

## CoastLines



### October Presidents Message

### Greetings to everyone.

We are welcoming the rain and hope that the wildfires will be coming to an end soon. It was a difficult summer for many of us. I hope that the fall is starting out well for all.

We will have our first all unit meeting on October 3, 2023, at the Curry Library in Gold Beach. The topic is **CELEBRATING VOTING RIGHTS: The Importance of Voting – Local, State & National**. By the time you receive this newsletter, it will have already happened, so I hope that many of you were able to attend.

We also are in the process of reviving local league unit meetings so stay tuned for information about meetings in your area. Wishing everyone the best this fall.

*Sincerely, Louise Abbott, President, LWVCC*

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### Board Meeting

- 🍁 Summary of the September LWVCC Board Meeting held September 11, 2023, via Zoom.
- 🍁 Board members attending:
  - 🌰 Alyce Prudden
  - 🌰 Susan Barke
  - 🌰 Debra Worth
  - 🌰 Louise Abbott
  - 🌰 Renee Kolen
- 🍁 The minutes of the August 14, 2023, board meeting were approved.
- 🍁 The financial report for July and August were approved.
- 🍁 Considerable discussion was held concerning how to carry out voter services in the future.



Alice Bartelt

The League of Women Voters of Oregon recently lost an outstanding colleague and leader, Alice Bartelt. Alice was most recently LWVOR President, serving since May 2023. She was also the state league’s long-standing Action Chair and much-revered parliamentarian.

In her absence, the state league is being led by Lisa Bentson, First Vice President, and Rebecca Gladstone, Second Vice President, who are Acting Co-Presidents. A Celebration of Life for Alice Bartelt has been set for 4pm October 13. Please contact [lwvor@lwvor.org](mailto:lwvor@lwvor.org) with questions or any messages you would like to share. Tributes are posted on the LWVOR website at <https://www.lwvor.org/post/in-memoriam-alice-bartelt>.





RECRUITMENT

- LWVOR is looking for a Voter Service Chair to work as a liaison to the LWVOR board.
- The chair will be supported by LWVOR Voter Service leads – Abigail Bok (Vote411), Marianne Germond (Voter Guides), and Peggy Bengry (State Ballot Measures).
- The Chair directly contributes to making democracy work by inspiring Voter Service volunteers and dedicated professionals to produce clear, unbiased information for tens of thousands of Oregon voters.
- The full position description is available at: [https://cf41d81d-4134-43a5-b3ba-312de9b683fb.usrfiles.com/ugd/cf41d8\\_d39864dbb9cc4a4e9f040461ba1d40bf.pdf](https://cf41d81d-4134-43a5-b3ba-312de9b683fb.usrfiles.com/ugd/cf41d8_d39864dbb9cc4a4e9f040461ba1d40bf.pdf). If you're interested, contact LWVOR at [nominating@lwwor.org](mailto:nominating@lwwor.org) or [lwwor@lwwor.org](mailto:lwwor@lwwor.org).
- LWVOR also has Advocacy Team Opportunities in the areas of Natural Resources, Climate Emergency, and Social Policy. If you're interested in helping out in any of these areas, contact LWVOR at [lwwor@lwwor.org](mailto:lwwor@lwwor.org).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **November 2023 – Legislative Process Day 2023, Nov 07, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM;** hybrid event, registration open soon.
- For the upcoming election cycles, LWVOR plans to host the Oregon Student Mock Election (OSME). LWVOR was out of the mock election picture for several years (the last time we held a mock election before 2022 was 2012) so many schools and teachers are out of the habit of looking forward to holding a mock election for their students.
- LWVOR needs **boots on the ground** all around the state to connect with their neighborhood middle and/or high school(s) and get contact information for the teachers who might want to participate. So LWVCC please consider this volunteer opportunity! **This is not a heavy lift**, just a few minutes to make a call to our neighborhood school(s), then maybe drop off a flyer (that LWVOR will provide) and get a teacher's name and email address to Mimi Alkire.



The threat to our democracy is very real, and unless we get young voters educated and voting in much bigger numbers, it could be lost or damaged beyond recognition.

Here is a chance to make an investment in our future.

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**Dear League Members,**

- ☞ Are you a newer League member eager to bring fresh energy to **LWV**?
  - We need your voice!
- ☞ Are you a veteran volunteer with valuable wisdom to inform our transformation?
  - We need your voice!
- ☞ Are you a member of color who envisions a League that looks more like you?
  - We need your voice!
- ☞ Are you a young member with ideas for building the League’s future?
  - We need your voice!
- ☞ We are building the leadership for our next two years of League, and **we need YOU!**
  - Please apply to become part of the 2024 – 2026 **LWVUS** Board or Nominating Committee.



**APPLY TO THE LWVUS BOARD & NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

- ☞ Applications are due by October 27, 2023.
  - Does this sound like someone you know?
  - We also welcome your recommendations for candidates!



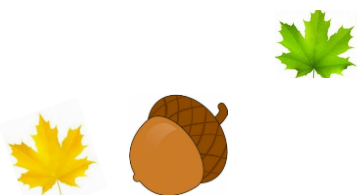
**From Deborah Ann Turner 9/21**



- ★ Over 450 Leagues signed on as partners for National Voter Registration Day (**NVRD**), hosting both in-person and virtual voter registration events across the country. Since the inception of **NVRD** in 2012, the League has been the largest on-the-ground partner, and this year, **LWV** reached over 100,000 voters! Thank **YOU** for your dedication to empowering voters ahead of this November and defending democracy all year round.
- ★ That same Tuesday also marked the reintroduction of the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act (JLVRAA) in the US House. This legislation would restore provisions stripped from the Voting Rights Act, which our democracy desperately needs after the passage of so many anti-voter laws around the country. I am excited to see our representatives taking the critical steps and urge our leaders to work together in a bipartisan way and protect the right to vote. **Read our press release at [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org) and share our action alert within your League and community.**
- ★ Additionally, Sept. 15 marked the start of National Hispanic Heritage Month. Throughout the month, we honored Hispanic and Latino Americans who paved the way and power our democracy.
- ★ Fall is here, and that means Election Day is just around the corner. As Leagues gear up for this November and 2024, I encourage you to review our Election Preparation Toolkit, which outlines resources on all “things” election: whether it is candidate engagement, GOTV, rapid response guidance, or social media graphics, this comprehensive toolkit is great for Leagues to reference in their election work.
- ★ Finally, as Leagues prepare for upcoming elections, I want to remind you that **LWVUS** is here for you! If you have not already, make sure to check out our upcoming webinars and trainings on the League Management Site. From workshops to office hours, these are great opportunities to learn more about **LWVUS** resources and how to enhance your League’s work.



**And remember, in America, every day is voter registration day.  
So, keep up the good work!  
Working with you and for you everyday.**





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**OREGON CAPITAL CHRONICLE**  
*Submitted by Louise Abbott*



<https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/briefs/public-meetings-set-for-potential-offshore-wind-energy-projects/>

- ✎ Federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management officials recently met with Oregonians concerned or curious about potential floating offshore wind energy. Three in-person meetings were held in Gold Beach, Coos Bay, and Brookings on September 26, 27, and 28. **The agency also doubled the public comment period from 30 to 60 days, until October 16.**
- ✎ Generating clean energy from wind turbines floating in the Pacific Ocean is one of the state and federal plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions contributing to global climate change. Some residents of the Oregon Coast and several tribal nations are concerned about the potential impact to marine life, fisheries, and the industries that depend on them.
- ✎ Coos Bay and Brookings are closest to the two areas of Pacific Ocean identified by the ocean energy agency as ideal for large wind turbines that would float approximately 18 to 32 miles offshore. Energy generated across the 344 square miles of open ocean identified for the projects could power nearly 200,000 homes. The federal agency would like to host an auction by year’s end, allowing companies interested in developing ocean wind energy to bid on leases for the sites.
- ✎ Brad Kneaper, chair of the tribal council of the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians said he supports green energy development but believes that the current plans for projects along the Oregon Coast would risk the health of fisheries and the local fishing industry. “We cannot support offshore wind development until we are provided assurance that it will do good and not harm the tribe, its members, and the greater community,” he said in a statement.
- ✎ Senator Ron Wyden stated, “Renewable energy is an essential piece of the strategy to combat the climate crisis. However, local communities and fishermen have to be at the center for decisions about offshore wind projects that affect their livelihoods.”
- ✎ The Federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management and the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development have held more than 75 meetings with Oregonians about offshore wind development since 2021. These include meetings with coastal communities, the public, elected officials, county commissioners, Oregon seafood commodity commissions, tribal nations, representatives from the wind industry, research and environmental organizations, the Oregon Ocean Policy Advisory Council, and the Pacific Fishery Management Council.
- ✎ The Oregon Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force has met more than 10 times since 2011 and is made up of tribal, federal state, and local government officials.

**Comments offshore wind projects *may be submitted online***  
**at: <https://www.regulations.gov/commenton/BOEM-2023-0033-0001> through October 16.**





September

Summaries of Unit Meetings



LWVCC North county - Becky Flake held a meeting in her home on Sept 7.

- ▶ Her guest speaker canceled and there was a meeting on the fires which are only about 6 miles from the center of town. As a result, there were only 3 people present.
- ▶ They spent the time catching up with each other's lives. Becky is planning on having the next meeting in the afternoon due to winter coming and driving at night.

LWVCC Central County Unit Meeting 9/29/23

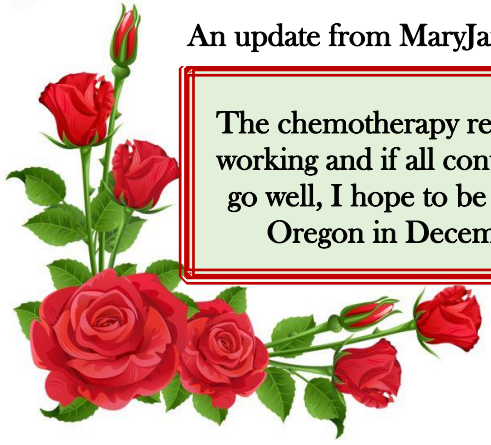
- ▶ Notes by: Phoebe Skinner, Typed by Lucie La Bonte
- ▶ Present: Lucie La Bonte, Charlene Enoch, Hassie Taylor, Phoebe Skinner, Karol Sima
- ▶ State Study on "Recall" is happening – Lucie received a newsletter from the Lane County Local League – Are we sending our newsletter to all Local Leagues?
- ▶ It would be great to share what we are doing.
- ▶ Invite guest speaker possibilities" David Brock Smith, Court Boice, Val Hoyle (If they have not filed re Lucie), Wendy Lange (Juvenile Director) Peter Defazio – general meeting? – this could be a great recruiting event.
- ▶ Phoebe’s Idea – A list of open seats for on local government committees could be posted in *Coastlines* – Karol Simas volunteered to compile list.
- ▶ Lucie discussed Alyce’s email regarding Voter’s Services – Co-Chairs from each town – would take some responsibilities on for Voters Service Chair on Board.
- ▶ Charlene and Hassie said they could help with some of the responsibilities that night (coordinating) Lucie could help organize ahead for Central County.

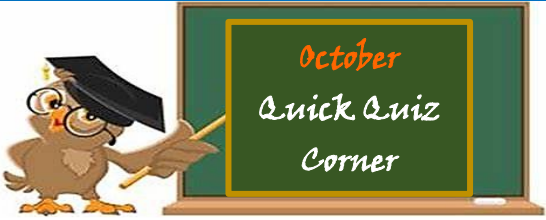
LWVCC Central County Unit  
 Next Meeting Dates  
 October 27  
 December 1



An update from MaryJane Labelle

The chemotherapy regimen is working and if all continues to go well, I hope to be back in Oregon in December.





Submitted by Susan Barke



1. During the Salem Witch Trials of 1692, more than 200 people were accused of practicing witchcraft. How many of those were actually executed?



- a) 170
- b) 100
- c) 60
- d) 20



2. Trick or Treating, or "guising" (from "disguising"), traditions in the Middle Ages, children and sometimes poor adults would dress up in the aforementioned costumes and go around door to door during Halloween begging for food or money in exchange for songs and prayers, often said on behalf of the dead. This was called \_\_\_\_\_ and the children were called \_\_\_\_\_.



- a) Souling & Soulers
- b) Saving & Savers
- c) Worshipping & Worshippers
- d) Wishers & wishing



3. "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown" premiered on what network and what year.



- a) CBS in 1966
- b) ABC in 1950
- c) NBC in 1968
- d) FOC in 1952



4. Jack O' Lanterns come from an \_\_\_\_\_ myth about Stingy Jack, who tricked the Devil for his own monetary gain. When Jack died, God didn't allow him into heaven, and the Devil didn't let him into hell, so Jack was sentenced to roam the earth for eternity. **People started to carve demonic faces out of turnips to frighten away Jack's wandering soul.**



- a) Salem, MA
- b) English
- c) German
- d) Irish



5. A full Moon occurring on Halloween is not a common occurrence and only happens every 18 to 19 years. The last time a full Moon happened on Halloween night was \_\_\_\_\_.



- a) In 2021
- b) In 2020
- c) In 1917
- d) It is the year!



Answers: 1) D 2) A 3) A 4) D 5) B



League of Women Voters of Curry County  
Calendar 2023

MONTH	DAY	EVENTS	PLACE	TIME
October	3	All Unit & public meeting – on voting	Curry Library, Gold Beach	4 – 5 pm
	9	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm
	27	Central County Unit Meeting	The Landing, Gold Beach	4-5 pm
November	13	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm
December	1	Central County Unit Meeting	The Landing, Gold Beach	4 – 5 pm
	11	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm







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LWVCC is a nonpartisan, nonprofit civics organization.  
Our mission is to encourage informed and active participation in government.

Membership in LWVCC is open to everyone who supports the purposes and policies of the League.

**Join us! Make your voice heard. Stay informed on issues that concern you.**

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