

Dear LWVHC Members:

Thank you for voting on November 6th and helping to preserve and strengthen our democracy in the process. And thanks to those of you who served at the polls. I hope we have had some election results by the time you receive the Voter. It is an important election that may have substantial consequences in the future. I trust that the VotersEdge.org/ca web site that is managed by the LWVC was very helpful to you. Our local League helps support VotersEdge thanks to your financial support for our local League.

The League was recently asked to help register voters at a monthly meeting of the Affordable Homeless Housing Alternatives (AHHA) General Assembly. I took our voter service materials to the event, but all those who attended were already registered.

**Ms. Judy Hedgpeth** represented the Elections Office and did an excellent job of explaining various ways to register and vote even if you don't have a home or postal address. **Ms. Edie Jessup** of AHHA organized our conversation and took notes. One of the points that **Edie** made was that even people in jail can vote. I will ask the Board to consider the possibility of the League working with our Sheriff to educate people in jail as well as people who are living in assisted living facilities or are in a hospital on election day.

I learned recently that you can get flu shots for free at local pharmacies. If you have not had your shot, please consider it.

Lastly, the League needs a Communication Director. This person works with the website/Facebook chair, the chair of traditional media publicity and the editor of the Voter. Please let me know if you are interested.

Have a good month and thanks again for being member of our League.

**Rollin Richmond**  
President

### ***Our Mission Statement...***

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

### **TRIBAL ELECTION**

By *Byrd Lochtie*

On Saturday, October 6, 2018 the Wiyot Tribe on Table Bluff held another election. LWVHC monitored the election, counted the ballots, and certified the results. This is a service we provide and it adds a bit of money to our bank account. I appreciate those Leaguers who volunteered to set up and take down the booths we borrow from the county, staff the table and count the ballots. A big thank you to **Dottie Riffenburg, Hawley Riffenburg, Deborah Downs, Thea Gast, Sharolyn Hutton, Bev Post, and Kathy Johanson**. It's a long day for a few voters—more than half the ballots are mailed in—but this is a service that is appreciated by the tribe because they trust the League to be fair and honest. Our reputation IS important!

### **REMEMBER!!!**

**NOMINATIONS** for the  
**STATE OF THE COMMUNITY**  
**AWARDS** are due in the League  
P.O. Box by **DECEMBER 1, 2018.**

Use the form in this VOTER and send  
in **YOUR** nomination now!

## The League Educates Voters on Ballot Propositions

Eleven ballot propositions were the topics of three presentations that League members brought to local voters. The Fortuna Chamber of Commerce, Timber Ridge in McKinleyville, and an OLLI Brown Bag lunch were the venues where League members talked about the current status of the topics, the changes proposed, and the pros and cons of each ballot proposition. Proponents and opponents, as well as the financial supporters of each side, were also described.

I want to thank **Julie Kelly, Byrd Lochtie,** and **Deborah Downs** for joining me on this Pros and Cons committee. They researched each proposition and presented them as well. The research was time-consuming, but the presentations were well prepared and neutral. The presenters were able to answer questions about the propositions while maintaining a completely unbiased attitude. The wonderful thing about working on this committee is that when it was time for each of us to complete our own ballots, we really knew how we wanted to vote on each proposition!

The Easy Voter Guide (EVG), prepared by the state League, was in demand this year. We had to print more to keep up with the local demand. Voters even called our League office about receiving an EVG. Next time we will order more of them.

As our mission statement asserts, the League “works to increase understanding of major public policy issues,” and that is what we did this year with the ballot propositions.

**Nancy Kay**  
**Director of Community Education**

### New League Members

Diane Dickson	Catherine Koshkin
Susan Diehl McCarthy	Elizabeth Phillips
Carolyn Prescott	

Join us for a  
**Holiday Celebration**  
 December 11th 6 p.m.

Bring a gift for a young person,  
 enjoy good company



3212 Zelia Court, Arcata  
 (near Alliance and Spear)

### REAL TIME WITH THE LEAGUE

By *Carol Masterson*

Voters in Eureka, Arcata, and Harbor District Division 4 were (and still are) able to see their candidates answering questions on TV and online in six major races in this run-up-to-election season. McKinleyville and Trinidad Chambers of Commerce and the Trinidad Civic Club hosted forums in their respective town halls for their local races as well. The TV crews at PBS North Coast/KEET-TV and Access Humboldt did a splendid job putting us out there to reach as many voters as possible.

Best of all for me was getting to work alongside this merry band of forum frequenters, in various configurations, all meshing together like the well-oiled machine to which some politicians aspire. **Byrd Lochtie, Elaine Weinreb, Deborah Downs, George Ojala, Nancy Kay, Dottie Riffenburg, Patricia-Anne WinterSun, George WinterSun, Kathy Johanson, Rollin Richmond, Emily Gunderson, Sharolyn Hutton, Judy Geppert, Sylvia Shaw, Mary Lou Lowry, Hawley Riffenburg, Willa Mauro, Margaret Wallace, Cindy Humphry, Ted Humphry, Donna Clark, and Jim Clark** made up the forum corps this time. Patricia-Anne and Deborah each worked at six of the eight forums, Elaine at five. Byrd, Sharolyn, and Nancy split the podium duties. These dedicated volunteers quicken my heart rate every time they show up and make this most fundamental League activity successful year after year. We all need to thank them again and again. They could be thought of as the backbone of this organization.

## Voter Registration All Over the County!!!

Getting voters registered is a key part of our mission as a League, and as such, from the end of September through much of October, I am proud to report that LWVHC members participated in a variety of voter registration activities throughout the county. It all began when we decided to participate in National Voter Registration Day on September 25. After participating in a webinar with Leagues from around the country as well as partner organizations about National Voter Registration Day (this year's theme was "Midterms on My Terms"), I decided that this was a perfect venue for LWVHC. So, with the approval of the LWVHC Board, I reached out to several local organizations (NAACP, AAUW, HSU Associated Students) to see if they'd like to be involved. As the date approached, Erik Salholm from Open Door Clinics approached the Board to see if his organization could work with LWVHC on voter registration in Open Door Clinics in Eureka and Fortuna, and we were off!

The first thing was to train volunteers, both Leaguers and non-League members. We had a lively training on Sunday afternoon on September 23 in which 19 people were trained on the ins and outs of voter registration. Five non-League members from AAUW and Open Door Clinic were present at the training.

On National Voter Registration Day (September 25), Leaguers staffed voter registration booths at HSU, CR, and the Open Door Clinics in Eureka and Fortuna. At HSU, Associated Students became excited about the idea and a number of campus and community organizations joined us for voter registration in the campus quad. Between all four locations, we registered over 80 voters, adding our numbers to the 800,000 registrations nationwide.

But it didn't stop there! On October 6 and 7, Leaguers registered voters at the NorthCoast Stand Down. We registered voters at the North Country Fair. Dottie Riffenberg represented LWVHC at a voter registration event at Fortuna High School and shared information about the importance of registering and voting. We registered voters again at HSU on October 17 and on October 18 at the Eureka Open Door Clinic. All in all, we registered over 100 voters and distributed lots of information, guidance and encouragement to new and experienced voters. Though our registration numbers were not huge, I can't help but feel that our efforts were truly worthwhile.

MANY people are to be thanked for this effort. Some of the people I will mention worked several shifts in various locations. To all of the people below, MANY THANKS!!!

Thank you to:

**Yvonne Doble, Deborah Downs, Kathy Johanson, Meg Stofsky, Patricia-Anne WinterSun, Andrea Suttell, Donna Clark, Dottie Riffenburg, Chris Will, Rollin Richmond, Hawley Riffenburg, Katy Garrison, Carol Bess, Erik Salholm, Connor Alston, Carol Masterson, Sylvia Shaw, Wendy Harden, and Kay Escarda.**

My apologies if I missed anyone or misspelled any names!

Since the voter registration deadline for the November 6 election is October 22, we're done for the year. Stay tuned for other fun voter service activities in the future!

*Anne Hartline*

**LWVHC Voter Service Director**

**League of Women Voters of Humboldt County**  
**2019 State of the Community Luncheon Civic Contribution Award Nomination**

Each year, at the State of the Community Luncheon, the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County honors individuals and/or groups for contributing to our community. We are now accepting nominations for those you feel deserve this special recognition for their contributions. Please nominate a person or organization you feel should be considered for this honor and why.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to contact you (phone, email, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit nomination by December 1, 2018 to:

State of Community Luncheon  
P.O. Box 3219,  
Eureka, CA 95502

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Fax: 443-7873 or E-mail: [vote@lwvhc.org](mailto:vote@lwvhc.org)

**In what way has this person/group made a positive contribution to Humboldt County?**

Name of Group/Individual to be Nominated \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL, EMAIL OR FAX YOUR CHOICE FOR THIS YEAR'S STATE OF THE COMMUNITY  
LUNCHEON RECIPIENT!

### The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County

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### Who's who in the League?!

#### 2018-2019 BOARD

President.....Rollin Richmond  
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Voter Editor.....Julie Kelly  
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### Renew Now or Help Someone Become a LWVHC Member!

Membership in the League of Women Voters, the most respected and effective grassroots organization in the country, is open to men and women of all ages. Our members make a visible difference by serving as community leaders using their experience to create positive, lasting change in our communities.

Membership dues and donations to the LWVHC are not tax-deductible.

Donations to the LWVHC-Education Fund, through the Humboldt Area Foundation, are tax deductible.

Annual Dues are due each year on July 1st

Visit [www.LWVHC.org](http://www.LWVHC.org) or mail the form below!

Please make checks payable to LWVHC, P.O. Box 3219, Eureka, CA 95502.

Yes! I want to join the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County and become a voice for citizens and a force for change.

I also want to gift a membership!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I am enclosing for my annual membership renewal:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**FOLLOW US —**  
**WE HAVE SEVERAL WAYS!!**

*WEBSITE = [lwvhc.org](http://lwvhc.org)*

*FACEBOOK = League of Women Voters Humboldt County*

*TWITTER = @LWVHumboldt*



**Join Now!**

**Past STATE OF THE COMMUNITY Award Winners**

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|---------------------------------|---|---|
| 1992 - Sally Upatisringa        | 2004 - Kathryn Corbett  | 2013 - Sylvia Noel Douglas & Dave Douglas           |
| 1993 - Leon & Jean Wagner       | Friends of the Redwood Libraries  | Food for People                                     |
| 1994 - David T. Davis           | 2005 - Evergreen Lodge (American Cancer Society, College of the Redwoods, Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka & St. Joseph Health System) | 2014 - Jimmy Smith                                  |
| John Gierek, Sr.                |   | CASA of Humboldt County                             |
| The Humboldt Open Door Clinic   |   | 2015 - Ruth Mountaingrove                           |
| 1995 - Dr. Doris K Niles        | 2006 - Kay Escarda  | Helen Person  |
| Humboldt Literacy Project       | KINS - For Talk Soup  | Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods                   |
| 1996 - Dale Neiman              | 2007 - Marge Custis   | 2016 - Hospice of Humboldt                          |
| The Foodworks Culinary Center   | Jan Kraepelien  | Redwood Empire Quilters Guild                       |
| 1997 - David Lehman             | 2008 - Dr. Douglas Jager  | Judith Stoffer                                      |
| Eureka Elks Lodge #652          | Gwynna Morris   | 2017 - Access Humboldt                              |
| 1998 - The North Coast Journal  | 2009 - Arcata Community Recycling Ctr   | Marianne Pennekamp                                  |
| Carol Masterson                 | Carol Jacobson & the Eureka Symphony  | 2018 - Berry Diehl and the Ferndale Community Choir |
| Sandra Warshaw                  | 2010 - Rose Baker   | NAMI - Humboldt                                     |
| 1999 - Sally Arnot              | Humboldt Community Breast Health Project  | National Alliance on Mental Illness                 |
| Ken Collins                     | 2011 - Byrd Lochtie   |   |
| 2000 - Ina Harris               | Humboldt Sponsors   |   |
| Simona Keat                     | 2012 - P.J. "Paul" Nicholson  |   |
| Alex Stillman                   | North Coast Stand Down  |   |
| 2001 - KEET-TV                  |   |   |
| Ron Perry                       |   |   |
| 2002 - Humboldt Araa Foundation |   |   |
| Muriel Dinsmore                 |   |   |

**County of Humboldt**

**Office of Elections**

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Eureka, CA 95501  
(707) 445-7481

[www.humboldt.gov.org/elections](http://www.humboldt.gov.org/elections)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

October 23, 2018

**CONTACT: Kelly Sanders**

**Registrar of Voters**  
(707) 445-7481

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA:** Today is the first day of Conditional Voter Registration and Provisional Voting, and the Humboldt County Office of Elections will be offering this service to eligible voters who missed the 15 day registration deadline or for those who haven't had an opportunity to update their address information for the upcoming election. Beginning today, October 23rd and continuing through Election Day, November 6 th , individuals have the opportunity to come to the Humboldt County Elections Office, complete a voter registration form, and receive a provisional ballot. Under this law, once the county elections official processes the voter registration form, determines the individual's eligibility to register, and validates the individual's information, the registration becomes permanent and the provisional ballot is counted.

Individuals can register to vote online at [www.registertovote.ca.gov](http://www.registertovote.ca.gov) prior to coming to the Humboldt County Office of Elections to vote a provisional ballot.

The Humboldt County Office of Elections is located at 2426 6 th Street, Eureka, and is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Election Day, November 6 th , the Office of Elections is open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. For questions or additional information, call (707) 445-7481.



P.O. Box 3219  
Eureka, CA 95502

To:

## New Board Member Bio

Hello! I'm **Jessica Snow** and I'm currently serving on the board of the LWVHC and am in charge of press releases and traditional media. I've always been interested in politics and am quite outspoken about it, but the 2016 election made me realize just how vital voter education is, and how necessary voting is.

I graduated from Humboldt State in 2014 with a major in Journalism and currently work at the Humboldt County Library in Eureka - needless to say, supplying correct information to the masses is incredibly important to me.

I was born and raised in Humboldt County, and currently live in Arcata with my fiancé, dog, and cat. In my free time, you can find me baking, reading, or manically chanting "Pinterest said this was easy!" while getting in over my head with a home renovation project.

### Board Briefs

By *Patricia-Anne Wintersun*

In September & October your Board:

- Voted to support Measure O
- Was introduced to our @LWVHumboldt Twitter account.  
⇒ Everyone should join Twitter to retweet and follow us
- Decided to place ads in Times-Standard: *Vote with the League* and supporting Measure