



VOTER

DECEMBER 2017 AT A GLANCE

- Thur, Dec 7** *San Dieguito Observer Luncheon*
11 am – 2 pm *Home of Barbara Mendell*
- Fri, Dec 8** *LWVNCSD Board Mtg*
10 am – 12 pm *Home of Cathy Greene*
- Sun, Dec 10** *Oceanside Unit Social and*
1 pm – 4 pm *Observer Reports*
 Home of Diane Stone
- Mon., Dec 11** *Health Interest Group Mtg*
10 am – 12 pm *Home of Jane Dunmeyer*
- Sat, Dec 16** *Carlsbad Observer Luncheon*
10:00 am– 12:30 pm *Gowland Mtg Rm*
 Dove Library, Carsbad
- Mon, Dec 18** *Book Group Holiday Potluc*
12 pm *and Book Swap*
 Home of Heather Callaghan

JANUARY 2018 AT A GLANCE

- Mon, Jan 8** *Health Interest Group Mtg*
10 am – 12 pm *Home of Jane Dunmeyer*
- Fri, Jan 12** *LWVNCSD Board Mtg.*
10 am – 12 pm *LWD office*
- Fri, Jan 12** *Women's Issues Group Mtg*
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm *LWD office*
- Mon, Jan 15** *Book Group Mtg*
1 pm – 3 pm *Home of Kathy Anderson*
- Thur, Jan 18** *Carlsbad Unit Mtg*
10 am – 12 pm *LWD office*
- Sat, Jan 20** *Soroptimist International of Vista*
1 – 3 pm *Walk to Increase Awareness of*
 Human Trafficking
 The Wave Waterpark, Vista
- Tues, Jan 23** *Oceanside Unit Mtg*
12 pm – 2 pm *Buena Vista Audubon Nature Ctr.*
- Thur, Jan 25** *San Dieguito Unit Mtg*
10 am – 11:30 am *San Dieguito United Methodist*
 Church
- Sat, Jan 27** *"Tony –The Movie"*
1 pm – 3 pm *Oceanside Library*
 330 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside

Oceanside Unit Sponsors Free Showing of Homelessness Documentary January 27, 2018 Oceanside Civic Center Library

By William Loftus

The Oceanside Unit of the League of Women Voters North County will be hosting a free screening of the local documentary, "Tony – The Movie" on January 27, 2018, at the Oceanside Civic Center Library. The showing will begin at 1:00pm. This documentary follows the life of Tony, a San Diego native who finds himself unemployed and ultimately living on the streets. Director Dennis Stein interviews politicians, agency leaders and homeless advocates in San Diego and other cities to learn what's being done locally and nationally to address the problem. The Director and main character will be present to answer questions. Please join us.





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New Officers/Directors/Committee Chairs Information:

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| Women's Issues | Nancy Hand |

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Committee Chairs

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| Behavioral Health | Liz Kruidenier |
| Civil Engagement | Mary Thompson |
| Education | Claudine Jones |
| Health Care | Jane Dunmeyer |
| Hospitality/Arrangements | Open |
| Speakers Bureau | Jackie Stone |



A Message from the President

We end 2017 in our League with the Saturday, December 2, 2017, General Meeting at the Carlsbad Senior Center to learn about homelessness in San Diego County. A group of Leaguers has been studying this issue and the December 2nd meeting is the next step in a four-step process. In League, we decide on what to study and put together a study committee – that is step one. They do research, which is step two. Step three is the December 2nd educational meeting where the committee's findings are discussed. Step four, the grand finale, is a consensus meeting, where the committee presents its recommendations about what position the League should take on the issue that has been studied, and League members come to consensus on what that position should be. We are planning to have that meeting on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Once a position is adopted, we have the ability to take action, which is the point of the whole process. Every League position has been developed through this process and it is why League is so respected. We do our homework and then we take Action.

We begin 2018 with another very traditional and important part of the League Way. We will have a Program Planning General Meeting in February to review the League of Women Voter United States Positions. At this time we will look at the nationwide positions that have been developed over the years through hundreds of Local Leagues studying the same issue at the same time, having education and consensus meetings, and then arriving at nationally accepted positions. It is an aspect of League that we often forget, because we are wrapped up in our local issues. At the February Meeting we will also discuss our local positions. If you have an idea about a topic or area that our League needs to take action on, the first step is to tell the other members about it and propose either a study, or, as often happens, we find that there already has been a study done and we need to evaluate your idea and how to implement it, using the existing study.

One of our strongest features as a League is our thoroughly researched and thoughtfully adopted Positions. In December and February we will be involved in two aspects of this valuable tradition. In any case, I look forward to seeing you at both the December and February General Meetings.

Anne Omsted

December / January Meetings

All Members and Guests Are Welcome at All Meetings

San Dieguito Observer Luncheon

Thursday • December 7

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Home of Barbara Mendell

The San Dieguito Observer luncheon will be a potluck, bring a main dish or a side dish. Barbara provides the desserts. Short meeting from 11 - 12, lunch, then Observer's Reports - always fascinating. Call Anne Omsted if you have any questions, but call Barbara Mendell to confirm you are coming as she has to give your name to the gate attendant, at the same time please let Barbara know what you plan to bring.

Oceanside Unit Social and Observer Report Meeting

Sunday • December 10

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Home of Diane Stone

The Oceanside Unit will meet for a casual social gathering from 1:00 to 3:00 pm followed by an observer report meeting.

Health Interest Committee Meeting

Monday • December 11 • 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Home of Jane Dunmeyer

The Health Interest Committee will be finalizing member assignments. Call Jane for her address and directions.

Carlsbad Observer Luncheon

Saturday • December 16

10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Gowland Meeting Room • Dove Library

1775 Dove Ln. • Carlsbad

Please RSVP to Norelynn Pion-Goureau.

Book Group Potluck and Book Swap

Monday • December 18

12:00 pm

Home of Heather Callaghan

The Book Group will hold its annual holiday potluck luncheon and book swap at noon on December 18.

At their January 15, 2018 meeting, they will discuss *White Trash: the 400-Year Untold History of Class in America* by Nancy Isenberg at the home of Kathy Anderson.

Women's Issues Group Meeting

Friday • January 12

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Leucadia Wastewater District

[1960 La Costa Ave., Carlsbad](#)

The Women's Issues Group will review the results of the Human Trafficking Action items from the November meeting and continue the discussion of the proposed suggestions for discussion at the Program Planning Meeting.

Carlsbad Unit Meeting

Thursday • January 18

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Leucadia Wastewater District

1960 La Costa Ave. • Carlsbad

The Carlsbad Unit will be discussing their Constitution project, tracking candidate revenue sources in local elections, the function of the Planning Board in Carlsbad and other timely items.

Oceanside Unit Meeting

Tuesday • January 23

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Buena Vista Nature Center

2202 S. Coast Hwy. • Oceanside

San Dieguito Unit Meeting

Thursday • January 25

10:00 am – 11:30 am

San Dieguito United Methodist Church

170 Calle Magdalena • Encinitas

At Their January meeting, the San Dieguito Unit will be working on Voter Registration and strategies for encouraging registered voters to vote. They will also learn about the LWVNCSD Speakers Bureau.

"Tony – The Movie" Screening

Saturday • January 27

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Oceanside Civic Center, Library

330 North Coast Hwy. • Oceanside

The Oceanside Unit is sponsoring an educational event on homelessness by a showing of "Tony – The Movie". The director and main character will be present to answer questions. [See page 1 for more info.](#)

LWV Facilitation Training



Saturday Feb 3, 1-4 pm
[Carlsbad City Library](#)
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad 92011

By Mary Thompson

By popular demand, the League's Facilitation Training workshop will be offered on Saturday, February 3rd, at the Carlsbad City Library from 1 to 4pm.

At a recent LWV-AAUW community presentation, *Civil, Civic Engagement: This is What Democracy Looks Like*, attendees requested more information and training on the ideas presented.

What we'll cover: In the training, presenters Martha Cox and Mary Thompson will briefly review why deliberative dialogue is a constructive response to uncivil discourse, how to identify, research, and frame issues for public deliberation, and how to facilitate a community conversation.

What we'll do: In small work groups, we'll take turns facilitating a conversation using National Issues Forum discussion materials. The interactive session will conclude with reflections on how deliberative dialogues can be used in our community.

The League's Facilitation Training was originally offered in May 2017 at the San Diego County Library in Vista. Since then, the 3-hour session has been presented in conjunction with Leagues in Cupertino, Orange County, Chico, and Los Angeles (thanks to Martha's airborne diplomacy!).

The February 3rd event is free and open to the public, but seating for the session is limited. To register, please contact Mary Thompson, thompsmg@roadrunner.com or by phone at 760-942-2458.



FLASH BULLETIN VOTER SERVICE MATCHING FUND DRIVE

A donor will match donations for Voter Service in 2018, up to a total of \$1,000. The money would be used during the 2018 Primary and General elections to expand Voter Service to our service area. This could include buying more copies of the ever-popular *Easy Voter Guide* in English and Spanish for distribution at meetings, libraries, voter registration events, Pros and Cons discussions, and community meetings. It could be used to pay for venues for issue forums. It could pay for voter registration costs and possibly even buy ads in various media to encourage registered voters to vote.

Since encouraging informed voting is what the LWV does, this seems like a perfect opportunity to expand our Voter Service capabilities. So, double your contribution to this crucial League service by participating in this flash event.

**IT IS ONLY GOOD UNTIL
DECEMBER 31, 2017**

You can contribute using PayPal at www.lwvncsd.org, designating the money for "Voter Service Match" or send a check to LWVNCSD, P. O. Box 131272, Carlsbad, CA 92013-1272, and also noting in lower left corner "Voter Service Match". Thank you!

Any questions?
Call Anne Omsted.

**Consensus Meeting
Homelessness Issue
Saturday, February 10, 2018
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
Carlsbad Senior Center**

The Homelessness Study committee composed of League members from both North County and San Diego Leagues, has been hard at work since May 2017 studying reports, attending meetings and listening to invited experts speak on this subject. The committee has done an amazing job of researching this issue and will share what they have discovered, as well as ways we can help solve this terrible problem.

All the hard work and research on this subject are in preparation for our Leagues to form consensus on the issue. A new countywide position will enable us to take action and lobby on the problems of homelessness and how best to help those who find themselves homeless.

Please join your fellow League members and plan to attend our LWVNCSD Consensus Meeting on Saturday February 10, 2018 at the Carlsbad Senior Center from 1:30 to 3:30 pm! Our voices need to be heard and we're eager to hear your input.

**Do you want to help voters?
Join Voter Services!**

Your Voter Services Chair is updating the list of volunteers.

Please email e.b.brady@gmail.com with the team(s) you would like to be part of. The descriptions are below. Even if you were on the list in 2017, please let Elizabeth know you are still interested. 2018 is going to be a very active year. There will be many opportunities to support the LWV mission and make a difference in our community.

Registering Voters: After a short training session, you will be eligible to volunteer to staff LWV Voter Registrations Events. As events are scheduled, volunteers will be contacted for availability. At the event, you will encourage

folks to register and help them through the process. Guaranteed to bring smiles to the faces of newly registered voters.

Candidate Forums: Making sure candidates for elected office are able to present their positions to the public in a civil setting. The League supplies a trained team consisting of a moderator, timer, question sorters, and questions runners for Candidate Q&A sessions. Moderators run the forum asking candidates the questions the audience has generated. The timer makes sure everyone has a fair and equal time to respond to the questions. The question sorters organize the questions from the audience before handing them off to the moderator. The questions runners interact with the audience to collect the questions. Training is given for all positions. If you volunteer for this team please specify which roles you are interested in. Guaranteed to bring appreciative comments from the candidates and audience. Forums are typically on the weekends or on weekday nights and run about two hours in total.

Pro and Con Presentations: As part of this team, you will study the upcoming ballot measures and present both the pro and the con of the measure at public meetings. You will be partnered with another League member for the presentations and will have a chance to study and prepare with the whole Pro/Con team. These presentations typically are one hour long and occur during the day. Guaranteed to impress the audience with our non-biased information.

Any questions just reach out to Elizabeth Brady, Voter Services Chair at e.b.brady@gmail.com or 630-346-0045.



**It's Time Again for
Program Planning
Saturday
February 17, 2018
Carlsbad Senior Center**

By Mary Crowley

As our national League, LWVUS, begins preparations for the LWVUS Convention in June and our local league, LWVNCSD, prepares for our 2018 Annual Meeting, one crucial outcome of the conventions starts now – making our voices heard! We do this through program planning. What do you want to see on the agenda for LWVUS for the next two years? What about our goals here locally for the next year? Do you have an idea that you think calls for a new study? Do we need to update one of our existing positions? What should our advocacy and community education priorities be? As a valued member of this grassroots organization, you have the opportunity and the responsibility to indicate the issues you believe the national League and our local League should focus their time, talent, money and reputation on. Use the program planning process as an opportunity to think strategically about the work of the League. Consider where there is the most need, where we will be most effective and what activities best serve our mission. And consider the indirect impact of these choices particularly on membership time and resources, fundraising and our reputation – all of which are crucial to the future of our local League.

Our Program Planning General Meeting will be held on February 17, 2018 at the Carlsbad Senior Center Activity Room. The meeting will start promptly at 10:00 am but plan to come a few minutes early for refreshments and a chance to catch up with your League friends.

**Walk to Increase Awareness of Human
Trafficking
Sponsored by Soroptimist
International of Vista
Saturday, January 20, 1:00 pm – 3:00
pm
The Wave Waterpark
101 Wave Drive Vista.
Join the Fight Against Human
Trafficking!**

Join our partners, Soroptimist International of Vista, at the 12th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Day One-Mile Walk. They partnered with us to present our October 21st program on human trafficking, so let's return the compliment and join them on this walk to draw attention to this important issue.

Welcome New Members!

Shelley Fontaine - Escondido

Sandy & Nicole Gereaux, San Diego

Mary Jo Guy, Encinitas

Kristin MacLeod, Solana Beach

Sinead Ni Ghabhlain, Cardiff

Susan Oddo, Elfin Forest

Cynthia Rocco, Oceanside

Steven Rosen, Encinitas

LWV North County San Diego Membership Application ~ Share this with a friend! ~

Membership is open to all persons who are at least 16 years of age. Others are welcome as Associate Members.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

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Please make check payable to LWVNCSD
and mail to:

LWVNCSD • Attn: Membership
PO Box 131272
Carlsbad, CA 92013-1272

or join online at:

http://www.lwvncsd.org/join_form.html

The LWVNCSD is a 501(c)(3) organization

Dues:

- \$30 **FIRST** year
- \$60/year
- \$30/year for 2nd member, same address
- \$30/year Students enrolled in accredited

Institution.

Additional levels of giving (thank you!):

- \$100/year • Suffragist
- \$200/year • Activist
- \$300/year • Advocate
- \$500/year • Founders Circle

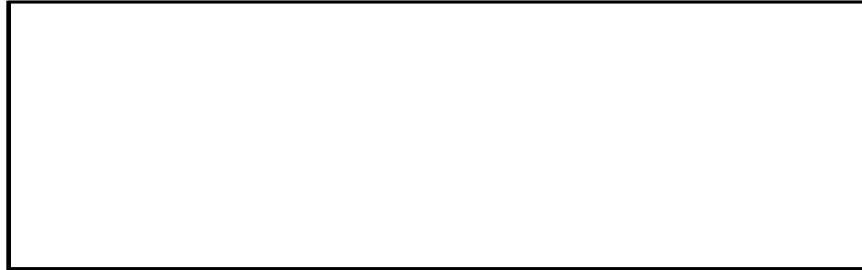
I am interested in the following:

- Voter Service
- Public Policy and Action
- Natural Resources and Land Use
- Organizational Support
- Community Outreach
- Health
- Book Group
- Other _____



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

North County San Diego
Post Office Box 131272
Carlsbad, CA 92013-1272



Stay Connected and Share

Check the Calendar on the website for helpful Info
www.lwvncsd.org

Some of us are getting to the point where we don't really want any more gifts of "stuff" people think we want. One way to solve that problem is to let your friends and family know you would rather they donate to your favorite charity or organization. We are making it easy for them by having a Donate button on our website AND our Facebook page. So spread the word and help keep our important work funded. The more money we raise, the more we can do to Make Democracy Work! Thanks,

Suzanne