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The League of Women Voters of Palo Alto

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Election Issue!

Pros and Cons Forums

All Propositions

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7:30 - 9 am

Westin Palo Alto, 675 El Camino

For the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce - open to the public

School Funding and Propositions 30 and 38

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2 pm

Avenidas, 450 Bryant St.

All Propositions

Monday, Oct. 8, 2 pm

Avenidas, 450 Bryant St.

All Propositions

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 7 pm

Channing House, 850 Webster

Candidates' Forums

Palo Alto Unified School District Board Candidates

Wednesday, October 3, 8 - 9:30 pm

PAUSD Board Room, 25 Churchill

Sponsored by LWV Palo Alto & Palo Alto Council of PTAs; co-sponsors: Congregation Beth Am, Palo Alto Weekly, Palo Alto Online, Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce, Avenidas, AAUW of Palo Alto, Project Safety Net, and MidPeninsula Media Center

Palo Alto City Council Candidates

Thursday, October 11, 8 - 9:30 pm

Palo Alto City Council Chambers, 250 Hamilton

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State Assembly and State Senate Candidates

Wednesday, October 17, 7 - 9 pm

Menlo Park City Council Chambers, 701 Laurel St.

Sponsored by LWV South San Mateo County & LWV Palo Alto; co-sponsors: Congregation Beth Am, Palo Alto Weekly, Palo Alto Online, Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce, Avenidas, AAUW of Palo Alto

Foothill-DeAnza Colleges Board of Trustees

Sunday, September 30, 3:45 - 5 pm

Los Altos Public Library, 13 San Antonio Rd.

Sponsored by LWV Los Altos/Mountain View & Los Altos Public Library; co-sponsored by LWV Palo Alto & LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale

Santa Clara County Board of Education, Trustee Area #1*

Wednesday, October 10, 7:45 - 9 pm

Crittenden Middle School, 1701 Rock Ave, Mountain View

Sponsored by LWV Los Altos/Mountain View & Crittenden Middle School PTA; co-sponsored by LWV Palo Alto & LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale

*Trustee Area #1 encompasses Palo Alto, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Mountain View, and Sunnyvale

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The League is a broadly based, nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and involved participation in government through voter service, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Message from our President



Everything you always wanted to know about voting...in the 21st Century!

Voter Education:

Attend as many **LWVPA Candidates” Forums** and **Pros & Cons Presentations** listed on the **front page of this VOTER** as possible. If you are unable to attend in person, many events will be shown on the MidPeninsula Media Center Local Channels.

Voter Registration:

The **deadline** to register or update your registration is **Monday, October 22**. Your **last minute chance** is from 4 pm to midnight at the Christian Reformed Church, 687 Arastradero Road, Palo Alto.

Vote by Mail:

In the last general election, almost 70% of registered voters in Santa Clara County voted by using a vote-by-mail ballot that was mailed or dropped off at a precinct somewhere in the county. More than 500,000 of our county registered voters have opted for the convenience of Permanent Vote by Mail. Vote-by-mail ballots received early are the first votes to be processed, verified and included in the initial results posted on Election Night. This is referred to as “first in, first counted!” These ballots will be mailed out by the U.S. Postal Service on Tuesday, October 9, to those who have requested one or are listed as Permanent Vote-by-Mail voters.

Drive-Thru Ballot Drop-Off Sites:

The **Mayfield Soccer Complex on the corner of El Camino Real and Page Mill Road** in Palo Alto is a Drive-Thru Ballot Drop-Off Site here in town. The hours are **Saturday and Sunday, October 27 and 28, 10 am - 3 pm; Saturday and Sunday, November 3 and 4, 10 am - 3 pm; and Monday and Tuesday, November 5 and 6, 7 am - 8 pm.**

Also, **Palo Alto City Hall – City Clerk’s Office, 250 Hamilton Ave**, during normal business hours, October 9 through Election Day. **This is a Drop-Off Site, not a Drive-Thru Site.**

Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters contact information:

www.sccvote.org;

Toll-free: (866) 430-VOTE (8683) or (408) 299-VOTE (8683)



The last day to request a vote-by-mail ballot is October 31. Make your vote count by remembering to sign your return envelope.

Mary Alice Thornton

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September Board Meeting Summary



At its September Meeting, your board took the following actions:

- Accepted the August minutes and the Treasurer's Report.
- Ratified EAC Actions to:
 - send a letter to the Planning and Transportation Commission supporting the draft **Transportation Element**.
 - co-sponsor **Stanford's Earth Sciences Department's "Energy Matters"** panel discussion
 - approve **SmartVoter questions** to City Council and School Board candidates.
- Voted to support the Santa Clara Valley Water District proposed parcel tax, Measure B.
- Voted to approve the move of the League office to the Peninsula Conservation Center building.

The board also learned that:

- Final preparations for the September 11 Fall Kick-Off Meeting at the Lucie Stern Fireside Room are underway with Barry Garner, Registrar of Voters, and the Education Committee presentation confirmed.
- Voter Service forums are being arranged. Two City Council candidates forums, a State Assembly and Senate candidates forum and a School Board candidates forum are planned with co-sponsors. Our League will co-sponsor Foothill-DeAnza District and County Board of Education candidates forums.
- **Voter registration** will take place at the **Veterans Administration Hospital** on September 24, 25 and 27.
- **15 volunteers** signed up to train for **Pros and Cons presentations** on September 20. Seven events are already planned and another may be in the works.
- The **Lunch with the League** event on August 17 was a great success with a dozen people attending.
- Two of our members will attend the **Watershed Summit at Foothill College on September 22**.
- Our League is planning to publish its positions on the ballot measures in the local press.

Submitted by Gretchen Hillard, Secretary

We are moving!

We found a new office at the Peninsula Conservation Center, **3921 E. Bayshore Road**, home to many environmentally focussed non-profits. We will be moved into **Suite 209** by October 1. Many thanks to **Judith Steiner** for telling us about the availability of this space!



New Voices Goes Back to School

New Voices for Youth, an outreach project of LWV of Palo Alto and LWV South San Mateo County, has launched its back-to-school program this month. We now have two sites for our program: Menlo-Atherton High School, after school for juniors and seniors, and Siena Youth Center, Redwood City, for pre-teen and teen groups.

Ana Angel and **Tanuj Chopra**, our project coordinators, have been working on developing a tighter time schedule so that the students complete a project each semester. This year we also have an alumni of the program, who now attends Foothill College, working as a student assistant in the program. We are seeking funding and welcome help from League members on our steering committee.

For more information about the program, visit www.newvoicesforyouth.org/ to see what the kids have done.

Submitted by Veronica Tincher

Our Fall Kick-Off Double Header featured Barry Garner and Liz Russell

Barry Garner, the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters (ROV), loves his work so much that he relished the opportunity to speak to us on his birthday! He shared the ROV vision: **earn and maintain the public trust**. The ROV does this by ensuring that its vote count is accurate, that its operations run smoothly and efficiently and that voting is a positive experience for every voter.

The second feature of our Kick-Off was the Power Point of the **LWVPA Education Committee** prepared by **Liz Russell and Carole Stein**. We learned so much from Liz's presentation of this concise, yet very clear, explanation of education funding in California and comparison of the main elements of Propositions 30 and 38. The PDF of this excellent presentation is on our website at <http://lwvpaloalto.org/ElectionNovember2012.html>

The Education Committee is offering this 30-minute presentation to Leagues and community groups throughout the area during this election season. If you wish to arrange a presentation, please contact: Carole Stein at 223-7071 or steingroup89@gmail.com or Liz Russell at 326-2260 or efrussell@gmail.com

Submitted by Bonnie Packer, VOTER editor



Summer Social a Great Success!

We were treated to a wonderful talk about Clara Foltz by Prof. Barbara Babcock, delicious strawberry cake, thanks to Luise Maier and a charming venue, thanks to the Garden Court Hotel.

SmartVoter® Dramatic New “Next Generation” Design Debuts on October 1, 2012

A revolutionary experience is waiting for you at **Smart Voter’s brand new Next Generation website!** You can go to the special web address of <http://m.smartvoter.org> starting on **October 1 (please, not before!)** to check it out. This cutting-edge update of the League’s award-winning service sports a new streamlined look and an array of feature stories that changes every day. The many enhanced features are especially helpful for the quick information needs and small touch screens of smartphone and tablet owners -- but promise to be fun and interesting for desktop and laptop computer users as well. Get together with your friends and compare the appearance of the Next Generation site – its exact layout will depend on the size of the screen and type of device each of you is using.

Announced at last year’s state League Convention in Ventura and years in planning, the **Next Generation** site addresses dramatic changes in the way that the public now accesses and uses information on the Internet. According to national market analyses and surveys, a majority of the computer devices now being purchased are smartphones and tablets rather than desktop or laptop computers, and a rapidly increasing proportion of voters are relying primarily on such mobile devices to get information on politics and elections.

For this November’s election, **Smart Voter** will be available to California voters in both its traditional format and the new Next Generation design. For future elections, the state League will expand the capabilities, features and innovative content of the versatile Next Generation site. If you have questions, comments or suggestions regarding it, please email ca-director@smartvoter.org. Click the “More” button on the new site to sign up for the Smart Voter newsletter, like us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#) and receive our latest updates.

Ernie Ting, Senior Director, Smart Voter, League of Women Voters of California Education Fund

Who Are the Candidates?

Palo Alto City Council - Vote for 4

- MARC BERMAN
- PAT BURT, Incumbent
- TIMOTHY GRAY
- LIZ KNISS
- GREG SCHMID, Incumbent
- MARK WEISS



Palo Alto Unified School District Board - Vote for 3

- MELISSA BATEN CASWELL, Incumbent
- KEN DAUBER
- HEIDI EMBERLING
- CAMILLE TOWNSEND, Incumbent

Santa Clara County Board of Education Trustee Area #1 - Vote for 1

- DAVE CORTRIGHT
- GRACE H. MAH, Incumbent

Foothill-De Anza Colleges Trustees - Vote for 3

- JOAN BARRAM, Appointed Incumbent
- BETSY BECHTEL, Incumbent
- LAURA CASAS FRIER, Incumbent
- GEBY E. ESPINOSA

State Senate 13th District - Vote for 1

- JERRY HILL, Democrat
- SALLY J. LIEBER, Democrat

24th Assembly 24th District - Vote for 1

- RICHARD S. GORDON, Incumbent, Democrat
- CHENGZHI "GEORGE" YANG, Republican

Please Help Register Voters at

Palo Alto Veterans Hospital

- ☑ Monday, September 24
- ☑ Tuesday, September 25 [National Voter Registration Day]
- ☑ Thursday, September 27

Shifts are from 10 am to noon and noon to 2 pm.

High Schools

- ☑ Gunn High School - TBD
- ☑ Palo Alto High School: Oct 17 & 18, 11 am - 12:30 pm

Registration deadline for the November election is October 22 (postmark date).

If you are interested in helping at any of these places, call the League Office, 327-9148, or Phyllis Cassel or Liza Taft.

Your Voters Guide is Coming!

League members and supporters will receive a copy of our ever-popular **Voters Guide** during the first week of October. This issue contains **Pros and Cons on all the State, County and Palo Alto ballot measures.** The Pros and Cons are non-partisan and present both sides of the issues without reference to League advocacy positions.

Extra copies will be available in the libraries, at candidates forums and other public venues. Many people have a "Pros and Cons" party before election day. Call the League office if you would like extra copies of the Voters Guide.

Special thanks go to **Dan Logan, Bonnie Packer and Phyllis Cassel** for writing the local measure Pros and Cons.

Submitted by Veronica Tincher



LWVC Recommendations on State Ballot Measures

For more details go to <http://ca.lwv.org/action/prop1211/index.html>

Prop 30: Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act **SUPPORT**

Prop 31: Government Performance and Accountability Act **OPPOSE**

Prop 32: Special Exemptions Act **OPPOSE**

Prop 34: SAFE California Act **SUPPORT**

Prop 40: Referendum on Redistricting **SUPPORT**

Neutral on Props 38 and 39 and No Recommendation on Props 33, 35, 36 and 37

LWVPA Recommendations on Local Ballot Measures

Measure A: County of Santa Clara, One-Eighth Cent Sales Tax Increase **NO POSITION**

Measure B: Santa Clara Valley Water District: Safe Clean Water Program - renew existing parcel tax **NEUTRAL**

Measure C: Palo Alto, Initiative Ordinance: Three Medical Marijuana Dispensaries **NO POSITION**

See your Voters Guide for more information on all the ballot measures.

A discussion of the State Ballot Measures prepared by LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale can be viewed at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C0nhgaHiRo0>

This will be cablecast in the Palo Alto Area on ch 30
Sunday, Oct. 7, 7 pm
Monday, Oct. 8, 2:30 am and 11 am
Thursday, Oct. 11, 7:30 pm
Friday, Oct 12, 1:30 am and 9:30 am



Voter Service Needs You!

Pros and Cons speakers are still needed for the state ballot measures. We have dates booked for public events (see page 1) plus dates for other groups such as Kiwanis, the Junior League and JCC seniors. Contact Veronica Tincher for more information at the office 327-9148 or lwvpaoffice@gmail.com.

Candidates' Forums: We have several of these scheduled (see page 1) and we need moderators, timers, ushers, question collectors and sorters. Please contact Trina Lovercheck at 494-8520 or Suzanne Bayley at 917-9278 if you can help.

To All Palo Alto League Members Interested in Exploring Ways to Update Our 1999 League Positions on Ballot Initiatives and Referendum

Beginning in November, LWVPA will be forming a **Consensus Study Committee** to discuss the findings and suggestions of the **State League's** year long study group on **Initiative and Referendum Process Update Study (I&R)**. Hearing Professor Christensen (see below) discuss this timely issue will be an excellent way to learn what may be involved in making changes, if any, to the process.

Details to follow in the November *VOTER*. Please contact **Joyce Tavrow** if you are interested in participating in this study.

Submitted by Joyce Tavrow, participant in the State League Study and Chair of the LWVPA yet to be activated I&R study committee.

The LWV of San Jose-Santa Clara invites all five Santa Clara County Leagues to its

"Lunch with the League"



Kick-Off for the State's Initiative and Referendum Study

The Initiative and Referendum Industry

Speaker: **Terry Christensen**
retired San Jose State University Political Science Professor

Thursday, October 18

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Bella Mia Restaurant
58 South First Street, San Jose

Enter through the patio on Second St (south from Santa Clara St.) where the parking lot is located. Bring in the parking ticket for partial validation so that your cost for parking will be \$3, with validation.

Lunch choices include walnut and chicken salad, turkey croissant sandwich, margherita sandwich (tomatoes, mozzarella, basil and balsamic vinegar), eggplant parmesan, and linguini picatta with or without chicken. The cost is \$15, payable at the door. Please RSVP by October 15, with menu choice, to [Marie Arnold](mailto:MarieArnold), paularnoldac@yahoo.com, 408-629-5340.

We will be forming a car pool from Palo Alto. Please call the League Office, 327-9148, if you wish to ride with us.



Advocacy Report

Palo Alto: Transportation Element: The Draft Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan was presented to the full Planning and Transportation Commission on August 29. LWVPA presented a short statement saying that we found this Element meets our guidelines and that we support this draft.

Regional Housing Mandate Committee: On July 19, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) adopted the regional housing needs methodology for the 2014-22 housing cycle. For Palo Alto, the ABAG-needed projection is 2,179 housing units of various income levels. The 2007-14 projection was 2,860 units.

Lunch with League: The first Lunch with League was held at Doris Petersen's house. **Ray Bacchetti** led the discussion on the Palo Alto Blue Ribbon Infrastructure Commission Report. More of these meetings will be scheduled possibly in October and November. Thank you, Doris, for hosting.

LWVUS: The focus for the LWVUS continues to be all about election issues. While they are strongly encouraging local Leagues to register people to vote, do poll watching or work the polls themselves and generally encouraging people to vote, the LWVUS is also **working to fight voter suppression** in conjunction with various state leagues. There have been some wins and some losses. Prevention of voter suppression will continue beyond the election, but now is the peak time.

Submitted by Phyllis Cassel, Advocacy chair

Cubberley Community Center: Currently, Palo Alto is leasing a portion of the Cubberley Community Center land from the Palo Alto Unified School District. However, beginning this summer, meetings have been held to decide the future of this lease, which is due to expire in December 2014. The Policy Advisory Committee (PAC), a group of City Council and School Board members, has led the meetings to study the future of Cubberley. The Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) is creating a report that contains the data needed to inform this decision. The report will include considerations of school needs, Cubberley's various tenants, the financial situation of the city, and community needs. Tenant-renter surveys and a neighborhood association survey are also to be included, conducted by Friends of Palo Alto Library and City Council. While the CAC collects information, the PAC will be able to recommend action to the city and PAUSD. The first meeting of the PAC primarily discussed the need to provide an adequate time frame for the CAC to produce a thorough report.

Submitted by Esha Datta, Student Member

The Stanford School of Earth Sciences
and the Palo Alto League of Women Voters
invite you to

Campaign 2012: Energy Matters

The science behind the most critical energy
issues facing the U.S.

Wednesday, October 24, 7 - 8:30 pm

Paul Brest Hall,
Munger Graduate Residence Building 4
555 Salvatierra Walk at Campus Drive, Stanford

From climate change, natural gas exploration and fracking to renewables, biofuels and carbon capture and storage, experts from the Stanford School of Earth Sciences will discuss the science behind the most critical energy issues facing the U.S. over the next decade. The Earth Sciences professors will discuss the scientific foundation on which they believe sound policy should be built.

Moderator

Professor **Pamela Matson**, Chester Naramore Dean of the Stanford School of Earth Sciences.

Panelists

Sally Benson, director of the Global Climate and Energy Project and a Professor (Research) in the Stanford School of Earth Sciences Department of Energy Resources Engineering.

Ken Caldeira, climate scientist at the Carnegie Institution Department of Global Ecology at Stanford University and Professor, by courtesy, in the Stanford School of Earth Sciences Department of Environmental Earth System Science.

Margot Gerritsen, director of the Institute for Computational and Mathematical Engineering at Stanford University and an associate professor in the School of Earth Sciences Department of Energy Resources Engineering.

Mark Zoback, Benjamin M. Page Professor in the Stanford School of Earth Sciences Department of Geophysics.

Parking is available underground in Parking Structure 6 and is allowed in A & C spaces without a permit after 4 pm. A searchable campus map is available at <http://campus-map.stanford.edu/>

Open to the public. Reservation not required.

For more information, contact Nancy Peterson, npete@stanford.edu

The **VOTER** welcomes articles from you. Please submit them to: lwvpaoffice@gmail.com or bbpucker@comcast.net. The deadline for the November VOTER is October 17!

Silicon Valley Watershed Summit

Saturday, September 22, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Foothill College Cafeteria
12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills

Cost: \$10 (includes lunch)

Hosted by the Foothill Center for a Sustainable Future

Funding provided by the Santa Clara Valley Water District and the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

The LWV of Santa Clara County is one of many sponsors.

Register at [Brown Paper Tickets](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)

For more info: www.acterra.org/watershedsummit/

Thank You!

Thanks to **Mitzi Henderson** for organizing the **Channing House mailing party** for the September **VOTER** and to **Isabel Arabian, Janet Creelman, Jeri Foley,**

Mitzi Henderson, and **Geri Stewart** for helping fold and seal that issue.

Also thanks to all the Board and off-Board members who reviewed this **VOTER** and a special thanks to **Betty Gerard, Trina Lovercheck** and **Sally Probst** for their extra careful and invaluable proofreading.

Submitted by Bonnie Packer, VOTER editor

Welcome New Member!

Nancy Peterson

We are glad you have joined our League!

If you are reading this **VOTER** on paper, you are missing the **excitement of the color version** - check it out on our website at <http://www.lwvpaloalto.org/VOTER.html> or get the PDF delivered to your e-mail. Send a message to bbpacker@comcast.net to start receiving the **VOTER** via email.



Have you sent in your dues renewal yet? Do it now!

Our second notice is going out soon to those of you who have not yet sent in your dues renewal. **Please send your check and statement** to the League office now! **There is no increase in the dues this year.** Thank you!

Chris Logan, Membership Chair



World
Affairs
Council
of Northern California

The Peninsula Chapter of the World Affairs Council invites LWVPA members to:

“Foreign Policy Challenges for the Next President: A Journalist’s Perspective.”

Janine Zacharia, Visiting Lecturer, Dept. of Communications, Stanford University; Former Middle East Bureau Chief, Washington Post

Wednesday, October 17

7:00 pm refreshments, 7:30 to 9 pm program

Los Altos Youth Center

1 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos

Free and open to the public. For info., call Carol Stevens, (650) 494-0757



It’s easy to join the LWVPA —Do it now! You will be glad you did.

Joining at the local level makes you a member at all levels:

National, State, Bay Area and Palo Alto.

Men are encouraged to join. Dues grants are available.

For more information, call the League office (650) 327-9148.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____ email _____

Annual membership: \$70. Additional membership, same address: \$35. Student membership: \$35.

Mail check with this form to LWVPA, 3921 E. Bayshore Road, Suite 209, Palo Alto, CA 94303

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Rep. Anna Eshoo (650) 323-2984
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LWVC GUIDE TO GOVERNMENT

Locate your elected officials with your street address
<http://www.guidetogovernment.org/>

CALENDAR

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