



JANUARY OVERVIEW

A year-long celebration of the 100th anniversary of the women's right to vote kicked-off with the **LWV 2020 Rose Parade float**. Many League dignitaries were honored.

Closer to home, the LWVVC participated in the **Justice for All March** in Ventura, the **34th Annual MLK Day Celebration** in Oxnard, the **VCCRN Roe vs Wade 2020 Event**, and hosted our first **candidate forum** of the year in Simi Valley. We also served as vote counters in two small **HOA elections** and participated in **2020 Census committee** meetings for Ventura County. Thanks to everyone who participated.

The All Roads Connect to Housing (ARCH) homeless shelter grand opening was celebrated its Monday, January 27th in Ventura. The LWVVC was pleased to participate by contributing **funds for one bed**. Some members have also made individual contributions.

Special thanks to Melanie Ashen and Victoria Peraino for helping with student-organized **voter registration drives at Royal High School in Simi Valley** on Thursday, Jan 30 and again on Feb 6.



CANDIDATE FORUMS

Volunteers needed! Carpooling available.

Please contact Pat Essick pessick@hotmail.com

- Thursday, **February 6, 7:30-9pm**, seven candidates of the Assembly District 37 race. Balboa Middle School, 247 South Hill Rd. (corner of Hill and Woodland) in the cafeteria/multi-purpose room.
- Friday, **February 7, 7:00-8:30pm**, two candidates for the Ventura County Supervisor District 3. Camarillo City Hall, 601 Carmen Drive, Camarillo. The candidates are incumbent Kelly Long and Kim Stephenson.
- Tuesday, **February 11, 7:00-9:00pm**, Simi Valley City Hall, 2929 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, Assembly, District 38 (7 candidates).

- Wednesday, **February 12, 7:00–9:00pm**, Oxnard College Performing Arts Center, 4000 South Rose Avenue, Oxnard, VC Supervisor District 5 (five candidates).
- Thursday, **February 20, 7:00–8:30pm**, Palazzio Events Center, 814 East Main Street, Santa Paula. VC Supervisor District 3 candidates (K. Long & K. Stephenson) Co-sponsored by Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce and Palazzio Event Center.
- Pending **March** date and venue **TBD** for Port Hueneme VC Supervisor district #3 candidates (K. Long and K. Stephenson).



MORE COMING EVENTS

- Saturday, **February 1st, 6:30-9:30pm**, screening of **"On the Basis of Sex"**. Museum of Ventura County, 100 E, Main Street, Ventura, 93001. Presented by LWVVC and VC Film Society. Tickets available on Eventbrite: <https://tinyurl.com/yxyaqxgo>. LWV VC members may also send check for \$8 per ticket to: LWVVC, P.O. Box 6786, Ventura, CA 93006.
- Tuesday, **February 11th, 10am**, the VC Board of Supervisors will present a **Proclamation Recognizing 100th Anniversary of League of Women Voters**. This is a photo opportunity, so please wear your blue League shirts. Location: Board of Supervisors hearing room, Hall of Administration, County Govt Ctr, 800 S. Victoria Ave.
- Wednesday, **February 12, 10am-1 pm**, "Civic Engagement Day" at California State University Channel Islands for **voter registration and voter engagement**. If you'd like to help, contact Betsy Patterson at info@lwvventuracounty.org.
- Thursday, **February 13th, 11am-1pm**, **LWVVC Board Meeting**. Meetings are open to all members. They take place the second Thursday of the month. Ventura College of Law, 4475 Market Street, Ventura (parking in the rear), Classroom #1, located off the courtyard.
- Sunday, **March 8th, 1-4pm**. **FREE** film screening of **"Legalize Equality"** Join us for an afternoon of music, performances, film, workshops & pop-ups along with local brews, teas, and food trucks in celebration of International Women's Day! Museum of Ventura County, 100 E Main St, Ventura, CA 93001. Open to all members who would like to attend. Tickets are **FREE**, but **reservations required**: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vc-womens-day-festival-tickets-90082965575?aff=odeimcmailchimp&mc_cid=68ffc05409&mc_eid=8385688100
- Saturday, **March 28, 10:00am-3:00pm** the League of Women Voters of California **Climate Change Task Force** forum on climate emergency measures for League members from San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara Jefferson Hall 1535 Santa Barbara St Santa Barbara, CA 93101. Open to all members who would like to attend.



REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER

2020 COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE of VENTURA COUNTY



The 2020 Complete Count Committee *needs your help* staffing kiosks in local libraries and at other community locations during the second quarter of 2020. **Joe DeLa Cerda is in charge of this activity FOR Ventura**

County and has requested volunteers register at

<https://venturacountycounts.org/>. This will put you on the master list to be notified of training and volunteer opportunities. All volunteers must be trained by a "Master Trainer". Training classes will be announced by 2020 CCC. If you have questions, please send them to Joe DeLa Cerda at jdelacerda@venturacountycounts.org.

Additional websites:

Federal Website - <https://2020census.gov/>

California Website - <https://californiacensus.org/>

MEET THE MEMBERS

Cancelled for February due to the abundance of events. Please volunteer for those instead. We'll be back soon.

WE THANK OUR SUPPORTERS

NEW MEMBERS: We warmly welcome our newest members: Catherine Jessup - Camarillo, Cathy Trevino - Oxnard, and Jeanne Hoffman-Weisel & Stan Weisel - Santa Paula.

RENEWING MEMBERS: Many thanks and gratitude to our members who have renewed their membership and also to those who have made an additional contribution toward the expenses of operating the LWVVC.



VOLUNTEERS: To all those who have noted your areas of interest on your Volunteer Surveys, thank you for volunteering to help fulfill our mission to empower voters and defend democracy. Our committee chairs will contact you in the coming months as various League activities get underway.

To join or renew your support/membership, please send a check to P.O. Box 6786, Ventura, CA 93006. Your support is critical! For questions or information, contact us using the below information.



IN MEMORY OF EUNICE KOCH

Eunice Koch, a longtime member and supporter of the LWVVC, passed peacefully on January 22, 2020 at the age of 94. Eunice was an active member of our League for over fifty years and continued to assist with our candidate forums when she was in her late eighties.

She married Fremont Koch in 1943 and raised five children. She

graduated from CSULA in 1969. Over the years Eunice was active in the PTA, AAUW, LWVVC, the Pasadena Assistance League, and many other organizations.

Eunice is survived by her five children, ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She will be missed by all. Our thoughts are with her family.

For more complete information, please see the obituary published in the Ventura STAR on 01\26\2020.

RAISE AWARENESS OF THE LEAGUE:

Wear a LWV VC shirt to all our public functions. Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL.
Donation of \$20.00 or more requested.

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Please help the budget committee by submitting **all expenses** for reimbursement or as "In Kind" contributions to Karen Savitt, Treasurer, ksavitt@aol.com. We need to know how much things cost. If you want to make a contribution, please submit expenses and donate separately. We may not always have you as an "angel" to buy materials for the league.

The League of Women Voters is non-partisan. It does not support or oppose candidates or political parties. The League encourages informed and active participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.