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CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING

April 21, 2022 via Zoom

Calendar

March 17	Lunch with a Leader: Jerry Smith, Zoom, 12 noon
March 24	Board Meeting, Zoom, noon
April 21	Annual Meeting: Zoom, noon to 2:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lunch with a Leader• LWVLA annual business meeting
April 28	Board Meeting, Zoom, noon
April 30	LWVNM Council

Lunch with a Leader: Jerry Smith

For our March 17 Lunch with a Leader (via Zoom from noon to 1 pm) Los Alamos County Broadband Manager Jerry Smith will be the speaker. He has an undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Baylor University and a Project Management Professional Certificate from Project Management Institute as well as numerous other IT certifications. He was the IT director of a school district in the Dallas/Ft Worth, TX area for fifteen years, and

worked four years as IT director for the non-profit startup Glorieta Outdoor Adventure Camps. Most recently he was in the Broadband Group at New Mexico's Public School Facilities Authority, where he collaborated with the IT directors of public school districts and charter schools across the state, working with them to upgrade their computer networks and on major fiber optic upgrade projects related to internet improvements. He and his wife, a high school librarian for the Albuquerque Public Schools, have two grown children.

Smith has been charged with improving broadband options for homes and businesses in Los Alamos County. He will discuss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity of having never-seen-before levels of funding coming from the national and state levels. We have an

unprecedented level of public interest and consensus acknowledgement of a problem that private enterprise has not resolved.

Karyl Ann Armbruster

Co-Presidents' Message: Civility – Why It Matters

In letters to the School Board and in several County Council meetings, observers have been noticing an increase in harsh, impolite, even abusive language from members of the public addressing our elected officials. What are the consequences?

- Residents will be deterred from participating in our local government, fearful of being attacked or upset by disrespectful and hurtful comments.
- People will hesitate to run for office, feeling that they may be targets of unhappy citizens.
- Resolution of important issues will be delayed when the discourse is too emotional.

League observers and others have been dismayed by attacks directed at individuals. It's a valuable tradition that in political discourse one argues against a policy, not a person.

It's not only in politics that we need civility. The playground, the classroom, the playing field, the political forum all depend on fair treatment of those who participate. The playground bully, the classroom clown, the political quarreler—all these prevent others from enjoyment, learning, or mature discussion.

Civil discourse does not insist on everyone agreeing, only on sharing all the views and perspectives that shape people's positions using an open process.

What can be done?

- Avoid rhetoric intended to humiliate, malign, or question the motivation of those whose opinions are different from yours.
- Speak truthfully and without accusation.
- Avoid distortion; correct others' misinformation.
- Respect the right of all people to hold different opinions and perspectives by keeping a bi-partisan mindset.

The board of the League of Women Voters reminds all of you – keep it civil!

Becky Shankland and Barbara Calef

Farewell to George Best!

George Best died at age 101 in February after an amazing life full of useful activities. The League knew him especially because his wife, Elizabeth Best, was League president and the driving force behind the League's

position on sustainability. Arriving in Los Alamos in 1949, he helped found many organizations and after his retirement volunteered at Bandelier, the Senior Center, Boy Scouts, and many others.

Becky Shankland

Annual Fund Drive Begins

Pre-pandemic, the LWVLA fund drive party was a social occasion, but this year the fund drive will again be conducted remotely. During the week of March 10 Ellen Mills will distribute the materials to volunteers, who will annotate the fund drive letter, stuff the envelopes, attach labels and stamps and put them in the mail. We are hoping to return to the traditional fund drive party next year.

Observer Corps Reports – County Council

----- February 1, 2022 -----

The Council meeting on February 1 was attended by Council Chair Ryti and Councilors Derkacs, Hand, Izraelevitz, Reagor, Scott, and Williams.

Support of Amphitheater Project in Española Plaza as a Regional Capital Project:

The Council expressed strong support for the City of Española's proposal to use \$5M of the Los Alamos County Regional Capital Project Fund for a shovel-ready project, the construction of an amphitheater within the Española Plaza area for activities such as a summer concert series. The fund is the County's proposed framework for sharing gross receipts tax collected from Los Alamos National Laboratory with neighboring communities. Council directed staff to develop a draft budget by April.

Ordinance for Vacant Commercial Buildings:

The Council held a public hearing on a proposed ordinance providing for registration of vacant commercial buildings. A motion passed 5-2 to refer the draft ordinance back to County staff for further evaluation and to address public concerns. Councilors Izraelevitz and Scott were opposed to the proposal.

The ordinance would require owners of a vacant commercial building to obtain a Vacant Building Permit, bring the building up to code,

and remove all combustible materials and waste from the vicinity of the building. The concerns include the difficulty of defining vacancy and potentially interfering with owner property rights. Councilor Izraelevitz repeated a quote from the mayor of Raton, which has a vacancy ordinance in effect: "Be prepared to be sued." County Attorney Alvin Leaphart pointed out that it would be a cumbersome process to ensure everyone is treated equally.

The costs of complying with the proposed ordinance would have an insignificant financial impact on large businesses but could pose substantial burdens on small businesses. However, most of the emails supporting the ordinance referred to large vacant properties such as the old Smith's, Hilltop House, the former CB Fox, and vacant commercial businesses along Longview Drive in White Rock.

Councilor Izraelevitz proposed that a more effective approach would be a proactive one that provided incentives. In conclusion, Council was reluctant to abandon the ordinance altogether due to previous public support, but felt it was clearly not ready for adoption.

Art at the Aquatic Center Leisure Lagoon:

By a vote of 4-3, Council approved the purchase and installation of artwork by artist Amanda Jaffee in the Leisure Lagoon, as recommended by the Art in Public Places Board (APPB), at a cost not to exceed \$115K. The artwork consists of five mosaic tile pieces and will take about two years to create and install. The motion was opposed by Councilors Derkacs, Hand, and Izraelevitz. Councilor Izraelevitz explained that he was opposed to spending so much money without first obtaining competitive bids.

Business Development Assistance Programs and LEDA Guidance:

Council passed a motion (6-1) to approve the County's guidance for Local Economic Development Act (LEDA), with Councilor Williams in opposition. The Community Development Department also sought feedback from Council on its draft Economic Development and Business Assistance

Programs, which are supported by the business community. The County's draft plan uses a web portal to provide an integrated process for directing new and existing businesses to available local, regional, state and federal funding sources best suited to achieve their business objectives. The County would also support businesses by providing connections and initial introductions to the right sources.

In conclusion, Councilor Scott lauded the draft plan for the new tools that it would establish to help small businesses. Councilor Izraelevitz praised the systematic analysis of business resources. Councilor Reagor said the objective of the program is ultimately to help businesses become more viable, including providing a means to accommodate businesses that want to own property. The program needs multiple modes for multiple business goals. Councilor Derkacs said the integrated approach will help small business but communicating the availability of this program will be critical for its success. Councilor Scott noted that the plan calls for each individual project to come before Council for approval.

Bandelier Shuttle Service:

Council unanimously approved the County's agreement with Bandelier National Monument to continue County's Bandelier shuttle service for five years.

Purchase of Bear-Resistant Dumpsters:

Council unanimously approved the purchase of 260 bear-resistant dumpsters for businesses at a cost of \$881,550, or \$3,390 each.

June Fabryka-Martin and Craig Martin

----- **February 8, 2022** -----

The Los Alamos County Council work session on February 8, 2022, was attended by Council Chair Ryti and Councilors Derkacs, Hand, Izraelevitz, Reagor, Scott, and Williams. The session consisted of presentations and discussions; no actions were taken.

Public Utilities 10-yr Capital Improvement and Profit Transfer Projects:

Philo Shelton, Manager of the Department of Public Utilities (DPU), presented the Department's draft 10-year capital improvement plan, which focuses on replacing the County's backlog of aging infrastructure to bring the utility systems into serviceable condition. DPU coordinates with Public Works to replace aging underground utility lines wherever Public Works plans full-depth road reconstruction, i.e., a project which involves removing the full depth of the road pavement. Upcoming DPU projects are to be funded by a mix of economic development infrastructure funds, state and federal grants, and capital improvement project funds. Joint Utility Projects (DPU projects conducted in coordination with road projects) are to be funded by transfers of utility profits from the County's General Fund and were highlighted in Shelton's presentation.

Gas lines – Overall, the County's gas distribution lines are in good condition. DPU plans to upsize the gas line along Central Avenue in conjunction with a Public Works road project scheduled there in FY24.

Sewer lines – Much of the County's sewer line system dates back to 1946-1960, near the end of its useful life expectancy of 70 years. The aged vitrified clay sewer lines are often cracked and damaged by heavy equipment used in full-depth road projects and are then replaced with PVC pipes that are resilient to heavy equipment. In the 10-yr plan, sewer replacement projects in coordination with full-depth road projects are planned for Canyon Road, Aspen School area, and the Denver Steels neighborhood.

Water distribution lines – Water distribution lines are in poor to fair condition in several neighborhoods in the County. In the 10-yr plan, water replacement projects in coordination with full-depth road projects are planned for Rose Street, Central Avenue, Bathtub Row/Peach Street, Aspen School area, and the Denver Steels neighborhood.

Underground electric lines – The large majority of the County's underground electric distribution system consists of typical 1970s cable technology with 30-40 years cable life

expectancy, i.e., unjacketed cable buried with relatively thin insulation. DPU's 10-yr plan of underground electric projects focuses on replacement of some 40 miles of buried electric lines installed before the year 2000, particularly in those neighborhoods which have experienced several failures. Failures in recent years have been caused by underground electrical faults resulting from deterioration of cable insulation. These lines are being replaced by higher-grade jacketed wire running through conduits, with the addition of other engineering and reliability upgrades where feasible.

Rate increases – Infrastructure upgrades and inflation will require steadily increasing utility rates over the next several years in order to maintain required cost balances. Sewer rate increases for the next four years are also being driven by increases to pay off the loan principal and interest for the White Rock Treatment Plant.

Airport Safety Project:

Geoff Rodgers, Airport Manager, reported that the Los Alamos airport supports 63 based aircraft and about 14,000 aircraft operations annually. Not only is the airport capable of accommodating commercial airlines but it also serves as a base for an air medical rescue helicopter, Civil Air Patrol Squadron, and US Forest Service aerial firefighting.

However, old design features have created several safety issues that make Taxiway F out-of-compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) safety standards. Lack of space prevents business and hangar development, thereby limiting the airport's potential economic benefits for the County, including future commercial airline opportunities. The airport's 53 hangars are 100% full, with 26 people on the waiting list. Hangar fees currently provide 65% of the airport's operating and maintenance costs, so building new hangars would move the airport towards self-sufficiency.

The Airport Master Plan proposes to resolve the safety issues. Development issues are resolved by shifting Airport Road and the airport parking lots closer to the edge of Pueblo

Canyon. Rodgers requested Council support in the next budget cycle, which would make the project eligible for financial support from the FAA.

Councilor Reagor asked whether additional hangars could be sited on the old remediated DOE landfill on the northern edge of the airport. Public Works Director Jon Bulthuis explained that ground at the landfill is unstable, continuing to settle and producing methane gas, mostly due to decomposing paper waste. Excavating the 50-60 ft deep landfill is cost-prohibitive.

Capital Improvement Program Projects:

County Manager Steve Lynne provided an update of the County's possible Capital Improvement Program projects in light of funding opportunities such as the recently-passed federal infrastructure bill, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and regional project funds from the state.

The County identified the NM SR 4 waterline replacement and DP Road infrastructure projects as its top two priorities for this year's appropriation requests to the state legislature. In addition to possible regional projects with the City of Española and Rio Arriba County, the County may pursue improving broadband infrastructure via a partnership with three other local entities: San Ildefonso Pueblo, Santa Fe County, and LANL. Additional funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) may be used to support construction of infrastructure along DP Road

June Fabryka-Martin and Craig Martin

----- **February 22, 2022** -----

LARES Presentation:

At the February 22 County Council meeting Katie Leonard, the former chair of the Los Alamos Resiliency and Environmental Sustainability Task Force (LARES) gave the final presentation to the County Council. The group, formed in January 2021, had been tasked with building a strategic plan with measurable, achievable, and timely recommendations for how Los Alamos could achieve or exceed the climate change goals

set forth by the governor in 2019. They delivered their final report, a 200-page document, on February 1. Environmental sustainability was the overarching goal. Below is the URL for the report¹.

https://www.losalamosnm.us/government/departments/public_works/environmental_services_division/resiliency_energy_sustainability_task_force

The report includes nine general recommendations, a plan for natural gas reduction, and specific plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from other sources: electricity, transportation, and waste. In addition to the recommendations, the task force requested a budget to support the county-wide programs. Leonard noted that the document is just a start and that changes were to be expected. She asked that some of the recommendations be acted on immediately.

Councilor Scott moved to thank the task force, accept the report and recommendations, and include the budget requests as budget options. There were several other additions to the motion, including a request that the County Manager and the Director of the Department of Public Utilities do a “first pass” before the budget discussions in April and that the required collection of data begin immediately. Part of the motion directed staff to return with options for how best to have a continuing board. The motion passed 5-1 with Councilor Reagor opposing. Councilor Derkacs was absent.

The League sent this message to the Council before the meeting:

The LWVLA endorses the concept of a sustainable society, one that satisfies its own needs without jeopardizing the prospects of future generations. Climate change is a threat to the prospects of our children and grandchildren. We commend the LARES Task Force for their assiduous study of the many elements contributing to greenhouse gas emissions and their detailed recommendations for reducing them. We urge the Council to adopt those recommendations and include the LARES budget requests in the County budget.

Miscellaneous Hearings:

The Council meeting continued with a number of non-controversial hearings. They unanimously approved the proposed sewage rate schedule, changes to the fire code, and resolutions to request funding for the Local DWI Program and for the Rose Street Reconstruction Project.

Code Enforcement Survey:

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of the results of the County Code Enforcement Survey, which was conducted online at the end of 2021. Erin Caldwell of POLCO explained the survey and the results. The Community Development Department had proposed questions and provided photographs for use in the survey. The consultant invited 5400 households to participate; they received 1207 responses. Caldwell said that the response rate was average, but that not many communities have done a code enforcement survey.

The results showed that very few residents are familiar with the nuisance code and most believe that property maintenance standards are subjective. Most respondents preferred the nuisance code to focus on issues of public health and safety rather than aesthetic ones. Of those who expressed an opinion, most thought that code enforcement should continue to function as it has.

The public comment was very critical of the survey even though the commenters seemed to agree with the outcome.

Barbara Calef

Observer Corps Reports – Planning and Zoning Commission

----- February 9, 2022 -----

The Los Alamos Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Commission meeting on February 9, 2022, was attended by Commission Chair Adler and Commissioners Dewart, Wade, Griffin,

¹ Please copy the URL into your browser.

Nakhleh, Roberson, Priestley, and Martin. County Councilor Reagor also attended in his role as liaison between the Commission and the County Council.

Special Use Permit to Operate an In-Home Daycare in White Rock:

In a marathon 5½-hour meeting, the Commission heard testimony and discussed a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to operate an in-home daycare in White Rock. The Commission will vote on a motion to accept or to reject the application at its next meeting on February 23, 2022. Commissioner Griffin recused herself because she knows the applicant personally.

The applicant, Denise Matthews, seeks a SUP to operate a licensed home day care focused on outdoor activities for a maximum of 12 children at her residence at 113B La Senda in the La Senda A subdivision. The neighborhood is zoned as Residential-Agriculture (R-A), and day cares are permitted in this zone with the approval of a SUP by the P&Z Commission. To be approved, the applicant must present documentation that the proposed use will comply with the criteria set forth in Section 16-156 of the Development Code. The staff report submitted to the Commission by the Community Development Department concluded that the applicable review criteria were met in the written application.

Ms. Matthews presented information to demonstrate how the proposed day care would comply with each of the Code's relevant criteria. She discussed the level of noise that might be expected from children outdoors and how that might affect neighboring properties, and presented results of her informal survey of noise levels that supported her contention that noise from the day care children in her yard would not exceed threshold levels set forth in the County Development Code.

Public participation was intense, lengthy, and oftentimes contentious. The Commission received 35 letters and heard from 28 speakers at the hearing. Many of the speakers expressed frustration at the dearth of day care in the county and characterized the county as

not being responsive to the needs of young families.

Thirteen of the households that provided input were located in the subdivision. Opinions were evenly divided between those in favor and those opposed to issuance of the permit. By far the most passionate point of contention was that the noise level from children at an outdoor day care would change the character of the subdivision. Many of the immediate neighbors pointed out that they chose to live in the La Senda subdivision specifically because of its quiet, open, natural environment and felt that noisy children in an outdoor school would have a significant negative effect on their quality of life.

After hearing evidence from the applicant and the public, the Commission discussed the case in relation to the criteria in the County Development Code. The commissioners all agreed that the proposal met criteria set forth in the code regarding parking, street access, and required setbacks. The most controversial point of testimony provided by public input and debated by the Commissioners concerned the code's stipulation that the proposed use not "be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, comfort, or general welfare" of persons residing or working in the vicinity, nor that the proposal be detrimental to the value of property in the vicinity. Commissioner Priestley felt that the applicant failed to demonstrate that noise from the day care would not impact the peace of the neighbors, would not negatively affect adjacent property values, or that it was consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan. Other commissioners expressed the opinion that these particular criteria were highly subjective and that strict requirements for scientific studies to demonstrate compliance with them had not been imposed upon, nor presented by, any previous SUP applicant. Furthermore, several commissioners felt that the proper mechanism for addressing excessive levels of noise from this type of facility would be through enforcement of the nuisance code, not through the permitting process.

June Fabryka-Martin and Craig Martin

February Lunch with a Leader: Bandelier Superintendent Patrick Suddath

The new Bandelier Superintendent, Patrick Suddath, has only occupied the post since August, but he already is involved in a large number of projects. Born in Albuquerque and educated in Las Cruces, he said he is getting his feet on the ground after 30 years away from New Mexico.

Suddath announced that a strategic planning process was begun in November to guide priorities and resources for the next five years. The final plan will be distributed in April. Public meetings were conducted last year to discuss restrictions on Air Tours, but the tribes were not consulted; so, discussions of that issue are continuing.

Bandelier plans to use the \$34M they expect to receive from the Great American Outdoor Act Fund to replace all of the utilities in the park. The project is currently being designed and construction will begin in 2023. Meanwhile, the Agoya Road project is ongoing with completion expected in April. Utility systems are being replaced, drainage improved, the stables are being rehabilitated to be used as offices, the existing residence is being repaired, and the RV pads are being restored. Next, the roofs of the buildings in the canyon will be replaced. The Fire Tower will be rehabilitated and will serve as an interpretive site.

Five bridges on the trail between the Visitor Center and Alcove House will be re-built and the wall and kiva in Alcove House will be stabilized. Trail work continues. Bandelier is working with the DOT and LANL to realign the intersection of State Route 4 and East Jemez Road. The new junction will be 4-way, with access to a new parking lot for Tsankawi.

New programming is planned that will engage the tribes and community partners, including PEEC. The interpretive media will be evaluated and climate change will be added to the topics that are addressed. 2021 was a

record year for visitation. There were 34,000 visits just in October, making it the busiest single month ever. However, the shuttle service operated only on weekends last year due to staffing shortages and COVID restrictions. Parking cannot be expanded, so entry must be limited to the number of spaces available.

Another major change is that the Bandelier administration will now be closely aligned with the Valles Caldera National Preserve (VCNP). Management will be integrated, resources shared, and the superintendent of Bandelier will supervise the superintendent of VCNP. Suddath commented that "There have been some bumps in the transition from Trust to the NPS." In a few weeks the preserve will begin to work on its first general management plan.

Barbara Calef

Areas of Interest/Volunteering for LWV-Los Alamos Members

As we look forward to our annual membership renewal campaign in April, we will be asking members to update the information you previously provided to our local League. On our membership form (in paper or online), there are two questions: (1) what are your areas of interest, and (2) in what areas might you be willing to volunteer? We will update this information to help the local League be responsive to members as well as involve more of our members in the work of the League.

1. **General areas of interest** – This gives the Board an idea of the areas on which members would like the League to focus: environment, elections, housing, health care, other?

2. **League Volunteer Tasks** – We are updating the topics to better explain what kind of volunteer efforts are needed. In some cases, they are one-time activities (mailing the annual newsletter), and in some cases, they are short- or long-term efforts (e.g., working on the Voter Guide or serving on the LWV Board). We hope to get more of our members involved in the work of the League – as this is the foundation of our support of democracy at the local level! Working on local issues can lead to larger involvement in state and national issues.

The following are types of volunteer work the Los Alamos League needs and that you can sign up for through the updated membership form:

One-Time Efforts –

- Voter registration at events such as the Farmers Market: Training will be provided by the County Clerk's office.
- Contribute to providing refreshments for forums when we return to meeting in person.
- County Observer Corps: Watch (or attend as the pandemic allows) County meetings (Council, P&Z, Board of Public Utilities, Parks & Rec, etc.). Write a short summary of the meeting to be published in our monthly newsletter. Most of the meetings take place in the evening and all of them are recorded, so you can watch them at your leisure.
- Newsletter: Prepare one or more articles for the monthly newsletter on a local issue or League activity.

Short-term Efforts (projects that are not continuous) –

- Assist in developing the Voter Guide –
 - Assist in drafting questions for the candidates (locally or statewide)
 - Assist in proof-reading
 - Assist in entering candidate data onto LWV Vote411 website

- Work with local news publications in getting information printed
- Lunch with a Leader – Assist in inviting leaders to give a presentation at LWL and to order lunches for participants when we meet in person again.
- Website/Social Media: Contribute to our local Facebook page from our local newsletter or other media.
- Advocating for League positions. We need League members who are willing to speak for the League when an issue arises on which we have a position. (At the state level the members of the Action Committee perform this function.)

Longer-term Efforts –

The Los Alamos LWV has current and future needs for members to serve on the Board of Directors. The positions listed below require a commitment of one year. Training will be provided.

1. *LWVLA Voter Guide* – In the next year, LWVLA needs a new director to take the lead in organizing the *Voter Guide* for primary and general elections. We have a process for developing our *Guide* including:
 - Working with the local Board to choose questions for the candidates;
 - Working with the publisher;
 - Entering data onto the VOTE411 website; and
 - Working with the other local League voter guide editors to establish statewide candidate questions.
2. Reserve the physical venues for forums (e.g., renting Fuller Lodge or other spaces) when we return to meeting in person.
3. Organize the remote broadcasting (Zoom) for hybrid forums when we return to meeting in person.

4. LWVLA Treasurer: For 2023-2024 and later, we are seeking a volunteer to serve as Treasurer for the LWVLA. This involves:

- Being responsible for the League checkbook
- Making payments and depositing income
- Maintaining a ledger of expenses and payments

Jean Dewart, Director of Membership

Annual Meeting²

Following Lunch with a Leader on April 21, we will hold our Annual Meeting via Zoom. It will begin at 1 p.m. and end by 2:30. During the

Annual Meeting we will review our positions, decide on the program for the following year, approve the budget, and elect a new board. Please mark your calendars!

Agenda

- 1:00 p.m. Business Meeting begins
- Minutes of the 2021 Meeting (see June Update)
- President's Report
- Membership Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Adoption of Local Program (positions, plans for action)
- Adoption of the FY 2022-23 Budget
- Election of Officers and Directors

LWVLA Nominations for 2022-2023

The Nominations Committee, chaired by Ellen Mills and including Leslie Wallstrom and JoAnn Lysne, presents the following slate of nominees for 2022-2023: There are currently three positions open on the board.

Officers

Co-Presidents
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

Barbara Calef and Rebecca Shankland
Felicia Orth
Ellen Mills
Rosmarie Frederickson
Rebecca Chaiken

Directors

Lunch with a Leader	Karyl Ann Armbruster
Arrangements	(open)
Voter Guide	Lynn Jones
At Large Members	Akkana Peck
	Addie Jacobsen
Publicity	Jody Benson

Off-Board Directors

Nominations	Ellen Mills
Fundraising	Ellen Mills
Membership	Jean Dewart and Dotty Reilly
Website and FaceBook	Helena Whyte and Madhavi Garimella
Video Edit	Eduardo Santiago
Voter Guide	Felicia Orth
Newsletter	Robert Williams

² This information will be repeated in the April Update, which will be sent to members by snail mail.



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LOS ALAMOS

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Address: _____

Phone(s): _____ E-mail: _____

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_____ **OR** Check here if you prefer to have a hard copy of the newsletter mailed to you.

_____ Check here to receive occasional friendly reminders of upcoming events by e-mail.

Membership Categories: all checks for memberships and contributions should be payable to LWV-Los Alamos and all are now tax-deductible. Let us know if you'd like a tax-deduction statement.

_____ Single membership: \$45.

_____ Household membership (two or more people at the same address): \$65.

_____ Single Sustaining membership: \$75.

_____ Household Sustaining membership (two or more people at the same address): \$95.

_____ Student membership: \$0 (must be 16 or over).

_____ Contribution to support League work: \$_____ .

Interests and Ways to Help the League (check as many as apply)

Topics of Interest

- _____ Affordable Housing
- _____ Local Government
- _____ Education
- _____ Elections, Voting Rights
- _____ Water Issues
- _____ Land Use
- _____ Health Care
- _____ Money in Politics
- _____ Sustainability
- _____ Living Wage
- _____ Public Transportation
- _____ Environment
- _____ Other topics (please suggest): _____

Ways to Help with League Activities

- _____ Set up Refreshments at Forums
- _____ Observer Corps (County Council, DPU, etc.)
- _____ Nominating Committee
- _____ Voter Guides Committee
- _____ Voter Registration
- _____ Publicity
- _____ Website, Social Media
- _____ Newsletter
- _____ Membership
- _____ Fund-raising
- _____ Budget Committee for LWV
- _____ Lunch with a Leader (assistance)
- _____ Fund-raising Committee for LWV
- _____ Participate in board meetings or join board

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