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**LEAGUE OF WOMAN VOTERS
GLENDALE/BURBANK**
Summer 2011

The League of Women Voters is where hands-on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement.

President's Message

GREETINGS!!

from LWV/GB President Joan Hardie

Our annual meeting took place this last month and I wanted to take the opportunity to remind our members of some important items that were determined by those members present at the meeting. We had great member turnout at

a facility that turned out to be most accommodating, the very new Glendale Adult Recreation Center. Besides the usual and necessary tasks of an annual meeting such as approving the minutes, bylaw changes and the budget, our members voted and passed a proposed change in our membership dues.

Our new membership dues increased to \$70.00 per member and \$110.00 per household, our student membership will be \$35.00. The budget committee was reluctant to make the change especially given the challenges of the current economy but we felt we had no other option. Our dues have not increased for seven years, yet our PMP (per member payment) to the state and national offices continue to increase every year. After the PMP there is only a small amount of dues to go towards our local bread and butter activities such as candidate forums, pro/con presentations and distribution of the EasyVoter Guide. Along with the increase in the dues, the budget committee did work hard to



Kudos at the annual meeting to: Co-Presidents Chris Carson and Joan Hardie, scholarship recipients Joseph Roszhart and Rochelle Long and Chair of the Scholarship Committee, Susan Halgren.

lessen our expenses such as downsizing our PO Box and changing the League phone to a free service – Google voice. We also continue to work towards increasing our membership.

The League's recommended program was decided at the meeting and is as follows:

- Advocacy - Continue to work on campaign finance and ethics reform in both Glendale and Burbank
- Membership Recruitment - Make membership recruitment an integral part of every League program and activity
- Voter Service - Continue to expand Speakers Bureau; Begin preparation for voter registration and other activities related to the Presidential election cycle

We also approved the officers and directors for the years 2011 – 2013. I'm delighted to be the president for the League. I have enjoyed the last two

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years as Co-President and I'm eternally grateful to **Chris Carson** for being by fellow Co-President. I felt we were a great team, and if she wasn't so busy with redistricting, I would suggest another co-presidency because we worked well together. I also want to thank all the other Board members for their assistance throughout the past year. I want to especially thank **Monica Marquez** for her League knowledge and much needed computer assistance. We welcome two new Board members – **Renee Leask** and **Joan Godell**.

Lastly, I want to thank our members for being a part of the League, which continues to be a relevant organization in communities across our nation. Please feel free to contact me with any interests, concerns or needs you may have. I hope to see you at one of our fun summer activities. Thanks.

Redistricting Commission draws the Maps

The Citizens Redistricting Commission has been hard at work, traveling around the state taking testimony from citizens and receiving written comments about how the new Congressional and state legislative district maps should be drawn. The first draft was released on June 10. The crucial second draft will be released on July 14th. The LWV of California has been closely monitoring the process and making public comments on implementing the criterion on respecting the Voting Rights Act. You can check out the proposed new districts at [RedrawCA](#). Just plug in your ZIP code to see the maps. And visit [Cavotes](#) to read all about the League's work.



Tom Carson and Barbara Bowles
the outgoing state treasurer

Our League Stars in Ventura

LWV Glendale/Burbank certainly had a starring role at the LWVC biennial convention in May. **Tom Carson** was elected Treasurer of the State League. **Joan Hardie** and **Laurie Collins** were invited panelists at workshops: Candidates Forums in the YouTube Age and After Citizens United is Local Campaign Finance Reform Possible. **Chris Carson** gave a workshop on Watching My City; The League Observer Corps and led the Redistricting caucus. **Monica Marquez** attended the LWVUS Education Study workshop to get information and materials for our local study committee. AND – our League received the Golden Rose Award for our campaign finance reform work in Glendale.

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You are invited to a Summer Social

- WHEN: Thursday July 21, 2011
6 pm
- LOCATION: **Don Cuco's**
214 North Brand Boulevard
Glendale CA
- EVENT: **LWVUS National Study Kick-off**
Federal Government's Role in Education
- SPEAKERS: **Joanne Leavitt**
LWVUS Education Study Co-Chair

and Barbara Inatsugu
LWVC Education K-12 Program Director
- COST: Pay for your dinner and drinks
- RSVP: By July 18, 2011
Joan Hardie
(818) 925-4598



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Education Study Begins

As a preparation for the LWVUS Study of the Federal Impacts on Education we present these background papers developed by the Study Committee. We hope they'll give you good information and whet your appetite for the main event in the fall.

Role Of Federal Government In Public Education: Historical Perspectives

By Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins
and Margaret Hawkins Hill

From the very beginning of our Republic, a well-educated citizenry was thought to be essential to protect liberty and the general welfare of the people. Even before the Constitution of the United States was established, the Land Ordinance of 1785 and the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 included responsibilities of the nation for an education system. Education has long been considered a national concern by the federal government. Through federal action, education has been encouraged and financially supported from the first Northwest Ordinance in 1787 to the present. . . . [Read more](#)

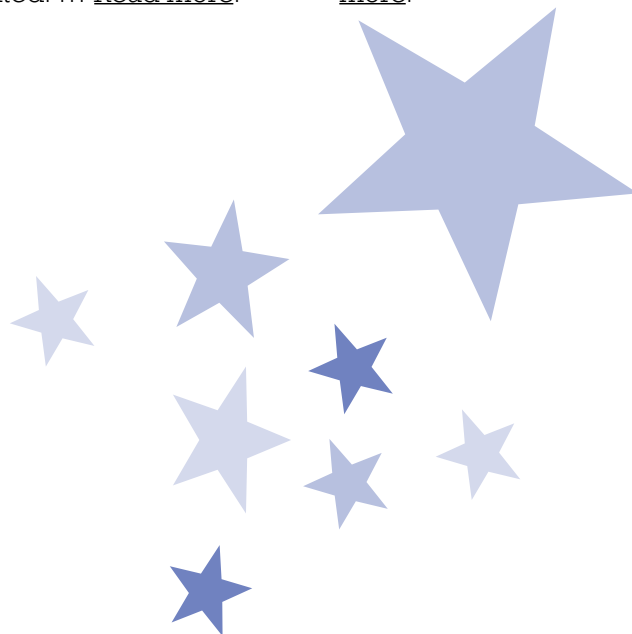
Legislation and Funding for the Education Of Children Who are Disadvantaged

By Patricia O'Brien Libutti, PhD

On April 9, 1965, the 89th Congress voted on The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, P.L. 89-10). The time from introduction to vote on this bill was only 87 days – a record time for legislation. ESEA was set in the center of President Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty and was influenced by the Civil Rights Act of 1964. ESEA provided, in a very short time, massive changes in the ways students who differed from the norm by reason of disadvantage would be treated. . . . [Read more.](#)

Funding and Equity Issues By Jean Pierce

In the 1960s, the focus of federal policies moved away from redistribution of funds, which lay at the heart of the New Deal, and attempted to place equality of opportunity at the center of the nation's social welfare policies. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 outlawed racial discrimination. This was followed by President Lyndon B. Johnson introducing his education plan (which became the Elementary and Secondary School Act {ESEA}) in 1965. Title VI of ESEA outlawed the allocation of federal funds to segregated programs. . . . [Read more.](#)



Read More . . .

Early Childhood Education, Equity and Funding
By Pat Aaron

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) (1992) creates standards and guidance for early childhood providers across the country. The organization stresses that “programs must be comprehensive in nature, and developmentally appropriate for children so that both age specific and individual characteristics are addressed and designed to meet the needs of children and families served.” Their position statements promote and endorse an integrated, well-financed system of early care and education for the learning and development of all children, including those living in poverty ... [Read more.](#)

Common Core Standards and Assessments
By Janelle L. Rivers, PhD

Students who move from one part of the United States to another during their K-12 school careers are likely to encounter substantial variations in curriculum. Standards for student performance vary widely by state. States publish annual reports of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), which are required by federal law, but the meaning of “proficient” in those reports can vary widely from one state to another (Cronin, Dahlin, Adkins, & Kingsbury, 2007). The roots of current state-to-state inconsistencies lie in the fact that public education in the United States has traditionally been a local responsibility. The tradition of local governance has led to inconsistent requirements and standards for student performance across the country. ... [Read more.](#)

We're kicking off the study with a dinner at Don Cuco's in Glendale on July 21.

Joanne Leavitt, LWVUS Study Committee Chair and Barbara Inatsugu, LWVC Education K-12 Director will be the featured guest speakers.

This is a great way for all our members to get together, have fun and learn about the study. Bring a friend who might be interested in education or who you think would be interested in joining the League.

This is the perfect opportunity to showcase the League and it's work and what fun we have doing it.

Join us on July 21.
RSVP to [Joan Hardie](#) or 818-925-4598.



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Selecting a Voting System
In LA County (pending)

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for the Speaker of the CA State
Assembly and a seasoned expert
in the field of
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Mail to **LWV/LAC Treasurer, 3970 Sepulveda Blvd., #201, Torrance, CA 90505** *←Note new address*

League Name _____
Attendee Name(s) _____

Deadline is July 16, 2010
Reservations # _____ @\$30.00 Total enclosed \$ _____

If postmarked after July 16th and if available
Reservations # _____ @\$35.00 Total enclosed \$ _____

Chicken Luncheon # _____ Vegetarian Luncheon # _____ W/O NUTS or other allergens # _____ (name food)

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Education # _____ Presidents/Treasurers # _____
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Mike Goldberg
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Art at The Art
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California,
Hollywood.
She is shown
here with her
own work -
Digital Olympia**



Membership Application

It is easy to join the League of Women Voters of Glendale/Burbank. You can do it all online at our [Website](#).
Or you can use this form to mail in your application. All Citizens of voting age are welcome.
Associate Membership is open to all others.

YES! I want to add my voice to yours by joining the League of Women Voters as part of your voice for citizens and force for change. I enclose: (please check one or more of the following)

- \$70.00 for a one-year individual membership (includes a copy of our VOTER, nine times per year)
 \$110.00 for a one-year household membership for two members who share the same address (includes a copy of our VOTER nine times per year)
 \$35.00 for a one-year student membership.

I am unable to join the League at this time, but enclose a contribution of \$ _____

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I would like to receive my VOTER by email.

My email address is _____

Make check payable to League of Women Voters.
Mail to PO Box 21010, Glendale, CA 91221

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The League never supports or opposes any political party or candidate. We advocate only on issues that members have studied and come to a consensus on. In an era of proliferating and powerful special interests, the League's advocacy in the public interest is increasingly recognized as an essential voice of democracy.

CALENDAR Summer 2011

**THURSDAY JULY 21 –
LWVUS EDUCATION STUDY KICKOFF DINNER
at Don Cuco's in Glendale;
see flyer on page 3 for details and to RSVP**

**SATURDAY, JULY 30 –
POPOVERS IN PASADENA,
the signature League event of the summer.
This year's featured speaker is a respected
expert on education.**

**Join your friends for great workshops, a
stimulating speaker and – of course – the
famed popovers and lunch.
See flyer on page 6 for details.**



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