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## MEMBER MEETING PROGRAM PLANNING

Wednesday, January 20, 2010  
 10:00 AM - 12 Noon  
 Or  
 7:00 - 9:00 PM  
 Olsen Residence  
 611 Hubbard, Santa Clara 95051

Every two years state and local Leagues and ILO's participate in the LWVUS Program Planning process by making recommendations concerning program issues – *this is how we remain a grassroots organization.*

The Program Planning process is an important League tool for identifying issues for study. It gives members and Leagues the opportunity to balance the pros and cons, assess possible support, and consider the viability of issues. During the process, members have the opportunity to organize support based on factual materials before the Program Planning deadline, March 1, 2010.

Local and state Leagues and ILO's are only asked to propose one new study, one review or one concurrence, or to make no recommendation. Leagues are no longer being asked to adopt existing program, although convention delegates will continue to do so.

This year the Education Committee of the Leagues of Women Voters of Santa Clara County are proposing a national study of Education. See page six for the scope of the study being proposed.

The Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) Committee is proposing a continuation of this topic as an Issue for Emphasis at the county level in the next year. See page two for background on this topic.

Come to the meeting to voice your opinion on whether we should have a study at the national level and if so, should it be Education, should IRV continue to be an Issue for Emphasis, what should be the focus of the Bay Area League for the next two years, should our League adopt a local study?

## SAVE THE DATE 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 13, 2010  
 1 - 3 PM  
 Sunnyvale Heritage Museum  
 570 E. Remington Drive, Sunnyvale

Join us at this gala event as we celebrate the League's 90th birthday.

## LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale Board of Directors

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One of the most valuable tasks the League performs here in California is educating voters about the propositions, those laws passed directly by the voters themselves. Here in LWV-CS, we pride ourselves on doing a very thorough and professional job of analyzing and presenting the propositions, and to keep this proud tradition going, we need your help! This year could be a particularly heavy year for propositions, as there are currently over forty of them in circulation while their backers try to qualify them for upcoming ballots.

In order for us to serve the voters well, we have some work to do! Just off the top of my head I can think of a number of opportunities for people of different skills and personalities to pitch in. These talks require publicity, so the world knows they're available, scheduling with individual groups, logistical support to make sure the right equipment is in place, research and analysis, neutral speakers, advocate playactors, first listeners to test the presentation, writers to turn bare facts into understandable narrative, and I'm sure there are things I haven't even thought of. As you see, there are places for introverts and extroverts, creative people and organized people alike! Wednesday January 13 at 7 pm, there will be a brainstorming session at Susan Hough's house, 1452 Owensound Dr., Sunnyvale. I'll serve dessert. We'll all think together what will be needed to really do this job right, and who might enjoy particular elements of the challenge. If you can't make the meeting, but have ideas, or questions, please email ([susan@mathinspired.com](mailto:susan@mathinspired.com)) me and we'll make sure you're included in the planning. You don't have to have answers to participate -- it's ok to come even if all you bring is questions!

If you let me know you're coming, I can make sure the dessert supply is adequate, but don't stay away just because you haven't RSVP'd. I look forward to seeing a roomful of people excited about continuing to do this critical job as well as we possibly can.

*Susan Hough  
Vice President*

## IMPLEMENTING INSTANT RUNOFF VOTING: A STATUS REPORT

The Leagues of Women Voters of Santa Clara County (LWVSCC) Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) Implementation Action Committee held a very successful kickoff meeting in October. While our original goal was to lobby the Board of Supervisors to start the ball rolling for implementation of IRV in 2010, we realized that that was not a reasonable target date, and a more reasonable target would be to have the first IRV election in November 2012.

One of the factors that lead to this decision was the apparent reluctance of the Registrar of Voters to begin the process of implementing IRV. There also seems to have been some misinformation circulated to some of the Supervisors concerning San Francisco's use of IRV.

Even so, to make a target date of November 2012 we need to start now. We will be asking for continuation of this Issue of Emphasis at the upcoming program planning meetings.

*--Steve Chessin, Chair,  
LWVSCC IRV Implementation*

### Board Briefs

At its December meeting your board:

- Made plans for the celebration in February of the League's 90th birthday
- Agreed to co-sponsor the Foothill-DeAnza Community College Forum.
- Approved placement of a "Help Wanted" page on our Website.
- Set a date for planning Pros and Cons presentations for the June election.
- Chose presenters for the Program Planning meeting in January.
- Set Monday January 11 as the date for the next Board Meeting.

### Membership News

Thank you for renewing your membership: Pat Boyle, Sherry Howd, Joyce Just, Mary Catherine Martin, Norma Medlin, Nancy Noto, Peggy Quillinan, and Florence Stafford.

Thank you for including a donation with your dues: Kirsten Holmquist and Linda Davis and Serge Rudaz.

Thank you for making a donation to the Community Appeal: Evelyn Miller.

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## **REDISTRICTING COMMISSION RECRUITING BEGINS NOW!**

The time has arrived to get serious about recruiting for the Citizens Redistricting Commission. The application period opens on December 15, 2009 and closes on February 12, 2010, a scant two months later. The League has serious work to do to recruit as many qualified candidates to apply as we possibly can.

What can you do now?

Go to the official Web site of the State Auditor. Packed with lots of vital information, it will give you the basic facts you need to understand what the commission will do, who is eligible to apply, and how to apply. Pay particular attention to the Partners section. It's loaded with lots of supplemental material you can use to convince people to apply. Keep visiting our Web site and check out the latest information and materials the League will be providing.

Armed with this information, you are ready to go. Here's a plan of action.

Identify two members of your local League you think would be good candidates. Yes, we all know that most of our members would be great. But think of two (or more) specific League members. Take them to lunch and ask them to apply for the commission. Offer to help walk them through the application process. Work hard to get a firm commitment from them to apply.

Then, after you've learned the recruiting ropes with League members, take the next step. Identify one or two members of your wider community you think would make good candidates. Again, consider taking them to lunch, or coffee, or a nice wine bar, and ask them to apply for the commission. Offer to help walk them through the application process. Work hard to get a firm commitment.

On December 15, 2009, the League, as part of a large partnership working on redistricting implementation (the Redistricting California Alliance, or Redistricting CA), cosponsored a conference in Burbank to present in-depth training on recruiting for the commission. The recruiting material and the conference tape will be posted on our Web site after the event.

To further train you to do effective recruiting, the LWVC will be offering two webinars early in January: on Friday, January 8 from noon to 1:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Sign up now! These webinars will give our local Leagues the facts and recruiting approaches they need to do the most effective job possible.

Remember: a good commission won't just happen. It can only come into being if our members put the same kind of energy and drive into recruiting good candidates as they did in working to pass Prop 11. So read the material, begin outreach, and take the trainings. It's up to us to make the Citizens Redistricting Commission a reality.

## **RECENT VOTER REGISTRATION CHANGES**

There have been changes to the voter registration process that you should be aware of when answering questions from the public.

Seventeen year-olds may submit a voter registration form, and their registration will be held until their 18th birthday when they become eligible to vote.

The Secretary of State's website is now using a national mail voter registration form, which must be printed, signed, and mailed. (There is no online registration, just registration forms available online.)

## **LOCAL LEAGUES USE SMARTVOTER.ORG FOR UNRIVALED LOCAL ELECTION COVERAGE**

On November 3, local Leagues throughout the state used SmartVoter.org to connect with hundreds of thousands of California voters! SmartVoter.org delivered nonpartisan information on hundreds of city, school, and special district elections in 24 California counties, in addition to candidate information on selected federal and state contests such as the 10th Congressional District runoff. SmartVoter.org ballot information included well over a thousand local candidates and over one hundred local ballot measures, as well as links to League events, news articles and official websites.

SmartVoter.org also completed trials of its Google Grant advertising, highlighting major elections and contests for which local SmartVoter.org coordinators had assembled outstanding content. Tens of thousands of feature ad impressions were displayed in response to Internet searches. Early lessons from these trials will be incorporated into an improved design for SmartVoter.org's election coverage for 2010.

During 2009, [SmartVoter.org](http://SmartVoter.org) has posted information on elections occurring on 27 different weeks of the year! This record level of coverage underscores SmartVoter.org's distinctive identity as the most comprehensive source of election information available to California voters, and reflects its commitment to working with all local Leagues and communities to offer a powerful vehicle for delivering voter service information.

## **LEAGUE GEEKS NOW AVAILABLE TO AID MEMBERS**

The League Geeks are League members who have volunteered to help other members with technical computer problems. Such problems might be: (1) registering or logging into [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org), (2) locating information on [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org), or (3) subscribing, unsubscribing or receiving LWVUS discussion list email. You may now contact the League Geeks by sending an email to [Geeks@lwv.org](mailto:Geeks@lwv.org). You may also use the "Contact Us" link in the top line of every page of [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org). A volunteer will email or call you back within a day or so. Please contact Board Member Norman Turrill at [lwvturrill@mac.com](mailto:lwvturrill@mac.com) with additional questions.

# ON TARGET: REGION AIMS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

By Gail Schickele

Exploration in the world of climate change has put us on a fast track to energy efficiency, green building, renewable energy, transportation alternatives, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions as we scramble to drive past fossil fuel dependency and high energy demands and into more sustainable community development.

California's landmark climate control legislation offers critical connections to such development. The state's Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act, Senate Bill 375 (Steinberg), is the nation's first law to link transportation and land use planning with global warming, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council.

The legislation requires that by September 2010, the California Air Resources Board adopt greenhouse gas reduction target levels that each of the state's 18 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) must meet by 2020 (for automobiles) and 2035 (for light trucks). To reach these targets, the MPOs must prepare Sustainable Communities Strategies (SCS) meant to accommodate a 25-year projection of regional housing needs while simultaneously reducing vehicular greenhouse gas emissions.

SB 375 specifies that the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) work in tandem to prepare the Bay Area's SCS, to be adopted as part of MTC's Regional Transportation Plan and to be consistent with ABAG's Regional Housing Needs Allocation.

However, these regional agencies have very little authority over land use. The authority rests almost exclusively with local governments, whose actions affecting greenhouse gas reductions include energy use, waste disposal and recycling programs, water management systems, transportation, zoning, and building design. A realistic transportation and land-use strategy can therefore only be prepared with local governments participating as partners and co-leaders. To some extent, this is already happening across the Bay Area, as the nine counties and many of the 109 cities and other jurisdictions have adopted plans for climate action and sustainable community development.

## Santa Clara County

In 2007, Santa Clara County set goals for county operations and facilities to level off greenhouse gas emissions by 2010 and decrease emissions by 10 percent every five years toward an 80 percent reduction by 2050. The Climate Action Plan provides guidelines to reduce emissions by environmental purchasing, employee commute incentives, and reducing energy in buildings, in vehicle fleet fuel use, and in waste disposal. In September 2009, the county adopted a Green Building Policy to build more energy and water efficient county government buildings using LEED standards, and set a cap on potable water consumption at county facilities. The promise of an increased recycling program in 2010 aims to reduce waste disposed at county facilities and lower emissions related to the waste transport and recycling.

Cityside, San Jose has long been a leader in sustainable community development. In 2007, its city council adopted a 15-year "Green Vision" plan with ten goals: creating 25,000 "Clean Tech" jobs, reducing per capita energy use by 50 percent; receiving 100 percent of electrical power by renewable energy; building or retrofitting 50 million square feet of green buildings; diverting 100 percent of waste from landfill and converting waste to energy; recycling or reusing 100 percent of its wastewater; adopting a general plan with measurable standards for sustainable development; ensuring that 100 percent of public fleet vehicles run on alternative fuels; planting 100,000 new trees; replacing 100 percent of streetlights with zero-emission lighting; and creating 100 miles of interconnected trails.

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[www.bayareamonitor.org](http://www.bayareamonitor.org)*

## A COMMUNITY DIALOGUE WITH THE FOOTHILL DE ANZA COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Los Altos Library Community Room  
13 S. San Antonia Road, Los Altos  
Wednesday, January 27  
7:00 to 9:00 PM

### What Lies Ahead for our Community Colleges?

As state education funding declines, community colleges face difficult times and tough decisions. How are our community colleges doing and what issues are they confronting? How do community colleges define their core mission when they can't afford to do everything they once did? What do we want our community colleges' priorities to be?

Everyone has a stake in the success of our community colleges, especially if they have children who plan to go to a community college, or they need to retrain for a new job or they simply want to take classes to better themselves. Come to the forum and participate in the discussion.

*Sponsored by LWV Los Altos/Mountain View, Palo Alto,  
Cupertino/Sunnyvale and the Los Altos Library*

**THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE BAY AREA PRESENT  
BAY AREA LEAGUE DAY 2010**

**“BIG STEPS, LITTLE STEPS TO ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE”**

A program about reducing greenhouse gas emissions and confronting climate change

Saturday, January 30, 2010  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, California

Featuring keynote speaker Mary D. Nichols, Chair, California Air Resources Board

*With additional experts in the morning session addressing:*

Regional Transportation Requirements of Senate Bill 375  
(Steve Heminger, Executive Director, Metropolitan Transportation Commission)

State Land Use and Smart Growth Policies  
(Julia Lave Johnston, Deputy Director for Planning Policy, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research)

Environmental Visions for the Bay Area in 2035  
(Jeremy Madsen, Executive Director, Greenbelt Alliance)

Regional Air Quality Requirements of Senate Bill 375  
(Speaker from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District)

State Housing Requirements of Senate Bill 375  
(Cathy Creswell, Deputy Director of Housing Policy Development, California HCD)

*And an afternoon session showcasing success stories of confronting climate change around the region:*

City of Berkeley (Tom Bates, Mayor)

County of Sonoma (Rod Dole, Tax Auditor and Controller)

City of San Jose (Laurel Prevetti, Planner, and Ashwini Kantak, Assistant to the City Manager)

City of San Francisco (Calla Ostrander, Climate Change Coordinator)

#----- **REGISTRATION FORM** -----#

The price of this year’s Bay Area League Day is \$25 (\$15 without lunch) before January 21, or \$30 (\$20 without lunch) after that. A light breakfast will be served to all who attend. To register, please write check payable to “LWVBA” and mail with this form to 1611 Telegraph Ave., Suite 300, Oakland, CA 94612.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Local League: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is also available online through January 21 via PayPal at [www.lwvbayarea.org](http://www.lwvbayarea.org).  
For more details, call (510) 839-1608 or send an e-

# PROPOSED 2009-2011 LWVUS STUDY OF THE ROLE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

**PROPOSAL:** To study the role of the federal government in public education, with a focus on (1) the basic goals of public education, (2) the role of the federal government in education policy-making, (3) the relationship between national, state, and local levels of education governance, including funding, and (4) the development of common standards.

**PURPOSE:** To establish national League positions that would enable the League of Women Voters to:

- review, consider, evaluate and advocate for or against federal education legislation;
- advocate on issues related to what the federal role in public education should be;
- join in coalition with other national organizations that speak out on issues of public education.

**LEAGUE STATUS QUO:** Currently, LWV US addresses education issues only as they are covered by other national Social Policy positions, regarding fairness, and access to equal opportunity for women, minorities and for classes of students requiring special protection or resources--poor children, special needs children, English learners (EL), and others currently denied equal educational opportunity. As education has historically been the responsibility of the individual states and school districts, studying and acting on education issues has been left to Leagues within these jurisdictions. A table summarizing current state League education positions can be found at <http://www.sclaraco.calwvnet.org>.

**BACKGROUND:** The federal government is already heavily involved in funding, and establishing policy for all school districts receiving federal dollars. The Defense of Education Act of 1958 broke a long-standing taboo against direct federal aid to education.

Before the current economic crunch, national direct investment averaged about 10% of state level K-12 education budgets across a wide range of programs, from Head Start and reduced price school lunches to support for career education, homeless children, foster children and special education students. The recently reauthorized Higher Education Act addresses opportunities for many more students to afford college.

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act, originally passed in 1965, (known in its 2002 renewal as No Child Left Behind) is itself currently undergoing major restructuring before it can be reauthorized. Data on the powerful effect of pre-school learning has also brought federal initiatives to expand educational opportunities for very young children.

Evidence from all over the country reveals that resources and levels of support are very unequally distributed among the states, within states and school districts. Everywhere, ineffective, and/or under-funded schools have been concentrated in neighborhoods with large populations of

poor, and non-English speaking immigrants. Dropout rates averaging 25-30% across a state grow to more than 50% in these neighborhoods.

An overarching concern with the quality and amount of learning achieved by our high school graduates has focused attention on the misalignment of existing high-school graduation requirements and the preparation students will need to succeed in the workplace and postsecondary education. Education organizations representing education professionals, elected officials and private-sector executives have taken on the voluntary challenge of creating a set of national educational standards or guidelines to be used by states to replace the current individual state standards.

**RATIONALE:** Across the country, education has been caught in the perfect storm of our current economic crisis. People are losing their jobs, their homes, their health insurance and their savings all at the same time. The recession has compounded the widespread misery by severely reducing state and local revenues.

Funding for public education, which at one time came mostly from local property taxes (and still does in many localities), is now underwritten in most parts of the country by state income and sales taxes. When unemployment is high, tax revenue from these sources plummet.

Even as educational resources at the state and local level have shrunk, observers pointing to the weak performance of U.S. students in standard international tests, are calling for millions more college graduates to fill the professional positions being vacated by retiring Baby Boomers if we are to retain our standing in the global economy.

The new administration's stimulus package (The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or ARRA) is attempting to address the present contractions in state and local government revenues with large infusions of money attached to conditions requiring greater accountability. To help states sustain school budgets, \$55 billion has been allocated for education. Far more than in the past, the federal government is becoming involved in making policy as well as funding programs that will affect state and local school operations directly.

The League's basic, long-standing commitment to social policy issues such as children and families, equality of opportunity, and good government underscores the need to involve ourselves with how these far-reaching changes in education will be shaped at the national level. Currently we have very little by way of relevant positions that enable us to speak directly to federal policy decisions affecting public schools. While there are many other constituent groups addressing education, we are uniquely positioned to advocate with a national public education position that will not be biased toward one stakeholder or another.

**COST:** We believe that most of the work of a study committee can be conducted like the immigration study--with online discussions and reporting, and conference calls. We estimate the cost of this two-year study to approximate the cost of the immigration study--mainly LWVUS staff time--for \$30,000 to \$35,000.

## LEAGUE NEWS

**National** – Eight League leaders are set to attend the United Nations Framework Climate Change Conference (UNFCCC) in Copenhagen as official non-governmental organization delegates. The League is excited to have a delegation on the ground at this important event, and glad to hear that President Obama will be attending as well.

**State** – On November 12 in Oakland, LWVC President, Janis Hirohama, testified on reform of the initiative process at the second of a series of joint informational hearings being held around the state by the Legislature's Select Committees on Improving State Government. She stated the League's support for the concept of the indirect initiative, review of direct initiatives before petitions are circulated for signatures, and other reforms.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

See if there is a job that fits your talents and interest and volunteer by contacting the editor at: [lwvcseditor@comcast.net](mailto:lwvcseditor@comcast.net).

**Bay Area Rep** - We are still looking for the person who will enjoy representing our League at the Bay Area Network meetings. Is the environment your cup of tea? Then this is the place for you. Meet with representatives of other Leagues in the South Bay and learn about the issues that concern the Bay Area League. Bring information back to our League.

The group meets every other month at the LWV Palo Alto office in south Palo Alto.

**Membership** - The job of Membership Director encompasses many tasks. We are trying to break the job down into smaller more doable tasks to lighten the load.

**Recruitment** - Find ways to introduce people to the League and encourage them to join.

**Welcoming** - Contact new members and introduce them to the League. Invite them to meetings and learn their interests.

**Data management** - Maintain the Master Roster of League members.

**Voter Service** - See the President's Message on page two for help needed with Pros and Cons presentations.

## Join the League of Women Voters

Membership in the League of Women Voters is open to all men and women of voting age who are U.S. citizens. Others are welcome to join the League as associate members.

Send your check payable to LWVCS to LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale, P.O. Box 2923, Sunnyvale, CA 94087.

\_\_\_ \$60 Individual member

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ \$90 Two members in a household

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Membership checks are made out to LWVCS and are not tax deductible.

To make a tax-deductible donation, write a separate check to LWVCS Education Fund.

## CALENDAR

### January

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| Mon | 11 | 7:30 PM                  | <b>Board Meeting</b><br>Board Room at Pacific Business Center<br>19925 Stevens Creek Blvd. Cupertino  |
| Wed | 20 | 10 AM - Noon<br>7 - 9 PM | <b>Program Planning</b><br>Olsen Residence<br>611 Hubbard, Santa Clara, 95051   |
| Wed | 27 | 7 - 9 PM                 | <b>Community College Dialogue</b><br>Los Altos Library<br>13 S. San Antonio Road, Los Altos   |
| Sat | 30 | 9 AM - 2 PM              | <b>Bay Area League Day</b><br>“Big Steps, Little Steps to Addressing Climate Change”<br>Metro Center<br>101 Eighth Street, Oakland<br>Next to Lake Merritt Bart Station |

### February

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| Sat | 13 | 1 - 3 PM | <b>League Birthday Celebration</b><br>Sunnyvale Heritage Museum<br>570 E. Remington Drive, Sunnyvale |
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