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Letter from the President

Greetings to the members and friends of the League of Women Voters–Glendale/Burbank. As your new president, I am excited to take on the challenges ahead but also extremely proud of the legacy of the League and the movement that created it. The 19th Amendment, guaranteeing women the right to vote, turned 96 recently – and the League of Women Voters born out of the 19th Amendment, continues its excellent work engaging and advocating for all voters. Our methods may have changed – you probably receive this message by email rather than US mail – but the mission is still the same. We are informing and empowering voters. And we do it in a civil way that is respectful to all.

Our local League members are busy registering voters, prepping for candidate forums, speaking to groups about the ballot propositions pros and cons and engaging with our local communities. But we are

**Voters of
Glendale/Burbank**

also having fun! Read about our upcoming events in this issue of The Voter and join us!

The people you will meet, and particularly the women you will meet, have always been an inspiration to me. I am sorry to say that we have lost a few members this past Summer including Florence Dommès and Connie Wilson, who will be sorely missed. Let's keep up the good work that they, and others before them, have been doing. I hope you will attend our events, read our publications and tell your friends and neighbors about the good work we are doing!

Mary L. Dickson

Visit the Doctor's House Museum in Glendale for Suffrage Movement Exhibit 9/11 2:00PM

In the spirit of election season, the Doctor's House in Brand Park has a special exhibit on the suffragettes behind the Women's Suffrage Movement. Join the League of Women Voters-Glendale/Burbank for a guided tour at 2:00PM on Sunday, September 11, 2016. All you will need to bring is a donation of \$5 for the Doctor's House.

Speaker's Bureau prepares for a busy election season

Candidates' Forums (in Council Chambers):

- September 30th, in Burbank: 25th State Senate forum, 5th supervisorial forum
- October 7th, in Burbank: 28th Congressional forum

- October 13th, in Glendale: 43rd Assembly forum,

Volunteers are needed for candidates forums! Tasks vary from simple (collecting questions from the audience) to more challenging (question sorting). Please let us know if you can help (by email to the League - lwvglendaleburbankca@gmail.com)

Pros & Cons Presentation on Ballot Propositions:

- September 24th, LWV-LAC Speaker Training at Hollenbeck center in East Los Angeles
- October 10th, in Glendale, pro-con taping for all propositions
- Numerous speaking events for various groups in Glendale

If you are interested in joining the Speakers' Bureau please contact Renee Leask (by email to the League - lwvglendaleburbankca@gmail.com)

Voter information available on Voter's Edge

Get ready to vote on November 8 with [Voter's Edge California](#) ! Enter your address, get your ballot, save your choices, and be ready to vote on election day. Voter's Edge California provides unbiased, in-depth voting information on candidates, ballot measures, campaign funding info and Spanish translation for State and Federal races and other basic voting information. All of the League's Voter Service publications are on Voter's Edge California, including the Pros & Cons and the Easy Voter Guide. Forward to your friends and contacts.

Enough Said – What’s Gone Wrong with the Language of Politics?

Mark Thompson, President and CEO of the New York Times, will be at the Buena Vista Library in Burbank on 9/21 7:00PM to discuss his new book. *Enough Said* reports on the changes to political language and its impact on our political process. *See the attached flyer from the Burbank public library.*

Special Birthday Wishes

Our good wishes and admiration go out to Georganne Thomsen who recently celebrated her 90th birthday and also reached her 50th anniversary of League of Women Voters membership. Georganne is a past president of the League of Women Voters-Glendale/Burbank, and has also served as a board member of the Los Angeles County League for many years. Happy Birthday Georganne!

What's gone wrong with the language of politics?

Burbank Public Library is pleased to host an Author Talk & Book Signing with Mark Thompson

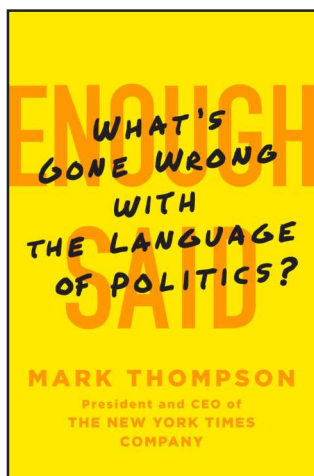
MARK THOMPSON has been the President and CEO of The New York Times Company since 2012. Previously, he was Director-General of the BBC.



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In **ENOUGH SAID**, Thompson tells the story of how we got from the language of FDR and Churchill to the fractious rhetoric of our times. He argues that there is a widening gap between political power and the public, because public language is being misused or misunderstood. Drawing from classical rhetoric as well as contemporary political doublespeak, and ranging across politics, business, science, technology, and the arts, he outlines the dangers of speech without accountability and takes a hard look at the erosion of language.



Books will be available for purchase and signing.

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 21

Buena Vista Branch Library

300 N. Buena Vista Street

818-238-5620 BurbankLibrary.com



“Public language matters. Words are free, and every politician and journalist and citizen can draw on an unlimited supply of them. But there are days when the right words are all that counts, and it is the speaker who can find them who determines what happens next.” So begins **ENOUGH SAID**.