



## August is Strategic Planning Month!

by Kristina Fruneaux, LWVNOC President

It's August already, and this is the month when we prepare to come back in the fall in full swing. Our annual Strategic Planning meeting is once again going to be held at the ROP Center in Anaheim from 10am-2pm on Thursday, August 24. Strategic Planning is an important part of what we do because it's where we decide how we are going to accomplish what we've said we want to focus on throughout the upcoming year. Additionally, we have new things to discuss, and a few updates and explanations to provide. So definitely plan to attend if you can, even if it's only for part of it. Your thoughts are vitally needed, and very welcome! More information and the RSVP email will be sent out shortly, so be on the lookout! See you there!



Kristina Fruneaux,  
LWVNOC President



## Feeling Creative?

Donate a **BASKET** for the Sept. 21, 2023 Kickoff Luncheon !!  
Suggestions: Wine or cocktail selection, Kitchen gadgets, Fragrance / Lotions, Christmas Decorations, Thanksgiving Items, Pet toys and care products...

**BASKETS' theme** due to Jan U [janurban714@gmail.com](mailto:janurban714@gmail.com)  
or Jennifer T [jmtbrea@aol.com](mailto:jmtbrea@aol.com) by Fri. August 4th !!

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**Serving Brea, Cypress, Buena Park, Cypress, La Habra, La Palma, Yorba Linda**

**Greetings! Thank you for joining LWVNOC! Welcome!**

**We need your skill set, your creativity, and your willingness to make a difference!**

**Hi! My name is Jan Urban, LWVNOC member since 2011. I participate on 2 committees with folks I have come to admire, and with whom I have great collaborative relationships. I would LOVE to have you join me. This is an official invitation to participate in either ( or both!) the Special Events Committee and/or the Voter Services Committee.**

*This year, our LWV Chapter was singled out as the fastest growing League in our State!*

*Here is a brief overview. Please let us know which ones you are interested in!*

### **Special Events:**

Duties: Organization & Fundraising

Members Needed: 2

#### **Events:**

-Annual February Birthday Celebration  
(cake with Lunch With League).

-Annual Field Trip- sign ups

-Annual Kickoff and Silent Luncheon

Fundraiser, coordinating

business and League donors

-December Holiday gathering at a local

member's home

-Great Way to get to know League members!

### **Voter Services:**

Duties: Organization & Facilitation

of Candidate Forums and Pros & Cons

events in every other election cycle

Members Needed: 6-25

#### **Events:**

- Site visits to City Councils and  
school districts to schedule September- Primary  
locations for Forums in the 8 cities we serve.

- Candidate Outreach- help facilitate restaurant or  
scheduled Forums to educate voters

-Training in early September for all

Volunteers

***Voter Services is the heart and soul of LWVNOC's purpose!  
Voter Engagement!***

*I am so looking forward to speaking with you! Please feel free to call me or email me. Jan Urban*

*LWVNOC Co-Chair Special Events/ Voter Services 714-423-5802*

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## Advocacy by Richard Larsen

\* Early July it was reported by Sue Guilford (COCA) that at an OC Board of Supervisor (BOS) meeting someone brought up the subject of eliminating mail-in ballots and extended voting times in OC. We are investigating means of monitoring the goings on at the OC BOS with the aid of information provided from Wanda Shaffer since she did this before. There are two meetings a month, and they run all morning and into the afternoon. There are agendas and reports, and the meetings can be attended in person or by phone, or on video, either live or viewed afterward. Once some ideas are established on the monitoring and reporting, we will see if this chore can be done by and reported to all three OC Leagues. That way a concerted response to BOS actions can be developed, perhaps thru the ILO.

\* Another BOS issue came up and was reported by LWVC. Helen Hutchison (LWVC) sent out an email about AB 1416 opt-out by county and recommends local leagues oppose the opt out. [AB 1416](#) (2021-22) requires that ballots list supporters and opponents from the ballot arguments in the Voter Information Pamphlet for all state ballot measures (and state referendums). By default, it also requires them to be listed for all local measures, but it allows Boards of Supervisors to opt out of including them on local measures ballot. San Francisco LWV opposes an opt out by its BOS because opting out makes it more difficult to determine advocates and opponents on local bills. Meanwhile Contra Costa County and Sonoma County LWV approve of an opt out since it reduces the cost of the voting ballots and they note the information is in the Voting Pamphlet. This effort is still being investigated for Orange County.

\* A petition request from Common Cause was distributed to our Advocacy members to condemn the ACE Act, a bill to increase voter suppression and dark money that is in the works: House radicals have unveiled a bill that would open the spigots of dark money nationwide and make voting more difficult, especially in D.C. What they are calling the Act integrates nearly 50 stand-alone bills that House radicals have introduced to please their grass-roots base and major donors.

This partisan power grab masquerading as a defense of election integrity would nullify President Biden's 2021 executive order aimed at making voting easier. It would ban federal agencies from helping register voters or even encouraging people to participate in elections, as well as reduce transparency by ratcheting back disclosure requirements to allow individuals and corporations to stay anonymous more easily as they pour money into electioneering.

\* The LWVC sent out the following notice to Advocacy and Voter Service teams: The League of Women Voters of California and California Common Cause are happy to announce the [release](#) of "Fair Maps in the State of California: The 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission's Successes and Challenges," our comprehensive study of the 2020 CA Citizens Redistricting Commission, highlighting successes, challenges, and opportunities for growth heading into the 2030 cycle. Professor Christian Grose of USC served as the primary author.

\* LWVUS sent out a petition to our Congress to get the ERA included into the Constitution of the United States. This was distributed to our advocacy group on July 21 for action. If anyone else would like a copy, contact Richard Larsen.

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# League of Women Voters of California

This weekend marks the 100th anniversary of Alice Paul introducing the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) at the Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, NY. And the fight is not over!

The ERA will update the US Constitution to protect the equality of rights under the law regardless of sex; but while it has met all ratification requirements, the ERA has not yet been published in the Constitution.

**Tell your elected officials that equality belongs in the Constitution.**



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CALENDAR OF  
EVENTS

Date and Time	Event	Details
Thursday, August 24 10.00am to 2:00pm	Strategic Planning Meeting	At the ROP Center
Thursday, September 21 10:30am	Kickoff Luncheon and Silent Auction	At Coyote Hills Golf Club, located at 1440 E. Bastanchury Rd. Fullerton, CA 92835. ROV Bob Page will speak.



# Orange County Registrar of Voters Will Speak at Our Kick off Luncheon



Bob Page is Registrar of Voters for Orange County, California, the fifth largest voting jurisdiction in the United States, serving more than 1.8 million registered voters.

The Registrar of Voters administers elections, provides access to voter registration, maintains voter registration records, and examines petition signatures. This important work is accomplished in an accessible, fair, accurate, secure, and transparent manner, ensuring eligible citizens of Orange County can have their voices heard as voters and candidates for office.

Mr. Page was appointed Registrar of Voters on March 11, 2022, by County Executive Officer Frank Kim. He is also a member of the Board of Directors for the California Association of Clerks and Election Officials.

Prior to joining Orange County, Mr. Page worked for San Bernardino County for more than 20 years in roles for the Board of Supervisors, the CEO, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, and as the Registrar of Voters from 2018 to 2022. He also previously worked as a newspaper reporter and university and non-profit fund raiser.

Mr. Page grew up in Orange County. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Dartmouth College and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Southern California Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism.

## LWVNOC Current Officers and Directors

### Officers

President	Kristina Fruneaux
Vice-President	Deborah Vagts
Secretary	Bey-Ling Sha
Treasurer	Karen Bender

### Directors

Action/Advocacy Lunch w/ League	Richard Larsen Betty Hammond Jennifer Trafford
Co-Membership	Marcy Fry Barbara Dunsheath
Co-Voter Service	Linda Lockwood Deborah Vagts
Speaker Committee	Kristine Dennehy Jodi Balma
Marketing/Publicity Voter Editor Web Host	Maggie Lee Jim Hill Ed Smith Maggie Lee
Special Events	Jennifer Trafford Jan Urban
Nominating Comm.	Pearl Mann Marcy Fry Position Open

### Off-Board Directors

Read with League	
Past President	Pearl Mann
League Phone	
League Mail Box	Karen Bender
Student Outreach	Jodi Balma
Facebook	Jodi Balma Kristina Fruneaux
Voter's Edge	Betty Hammond

### Observer Corps

Director	Vacant
Fullerton	Eileen Moore



## MEMBER INFORMATION FOR 2022-2023

First Name	Last Name
Email Address	
Street Address	
City	Zip
Phone Number	Cell Number

## MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DONATIONS

- Individual Membership @ \$85
- Two in a household @ \$120
- Free Student Membership
- Donation to the LWVNOC \$\_\_\_\_\_
- Renewal
- Renewal
- Renewal
- Donation to LWVC Education Fund \$\_\_\_\_\_
- New Member
- New Member
- New Member

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Check enclosed (payable to LWVNOC)
- Credit card

Name on Credit Card	
Billing Address	City, Zip
Credit Card Number	
Expiration Date	Security Code

Please circle areas of interest for you and/or add a special interest to you:

Read with League	Education	Climate Change	Affordable Housing/ Homelessness
Observers	Action & Advocacy	Voter Services	Help with Technology/ Communications
Special Events Planning	Fund Raising	Field Trips	

Do you have any skills or background that would support any of these areas?

Yes No

**Please send this completed form to:**

League of Women Voters of North Orange County (LWVNOC)  
PO Box 3073, Fullerton, CA 92834

