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2015 Annual Meeting

Saturday, May 30, 2015

**Toyota Sunnyvale Meeting Room
upstairs above the showroom
898 W El Camino Real
Sunnyvale, CA 94086**

9:45 Light Continental Breakfast

10:00 Annual Meeting

11:00 Program

**New Development in
Cupertino and Sunnyvale**

Speakers:

Rod Sinks, Mayor, Cupertino

Dave Whittum, Councilmember, Sunnyvale

Public is welcome

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Be sure to mark Saturday, May 30 for **Annual Meeting**. This year we will be trying a new venue. Thanks to **Toyota Sunnyvale** for letting us use their meeting room. Your Annual Meeting Kit will be arriving soon in your mailbox. Please bring it with you to the meeting. The program, **New Development in Cupertino and Sunnyvale**, and speakers, Dave Whittum and Rod Sinks should be of interest to the public. Bring a friend. They are welcome to attend the meeting at 9:45 or just the program at 11:00.

Our **Community Appeal** got off to a great start. If you intend to donate and haven't done so yet, please send in your contribution to PO Box 2923, Sunnyvale, CA 94087-1923. Make non-tax deductible gifts payable to LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale. Tax-deductible gifts should be made payable to LWVC Education Fund. It will help us serve the community and won't go to a present for Charlie Chaplin's Cat—see next page.

I look forward to seeing you at Annual Meeting.

Roberta

ANNUAL MEETING

LWVCS members will enjoy a light continental breakfast and:

- Vote on the budget for 2015-16
- Elect Officers, Directors and the Nominating Committee for 2015-16
- Adopt County and Local Positions
- Adopt Issues for Emphasis for 2015-16
- Provide directions to the new Board
- Hear speakers on New Development in Cupertino and Sunnyvale

Look for your Annual Meeting Kit in your mailbox soon

Board Briefs

At its April meeting, your board:

- Learned that the Community Appeal was mailed on March 27 and \$1,445 from 23 donors has already been received.
- Received a thank you letter from the Fremont Union High School District for the 20 copies of Guide to California Government donated by our League.
- Agreed to post our non partisan policy and positions on our website.
- Agreed to share one delegate position with another League.

Community Appeal

Thank you to the following for your donations to the League:

Harry and Paula Bettencourt, Josephine and William Borucki, Pete Botsford, Delores Carson, Pat Castillo, Patricia and Fred Dentinger, Carl Dunlap, Tracey Edwards, Dorothy and John Givens, Eileen and Richard Grindeland, Anita and Alan Herrmann, Roberta and Marshall Hollimon, Marilyn Howard, Russell Howard, Patricia and James Jackson, Kristine Kelly, Jane Kroll, Louise and Robert Levy, Jo Loer, Jo Lucey, Elaine and Scott Manley, Arthur Norins, Barbara Nunes, Judi Pogue, Marlene and Robert Sartwell, Marieann Shovlin, Lois Smallwood, Martin Sorensen, Rose-Marie Twu, Leanne and Charles Untulis, and Carol Weiss.

LEAGUE NEWS

National – The League joined other concerned environmental partners in opposing Representative Whitfield's Ratepayer Protection Act. This legislation would allow states to opt out of the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan (CPP). The legislation also seeks to delay implementation of the CPP indefinitely until every polluter's lawsuit has been litigated.

State - On March 25, Jennifer Pae, LWVC Project Manager, Voter Service and Education, represented the LWVCEF at a joint hearing of the state Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee and Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee.

The LWVC received an award for civic action from the California Council for Social Studies at their annual convention in early March. At the same conference, Elizabeth Leslie, LWVC Communications Manager, presented a workshop on new ways to engage youth in civic life.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN'S CAT

April 12 - 18... "was National Volunteer Week. No organization can boast more dedicated volunteers than the League of Women Voters.

"This is also a time when many state League members are hard at work in their state legislatures protecting voting rights, the environment and taking a stand on many other issues. Our volunteers carrying the League brand and the League reputation go out every day to make sure that the voices of the people are heard in the halls of power.

"This volunteer ethic runs deep in our DNA. The women and men who fought to get women the vote did so as volunteers. The work we do today honors the work they did to ensure that 23 million women and their daughters and granddaughters down the generations had a vote and voice. Carrie Chapman Catt began her adult life as a teacher, rising to school superintendent in a city in Iowa. Later, she made her living as a lecturer. But the bulk of her career was dedicated to volunteering in the cause of women's rights. When the 19th Amendment was ratified and the vote was won, the volunteers around the country took up a collection to buy Mrs. Catt a gift. Many of those volunteers were also school teachers who reached out to their students to collect pennies for the gift. There is a wonderful story about a little boy who went home from school and asking for his pennies, proudly told his mother that they were raising money for a present for Charlie Chaplin's cat.

"Whatever inspires us to give our time and our pennies to a good cause, whether voting rights or a famous person's pet, our work is important and our democracy depends on it. Thank you for all you do."

*From the LWWUS League Update
April 16, 2015*

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

Address: _____

___ \$30 Student

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

___ Contribution \$ _____

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Email(s): _____

Membership checks are made out to "LWVCS" and are not tax-deductible. Donations to "LWVCS" are also non-deductible.

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

CALENDAR

May

Mon 11 7:30 PM	Board Meeting Burnett's 729 Stendhal Lane, Cupertino 95014
Fri 15-Sun17	LWVC Convention Westin San Diego Gaslamp Quarter
Sat 30 10 AM - 12 Noon	LWV Cupertino-Sunnyvale Annual Meeting Toyota Sunnyvale Meeting Room 898 W El Camino Real, Sunnyvale

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