

# CoastLines

The League of Women Voters ® of Curry County

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### FIRST CALL TO LWVOR CONVENTION 2015

"Connect the dots: How much is your VOTE worth?"

**CONVENTION** Is the biennial State Meeting of the League of Women Voters of Oregon which is held on alternate years to the State Council.

**TIME & PLACE** May 1-3, 2015, at Valley River Inn, 1000 Valley River Way, Eugene, OR 97401

**HOSTS** League of Women Voters of Lane County

**YOUR LEAGUE** The League of Women Voters of Curry County plans to submit a study proposal for review at the convention.

To keep costs minimal we plan to do room sharing and car pooling to the event. We need a strong showing at convention to show support for our study proposal.

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## Program Planning Unit Meeting

By: Kathy Wilson

On 1/22/2015 nine members of the LWV from Brookings, Gold Beach and Port Orford met to discuss Program Planning.

The group discussed 28 existing
State Positions in regard to
Governance, Natural Resources,
Social Policy, and Health Policy.
Positions such as Election Laws, Air
Quality, Nuclear Energy, Land Use,
Water Quality, Farmworker Issues,
Mental Health and Homeless Youth.
After discussing each of the 28
positions individually, it was decided
to retain all positions as written.

The group then discussed a few local issues and what one must do to make an issue into a LWV Position. So before closing the meeting it was brought up that if anyone had an idea/issue that they are concerned about to bring it to the General Meeting in May.



#### Greetings:

As we come into February, committees are beginning preparation for our Annual Meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Are you willing to step forward to help with leadership? The nominating committee is looking for people to fill Board positions vital to the survival of our organization. Serving on the Board is a great learning experience and critical if we are to continue with our mission. Volunteer and have some fun! Committee members will be calling!

Meanwhile, we had some exciting news from LWVOR regarding Convention May 1, 2 and 3 in Eugene. Friday night Sandra Day O'Conner will be speaking at the Hult Center and LWVOR is seeking a block of tickets. We will be sending a delegation to Convention and if you are interested contact a Board member. It is a fun time and great experience.

Speaking of judges, Judge Jesse Margolis will be the guest speaker at the February Unit Meetings. Dates are February 10, 1:30PM – Port Orford Library, February 17<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 PM at Art Alley in Brookings and February 26<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM at Gold Beach City Hall. With the state of our jail, these should be very informative meetings.

See you there! Lucie

# The League of Women Voters of Curry County

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#### Drawing for "Cocktails at the Whitehouse" February 26<sup>th</sup>

Buy your raffle ticket before it is too late! The drawing for the Dick La Bonté print, "Cocktails at the Whitehouse" will be at our last meeting in February at Gold Beach City Hall. Tickets are available at all unit meetings in February or email Lucie at: labontelucie2@gmail.com Tickets are \$10. You could be a winner!

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"Cocktails at the White House" by Dick LaBonté

#### **League of Women Voters Meeting**

#### **By Evan Kramer**

The Curry County League of Women Voters hosts Circuit Court Judge Jesse Margolis at their February Unit Meetings. The public is welcome to attend these meetings which will be held: at the Port Orford Library on February 10 at 1:30pm, Art Alley in Brookings February 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM and at Gold Beach City Hall February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM.

Judge Margolis will speak on topics related to an overview of the courts and his role as judge. He will also discuss mental health issues in the jail.

Judge Margolis has been a Curry County resident since 1992 and practiced law here from 1992 – 2007. He handled a variety of cases including civil and criminal litigation and appellate work. He was elected to the position of Circuit Court Judge for the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District for the State of Oregon in November 2006 and reelected in May of 2012.

.The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences the public through education and advocacy. They welcome men and women of any political persuasion who want to take an active part in the issues that affect us all.

#### Coupon Books-

Discounts and deals in the 2015 LWVCC coupon book are even greater than last year's! \$25 a piece! Contact a Board Member to get in on this great deal!

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	League of	Women Voters of Curry County	Calendar 2014-2015	
February	10	Unit Meeting: Mental Health in Justice System	Port Orford Library	1:30 p.m.
rebruary	12	Board Meeting	Port Orford: Alexander Home	10 a.m.
	17	Unit Meeting: Mental Health in Justice System	Brookings Brian Scott Art Gallery	5:30 p.m.
	26	Unit Meeting: Mental Health in Justice System	Gold Beach City Hall	5:30 p.m.
March	10	Unit Meeting: LWVOR Children at Risk	Port Orford Library	1 p.m.
	12	Board Meeting	Gold Beach City Hall	10 a.m.
	17	Unit Meeting: LWVOR Children at Risk	Brookings Brian Scott Art Gallery	5:30 p.m.
	19	Unit Meeting: LWVOR Children at Risk	Gold Beach City Hall	5:30 p.m.
April	9	Board Meeting	Brookings: <i>Babin Home</i>	10 a.m.
•	14	Unit Meeting: Speaker TBA	Port Orford Library	1 p.m.
	16	Unit Meeting: Speaker TBA	Gold Beach City Hall	5:30 p.m.
	21	Unit Meeting: Speaker TBA	Brookings Brian Scott Art Gallery	5:30 p.m.
May	1-3	LWVOR Convention	Eugene Valley River Inn	

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Gold Beach Event Center

2 p.m.

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LWVCC Annual Meeting



#### Dana Gurnee

I joined the League in spring of 2014 hoping to learn about local issues with better insight than I get through local media.

My first real job after college (UCLA, political science major) was being a county case worker for federal, state, and local public assistance. My career background was mostly in publishing and prepress work. I worked as a proofreader, typesetter, "mark-up" person, copy editor, managing editor, and ad designer for newspapers; for magazines; for publishers of journals and textbooks; and for Web sites devoted to the trading of stocks, options, and futures. For short periods, I worked in technical support for three software companies that fared badly. For other short periods, I was unemployed, underemployed, and traveling. All 40-plus years of this was in the Los Angeles area, which I left in 2010, finally settling down in Port Orford in spring of 2011.

#### Oregon Marine Reserve Partnership Announces Community Marine Reserve Grants

The Oregon Marine Reserve Partnership (OMRP) has launched a new community grants program in 2015 to support local community efforts in creating an awareness of Oregon's marine reserves and protected areas. The goal of the program is to provide funding for community groups to implement activities associated with Oregon marine reserves near Cape Falcon, Cascade Head, Otter Rock (north of Newport), Cape Perpetua and Port Orford. The <a href="OMRP strategic framework">OMRP strategic framework</a> outlines a series of goals associated with marine reserve awareness, implementation and research.

"We're excited about the opportunity to connect with Oregon communities on Oregon's marine reserves and protected areas and support their efforts to showcase what we're learning about these special places," said OMRP co-chair Paul Engelmeyer, of the Audubon Society of Portland.

The OMRP will evaluate the merits of each project based on its relevance to the OMRP strategic framework, technical merit, the qualification of the applicant, project cost, demonstrated financial need, and its focus on marine reserves and protected areas.

Projects might include field trips, the production of educational materials, a community event, or other creative idea to connect with people on the science of marine reserves.

Project requests cannot exceed \$5,000, and although match is not required, it is desired. The OMRP intends on disbursing a total of \$20,000. Any type of organization is eligible to receive funding.

The timeline to apply for a grant is February 1-February 28, 2015. All applicants will be notified of the grant award results by April 1, 2015.

To apply for a grant, please complete our online form.

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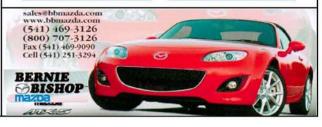
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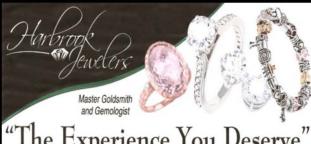


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