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LWVOR COUNCIL May 4,5,6 AT EVENT CENTER ON THE BEACH

There is still time to sign up for the League of Women Voters of Oregon Council to be held at the Event Center in Gold Beach. Workshops on "Aerial Spraying", "LWVOR Action Team: Past Legislation & Forecast 2019" and "State and Local Leagues: What Does the State Do for Us?" will take place on Saturday throughout the day. Lunch speakers will be from our own Watershed Partnership to mesh with the Council Theme, "Watershed Moments". The Keynote Speaker is Bill Bradbury who will be speaking on Salmon and Climate Change. If you have heard Bradbury before he has new information. Business meetings are held on Saturday and Sunday morning. Also appearing will be M.T. Nest playing some great tunes.

To sign up, go to: <http://lwvor.org/event/council-2018-gold-beach/> and sign up as an Observer. You can sign up for a portion of the event or all three days. People arriving on Friday can participate in the Dine Around by signing up to go to one of the great restaurants in Gold Beach. This is a great way to get to know members from throughout the state and find out more about league. Our local league is honored to host the event. It has been around 20 years since we have done this as Council is hosted by a different local league each time. This will be our only meeting in May.

Annual Meeting, June 2nd - Elections and More About Voters Service

Your Nominating Committee has reported the slate of Officers to be voted on at the upcoming Annual Meeting to be held June 2 9:30 - 1:00PM at the Soroptimist Building, 94202 Cauhall St. in Gold Beach.

Slate of Officers;

President - Lucie La Bonte, Vice President - Mary Jane LaBelle, Secretary - Tucker Nunn
Treasurer - Karol Simas, Director #1 - Anne Morgan, Director #2 - Hassie Taylor,
Director #3 - open/Board can fill or take nominations from the floor at annual meeting.

Slate for Nominating Committee are; Renee Kolen, Charlene Enoch and one to be selected at the Annual Meeting. 2 members are selected by the Board each year.

Thank you to Nominating Committee Chair Renee Kolen and members; Charlene Enoch, Evan Kramer, Mary Jane LaBelle and Karol Simas for a job well done.

The Board decided to have discussion on "How and Why We Do What We Do at Candidate Forums" instead of a speaker this year. Other business will be to approve the 2018-19 Budget and changes in Bylaws which will be sent separately to members. This will be a potluck lunch so members will be calling to see what delicious dishes you will be bringing. Those who do not wish to bring a dish can opt to contribute \$10 instead of a dish.

Members and Friends:

As we move into May we will be hosting the LWVOR Council in Gold Beach and hope if you haven't signed up for at least one day you will. Guests are welcome. This event only happens in Curry County about every 20 years. Even though I realize it is a busy week-end in Curry County people are coming from far away so try and take some time to be with us.



We also are moving towards the close of the year and our Annual Meeting on June 2nd. Since we are a countywide organization we are holding the meeting at the Soroptimist Building on Cauhill Street (next to Wongs') in Gold Beach. We hope that all members attend to hear about our successes, honor many wonderful members, and elect new officers. In addition to CoastLines members will receive an email with the proposed budget, proposed Bylaw changes, and changes to our Incorporation papers to move us to a tax deductible non profit status. This will all be explained at the Annual Meeting. Our meeting is a potluck and Board Members will be calling to sign you up.

It has been such an honor to be LWVCC President this year. My Board has been awesome. The support from all of our members, volunteers and the community has been just wonderful. My goal of increasing membership to 40 was reached in February and we are still gaining (up to 47). In truth everyone should be a member of this non-partisan organization. Let's double membership again! We were there in the 1990s and are so needed in today's world. If you are not a member why not join? If each member does one little thing, all the work gets done.

This past month we held our Candidate Forums and attending all three taught me a lot about the candidates. 4 people joined from these events. Thank you to all that helped and our wonderful Co-Chairs for putting it all together. You are awesome.

Summer is quiet time for League members. Our Board will hold their retreat and jump into an active year beginning in September. Come to the Annual Meeting and help us choose hot topics to discuss in 2018-19.

Happy May!

Lucie La Bonté
President

Needed - LWVCC Observers for City Councils and Port Commissions. If you are attending these meetings and want to volunteer to report to the league contact Lucie.
Take Action, be involved!



The League of Women Voters of Curry County

Officers & Directors 2017-2018

President	Lucie La Bonté	2018
Secretary	Mary Jane La Belle	2019
Treasurer	Hassie Taylor	2018
Director #1	Anne Morgan	2018
Director #2	Karol Simas	2019
Director #3	Charlie Alexander	2018

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Jan Henault, Back to LWV Roots



Having lived in Brookings since 2000, I appreciate being so close to the ocean and consider it a great gift. Hiking along the beautiful trails throughout our coastal area always rejuvenates me. Some of my interests are in animal welfare and environmental preservation.

My first involvement with the League of Women Voters occurred during the 1970's-80's in Alameda, CA, where I worked for the U. S. Navy. Being passionate about many events happening in the Bay Area, I was disheartened because I could not participate in partisan politics due to the Hatch Act. The League gave

me a way to be involved politically without violating the rule that prevented partisan political action by people working for the U.S. Government.

Now I am no longer subject to the restrictions of the Hatch Act and am actively involved in partisan politics. However, having roots that run deep in my political activity, I find myself being a member of another strong, intelligent, and passionate group of people respected for getting things done.

Thank you for accepting me into the Curry County League of Women Voters. I'm happy to be back.

Welcome New Members

Please join me in welcoming our newest members! We continue to grow. Thank you for joining!

Candice Michel

Jan Henault

George Converse

Donna Converse

If you have a friend who might be interested in joining, bring them to a meeting to learn about the important public service we provide.

LWV Curry County Calendar - 2018

Month	Day	Events	Place	Time
May	4,5,6	LWVOR Council	Event Center - Gold Beach	
June	2	Annual Meeting Old Board New Board Meeting	Soroptimist Building, Gold Beach - Potluck	10 AM - 1PM 1PM- 1:30
July - August		Board Retreat - TBA Possible Fundraiser TBA		



Candidate Forum Success!

By Charlie Alexander, Voters Service Co-Chair

The week of April 9th we held three Voter Forums in Port Orford, Brookings and Gold Beach. All 3 were very well attended, 38 Port Orford; 82 Brookings; and 53 Gold Beach. Lots of questions were asked of the candidates. It is always interesting to attend all three Forums and hear the same and different concerns in the different areas of the County. For County Commissioner Jan Barbas, Christopher Paasch and Jeri Lyn Thompson attended and for State Representative District 1, Shannon Souza attended. David Brock Smith sent his regrets that he had Legislative duties to attend to and could not make any of the three Forums.

Many League members volunteered their time to help run the Forums and they all went very smoothly, from set up to tear down and all the fun in between. We could not put these extremely important venues on without the help of many of our members and it is greatly appreciated. Mary Jane LaBelle is taking over as Voter Services Chair and with lots of help from members will do a fantastic job.



Above: Forum in Gold Beach, Phil Dickson Moderating



Above: Brookings Forum - Georgia Nowlin Moderating



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