

# League Lines

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF UMPQUA VALLEY

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September 5, 2007

**September 25, 2007**

**“Good Principles of Community Planning”**

**Presbyterian Church**

**823 S.E. Lane**

**7pm**

**Come and be apart of planning your future**



# CO President's Message

Jim Williams & Linda Clary

**W**elcome to another year of League involvement and excitement. Your co-presidents, Jim Williams and Linda Clary, will be steering our League for the next two years – with guidance from the Board. During the summer the Board met twice to chart our course for the next two years. This column will address a few of details on that chart. Please refer to the Planning Calendar included in this newsletter.

At the League social June 25, you identified several areas in which the League should focus its energy. These were the top five, and are listed in the priority in which you ranked them: Voter Education, Umpqua Visions, Board Development, Immigration Study, and the Observer Corps. The first two areas, Voter Education and Umpqua Visions, were the runaway favorites. During our retreats we discussed our need to focus on these top areas, and at the same time, factor in a challenge that Leagues across the United States are facing – a loss of people power.

In order to keep our League healthy and strong, to continue our mission, all of us will need to contribute. The Board recognizes that each member can not do as much as they might want due to other commitments. However, one effective strategy used by other organizations as well as Leagues across the country is to develop small projects which don't ask/require along-term commitment of time and energy. Perhaps this could be a mini-opportunity which addresses an area about which you are passionate or is of interest to you. Jim and I will be contacting each of you to introduce ourselves and inquire about your areas of interest and your availability. Would you please give some consideration to giving maybe 10 – 20 hours of your time over the next two years to the League's efforts? You'll be hearing from us, soon. This edition of our monthly newsletter contains a "still-under-development" calendar for the next two years. Our kick-off meeting in the Presbyterian Church's base- continued on next page...

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### Nonpartisanship Statement

The LWV takes political action on issues on which members have reached agreement. The LWV never supports or opposes any political party or candidate for elective office. However, as individuals, LWV members are encouraged to join fully in the political process. Because of scrupulous adherence to this nonpartisan political policy, the LWV takes action only in the public interest.

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ment carries forward your enthusiasm for Umpqua Visions. We are going to continue learning about key guiding principles in planning a vibrant and sustainable community. As you know, the City of Roseburg commissioned Crandall and Arambula (a Portland consulting firm specializing in small town revitalization) charging them with the development of a revitalization concept for our community. September 25 will provide us with more details on the principles that Crandall and Arambula presented to the community in May and August 2007.

We are trying a new approach to League discussions: Starting in October (and continuing through and including December), on the first Thursday of the month we'll meet for lunch to discuss and consider what we learned during the previous month's meeting. We'll meet at Ami Sushi Japanese Restaurant (downtown at 634 SE Cass Avenue) at 11:45 am. (In addition to good sushi they serve other non-fish meals.) Hope you'll join us for this pilot program. Our October meeting will address ballot measures 49 and 50. Our November and December meetings will present a different way

of looking at our national study on Immigration. We're inviting members of the community, from various walks of life, to participate in a panel discussion about the immigration issues in our area.

We'll talk about upcoming meetings in more depth and detail as we approach those times. For now, we looking forward to meeting each of you and conducting the business of the League. ❖



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# Global Warming

James G. Williams

A number of events are in the planning stages for a Global Warming project in the early part of 2008. The League is lending its name to this effort, and this article will summarize what is going on, and give you an opportunity to assist in this effort.

A national teach-in engaging millions of students and citizens with political leaders and decision makers about Global Warming Solutions is set for January 31, 2008. More information is available at <http://www.focusthenation.org/main.php>.

Focus the Nation is a catalyzing force shifting the national conversation about global warming towards a determination to face this civilizational challenge.

On August 2<sup>nd</sup> Stuart Liebowitz convened a meeting of local people to prepare for a Roseburg event. Attendees were Anna Schlemmer (COP), Miki Hall (RHS), Polly Sterling, Dianne Phillips, Michelle Harris and myself (Jim Williams).

Background. The idea had its genesis from an economics college professor at Lewis and Clark College, Dr. Eban Goodstein, who is also the project director. It is anticipated that over 1,000 campuses will be conducting activities on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of January.

Planning. We anticipate conducting local activities on January 30 during the school day. Early thoughts are that we might have a series of panels or a serial effort by many individual instructors integrating this material into their curriculum. At UCC, this will likely be structured as a community event done in a class format. Miki Hall will discuss the proposal with the RHS Principal, Science and Social Studies teachers to gauge their interest and get the planning started. Students might be released to attend UCC events. Some potential panelists were noted.

Publicity. Several items were discussed: Poster contest at RHS Student Newspaper note the upcoming events Articles in the

News Review KQEN Program on the subject with Brian Prowitz KRBM State of Jefferson

Determine if a logo exists  
Promote Community Groups  
Prius Parade

Next Step.

Meet once per month (Next meeting September 27, 2007 at 3:30 P.M., location TBD)

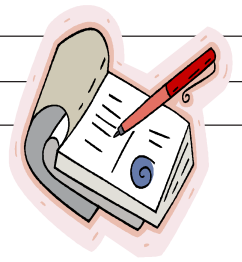
For those of you who would like to participate more fully in this effort, please contact:

Robin Wisdom 672-6982 ❖



# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS UMPQUA VALLEY PLANNING CALENDAR 2007-2009

2007-2008		2008-2009	
July 12, 2007	Retreat 1		
August 26, 2007	Retreat 2		
September 25, 2007	City Planning 101/Guiding Principles for City Planning. Location: Presbyterian Church (basement) 7 PM	September 23, 2008	
October 4, 2007	League Lunch - Ami Sushi 11:45 AM	October 28, 2008	Ballot Measures
October 23, 2007	Ballot Measures - 49 & 50 Location: County Annex 7PM		Candidates Forums
November 1, 2007	League Lunch - Ami Sushi 11:45 AM		
November 27, 2007	Immigration study - Panel Discussion Location: County Annex 7 PM	November 25, 2008	
December 3, 2007	League Lunch - Ami Sushi 11:45 AM		
December 18, 2007	Immigration study - Consensus Meeting. Location: County Annex 7 PM	December 16, 2008	
January 22, 2008	Program Planning / What's Hot For You? Location: County Annex 7 PM	January 27, 2009	Program Plan/ What's Hot For you?
February 26, 2008	Umpqua Visions/Sustainability Location: County Annex 7 PM	February 24, 2009	
March 25, 2008	Women's History month Location: TBD	March 24, 2009	Women's History month
April 16 or 17, 2008	Candidates' Forum Location: TBD	April, 2008	Ballot Measures/ Candidates Forum?
April 22, 2008	Annual Meeting & "Water in the West" Location: County Annex 7 PM	April 28, 2009	Annual Meeting
May 27, 2008	TBD	May 26, 2009	
	Council - Corvallis		State Convention
June 10, 2008	Retreat #1 6:00 PM		
June 13 - 17, 2008	LWVUS Convention - Portland	June , 2009	
June 24, 2008	Social		
June 26, 2008	Retreat # 2 6 PM		



# Take Note

## Water Study Volunteers

During a conference call with other leaders of the Oregon League, a call went out for volunteers for one of the two studies commissioned by the League at its Convention earlier this year. Those of you interested in working on this important statewide study of water in our state are encouraged to contact either Janet Calvert 541-686-2697, [jankcalvert@comcast.net](mailto:jankcalvert@comcast.net) or Jane Gigler 541-756-0668, [jg@efficientfrontier.com](mailto:jg@efficientfrontier.com) . ❖



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## Immigration

Immigration Consensus Kit Now Available!

The [LWVUS Immigration Study consensus Kit \(Leader's Guide\)](#) is available online. The Kit includes all eight background papers, information about organizing and holding consensus meetings, the consensus questions suggested times for addressing each question and background information and discussion questions for each consensus question. For more tips, [check out this memo](#) on tying the Immigration Study to your Membership activities. *NOTE: the official Immigration Study Consensus Response Form Will be Available Online On or Before September 20th.* ❖

## League Basics

**“League Basics” (formerly “In League”) Now Available**

The LWVUS has streamlined our basic operating publication (formerly called “In League”) into a new online document called “League Basics”. This publication is an essential tool to help League leaders understand the important basic aspects of running our organization. This handy reference is provided thanks to the leadership of Shirley Eberly and an off-board team of Nancy Eitreim, Mary Klenz and Judy Poulson, with collaboration from Carol Reimers and the rest of the LWVUS Board. ❖

## Meeting Location

We have reserved the County Annex (East of the Court House) for our meetings beginning in October.

# September Calendar 2007

## **Board of Director's Meeting**

September 11 - 5pm  
Umpqua Community Development Corp.  
605 Kane Street

**ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!**

## **“Good Principals of Community Planning”**

September 25 - 7pm  
Presbyterian Church  
823 S.E. Lane

River Front Walkway, by M. Raney



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