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## Presidents' Letter: League Programs and Issues

Reports of disunity and dissension that drive the daily news—both nationally and internationally—highlight the importance of the League's core tenets. These core League principles promote nonpartisanship and full citizen participation, both locally and globally—without racial, ethnic, religious, or other barriers—in a healthy and thriving democracy.

These League principles, determined by study and consensus, apply to League's international relations policies, the main subject of this column—the last of our letters that have focused on LWV's four major public policy positions.

Since its founding, just after WWI, the League has developed principles supporting international cooperation, a reduction of trade barriers, international negotiations and agreements that reduce the risk of war and promote peace with special emphasis on human rights. In the 2000s, the League reiterated its support for measures to expand



international trade, while recognizing the importance of protecting environmental, labor and political values.

In 2008, the League emphasized that financing for girls' equality and for the empowerment of girls is a basic and sound strategy for the implementation of all human rights. Of course, League opposes human trafficking and all forms of violence against girls and women worldwide.

The League supports a strong, effective United Nations and endorses the full and active participation of the U.S. in the UN system. Under the "Special Consultative Status" with the UN Economic and Social Council (granted to the League in 1997), the League has made recommendations on issues the League supports. Beginning in 2015, women in Saudi Arabia, for instance, have enjoyed the right to vote in municipal elections, following the

League's intervention that linked women's enfranchisement with GDP.

Global interdependence undergirds League's approach to developing countries. Under this approach, reducing the risk of military conflict and promoting the sound management of global resources while protecting human rights, stimulating economic growth and improving the quality of life should guide U.S. policies toward developing nations. League does not believe policies should be based on maintaining U.S. preeminence, but rather that the U.S. government should ensure that its trade, monetary, political and military policies do not subvert the goals of development policies. Temporary preferential tariff relief could help developing countries, for instance.

Thus, League's international policies reflect the same respect for human rights and individual growth and freedom that we have come to expect in expressions of League's national policies. As we ourselves want to be treated, so, League believes, we should treat the rest of the world

Meg & Alan Giberson, Co-Presidents

## Ballot Measure: Schools & Communities First

Billions of much-needed dollars will be provided by the Schools and Communities First (SCF) measure/initiative for the November 2020 ballot that the LWVC and its coalition members support. The measure will:

1. reclaim the approximately \$11 billion every year that Proposition 13 (1978) is taking away from our schools and communities;
2. make corporations pay their fair share;
3. make history with a new legacy of investing in our future, instead of starving schools and communities of needed funding.

The Proposition 13 initiative was passed in 1978 to address rapidly rising property taxes. But, under Prop. 13, property is only reassessed when it changes hands. Thus, it has been residential properties—which change hands approximately every 10 years—that have been hardest hit by tax increases.

Commercial property—especially that owned by big companies—has not been so affected by reassessment. This can be for a number of reasons involving commercial property transfers that legally don't reflect a "change of hand," or that simply aren't transferred and that thus avoid the reassessment.

Large corporations such as Chevron, Shell, Exxon, Walmart, McDonalds and Blackstone have benefitted from this. The \$11 billion per year that we are losing could go to our schools and local services such as libraries, infrastructure repair, healthcare, and more. California now ranks 41st in per-pupil funding; it could recoup its former standing as 7th in the nation with this reform measure.

The solution: Under SCF, all commercial and industrial property will be reassessed every three years, with significant protections for small businesses. This will generate the projected \$11 billion amount.

Importantly, existing protection for all residential property will continue under SCF. It is critical that this newer version of SCF receive sufficient signatures to qualify for next November's ballot, in part so that new language that gives the added protections for small businesses can replace language in a similar version of SCF that qualified earlier.

**How can YOU help?** Once again, volunteers are needed to help gather signatures to get the revised version on the ballot. If you are able to gather signatures, please contact our Education Director, Sarah Pearson via [Sarah.Pearson7@hotmail.com](mailto:Sarah.Pearson7@hotmail.com) or the telephone number listed in the *Roster/Directory*. She will arrange to give you some forms and provide directions. Signatures need to be collected by early March, 2020.

The official League kickoff for SCF will be November 2. For more information, go to [www.schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org](http://www.schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org).

Meg Giberson, President

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## Board Bytes - Meeting of August 7, 2019



### Discussed

- Several Board positions are open with possible suggestions of members who might fill them.

Sophia Kao presented the IT job description to be finalized with suggestions from the Board. She will look into a non-profit account with Google.

- The Local Election Finance Study Committee will present an update of the study to the Board in November. They'll suggest changes to our four City/Town Councils. Monte Sereno will provide a video of the Council Candidate Forums.
- The Board suggested printing and giving a small League card to Claudia Aden to hand out to students in her presentation to high schools.

### Reports/Announcements:

- Treasurer, Danice Picruax, said per member payments (PMP) are paid up, at all levels of the League, for the entire year. LWV Bay Area raised its PMPs to \$3 per primary member.
- LWVC is looking for members to work on abolition of the Death Penalty.
- The Los Gatos Town Council is considering a proposal to adopt term limits for next year's ballot. The League is neutral on this issue.
- LWVC has identified Climate Change as an emergency.
- Raquel Durand announced that she is stepping down as Observer Director. The position needs a new volunteer.

### Voted On:

- A unanimous approval for the Finance Drive to begin in November, instead of February, with a goal of \$5,200. The Finance Committee will meet in late October to begin the process.

Barbara Lea, Interim Secretary

## A Century of Women Voting – She Is Me



The League honored 99 years of the women's right to vote and Women's Equality Day by bridging the gap between our legacy and our destiny with **She Is Me**. It's a League-wide celebration of voting reformers from various backgrounds and experiences. Together, our collective efforts can create

a more perfect democracy.

Explore diverse stories of women who have shaped past and present progress for voting rights and join us in this movement as we approach our 100 years of fighting for democracy. Progress is part of our DNA. **She Is Me**, [www.lwv.org/sheisme?utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=082619](http://www.lwv.org/sheisme?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=082619).



## 2020 Bay Area League Day February 15

## California Votes for Women – A Centennial Celebration

### Women’s suffrage: has 100 years been enough?

It has been 100 years since women obtained the legal right to vote in the United States. Did that “right” extend to all women? Are people still kept from exercising voting rights? It has been a long struggle, with an imperfect result. The Founders’ Constitution hadn’t originally guaranteed women the vote. States were to make that decision—and women were denied the vote in all states (except for a limited time in New Jersey, 1776-1807). Whether women should even be considered “citizens” was debated in our country’s early years.

One hundred years ago, on November 1, 1919, California ratified the *19th Amendment* that acknowledged women’s right to vote. But the *19th Amendment* to the *U.S. Constitution*—generally granting women in the U.S. the right to vote—was not effective until ratified by the necessary number of states in 1920.

California’s 1919 ratification wasn’t the first time the issue arose here. In 1878, a California senator had proposed a 16th Amendment to Congress that would have given women the vote. His 1878

proposal was unsuccessful, but his exact words later became the 19th Amendment.

Then, in 1893, the California legislature passed a bill that would have given California women the right to vote, but the governor vetoed it, claiming that female suffrage was unconstitutional. In 1911, California women were finally granted the right to vote.

In 1920 came the official U.S. ratification of the 19th Amendment. Yet, despite that victory, large numbers of minority and low-income people continued to be denied access to the ballot box. Restrictions included limitations imposed by states: poll taxes, “literacy” tests and other tactics including fraud and intimidation.

The Voting Rights Act (VRA) of 1965, prohibiting racial discrimination in voting, put an end to the most flagrant violations of voters’ rights. Yet, the VRA has been limited subsequently by court decisions. And the Equal Rights Amendment that would recognize women’s equal rights under the law, has not yet been ratified.

Come hear Professor Bonnie Morris speak on November 9, 10:30A.M.–12:30P.M. as she addresses the 19th Amendment and related issues.

### Biography:

Bonnie J. Morris Ph.D is a women’s studies professor and historian, now a lecturer at the University of California at Berkeley, and the author of sixteen books—including *Women’s History for Beginners*, which was broadcast on C-Span and earned a fan letter from First Lady Michelle Obama. Dr. Morris has taught women’s history for over 23 years at universities including Georgetown University, George Washington University, Semester at Sea, Santa Clara University, and St. Mary’s College, and has been a guest lecturer for the Library of Congress and the State Department. She is also an exam leader for the AP U.S. History exam, a consultant to Disney Animation, and a research associate for the Global Women’s Institute. Her newest book, *The Feminist Revolution*, was published by the Smithsonian Institute Press in March 2018 and listed as one of the top picks for women’s history month by Oprah’s Book Club and O magazine.

**Co-Sponsor** of the program is the Saratoga Library. There is ample parking adjacent to the library. Bring a friend. The public is welcome! **This Event is Free.**

Meg Giberson, Co-President

## Action: LWVC Legislative Status Report

League **co-sponsored** four bills: *Free the Vote*, Assembly Constitutional Amendment 6 (McCarty); *Election Day Registration*, SB 72 (Umberg); the *Fair Maps Act*, AB 849 (Bonta); and the *People’s Map Act*, SB 139 (Allen).

**Free the Vote, ACA 6:** Our goal is to get ACA 6 passed and on the November 2020 ballot as an initiative for voters to decide. Pending!

**Election Day Registration, SB 72:** The new law allows same-day registration and voting, at every polling location.

**Fair Maps Act, AB 849:** Prohibits gerrymandering, standardizes criteria, and prioritizes intact neighborhoods and diverse communities. Approved!

**AB 392:** Requires law enforcement to use deadly force only when necessary

defending against threat of death or serious injury.

**AB 571:** Will curtail the influence of money in politics by a default limit on local candidate contributions, while allowing each jurisdiction to set its own limits.

**SB 212:** Gives local governments the option for new voting methods like ranked-choice. Vetoed!

**AB 65:** Successful passage will prioritize projects that use natural infrastructure to protect coastal communities from climate change impacts.

**AB 19:** Provides education on timing and volume flow for more effective water resource management.

**SB 126:** Charter school governing boards will observe the same open meeting,

conflict-of-interest, and disclosure laws as traditional public schools.

**SB 54 & AB 1080:** Companion bills to AB 19 aimed at reducing single-use plastic waste in landfills and oceans.

**AB 45:** Eliminates burdensome medical copays and equipment charges for people in county jails.

**AB 1482:** Limits extreme or unreasonable rent increases and protects against discriminatory and retaliatory evictions.

**AB 68:** Eases barriers to building low-cost energy efficient, affordable homes.

**SB 329:** Prohibits housing discrimination based on specified personal characteristics.

**AB 48:** A four-year school bond bill is slated for the March 2020 ballot.

LWVC.org, October 22, 2019

# City & Town Council Observers

**Campbell:** City Staff presented a draft ordinance, approved by the Planning Commission, regarding amendments to the Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) codes. One proposed change is the removal of the minimum lot size requirement. There would be a set of maximum unit sizes based on lot size. ADUs behind the main house would have no design restrictions. Two-story ADUs would be allowed if the main house has two stories. This will move to the City Council for approval in the near future.

Jackie Costanzo, Campbell Observer

**Los Gatos:** Council members and the town attorney discussed possibly amending the current Tobacco Retailers Ordinance. The aim is to address the sale of electronic smoking devices. The topic will be discussed and decided at a future meeting.

The Downtown One-Way Pilot Project will end October 31. Council members voted to restore 2-way traffic on Santa Cruz Avenue after hearing the *PPW Director's Report* and many residents' concerns in a lengthy public hearing. The temporary parklets will be removed. Residents are in favor of restaurants investing in private parklets to seat patrons on the sidewalks in front of their establishments.

A group of citizens is attempting to qualify a council member term-limit initiative for the November 2020 ballot. The town attorney reviewed the information with the current council members. The citizens' group has until mid-March 2020 to collect a qualifying number of residents' signatures. Current council members can prepare their own competing ballot

## City & Town Councils

**Campbell City Council**  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 7:30P.M.

**Los Gatos Town Council**  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 7:00P.M.

**Monte Sereno City Council**  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 7:00P.M.

**Saratoga City Council**  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays – 7:00P.M.

proposal or pass a term-limit ordinance amending town code as alternatives. Council members voted to have the town attorney bring back more information to a future meeting on development of these alternatives.

Lynda Jandron, Observer

**Saratoga:** Street sweeping and tree maintenance operational budgets unanimously passed the Council. This authorized the City Manager to proceed according to contracts.

Vaping was a topic that emerged for discussion after students were invited by Council Members to participate in topics such as peer pressure, addiction and health. At the end of the students' visit, students listened to Council Members inform and explain history and function of local government.

Raqueal Durand, Observer Director

**Monte Sereno:** Observer Needed!

**Note:** The position for the Observer Director needs a volunteer to fill in. This position organizes the Observers and attends Board Meetings and makes reports to the Board as a voting member.

# Water Legislation, Sad News

SB 1, a bill that represented a reasonable compromise that was reached between and among legislators, agriculture, environmental and conservation interests—and that was supported by the League of Women Voters of California—was passed by both houses of California's legislature. It would have prevented federal attempts to permit further degradation of California's water quality standards.

It was necessary because 150 years of water exploitation in California had led to a crisis of unsustainable water use in our state. Every year California uses 6 million acre-feet more than the state's rivers and aquifers can sustainably provide. A vicious cycle of expanding water use beyond capacity has ensued, as overbuilding of dams made "more" (theoretical) water available. The state (SWP) and federal (CVP) water delivery projects have had the same effect, "guaranteeing" paper water that subsequently is not available because of drought, climate change, expanded uses, over-promises, etc. (This unavailable water is called "paper" water because it doesn't really exist.)

The water crisis will not be addressed by the current federal administration, which is promoting further exploitation of California's and the nation's waters. The crisis will not be addressed by agreements between and among the parties that have caused the problems, which agreements may well lack adequate standards, performance criteria and enforcement language.

California might have begun to cure its water problems with SB 1, but SB 1 was vetoed by the governor.

Perhaps future legislation will again attempt to institute a "water cure."

Meg Giberson, Natural Resources

**Note – Correction:**  
An **error** was made in the September 2019 *Voter* in the Observers's Report on Saratoga on page 5, paragraph 1. The correct name of the trail being maintained is the Saratoga to the Sea Trail, not Skyline to The Sea Trail.

## New Citizens' Voter Registration

I am seeking **VOLUNTEERS** to register new citizens to vote at the swearing in ceremony on **Tuesday, November 26**. Since we don't often get a day other than a Thursday for the event, I'm hoping a few more of you will be available to help this day. As we get closer to the Primary Election, the newly sworn-in citizens are even more eager to register to vote! I will send out an invitation for volunteers at the beginning of November, but if you would like to put it on your calendar now, that would be great! Feel free to email me if you have questions.

Jackie Costanzo, Voter Registration [jjc717@aol.com](mailto:jjc717@aol.com)

## The Politics Book Club

The next meeting of the LWV Politics Book Club is Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at Wesley Manor at the corner of Hamilton and Winchester. Parking is behind the Manor in the church parking lot.

The book we will be discussing is *The Once and Future Worker: A Vision for the Renewal of Work in America* by Oren Cass of the conservative Manhattan Institute. It gives an interesting look at how government policy can and does influence how the nation's workforce aligns with the available work.

New, used, and eBook copies of *The Once and Future Worker* can be obtained from eBay and other vendors for under \$15 or from the Santa Clara County Library System for free as an eBook.

Questions we might explore about the ideas in *The Once and Future Worker* are given below.

1. The Working Hypothesis of the book is that a labor market in which workers can support strong families and communities is the central determinant of long-term prosperity and should be the central focus of public policy. Perhaps this could be shortened to: the purpose of the society is to provide gainful employment for all able-bodied workers. **Can this purpose be achieved in a free market capitalistic society? If it can, should it?**
2. **Does Productive Pluralism make sense to you? Why or why not?**
3. **Can or should the LWV frame its advocacy around the Working Hypothesis and Productive Pluralism?**

4. On pages 61-64, the 5 dimensions of the behavior of the labor market (discussed in detail in the rest of the book) are briefly discussed: Demand, Supply, Transactions, Boundaries and Taxes. **In what ways do our national and state governments have an effect on these dimensions now? Could or should they have more effect in the future?**

5. There are many statements about statistics in this book. **Can any of them be verified? Can you challenge some of them (Google)?**

Please bring your questions and comments to the club meeting. Any other questions you may have can be directed to Wade. To contact Wade, please refer to the *LWVSWSCV Directory*.

Wade Ellis, Book Club Facilitator

## Should Everybody in the US have Health Care?

At the Saratoga Library on Saturday, October 19, our speaker, Dr. Henry Abrons, MD, MPH—a retired critical care and pulmonary physician; a member of the LWV of Berkeley, Albany, and Emeryville; and a member of the Board of Directors for Physicians for a National Health Program—talked to us about health care in the United States. His presentation was filled with facts and information he shared with us. Here is a summary of his speech.

### Current Situation in the United States

- 35,000 people could be treated every year for ailments that could be cured if they had insurance.
- In 2010, 16% of people had no insurance; and in 2017, 9.1% had no insurance after implementation of the Affordable Care Act. However, the number of underinsured remained elevated.
- We spend \$11,000 per person per year on health care, but life our expectancy and survival results are below average for all developed countries.
- 30% of our Health Care budget goes to administrative waste.
- Overhead on Medicare is only 2%.

- The US currently pays the highest prescription drug costs in the world.
- LWVUS supports a basic level of quality health care, to include vision, hearing and dental, at an affordable cost to all US residents.

### H.R.1384 – Medicare for All Act of 2019

- This bill would create a single-payer universal Medicare program that would cover all American residents in one government-run health plan.
- Included in the plan would be publicly financed & privately delivered comprehensive benefits: in-patient, out-patient, emergency, and preventive care; prescription drugs; medical devices; mental health and substance abuse treatment; laboratory and diagnostic services; maternity and newborn care; dental, audiology, and vision services;

rehabilitation; ambulance service; and long-term care.

- There would be no premiums, copays, or deductibles.
- Consumers would pay taxes for health care, but the total cost could be less with removal of administrative waste.
- This bill would build up a pool of low-risk people to reduce costs, and a public option system could cost more as healthier residents opt out.

**Should everyone have health care coverage?** Currently, the United States is the only industrialized country in the world without universal health care. Leagues work to provide millions of Americans across the country with objective information about the health care system and its significant reforms.

Barbara Lea, Healthcare Director  
Alan Giberson, Co-President

## Prescription Drug Prices

“Every day, millions of people have to cut corners, ration medication, and forego treatment because of the skyrocketing costs of prescription drug prices.”

A new bill—H.R. 3, Lower Drug Costs Now Act—would:

- Give Secretary of Health & Human Services power to negotiate lower prices.
- Cap out-of-pocket prescription drug costs for those on Medicare to \$2,000.
- Invest in innovation to find new medicines and new cures.

Source: <https://go.ameripacfund.com>

## Foreign Policy Association – Great Decisions 2020

Great Decisions is America’s largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions briefing book, watching a DVD and meeting in a discussion group to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today. Discussions are led by participant volunteers which will be needed for each session. There will be a late afternoon group and an evening group.

The LWV Great Decisions Groups for 2020 will start in February, 2020. The **TOPICS** will be:

1. Climate Change and the Global Order
2. India and Pakistan
3. Red Sea Security
4. Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking
5. U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle
6. China’s Road Into Latin America

### 7. The Philippines and the U.S

### 8. Artificial Intelligence and Data

The LWV **Afternoon Group A** will meet on the first and third Thursdays in February, March, April and May from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. The group will meet at the **Saratoga Area Senior Center**, across from the Post Office, in the Magnolia Room. A **Book Pick Up** for this group will be on Thursday, January 30, 2020, from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. at the Saratoga Area Senior Center.

The LWV **Evening Group B** will meet on the first and third Wednesdays in February, March, April and May from 7 to 9 P.M. This group will meet at the **Los Gatos Methodist Church** located at 111 Church Street in Los Gatos. A **minimum sign up of 12 registrations is required for this group to be held.**

**Book Pick up** for this group will be held on Sunday, February 2, 2020, after the 9:00 A.M. service.

The **Registration Fee** for LWV Great Decisions 2020 is \$25 for an individual and \$30 for a couple sharing a workbook. The **deadline** for registering is November 22, 2019.

All checks should be made out to LWV SWSCV and mailed to Terry Zaccone at 13046 Anza Drive, Saratoga, CA 95070. **Please put your group session letter (A or B)** and your email address or phone number on your check.

For **questions**, please contact LWV Program Coordinators: Terry Zaccone at [tzaccone@pacbell.net](mailto:tzaccone@pacbell.net) or Eleanor Yick at [egyick@icloud.com](mailto:egyick@icloud.com).

Terry Zaccone & Eleanor Yick  
Great Decisions Coordinators

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County, Bay Area, State, and National. Financial assistance is available; please address questions regarding membership to the LWVSWSCV at, [lwv.swscv@gmail.com](mailto:lwv.swscv@gmail.com). Your contact information will be added to our membership database and our **Membership Directory**.

## ❧ Event Calendar ❧

- Nov 6 Wed **Board Meeting**, 10:00 A.M. Saratoga Fire Station
- Nov 9 Sat **California Votes for Women** 10:30 A.M.–12:30 P.M.  
Saratoga Library, 13650 Saratoga Ave., Saratoga
- Nov 14 Thu **Clip ‘n Come**, Noon, Bring Salad/Food & Clipping to Share  
Home of Pat White, contact [patwh.athome@gmail.com](mailto:patwh.athome@gmail.com)  
Please let hostess know you will be coming.
- Nov 16 Sat **VCA & Census Workshop** Time & Location TBD

## ❧ Save the Date ❧

- Dec 7 Sat **Holiday Party**, 8:00 P.M. Home of Aileen Kao
- Jan 25 Sat **Program Planning**, Noon, St. Luke’s Church, Parish Hall  
20 University Ave., Los Gatos

### Voters Service: !Save the Date!

The LWV County Leads continue to meet regularly regarding publicizing both the *Voters Choice Act* (VCA) to be implemented in Santa Clara County in March 2020 and the Complete Count for the Census 2020 rollout in April, 2020. We are hoping to host a meeting in November to further educate our local League members about these two initiatives so that we are all prepared to speak about them when asked. The hope is that every League member will be an ambassador of information for both the VCA and Census. Tentatively, the date has been set for November 16 but location and time still need to be finalized. Please plan to attend so that our League is well represented and well prepared.

Eleanor Yick, Voters Service Director



L-R: Karen Bricker ( LA/MV), Eleanor Yick (SWSCV), Marie Shovelin (Cupertino/Sunnyvale), Nick Kuwada (Santa Clara County Director), Julie Cates ( LA/MV and LWV County Lead), and Roberta Hollimon (Cupertino/Sunnyvale).

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