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Greetings, Fellow Leaguers!



Hope your enjoying
your Summer!



I am introducing myself as the incoming President of the League of Women Voters of Curry County (LWVCC). My name is Louise Abbott, Dr. Louise Abbott. I am a retired University professor and veterinarian. I earned my PhD from the University of Washington and my DVM (Doctor of Veterinary Medicine) from Washington State University. I was licensed as a DVM but did not practice. I taught anatomy, embryology, and histology to first-year veterinary students for 35+ years at several universities, the last being Texas A&M University (for 24 years). I retired nearly 5 years ago and lived in Gold Beach, OR (2 years), and now Brookings, OR ever since then.

My husband is a retired Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) Pastor. Still, he does not stay retired for long. He has already retired twice, and in August, he will start as an interim minister (part-time) for an ELCA church in Medford, OR. I also have had some "trouble" staying retired. I taught for a term at the School of Veterinary Medicine at Oregon State University in 2021 and for a term at the School of Veterinary Medicine at Badr University in Cairo, Egypt, in 2023. The latter was in conjunction with a Fulbright Fellowship that I had received.

So, enough about me. What about the upcoming year for LWVCC? Let me provide some words from the League of Women Voters of the United States. The mission of the League of Women Voters is: "Empowering Voters. Defending democracy." "The League of Women Voters is a **nonpartisan, grassroots** organization working to **protect and expand voting rights** and ensure everyone is represented in our democracy. We empower voters and defend democracy through **advocacy, education, and litigation**, at the local, state, and national levels." (<https://www.lwv.org/>) These words are an excellent summary of our League of Women Voter's goals.

SUMMER was busy. We decided to include the summer news in the September newsletter instead of sending out a separate newsletter in August.

📅 **JUNE** - We had the annual meeting on June 3, 2023, at the Library in Gold Beach.

👥 Fifteen members (including the five board members) attended.

👥 The New/Old board meeting was held June 6, 2023, via Zoom.

📅 **JULY** - The Board Retreat was held via Zoom on July 10, 2023.

📅 **AUGUST** - A special board meeting was held via Zoom on August 14, 2023.

Summaries of these meetings can be found below.

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*I look forward to interacting with
all of you during the coming year.
Sincerely, Louise Abbott,
President, LWVCC*





Here's A Sampling of LWVOR

SUMMER NEWS



LWVOR's new president, Alice Bartelt

- ☀ In the Summer 2023 Voter Newsletter, Alice introduced herself as a retired attorney who has “served as president for several state-wide organizations, including the American Association of University Women, Oregon NARAL, International Training in Communication, and the Oregon Association of Parliamentarians.”
- ☀ A league member since 2008, Alice served for many years as Action Chair. She stated: “At the convention in Eugene, the members voted to allow flexibility in sharing offices. Even though I am serving as president, I will be sharing some duties with the First and Second Vice Presidents. I look forward to serving as your President, with assistance from the board.”
- ☀ In the August 2023 President's Newsletter, Alice reported: “It’s a new League year and a very new board. The Board had its retreat in June and there was much enthusiasm and creative ideas from our members. I am definitely discovering the many talents that this group has, and I very much appreciate all of the energy and willingness to take on new tasks.”

LWVOR Convention

- ☀ The state league convention was held in Eugene, from May 19-21, 2023.
- ☀ As reported in the Summer 2023 Voter Newsletter: “After years of remote meetings to keep each other safe in a pandemic, League members gathered in-person once again for the LWVOR Convention in Eugene, OR. Laughs, hugs, smiles, and handshakes were shared in the lobby of the Eugene Graduate Hotel” with “League members coming together for the first time at a Convention since 2020.”
- ☀ Convention business included “votes by delegates on the budget, proposal of studies, and more.” “While political perils of great magnitude persist, the attitude at the 2023 Convention was one of hope. Together, League members have faced down adversity across the decades in their fight for democracy, and that spirit was evident in the passionate discussions and resolute perspectives.
- ☀ As Les Zaitz concluded in his rousing speech on the importance of fighting for truth: ‘There is one step that you and I have to take, and that is to not give up.’”

LWVOR Action Committee

- ☀ The Summer 2023 Voter Newsletter contains a report by new committee chair Becky Gladstone.
- ☀ Here’s an excerpt: “The LWVOR Action committee followed the contentious 2023 Oregon legislative session, stymied by the minority party senators’ walkout from May 3 to June 15, 2023, and limited building access for continuing seismic construction—completion now forecast for 2025. Most of our efforts were influential for the many bills we supported or opposed, so overall it was a surprisingly successful, though not positive, session for us.”



“This Oregon session’s historical dynamics included another walkout, yet 88% of the bills that passed were on a bipartisan basis.”

LWVOR Legislative Report – Sine Die – 08.18.2023





- ☀ The committee's Legislative Report for the week of June 26th included specifics on a wide range of legislation. Here, I've highlighted governance bills. Ranked Choice Voting – On the last day of the legislative session, HB 2004-B, for Ranked Choice Voting (RCV), passed with a sufficient 17 aye votes, even with 5 senators absent. LWVOR has been a strong RCV supporter, working in coalition with 39 Oregon organizations towards passage of this bill. This is a historic win for Oregon and is the first time any US legislature has referred RCV to a statewide ballot.
- ☀ Other Governance Legislation – Several other bills supported by LWVOR survived the “final hectic flurry after the 43-day Senate walkout.” They include one bill that addresses Campaign Finance and Redistricting, and nine that address Cybersecurity and Privacy.

LWVOR Volunteer Opportunities

- ☀ The state league is actively recruiting for two volunteers in the voter services arena: Voter Services Chair (a board position that encompasses Youth Outreach, Mock Elections, and Civics Education Programs) and Vote411/Voters' Guide (an off-board position that reports to the VS Chair). LWVOR hopes to find candidates soon, so that once nominated they will have time to come up to speed before work begins in August 2024.

For questions or more information, contact
LWVOR Voter Services Liaison Susan Cobb
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Save the
Date!



LWVOR Upcoming Events – Save the Date

- 🍂 Fall Workshop preparing for the Fall 2024 elections:
🍁 **OCTOBER 7, 2023 - in Eugene**
- 🍂 Legislative Process Day:
🍁 **NOVEMBER 7, 2023 - at the State Library in Salem**
- 🍂 Youth Voter Summit:
🍁 **JANUARY 19, 2024 - in Salem**

More information about these events will be coming soon.



- ❖ LWVUS has been busy over the summer.
- ❖ Here's a summary of some of the highlights.



May 2023

- ☀ May 20th marked the 30th anniversary of the passage of the National Voter Registration Act. The League was instrumental in the Act's passage, organizing a national grassroots campaign to make voter registration more accessible.

June 2023

- ☀ Democracy had its day in June with two major wins in cases before the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS).

In *Allen v. Milligan*, SCOTUS upheld a lower court ruling in a redistricting case, ruling that Alabama must create a second majority-Black congressional district. LWVUS, LWV of Alabama, and other partners submitted an amicus brief in that case.

In *Moore v. Harper*, SCOTUS rejected the dangerous "Independent State Legislature Theory," which would have given state legislatures free rein to determine their states' election. LWVUS, along with Leagues from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, filed an amicus brief focusing on the massive implications of the case for elections and democracy.

- ☀ LWVUS held its 2023 Council from June 22nd through June 25th in Las Vegas. The theme was Framing the Future and the focus was the national league's ongoing transformation work and its "moonshot goal" of abolishing the electoral college.

July 2023

- ☀ LWVUS reported that it has developed guidance for Leagues interested in meeting with their congressional representatives, as well as space for members to share feedback and information. For questions, contact advocacy@lww.org.
- ☀ In a July 18th press release, LWVUS responded to introduction of the Freedom to Vote Act, calling it "a strong step toward enacting pro-voter reforms that are needed to ensure that all eligible Americans have the freedom to vote."

August 2023

- ☀ On August 6th, the League marked the anniversary of the day in 1965 when the Voting Rights Act was signed into law. The Act was a monumental victory, sending the clear message that every person has the right to participate in our democracy. Yet to this day, those rights still need defending. "Together we can build a stronger world, from 1965 to 2024 and beyond."
- ☀ On August 26th, the League marked Women's Equality Day, held on the anniversary of the certification of the **19th Amendment**, which granted some women the right to vote. "However, women have fewer rights than we have had in decades, and we are far from equal in our democracy. In the aftermath of the *Dobbs* decision, last year we declared this day to be Women's Inequality Day, calling on Congress to support women's equality. This year, we are demanding that our rights be restored and our voices be heard."





Meet Our Newest Board Member

Reneé Kolen grew up in a third-generation Oregon farm family. She graduated from Albany High School, and attended community college at Linn-Benton and Chemeketa. Reneé has been married for over 40 years to Jim Kolen, retired Curry County Assessor. They have two sons and five granddaughters.

Before retiring in January 2023, Reneé was Curry County's long-time Clerk. She began her work in the Clerk's office in 1985 when her mother-in-law, Anna May Kolen, encouraged her to volunteer as an Election Board worker. At that time, elections were held at polling places, and ballots were counted by hand. Once she started at the clerk's office, Reneé never looked back.

Reneé first became Curry's elected county clerk in 1992, following a contested election. Reneé served in that position with distinction for over 30 years. During her tenure as clerk, Reneé helped implement major changes in Oregon elections, including vote by mail; online voter registration; and the motor-voter law. In addition to elections, as county clerk she oversaw land records, marriage licenses, passport services, and death certificates.

As clerk, Reneé always set a high standard for public service and honesty, and she ran her office efficiently and professionally. In a county-wide survey in 2015, the county clerk's office scored higher than any other county department, with an 82% approval rating. In her last contested election (in 2020), the voters resoundingly returned Reneé to office with approximately 75% of the vote.

In addition to her long and stellar service as county clerk, Reneé has always been active in the community. She has been a league member since 1988, when LWVCC was first incorporated. She's also served the community as part of Gold Beach Main Street, Friends of Curry Public Library, and Soroptimists.

We're delighted to welcome Reneé Kolen to the LWVCC board!



Summary of New/Old Board meeting held on June 26, 2023, via Zoom

Board Appointments (All Board Members)

- a) Motion to approve the appointment of Alyce Prudden to the remainder of the Treasurer's term ending 6/30/24. Motion carried.
- b) Motion to approve the appointment of Alyce Prudden and Karen Cunningham to serve on the LWVCC Nominating Committee, each for a one-year term ending 6/30/24. Motion carried unanimously.
- c) Motion to approve the appointment of Alyce Prudden, Louise Abbott, and Karol Simas (if she declines, Linda Stagg-Brown) for a 3-person auditing committee to review LWVCC's books, as required under our board policy. Motion carried unanimously.
- ✓ The minutes of the May 15, 2023, board meeting were approved by the old board members.
- ✓ The financial report ending May 31, 2023, was approved by the old board members.

Board members attending:

- Alyce Prudden
- Susan Barke
- Debra Worth
- Louise Abbott
- Karen Pringle Cunningham
- Renee Kolen



Summer Annual
Meeting
June 3, 2023

LWVCC Annual Meeting - Gold Beach library
June 3, 2023
10 am until approximately noon



- Fifteen members attended, including all five board members.
- Present were Alyce Prudden, Susan Barke, Debra Worth, Louise Abbott, and Karen Pringle Cunningham. Other LWVCC Members in Attendance: Mary Jane (MJ) LaBelle, Charlie Alexander, Georgia Nowlin, Renee Kolen, Ed Patterson, Bret Cecil, Billy and Ria Smith, Karol Simas, and Linda Stagg-Brown.
- Appointment of members to the Minutes Review Committee by President Prudden. Karen Pringle Cunningham and Charlie Alexander agreed to serve and were appointed.
- The 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes were approved.
- The 2023-2024 budget was amended to change the categories from Interest & Rewards to two separate categories of Interest and Rewards. The amended 2023-2024 budget was approved.
- Election of officers Louise Abbott, President; Renee Kolen, Director #1. The following individuals will remain on the Board completing their two-year terms (ending 6/30/24) Susan Barke, Secretary; Debra Worth, Director #2; Karen Pringle Cunningham, Director #4. No floor nominations were made, and the nominations were closed. The motion was approved. Alyce Prudden agreed to a board appointment to fill the remaining one-year term of the Treasurer.
- An Issue for Emphasis Study was proposed for the board to consider, which is Mental Health of Teachers.
- A Special Certificate of Appreciation was given to Renee Kolen for her years of service with Curry County and Elections.
- Unit meetings were discussed.



Some information about the League of Women Voters of Oregon (LWVOR)

- ❶ As you all know, the League of Women Voters operates at three levels, local, state, and national.
- ❶ Our group, the League of Women Voters of Curry County operates at the local level, and we are one of 14 local leagues in Oregon.
- ❶ The state level league is the LWVOR, which "is a grassroots, nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government." The LWVOR seeks to empower citizens to understand governmental issues and to participate in the political process [at the state level]." <https://www.lwvor.org/>
- ❶ One of the ways the LWVOR helps citizens better understand governmental issues is sending out a weekly Legislative Report when the Oregon Legislature is in session.
- ❶ In this report, the LWVOR provides timely analysis of the workings of the Oregon Legislature.
- ❶ You can sign up to get this newsletter as well as others from the LWVOR at <https://mailchi.mp/lwvor.org/newsletter-signup>

If you are already getting LWVOR newsletters – wonderful. If not, then consider signing up this year. Thank you.
Sincerely, Louise Abbott, President, LWVCC



Summary of the LWVCC Special Board Meeting
August 14, 2023
Submitted by Alyce Prudden 8/15/23

- The board reviewed the League's nonpartisan policy as it relates to Board member political activities conducted as individuals that are separate from League activity.
- After significant discussion, the Board decided that it is permissible under applicable rules and policies, for an individual to carry out certain activities, such as circulating petitions, provided that the individual and the league make clear that the board member is acting as an individual citizen and not as a representative of the league.

The following rules and policies were considered:

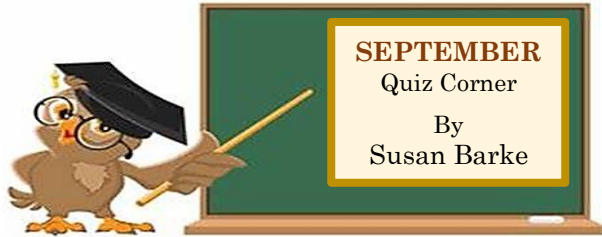
(1) IRS Rules

- Because LWVCC is a qualified IRS § 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, the board wanted to ensure that activities would not endanger our exempt status.
- The board consulted this IRS resource: <https://www.stayexempt.irs.gov/home/existing-organizations/political-campaigns-and-charities>.
- It states in part: "While a charity is forbidden to participate or intervene in a political campaign, directors, officers or other charity officials are not under the same restriction as long as they act in a private, not an official capacity."

(2) League Policies

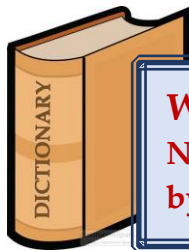
- In addition to IRS guidance, the board considered national league guidance and its own board policy.
 - (a) National League Guidance, from <https://www.lwv.org/league-management/policies-guidance/developing-and-implementing-nonpartisan-policy>.
 - (b) LWVCC Policy, from our 2020 Board Policy Statement, which provides in part: "The President, Voter Service Chair, and Action Chair may not take an active, visible role in a campaign for any political candidate or for a non-league issue."





1. This summer at LWVCC we had our dear president Alyce retire and hand the baton over to Louise. In 1865 another Alice became legendary with the publishing of a Lewis Carroll book *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*. Can you guess the date of its release?
 - a. a) June 8
 - b) July 14
 - c) August 2
2. On August 6, 1930, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater disappears in NYC amid a political scandal. Which of the following happened to the Justice?
 - a) He was found and sent to prison for espionage.
 - b) He was declared dead.
 - c) He returned after a year and resumed his position as though nothing happened.
3. We love our coastal lighthouses and appreciate the care that has been done to restore and maintain them, but did you know through an Act of Congress the Federal Government took over the creation and maintenance of the nation's lighthouses? It happened on August 7th do you know the year?
 - a. a) 1789
 - b) 1810
 - c) 1873

Answers: 1. a) 1789 2. b) he was declared dead on June 6, 1939 3. a)



Words Matter: Nationalism versus Patriotism by Alyce Prudden



- 🇺🇸 I recently read an intriguing article that discusses the difference between nationalism and patriotism. The author is Joshua Holzer, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Westminster College.
- 🇺🇸 He writes: "The words nationalism and patriotism are sometimes used as synonyms" but he doesn't view "those two terms as equivalent – or even compatible. There is a difference, and it's important, not just to scholars but to regular citizens as well."
- 🇺🇸 Holzman distinguishes between devotion to a place (a country) and devotion to a people (a nation). A country "is an area of land that has its own government." By contrast, a "nation is a group of people who share a history, culture, language, religion or some combination thereof." Applying that distinction, he says: "Patriotism encompasses devotion to the country as a whole – including all the people who live within it. Nationalism refers to devotion to only one group of people over all others." In all its beautiful, melting-pot diversity, the United States is a country, not a nation.
- 🇺🇸 The article's references are wide-ranging: from Adolf Hitler to Martin Luther King Jr., Harry Truman, Donald Trump, Charles de Gaulle, Emmanuel Macron, George Orwell, and even Superman. According to Macron, "patriotism is the exact opposite of nationalism." In fact, he says, "Nationalism is a betrayal of patriotism."



If you want to read more, the full article can be viewed at: <https://theconversation.com/what-is-the-difference-between-nationalism-and-patriotism-208170?>



Central County Unit Meeting

**May
2023**

- The Central County Unit met on Friday, May 12th, at 4:00 pm
- At the Rogue Landing North in Wedderburn
- The discussion topic was the mental health of teachers.
- The discussion was led by Ria Shannon Smith

- ✎ A small but lively group of league members were in attendance. They included Ria, her husband Billy Smith, Phoebe Skinner, Karol Simas, Lucie La Bonté, and Vicki Bradley, who traveled from Brookings to attend.
- ✎ As a retired local teacher, Ria has first-hand experience with the problems arising from the stresses that teachers face. In addition to her own experience, Ria did online research and also interviewed several local school officials, including David Marshall (then superintendent of Brookings-Harbor School District), and Maureen March (principal at Riley Creek Elementary School).
- ✎ At the start of the discussion, Ria shared some general information. According to the National Library of Medicine (2022), 73% of teachers experience high rates of depression, anxiety, and stress. Mental health issues in teachers have a direct, negative effect on students' performance, learning and well-being.
- ✎ With COVID, Ria observed, parents' attitude became more aggressive toward teachers about teaching methods and school workings overall. This in turn affected students, who reacted by acting out more and not responding to positive teacher communications.
- ✎ Among the questions discussed at the unit meeting were these: what accommodations and resources are available for teachers, and how can those be expanded and improved?
- ✎ Accommodations available elsewhere (though not in Curry County) might include remote work, flexible schedules, shifts in schedules, modified break schedules, rest areas, and support animals. Resources include teachers' insurance, through which they can find their own therapists or counselors. Unfortunately, it is not easy to access mental health professionals here in Curry County. Still, teachers are expected to be adults and get their own help using their work insurance to fund it. It was noted that under the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act), a teacher cannot be fired for depression or anxiety.
- ✎ Some suggestions for improving the situation included these: surveying teachers about their needs; upgrading insurance to include mental health care counseling; adopting mentoring programs; encouraging administrators to prioritize meeting with teachers outside of their classroom work schedules; instituting classroom management training for new teachers; and offering parenting classes for families who interact inappropriately with teachers.
- ✎ Because of the importance of this topic, it will be explored further as an Issue for Emphasis for LWVCC in the coming year.



**The group's next meeting is planned
for Friday, September 29th.**



**For more information,
contact Lucie La Bonté at
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National Voter Registration Day is September 19th,

- ✓ This nonpartisan, civic holiday is a wonderful way to celebrate and strengthen our democracy. As its website notes, “**National Voter Registration Day** involves volunteers and organizations from all over the country hitting the streets in a single day of coordinated field, technology, and media efforts. More than 5 million voters across all 50 states have registered to vote on **National Voter Registration Day**, including 1.5 million in 2020 alone.” The organization leverages “technology and the reach of its partners” to “educate Americans about how to register, sign up for election reminders, request mail-in ballots, learn about early voting options, and more.”
- ✓ **LWVCC** has been a partner in this exciting day of civic action for many years, with tables set up throughout Curry County to inform and register voters. For **LWVCC**, it’s been a rewarding in terms of community engagement, but actual registration numbers have been modest. In large part, that’s because Oregon is a “motor-voter” state that enjoys a high percentage of voter registration among eligible citizens. At last November’s general election, for example, the Secretary of State estimated that 93.6% of eligible voters were registered.
<https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Documents/statistics/november-2022-statistical-summary-participation.pdf>.
- ✓ So, this year, the **LWVCC** Board decided to try a different approach – one that focuses more broadly on citizen education about voting rights. As of this writing, the league’s plans for marking **National Voter Registration Day** are still a work in progress. We’re looking at videos, guest columns, social media posts, exhibits, and other messaging about voting rights. Our goal is to present the complex history of our right to vote in a way that is educational and engaging.
- ✓ As the **National Voter Registration Day** website reminds us, **NVRD** “is a day of civic unity. It’s an opportunity to set aside differences; enjoy the rights, responsibilities, and opportunities we all share as Americans; and celebrate our democracy together – *e pluribus unum*.”

We’ll keep you informed as we finalize our plans for **National Voter Registration Day**, and we hope that you’ll join us in the ensuing events.



Membership Dues

Membership Dues

- For this fiscal year, dues are \$70 per primary member and \$35 for a second household member, effective July 1, 2023.
- Dues will be prorated from February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 (the end of the league’s fiscal year). The formula for prorated dues is the number of months remaining in the league year multiplied by \$5 for an individual (or an additional \$2.50 for second member in the same household).
- During May 2024, memberships will be \$10 per individual or \$15 per household

We would like to thank our rejoining members – it is wonderful to have you in the LWVCC!



Initiative Petition IP-14 by Louise Abbott & Alyce Prudden



➤ Initiative Petitions currently being circulated.

Initiative Petition IP-14

OREGON REDISTRICTING (for the November 2024 ballot)

➤ Source: https://www.peoplenotpoliticiansoregon.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/PNP-0323_Full-Text-of-IP-14-PRINT.pdf

This ballot measure is supported by LWVOR.

The people of Oregon need an independent commission to draw fair and impartial districts so every vote matters. Under current law, Oregon politicians draw the boundaries for their own state legislative districts, causing a serious conflict of interest that harms voters. The state level districting and redistricting rules should be determined by a politically neutral entity.

- ✓ The Oregon Legislative Assembly has tended to gerrymander the districts to create districts where a favored incumbent or political party has an overwhelming advantage such that voters in the district cannot change their representation.
- ✓ Currently approximately 40% of registered Oregonian voters are not registered as Democrats or Republicans and are the largest segment of registered voters. However, they have little or no representation in the Oregon Legislative Assembly. Therefore, Oregon legislative districts should be drawn to represent all residents, regardless of party affiliations, income levels, backgrounds, identities, or locations.
- ✓ This ballot measure would establish an independent Oregon Citizens Redistricting Commission that provides a greater opportunity for under-represented communities like low-income Oregonians, persons of color, and rural Oregonians to have a voice in their representation.
- ✓ An independent Oregon Citizens Redistricting Commission would be able to draw the state legislative districts in an impartial manner that will promote inclusion and representation of all Oregonians. It would take redistricting out of Oregon Legislature and ensure transparency and scrutiny by the public and the press. The overarching idea is that Oregon voters should choose their representatives – representatives should not choose their voters.

Initiative Petition 9

PETITION 9 TO GET BIG MONEY OUT OF OREGON POLITICS (for the November 2024 ballot)

➤ Source: <https://www.honets-elections.com/ip-9summary.html>

This ballot measure is supported by LWVOR.

- ✓ This initiative limits campaign money and requires that political spenders identify their real sources of money and list those sources on their advertisements. Oregon voters by a margin of 78% to 22% in 2020 called on the government to adopt limits on campaign contributions and to show voters where political money is really coming from. The Oregon Legislature has not done that.
- ✓ The major Provision of Initiative Petition 9 include limiting campaign contributions and shining a light on dark money.

“The League may take positions on issues, but we never support or oppose candidates or political parties.” <https://www.lwvor.org/>

HEADS-UP

- 🛒 Did you know that there's a cost-free, hassle-free way to earn money for the League of Women Voters of Curry County? **It's the Fred Meyer Community Rewards program.**
- 🛒 The program was created by the Kroger Family of Companies as a way to support community engagement, positive social impact, and charitable giving.
- 🛒 The program donates to community organizations based on the shopping you do every day.
- 🛒 No cost – You don't lose card savings or fuel points.
- 🛒 No hassle – The online process is quick and easy. Link your shopper's card to **LWVCC** in your digital account, then simply swipe your card whenever you shop at Fred Meyer.
- 🛒 Voilà! Community rewards for the League!

HOW-TO

- 🛒 To participate in the community rewards program, you start with a digital account with Fred Meyer. Then link your shopper's card to **LWVCC** – and shop!

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

- 🛒 It's easy to set up a digital account with Fred Meyer if you don't have one already.
- 🛒 Go to fredmeyer.com and follow the prompts.
 - ➡ You'll enter your email address, create a password, and put in your shopper's card number.
 - ➡ If you don't have a shopper's card, you can enter a 10-digit "Alt ID" instead.
 - ➡ You'll also be prompted to select a preferred store.

LINK YOUR CARD TO LWVCC

- 🛒 Linking your card is also quick and easy. Here's how:
 - ➡ Sign in to your digital account.
 - ➡ In the drop-down "my account" menu, select community rewards.
 - ➡ To choose the league as your preferred organization, enter either our name (**League of Women Voters of Curry County**) or our number (FH475).
 - ➡ Click "Save."



WATCH THE DONATIONS ROLL IN

- 🛒 After you've linked and used your shopper's card, your purchases automatically benefit the league.
- 🛒 Rewards accumulate based on every transaction you make with the shopper's card associated with your digital account.
- 🛒 Your donation summary will display in the Community Rewards section of your digital account.
- 🛒 Fred Meyer donates annually to participating organizations like **LWVCC**.
- 🛒 Please sign up for the Fred Meyer Community Rewards program today to help the League!



A word from MaryJane LaBelle

With her permission, we're passing along a message from former LWVCC President & dear friend MJ LaBelle. She is in San Francisco, where she is receiving treatment for cancer.

She writes: "I am ever grateful for all your prayers, cards, and positive thoughts as I wend my way home from my recent cancer diagnosis."





**League of Women Voters of Curry County
Calendar 2023**

MONTH	DAY	EVENTS	PLACE	TIME
September	11	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm
	29	Central County Unit Meeting	The Landing, Gold Beach	4 – 5 pm
October	9	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm
November	13	Board meeting	Zoom	Noon – 2 pm





LWVCC wants to thank our sponsors for their generous contributions to our programs.

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