



# Argus

*League of Women Voters of Lane County Newsletter*

## ANNUAL MEETING 2026

BY JEANNE TAYLOR, SECRETARY

On Saturday morning, May 9, 43 of the faithful members of the League met to do the organization's business and prepare for the next year of **Empowering Voters** and **Defending Democracy**. The bylaws require a quorum of 10% of the membership, which had grown to 300-plus.

This year, the traditional routine was spiced up a little bit. The annual meeting workbook had been in the hands of all members for three weeks. The bylaws were updated after spirited negotiation between a couple lawyers in the League, the annual budget was reviewed and explained where necessary by some former math teachers, the program of study for next year was described and defended by some of the scholars who had been working diligently to make sure the plan reflected the will of the members and the spirit of the League, and the slate of officers was introduced.

All were voted on after careful consideration by those assembled, including new members, 50-year members, and several past presidents. Seven members who could not attend had sent in their unofficial ballots with directions to the Board. Snacks had been provided on the tables to sustain the attendees during the pre-brunch session, the attendees munched through the potluck of yummy pastries, deviled eggs, veggies, fruit, and sweets while visiting and discussing the news of the day, as is traditional to a League function. A couple dozen lucky attendees went home with some fantastic door prizes.

Each of these officers and chair people (listed on page two) eagerly welcome contact, active participation, and assistance from members who want to step up to help meet the challenge of maintaining and energizing the lofty goals of this 86-year-young, nonpartisan, political organization.



Photo by Patty Sandoz

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## 2026-2027 DISCUSSION UNITS

BY MARGE MAXWELL, DISCUSSION UNIT DIRECTOR [units@gmail.com](mailto:units@gmail.com)

After a three-month break, Discussion Units will resume in the fall with new topics. Units meet the second Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday of every month, September 2026 through April or May 2027.

Choose one or more, to work with your schedule.

Contact me at [marjmaxwell@gmail.com](mailto:marjmaxwell@gmail.com) if you have questions.

## FUTURE DISCUSSION UNITS

BY SHARON AMASHA & BEATRICE MCKENZIE, PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS

Next year's study topics will be varied. These topics were suggested by League members, reviewed by the Board, approved at the annual meeting and present a range of national, state, and local perspectives.

### Separation of Church and State

The line between church and state is becoming blurred as state governments and the federal government are inserting religion into schools and other governmental activities.

### Food Insecurity in Lane County

Food insecurity is an important issue throughout the country, including in Lane County, which has a higher-than-

average poverty rate and a higher-than-average rate of food insecurity.

### Beer and Wine Industry in Lane County

The craft beverage industry contributes \$1.8 billion dollars a year to Oregon's economy. The paper on this topic will address the economic impacts within Lane County and will touch on employment, tourism, and threats to the industry.

We will also be reviewing information about the **mid-term election cycle** and **two LWVOR studies for K-12 addressing school safety and technical education.**

## LWVLC ELECTION RESULTS (FROM PAGE 2)

BY JEANNE TAYLOR, SECRETARY

### The Officers and Board of Directors elected this year include:

Co-Vice President **Susan Ban**, Treasurer **Patty Sandoz**, Membership Chair **Ruth Seeger**, Voter Service Chair **Nancy Mills**, Program Co-Chair **Lori Barker**, and Director-at-Large **Charlcie Kaylor**.

### Continuing officers and committee chairs include:

President **Terry Parker**, Secretary **Jeanne Taylor**, Development Chair **Laura England Flanigan**, Program Co-Chair **Sharon Amasha**, and Advocacy Chair **Morgan Vierheller**.

### The new Nominating Committee includes:

Chair **Paula Grisafi** leads **Kim Weston** and **Judy Rideout**. The Board will appoint two additional members.

### Off-Board leaders include:

Technology Administrator and Webmaster **Rhonda Livesay**, Units Chair **Marj Maxwell**, Naturalization Chair **Mary Keating**, and Office Manager **Linda Ferdowsian**.

## THE BOARD (*BUT NEVER BORING*) REPORT

BY TERRY PARKER, PRESIDENT

A **BIG** shoutout to all forty-plus members who made our annual meeting fun, tasty, chatty, and prizewinning. (Wine, anyone?) Special thanks to our fearless Secretary Jeanne Taylor for pulling it all together. (Those mango faux mimosas were refreshing.) Parliamentarian Carol Dennis ran a tight ship to keep us on track. And to the Annual Meeting Committee, I loved getting together with you. Thank you all.

The Board has a few tasks ahead and, as always, would love your help. We are looking for a second publication of our **Member Directory** as ours is now woefully out of date given all our new members. YEAH, what a good problem to have to solve. We are looking to publish in-house so this is your opportunity to make friends with “the Ricoh” (printer).

A second publication in the works is a new **Member Handbook**. All new hands on deck for this one. Members will want to have a say on how best to welcome newbies with the information needed to get acquainted and jump right into the League.

Talk about jumping in, **Kate Ostergren** our new Volunteer Coordinator, will be using **Volgistics** (short for

“volunteer logistics”) volunteer management software. Not only will we be able to keep track of volunteer hours and contributions, which itself is a good reason given our 501(c)(3) non-profit requirements, but we are looking to add scheduling, recruiting, and reporting to measure our success.

If that isn’t enough, we are also moving to a newsletter program for the *Argus* that will improve our digital presence. Yes, the Board understands clearly that some members will continue to need a print copy. Trust us, as the Board has been considering this change for some time by weighing (and re-weighing) options, costs, and focusing on the next generation of Leaguers. Anyone with newsletter experience is most welcome to step up and lend your expertise. (See article on page 7.)

Interested in special events? We’ve had an amazing year with incredible **Speaker Series Teams**. We are now looking for new teams: one to line up the “who” (speakers) and another to work on the “what, when, and where” (logistics).

If this is your bailiwick, come on down.

## SCOTUS'S DISMANTLING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT - RESPONSE

At their recent General Membership Meeting, the **Eugene Springfield NAACP** (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) featured Oregon State Senator James I. Manning Jr. to discuss the weakening of the Voting Rights Act. The Eugene Springfield NAACP, has been serving our area since 1976 and has this to say:

*On May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 we held a general meeting to learn together, protect our community’s voice, and join forces to defend the rights of Black voters across the U.S. The NAACP exists for moments like this, when rights are being narrowed, when confusion is high, and when people need a place to learn, gather, and act together.*

*Becoming a member of the NAACP Eugene-Springfield branch means you will have a voice and be in conversation with others who care deeply about voting rights and racial justice. If you want to connect and attend future meetings like this, please join as a member of your national and local NAACP: \$30 adults 21+ | \$10 youth per year at [bit.ly/1119-B-join](https://bit.ly/1119-B-join)*

**From the US League of Women Voters Blog**  
**Last Updated: May 21, 2026:**

*If you’re interested in voting rights and representative democracy, you’ve likely heard about the US Supreme Court case [Louisiana v. Callais](https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/22-123). With a devastating, anti-voter decision in April 2026, Callais is likely to become the most consequential Supreme Court case in over a decade.*

*On April 29, the [Court issued its opinion in Callais](#). In a 6-3 ruling, the Court weakened Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA), which prohibits any voting rule or procedure that discriminates on the basis of race, color, or language minority status, to the point of inoperability. This sends a clear message to the nation: racial discrimination in redistricting is acceptable when done under the guise of partisan gerrymandering. The ruling has greenlit the destruction of voters of color’s main tool for challenging racially discriminatory voting practices. This has led to a [frenzied redrawing](#) of congressional voting district maps.*

**Cecilia Marrinan, tech policy associate at the Kapor Foundation**, calls for states to enact their own laws to prevent voter dilution.

*In the aftermath of Louisiana v. Callais, she writes, that given the difficulty of passing voting rights legislation and data-broker regulation at the federal level, states must enact their own [laws to prohibit vote dilution](#) while also enacting guardrails for algorithmic redistricting that uses third-party data brokers. “Social and digital technologies have been, and will continue to be, used to produce partisan outcomes. Race cannot be considered a disparate metric.”*

<https://www.techpolicy.press/without-the-voting-rights-act-black-voting-power-will-shrink-by-algorithm/>

**Terry Parker, President**

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS BY RUTH SEEGER, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

### WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Please extend a warm welcome to the newest members of the League of Women Voters of Lane County: Carolyn Albee, Marie Ehli, Ian Lynch, Mary Maude, Elizabeth Naylor, Valerie Rosenberg, Ann Wopat. We are delighted to have you with us. Welcome! Our current membership is 307.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

On June 30, about 48 of our members are due for renewal. Many of you have already received the 60 day email notice from the national membership folks. You will also receive a 30 day reminder. If your membership is due for renewal, please try and renew ASAP. It helps us reduce the amount of precious volunteer time spent in follow ups. You can renew on line at [portal.lwv.org](https://portal.lwv.org) or with a paper form and check mailed to the office. You can find and print the paper form under the **Join Us** tab on the website here <https://lwwlc.org/join-us/>

If you'd like to know your renewal date, you can log into the portal with your email...or just send us an email at: [membership@lwwlc.org](mailto:membership@lwwlc.org) or call the office.

**THANK YOU** to Margaret Conover who is now handling the administrative support for membership and volunteer services. Thank you, Margaret.

**THANK YOU** to Callee Ackland, Peggy Dame, Kitty Piercy, and Michele Postal for their service on the Speaker Series team this past year. They did a terrific job finding incredible speakers like Tiffany Brown - Lane County Emergency Manager, Secretary Tobias Read, Attorney General Dan Rayfield, State Representative (and League member) Lisa Fragala, and Dr. Tim Gleason. Thank you.

Join this group to be part of putting together next year's Speaker Series programs - we have some big shoes to fill. If you think you'd like to help, in any way, we'd be happy to talk with you about what goes on behind the scenes to bring our members and guests these educational events.

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

Work Session – Reimagining Committee Work

Tuesday, June 9, 2-3:30pm

at the League office. All are welcome.

For the Zoom link, contact [membership@lwwlc.org](mailto:membership@lwwlc.org)

## VOTER SERVICE NEEDS YOUR IDEAS BY NANCY MILLS, VOTER SERVICE CHAIR

Voting in the primary election in Lane County is over, and 43% of the eligible voters participated in the election. That is higher than the state percentage of 39% and higher than the average rate of about 36% for recent Lane County primary elections in years without a presidential election (e.g. 2018, 2022). So, we should be proud of the voters in Lane County and our role in getting out the vote.

But we must redouble our efforts for the general election. We need to reach more potential voters and do so with the most effective material. Building on our success in the primary, we need to find ways to get reliable information in the hands of all voters in Lane County, including those in the rural areas. We also need to find ways to target the largest voting group in Lane County, the nonaffiliated voters, and ways to reach voting groups who traditionally vote in smaller numbers, like young voters.

Voter service will be having an in-person brainstorming meeting in mid-June to identify new locations for voter registration, possibly expanding to more community centers because the work of Peggy Dame at the YMCA was very successful. We need to consider additional ways to get information to voters, exploring the use of social media more effectively and looking for good places to present voter information, since Beatrice McKenzie's presentation at the River

Road Community Association was well received and attended.

These ideas are just for starters, which is why we need your ideas. If you want to join the brainstorming session, we will be meeting either Wednesday, June 10 or Thursday, June 11 at 1:30 with the day to be determined based on the preference of potential attendees. *So, if you are interested in brainstorming together, let me know, and tell which date(s) would work for you.*

**In-person brainstorming: Wednesday June 10, 1:30 or Thursday June 11, 1:30, email**

[Voterservice@lwwlc.org](mailto:Voterservice@lwwlc.org)

If you have ideas but can't make the meeting, send them to [Voterservice@lwwlc.org](mailto:Voterservice@lwwlc.org) by June 3.

### VOTER SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING

To be determined - see above

Contact Nancy Mills at [VoterService@lwwlc.org](mailto:VoterService@lwwlc.org)

We want to make the League of Women Voters the first place voters look for good information on voting. Thanks!

## LANE COUNTY'S BOARD OF ELECTIONS RUNS A LOGIC AND ACCURACY TEST

BY BEATRICE MCKENZIE - CO-VICE PRESIDENT

Recently three LWVLC members, along with representatives of the Democratic and Republican parties, participated in the Logic and Accuracy Test run by the Lane County Board of Elections. We had a tour of the ballot processing rooms followed by oversight of the counting of a test set of ballots. The ballot count was accurate.

In the first ballot room, two operators were running a test set of ballots through the ballot counting machines. We were then instructed on the chain of custody of ballots through the voting process: bipartisan pairs retrieve the ballots from the boxes and drop them off at the county office, staff unpack them and workers remove ballots and ready them for counting. The machine notifies staff when the signature on a ballot does not match the signature of record for the voter. After a human confirms that the signatures do not match, the clerk sends a card to the voter, who has 21 days after the date of the election to prove that the signature is valid.

Undeliverable ballots - often undeliverable because of an address change since the post office cannot forward ballots - are inactivated before voters are sent a card to be returned with updated information. Once the county learns for certain that a voter has moved out of state, for example, they are dropped from the rolls. A voter can reactivate their registration by updating their registration form.

When it is happening, there is a livestream link to the ballot processing rooms.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fyc69m\\_gGok](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fyc69m_gGok)

Some visitors on our tour were deeply skeptical of vote by mail in Lane County. They referred to personal experiences of problems with their ballots, or problems faced by friends. We were lucky to have on the tour experienced poll watchers from the two major political parties who said they had not witnessed irregularities. Finally, County Clerk Tommy Gong ably answered questions based on his long experience in California and what he has seen in Lane County, Oregon so far.

## CAUTIONARY TALE - BY CHARLCIE KAYLOR, EDITOR

Once upon a time Charles L. Crawford, Sr. noticed that his ballot hadn't arrived when expected. He called the local elections office and was transferred to the Secretary of State. It took some time but was sorted out that Charles L. Crawford, Junior had passed away. Not Charles Senior.

It's impressive when you understand the puzzle the election worker had to solve. There was a home with a non-resident owner and a resident non-owner who each had nearly identical names, each lived in a different county, and the son pre-deceased his father. Logical assumptions were made.

Charles Senior got his ballot and had a good time in the process. The election worker was pretty happy, too.

**Take aways...** Pay attention to your ballot arrival timing, don't hesitate to call the Elections Office if you have questions, and think hard about adding Junior to a child's name.

## VOLUNTEER AT THE OFFICE

BY LINDA FERDOWSIAN, OFFICE MANAGER

Our League office continues to be open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 11am to 1:30pm during the summer. An excellent way to become involved in the League is to volunteer to serve in our office in Springfield.

Volunteers serve once a month. If you are interested, please contact Linda Ferdowsian by email, [office@lwvlc.org](mailto:office@lwvlc.org), or by phone, 541-579-1866. The next training session will be Wednesday, June 10th.

## A REVIEW OF ELAINE WEISS' *THE WOMAN'S HOUR*

BY MORGAN VIERHELLER, ADVOCACY COMMITTEE CHAIR

An image and slogan often associated with the League of Women Voters is "We March in Their Footsteps" accompanied by photographs of our philosophical and political ancestors. The names of suffragists Susan B. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt, Sojourner Truth, and Alice Paul are well known. However, Elaine Weiss brings forward the many women that were pivotal to the passage of the 19th amendment into the bright light of recognition. Without them, women might still be on the fringe of participation in our great experiment.

Weiss's rich and compelling narrative of the grueling months leading up to the ratification of the 19th Amendment leads the reader through the complexity of the task. Tennessee, the 36th and last state needed to complete the needed two-thirds majority to pass the amendment, became the battleground between the suffragists and the anti-suffragists. Through a pandemic, childbirth, and the Great War, women on both sides were resolute and unwavering in their commitment to their cause.

*The Woman's Hour* is so-called because of the sacrifice early suffragists made to the cause of abolition. Built upon an activist foundation, the suffrage movement engendered the first League of Women Voters, founded in 1919 in Tennessee by Chattanooga Abby Crawford Milton. The next year, on February 14, 1920 - six months before the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified - the League was formally organized in Chicago as the national League of Women Voters.

Carrie Chapman Catt described the purpose of the new organization, "The League of Women Voters is not to dissolve any present organization but to unite all existing organizations of women who believe in its principles. It is not to lure women from partisanship but to combine them in an effort for legislation which will protect coming movements, which we cannot even foretell, from suffering the untoward conditions which have hindered for so long the coming of equal suffrage. Are the women of the United States big enough to see their opportunity?"

### ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 4 at 1 pm

at the League office. All are welcome.

Contact Morgan Vierheller, Advocacy Committee Chair at [advocacy@lwvlc.org](mailto:advocacy@lwvlc.org) for more information

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US FOR THE WORK AHEAD

## CONTINUING THE RURAL SERVICES CONVERSATION

BY JENNIFER JONAK, LEAGUE MEMBER

I was thrilled to see the League of Women Voters publish a rural study of issues affecting Lane County residents. Many Lane County residents live in rural areas, and yet so much information shaping our governing policies is formed by cities. Following are more concerns of the residents who reside outside the urban areas where the policy decisions are made.

### Public Safety

Public safety is a big issue for rural residents because we have much slower response times, or no response at all, from local law enforcement. The Lane County Sheriff's Office provides 0.19 deputies per 1,000 people, far fewer than the 4.3 deputies per 1,000 people in other counties. The sheriff's office is also unable to respond at all to many non-emergency crimes.

For example, in the past two years over 30 burglaries of Asian American homes in Eugene/Springfield have been specifically targeted by organized crime. Although we suspect rural parts have also been similarly victimized, we have no way of knowing, because the Sheriff's Office does not have the staffing to send deputies to respond to property crimes. As Sheriff Wilkerson commented, rural Lane County residents have been conditioned to not report property crimes. As a result, we have no way to track increases or patterns in crimes.

### Transportation

Much of rural Lane County has no access to public trans-

portation, even those inside Lane Transit District. For instance, some unincorporated sections of Lane County are part of LTD, which collects its self-employment taxes but the nearest bus stop is as much as a ten-minute drive away. Those without a car have no realistic access to the bus.

### Water

Most rural areas rely on private wells for potable water and irrigation. The rules of well water use can be complex and depend on the purpose of the use. For example, until last year, well water usage was not permitted for irrigation of any commercial crops without a water right. It is now permitted for up to half an acre up to 3,000 gallons a day.

One can apply for water rights to try to obtain greater access, but those standards recently changed, making it much more difficult to obtain new groundwater rights. Water can be trucked into rural areas but at a rate, when last checked, often 22 times that of municipal water.

### Wildfire

Increasing wildfire risk is a serious issue. As our climate change, pests and disease threaten even native trees. Invasive plants can create undergrowth fuel.

The Firewise program encourages neighbors to collaborate to make defensible spaces around their homes in case of a fire. A minimum of eight dwellings, and

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LWVLC OBSERVER CORPS

BY BEATRICE MCKENZIE, OBSERVER CORP LEAD

Do you live in Springfield? Are you willing to attend Springfield City Council meetings for the League? Our longtime observer has been unable to continue her posting! We really need a committed volunteer to attend the twice monthly meetings and write brief reports on them. Our Observer Corps lead, Beatrice McKenzie, is willing to attend the first meeting with you and help write up the report! Please contact her: [beatricem@lwvlc.org](mailto:beatricem@lwvlc.org) for additional information.

We are also recruiting for three volunteers to split the workload at Eugene 4J School Board meetings, at Lane Community College Board meetings, and at Eugene City Council meetings. If any one of these positions interests you, you would be trained by the person already attending.

After that you would each at-



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tend half of the meetings, according to what your schedule allows.

Observer Corps is a group of LWVLC volunteers who attend public meetings and write brief reports for our Sunshine Report. Two editors spruce up the copy. As Terry Parker recently reported, attending sessions with elected officials helps our members keep up with local politics AND help decide how to vote at election time.

See the May 15, 2026 edition of the Sunshine Report at the LWVLC website, under Advocacy-scroll down to Observer. Or use the following link:

[https://lwvlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/2026\\_05\\_15-league-watch-lwvlc-observer-corps-sunshine-report-blm\\_ea.pdf](https://lwvlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/2026_05_15-league-watch-lwvlc-observer-corps-sunshine-report-blm_ea.pdf)

We'd love to welcome you to the team!

## VOLUNTEER UPDATES BY KATE OSTERGREN, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

### VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

This month we want to give thanks and a big shout out to the incredible work of our **Observer Corps** volunteers.

Thank you so much to Ellen Abell, Jennifer Allison-Keim, Alice Davenport, Anne Delaney, Leslie Heaton, Judy Leahy, Jenny Lippert, Rhonda Livesay, Beatrice McKenzie, Victoria McMillan, Nancy Mills, Susan Palmer, Terry Parker, Tom Rigell, Patty Sandoz, Lenice Shaw, Kim Weston, and Morgan Vierheller.

"I am extremely grateful to these dedicated volunteers who wade, often solo, into the minutiae of local governance and write summaries that are published in our bi-monthly Sunshine Report to educate our members and shine a bright light on democracy."

Beatrice McKenzie, Vice President - Observer Corps

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

#### JOIN US IN THE COMMUNITY!

If you've been looking to get out and get involved, our Community Outreach events are a great place to get started. Shifts are two hours, and all new volunteers are matched with experienced partners.

We have multiple events coming up soon.

|      |         |                               |
|------|---------|-------------------------------|
| 5/30 | 12-4pm  | We Are Bethel Celebration     |
| 6/19 | TBD     | Eugene Juneteenth Celebration |
| 6/27 | 11- 7pm | Eugene/Springfield PRIDE      |

If interested, please contact me at

[kateostergren@lwvlc.org](mailto:kateostergren@lwvlc.org).



## TIME FOR A CHANGE - BY CHARLCIE KAYLOR, EDITOR

Software changes have come about in the League and more are coming, all to make the paperwork more efficient and coordinated.

The change coincides with my desire to step down from the editorship of the *Argus*. The board has selected a suite of software, Canva, which includes many choices, including a newsletter option.

Are you the next editor? Please consider the idea, and we can talk.

Get in touch at [argus@lwvlc.org](mailto:argus@lwvlc.org) or 541-686-0124. Eager to hear from you.

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volunteer time or resources are required to qualify grant-funded projects. Such efforts may reduce the cost of property insurance.

### Closing

Rural Lane County residents do not experience any of

these issues in isolation - all affect whether rural families can safely remain on their land, participate in the local economy, and access basic public services. I'm pleased to see these issues raised by the League of Women Voters and hope we continue including these core equity and infrastructure issues for residents.



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## CALENDAR

### JUNE

4 - 1pm, Advocacy Committee meeting - 7  
9 - 2 to 3:30pm, Membership Committee meeting - 4  
10 or 11 - 1:30pm, Voter Service Committee meeting - 5  
16 - 1pm, Board meeting at League office  
19 - **Midnight**, *Argus* deadline

**Save the date for -**

The next Naturalization Ceremony is July 30 at 10:30am  
Wayne L. Morse U.S. Courthouse, 405 East Eighth Ave., Eugene, OR 97401

**LWVLC Office Hours**  
**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**  
**(except holidays)**  
**11 am - 1:30 pm**

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