



CASCADE ECHOES

CALENDAR FOR MARCH AND APRIL 2016

MARCH

3 FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON, HOUSING IN DESCHUTES COUNTY Speaker will be: **Tammy Baney, Deschutes County Commissioner** and member of the Oregon Housing Stability Council (formerly Oregon Housing and Community Services). **At Black Bear Diner (1465 NE 3rd Street, Bend. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm.** See last page for details

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21 Annual Meeting

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24 Great Schools, Great Communities forum

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President's Message

Well the groundhog didn't see his shadow and we should be seeing an early spring. Or not. We are in Central Oregon after all but it looks promising except for some white stuff that keeps showing up.

We had great turnouts at both the 'First Thursday Luncheon' and the 'Affordable Housing Forum' this last month. Thank you for giving these important parts of our league your support.

I want to give kudos to the 'Affordable Housing Study Committee' for putting on such a great forum. It was informative and interesting. The committee members are Chair: Dolores Ellis, Carol Carvoretto, Dave Stranahan, Anita Elliott, and Dalte and Don Hartsough. Thank you for taking on such an important and challenging issue. The committee will be presenting their recommendations at the March Board meeting for adoption at the annual meeting in April.

We are starting up a membership committee to work on adding members to our local league. Bonnie Corley and I will be co-chairing and would love to have members help us with this. Let us know if there is an occasion or meeting where we can put up our banner and talk about the league. We are still looking for additional members to join the slate for the next board. Please call Coral Ann Cary, our Nominations Chair if you would like to know more. (541-306-4832)

Our annual meeting will be April 21st and we will be having Linda Cleary from LWVOR as our special guest. She will be presenting 'Blueprint for Children – Risk Prevention' supporting our Children at Risk study. She asks that our members watch a youtube video called 'Are we Crazy about our Kids?' before her presentation to give us a good grounding in what she will be talking about. If you can watch it on your own great or if you would prefer, we will be showing the video a half hour before our annual meeting. More on this later.

Please put the Annual Meeting on April 21st and the 'Great Schools, Great Communities' forum on May 24th (change of date), on your calendars.

I am asking that if you can, please send out the "Membership Letter" with the Membership form attached to at least 5 of your friends. Please add what you like about the league and perhaps what brought you into the league. Please delete last month's First Thursday information.

Thank you,

Kim Smith LWVDC President

First Thursday Luncheon Speaker

Tammy Baney took office as a Deschutes County Commissioner January of 2007. Her term expires January of 2019.

She was born in Salem, Oregon, raised in Deschutes County, attended COCC and the University of Phoenix. She has a background in business management and real estate sales and investment. She was selected for her work in health care reform as Oregon Statesman of the year by the Oregon Business Association.

Tammy enjoys time with her daughter Addy and 3 foster daughters. In her free time she enjoys wine tasting, craft beer, cooking, reading and delighting in all the Central Oregon landscape has to offer.

Her public service includes the Deschutes County Commission on Children and Families, Deschutes County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, Family Law Advisory Council. She served on Oregon Housing Stability Council in 2010, and Oregon Transportation Commission since 2011 and is now Chair, CASA, Habitat for Humanity Board Member, Family Access Network founder and co-founder of Deschutes County Meth Action Coalition.

Currently she serves with many organizations and has received many awards.

Congratulations to Dolores Ellis for becoming an Honorary
member of the League of Women Voters

Dear Members,

Due to a “perfect storm” of unfortunate circumstances, we need additional members to join our board. Your participation is the key to our success!

League is a very well respected organization in our community and we intend to continue serving our county for years to come. We always have requests for candidate forums that are very well received by the candidates and voters. Our Affordable Housing forum scheduled for February is another example of the offerings we provide to our residents. The speakers always appreciate our First Thursday Lunches. These meetings give them an opportunity to dialog with the community on a personal basis. We also gain from the information presented to us.

Our Board meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at the county building and is usually just one hour. Please consider stepping up to support us in all our great efforts in Deschutes County.

I look forward to hearing from each of you. Please call or email to let me know what you can do to support our programs.

Corol Ann Cary, Nominating Chair 541 306-4832

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DESCHUTES COUNTY

FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON

March 3, 2016

HOUSING IN DESCHUTES COUNTY

**Speaker will be: Tammy Baney,
Deschutes County Commissioner**

and member of the Oregon Housing Stability Council
(formerly Oregon Housing and Community Services).

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.