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May events ...

# Candidate Forums this Month

Candidate Forums May 4 Wednesday 6:00 pm May 6 Friday 6:00 pm CLICK HERE to join May 15 Sunday 2:30 pm CLICK HERE

Prepare to cast your well-informed ballotCandidate<br/>ForumsMay 4<br/>Wednesday<br/>6:00 pm<br/>May 6<br/>FridayFiglayThe League will be holding two online forums involving candidates running in<br/>the June 7 Statewide Primary Election, and assisting with a third, multi-race<br/>forum as well. First, on Wednesday, May 4 at 6 pm, 5th District Supervisor<br/>candidates Ted Williams and John Redding will appear via Zoom to present<br/>themselves and answer questions. Pat Dunbar will moderate the forum, Carol<br/>Czadek will collect and present questions submitted via chat, and Jary Stavely<br/>will be the timekeeper. The second forum, on Friday, May 6 at 6 pm, will feature<br/>Michelle Hutchins and Nicole Glentzer, candidates for Mendocino County<br/>Superintendent of Schools. The same League members will officiate. If possible,<br/>please formulate questions ahead of time, and send them to Carol<br/>(norcoel@mcn.org).

Then, on Sunday, May 15, from 2:30 until 5 pm, voters will be able to learn more about the candidates in three races on the ballot—Mendocino County Sheriff, County Superintendent of Schools (again), and 3rd District Supervisor. The schedule runs like this: at 2:30—Matt Kendall (current appointed sheriff running unopposed); 3:15—Nicole Glentzer & Michelle Hutchins; 4:00—John Haschak & Clay Romero. This event can be attended in-person at the Little Lake Grange (at the corner of Pine & School Streets in Willits), or via zoom. It will also be available afterwards via public access Channel 3 online. This forum is being sponsored by WELL (Willits Economic Localization) and the Little Lake Grange, and co-sponsored by the Mendocino Women's Political Coalition and the League of Women Voters of Mendocino County.

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## President's message ... Being a League

Calendar
The format of future meetings is subject to change
May 4Wednesday, 6:00 pmZoomCandidate forum, 5th District Supervisor
May 6Friday, 6:00 pmZoomCandidate forum, County Superintendent of Schools
May 15 Sunday, 2:30 pm Little Lake Grange / Zoom Willits candidate forum (several offices)
June 7 Tuesday, until 8:00 pm mail and polls Gubernatorial Primary Election
June 12 Sunday, 12:00 noon Caspar Community Ctr. LWVMC annual meeting
July 16 Friday, 5:00-7:00 pm Caspar Community Ctr. Meet and Greet Your Elected Officials event

by Dorine Real

If you are a member of the League of Women Voters of Mendocino County, you will find in the same mailing with this *Voter* a packet of information to help you navigate the League's annual meeting on June 12. Please take a moment to look it over and set it aside for the meeting. And as we consider the "nuts and bolts" that allow us to do our nonprofit "business" and interface smoothly with our state and national Leagues, it's also a good time to reflect on what else goes into making us a League.

We are bound together firstly by a love of democracy. Equality and participation matter to us, and we show up to support them. Not just in emergencies (which this is) but year after year, doing the traditional activities many of our mothers participated in, like voter registration, Pros and Cons, and candidate forums. We believe in women. We believe that women (but not only women!) can not only sustain but transform society. The two traditional genders still inhabit distinct subcultures, and this gives women access to ways of perceiving the world and of empathizing and cooperating that have not been part of the dominant "toolkit." In addition to these shared beliefs, we share a desire to work *together*, not just because it's effective, but because it's satisfying. It's what humans do. Working in a group allows us to learn and practice new skills, to encounter new perspectives, to get appreciation for our work and for our uniqueness. Spending time with new and old friends makes doing the things we care about even more enjoyable. As we plan the coming League year, let's all make sure to include the fun of participation in our personal plans.

## Concerning the June Election County Clerk Recorder Katrina Bartolomie addressed an audience of 24 to review

details of the June primary election at a Zoom meeting hosted by the Mendocino County League on April 12. First, she reviewed what will be on the ballot: the countywide offices of Assessor-Clerk Recorder (her position), Auditor-Controller/ Treasurer-Tax Collector (newly combined from what were two previous positions), Sheriff-Coroner, Superintendent of Schools, Supervisors for Districts 3 & 5, one new Superior Court judge (room 7), and a local Measure M (to be considered by voters who live in the Anderson Valley Unified School District). Also on the ballot for what is entitled "The Gubernatorial Primary Election" are the statewide offices of US Senator (2 races, one to finish out the term of Kamala Harris, now Vice-President of the US; and another to fill the new six-year term that starts in January), Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Insurance Commissioner, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Board of Equalization (District 2), US Representative from California District 2, State Senator (also District 2), and State Assemblyman (yet again #2).

Sample ballots are now available online, and will be mailed by April 30. The official ballot, to be mailed by May 9 to every voter, can be returned my mail, by special drop boxes, or at polling places on election day. Katrina told the audience that the drop boxes, first used in the 2020 election, were a big success, and she looks forward to using them again to good effect. They are to be located at her office on Low Gap Road, at the City Halls of Ukiah, Fort Bragg, Willits, and Point Arena, and at the fairgrounds office in Boonville. More than half of the 2020 ballots were returned via the drop boxes, saving the county an "astronomical mount of money."

After her review of the election situation, Katrina took questions and comments from the Zoom audience. Provisional ballots are provided at polling places on election day for voters who are not on the list of registered voters for that polling place. This could be because a) they showed up at the wrong site, b) they want to exercise same day registration/voting, or c) they forgot that they already voted their mail-in ballot. The provisional ballots are kept separate from the others, and counted last, after they have been checked and approved.

When asked about the order in which ballots are counted, she said that the ballots are stored by location, but then retrieved at random, so that no particular area or precinct is counted first (or last), although the early-voting mail-ins do get counted first on election night, since they have already been vetted. The county has new ballot-counting machinery which has speeded up the counting process considerably. Interested residents are invited to come to the Elections Office in Ukiah to see the process first hand. Regarding visiting her office, she said that, although the door on Low Gap Road is locked to limit the number of persons inside at one time, the office is open during regular hours, and no one will be turned away. It is always helpful to arrange an appointment ahead of time.

Observers at the polls must observe certain rules. They are required to sign in, wear observer identification, and sign out when they leave. They can't interfere, or talk to voters within 100 feet of the polling location doors—such interaction is considered "electioneering," and is not allowed. They can watch, and now can take photos, as long as the photo does not show an actual ballot being voted. No one in the 100' restricted area, including voters, may wear or carry any campaign buttons or other material.

Since California adopted the "top two" primary procedure (under which the two highest vote recipients, regardless of party, participate in a runoff election in the event no candidate receives a majority), voters no longer need to be given the partisan ballot for the political party they have registered under. The only election Californians need a partisan ballot for is the Presidential Primary.

At this time, Katrina is aware of no push for Ranked Choice Voting [see April '22 *Voter*] in our county, and is not personally persuaded that now is a good time for it. She feels that her election mechanics have just been upgraded, and would not like to have to change her system right away. It is also much more feasible to implement for charter counties and cities, something Mendocino is not. It would be difficult for our county to join the new California Voting Choice Act (VCA) as Sonoma has done, because it would require the establishment of six separate voting centers, staffed on weekends and after work hours, and her office has a hard time getting enough poll workers, let alone hiring the staff it would take to comply with the VCA provisions.

More On June Primary On May 12 at 3 pm, League member Pat Dunbar will join Alicia Bales of KZYX for another examination of the upcoming June Primary Election, and a review of the League's work. A recorded presentation by Clerk Recorder Katrina Bartolomie will be part of the program, which is intended to co-ordinate with the arrival of ballots in voters' mailboxes.

April meeting ...

Anderson Valley Schools Superintendent Louise Simson also presented information on Measure M, a \$13M bond proposal to be considered only by voters who live in the school district. The bonds would likely be issued in two series, allowing money from the first to become available in a year's time, and more, three years later, all to be repaid in 30 years at an interest cost estimated at \$9M. Although she couldn't advocate one way or another about passage of the measure, she shared some of the reasons it has been put on the ballot: worn-out 70 year-old facilities, raw sewage on a playground, leaky roofs, a shop facility not up to safety standards, classrooms without access to running water. The school district welcomes voters to come see what the needs are—there will be events on its campuses on May 12 & 19. Information is available on the school district website, avpanthers.org.

This event was recorded.

# Women Making a Difference for the Environment

The League of Women Voters of Berkeley Heights, New Providence, and Summit (New Jersey) publishes a newsletter called the Feminist Four which "describes four ways feminists leveraged their cultural and political influence to fight for women's equality in the US," and which is part of its ongoing "Songs of the Suffragists Project," which includes a book, a documentary film and a discussion guide. For Earth Day, the Feminist Four published profiles of four female activists and scientists who have shaped the course of American environmentalism: Ynés Mexía, Rachel Carson, Marjory Stoneman Douglass,

and Quannah Chasinghorse. We share them below. Ynés Mexía (1870–1938) had one of the most influential midlife crises on record, discovering her hugely successful passion for botany at age fifty. She was the first Mexican American female botanist, a field often dubbed too rigorous and unfeminine for women. Mexía's botanical discoveries are still studied today, with over fifty plants named in her honor. At a time when women often had to travel with male guardians, Mexía explored alone. She traveled to the ends of the earth

in order to save it, embarking on expeditions to California, Alaska, and Columbia — sometimes traveling alone by canoe for thousands of miles. Mexía became a keystone activist in protecting California's redwood forests. Her work paved the way for future female environmentalists at a time when both the study of botany and solo travel were male prerogatives.

I don't think there's any place in the world where a woman can't venture.—Ynés Mexía

**Rachel Carson** (1907–1964) is widely considered the mother of modern environmentalism. She captivated the American public with the effects of chemicals and pesticides on both ecosystems and human health in her 1962 book *The Silent Spring*. Her book cultivated a public environmental awareness, paving the way for contemporary environmentalism. Carson's work created intense controversy, and chemical companies launched a series of campaigns to discredit her and her work. They accused her of being everything from a hysterical woman to a communist. Carson was summoned by Congress to testify on her scientific findings, which led directly to the 1972 ban on the pesticide DDT. Her advocacy resulted in the creation of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and she was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1980 for her research. Carson's scientific work, advocacy, and persistence fostered landmark government environmental protections.

The question is whether any civilization can wage relentless war on life without destroying itself, and without losing the right to be called civilized.—Rachel Carson

**Marjory Stoneman Douglass** (1890–1998) started her career as a freelance writer and journalist before publishing *The Everglades: River of Grass* in 1947. Her research and descriptions of the Everglades transformed public perception of the wetlands. At the time, most viewed the Everglades as an overgrown swamp to be developed out of existence. Douglass's book changed popular perception, fostering an appreciation of wetland ecosystems as integral environmental habitats. The Everglades are now a protected National Park in part due to Marjory Douglass's persistence and public outreach. She lived to be 108, and continued to volunteer and advocate for the Everglades until the end of her life. Friends of the Everglades, a foundation Douglass created in 1969, is still actively working to conserve and restore the Everglades today.

Marjory was ... a prophet, calling out to us to save the environment for our children and our grandchildren. —Lawton Charles, 41st Governor of Florida Quannah Chasinghorse (b. 2002) of the Gwich'in tribe uses her multifaceted talents to bring awareness to environmental issues. As both a community leader and a rising supermodel, Chasinghorse created a public consciousness about the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. A protected sanctuary for nearly fifty years, Congress approved the sale of gas and oil development leases in the 20 million acre refuge in 2017. To protect this Alaskan wilderness, Chasinghorse and her affectionately-named, "auntie squad," have been leading an intergenerational female indigenous protest movement. Chasinghorse and the Gwich'in activists spoke out in favor of a bill to end oil and gas extractions in the Refuge, but their sponsored legislation stalled in the Senate. Instead of letting Congress's failure to act defeat them, the activists turned their attention toward a different kind of power. Since the founding of the U.S., corporations have wielded enormous influence, and harnessing corporate power can sometimes be more impactful than winning a political victory. In this case, environmental activists lobbied financial institutions to pursue a divestment strategy. In 2021, their efforts were a success: without financing by U.S. or Canadian banks, the government's attempt to lease oil and gas extraction rights failed to earn the U.S. government an adequate return, making future leases of oil and gas rights a less attractive means for raising revenue. By using her spotlight as a fashion model for Calvin Klein and other brands to promote her message, Chasinghorse has won needed public attention to her environmental causes. The line between maintaining a movement's integrity and working within the system to spread awareness is one that activists have had to walk throughout history, and one that Quannah Chasinghorse walks today.

## Skunk Train City's suit moves ahead

from City of Fort Bragg

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On Thursday, April 28, citing an abundance of case law and legal precedent, Judge Clayton L. Brennan of the Mendocino County Superior Court ruled against Skunk Train operator Mendocino Railway's motion to dismiss a lawsuit filed by the City of Fort Bragg (City) concerning the City's ability to exercise authority over land use within city boundaries. In ruling for the City, the Court found that excursion service railroads like the Skunk Train "are not operating as public utilities and should not be regulated by the [California Public Utilities Commissions] as such."

Ruling on Demurrer to the Complaint

Ruling on Motion to Strike

This early decision of the court is an important step in dispelling the falsehood that the Skunk Train is a public utility and therefore not subject to local regulatory oversight. The City is committed to ensuring that development on the former Georgia Pacific Mill Site meets the needs and character of the community, that environmental hazards are appropriately remediated, and that current and future public infrastructure requirements are addressed with water supply, sewer facilities and roads.

Since acquiring 272 acres of coastal land, which comprises approximately a third of the land within city limits, Mendocino Railway has not acted in good faith with regard to development within the City of Fort Bragg. Rather than seeking a Coastal Development Permit application and committing to abide by the same rules as all other developers, Mendocino Railway has instead claimed to operate as a common carrier public utility. If unchallenged, this common carrier determination would allow Mendocino Railway to strategically claim exemption from local and state regulations, and bypass the community's ability to participate in planning reuse of the site.

As such, late last year the City filed a lawsuit in Mendocino County Superior Court disputing Mendocino Railway's claim. In response, Mendocino Railway promptly submitted a legal pleading, known as a Demurrer, requesting dismissal of the case. The basis of this request rested on the false assumption that by virtue of Mendocino Railway's status as a federally regulated railroad and public utility, the Mendocino County Superior Court lacks jurisdiction, or is preempted from even considering the City's lawsuit.

However, citing extensive legal precedent, as well as a previous California Public Utilities Commission determination that Mendocino Railway "is not engaged in interstate transportation-related activities but rather simply provides a sightseeing excursion loop service," the Court ruled that Mendocino Railway's preemption argument is overly broad.

The City now looks forward to this case progressing toward a resolution that results in a declaration from the Court that Mendocino Railway is not exempt from local land-use authority.

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May is Mental Health Month. Manzanita Services, an organization which serves individuals with severe and persistent mental health considerations living inland in the county, is holding a Summit for the Community on May 6 from 9 am til 5 pm at the Ukiah Valley Conference Center, 200 S. School St. in Ukiah. An email message from Wellness Center Program Manager Laurie Fisher to community leaders reads in part, "For the past several months the Peer Teams at Manzanita's Wellness Centers in Ukiah and Willits have worked with peers and volunteers to highlight concerns, issues, ideas that persons with lived experience [can] bring to the table—ideas and knowledge which can empower and support people to transform the mental health system. Our goal is to work with community members, policy leaders and other organizations to develop better understanding and clearer outcomes during a time of change and challenge. Please join us for the May is Mental Health Month Community Summit."

You can register online; for further information contact Ms. Fisher at

# Youth Voter Registration Project Continues

laurief@manzanitaservices.org.

### Push on for making enough buttons



The Mendocino County Board of Education has voted to continue its collaboration with the League by creating 4,000 new voter information packets to distribute to high school students. The packets are a key component of the League's Youth Voter Registration Project to promote the civic engagement of young people. A news release from the county Office of Education (MCOE) reads, "The packet is a 'gift' to celebrate new voters and build on civic education that occurs in schools, by engaging young people in the electoral process— encouraging them to register to vote and teaching them to register their peers. Packets contain a student-designed button, a pocket U.S. Constitution, and a wallet card with relevant civic engagement links."

League Co-President Cindy Plank is quoted in the press release: "We want to make voter registration a rite of passage for all students. Our hope is that it will be easy to keep this information handy and students will find themselves checking those sources often, and sharing information with their friends and family." She invites all who have an interest to help her prepare the myriads of buttons needed. To volunteer, send a message to info@lwvmendo.org.

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# News from our Friends

Cancer Assistance Fundraiser from Paula Cohen

Calling walkers and runners! The Cancer Resource Centers of Mendocino County is holding its 22nd annual Walk & Paddle for Cancer at Big River State Park on May 14. I propose that our League members form a team to walk in honor of Patricia Marien, who passed away in February after her fourth round of cancer. If you are interested in being part of this team, call Paula (707-937-1914). For further information about CRC and their no-cost services, visit their website, crcmendocino.org.

### Garden Plots Still Available

from Sydney Grange, Garden Friendly Community Hi all! We still have 7 beds open at the South Lincoln Street Community Garden (on site of the CV Starr Center in Fort Bragg). Each bed is 50 square feet. Please apply if you're interested and especially if you don't already have space to grow food. For an application, click here: gfcgardensfortbragg.org/ garden.html

**GRI's Alternative Energy Initiative Continues** 

### from Peter McNamee, GrassRoots Institute

Good news from the County Board of Supervisors: the Board has approved a grant application to move ahead with the addition of solar panels and a battery storage system on the Willits county library! The measure, as presented in the board packet, is for the "Willits Branch Library Roof, Alternative Energy Panels, & Battery Back-up Project to the Building Forward Library Infrastructure Program administered by the California State Library for funding of \$249,536, with Library Budget Unit 6110 or other provided matching funds of \$249,537 with the project total of \$499,073."

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Peter also shared a link to "a data driven assessment of the progress to date towards converting to clean renewable energy and how much still needs to be done:"

### Supportive Senior Housing Project

On April 25 Kristy Tanguay, Chief Operating Officer of Parents and Friends, Inc., issued the following public statement:

Parents and Friends, Inc has begun construction on a new senior residential care facility in Fort Bragg. Residents will move into the new site in 2023. People now tend to outlive their family homes and caregivers, so a new residential care facility in Fort Bragg is the logical and necessary next step to creating supportive housing that allows individuals to age in place in their community.

The new senior care home is scheduled to open in 2023 and is the result of an ongoing collaboration between Parents and Friends, Inc. and the City of Fort Bragg. The city received a Community Development Block Grant to construct a public-serving facility for low-income seniors requiring specialized care. Parents and Friends currently operates one specialized care home in Fort Bragg and will also operate the new facility when it is complete.

"We began this project 12 years ago to fill a need for senior housing and to expand housing in general for our community. It is finally coming to fruition during a time when this need is greater than ever to benefit the health and welfare of our maturing community," said Rick Moon, CEO of Parents and Friends, Inc. "Parents and Friends has a long and successful history of taking care of our vulnerable populations and this new facility will help even more people." Adams Commercial General Contracting is the prime construction contractor for the project, working with several local subcontractors to complete the work under

the project, working with several local subcontractors to complete the work under the direction of K Boodjeh Architects. For more information, or to watch the construction progress online, visit our blog.

### HAT Begins Vacation Rental Campaign

Local Districts ...

The shortage of homes on the Mendocino Coast has reached crisis proportions. HAT (the Housing Action Team - Mendocino Coast) is pursuing multiple strategies. We have been discussing the vacation rental problem with our supervisors for several months. This week we are launching a drive to show public support for a Short-Term Rental Ordinance that would stop the conversion of houses to vacation rentals. Learn more and sign our letter to the Supervisors at hatmendocoast.org.

And in case you missed it, State Senator Mike McGuire's early April presentation about possible solutions to the homelessness crisis was recorded.

# Redistricting Finishing Up

Redistricting has taken place for the community college trustee areas in Mendocino and Lake Counties. Drawing new maps was required not only by the 2020 census, but also by the transfer of the north coast school districts and the Fort Bragg campus from the College of the Redwoods to Mendocino College in 2017. The new map shows Mendocino Unified voters as part of Trustee Area 4, and Fort Bragg Unified voters in Trustee Area 5. Trustee elections are scheduled for Areas 2, 5, and 6 in November, 2022. Meanwhile, in the Ukiah Unified School District, for several months trustees have been in the process of drawing new maps in order to move to by-trustee area elections, a change from the current atlarge process. The maps under consideration for selection at the April 27 school

board meeting can be viewed online.

# From the California League Desk

Ranked Choice Voting With the backing of organizations that preserve voting rights, we submitted a joint letter of opposition to AB 2808, and League representatives gave compelling testimony at the California State Capitol to protect ranked-choice voting—a style of voting that enables more democratically representative results, increased voter turnout, and more diverse elected representation.

### Voter Education & Outreach

We requested an \$85 million budget allocation for voter education and outreach. Once approved, these funds will ensure state and county election officials have the funding they need to counter disinformation, and ensure that all eligible California voters have full and equitable access to the ballot. This is critical to defending the integrity of our democracy and increasing voter participation – especially among underrepresented communities.

#### Voter Registration

We co-sponsored AB 2841 to protect voters from being removed from voter rolls without notice. We partnered with the American Civil Liberties Union California Action to prevent mistaken registration purges of eligible voters and protect the voting rights of people with disabilities under conservatorship.

### Advocacy

The California League has announced its Trudy Schafer Fellowship for Public Policy award for 2022–23. Dr. Trudy Schafer was a gifted and dedicated lobbyist for the League for 25 years. "Each year, the League of Women Voters of California welcomes a new Public Policy Fellow who joins us to get hands-on experience in advocacy, lobbying, coalition building, public education, organizing, and all of the skills an advocate needs to understand to build a successful career in public policy." This year's Fellow is Adrianna Champagne-Zamora.

# From the National League

### New Supreme Court Justice

"The last few weeks marked a new chapter for America's highest court—one that includes a Black woman. The League of Women Voters welcomes Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson to her historic confirmation as the next United States Supreme Court Justice. As the only Supreme Court Justice with experience as a public defender, she brings to the Court a long-needed perspective encompassing all aspects of the legal process.

"Judge Jackson's appointment is a historic confirmation. We hope this will be a turning point in America and will set a precedent for the appointment of more diverse courts and therefore a more equitable judicial system. We applaud the US Senate for voting to confirm Judge Jackson and thank President Biden for delivering on his promise to name a Black woman to the highest court in the land. We look forward to seeing the impact Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson's perspective will have on voting rights and democracy as the next Supreme Court Justice of the United States. We believe that women hold the power to create a more perfect democracy and Judge Jackson's appointment is a defining moment in this fight."

### -LWVUS President Dr. Deborah Ann Turner

Make equality part of the Constitution A new resolution has been introduced in the US House affirming that the Equal Rights Amendment has met all of the requirements needed to be added to the US Constitution. Urge your representative to support H.R. 891.

And urge the Senate to support the E.R.A. with Senate Joint Res. 1

National Convention

Registration and hotel reservations for the 2022 Convention are now open. Convention will take place June 23 – June 27 in Denver, CO, and online. Find more information and register online. We are adding caucus and workshop details to the agenda as we continue to confirm information.

### Gerrymandering

Last March marked the three year anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision that partisan gerrymandering cannot be limited. In the following link, litigator Allison Riggs recounts her experience representing the LWV of North Carolina in *Rucho v. Common Cause,* and how we can continue to stand up for fair maps.

### Land Acknowledgement

The League of Women Voters of Mendocino County wishes to honor the land we are on and its native peoples. We want to offer recognition and respect; to counter the "doctrine of discovery" with the true story of the people who were already here; to support larger truthtelling and reconciliation efforts; and to remind ourselves that colonization is still happening. We acknowledge that the land where we live and work is un-ceded territory of indigenous peoples since time began. We are surrounded by the traditional, ancestral territory and current homeland of many indigenous nations.

### Contact LWVMC

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By email: voter@mcn.org

Our website: lwvmendo.org

Our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/LWVMendo1

### LWV Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, strives to increase understanding

of major public policy issues, and influences public policy

### Sturdy Links

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Willits candidate forum: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86886311390?, meeting ID: 868 8631 1390, passcode: 123710; watch later vimeo.com/user12621308
Sample ballot online: mendocinocounty.org/government/assessor-county-clerk-recorder- elections/election-candidate-information
Recording of April meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/GFLmC7_voWCPAnSvkS- mmulTYDeO8IwlPPb6gBqe795uuRPAidAUaegSzfMQ_vMg.P-Ozxw5ZudfskD8b. Use passcode: uTM*a2ji.
DDT: https://www.epa.gov/ingredients-used-pesticide-products/ddt-brief-history-and-status
Corporate rights: https://www.amazon.com/We-Corporations-American-Businesses-Rights/ dp/1631495445/
Arctic oil leases: https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2021/03/14/indigenous- advocacy-transformed-fight-over-oil-drilling-arctic-refuge/
Mental health summit: camhpro.org/lead/summits;
Cancer Resource Center: crcmendocino.org/walk-and-paddle
Garden Friendly Community: gfcgardensfortbragg.org/garden.html
U.S progress on clean energy: ember-climate.org/countries-and-regions/countries/united-
states-of-america/
Supportive senior housing: www.parentsandfriends.org/blog
Mendocino College trustee districts: www.mendocino.edu/sites/default/files/draft_1_b.pdf.
Ukiah School District trustee districts: www.uusd.net/apps/news/article/1590676
Ruling on Demurrer to the Complaint: https://www.city.fortbragg.com/home/showdocument? id=3240&t=637868492003322926
Ruling on Motion to Strike: https://www.city.fortbragg.com/home/showdocument? id=3242&t=637868492009104116
Ranked choice voting: ct3.blob.core.windows.net/21blobs/1c668879-e51f-4433- b3e4-1275e80732d2
Voter outreach budget request: my.lwv.org/sites/default/files/ legislative_budget_request_for_2022-2023 _funding_for_voter_education_and_outreach.pdf.
Disabled voter protection: ct3.blob.core.windows.net/21blobs/48091d73- a34c-4880-8b1a-48510a6779c3
Trudy Schafer Fellow: lwvc.org/news/introducing-2022-23-trudy-schafer-fellow-public- policy-meet-adrianna-champagne-zamora
House resolution accepting ERA: participate.lwv.org/c/10065/p/dia/action4/common/public/; scroll down for Senate action
National convention: convention.lwv.org;convention.lwv.org/agenda
Gerrymandering: lwv.org/blog/woman-who-argued-rucho-v-common-cause-looks-back
League Links
To join the LWVMC Zoom meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82319138585? pwd=ODJQVktrdEQ3WExwWVU3MCttcHgwUT09
Mendocino County League's website: https://my.lwv.org/california/mendocino-county
Mendocino County League's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/LWVMendo1