



CASCADE ECHOES

CALENDAR FOR APRIL AND MAY 2015

APRIL

2 FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm. Topic is La Pine, "State of the City" with speakers Ken Mulenex, Mayor and Rick Allen, City Manager.

9 Board Meeting 10 a.m. at the County Building.1300 Wall St.,Lyons Room

30 Annual Meeting at 10:30 AM at Kim Smith's home. More details and Annual Meeting workbook will be sent to you later in mid April.

MAY

May 1—3 State Convention in Eugene—see page 3 for Second Call to Convention

7 FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm. May 7th Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA), Brent Fenty, Executive Director Learn about out high desert ecosystem
At Black Bear Diner (1465 NE 3rd Street, Bend. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm.

14 Board Meeting 10 a.m. at the County Building.1300 Wall St.,Lyons Room



League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization encourages informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy



WEB SITES

Local
www.lwvdeschutes.org/index.htm
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National
www.lwv.org
Nationwide Election Information
www.VOTE411.org

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President's Message

After a mild winter we seem to be having an early spring. Daffodils are blooming and many trees already have blossoms. It is lovely! Our very busy League had our consensus meeting on Children at Risk. We learned that having children prepared for school would have long-range benefits for them and for our communities and our economy. Oregon has a dismal record on this issue. Our consensus results will be sent to the state League and compiled with others from all over the state and, hopefully, will lead to a new state position upon which we could advocate. Thank you to **Marie Gibson, Andrea Blum, Anita Elliot and Signe Timm** for presenting the material and leading the discussion.

Our Affordable Housing Committee has been gathering information and interviewing people and learning about the complicated issues affecting the cost and availability of housing. If you'd like to be a part of this process just contact **Dolores Ellis** (541-617-6901) or **Anita Elliott** (541-318-6331). There will be lots more interviews to come.

Since we are a county League, and not just a Bend League, we have been trying to educate ourselves and others about other places in Deschutes County. The April First Thursday Luncheon will give us a chance to do that. On **April 2** we'll have mayor, Ken Mulenex, and city manager, Rick Allen, of **La Pine** to tell us what's happening in the south of our county.

Save the date of **April 30th for our Annual Meeting**. All members, old and new, are urged to attend. You will receive an invitation and a packet of materials in mid-April.

.Dalyte Hartsough
Co-President

First Thursday Luncheon Speakers

April 2nd the First Thursday Luncheon topic will be: La Pine, "State of the City". Speakers will be Ken Mulenex, Mayor and Rick Allen, City Manager.

Ken Mulenex retired from the Air Force after serving 20 years and returned to college studying Marine Biology and Chemistry. After graduating he worked in computer electronics. When he and his wife, Vicki, moved to LaPine they opened the first computer services business there. Ken served on the LaPine city council in 2010 and was the first elected mayor in 2012. He serves on a number of local, Central Oregon, state boards and other organizations that focus on issues like transportation, city government, economic development, regional solutions, health services and veterans affairs.

For 20 years Rick Allen split time between private business and public service as a volunteer, employee, and owner. Over time he built, opened, managed and operated numerous small businesses of which the majority are still operating decades and years later. While building those businesses time was allocated to what would become a lifelong commitment to public service that has included time as Oregon's youngest mayor at 28, working various political campaigns and serving as interim city manager for LaPine. When not working he can be found floating one of Oregon's rivers or exploring the many trails, lakes or campgrounds near the small towns of Eastern Oregon.

HELP WANTED

Our Echoes Editor is in need of some assistance. This would involve: (1) printing copies of the ECHOES to be mailed and the extras on hand (2) making up the First Thursday Luncheon flyer to go to the Membership Chair for distribution (3) helping with the publishing of the ECHOES (using WORD and the template already in use) once in a while when she goes out of town (not often a problem).

If you can give her a hand, please email Denise: jmahoney@bendcable.com

This is the official Second Call to the 2015 State Convention in Eugene, OR. Two very important documents are available in both pdf and word doc formats.

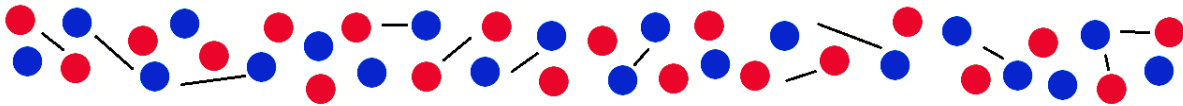
1. Second Call to Convention. *Outlines the Proposed Order of Business for Convention, Meal Options, Hotel Information, and more.*
2. Credentials and Registration. *This is the document you must fill out and send back the state office to register your local League, delegates, observers, and guests for Convention. There is a chart in this document that will tell you exactly how many delegates each local League is allowed.* are available to be forwarded by contacting Dalyte at dhart@bendcable.com or Denise at jmahoney@bendcable.com

Credentials and registration are due to the state office by **April 6, 2015**.

Please send completed materials to: 1330 12th St. SE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97302. You will find important information about Convention, including documents about the proposed consolidation, program planning, and bylaw changes here: <http://www.lwvor.org/events/lwvor-convention-2015/>. Please check this link for regular updates. We are excited to see everyone on May 1! Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Paige Lancourt Administrative Manager, Technology & Education Support, League of Women Voters of Oregon

Second Call to Convention

Connect the Dots. How Much is Your Vote Worth?



Valley River Inn, Eugene, Oregon May 1–3, 2015

Time & Place The 2015 Convention starts at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, May 1. Preceding the Opening of Convention is an optional parliamentary procedure workshop at 10:45 a.m. Convention ends at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 3. A map will be available on the www.lwvor.org web site.

Purpose The convention shall consider and authorize a program for action; shall elect the president, first vice-president, secretary, three directors (two-year terms), and three members of the nominating committee, as well as a chair of the nominating committee; shall adopt a budget for the ensuing year; and shall transact such other business as may be presented. Two directors to complete the second half of the current two-year term shall also be elected.

Host League of Women Voters of Lane County

Delegates The convention shall consist of the Board of Directors of LWVOR, and delegates chosen by members through the local Leagues. Each local League shall be entitled to two delegates for the first 40 members or fewer. If possible, the first delegate should be the President or an official designee. An additional delegate is allowed for every 20 additional members belonging to the local League as of LWVUS PMP reporting date for the year of the convention (January 2015). Each approved Members-at-large (MAL) unit shall be entitled to one delegate. For those MALs not in an approved unit, MAL representation at convention shall be one delegate for every 20 MALs or major fraction (10 or more) thereof belonging to the League as of LWVUS PMP reporting date for the year of the convention. Those MAL delegates shall be selected as established in the LWVOR Policies, Procedures & Guidelines. If there are fewer than 10 MALs, the interest of the MALs shall be represented by the LWVOR Membership Chair. The cost of delegate registration and workbook is \$75.00.

Observers Any member of a local League or MAL in Oregon may attend the convention as an observer. Local Leagues are encouraged to send as many observers as possible. Observers may not vote, but may have the privilege of the floor upon recognition of the Chair. League members are

encouraged to exercise this privilege. The cost of full-time observer registration and workbook is \$45.00. Observers for one session will be charged \$10.00 for registration, plus the cost of the workbook (\$15.00 additional) if desired.

Workbooks Included in the convention workbooks will be the proposed agenda, convention rules, proposed 2015-2016 LWVOR & EF budget, proposed 2015-2016 state program, proposed amendments to the LWVOR and/or LWVOREF bylaws and reports from LWVOR Board members and off-Board chairs. Local Leagues will receive one copy per delegate and full-time observer as part of the registration fee. Additional workbooks are \$15.00 and may be ordered on the registration form.

Registration The enclosed registration form for delegates and observers must be filled out by either the President or the treasurer of the local League. **Registration forms, credential forms and payment must be received in the state office by April 6. Registration will not be available at convention.**

Reservations Rooms at Valley River Inn: Deluxe Room: \$89.00 s/d occupancy + 10.5% tax
River View Room: \$109.00 + 10.5% tax
Phone: 1 (800) 916-4339, or local (541) 743-1000. IMPORTANT: Ask for the League of Women Voters block.

Please make your room reservations as soon as possible to insure availability.

Meals Two official meals have been planned in an effort to maintain lower costs and to offer several opportunities for League networking and interchanges. Prepaid reservations must be made on the reservation form. Meal tickets will be distributed as convention attendees check in at the registration desk. Note: All meal prices include service charges. Special dietary requests can be made on the registration form.

SATURDAY LUNCHEON (Buffet Style), \$15.25. Your choice of:

Chicken

Vegetarian

All entrees will be served with salad, vegetables, dessert, coffee, tea, and soda

SATURDAY BANQUET, \$30.00. Your choice of:

Chef's Choice: Chicken Dinner/Chef's Choice: Fresh Fish Dinner/Vegetarian Dinner

All entrees will be served with salad, vegetables, dessert, coffee, tea, and soda

Displays Any local League may make a display board no larger than 24 by 36 inches displaying what your Local League has done in the past year, or to share information about a successful event your League organized. The display board will remain yours and will be displayed behind your Silent Auction basket on a table in the main meeting room. Make sure your League's name is on the display.

Any local Leagues who will be utilizing the display area for their local League will need to advise the state League by **April 6 (on your registration form)** so that appropriate space can be arranged. Displays will need to be set up before 12:15 p.m. on Friday, May 1. The hotel cannot be responsible for items.

*Note: There will be additional display space available for those who request it on the **registration form**. You can use this space to sell local items or share additional information about your League.

Silent Auction Plan to bring items for the Silent Auction! Each local League has the opportunity to bring a Silent Auction offering. For example, your League could offer a single item, fill a basket, a box, or a Chico Bag (available by request through the League office). Please indicate on the

registration form that your local League would like to participate in the Silent Auction. All revenues raised will go to your League.

Speakers 8:30 a.m., May 2, Morning Session Special Speaker, Columbia Ballroom

U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio

Representative DeFazio will be giving a short speech during the Morning Business Session on May 2 from 8:30-9:30am.

12:50 p.m., May 2, Luncheon Keynote Speaker, North McKenzie Ballroom

Michael Copps

Former FCC Commissioner and Common Cause Special Adviser.

“Defending what we’ve won online: What comes next for the 21st century Town Square of Democracy”

7:30 p.m., May 2, Dinner Banquet Keynote Speaker, North McKenzie Ballroom

GarrettEpps

Garrett Epps is a Professor of Law at the University of Baltimore and a Supreme Court Correspondent for The Atlantic Online. He was a professor at the University of Oregon School of Law for 16 years.

Calendar April 6th - Convention Registration Due

April 17th - Convention Workbooks mailed (by request only) and posted online

May 1-3rd - 2015 LWVOR Convention in Eugene, OR Convention See Proposed Order of Business for the 2015 LWVOR Convention on the pages below.

Schedule

LWVOR 2015 Proposed Order of Business

Friday, May 1, 2015

10:30 am Registration begins
 10:45 am Workshop
 Workshop: Parliamentary Procedure (optional)
12:30 pm Opening session
Columbia Ballroom
 12:30-2:30 pm Business Session
 2:30-2:45 pm Break
 2:45-5:00 pm Business Session
 6:00-8:00 pm Dine Around
 8:30 pm Caucuses
Rogue/Siuslaw Rooms

Sunday, May 3, 2015

Attendees: Breakfast on own Sweetwater Restaurant
 7:15 am Presidents Breakfast
Rogue Room
 8:30 am Morning Session
Columbia Ballroom
 8:30-10:45 am Business Session
 10:45-11:15 am Break
 11:15-12:30 pm Business Session continued
12:30 pm Adjourn
 1 pm LWVOR Board Meeting
Columbia Ballroom
 1:00 – 2:30 pm Board Meeting and lunch

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Attendees: Breakfast on own
 7:00-8:00 am Nature/Bird Walk (*Meet in Hotel Lobby*)
 8:00 am Registration opens
Foyer of Columbia Ballroom
 8:30 am Morning Session
Columbia Ballroom
 8:30-9:30 am Peter DeFazio
 9:30-10:15 am Break
 10:15-11:15am Voter Service Presentation
 11:15-11:45am Voter Service Workshop

 12:00 pm Luncheon
North McKenzie
 12:30-12:50 pm Announcements
 12:50-1:50 pm Michael Copps, Speaker

 2:00 pm Afternoon Session
Columbia Ballroom
 2:00-4:00 pm 501c3 Consolidation Discussion
 4:00-4:15 pm Break
 4:15-5:00 pm Technology Presentation
 5:00-6:00 Break
 6:00 pm No Host Cocktail Party
North McKenzie Ballroom
 6:30 pm Banquet
 7:00-7:30 pm Announcements, Introduction of speaker
 7:30-8:30 pm Garrett Epps, Speaker
 9:00 pm Presidents Reception

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DESCHUTES COUNTY

FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON

APRIL 2, 2015

La Pine, "State of the City"

Ken Mulenex, Mayor

Rick Allen, City Manager

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm

at **Black Bear Diner**, on the corner of 3rd and Olney Streets in Bend.

There is a separate dining room for our use. There is no cost to hear the speakers;
however those wanting lunch should arrive about 11:00 a.m. and order off the menu.

The speakers will begin at noon and allow time for questions from the audience.

No reservations are needed. This event is open to the general public.