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## MARCH UNIT MEETINGS - Future for Domestic Violence Survivors in Curry County Speakers: Lea Sevey and Olivia Davis

The LWVCC will have special guests speaking on Domestic Violence at the March Unit Meetings. Lea Sevey and Olivia Davis will be presenting Oasis' current programs and a few new projects they have going on. They will also discuss volunteer opportunities and how to stay connected. These meetings are open to the public. Meetings take place in Port Orford at the library - 12:00 noon - March 13, Brookings - 5PM - Chetco Senior Center and March 21 - 5:30PM at Gold Beach City Hall. The LWVCC adopted positions on Family Violence after a two year study. (see Family Violence in Curry County Positions on page 3) .

Speaker Lea Sevey has been in the DV/SA (Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault) services field for 17 years. She first worked at the Curry County District Attorney's office as the District Attorney's Victim Assistance Program Advocate and in 2004 she joined Oasis Shelter Home as the Executive Director. She holds a Masters in Human Services and a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice. Lea has been serving as the Board President of OCADSV (Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence) for the last 5 years. She is also a board member for the Oregon Department of Human Services Fund Advisory Board and is a Community Ambassador for Shared Hope International (a grass roots organization combating human trafficking). In her free time, Lea writes fiction, enjoys photography and gardens. Lea is also a certified dream analyst.

Olivia Davis has been in DV/SA (domestic violence/sexual violence) services for 8 years. Her first five years she served as an Executive Board Member for Oasis and then as a Domestic & Sexual Assault outreach Advocate. She is also a First Responder Volunteer Firefighter for Harbor Fire as well is co-owner of Quality Fast Lube & Oil in Brookings.

Olivia attends the Sexual Assault Task Force and the Sexual Assault Response Team every quarter and is the Co-Located Advocate for DHS (Department of Human Services) plus represents Oasis at the Multi - Disciplinary Team (MDT) each month. She has excelled in the advanced training in all areas of DV/SA including elder abuse, child protection and custody, individual and group crisis intervention.

In her free time Olivia loves to be with her family and work in her green house.

## President's Letter



Dear Fellow League Members,

It is with heavy hearts that we accept the resignation of President Phil Dickson due to job restraints. Phil will remain on the board as a member at large. I am taking over the position of President.

The League of Women Voters of Curry County have had a small hiccup with our board but now everything is looking good going forward into the rest of 2017.

In this issue of Coastlines you will find information about an upcoming Elvis-themed Fundraiser hosted by Evan Kramer, a natural resources update and our March unit meetings. Yes! Fun and interesting things are happening with our small but mighty local league.

We are also busy planning for upcoming Special District Voter's Forums.

Right now the League is working on bare-bones. We are in desperate need of a Treasurer and a Vice President.

We need everyone's help in trying to reach out for new membership. If there's a friend of yours that you go to coffee with, perhaps a lunch date or a book club buddy it doesn't hurt to ask them if they'd like to join the League.

**Alyssa Babin**  
President

### ***Making Democracy Work***

The League of Women Voters®, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

### **Welcome New Board Members!**

Charlie Alexander and Charlene Enoch volunteered to be on the LWVCC Board until terms end in July! Also volunteering to stay on the Board is Phil Dickson. Thank you for volunteering.

### **Welcome New Voter's Service Chair**

Also stepping up to the plate in an off board position as Voter's Service Chair is Georgia Nowlin. Georgia has been Voter's Service Chair before and her experience and volunteering is much appreciated! Thank you Georgia!



## **The League of Women Voters of Curry County**

### **Officers & Directors 2016-2017**

Alyssa Babin, President  
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## **The Image of Elvis by Evan Kramer**

Evan Kramer/Blue Suede Shoes Productions presents the "Image of Elvis" starring Walt Livingston as a fundraiser for the League of Women Voters of Curry County on Saturday night, **March 11.**

The show will be held at the Sixes Grange Hall with doors opening at **6:00pm** for food. The opening rock band Loco Mismo and Bobby D rock it at 7:00pm followed by an intermission and Elvis themed door prizes will be given out. Walt aka Elvis shakes it up at 8:00pm and comes highly recommended from former LWVCC members Milt and Shirley Nelson. Tickets for this show are \$10.

Grange member Big D will be offering good tasting food for \$5 plus sodas and water will be available. The Grange does not permit alcohol in the building.

The Sixes Grange is located at the intersection of Highway 101 and Sixes River Road on the west side of the highway. Plenty of parking is available. The Sixes Grange Marketplace will be open as well that evening.

*Thank you Evan Kramer/Blue Suede Shoes for arranging this fundraiser for the LWVCC. We hope all members and their friends attend!*

## **Natural Resources Update by Alyssa Babin**

The League of Women Voters of Oregon continue to work on the hard rock mining study. Study members Alyssa Babin and Becky Gladstone met with Dan Whelan of Representative Peter Fazio's office. The study members gave Mr. Whelan an update of the progress on the study. Because of difficulties with study members illness and other unforeseen circumstances our deadline has been pushed back and we expect to publish in July 2017.

Meanwhile in Southern Oregon, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality has asked for public comment for the first ever outstanding resource water designation on the North Fork Smith. The League of Women Voters of Oregon supported the proposed rule making of this outstanding resource water designation. League of Women Voters member Alyssa attended a public comment meeting in regards to the designation. At the meeting held at the Best Western in the Port of Brookings-Harbor, there were about 70 people in attendance 22 people commented in favor of the designation and two commented in opposition to the designation. We will update our membership when we hear as to what happens with the outstanding resource water designation.

## **Nominations are Open!**

The LWVCC Nominating Committee will continue recruiting members for the 2017-19 Board of Directors through March. Positions to be elected at the Annual Meeting in May will be: President (1 year term, 2017-2018), Vice President (2-year term 2017-19), Secretary (to be filled for 1 year, 2017- 2018), Treasurer (2-year term, 2017-19). The Committee filled Board Positions at their February Meeting and will be reporting to the membership as per bylaws a month before the Annual Meeting. Nominating Committee members: Chair- Lucie La Bonte, Charlene Enoch, Renee Kolen or Evan Kramer. *When you are called just say "yes"!!!*

# Family Violence in Curry County

Statement of Position, adopted March 1995

**Editor's Note:** It was a large committee, many community meetings were held and many people working the issue were interviewed. Then President Linda Stagg-Brown edited and published the final version of a 2-year study. Curry County had the highest rate of Family Violence in the state per capita. We learned many shocking statistics. Thank you to the hard working people in our county who put their lives at risk working on these issues.

The League of Women Voters of Curry County supports:

1. Programs to educate individuals, organizations and institutions as to all aspects of family violence, to promote abuse-free family units as those units are defined under all applicable laws and regulations;
2. An integrated agencies system to provide family violence intervention and prevention programs;
3. Development of programs to promote equal economic rights between marriage partners;
4. The implementation of programs to teach interpersonal relationship skills;
5. Development of centralized community facilities and methods to provide services and programs supporting families;
6. Development and promotion of programs establishing a framework necessary to encourage and foster healthy physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual development of individuals within the family unit;
7. The development and dissemination of effective comprehensive and detailed programs to gather statistics on all aspects of family violence;
8. The development of programs designed to counter and decrease the pervasive depiction and promotion of violence.

## CALENDAR - MEETINGS SCHEDULE

### Units

**March 13 - 12:00 Noon - Port Orford Library (small room)** Future for Domestic Violence Survivors in Curry County presented by the Lea Sevey, Director of Oasis Shelter

**March 15 - 5 PM - Brookings - Chetco Senior Center,** Future for Domestic Violence Survivors in Curry County presented by Olivia Davis, Oasis Shelter

**March 21 - 5:30 PM - Gold Beach City Hall,** Future for Domestic Violence Survivors in Curry County presented by the Lea Sevey, Director of Oasis Shelter

**April 10 - Time to be Announced - Port Orford - Library -** Cascadia Earthquake and Community Preparedness

**April 18 - 5:30 PM - Gold Beach City Hall,** Cascadia Earthquake and Community Preparedness

**April 19 - 5 PM - Brookings - Chetco Senior Center,** Cascadia Earthquake and Community Preparedness

***Special - March 11 - 6PM Fundraiser - Sixes Grange - The Image of Elvis***

### Candidate Forums

**April 11 - Brookings - Chetco Library - 7-9PM**

**April 12 - Port Orford - City Hall - 7-9PM**

**April 13 - Gold Beach - City Hall - 7-9PM**

### LWVCC Annual Meeting

**May 20 - Gold Beach - Event Center/Curry County Fairgrounds, Forestry Building - 10AM - 1PM**