



# Argus

League of Women Voters of Lane County

April 2017

## CHANNEL THE ENERGY by Linda Lynch, President



The past month has seen the League's study topic of Housing and Homelessness in Lane County

mesh perfectly with the attention the rest of the community is paying to the topic. While that subject has been both clarifying and depressing, League members are also working to channel the energy generated by the November 2016 election. The League continues to see new members, as do other organizations dedicated to transparency and factual studies. When peo-

ple join the League, they step into a structured organization, one with policies adopted at the national, state and local levels. Studies such as ours are critical not just to our mission, they are critical to inform the public policy debates and public decision making.

Most of the activism since November is not organized, which makes it interesting to watch, but one wonders if it is effective. To some degree, its very lack of organization makes it more important. In the March 6 *New Yorker* magazine, the writer Kathryn Schulz argues that this self-motivated activism has the benefit of immediacy.

*"In normal times, then - which is to say, in the times we don't currently live in -*

*calling your members of Congress is not an intrinsically superior way to get them to listen. But what makes a particular type of message effective depends largely on what you are trying to achieve. For mass protests, such as those that have been happening recently, phone calls are a better way of contacting lawmakers, not because they get taken more seriously but because they take up more time--thereby occupying staff, obstructing business as usual, and attracting media attention. E-mails get the message through but are comparatively swift and easy for staffers to process, while conventional mail is at a disadvantage when speed matters..."*

*The New Yorker* article documents anecdotally the vast increase in constituent calls to Congress. For example, "One House member, who typically has three or four thousand constituents call in to his telephone town halls, found himself joined at his latest one by eleven thousand constituents."

State legislators and Members of Congress do listen more carefully to their own constituents, so it is probably not productive to send the same letter to all 435 representatives and 100 senators (or to our 90 state legislators). When those Action Alerts come from state and national Leagues, use your own words when you write or call legislators.

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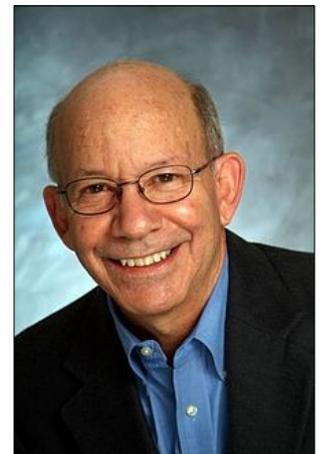
**THIRD THURSDAY**  
**April 20**  
Valley River Inn  
**Reservations required!**  
Call the League office at 541-343-7917  
by the Monday before, March 13.

The program is free and open  
to the public.

Lunch is \$17  
Beverage only is \$5  
Lunch begins 11:30 am  
The program begins at noon

### April Third Thursday Speaker

Our speaker will be  
**Peter DeFazio**  
U.S. Representative for Oregon's  
4th Congressional district,  
serving since 1987



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PLEASE NOTE - If you know you will be attending Third Thursday, please notify us whether you will be lunching, just want a beverage or neither but want to attend. This will help the staff set up the room to better accommodate our needs.  
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## APRIL UNITS - by Paula Bassett, Chair

### LWV of Lane County Board & Off Board Roster 2016-17

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We have some very interesting options for Unit Choice in April. Feel free to join any group. Be sure to check the next Argus to see if there will be unit meetings in May.

### Wednesday, April 5, 1 pm

The Cottage Grove unit is planning a field trip to housing for the homeless Square One Villages. Members will meet at LCC in Cottage Grove for car-pooling first to the Cottage Grove site where tiny houses will be built, then to a Eugene site to view existing tiny houses.

### Monday, April 10, Noon

South Willamette unit is meeting for lunch at Davis Restaurant, 94 W Broadway, Eugene, for a panel on sanctuary/protection of vulnerable immigrant communities. For more information contact Anne Best at 541-343-5124 or Therese Picado

### Monday, April 10, 7 pm

Cascade Manor Auditorium  
65 W. 30th Ave., Eugene  
Bob Hart, Director of the Lane County Historical Museum will give a special talk re: his work in the National Parks. Also he will speak about other Historical Museums. The Auditorium is on the 2nd floor of the Manor. Enter from 30th Ave. and check-in at the front desk. Take an elevator down to the 2nd floor.

### Tuesday, April 11, 2 pm

Coburg Rd. and Harlow Rd. Unit  
Members will visit Community Supported Shelters and learn about Safe Spots housing. For more information email Linda Ferdowsian at [lferdowsian@yahoo.com](mailto:lferdowsian@yahoo.com).

*The Springfield unit will not meet for an activity in April, but its members are free to join other units' events.*

### Wednesday, April 12, 10 am

East Eugene  
Because most of us haven't been to the Lane County Historical Museum in years, we decided it was time for a visit. We are meeting there, 740 W. 13th, next to the fairgrounds. The temporary exhibit is "Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II" while some of the permanent ones, such as on logging remain. We shall have a docent with a charge of \$3 for those over 60. Please join us and email at [76music79@comcast.net](mailto:76music79@comcast.net) or call Diana Grandberry at 541-342-8402 to confirm.

### Wednesday, April 12, 3 pm

S. W. Eugene unit invites all who would be interested in learning more about the operations and challenges of Planned Parenthood of Lane County. We have scheduled a meeting with Kelly Devour of Planned Parenthood at 3579 Franklin Boulevard. Kelly will bring us up to date about Planned Parenthood's successes and its challenges under the current political circumstances. We will be given a tour of their handsome new facilities. We hope a good number of you will join us! If you have questions please call Sally Weston at 541-484-4404.

## ANNUAL MEETING - APRIL 29

Mark your calendars! The annual meeting of the League of Women Voters of Lane County is Saturday morning, April 29. It's like a local convention! Attendees will vote on program choices for next year, the next budget (dues...???), by-laws changes, board members and other business that may come before the group.

You will receive a packet of information along with the agenda about April 10. Read your packet!!! Bring it with you to the meeting.

There is a potluck brunch to start the morning, meaning that in addition to business, there is time to visit. Board members all hope to see you there.

*Linda Lynch*

## VOTER SERVICE

### Rhonda Livesay & Keli Osborn, Co-Chairs

#### Feel like getting involved? Frustrated with what is happening in Washington?

You should come to a Voter Service meeting and join the activity. Our forum on the National Popular Vote was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March.

We have completed the *They Represent You* brochure. You should have your copy soon. We have started distribution to schools, public libraries and the election office. We need copies to go to retirement facilities and other locations. A distribution list is in the office. Stop by the League office, take 30 brochures and pick a location to take them. Your help is really appreciated.

In April, we will be holding a school board forum for the Eugene 4J District. The website will post the information once the final plans are made.

We are looking forward to a fall forum on how to get involved politically, how to lobby your government representatives and other similar topics.

Just a note to remind you to check our website and Facebook page. We are trying to keep information up to date and to inform you of activities that are happening in our area.

Please join us and help make a difference locally, statewide and nationally.

#### May Elections Here Before We Know It

With a March 16 filing deadline, there was a flurry of activity as candidates turned in paperwork for offices across Lane County. For details, see the Lane County website, navigating to the Elections page and link to the page for the May 16, 2017 special election. An abbreviated overview:

Of 63 positions on the ballot, two seats remain without a candidate, and forty-four people are running unopposed for seats on the following school boards:

Lane Community College  
Lane Education Service District  
Bethel,  
Eugene 4j,  
Springfield,  
South Lane,  
Fern Ridge &  
many other communities

Fire districts, water and water control districts, park and recreation districts, library districts and others have similar breakdowns - with just over 200 seats total up for grabs.

Running for and holding office are demanding tasks. We can't assume that apathy underlies vacant seats and uncontested races. Not only are people busy with other activities; they might be pretty satisfied with their jurisdiction(s).

Nevertheless, one of the more meaningful ways to participate in American democracy is to run for office. By one count, there are more than 500,000 elective offices across the country.

Add to that the large number of advisory boards and commissions contributing to local governments, and we have a huge need for direct involvement.

**Voter Service** members have talked about putting together written materials and a future workshop on how to influence government (local, state, national) and ways to become involved. Help us make this happen in fall 2017!

#### Invite teens into the League of Women Voters!

Sure, a 16-year-old Oregonian can obtain a provisional driver's license. But, did you know that teen driving has declined in recent decades? In 2014, only 24.5 percent of American 16-year-olds had a license, a 47-percent decrease from 1983, when 46.2 percent did. (Source: University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute)

**Let's help make membership in the League of Women Voters the new rite of passage!** We offer teens and young adults connection, community, learning experiences and fun. Teens and young adults offer the League increased diversity in outlook and skills.

The board of directors for LWV of Lane County voted this March to align our bylaws with LWVUS to permit 16-year-olds to join the organization as voting members. Are you a teen? Come join us. Are you an adult member? Invite older teens to consider League membership. Give the gift of membership to the teens in your life. (Smart Sixteen? High school graduation?) Make room for new and younger voices. Prepare for our shared future and beyond. The benefits will be there for all us.

# STATE OF THE STATE

## by Kappy Eaton, Action Co-chair

### Legislative Concerns

**SB 752 (HB 2005)**, pay equity, is one of the major bills being supported by the League. Under the legislation, "compensation" includes wages, salary, bonuses, benefits, fringe benefits and stock options. The bill is comprehensive and specific, and a strong hearing by the Senate Committee on Workforce was held on February 22. Employees and workforce applicants alike cannot be discriminated against in wages, work of comparable character, working conditions, or sexual orientation. The proposal has good legislative, bipartisan support and hopefully will make it through both chambers. A strong statement concerning women came from Senator Ted Ferrioli (R from Eastern Oregon). Here is part of it: *"Women have overcome economic, political and social challenges throughout history. We must continue to move forward and work together to advance policies that improve lives, expand opportunity and amplify women's potential and success in Oregon. Women deserve equal pay for equal work and in 2017 this shouldn't still be an issue."* Well said.

**SB 683** calls for the state to pay for ballot return envelopes in each state election, starting on January 1, 2019. A supportive hearing was held March 6 in Senate Rules with groups such as the Oregon Bus Project and the Oregon Students Association testifying in favor. The bill is specifically addressed to disabled and military voters. The estimated cost is about \$900,000. Unfortunately, the cost could prevent serious consideration.

**HB 2927 and SB 823** are the latest attempts to have Oregon join the states which have endorsed the National Popular Vote Compact. When the number of states signing the Compact reaches the number of state electoral votes needed to pass an amendment to the Constitution (276), the Compact will be enacted and every vote will be equal and counted. In the past three legislative sessions, the Oregon House has passed the Compact proposal only to have the Senate fail to discuss it.

The League is involved with other organizations such as Common Cause in supporting the legislation this year.

**SB 802** would allow 16 year olds to register to vote. Currently, 17 year olds may register and the county elections offices keeps the record and sends a ballot to the young persons at the next election as soon as they reach the age of 18. An increasing number of states have lowered the registration age to 16. The purpose is to encourage young people to become interested in community and national issues and be ready to vote. The bill prohibits the release of any personal registration information.

**HB 2219** brings an attempt to get more civics classes taught in both public and private schools. While it is a welcome improvement, it only "encourages" districts and charter schools to add civic classes activities. The Legislature does not want to add costs to local education budgets. This is a long-time issue for the League, and we have waited a long time for a bill. We can hope for better support in the future.

### Action Committee Meeting

**Wednesday,  
April 5,  
9:30 am**

**Dining Room  
Waterford Grand  
600 Waterford Way,  
Eugene**

Please contact  
Pat Hocken at  
541-343-1138 or  
[jphocken@comcast.net](mailto:jphocken@comcast.net)  
if you have questions.

All League members  
are welcome to  
participate on the  
committee.



# LOCAL ACTION

## by Pat Hocken, Action Co-chair

### Lane County Jail Levy

At its March board meeting the LWVLC Board approved a contribution of \$200 to the Renew the Jail Levy political action committee.

The Board had previously voted to support the Lane County jail levy extension, ballot measure 20-271 on the May 2017 ballot, which will renew for five years the local option levy for jail and critical youth services. The League intends to also submit letters to the editor or op-ed pieces expressing support.

As reported in the March *Argus*, the existing levy has been highly successful. The increased capacity paid for by the levy has reduced capacity-based releases by more than 63%. As a result, no pre-trial inmates held with Measure 11 charges have been released since July 2013 due to lack of capacity. Similarly the jail has not released, due to capacity, any pre-trial inmates held on violent felony charges. The expansion of detention beds has allowed Youth Services to hold those who are the highest public safety risk and the enhancement of funds has allowed females to be served in residential treatment, formerly a critical gap.

### President's column

*(Continued from page 1)*

*"For many people, including some who slept through high school civics, the past several weeks have been a kind of adult-education seminar in American government. Whatever else it will change, in other words, this surge of grass-roots activism is already changing the people who participate in it. And that change can bring about others: today's newly engaged citizen might be 2018's motivated midterm voter, or 2020's brand new city council member, or the dark horse victor in a Senate race in 2024."*

The lack of capacity releases has reduced costs for local law enforcement because police no longer need to find and re-arrest those who fail to appear at court hearings. In addition, according to the executive director of Sponsor's Inc., the revolving door has been replaced by treatment for inmates, re-entry services, supervision, and prosecution, in short by intervention.

### Envision Eugene

The League submitted testimony to a joint hearing of the Eugene Planning Commission and the Lane County Planning Commission. We supported the adoption of the two ordinances that include a new comprehensive land use plan; expansion of city's urban growth boundary to accommodate jobs, parks and schools; the Clear Lake overlay zone to protect large lots for industrial development and neighborhood livability near the airport; and adjustments to the R-2 residential zoning to accommodate multi-family housing.

The planning commissions will review the ordinances and the public input in order to provide recommendations to their respective governing bodies about adoption with or without substantial or minor changes. The Eugene City Council and the Lane County Board of Commissioners are expected to make their final decisions by summer 2017.

The LWVLC Voter Service committee met last week and observed that a healthy percentage of the more than 200 seats up for election in Lane County this May (yes, 200; yes, in Lane County) had no one running. Now, after filing deadline, most have candidates, most are unopposed. (Eugene School Board a notable exception) There will always be work for us to do. The City of Eugene deadline for applying to boards and commissions is March 31. There are openings on the Budget Committee, the Civilian Review Board, the Historic Review Board, the Human Rights Commission, the Planning Commission, the Sustain-

### Day at the Legislature

The League of Women Voters of Oregon (LWVOR) is sponsoring **Day at the Legislature, Room 50** Friday, April 21, 9am - 3pm Oregon State Capitol, 900 Court St NE, Salem More details will be available on the LWVOR website <http://lwwor.org/>

### Joint Ways and Means Hearing in Eugene

The League submitted testimony in support of additional state revenue for education and other vital services to the Joint Ways and Means Committee of the Oregon Legislature at the time of the committee's visit to Eugene on Feb. 25. Over 200 people signed up to testify but there was only enough time to hear from 65 individuals during the two-hour hearing. Those who didn't have the opportunity to speak (including the League) were able to submit testimony in writing or electronically.

The uniform message of the speakers was that the legislature needs to find ways to generate additional income for important state services. Individual speakers championed the need for various services, including K-12 education, higher education, social services, public safety, health care, the Junction City hospital, veterans' services, and environmental protection.

ability Commission, the Toxics Board, and the Library Advisory Board. Lane County accepts applications for its advisory boards and committees year round. The city of Springfield just closed its recruitment for the budget committee, but has a list of all its boards and commissions on which one could serve, with contact information, on its website.

My message remains the same: act on Action Alerts; consider applying for a seat on an advisory committee to local government; attend forums, write letters, engage the next generation.

## MEMBERSHIP

### Betty-Coe R. de Broekert, Chair

#### Membership Committee Meeting

Meets the third Tuesday  
of each month

Next meeting April 18  
2 to 3:30 pm  
League Office

Please contact  
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[Busybee78@comcast.net](mailto:Busybee78@comcast.net)  
Or 541-357-4443 (H)  
503-780-3454 (cell/text)  
if you have questions.

The League of Women Voters of Lane County (LWVLC) invites you to a special event featuring Eugene-based author and linguist Rosemarie Ostler, Wednesday, May 3, 2017 from 5:30 - 7:30 at Tsunami Books, 2585 Willamette Street, Eugene.



Ostler, a linguist and former librarian, writes about the rich history of the American language and its usage including word origins, grammar and style. Her most

recent book, *Founding Grammars: How Early America's War over Words Shaped Today's Language*, explores our obsession with grammar, the power of grammar rules and the historic personalities who shaped the American language.

"Our fascination with grammar is nothing new," according to Eugene-based local author Rosemarie Ostler. Language and style have become a topic of conversations in this era of what some describe as "rude politics."

Described by those who have heard Ostler speak, she is entertaining, knowledgeable, and humorous. At this event, she will read some excerpts

from *Founding Grammars*, a book described as 'for curious readers who want to know where grammar rules have come from, where they've been, and where they might go next.' She will also discuss some of the origins and usage of the colorful language of America's past and the country's tradition of sometimes outrageous political diatribe.

Are you interested in such questions as:  
◊ Is mudslinging a sign of democracy in action?

◊ What makes a healthy language?

◊ Was Noah Webster a 'stuffy 19<sup>th</sup>-century figure' or a 'visionary - a radical ahead of his time'?

◊ What role did the study of grammar play in Abraham Lincoln's success and why?

◊ In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, what did "bad grammar" suggest about a person's behavior?

◊ What role does the Internet play in grammar and how Americans really talk?

◊ Why were words such as *jeopardize*, *gubernatorial*, and *practitioner* once thought 'barbarous' and 'illegitimate'?

◊ What were some of the classical political insults of the past (Hooverville, Malefactors of Great Wealth, High Muckamucks, Dr. Strangewater, The Little Man on the Wedding Cake, The Fainting General)?

Ostler writes in the genre of history and non-fiction. She loves exploring the rich history of American language use. She is currently working on a book about the beginnings of American English.

## MUSLIMS IN AMERICA: One Woman's Story



**Soraya Deen**, A graduate of Saginaw State College and the Sri Lanka Law College, will address a joint meeting of the Springfield City Club and the City Club of Eugene at noon on March 30, at the Wildish Theater 640 Main Street, Springfield. Her presentation is entitled.

#### "Muslims in America: One Woman's Story"

Her comments will be followed by an opportunity for questions from the audience.

Ms. Deen organized the first Interfaith Women's Leadership conference at the Los Angeles City Hall October 2016. She believes it is of utmost importance today is to give power and place to Muslim women's voices. As they confront the Islamophobic movements that are spreading far and wide, they must confront the patriarchy and misogyny in our communities.

The presentation is free to members of the local City Clubs. The public is invited for a suggested donation of \$5. Food will not be served, but there are a number of restaurants in the immediate area.

# THE LEAGUE ON IMMIGRATION

About 10 years ago, the League of the Women Voters of the United States did a study of immigration and adopted a new position. A summary of the adopted position appears on page 30 of the membership directory. Our local League participated in the consensus process at that time. Because immigration issues have been much in the news lately, some members might be wondering about the wording of the full position. The position speaks of a transition to a reformed system, which has not yet occurred due to Congressional inaction.

**Pat Hocken**

## IMMIGRATION THE LEAGUE'S POSITION

The League of Women Voters believes that immigration policies should promote reunification of immediate families; meet the economic, business and employment needs of the United States; and be responsive to those facing political persecution or humanitarian crises. Provision should also be made for qualified persons to enter the United States on student visas. All persons should receive fair treatment under the law.

The League supports federal immigration law that provides an efficient, expeditious system (with minimal or no backlogs) for legal entry of immigrants into the United States.

To complement these goals the League supports federal policies to

improve economies, education, job opportunities and living conditions in nations with large emigrating populations.

In transition to a reformed system, the League supports provisions for unauthorized immigrants already in the country to earn legal status.

The League supports federal payments to impacted communities to address the financial costs borne by states and local governments with large immigrant populations.

### CRITERIA FOR LEGAL ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES

The League supports the following criteria for legal admission of persons into the United States:

- ♦ Family reunification of spouses or minor children with authorized immigrants or citizens
- ♦ Flight from persecution or response to humanitarian crises in home countries
- ♦ Economic, business and employment needs in the United States
- ♦ Education and training needs of the United States
- ♦ Educational program opportunities
- ♦ Lack of a history of serious criminal activity.

### ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

The League supports due process for all persons, including the right to a fair hearing, right to counsel, right of

appeal and right to humane treatment. The League supports:

- ♦ Improved technology to facilitate employer verification of employee status
- ♦ Verification documents, such as status cards and work permits, with secure identifiers
- ♦ Significant fines and penalties for employers who hire unauthorized workers
- ♦ Improved technology for sharing information among federal agencies
- ♦ More effective tracking of individuals who enter the United States
- ♦ Increased personnel at borders.

The League also supports programs allowing foreign workers to enter and leave the United States to meet seasonal or sporadic labor needs.

### UNAUTHORIZED IMMIGRANTS ALREADY IN THE UNITED STATES

In achieving overall policy goals, the League supports a system for unauthorized immigrants already in the country to earn legal status, including citizenship, by paying taxes, learning English, studying civics and meeting other relevant criteria. While policy reforms, including a path to legal status, remain unachieved, the League does not support deporting unauthorized immigrants who have no history of criminal activity.

*Statement of Position on Immigration, as Announced by National Board, April 2008*

## Presented to LWVLC Board of Directors on March 15, 2017 Proposed Program for 2017-2018

### Retention of existing positions

Based on member input at the December 2016 units, the LWVLC Board of Directors is recommending that all existing positions be retained. Summaries of these positions appear in the 2016-2017 Membership Directory on pages 36-39.

### Non-Recommended items

Suggestions for local updates that were made by one or more units in December 2016, but not recommended by the Board for study are listed below.

- 1) Redistricting - Boards, Commissions and Committees
- 2) Lane County Government - Citizen Initiatives for ballot measures
- 3) Local Government Finance
- 4) Urban Renewal and Tax Increment Financing
- 5) Housing - MUPT, local initiatives for Housing Development (2 Units)
- 6) Mental Health Services for Adults in Lane County - Facilities

### Program Suggestions (for educational purposes)

The following topics are suggestions made by one or more units in Decem-

ber 2016, but not recommended by the Board for consensus study but possibly as educational program topics.

- 1) Earthquake preparedness (2 Units)
- 2) Sanctuary Cities
- 3) Sound Pollution
- 4) City Hall and County Court House
- 5) Community Rights and Clean Air, local Rights of Nature organization
- 6) Campaign Finance Reform (local, state, national)
- 7) Criminal Behavior and Mental Health System

## MAKING FRIENDS AND FOLLOWERS

Kathy Madison, PR Chair

Social media is helping LWVLC spread its message to more people. On Facebook, we are now boasting 253 followers who receive all of our posts on their FB timelines. When they share our post with their friends, the impact grows exponentially. Over a 28-day period in February/March, our posts "reached" 2,350 people and prompted "engagement" of 1,223 viewers. (Reach is the number of unique people

who saw our content. Engagement is the total number of fan posts, comments and likes.)

We also have 52 followers on Twitter. With this brief-message medium we can send impactful messages about League news, positions, and events as we keep up with the tweets of others. Our tweets are frequently "retweeted" greatly broadening the audience.

If you are on Facebook, find and "like" us at [www.facebook.com/LWVLaneCounty](http://www.facebook.com/LWVLaneCounty) to receive our postings, then be sure to "share" that post with your FB friends. Follow us on Twitter at [www.Twitter.com/LWVLaneCo](http://www.Twitter.com/LWVLaneCo) and then retweet us!

## YOUR IMPORTANT MAIL

Janet Calvert, Finance Chair

You recently received two concrete ways to encourage and support thoughtful participation in government:

*They Represent You*, the 2017-18 edition of the League of Women Voters of Lane County's handy directory of contact information to elected officials in Lane County, Oregon and the U.S.

A request to give extra financial support to the Lane County League to continue and increase voter interest, participation and voting through candidate forums, printed and electronic

ballot measure information and "get out the vote" activities. Your financial support allows League representatives to advocate for issues that members have studied and discussed.

To help make the League of Women Voters of Lane County a viable and respected organization, we ask - only once a year - that you contribute a little extra to the League. It's not too late!

- A check to LWVLC supports the League advocacy (lobbying), membership activities and administration including office rent.

- Donation to the LWV Ed Fund supports voter service activities including candidate and ballot measure forums, research and activities on local, state and national studies and citizen education and involvement.

Send your contributions to LWVLC  
338 W 11th Ave.  
Eugene, OR 97401.

Help make the League a visible and respected voice.

## PLEASE NOTE! TWO DIRECTORY ADVERTISERS HAVE MOVED

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### Help Wanted (desperately needed)

The League needs someone to take charge of the ARGUS printing and mailing. This is a once-a-month commitment of about three hours. Susan Reynolds and Sue Burkholder have taken on this task in tandem for the past year but can no longer continue. They have learned to handle the big copier in the League office and have prepared each month's *Argus* and Everymember material for mailing. There are 11 publications of the newsletter annually, plus the annual meeting workbook, and sometimes one or two other mailings. There is always help with stuffing and sealing. If you are interested, please call or email Linda Lynch.

*Thank you to Susan and Sue for such excellent help!* The ARGUS is one of the wheels that keeps the League moving!

*Linda Lynch*

Sorry if you receive the *Argus* electronically and the websites noted in the newsletter do not hyperlink. We are working on this so let me know when this is a problem.

*Charlcie Kaylor charlcie@efn.org*



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# Missing Middle Housing

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**WITH DANIEL PAROLEK, AIA**

## Tuesday, April 11, 2017

4:45pm Reception / 5:30pm Presentation Begins  
The Studio @ the Hult Center for Performing Arts  
1 Eugene Center, Downtown Eugene



Walkable, age-friendly, mixed-income and resilient, "Missing Middle Housing" refers to a wide range of housing types that can help meet the demand for walkable urban living. Join us as architect and urbanist **DANIEL PAROLEK, AIA**, speaks about the need for a paradigm shift in the way homes are designed, located, regulated and developed to help fill this gap. Daniel coined the term "Missing Middle Housing" in 2010 and is a national leader in architecture, design, and urban planning—specifically in the creation of livable, sustainable communities and buildings that reinforce them. He is a principal of Opticos Design, Inc. in Berkeley, CA.

This AIA-SWO Design Excellence Lecture is co-presented by the Eugene Association of Realtors and AARP Oregon with the support of:



School of Architecture and Allied Arts



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336 West 11th Ave., Suite 101 Eugene, OR 97401

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## CALENDAR

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- 14 - 2 pm - Voter Service, League office (pg 3)
- 18 - 2 pm - Membership Committee, League office
- 19 - 1:30 pm - Board meeting, League office
- 20 - 11:30 am - Third Thursday (pg 1)
- 21 - 9 am to 3 pm - Day at the Legislature (page 5)
- 21 - Midnight, ARGUS deadline for submissions
- 29 - 9 am to noonish - Annual Meeting (pg 2)
- 30 - Noon - Muslims in America : One Woman's Story (pg 6)

### Save the Date!

May 3 - author/linguist Rosemarie Ostler (pg 6)

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