foster – Voter Services and Candidate Forums

Janice Friesen - Voter Services and Nominating

Sue Kleebauer – Pros & Cons

Richard Maurer - Voter Registration/Affidavits

Jewell Spalding - Local Positions and Bylaws Committee
Aiwa Zelinsky – Pros & Cons, Nominating, Multimedia

OFF-BOARD POSITIONS

René Besold – Bylaws Committee
April Oquenda – Sips and Civility
Lenora Taylor – Budget & Finance Team
Joanne Young - Homeowner Elections

- PROGRAM PLANNING TEAM – Team Effort Coordinated by President
 - VOTER SERVICES TEAM – Lynda Foster and Janice Friesen
 - CANDIDATE FORUMS – Lynda Foster
 - PRO/CON PRESENTATIONS – Sue Kleebauer, Chair, and Aiwa Zelinsky
 - DEBATE WATCH (2020) – To Be Determined
 - VOTER REGISTRATION/ AFFIDAVIT SERVICES – Richard Maurer
 - STUDENT EDUCATION/REGISTRATION – Marian Handa
 - VOTER’S EDGE – Chris Selig
 - MEMBERSHIP– Carolyn Darcey, Chair, and Rita Duncan
 - HOLIDAY PARTY TEAM – To Be Determined
 - VOTER PUBLICATION – Penny Peck
 - PR/COMMUNICATION – Marian Handa
 - BUDGET & FINANCE TEAM – Hank Hansen, Chair, Lenora Taylor
 - ACTION SERVICES TEAM – To Be Determined
 - LOCAL POSITIONS TEAM – Jewell Spalding
 - NOMINATING TEAM – Janice Friesen, Chair, Aiwa Zelinsky, and Joanne Young
 - MULTIMEDIA – Penny Peck and Aiwa Zelinsky
 - HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS – Joanne Young, Chair
 - BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Jo Loss, Chair, Jewell Spalding, René Besold
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- **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:**
 - RECORDING – Marian Handa
 - FINANCIAL – Hank Hansen
 - DATABASE – Hank Hansen
 - BOARD ASSISTANT – none, duties shared by Penny Peck and Jo Loss
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- **REPRESENTATION SERVICES:**
 - LWVACC – Penny Peck/Rita Duncan
 - LWVBA – Jewell Spalding, need alternate

LWVEA BUDGET 2019-2020

	2018-2019		2019-2020	
		ADJUSTED ESTIMATED		
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	
Member Dues	\$ 6,225	\$ 5,545	\$ 6,770	
Member Donations	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,255	\$ 1,500	
Voter Regis. Site Service	\$ 1,000	\$ 700	\$ 700	
Holiday Party/Auction-NET	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,080	\$ 1,480	
HOA Election Services-NET	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,554	\$ -	
ADDITIONAL REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,363	
Bank Interest	\$ -	\$ 39	\$ 380	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 12,425	\$ 12,173	\$ 13,193	
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
National PMP Dues	\$ 3,104	\$ 3,152	\$ 3,120	
State PMP Dues	\$ 2,716	\$ 2,758	\$ 2,730	
Bay Area PMP Dues	\$ 285	\$ 197	\$ 293	
LWVC Insurance	\$ 250	\$ 56	\$ 100	
LWVC Website	\$ 250	\$ 350	\$ 350	
<u>LWVC VOTER'S EDGE</u>	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 200</u>	<u>\$ 200</u>	
EXTERNAL EXPENSES	\$ 7,105	\$ 6,713	\$ 6,793	
Voter Registration	\$ 150	\$ 302	\$ 500	
Voter Education	\$ 150	\$ 553	\$ 650	
Community Outreach	\$ 600	\$ 300	\$ 500	
Membership Outreach	\$ 1,170	\$ 529	\$ 650	
LWVEA Administration	\$ 1,250	\$ 123	\$ 400	
Conventions/Meetings	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,499	\$ 2,500	
<u>100th Anniversary Events</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,200</u>	
INTERNAL EXPENSES	\$ 5,320	\$ 5,306	\$ 6,400	

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ **12,425** \$ **12,019** \$ **13,193**

NET INCOME \$ - \$ **154** \$ -

Note 1: Estimated Income 4/16/19 - 6/30/19 includes \$1,600 from Palomares HOA, \$700 from Voter Registration Site Service, and a payment of \$1,500 to 3 Tennyson High School students

Note 2: Estimated Expenses 4/16/19-6/30/19 includes \$3,400 for LWVC Convention, and \$100 for LWVEA Administrative Expenses

Note 3: Adjustments exclude expenses from checks written 7/1/17-6/30/18 but cashed after 6/30/18, and exclude income received 7/1/17-6/30/18 but deposited after 6/30/18

2019-20 LWVC Program – Penny Peck

Report from League of Women Voters Eden Area on the 2019 Program Planning

Special thanks to Janice Friesen and Lynda Foster for facilitating our survey.

Positions - Our league voted “Yes” on concurrence with the following Positions:

Criminal Justice

Voter Representation/Election Process

Homelessness

Civil Discourse

Other issues for LWVC to focus on over the next two years:

Voter and Registration Efforts -

- Reforming the voter registration process so it is easier for all populations to register or re-register after moving since Californians move households so often (for example, partner with title companies and county assessors to have them re-register home buyers).
- Reforming the voting process by expanding voting hours, making Election Day a holiday or allowing voting on weekends, making vote-by-mail easier, or adopting the Colorado method where anyone can vote from any polling place (not just the one where you live).
- Outreach to underserved voters – seek out those groups who are not voting or not registering; often these are younger voters or voters of color.
- Reforming the process for candidates to run for office, to include a wider array of those running. This can include reforms to the cost of candidate statements on the ballot.
- Clarify the meaning of provisional ballots and explain how they are counted.

Education –

- Increase funding for public education.
- Analyze the current Governor’s budget priority on Early Education and consider endorsing this effort.

General topics –

- Request the LWVUS do an in-depth analysis of Green New Deal (a national proposal) and report the results.
- Address homelessness, by endorsing a living wage and housing assistance.

2019-20 LWV Bay Area Program – Carolyn Darcey & Rita Duncan

LWVEA members Rita Duncan and Carolyn Darcey attended Bay Area League Day 2019. It was a full day with many speakers.

The Keynote speaker was Virginia Kase, CEO, League of Women Voters of the U.S. These are some of the key points in Virginia’s talk:

- DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) is not only about race
- We need to right the wrongs of our past
- Critical to the survival of the League and an obstacle to achieving our goals

What are we doing about it?

- Provide opportunities for individual learning. “If you feel bad, you’re growing.”
- Align the organization through policy changes and decision making. “Are we being equitable with all decisions being made.”
- Model who we aim to be
- Build impactful relationships. Building power means sharing the power.

Laura Eberly, Director of Social Change for the YWCA, S.F. and Marin spoke about the programs that the YWCA is working on to address diversity. Their Steps for Success are: 1. Know who you are. 2. Ask what kind of diversity and why it matters for you. 3. Know – and expand – what you’re ready to change.

In the afternoon, a panel spoke on “Policy Changes – DEI Doesn’t Just Happen”. Three speakers talked about the efforts in each of their organizations: S.F. Foundation, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Following the panel were speakers on “Allies, Partners and Coalitions.” A diversity ally is someone who is willing to take action in support of another person, in order to remove barriers that impede that person from contributing their skills and talents in the workplace or community.

It was a very full day with a lot of information. The audio/visual in the room was not working so we were unable to view a couple of videos planned for the day. Very informative but it was not easy to apply all of the information to our particular League.

LWVEA HIGHLIGHTS, 2019-2020

Community and Voter Service

- Candidate Forums were offered in Fall 2018 for local elections, including forums for:
 - *Eden Healthcare District
 - *Hayward School Board
 - *Hayward Mayor
 - *Hayward City Council
 - *San Leandro Mayor
 - *San Leandro City Council
 - *Chabot-Las Posidas Community College District
 - *Fairview Fire Protection District
 - *Oro Loma Sanitation District
 - *East Bay Municipal Utility District
 - *AC Transit Director

Voter Registration Events: Several voter registration events were held at BART stations, local colleges, and farmers markets, coordinated by Richard Maurer. Marian Handa and Richard organized voter registration efforts at local high schools, including a very successful assembly at San Leandro High School and a special grant-funded voter registration program at Tennyson High School. Richard plans to assemble Voter Registration Supply Kits so several members have everything one needs to run a voter registration outreach effort.

- Pros and Cons presentations were held at several venues, including presentations for Delta Gamma, Baywood Court, South Hayward Parish, Alameda County Health Department, and Palma Ceia Baptist Church. Sue Kleebauer will lead Pros and Cons next year.
- Chris Selig worked on the “Voter’s Edge,” reaching out to candidates to encourage them to post their information to this website. Our league donated \$200 to “Voter’s Edge.”
- Legislative Interviews:
 - *Penny Peck interviewed Congressman Eric Swalwell’s assistant Mallory DeLauro to hear about his focus for the upcoming year which included addressing gun violence and redistricting.
 - *Carolyn Darcey, Janice Friesen, and Lenora Taylor interviewed Assembly member Bill Quirk to hear about his legislative efforts, which addressed several environmental issues.

Programs

- Our annual party was held again in December at the St. Rose Balch Pavilion, earning approximately \$2000 from the auction fundraiser, led by Ed and Jo Loss.
- Our Meet Your Electeds Event was held in March 2019, attracting a large audience to the Castro Valley Library, chaired by Jewell Spalding. Several elected officials attended, including the Mayors of Hayward and San Leandro, members of local school districts, and members of local governing boards. Housing and environmental issues were the topics of most concern.
- Our league partnered with several other nonprofits to present the International Women’s Day dinner and informational program at Hayward City Hall in March 2019.
- Our league participated in Castro Valley Reads again this year, led by Janice Friesen.
- Future programming suggestions:

- *Grand Jury Service
- *100th Anniversary programs and celebrations
- *Continue Sips and Civility events, discussing League positions.
- *Reducing/Eliminating cost of ballot statements

Action/Advocacy

- Participated in Castro Valley's Fall Festival, offering voter registration and member information at our booth. Many of our members volunteered for this two-day event, coordinated by Richard Maurer.

Member Services and Outreach

- Partnered with Girl Scout Cadet Madison Glock on her Silver Award, which involves a letter writing campaign and toolkit for youth to write their elected officials.
- Several Membership Socials were held throughout the year at the home of our membership chair Carolyn Darcey.
- The Membership Handbook was revised by Carolyn Darcey, René Besold, and Nancy Van Huffel.
- Our VOTER newsletter continues to be popular and was published regularly. Nancy edited the VOTER for July-December 2018, and Penny Peck took over editing January 2019.

Administration

- The Alameda County Council's treasury was transferred to our league and is maintained by our treasurer Hank Hansen as a separate account.
- Our league, led by Joanne Young, administered the Palomares HOA Election again this year, which earns our league a significant contribution to our treasury.
- Treasurer Hank Hansen has worked diligently on several areas of our finances, including updating our information on the national database, maintaining our membership roster, and investing in Certificates of Deposit. A Budget Committee was formed.

Awards

- Richard Maurer received the volunteer award for his League efforts in registering voters at the October 2018 Volunteer Dinner sponsored by the City of Hayward.
- Penny Peck received the Education Woman of the Year from Assembly member Bill Quirk, which referenced the work of LWVEA.

LWVEA 2018 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2, 2018 – CASTRO VALLEY ADULT SCHOOL

9:00-9:30 a.m.: Registration & Refreshments.

Annual Business Meeting

The Annual Business meeting was called to order by LWVEA Co-Presidents Aiwa Zelinsky and Joanne Young at 9:38am.

Welcome and Introductions: Welcome to our new members and elected officials. Carolyn Darcey introduced our new members Nancy Mendoza and Melissa Allain. Longtime league member Alison Lewis was honored for her 50 years of membership and work on league efforts, making her a lifetime member. We have five lifetime members!

Appointment of Parliamentarian by Co-Presidents Aiwa Zelinsky and Joanne Young: Nancy Van Huffel was appointed Parliamentarian.

Credentials report for quorum: Penny Peck confirmed there was a quorum. Carolyn Darcey reported that the Eden Area League currently has 124 members. League bylaws require a minimum of 10% of the membership be present to constitute a quorum. We required 13; in attendance were 31 members.

Adoption of Order of Business: Motion by René Besold, seconded by Mark Norberg, to adopt the Order of Business. Motion passed.

Adoption of Rules of the Day: Motion by René Besold, seconded by Penny Peck, to adopt the Rules of the Day. Motion passed.

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Action on Minutes of 2017 Annual Meeting: According to the rules, the minutes of the June 2017 Annual Meeting were reviewed by Shelia Young, René Besold, and Richard Maurer prior to this meeting and were being presented today for final approval. Since there were no additions or corrections presented at this meeting, Carolyn Darcey moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Rita Duncan. Motion passed.

Appointment of Committee to Review 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes: Co-Presidents Aiwa Zelinsky and Joanne Young appointed René Besold, Lynda Foster, and Janice Friesen to this committee.

Action on Proposed 2018-2019 Budget: Treasurer Nancy Van Huffel submitted the proposed budget, which was included in the meeting kit given to all members. Nancy Van Huffel gave a brief overview, and answered any questions concerning the budget. There was a question on the cost of the VOTER newsletter - the increased line item is to pay someone to edit the VOTER and work on a new electronic version. On a motion by Sonya Howes, seconded by Jewell Spalding, the budget was approved.

Action on Bylaws Revisions: Jo Loss presented the revised bylaws, which were approved by the Board in March 2018. The Committee who drafted the revised bylaws was made up of Jo Loss, April Oquenda, and Jewell Spalding. Jo Loss suggested we move to accept the new document, and make amendments as needed, because there were several changes. The main change involves the adoption of the team leadership structure to the leadership of the LWVEA. Jo Loss moved to accept the Revised Bylaws, seconded by René Besold. Motion passed.

Amendments to the Revised Bylaws: Mark Norberg asked for the following change: Article X, 1A: "The nominating team shall consist of three (3) Voting Members; two (2) who are members of the board, and one who is not a member of the board." Jewell Spalding moved to accept the amendment, Carolyn Darcey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Action on the 2018-19 LWVUS Program: Rita Duncan reported on the League of Women Voters United States program. Rita reported on the programs conducted by the LWVEA over the past year. This included our February 2018 Program Planning meeting, which addressed the LWVUS priorities (report was included in this meeting kit). Penny Peck moved to accept the report, seconded by Jewell Spalding. Motion passed.

Action on the 2018-19 LWVBA Program: Aiwa Zelinsky and Joanne Young reported on the League of Women Voters Bay Area program. Priorities are: Housing, Transportation,

Conservation, Social Equity, Economic development that creates middle wage jobs, and Climate Change. Mark Norberg moved to accept the report, seconded by Lynda Foster. Motion passed.

President's Report: Co-Presidents Aiwa Zelinsky and Joanne Young reported that LWVEA accomplished a great deal during 2017-18. The highlights of the accomplishments are included in the annual meeting kit and listed below as Appendix III. A main focus was on voter registration; special thanks to Richard Maurer and Marian Handa for all the efforts to register voters and creating a voter registration kit. Also, thanks to April Oquenda for starting the Sips and Civility program of events. Nancy Van Huffel was acknowledged for all she does, including taking over as Treasurer when Norm Fobert had to step down due to an illness. Janice Friesen organized several candidate forums which drew large audiences; her work is greatly appreciated. Thanks to René Besold for all her work as Board Assistant. Also thanks to Carolyn Darcey for her new member socials and other efforts as our membership chair, and to Penny Peck for helping in our website conversion project.

Election of 2018-2019 Board: Nominating Committee chair Nancy Van Huffel presented the slate of nominees. She also did a special acknowledgement of Aiwa and Joanne. Since Jennifer Ong cannot do Voter's Edge anymore, member Chris Selig is taking over this task. Co-President Aiwa Zelinsky asked for any nominations from the floor. Being none, she presented the slate from the committee:

NOMINATIONS: We are pleased to present a slate of 12 Directors for your consideration.

Slate:

ON-BOARD POSITIONS

Penny Peck - PRESIDENT

Marian Handa - SECRETARY

Hank Hansen - TREASURER/Database

Directors (one-year terms):

René Besold – Board Assistant

Carolyn Darcey - Membership Chair

Rita Duncan - Membership

Lynda Foster – Forum Assistant

Janice Friesen - Voter Services Chair/Forums

Richard Maurer - Voter Registration/Affidavits

Alice Sarafian – to be determined

Jewell Spalding - Local Positions

Aiwa Zelinsky - Multimedia

OFF-BOARD POSITIONS

April Oquenda – Membership/Sips and Civility

Suzanne Barba - Training Advisor Public Relations/Newsletter

Jennifer Ong

Nancy Van Huffel - Training Advisor Finance/Database/Nominations
Joanne Young - Homeowner Elections

Nancy Van Huffel moved to accept the slate, seconded by Jean West. Motion approved.

Charge to the Board: Gail Steele read the charge to the newly elected board members.

Swearing in of New Board Officers and Directors: Gail Steele swore in the newly elected officers and directors.

Next year's Nominating Committee will consist of Janice Friesen (chair), Nancy Van Huffel, and Aiwa Zelinsky.

MEMBER RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD

Civil Discourse: Jo Loss brought up the suggestion that the League offer a meeting for our local elected officials on running meetings in the current social climate, which includes dealing with conflict and unacceptable discourse at meetings.

St. Rose: Gail Steele thanked LWVEA for supporting the need that St. Rose Hospital receive more funding, and for the Alameda County Board of Supervisors to put this issue on the ballot.

Bay Area League Procedures: Jewell Spalding brought up the issue regarding how LWVBA makes decisions on endorsements like Regional Measure 3. Suggested they post their criteria and/or procedure.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Climate Change Task Force: April Oquenda mentioned the state's Climate Change Task Force's webinars concerning the issue; here is the link: <https://lwvc.org/issues/climate-change>.

June 12 program on Environmental Crime: Jewell Spalding announced the special forum on Environmental Crime, to be held on June 12, 2018 at the Castro Valley Library at 6pm. This event is cosponsored by the Alameda County District Attorney's office, LWVEA, and Castro Valley Library.

Business meeting adjourned by Co-Presidents Joanne Young and Aiwa Zelinsky at 10:54 a.m.

Break.

Program portion: At 11:05 a.m. Keynote Speaker, Fran David, Retired Hayward City Manager, delivered a presentation on the Ticking Time Bomb...Public Retirement System, followed by a Question-and-Answer Session.

Fran David gave an overview of the critical issue regarding the underfunding of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). She explained the basic economic reality of running

local government agencies and the expectations of our residents/taxpayers. The largest expenditure is for salaries, which includes healthcare and retirement benefits. The healthcare obligation to retired employees is an especially challenging issue. She discussed how CalPERS is funded, and how this formula is unsustainable. Several possible solutions were suggested and discussed. The LWVEA thanks Fran David for her presentation and expertise, and greatly appreciates her ongoing support of the league.

Meeting was adjourned by Aiwa Zelinsky at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Peck
LWVEA Secretary (2017-18)



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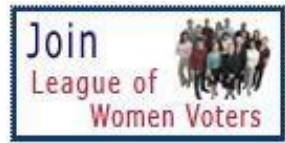
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Dues: Regular \$60
2nd member same household
\$30,
Student \$25



The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of the public in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

For our Calendar of upcoming events, go to:

<https://my.lwv.org/california/eden-area>

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