The LWVRV’s Fall fundraiser has begun! Order your chocolates now, to enjoy yourself or to give for gifts to friends, neighbors and family. See pp. 4-5

**PLEASE NOTE**

**LWVRV GENERAL MEETING**

Please join us for the LWVRV October Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 8, 2015

Time: 11:30am—optional brown bag lunch

Coffee and tea will be available

12 noon: program begins

Place: OEA Building, 2495 South Pacific Highway, Medford, OR (on HWY 99, across from Harry & David)

Speaker: Alice Bartlett, lobbyist for LWVOR. She will be speaking on how lobbying works and issues on which she is lobbying.

**Working Together to Influence Public Policy**

“The process used in formulating positions and in taking action at the grassroots level makes the League unique and sets the League apart from other organizations. The fact that we are members not only of a local League, but of a state League and of the League of Women Voters of the United States as well, makes us a powerful force.

Lobbying activities and voter services activities must be kept completely separate, and voters’ guides and other voter services materials and publications must not contain statements of League positions.”

www.lwvor.org/take.action/
Have you ever thought about numbers being so much a part of our vocabulary? It’s really so much fun to talk numbers in a sentence; like 24/7, 9 to 5 or “I want a double” (Whatever you want two of,) or numbers themselves, like 7, 13, 18, 42, numbers associated with sports, dreams, luck, superstition and so on.

Well, I’ve been thinking about doubling – and what we at the LWVRV want to double is our membership. So let’s have a 5 year plan to double. We are each one (1) member, we know at least another one (1) or two (2) people who would be interested in joining. We all have a number of friends and realize that not all want to join any one group. They select one or two, or none at all. But there is one person out there whom you know who would join us.

The first thing we have to do is ASK... just ASK them.

Most all not-for-profit organizations need memberships to be strong and prestigious. The League’s 100 year history (Wow, 100 is quite a number!) has the history of registering voters, advocating for transparency, and promoting good government, and never endorsing a candidate. Is that not three good reasons to join?

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Call to Order: 1:05 PM by co-President Lorraine Werblow, Presiding co-President Joann Cleckner

Also present: Olena Black, Kathleen Donham, Carole Levi, Susan Orth, Joan Rodgers, Diane Shockey Nancy Swan, Barbara Empol

**President’s Report:** Lorraine Werblow stated that she had given a short speech at RCC on the Oregon Motor Voter program which the LWV favors

Treasurer’s Report given by Diane Shockley. Lengthy discussion on 501C3 and 501C4 status: The information at the LWVOR Oct. 16 council was unclear!

**Historian** – Chairman Susan Orth surveyed the LWVRV archives at Kathleen’s with Olena These archives are not only important to the League but for potential future use for high school project and college researchers and perhaps ultimately be donated to and housed by the valley’s historical society

**Public Relations** - Discussion on the continuing challenge of getting things in the newspaper. Susan Orth volunteered to help Joanne Haddad approach the MMT

**Membership** – Kathleen Donham is working on the new LWVRV Membership List with Diana Murdoch

**Web** – Olena Black suggested that Observer Corps information could be put on the front page of our website.

**Fund Raiser** – Lorraine noted that Judith Kurinsky and Debi Harr did a terrific job presenting the chocolate fund raiser at the general meeting.

**Corresponding Secretary** – Barbara Empol will send thank you notes to speakers and helpers

**Program:** (Lorraine Werblow, Joanne Cleckner & Jackie Clary)

The program presentation by member Dr. Barbara Klein was excellent.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Olena Black stated that new student member Emily Pfieffer (from SOU) is the campus nonpartisan Intergovernment representative to the Oregon State Board and has been selected to represent them at 3 National Board meetings in D.C

Meeting adjourned by Lorraine Werblow at 3:08 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Swan, Secretary pro-tem

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**PRESIDENTS MESSAGE  continued from page 2**

On Sept 1st, I spoke on behalf of our League favoring the new Oregon Motor Voter Registration Manual. I said “we promote registration for all who are eligible to vote to do so”. Check our web-site, which operates 24 hours a day, for more information about our calendar of events for this year, and go through the site for the number of studies we have done in the past.

League-ally yours,

Lorraine – co president with Joann Cleckner
LWVRV CANDY FUNDRAISER

The FUN raising Season is underway. We are starting with delicious chocolates from Pete’s Confections. It is early but we want you to sell a lot this year. Also we want to deliver early December so you can mail them out to family and friends. They make great gifts. Here is the order sheets and price list. Debra Har has a beautiful gift basket for the person who sells the most!! Thank you for supporting our LWVRV.

~Judith Kurinsky and Debra Har, fundraising co-chairpersons

1. Cocoa Kit in a Tin $10.00

This generous cocoa kit has it all. A quarter pound of Pete's deluxe blended cocoa with a touch of spice, rich dark chocolate chunks and includes lots of our world famous original mini vanilla marshmallows in the mix. Two chocolate-dipped peppermint stirring rods come with the kit too. ~6-8 servings

2. Pecan Roll NEW!! $12.00

A wonderfully large pecan roll made with a smooth caramelized fudge center drenched in luscious caramel and completely covered the finest pecans.

3. One pound Gift Box $15.00

One gorgeous pound of assorted confection delights, may include; divinity, marshmallows, chocolate dipped cherries, caramels, rocky road bites, mint melt ways

4. Medium Basket $20.00

This beautiful basket holds two chocolate dipped peppermint rods, one white & one dark chocolate dipped marshmallow snowflakes, two single servings of our hand blended cocoa and two Seymour's S'Mores. This is the perfect gift to say, "Thank you!" to an employee, a family member, a friend or for a holiday Party host gift.
CANDY FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS GOURMET CANDY FUND RAISER 2015

Pete’s Gourmet Confections

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Due@ NOV12th meeting.......Delivery date@ DEC 10th Meeting.

If you are mailing in your order form please post by November 5th TO:

DEBRA HAR PHONE: 541 301 4028
2312 FAIRFIELD DR. MEDFORD 97504 OR
On September 10, 2015 at the Elks Club in Ashland, the LWVRV held its general Meeting. Dr. Barbara Klein, LWVRV member, presented an informative overview of the “National Popular Vote.” A question and answer period followed.
DO YOU LIKE
HAVING YOUR NEWSLETTER MAILED (or not?)

The Rogue Valley League is mailing our newsletters this year for several reasons:

1) We are not sure that members are taking the time to open the digital newsletter among all the barrage of emails.

2) Meeting announcements are easier to remember with a paper reminder.

3) Newsletters are an easy way to introduce friends and neighbors to the work of the League.

HOWEVER, the postage and printing cost money, and some members may not want or need a hard-copy of the newsletter. If you are such a member, PLEASE notify the membership committee at 541-772-5044 or membership@lwvroguevalley.org and tell us to leave you off the mailing list for printed newsletters and you will receive an electronic copy instead. Thank you.

The LWVRV in the FIFTIES

The Medford League of Women Voters in 1950-1951 had 170 members who were organized into three study units, each of which met monthly in local members’ homes. Program materials were supplied by state leagues and the national organization. Local leagues hired speakers to come to their communities.

One unit for the year was foreign affairs. The first meeting of the year was a luncheon, which was open to the public at the Jackson hotel. Mrs. Justin Smith spoke on “The Unites Nations’ Stand with Regard to Korea” and J. P. Tobin spoke on “The Soviet Master Plan for Korea.”

Mr. Tobin was a major in army intelligence during WWII in Korea. That year, one event to fund speakers was a lecture given by Oswald Jacoby, a internationally-known bridge authority, who spoke at the Jackson Hotel. Tickets were sold at Swen’s Store.

The archives have multiple newspaper articles, announcing and reporting all of these events.

~Susan Orth, Historian Committee Chairperson
Kathleen Donham – Jackson County Commissioners 9/15/15: Ken Trautman, Jim Edwards and Randy [last name not announced] were interviewed for an open position on the Fair Board. Jackson County (“JC”) wants the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) to coordinate with JC regarding Small Business Administration (“SBA”) processes effecting BLM logging and timber sales and will send a letter to the BLM explaining what needs to happen. JC is concerned that revenue from timber sales may decrease because of the new SBA market evaluation process. Marijuana: The Planning Director consulted with Dr. Shames, the Public Health Director, who feels that no one with a Class A or B felony for drugs should be allowed to grow or sell medical marijuana. There are two projected facilities in the county. Commissioner Breidenthal wants to attend the National Association of Counties meeting in Colorado. According to Administrator Jordan the cost would be $2,000 to $3,000 and he is unaware of other commissioners attending. There was a discussion of the value of attending but it was unclear whether a decision was made. Commissioner Breidenthal wants to participate in the Court Facilities Task Force in Salem.

Joyce Chapman – Jackson County Commissioners 9/22/15: Before the meeting began, Commissioner Breidenthal approached me to ask if I had written last month’s article in the Voters Voice noting his absences. He said he was away on county business. Commissioner Breidenthal has been offered the opportunity to write something for the Voters Voice on this subject. The meeting began with a joint meeting of the Commissioners and Fair Board, the Fair Board making a lengthy report on its financial position and efforts to make the Fair and Expo more profitable. In summary, all seemed to agree that the Fair Board and its new manager have done a good job in improving the financial position and general management of the Fair and Expo. After reviewing the Agenda for Wednesday’s meeting, Administrator Jordan reported on Governor’s Order 12-07. Douglas County appears to have taken a position that is contradictory to the position Jackson and Josephine Counties are headed toward. Administrator Jordan does not believe that the Douglas County position will be approved. A regional approach is expected by 12-07 yet Douglas County decided to make a presentation to the Department of Land Development & Conservation without inviting Jackson or Josephine Counties to participate. Next, Ken Trautman was appointed to the Fair Board; Rita Sullivan – (appointment not announced); Dr. Mendelsohn – Vector Control; and Dr. Miller – Animal Control.

If you would like to learn more about or join the Observer Corps please contact Joyce Chapman.

~Joyce Chapman, Observer Corps Chairperson
MEMBERSHIP

2015-2016 Annual Dues Payable Now

—do you have a blue star by your name?

The League is trying to accustom members to paying dues in May at the Annual Meeting since our “payments per member” (PMP) are actually remitted this month. So, if you haven’t renewed your membership, please send in the application in this newsletter with a check [members with a penciled blue star by their name owe annual dues]. Dues are $65.00 per member, $28.00 for spouse or student.

Many thanks to those who have made the adjustment to the spring payment schedule and already paid annual dues.

Call membership at 541-772-5044 for questions.

—Kathleen Donham, Membership chairperson

INVITATION to JOIN

2015/2016 League of Women Voters of Rogue Valley

Membership Application

Name____________________________________________
Address:_________________________City:________________
Zip________Phone _______________      e-mail_________________________

Single membership — $56.00 Spouse membership — $28.00 Full-time Student— $28.00

*May we publish the above information in our LWVRV Membership Directory? * Y  N

Check all areas below in which you are most interested in attending a branch meeting:

☐ Land use planning. ☐ Local Government ☐ Transportation
☐ Children at Risk ☐ Education ☐ Election Issues
☐ Health Issues ☐ Environment ☐ National Issues
☐ Observer Corps ☐ Other_______

Please send your completed membership application, along with your check, to:

LWVRV, P.O. Box 8555, Medford, OR, 97501
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### Looking Ahead

- Nov. 12th - “Money in Politics”
- Dec. 10th - the Maslow Project
- Jan. 14th - LWVRV Program Planning Meeting
- Feb. 11th - Sheriff Falls and Sheriff Daniel, speakers