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## Wednesday, September 8, 2021 "Pesticides in Monterey County: What You Don't Know CAN Hurt You"

While Monterey County's agricultural industry is often celebrated as "The Salad Bowl of the World," the health threats from drifting highly hazardous agricultural pesticides remain secretive. The line from our County Ag Commissioner has been that California's regulation of pesticides is the "most robust" in the country. However, what he doesn't say is that the US has weak pesticide regulation, as much of the field applications here are illegal in dozens of other countries.

**Compounding the health threats, County Ag Commissioners also refuse to tell us what, when, and where any pesticides will be applied, denying the public a chance to take basic precautions.**



Héctor Calderón and Mark Weller of Californians for Pesticide Reform will present information from recent scientific studies about the health threats from pesticides used in Monterey County, as well as the current "**Right to Know**" campaign to web-post pesticide warnings. They will also point to signs of hope in the region for an alternative healthier way of growing food.

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### **How to Attend Our Virtual Meetings**

The free **September LWVMryCo General Meeting** and presentation described above will use the **Zoom Web Conferencing** platform and **Zoom Chat** for Questions & Answers. **11:45 am Zoom Check-In / 12 noon Meeting Begins**

**All current LWVMryCo members** will be sent a link to the Zoom meeting via [LWVMryCo] on the **Monday before the meeting** (e.g., on **Monday, September 6** for this month) with instructions on how to join the meeting.

**Not a member?** All LWVMryCo General Meetings are open to the public at no cost. Non-members can send a message to [LWVMryCo@gmail.com](mailto:LWVMryCo@gmail.com) requesting an invitation to also receive the link and instructions.

**You can even join these meetings using a conventional telephone.**  
Phone numbers for audio-only will be provided along with meeting numbers and codes.

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**Guest Speaker Héctor Calderón** is **Monterey Bay Area Community Organizer, Californians for Pesticide Reform (CPR)**. Héctor was born in Mexico City, and grew up in Santa Ana in Southern California. He received a **BA from San Diego State in International Business** with an emphasis in Management in the region of Latin America and completed an apprenticeship with the **UC Santa Cruz Center for Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems**, where he earned an advanced certificate in **Ecological Horticulture**. Héctor has worked on diversified vegetable production operations, in both Northern and Southern California, and has also worked with orchard trees, both residentially and on small scale farms. Héctor is the son of immigrants, a protector of racial/food justice, food sustainability, and food sovereignty issues. He coordinates the **Safe Ag**

**Safe Schools** coalitions in **Watsonville, Salinas, and Greenfield**.

**Guest Speaker Mark Weller** is **Organizing Strategist, Californians for Pesticide Reform**. Mark joined CPR staff in 2014 as **Community Organizer for the Monterey Bay Area**, and was **Co-Director** from 2016 to 2019. He returned to CPR in 2020 as a Strategist for its organizing campaigns. He previously worked for 14 years as **Projects Director, Monterey Bay-based UNITE HERE Local 483**, organizing community and political support for hospitality workers. Mark has a **BA in Political Science** from **University of California San Diego**, an **MA in Sociology** from **San Jose State University**, and is co-author of **"Dollars and Votes: How Business Campaign Contributions Subvert Democracy."**

**Bev Bean and George Riley**

## ★ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE SEPTEMBER 2021 ★

**A** tenet of positive psychology is that when one faces daunting challenges and unmanageable uncertainty, a path to resilience is to focus on things one can control. However serious our national and international problems—including a pandemic and the existential threat of the climate crisis—***we are fortunate to live in a political system where our voices make a difference.***



*Marianne Gawain  
LWVMC President  
for 2021-2022*

Particularly at the local level we can see the impact of petitions to our Board of Supervisors, letters to local press editors, and thoughtful questions posed at public meetings.

***Membership in the League of Women Voters of Monterey County gives us a powerful way to channel angst into action.*** As individual League members we can draw on knowledge shared by the League to encourage others to stay informed and exercise their right to vote. We can further amplify our impact by: participating in LWVMC committees such as **Voter Service, Natural Resources,**

**Social Policy** or—especially timely this fall—**Redistricting**; inviting friends to join us for monthly **General Meetings**; tapping **MyLO (LWVmryco.org)** and **State League** websites ([lwwc.org](http://lwwc.org)), and sharing what we've learned; and asking a committee chair or board member how we can help at whatever level of commitment feels comfortable.

**A critical area for involvement right now is the gubernatorial recall election.** Broad participation is imperative: with multiple candidates running for office under question #2, potentially a very small minority of the California electorate could choose the next governor if the recall passes. Ballots can be postmarked or handed in through **September 14**; online registration closes August 30, but **same-day registration** is permitted at in-person polling places.

Embrace these many opportunities to be a part of the solution for our community, state and country.

**Marianne Gawain**



## LWVMC MEMBER PROFILE: TAMA OLVER



LWVMC is the third League of Women Voters chapter to which **new Board Member at Large Tama Olver** has belonged. Before moving to the Monterey Peninsula in retirement, Tama was a member of chapters in both **Michigan** and the **San Francisco Bay area**. Now, in addition to her Board position, Tama serves on our **Redistricting Committee**.



Currently, climate change is one of Tama's greatest passions. *"I was a member of the steering committee of the **Citizens Climate Lobby**," she says. "That group advocates for putting a price on carbon and I coordinated the letters to the editor for our campaign that reached over 200,000 subscribers."*

Raised near **Washington, DC**, Tama went to college in **Michigan**, earning a **BA in mathematics** from **Michigan State University**. *"I was a computer programmer and later an executive in a technology company. I had a typical Silicon Valley career,"* she says.

While living in **Pacific Grove** during retirement, Tama has racked up a long and impressive list of volunteer activities. She's currently serving as **President of the Board of Directors** for the **Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History**, plus she's on the **City's Library Advisory Board for Pacific Grove**." Also, in 2008, shortly after moving to the Monterey Peninsula, she served on the **Monterey County Civil Grand Jury**. *"While doing that, I really learned a lot about the county and how it works,"* she says.



Tama's volunteer work includes other government-related activities as well. *"I was on the steering committee of **Swing Left**—that's an organization that, in a non-partisan way, works to raise voter turnout,"* she explains. "Our team in PG mailed 14,000 get-out-the-vote letters in 2020. We really put a lot of energy behind that." She's also a member of the **American Association of University Women** and helps provide poll workers on election day to raise money for scholarships.

That particular passion also carries over to the work that Tama and her husband, **Jack**, who have been married for 46 years, do together at the **Monterey Bay Aquarium**. *"There, we work mostly in education and on advocating for action on climate change,"* she explains. *"We've taken a leadership role on that subject."*



The Olvers have one son, who currently works as a chiropractor in Southern California.

*"Sometimes with volunteer organizations,"* Tama says, *"I feel like I'm carrying a lot of the load myself. But with the League, I more often feel like I can hardly keep up. I'm very impressed!"* Declaring that she feels "honored to have been asked to serve on the Board," Tama adds that *"often I feel that I need to put on my track shoes. So I'm really relieved to find a place where I can contribute. I've enjoyed every minute of it!"*

Clearly, our League chapter can look forward to Tama Olver's using her energy, determination and multiple skills to serve us for many years to come.

**Nancy Baker Jacobs**

The following letter was drafted by the LWVMC Natural Resources Committee, George Riley, Chair

Date: August 20, 2021



To: **Monterey County**  
**Agricultural Commissioner**  
cc: **Monterey County Board of Supervisors**



SUBJECT: **Post Notices of Intent Online**  
**Prior to Use of Highly Toxic Pesticides**

The League of Women Voters of Monterey County (LWVMC) has broad policies regarding land use, health, and access to information. In pursuit of these policies, the LWVMC requests that appropriate Notices of Intent of planned use of pesticides be issued in a timely manner by your office. The LWVMC understands that you have the authority to issue such Notices of Intent (NOI). To date such NOIs have not been issued for public access.

LWVMC understands the following, according to the California Department of Pesticide Regulation's most recent data (<https://trackingcalifornia.org/pesticides/pesticide-mapping-tool>) and other sources:

- a. Monterey County used over 6.8 million pounds of agricultural pesticides in 2018;
- b. Of this, 2.2 million pounds (32%) were fumigants, which significantly reduce the ability of farmlands to mitigate global warming because they destroy soil microbes essential to carbon drawdown;
- c. State-listed cholinesterase inhibitors can damage developing brains;
- d. State-listed neonicotinoids have negative impacts on pollinators and bees;
- e. Also used are other highly toxic and drift-prone pesticides classified as "Restricted Material";
- f. Restricted Material pesticides are, according to the Department of Pesticide Regulation, "deemed to have a higher potential to cause harm to public health, farmworkers" and other living organisms and environments;
- g. **Exposure to Restricted Material pesticides can lead to health conditions such as cancer and respiratory ailments, including asthma, that leave people vulnerable to the complications of COVID-19;**
- h. Farmworkers are a vital part of California's food system and have been deemed "essential" amidst the COVID-19 pandemic;
- i. Some Restricted Materials also have the potential to harm pets, wildlife, soils and aquatic resources;
- j. Information on the application of Restricted Materials is legally required to be shared in advance with the local Agricultural Commissioner by way of Notices of Intent (NOIs);
- k. If Notices of Intent were posted online, concerned residents would have the option to know when a highly toxic pesticide was being applied nearby, providing the opportunity to take health protection measures such as shutting windows or keeping children and others at particular risk indoors; and

I. Posting Notices of Intent online would not require any action on the part of growers, nor place any restrictions on the way in which they farm.

***The LWVMC urges you to issue appropriate and timely Notices of Intent online so that schools, interested individuals and the public can be informed.*** This would be a responsible safety measure, consistent with your duty to protect the public.

The LWVMC acknowledges the County's reputation for innovation and leadership in providing healthy food produced by a skilled and dedicated workforce, and its commitment to environmental stewardship and combating climate change. It is consistent with these policies and practices that we are in strong support of the posting of Notices of Intent online by the Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner in advance of applications.

Respectfully, ***Marianne Gawain***, President LWVMC

*Another letter sent during our "summer break" was by Immediate Past President Howard Fosler with recommendation of the Natural Resources Committee and approval of the Board.*

May 4, 2021

To: **Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director,  
Division of Water Rights,  
State Water Resources Control Board**  
*Erik.Ekdahl@waterboards.ca.gov*

**LWV** LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS'  
OF MONTEREY COUNTY  
*LWVMryCo@gmail.com (831) 648-8683*

Subject: **Relief from Condition 2 of WR 2009-0060 and WR 2016-0016  
Cease and Desist Order (CDO)  
for Affordable Housing and Climate Stabilization**



Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

The League of Women Voters of Monterey County (LWVMC) supports measures which would ensure an adequate supply of affordable housing. We recognize that the scarcity of affordable housing constitutes a crisis. We stress that priority be given to development of housing for low and moderate income persons. We support both public and private programs aimed at providing affordable housing. We encourage governmental officials to keep abreast of the most recent and innovative ways to promote increased affordable housing.

***The LWVMC supports the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's Application for Order Modifying State Water Board Order WR 2016-0016 and WR 2009-0060 Cease and Desist Order (CDO).*** The State Water Resources Control Board can make a difference in this housing crisis by permitting some new hookups and increased use at existing sites to accommodate a limited number of new affordable housing projects. The exemption is for 75 acre feet of water which is less than 1% of the 10,000 acre feet per year currently used by the District. This will allow the Monterey Peninsula to make a start at meeting the Legislature's affordable housing requirements. The Legislature's housing priorities for the Peninsula are now impossible because of the CDO.

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California American Water Company will not be in compliance with the terms of the 2016 Extension of the CDO by December 31, 2021 due to the multiple problems with its desalination proposal and lack of support from the involved communities. **However real progress is being made by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey One Water with their recycled water project and its expansion.** By Dec 31, 2021 the recycled water project will provide 3,500 acre feet of new water toward the CDO. The expansion will take two more years to bring on line an additional 2,250 acre feet of new water. These projects, combined with ongoing conservation and aquifer storage and recovery should meet the CDO requirements.

The LWVMC urges you to alter the CDO to address this housing crisis now.

Sincerely,  
**Howard Fosler**, President

## ★ REDISTRICTING IN ACTION: MONTEREY COUNTY ★

**T**he LWVMC Redistricting Committee working on behalf of Monterey County has been active over the summer, thanks to members **Arlene Guest, Dennis Mar, George Riley, Howard Fosler, Konny Murray, Marianne Gawain, Tama Olver, Sharon Miller and Bev Kreps.**



reach out to their communities for input and **eliminate gerrymandering on the national and state level as it is especially influential in electing political representatives.** Where lines are drawn or redrawn will impact the next ten years until the 2030 Census changes things once again.

### **Making Contact**

We made contact with all the various redistricting entities: each committee member collected data from cities, boards, school and other districts.

### **Learning to Use Mapping Tools**

In early August we had a tutorial on mapping tools designed for California. **Juliet Oliver**, Student Intern and representative from **York School**, helped us navigate the site to practice creating "*Communities of Interest*" and better understand how redistricting lines are drawn (see page 7).

A crucial issue is keeping **agricultural interests** and **language groups** together in order to maintain their special interests and influence. Remote workers leaving urban centers may also change voting patterns and represent a new force in selecting district boards.

### **Preventing Gerrymandering**

The state requires those elected by district to

### **Call for League Representatives**

The LWVMC has been invited to send representatives to a variety of district boards, indicating that our observation, participation and dissemination of information are viewed positively.

### **Redistricting Topic for October Meeting**

**Sharon Miller** is setting up speakers for the League's **October 13 General Meeting**. Current plans are to hold it on Zoom if we still can't be at the Unitarian Universalist Church—we miss sharing lunch and ideas in person! **We welcome questions about redistricting which we can ask our October General Meeting speakers—** send them to any committee member.

We hope our efforts encourage more people to participate in democracy and, of course, to vote. **Next Redistricting Meeting September 1st** (see back page for details). All are welcome to just listen in, but we hope you'll join the dialogue!

**Bev Kreps, Social Policy**

## STUDENT REDISTRICTING PROJECT: THE IMPORTANCE OF DRAWING THE LINES

There is no end to the stream of data used to draw district lines! Population, geographic boundaries, and natural borders all play a role in determining how and where your vote is counted. But this year, redistricters are emphasizing a particularly important criterion: **communities of interest**.

Much of the data used for redistricting comes from the US Census, but considering population alone can lead to district lines drawn through communities, diluting the voting power of minority groups with common interests. **Gerrymandering isn't always intentional—demographers may simply not know where communities lie.**

It is difficult to overstate the importance of drawing district lines to maintain the integrity of these communities of interest. Yet, most citizens may not have even heard the term redistricting, let alone know how to get involved. To spread awareness and get community members involved in the process, **York School students Juliet Oliver, Heather Galinato, and Kurrin Sethi** will host

community meetings designed to inform citizens and submit community of interest testimony to aid in the drawing of district lines.

Mentored by **Redistricting Committee Chair Sharon Miller**, the student group is designing hour-long meetings in which neighborhoods come together to discuss shared interests and values, and learn how to present this to the Advisory Redistricting Commission. A short presentation

on redistricting and its tools will be followed by friends and neighbors deciding what defines their community, both geographically and ideologically.



This project is currently in the beginning stages. Juliet hosted a brief mapping tutorial for League members at the end of July, and the students held their first online meeting in late August for a Pebble Beach neighborhood. As the school year begins, more York students will help host meetings in their own communities across the county. A mixture of in-person and virtual meetings is planned, with location, date, and format to be established in the near future. Who knows, you may receive an invitation for your own neighborhood soon!

**Juliet Oliver, LWVMC Student Intern**

### REDISTRICTING MAKES LOCAL NEWS: THANKS SHARON!

League Committee Member and Monterey County Redistricting panel participant **Sharon Miller** helped raise public awareness on redistricting as well as our League's profile in July on local news **Channel 8 KSBW** (<https://www.ksbw.com/article/redistricting-communities-in-monterey-county/36949021>).



As an organization supporting democratic engagement by informed citizens, we thanked KSBW Action News for its reporting. We applauded their efforts to inform viewers about redistricting, while realizing the challenge in presenting this "seemingly arcane yet important topic in a manner that captures viewers' attention." We hope they will revisit this topic over the coming months!



**Marianne Gawain**



## USE YOUR VOTE: CALIFORNIA RECALL ELECTION BALLOT DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 14



**B**y now you should have received your vote-by-mail ballot as they were sent to all registered voters in August.

Only two questions are on the ballot:

**Q1. Do you want to recall the governor** (remove him from office)? The current governor is Democrat Gavin Newsom.

**Q2. If the governor is recalled, who do you want to replace him?**

If more than 50% of voters say “NO” to the first question, the governor remains in office.

If more than 50% of voters say “YES” to the first question, the person who gets the most votes on the second question becomes the governor.



The replacement candidate does NOT need more than 50% of the votes to win—simply more votes than any of the others. ***This means theoretically we could get a new governor who won with as few as 20%, 10%, or even 5% of the votes.***

**You don’t need to answer both questions!** It’s your choice to answer just the first, or the second question, or both.

No matter how you answer question 1 you can still vote for a replacement candidate.

For more about the candidates running for governor visit [votersedge.org/ca/](https://votersedge.org/ca/).

**The important thing is to VOTE**—by mail, at special early voting locations, or at your neighborhood polling place.

**Arlene Guest, Dennis Mar and Sharon Miller**



## A LWV STATE CONVENTION LIKE NO OTHER



**T**he first four days of the **LWV California Convention** this past June were dedicated to Zoomed caucuses and workshops.

We came away with great ideas regarding local league outreach and activities, including voter services, getting out the vote, local advocacy, community education, high school civics, utilizing volunteers, technology and social media, post-pandemic events (live, hybrid, or virtual), and serving diverse communities (including youth). We also dove into policy areas, including housing, water, criminal justice reform, immigration, redistricting, outreach, and climate change. Whew!

Three days were dedicated to crucial LWVC business, punctuated by inspiring keynote



speakers, including:

**Dr. Shirley Weber**, the Arkansas sharecropper’s daughter who is now **California’s first Black Secretary of State** and a strong proponent of voting rights

**Dr. Deborah Turner, President of the LWVUS**, who encouraged us to stand up for those previously left out of the democratic process by supporting anti-racism and

listening to youthful voices.

Dr. Turner left us with the notion that “*The League is an Endorphin.*”



The Convention amended several of the LWVC bylaws. **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion were added** to the Purposes and Policies, concluded that no PMP (Per Member Payment) be collected for student members of local Leagues, and strengthened the expectations for board members.

The **Issues for Emphasis** adopted by the LWVC include:

**Making democracy work** (addressing voting rights, election reform, money in politics, redistricting, civics education)

**Climate Change** (with a focus on water)

**Housing and Homelessness** (including land use, transportation and climate change)

**Criminal Justice** (policing, pre-trial diversion, sentencing, incarceration, re-entry)



These line-up with our local Monterey County issues for emphasis during the next two years: **county-wide water**, to include both the Salinas Valley and the Peninsula; **affordable housing**, with a focus on farmworkers housing; **criminal justice** at the local level; and relating **climate change** to local positions as an over-arching issue.

Our delegates expressed enthusiasm for the on-line 2021 statewide LWV Convention:

*"Attending the convention helped me better understand the relationship between the state league and local leagues. While I was inspired by activities that might be emulated here, I feel proud of the energy, professionalism, and sophistication of the voter services and advocacy at our own LWVMC. By the end of the week I was exhausted, and yet already planning to sign up for San Francisco 2022! That's the sign of a week well spent."*

**Marianne Gawain**

*"As a newer LWV member, I was impressed to find out how much is being tackled at the state level by the LWVC so that we can focus on local and regional issues. It was also a relief that we can borrow and emulate successful ideas from other groups and don't have to create everything from scratch."*

**Pamela Stewart**

*"With 15 workshops and 5 caucuses on the great palette, I could focus on my subjects of interest and populate my calendar with*

*matters that concerned me. And while 500 people attended (via Zoom), I had no trouble finding a seat, hearing, or worrying about having someone's head in the way."*

**Howard Fosler**

*"Intense and inspiring. Almost too much good information to process. Many of the issues discussed are complicated, multi-dimensional ones, but our local league now has additional ideas and tools to address them."* **Sharon Miller**

All workshops were recorded and may be viewed on the Convention website until the next LWVC Convention. The website is <https://lwvc.wordpress.com>.

**The next State Convention 2023** (held every two years), **will be held in May in San Francisco in person**. It seems like a long way off, but time flies and Convention is always inspiring. So mark your calendar.

*Compiled by* **Sharon Miller**

# WE REMEMBER

Stalwart League Member **LORITA FISHER**

who passed away May 26, 2021 at the age of 98

*Lorita's unconventional life began with her birth in India to missionary parents. She served as local League President multiple times for a total of six years, and over time took on many Board roles including Voter Editor.*

*"Lorita knew her time was coming and accepted it with great grace. I hope I can be as brave as she has been. We will all miss her."*

**Sharon Miller**

*"Lorita,  
Stands straight and tall  
near and clear  
Gives her best to all.*

*Thank you for those years"*  
**Philomene Smith**



*"Lorita was an inspirational woman to me and many, many others. She really lived her values, and the world would be far better off if more people followed her lead. One of Lorita's many stories that I found particularly charming was this: when her husband, Glen, proposed moving to the Monterey Peninsula from the East Coast in 1984, Lorita told him that was fine with her... as long as there was a Unitarian Church and a League of Women Voters chapter. Luckily for all of us, the Monterey Peninsula has both."*

**Nancy Baker Jacobs**


*"I served on the board with Lorita in different capacities for both of us over the years. But my fondest memories are of the musicals she created and which I sang in or played the piano for. We did them for several years as part of the Annual Meeting in May.*

*What fun that was!"* **Marilyn Maxner**

*"At its June 8 meeting, the **Monterey County Board of Supervisors** adjourned in honor of Lorita. I made comments from her obituary and centered on her overarching desire to make the world a better place for all. Could there be anything more inspiring than that? I remember Lorita fondly as President of the LWV and a cherished friend to my "other mother" Janice O'Brien. Lorita indeed made a difference locally and globally by her selfless commitment to others."* **Mary Adams**

*"I can't remember her exact quote related to League studies and action—something along the lines that 'action without study is not good, but action after study is important!'"* **Janet Brennan**

*"I knew Lorita as a member of the League, the Unitarian Universalist Church and by working together for I-Help. Her intelligence, humor, involvement, and passion for social justice was always inspiring and comforting."* **Pat Mahoney**



*"I was always enlightened from her comments and conversations about her life and experiences both for the woman she was and the world she had known for so long. She'll set to work organizing and enlightening whatever comes next."*

**Carole Erickson**

*"When we moved to Pacific Grove 15 years ago, one of the first things I did was join the League. Lorita stood out because of her intellect and enthusiasm. She has been a pleasure to know."* **Jean Donnelly**

*"Lorita was involved in so many good works. After I met Lorita through the League, I noticed that I saw her at many meetings I went to sponsored by other community groups. I came to believe that if I went to some meeting or government hearing and neither Lorita nor Darby Moss Worth were there, then it wasn't a meeting worth attending."*

*Lorita helped me so much while I was President of the LWVMP that I wanted to give her some token of appreciation. So I had a name tag made up that said:*

*"Lorita Fisher—Member of Everything." She thought it was very funny and wore it a lot."*

**Dennis Mar**

*"I remember her upbeat spirit and her story telling during league meetings. It was like a bright sunshine. She was forever cheerful and full of consideration for others. She told me she had lived a full life—at 98 it is time to go and not to be a burden to others. She even commented on donating her stimulus check to charity."* **Sylvia Shih**

*"I was very lucky to drive Lorita to Planned Parenthood functions. I always looked forward to our car conversations. I would ask her about her experiences in so many countries and she would tell me about the organizations and people she worked and socialized with along with fascinating insights into their cultures. She was dedicated to helping people not only in our community but around the world."* **Lisa Hoivik**

Thank you to **Sandy Smith** for her donation to LWVMC in honor of Lorita.

Thank you to **Peggy Hansen** and **Beverly Kreps**  
for submitting further remembrances.

You can find Lorita's complete obituary at [www.Legacy.com](http://www.Legacy.com).

**Dennis Mar**



**Join the League of  
Women Voters of  
Monterey County**



**MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR  
2021-2022 WERE DUE IN JULY!**

**Renew Your Membership NOW  
if you have not already done so!**

Renew for this program year July 1, 2021  
through June 30, 2022 using the form below,  
or go to <http://lwvmryco.org>.

**New Members Wanted!**

*Any person of voting age, male or female,  
may be a member of the League.*

Use the form below or contact:  
LWVMC Membership Director  
Mail to LWVMryCo PO Box 1995  
Monterey, CA 93942  
Checks payable to LWVMC

**Membership Levels**

- ☐ \$250+ Carrie Chapman Catt
- ☐ \$200 Sojourner Truth
- ☐ \$150 Elizabeth Cady Stanton
- ☐ \$100 Susan B. Anthony
- ☐ \$ 95 Household (2 persons, 1 address)
- ☐ \$ 65 Single membership

Name(s)

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Phone

e-mail

- ☐ Call to remind me of luncheons
- ☐ Scholarship requested

*Membership dues & contributions to  
LWVMryCo are not tax deductible,  
nor are donations to the  
Florence Curlee Scholarship Fund.  
However, donations to the League of  
Women Voters of California Education Fund  
(LWVCEF) are tax deductible.*

**MEMBERSHIP  
UPDATE**

**Welcome new Members!**  
Tom Hoivik / Hersch Loomis  
Jana Matheson / Peter Neumeier  
John Walton

**Thank You to Our Generous Donors**

*~In Memory of Lynn Santos~*  
Margie Kay \$200

*~In Memory of Lorita Fisher~*  
"She was a tireless worker for the League."  
Sandy Smith \$50

*~Florence Curlee Scholarship Fund~*  
Kalah Bumba \$35 / Mary Herendeen \$35

*~LWVC Education Fund~*  
Phil Smith \$250 / Marianne  
Gawain-Davis \$200 / Janet Brennan \$100  
Pat Handler \$50 / Jane Digirolamo \$35  
Kalah Bumba \$25  
Sharon Miller \$25

*~LWVMC General Fund~*  
Anton Prange \$235 / Linda & Howard  
Fosler \$155 / Dennis & Susan Mar \$155  
Ann Clifton \$150 / Fran Gaver \$150  
Mystere Sapia \$135  
Kay Cline & Bill Weigle \$105  
Jennifer & Nickikas Garcia \$105  
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## LWVMC WEBSITE COORDINATOR WANTED

to maintain <http://lwvmryco.org>

### DUTIES INCLUDE:

Updating **website calendar**, **posting official letters** (*provided by President*), **videos** of once-monthly General Meetings (*produced by our Videography Team*), and **monthly newsletter** (*published by our Newsletter Editor*).

TIME: About **two hours a month**. I'm willing to provide **on-the-job guidance** as needed.

**Bob Evans, Retiring Website Coordinator**



## **League of Women Voters of Monterey County**

Office Mariposa Hall, 801 Lighthouse Avenue (corner of Irving), New Monterey CA 93940

### ★ **Officers**

#### **President**

Marianne Gawain\*

#### **Vice President**

Sharon Miller

#### **Secretary**

Dennis Mar

#### **Treasurer**

Marilyn Maxner

### ★ **Directors**

#### **Government**

Howard Fosler\*

#### **Natural Resources**

George Riley\*

#### **Publicity / Luncheon Logistics**

Beverly Bean\*

#### **Social Policy /**

#### **Luncheon Reservations**

Bev Kreps

#### **State & National Action / Membership**

Janet Brennan\*

#### **The Voter Editor**

Regina Doyle

#### **Voter Service**

Sharon Miller

Pamela Stewart

#### **Website Coordinator**

Bob Evans

### ★ **Directors At-Large**

Myrleen Fisher

Konny Murray

Tama Olver

### ★ **Off-Board**

#### **Financial Review Committee**

Dennis Mar

James Emery

#### **Nominating Committee**

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Jeanne Turner

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#### **Student Intern**

Juliet Oliver

#### **Videographer**

Joe Asling

#### **Voter Biographer**

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**LWVMryCo Calendar 2021**



**AUGUST**

LWVMC Board Meeting  
**Monday, 30 August, 11:30am**  
Mariposa Hall, 801 Lighthouse, Monterey  
contact: Marianne Gawain

Natural Resources  
Committee Meeting  
**Thursday, 9 September, 12 noon**  
Zoom Online  
contact: George Riley

**SEPTEMBER**

Redistricting Committee Meeting  
Zoom Online  
**Wednesday, 1st September, 4:30pm**  
contact: Sharon Miller

*to request meeting phone number and code*

LWVMC General Meeting on Zoom  
**Wednesday, 8 September, 12 noon**  
**"Pesticide Use in Monterey County"**  
(see page 1 for details)  
Contact: Beverly Bean

**OCTOBER**

LWVMC Board Meeting  
**Monday, 4 October, 11:30am**  
Mariposa Hall, 801 Lighthouse, Monterey

LWVMC General Meeting on Zoom  
**Wednesday, 13 October, 12 noon**  
**"State & Local Redistricting"**  
contact: Sharon Miller

Natural Resources Committee Meeting  
**Thursday, 14 October, 12 noon**  
Zoom Online  
contact: George Riley