

Here's hoping for some April showers – we really need them!
Showers would be most welcome for our community garden.
And so would you!



April Presidents Message,
by Alyce Prudden

As you may have heard, the League recently “adopted” one-half of the Unity bed at the Community Garden, located at St. Timothy’s Church in Brookings. If you want to get your hands dirty, we could use a few volunteers to help with planting and maintaining our adopted garden bed. And with Spring upon us, we’re busy gearing up for the LWVCC Annual Meeting.

After two years of virtual annual meetings, we’re very excited to announce that we’ll be holding this year’s meeting in person! The date is Saturday, June 4, 2022; the time is 10 am to 1 pm. Mark your calendar, bring a bag lunch, and prepare to get some business done!

Closer in time, we have two big events coming up this month.

First, on April 21st, LWVCC will host its usual third-Thursday all-member meeting. We’ll meet via Zoom, starting at 5:30 pm. The speaker will be Norman Turrill. Norman is Past President of LWVOR and currently serves as its Governance Coordinator. Norman will speak on Redistricting, a topic about which he has great expertise.

Next, on April 27th, LWVCC will present an in-person candidate forum, starting at 6 pm at the Curry Library in Gold Beach. We’re holding the forum in advance of the May 17th primary election, as a public service to Curry County voters. It will feature candidates for our county’s sole contested race: Curry County Commissioner Position 1. Please plan to be there for this important event.

Cheers to Spring! Cheers to April!
And here’s this month’s rhyme.

*It’s not April fools – no, it’s April showers
That bring nature’s jewels: our springtime flowers.
Spring renews us, it helps us cope;
It stirs the juices, and brings us hope.
And with renewal comes added vigor;
Flush with fuel, we’re thinking bigger.
As big as an in-person candidate forum,
A non-virtual version, alive, with decorum.
Hear from the three seeking county commission
Come question, come see, come hear their vision.*

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*Please join us on April 27th for
this exercise in local
participatory democracy!*



The March LWVCC board meeting was held via Zoom on March 14, 2022, from noon to 2pm.
All board members were present, except for short absences due to brief technology interruptions.

The following motions were presented and passed unanimously:

1. **Motion** to approve the treasurer's report;
2. **Motions** to approve the secretary's board meeting minutes for January and February 2022;
3. **Motion** to approve to approve the proposed 2022-2023 budget for submission to members at the annual meeting.

Other business included the following:

- ✓ **President's Report** - Preparation for Annual Meeting.
- ✓ **Voter services** - Chair Dennis Triglia reported on Vote411 and Candidate Forums.
- ✓ **Membership** - LWVCC's roster includes one new member, Cora Rose.
- ✓ **Unit meetings** - The April meeting will cover Redistricting, with speaker Norman Turrill.
- ✓ **Fundraising** - The board will consider a fall event later.

The next board meeting will be held via zoom on:

Monday, April 11th,
from noon to 2 pm.



REMINDER:
The Annual Meeting of LWVCC Members is Comping up!



WHEN:

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2022, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

WHERE:

We're happy to announce that we will meet in person, at Curry Public Library in Gold Beach.

WHAT:

Among other business, the membership will; adopt a budget and elect officers, directors, and nominating committee members.

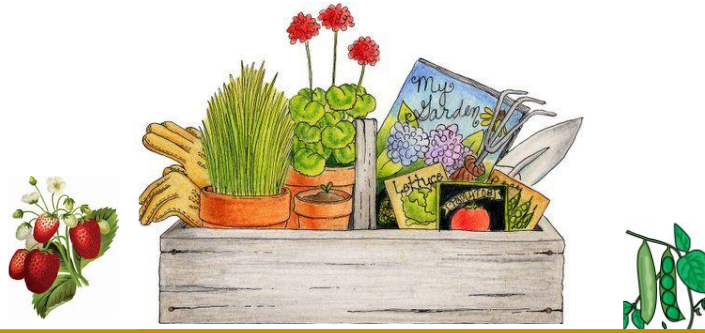
ETC:

Bring a bag lunch.



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Attention Gardeners!
Are you ready to spend a little time outdoors and get your hands dirty?

- 🌱 As noted in the February CoastLines, LWVCC is now involved in the **Community Garden at St. Timothy's Church in Brookings.**
- 🌱 Earlier this year, we adopted one-half of the "Unity" bed, which we're sharing with members of the Vestry at St. Tim's.
- 🌱 The Unity bed will be planted with bush beans and strawberries.
- 🌱 LWVCC Secretary Louise Abbott has some bean starts that will be ready for planting in early May.
- 🌱 And we'll need some volunteer help to get them in the ground.



If you'd like to help, or for further information, please contact Louise for details at LCAbbott02@earthlink.net.



IMPORTANT LOCAL ELECTION DATES



Voter Registration Deadline:	April 26, 2022
Ballots Begin Mailing Out:	April 27 - May 3, 2022
Primary Election Day:	May 17, 2022

News From National League

The big news from LWVUS: Registration is open for the 2022



- League members are invited to **LWVUS's 55TH NATIONAL CONVENTION**, which will be held at the **Sheraton Downtown in Denver, Colorado**, as well as on-line.
- The dates are **JUNE 23-JUNE 26, 2022**
- "We invite our League members to save these dates and plan to join fellow passionate and engaged League leaders for our biennial national gathering to be held in Denver, CO and online in 2022."
- For more information, see <https://www.lwv.org/manage-your-league/council-convention>

COUNCIL OR CONVENTION?

- ☆ Both LWVUS and LWVOR hold regular Councils and Conventions.
- ☆ Council provides opportunities for training, networking, and informal discussion of league issues.
- ☆ Convention, by contrast, focuses mainly on conducting official league business, such as nominations, bylaw amendments, program, and budgets.
- ☆ Preconvention workshops, caucuses, and presentations are typically offered as well, however.
- ☆ LWVUS and LWVOR both hold Council and Convention events biennially, in alternating years.
- ☆ In Oregon, Council is held in even-numbered years, and Convention is held in odd-numbered years.
- ☆ The opposite is true for LWVUS.
- ☆ So, this year, it's Council for LWVOR and Convention for LWVUS.



News from the State League

**LWVOR
Council
2022**

- 🇺🇸 There's always a lot going on at LWVOR, but its big focus right now is the upcoming biennial council, which will be conducted virtually, from May 9th to the 15th.
- 🇺🇸 Delegate registration for Council 2022 will be available soon.
- 🇺🇸 Each local league may designate two delegates to represent it; observers will be welcome as well.
- 🇺🇸 This year, Council will be conducted via Zoom. In keeping with Zoom terminology, delegates and observers will be separated into "panelists" and "attendees" respectively.
- 🇺🇸 A form will be sent soon for local League Presidents to register their delegates.
- 🇺🇸 Information about Council 2022 is available at <https://www.lwvor.org/lwvorcouncil2022>.
- 🇺🇸 Additionally, LWVOR will be posting updated information on its website as the event gets closer.



Please contact me at aeprudden@aol.com if you're interested in attending.







Voter Service Report, *By Dennis Triglia, LWVCC Voter Service Chair*
Upcoming Curry County Commissioner
In-Person Candidate Forum

Happy Spring everyone!

The League of Women Voters of Curry County is delighted to announce that it will be hosting an in-person Candidate Forum this month.



What:

-  The forum will be for our county's sole contested race: Curry County Commissioner Position 1.
-  The forum is being presented in advance of the May 17th primary election.
-  This is a service to the voters of Curry County to better understand their elected representatives and to help to make informed choices.
-  This forum will be recorded and posted on our website at www.lwvcurry.org.

When:

The Candidate Forum will be presented on Wednesday, April 27th from 6 to 8 PM.

Where:

The forum will be held at the Curry Public Library on 3rd Street in Gold Beach.

The Candidates:

Currently, Position 1 is occupied by Christopher Paasch, who is not running for re-election.

There are three candidates. (Initially, four people filed for commissioner, but one withdrew.) In alphabetical order, the three candidates are:

- 1) Brad Alcorn
- 2) Beth Barker-Hidalgo
- 3) George Rhodes

Commissioners serve four-year terms.

The Format:




- Questions from audience members will be asked by the League moderator.
- All questions are anonymous.
- Audience members must write their questions onto index cards provided by the League at the Candidate Forum.


FAQs:

Two questions frequently asked of Voter Service regarding Primary Elections are:

1. Who will appear on MY ballot and,
2. How/when is the winner of the Commissioner race determined?


To answer the first question, our Curry County Clerk's office reports:


-  All registered voters will be able to vote for candidates running for nonpartisan offices like judges and county commissioners.
-  Voters who are registered with a **major** political party (Democrats and Republicans) will receive ballots listing both partisan and nonpartisan offices.
-  These voters will be able to select their specific party's nominee for partisan office (US Representative, Governor, Oregon state Representative and more at the state and national level.)

 Voters registered as “Non-Affiliated” or registered with a minor party (Constitution, Independent, Libertarian, Pacific Green, Progressive, Working Families) will receive a ballot only listing nonpartisan races. (By the way, Non-Affiliated” is different from “Independent” which is actually a minor political party).




The deadline for a voter to register to vote or to change your current political party affiliation in order to be able to vote in the May 17 Primary Election is April 26th.

 ORS 249.088 specifies whether several nonpartisan races (in this case, County Commissioner) go on the **General** Election ballot in November.

 If any candidate receives 50% + 1 in the Primary, that candidate is elected and the race will not appear on the General Election ballot.

 Otherwise, the top two candidates from the Primary are nominated and face-off in the General Election.

 **Register to vote**, verify your voter registration and learn where candidates running for office stand on the issues at www.vote411.org, a service brought to you by The League of Women Voters Education Fund.



I hope to see many of you at the Candidate Forum.





Don't forget to bring your question for the candidates!




Unit Meeting


 **Last month's all-member unit meeting was held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 2022, from 5 to 6 pm, via Zoom.**

 Alyce Prudden opened the meeting with a sign in Irish saying “fáilte” (welcome) and “céad míle fáilte” (a hundred thousand welcomes).


 Alyce did her best to honor the language by making no attempt to say the words aloud.

 In honor of St. Paddy's Day, the small but festive group all wore green.

 Dennis Triglia even sported a virtual background of vivid green, which temporarily gave him a stunning green beard!

 And Susan Barke joined the group while waiting for a ferry to the San Juan Islands in Washington State!

 The meeting was designed to be fun and casual, and it was.

 We discovered that most of us were *not* cooking corned beef and cabbage for dinner that night, and also that most of us had never been to Ireland.

 One notable exception was Ann Schmierer, proudly half-Irish.

 Ann, along with others who've visited the



We shared book ideas, introduced our pets, and generally had an enjoyable time catching up with each other.



LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF CURRY COUNTY

Calendar 2022



Month	Day	Events	Place	Time
April	11	LWVCC Board Meeting	Zoom	12:00-2:00 pm
	21	All-County Unit Meeting, Topic & Speaker: Redistricting, Norman Turrill	Zoom	5:30 pm
	26	Deadline for Voter Registration		
	27	LWVOR Local League Leaders	Zoom	5:00 pm
	27	LWVCC Candidate Forum	Gold Beach Library	6:00 pm
May	9	LWVCC Board Meeting	Zoom	12:00-2:00 pm
	17	Oregon Primary Election	County Clerk's Office: Official Ballot Drop sites	7:00 am- 8:00 pm Until 8:00 pm
	19	All-County Unit Meeting, Topic & Speaker: TBD	TBD	TBD
	25	LWVOR Local League Leaders	Zoom	5:00 pm
June	4	Annual Meeting	Gold Beach Library	10:00 am - 1:00 pm
	6	Old/New Board Meeting	Alyce Prudden's home	12:00 pm



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