

LWV Glendale/Burbank VOTER

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Letter from the President

I hope everyone is enjoying the Summer and staying cool! It was great to see so many members at the annual luncheon. We filled the meeting room at Acapulco and then squeezed in a few additional members! Our speaker, Doug Johnson of the Rose Institute of State and Local Government at Claremont McKenna College, and President of National Demographics Corporation (NDC), provided a thought-provoking presentation of by-district requirements under the California Voting Rights Act. Members attending the meeting reported that it was very informative.

The League supports measures that protect every citizen's right to vote and ensure the government's responsibility to protect this right. As a core issue for the League, this is always a priority issue for action. The challenge is to see that the Act is implemented in a fair and reasonable manner to support minority communities, and not just to generate legal fees for attorneys at the expense of taxpayers. That can be a challenge, but the better informed we are, the more helpful that we can be in addressing these concerns in our local communities. Thanks Doug!

A special thanks to Laurie Collins also for arranging the luncheon and inviting Doug to speak, and to all of the members who helped at the meeting. You're the best!

Read about our upcoming events in this issue of The Voter and please join us!

Sincerely,

Mary L. Dickson, President of LWV-Glendale/Burbank



LWV-G/B Board Retreat

Board members are meeting on July 22 at Burbank Police Department Community Room, 200 N 3rd St, Burbank, CA 91502, beginning at 1pm. Board members will discuss priorities for our local League for the next 12 months. Help us formulate these plans by giving your input now. Email us to let us know what issues are most important to you:

- □ Voter Registration/Voter Education
- □ Civil Discourse
- □ Local Issues Forums/Discussion Groups

Email: lwvglendaleburbankca@gmail.com And it's OK to say "all of the above!"

Or join board members for lunch at 12 noon at Moore's Deli directly across the street from the Burbank Police Station.

POPOVERS!

LWV-Los Angeles County - Popovers in Pasadena

Sign up for the Popovers Event scheduled for Saturday, July 29! The LA County League is excited to have Dan Schnur (Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics USC) as the keynote speaker. Not only is he extremely knowledgeable about American politics, he is a phenomenal speaker. He is also a good friend to the League so we would really like to see a good turn out for this event.

The Popovers event always includes informative workshops and this year is no exception. Planned workshops include how our Measure H dollars are being spent, an update on L.A. County's new voting systems, and help with social media and technology.

You can register on-line or use the attached registration form. The link to register online is now available on our website: http://lacilo.ca.lwvnet.org/



Summer Social Event

Join us at the Gardens for *World Rhythms: California Feetwarmers* Authentic 1920s New Orleans style music

Date: Tuesday, August 1 **Location**: Descanso Gardens

Time: Meet beginning at 5pm, concert starts at 6pm **Tickets**: You must purchase your tickets in advance!! Online: https://www.descansogardens.org/programs-events/calendar/action~oneday/exact_date~8-1-2017/
Events are selling out so please purchase your tickets ASAP. If they sell out, please check with us, as we may have extra tickets.

Bring a picnic lunch or purchase food at the Gardens. If you don't spot us in the audience, please call or text the following number: 818-437-2712 for directions.

National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, September 26, 2017



More than 300 local Leagues supported this event in 2016. Our local League has committed to support this initiative with voter registration outreach on or around this date.

Let us know if you have suggested locations where voter registration is needed. This could include schools, employers and public spaces.

We also need volunteers to help register voters. We have resources to help you and so don't worry about not having enough experience or knowledge – and this is a great way to learn! This is a great volunteer opportunity with a limited time commitment.