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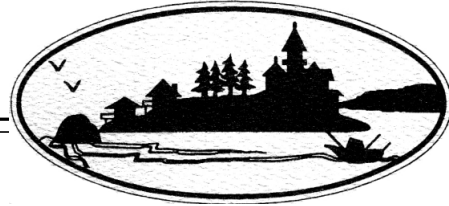
The Newsletter of The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County

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Join us at the Adorni Center! 2008 State of the Community Luncheon

<i>Honorees:</i>	<i>Speakers:</i>
Dr. Douglas Jager	Jill Geist
Gwynna Morris	Chair, County Board of Supervisors
April 18, 2008	Joe Mark
11:30 Seating	CEO, St. Joseph Hospital
\$40 per person	
\$30 LWVHC Members	

President’s Message

March came roaring in and kept us busy with committee meetings, the legislative interview, and Sunshine Week proclamations, among other things. April appears to be just as lion-like!

Maggie Fleming has done her usual wonderful job of organizing member volunteers in preparation for the State of the Community Luncheon on April 18. Thank you, Maggie and all the committee members for undertaking the many jobs necessary to create a successful community celebration and fundraiser.

Thank you, also, to **Nancy Kay** and the Nominating Committee who have worked so hard to prepare a slate of officers for the coming year and to **Lois Busey** and the Finance Committee for developing the budget for 2008-2009. These items, plus the 2008-2009 program, will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on May 29.

This spring has seen the League once more in charge of the Bear River Tribal election, with **Byrd Lochtie** organizing interested League members to carry it out. **Carol Masterson**, Voter Service Chair, has already calendared five supervisorial candidate forums in May, and **Melanie Johnson**, Citizen Education Chair has planned the “Meet Your Judges” for May 1, at the Humboldt County Office of Education. **Sarah Reid**, Natural Resources Chair, has organized an informational forum, “Rails and Trails: a Balanced Use of Humboldt Bay” for April 22, at Eureka High School.

Thanks are also due Arcata City Council, the Eureka City Council and the Board of Supervisors for their

Sunshine Week proclamations. The proclamations are explicit in their support of open and representative government and of the League’s efforts to encourage citizen participation in government.

A dear friend and long-time member of the League, **Lenny Escarda**, passed away this February. We will miss his cheerful participation and support in all things League.

As this VOTER was going to press, we were shocked and saddened to learn of the unexpected death of another dear friend, **Jackie Foote**. She also was a long-time League member who participated in many League activities, contributing her computer and graphics skills whenever we needed them. Jackie worked tirelessly to make the State of the Community Luncheon an event that is unparalleled in Humboldt County. She will be missed in so many ways.

As always,

Sharolyn Hutton, President

Our Mission Statement...

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

MAKE DEMOCRACY WORK!

Membership News

League Honors Local Role Models

Gwynna Morris and **Dr. Douglas Jager**, whose creativity, hard work and dedication have greatly benefited Humboldt County, will be the recipients of the League of Women Voters Civic Contribution Awards for 2008.

The awards will be presented at the League's 16th Annual State of the Community Luncheon to be held at the Adorni Center from 12 to 1:30 P.M. on Friday, April 18.

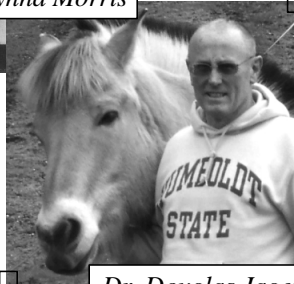
Master of Ceremonies for the event will be **Sharolyn Hutton**, League President. **Jill Geist**, Chair of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, will present the State of the Community Remarks.

Joe Mark will be this year's keynote speaker. Mark came to Eureka in 2005 as a consultant to St. Joseph Hospital on operations and strategy, was retained as interim CEO in January 2006 and was hired as CEO in September of that year. His book on leadership: *A Cup of Joe, The Prosperity Formula, Creating Organization Where Everyone Wins* was published last fall.

Gwynna Morris is a community organizer who models outstanding citizenship through her leadership and activism. An Honoree of HSU's Distinguished Alumni Award and Doctor of Humane Letters, Gwynna's lifelong



Gwynna Morris



Dr. Douglas Jager

dedication to her Alma Mater can be seen through her participation in the Advancement Foundation, Alumni Association, and most importantly, as President of CSU Alumni Council. The Ferndale Repertory Theater, Area 1 Agency on Aging, and the Southwest Rotary have also gained from her dedication and hard work. She has served as Chairperson of the Benefit Ball Fundraiser for Fortuna's Redwood Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Douglas Jager is a retired Humboldt State University Professor and community leader. Dr. Jager and his family created the Camelot Therapy Riding for Access Independence Program which is run by Dr. Jager and his daughter, **Sally Friedley**. They have served more than 2,000 adults and children with disabilities. Through the generosity of community members, local businesses, foundations, service organizations, and their invaluable and dedicated volunteers, this 4-H Trail Program provides therapeutic and recreational equestrian experiences for riders with special needs.

For more information about attending the Luncheon, call 444-9252.

-Pat Charley,
SOCL Committee

★ ★ **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**
LWVHC Annual Meeting Scheduled for:
May 29, 2008 ★

"Rails and Trails" Forum

We are pleased to present more information about the highly anticipated "Rails and Trails: a Balanced Use of Humboldt Bay" forum. This forum will be held on Earth Day, April 22, from 6-8 P.M., at the Eureka High Theater and Lecture Hall—*not* to be confused with the Auditorium in the main building. The Theater and Lecture Hall is located on the Eureka High School Campus in the Business and Technology Building. Parking is available in the lot at J and Humboldt streets.

While the full line-up of experts will not be finalized until hours after this edition of *The VOTER* needs to go to press, we are excited about the fantastic group of knowledgeable people who have volunteered their time to help make Humboldt voters better informed.

As of now the people who have kindly committed to present are: **Brian Morrissey** from Security National; **Marcus Brown** from the Timber Heritage Society; County Supervisor **John Woolley** representing the North Coast

Railroad Authority; **Commissioner Patrick Higgins** from the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District; and **Spencer Clifton** from the Humboldt County Association of Governments. Green Wheels and the Trails Trust of Humboldt Bay have also been invited to participate.

We are excited about this forum and have received a great deal of positive feedback and interest from the public and League members. But even the most anticipated and timely forum can't happen on its own; we are still in need of volunteers to serve as ushers and question sorters. To help, please contact me at hobosarah@gmail.com or by calling 916-893-8112.

-Sarah Reid,
Natural Resources Chair

Voter Service

Candidate Forums—June 3, 2008 Election

Community Forums

Second District Supervisorial Race

Wednesday, May 7, 7-8:30 P.M.

Veterans Memorial Building, 483 Conger, Garberville

Thursday, May 15, 7-8:30 P.M.

Van Duzen River Grange, 5250 Highway 36, Carlotta

KEET-TV Channel 13 Forums

First District Supervisorial Race

Monday, May 5, 7-8 P.M.

Third District Supervisorial Race

Monday, May 12, 7-8 P.M.

Second District Supervisorial Race

Wednesday, May 14, 7-8 P.M.



The Rhododendron Parade has been rescued and there is hope that the floats will wind up at Redwood Acres on April 26, coincidentally the first day of the Artists, Artisans & Crafters Spring Fever Festival being held there. We thought it would be a lovely place for a voter registration and information table just three weeks before the close of registration. We've signed up to be there from 10-5 on Saturday and 10-4 on Sunday, April 27. Can you find a League friend to join you for a two-hour shift?

Our KEET-TV forums for the three supervisorial races are set for May 5, 12 and 14. In addition, Second District candidates will meet in Garberville, cosponsored by the Civil Liberties Monitoring Project, and at the Van Duzen River Grange in Carlotta.

The KEET forums need phone answerers, and all of the forums need question sorters. Check the calendar above or on the back of this VOTER and give me a call at 768-3118 or e-mail me at buffy7@suddenlink.net now while you're thinking about it. Make your mark on this fabulously complex election year! And thank you for your support.

-Carol Masterson,
Voter Service Director

Don't Miss Out!

The Voter Service opportunities are many and they're coming on faster than a speeding candidate on the way to a fundraiser. Grab one before they get away!

Humboldt County Human Rights Commission's forum addressing the possibility of establishing a law enforcement review program will be held April 10 from 7 to 9 P.M. in the Supervisors' Chamber of the courthouse. The League is conducting this forum and volunteers are cordially invited to collect and sort audience questions at this sure-to-be-well-attended meeting.

YOU CAN DRIVE 65!

You don't have to incur a debt to society in order to meet your duly elected Superior Court Judges.

Meet Your Judges
A Law Day Celebration

Thursday, May 1
6:30 to 8:30 P.M.
Humboldt County Office of Education
901 Myrtle Avenue, Eureka

Fifty Years ago President Eisenhower proclaimed the first Law Day: a "day of national dedication to the principle of government under law."

On May 1 celebrate the 50th anniversary of Law Day with your League when we host an opportunity for the public to meet its Superior Court Judges. The Superior Court is a trial court in which a judge or jury decides a case by looking at evidence and listening to facts and then applying the law. Citizens, as jurors, are vital to the process.

Celebrate Law Day by celebrating one of our fundamental rights: trial by jury. Better yet, **celebrate by volunteering** to be a timer, greeter or question sorter. Please call 677-0147 or email mjokega@reninet.com today!

-Melanie Johnson,
Citizen Education

Don't Miss the Marathon—May 4

Get out in the redwoods on a Sunday afternoon, help earn some money for the League, and give much appreciated aid to this year's runners. We need about ten people to pour water, cut up oranges, and make sure we leave the Avenue beautiful. We set up our table about 10 A.M. and usually have a tailgate lunch about 1 P.M., clean up the site and then we're free to enjoy the rest of the day.

League volunteers earn \$150 to \$200 for the League and receive their own Avenue tee shirt (no sweatshirts this year, sorry!). Please sign up now if you can help, and I will confirm with you closer to the date. Call me at 442-7495. Leave your name, contact number and tee shirt size, as your shirt must be pre-ordered to be at the aid station on May 4. I'm looking forward to a great day. Remember, NO experience necessary!

-Kay Escarda,
Membership Chair

Legislative Interview—2008

This year's LWVC legislative interview, with our representative, **Assemblymember Patty Berg**, deals primarily with California's budget. Assemblymember Berg will respond to the following questions:

- ☆ The Governor's budget proposed 10 percent across-the-board cuts to all programs on the ground of fairness. The Legislative Analyst (LAO) and others have argued that it would be better to set priorities and identify the most critical needs. How do you view these choices, and what would be your own funding priorities or areas of greatest concern?
- ☆ The Governor proposes to address the state budget deficit through borrowing and spending reductions, with only minimal revenue-raising proposals. The LAO and others, including the California Budget Project, the California State PTA, the League, and many other public interest organizations, have called for a balance between spending cuts and revenue increases. Would you support any new revenues and, if so, what kind would you suggest?
- ☆ Would you consider reducing or eliminating any tax expenditures to realize more revenue for the state? If so, which ones would you suggest?
- ☆ It has been pointed out that commercial property is only reassessed when there is an outright sale of the property, but not when more than half of the actual ownership of that property has changed hands. Would you consider changes in the way commercial property is assessed to trigger reassessment when such changes in ownership occur?

Board Members Take Housing Action

On March 11 your League Board members **Armeda Reitzel** and **Kay Escarda** attended the Inclusionary Zoning Workshop of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors.

A letter was read to the board by Kay Escarda citing the following LWVC Housing Positions:

- ☆ Support action at all levels of government for the provision of affordable housing for all Californians.
- ☆ Support programs and policies to provide equal opportunity for access to housing without discrimination based on race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.
- ☆ Support standardization and modernization of local building zoning codes to conform with a state code which encourages the use of density bonuses; mixed, cluster, and inclusionary zoning; second units; infill development; and increased density along transportation corridors.

Full text of the letter is available at: www.lwvhc.org.

- ☆ The Governor is proposing a Budget Stabilization Act that would include such provisions as automatic reductions by a formula whenever the administration projects a deficit in the budget and would give the Governor added authority to enforce reductions. Would you support such a measure?
- ☆ The Governor has directed the sale of, and the Treasurer has sold, the remaining authorized \$3.3 billion of Economic Recovery Bonds (ERBs), and early repayment of some of the bonds that have already been sold will be suspended. Repayment of the bonds comes from the state General Fund (GF), and, coupled with debt service on other bonds the state has sold, this is an increasing percentage of the GF. Are there any circumstances under which you would consider any further borrowing?
- ☆ The Governor has proposed \$48 billion in infrastructure bonds for transportation, water, schools and other projects over the next two election cycles. Given our existing debt, would you support any of these bonds, and if so, which ones?
- ☆ What other major issues do you think the Legislature must deal with in 2008? What are your personal priorities?

Assemblymember Berg's responses will be forwarded to LWVC and a summary will be in next month's VOTER.

-Sharolyn Hutton,
President

News from the LWVC

Single Payer: It's Time to Have Hope

SB 840 is alive and well in the Assembly Appropriations committee, much further along in the legislative process than it was in 2006, just before its historical passage out of both houses of the legislature and onto the Governor's desk. Legislative deadlines for passage out of fiscal committees aren't until August 15th and, between now and then, grassroots organizing and education efforts are really taking off. Every day, Senator Kuehl and her staff receive requests for presentations regarding SB 840, the truly universal healthcare bill.

On Sunday, January 27th and Monday, January 28th, the American Medical Students' Association held their hugely successful third annual rally and lobby day in Sacramento, which included a day long training that drew nearly 400 med students from all over the state. The fact that so many over-worked medical students spent an entire weekend, even taking a rare day off from school, to advocate for single payer health care shows an unparalleled level of dedication and passion. AMSA students give every single payer supporter hope and inspiration as they push for passage of the bill.

Single payer advocates are also busy preparing for a historical strategy summit taking place in Los Angeles later this month that will bring together representatives from the broad coalition of organizations dedicated to bringing single payer to California. The summit demonstrates the unprecedented development of the organized and operational single payer movement necessary to bring universal health care to California. It's the kind of grassroots movement that has been largely absent in the history of health reform, and it's just one example of the changing landscape of health care politics.

On that note, my "leisure" reading lately is a book called, *One Nation Uninsured: Why the US Has No National Health Insurance*. It chronicles the 20th century's long line of failed attempts at achieving national health insurance. There's an unmistakable pattern to each major attempt, in that there seems to have been an attempt once every decade and, each time national health insurance is within our grasp, it is defeated with a capitulatory "compromise".

I couldn't help but notice that, historically, the compromises are forged by the exact same powerful interests every time, working like scavengers randomly picking through the ideas of national health insurance, with little consideration given to whether any "reform" was actually going to improve the health care system for the average American.

In fact, a century of such "health care reform" has brought our health care system to the point where it is deeply fragmented, unimaginably costly and the least effective system in the entire developed world at delivering either health or care. I can't help but wonder where we might have been in terms of universal health care had proponents not forfeited their goal quite so fast.

Most striking? The grassroots role that physicians repeatedly played in defeating national health insurance. The American Medical Association functioned as an exceptionally effective grassroots movement that was embedded in every community across the nation. They organized education and lobbying campaigns against universal health care, labeling their efforts as "protecting the public health". They hired PR consultants who admitted that they were attempting to label national health insurance as "socialized medicine" for the simple reason that Americans were opposed to socialism.

The litmus test for "politically feasible" has historically been largely defined by where doctors, insurers, business and labor stood on the issue. Throughout the last century, there was no grassroots group as singularly focused on the passage of single payer health care as the physicians and insurers were opposed to it. That's changed considerably, especially in California, as the 500 or so organizations that support SB 840 continue their evolution into an effective coalition that works tirelessly (and largely under the radar of many in Sacramento) to educate and organize Californians on universal health care.

More importantly, groups that traditionally oppose single payer, like physicians, are no longer unified against it. The American College of Physicians made history last year in their endorsement of single payer and the California Medical Association includes a large and growing minority of members that strongly support single payer. The American Medical Students Association has quickly risen to become one of the most passionate and inspired groups advocating for passage of SB 840. Another powerful provider group, the California Nurses Association has gone "all in" for single payer and is working in much the same way for single payer as the American Medical Association once worked to oppose it. Their dedication unites with that of organizations like Health Care for All – California school employees, the League of Women Voters, retired teachers, and others who are deeply embedded in communities across the state.

The lesson that advocates of single payer should take from history is to observe how the AMA was able to defeat national health insurance through steady community education and organizing. This is why single payer has the best shot, politically, as well as on a policy basis, for winning passage. Only single-payer boasts the kind of unified and dedicated grassroots movement for something that makes large reform possible.

In the midst of an unprecedented and inspiring presidential primary, the theme for 2008 is unmistakable - it's time to have hope.

-Sarah Rogers, Health Consultant

Staff Member, Senator Kuehl's Office

Board Briefs...

On January 7, your Board:

- ☆ Accepted the budget proposed by the Finance Committee for 2008-2009 to be voted on by our membership at the annual meeting
- ☆ Reviewed and discussed plans for “Meet Your Judges” set for May 1. Video taping the event was suggested for replay on KEET.
- ☆ Appointed Amanda Windsor to be the Humboldt coordinator for Smart Voter.
- ☆ Discussed holding the League's general and Board meetings in the CR training rooms.

-Lorey Keele,
Secretary



Congratulations Honorary Members!



LWVHC members **Kathryn Corbett** and **Rosemarie Falor-Luis** have been recognized by the LWVUS for their 50 years of continuous membership in the League. Both ladies have achieved the official designation of Honorary Member.

As a League we are delighted to have not one, but two honorary members in our ranks. LWVUS sent each of them a certificate “suitable for framing” proclaiming their new status, and all of their League dues will hereafter be waived. There are some perks in League life and this is one of them.

Thank you and congratulations to both Kathryn and Rosemarie for being a part of this wonderful organization and for making the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County become a reality over 50 years ago.

-Judy Bennett,
Treasurer

Confession Time

As many of you know, after 35 years of practicing dentistry in Arcata, my husband John retired, and that meant I got to retire too. Those many years went by in a flash. But, no work means more time for vacation. So, on January 6 we headed south for warmer weather and our first experience with voting while on the road.

I called the elections office the week before our departure and explained our situation. We are permanent absentee voters, but the ballots for the February primary election had not been sent by January 6.

We went down to the elections office and filled out a form to have our ballot sent to our location in southern California. We anticipated being there for 10 days before we moved on.

When we got to Indio we made a trip each day to the post office to check for our ballots. We got to know a lot of postal clerks in Indio. Finally, it was time to leave the area and the ballots had not arrived. The postal clerk took our information and said he would forward them to our next stop, Yucca Valley.

On Monday, in Yucca Valley, we went to the post office and no mail for the Bennetts. On Tuesday, we explained our situation and the clerk called Indio's post office. Still no sign of our ballots. On Wednesday, she called again and Indio found the note to forward the ballots, but no ballots. On Thursday, I called the elections office and found out that the ballots were mailed almost a week later

than anticipated, and further, that ballots can not be forwarded.

The Yucca Valley postal clerk was unaware of the “no ballot-forwarding” rule and, after some phoning, agreed. Ballots cannot be forwarded. They can be put into an envelope and sent somewhere, but not forwarded. I called the elections office again, and they volunteered to send new ballots, but by the time they would have reached Arizona it would have been too late to return them for the election.

And so, we didn't vote—to us a gigantic sin—and so we confess.

Confession is good for the soul, and I hope sharing our story will spare others from the inconvenience we suffered. It does appear that voting and the life of a wandering free soul don't mix. I think we need to start planning now for June or we may miss out again.

In conclusion, this has been a major problem for full-timing RVers. Family Motor Coach Association and some other large recreational vehicle organizations have taken up the battle to restore voting rights to full-timers. Because you give up your house doesn't mean you should have to give up your right to vote.

-Judy Bennett,
Treasurer

Thank You So Much!

The following member has made a donation to our:
 Humboldt Area Foundation Education Fund,
 HAF Scholarship/Membership Fund, or
 LWVHC Operations Fund

Kathryn Corbett in memory of Lenny Escarda

As a fundraiser, the League has asked its members to consider working for both democracy and the League at the same time by serving as poll workers and then donating their stipends to the League.

This election season we are pleased to report that:

- Nancy Kay**
- Byrd Lochtie**
- Rudy Ramp**
- Deborah Storre**

worked the polls in February and generously forwarded their earnings to League.



Smartvoter.org

The place for you if you are looking for:

- ☆ Nonpartisan election information
- ☆ How to Register to Vote
- ☆ Information about the voting process
- ☆ Your ballot issues
- ☆ Your polling place

If You Haven't Already

Join the League! Membership in the League is open to all U.S. citizens of voting age, both women and men. Others may join as associate members.

Yes! I want to join the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County and become a voice for citizens and a force for change. I am enclosing for my annual membership:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Individual membership	<input type="checkbox"/> I cannot join at this time, but please accept my donation of _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Household membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Please send me more information
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Associate membership	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be contacted by the nominating committee
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional donation of _____	

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Please make checks payable to LWVHC P.O. Box 3219, Eureka, CA 95502
 Membership dues and donations to the LWVHC are not tax-deductible. Donations to the LWVHC-
 Education Fund or Scholarship Fund, through the Humboldt Area Foundation are tax-deductible. For
 more information call 444-9252.

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Who's Who in Your League 2007-2008

Your League Board

- President**..... Sharolyn Hutton
- Vice President**.....
- Past President**.....Byrd Lochtie
- Secretary**.....Lorey Keele
- Treasurer**.....Judy Bennett
- Director**.....Helen Andrews
- Director**.....Lois Busey
- Director**.....Kay Escarda
- Director**.....Melanie Johnson
- Director**.....Carol Masterson
- Director**.....Nancy Quintrell
- Director**.....Sarah Reid
- Director**.....Armeda Reitzel
- Director**.....Amanda Windsor

- Candidate & Issues Forums**.... Carol Masterson
- Citizen Education**.....Melanie Johnson
- Financial Development Director**.....Lois Busey
- Government**.....
- Historian**..... Anne Hartline
- LWVHC Ed-Fund**Kathryn Corbett
- Membership**.....Kay Escarda, Nancy Quintrell
- Natural Resources**.....Sarah Reid
- Nominating Committee Chair**.....Nancy Kay
- Poll Workers Coordinator**.....Carolyn Otis
- Program Director**..... Sharolyn Hutton
- Publications**.....Lorey Keele
- Publicity Director**.....
- Access Humboldt Rep.**..... Helen Andrews
- Social Policy**.....
- State of the Community**..... Maggie Fleming,
Byrd Lochtie
- VOTER Publication**..... Amanda Windsor
- VOTER Circulation**..... Carolyn Otis
- Voter Service Director**..... Carol Masterson
- Webmaster**..... Amanda Windsor

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Yes they are! Maybe *your* name would look great there. If you are an experienced leader or would like to gain experience in leadership, the League has a place for you!

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Calendar

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- April 7 Board Meeting, 6-8 P.M., 605 K Street, Eureka
- April 10 **Law Enforcement Review Feasibility Forum**
6-8 P.M. Supervisors Chamber, Courthouse, Eureka
- April 18 ☆ **State of the Community Luncheon** ☆
Adorni Center, Eureka, 12-1:30 P.M.
1011 Waterfront Drive, Eureka
- April 22 **Rails and Trails Forum**, 6-8 P.M.
Eureka High Theater and Lecture Hall, 915 J Street
- April 26-27 **Voter Service Booth**—See Page 3 to Volunteer Artists, Artisans & Crafters Festival, Redwood Acres
- May 1 **Meet Your Judges**, 6:30-8:30 P.M.
Humboldt County Office of Education
- May 4 **Avenue of the Giants Marathon**, 10 A.M.-1 P.M.
Volunteer Opportunity, Myers Flat
- May 5 Board Meeting, 6-8 P.M., 605 K Street, Eureka
- May 5,7,12,14,15 **Candidate Forums** See Schedule on Page 3
- May 29 **Annual Meeting**, Baywood Country Club, Arcata

The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County Diversity Policy 2007-2008

The League of Women Voters of Humboldt County, in both its values and practices, affirms its belief and commitment to diversity and pluralism, which means there shall be no barriers to membership or participation in LWVHC on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, economic status, or political affiliation. The LWVHC recognizes that diverse perspectives are important and necessary for responsible and representative decision-making. The LWVHC affirms its commitment to reflect the diversity of the community in its membership, board and programs.

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