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March Events

- **Board Meeting - 3/9/20, 7-9:30pm St. Cross Episcopal Church, Hermosa Beach**
- **Member Mixer—3/19/20, TBD**
Get connected with other league members. Contact Arnett Davis for more details.
- **March Book Club - 3/26/20, 7-8:30pm, St. Cross Episcopal Church, Hermosa Beach**
Come join the book club with lively discussion with the author over [Prison Nurse: Mayhem Murder and Medicine](#) by Ellen Kane. Didn't finish, join us anyway and decide next month's book!
- **We Need Your Suggestions!**
Do you have an idea for a local program that would be of interest to our League members? All members of the LWV Beach Cities are encouraged to suggest topics for local programs in areas of interest. Recommendations may be sent to [Barbara Arlow](#) gerbar92@msn.com 310-379-6663 or to [Joan LeSage](#) sage.joan@gmail.com 310-854-2254.
- Questions? [Contact us anytime!](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

The LWVBC's Nominating Committee, chaired by Penny Markey, will soon begin the process of compiling a slate of Board members for the 2020-2021 program year. In this election year, the League will play an important role. We will be actively engaging our communities in the electoral process, conducting candidate forums, registering voters and more. We will be conducting forums and providing information on important civic issues as well as encouraging our citizens of all ages to vote!

If you've ever considered taking a more active role in the League, now is the time! We want to hear from you. We want to learn from you. Positions are available on the Board of Directors as well as various working committees such as voter services, membership, homeless, environmental, and education issues, etc.

After all, any organization is only as strong as its volunteers. If you're interested in helping with those efforts, contact Penny at [pennymarkey@gmail.com](#) or 310-379-9972.

- **Join the board by becoming the Secretary to the Board!** The League's longtime secretary to the Board is leaving her position. It is an important leadership post. We need a person who is able to attend the monthly Board Meeting; take notes and compile minutes. Board meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7pm.
- **Looking for a creative, flexible position?** We need Publicity, Photographers, and Newsletter contributors. Please contact Ashley Kruchdele at [ashley.kruchdele@gmail.com](#)
- **NEW POSITION! Newsletter Editor** Contact Ashley Kruchdele at [ashley.kruchdele@gmail.com](#)
- **Interested in Voter Service activities?** Contact Barbara Arlow gerbar92@msn.com or for Voter's Edge support <http://votersedge.org/ca> contact Joan LeSage sage.joan@gmail.com
- **Join a Social Policy Committee**
 - Education –Jeanne Hamilton [jeannehamiltonclaremont@gmail.com](#)
 - Housing/Homelessness –Teri Neustaedter [tmufic@gmail.com](#)
 - Natural Resources/Climate Change - Grace Peng [spikey@gmail.com](#)
 - Health and Wellness - Harriet Chase [hzchase@roadrunner.com](#)
- **Join the Book Club** led by Debra Estroff [Dbestroff@mednet.ucla.edu](#)
- **Meet up at a Member Mixer** set-up by Arnette Travis [arnettettravis@gmail.com](#)
- **Become a New Member Ambassador....** even if you are new! Welcome new members and invite them to league events. Contact Ann Kuhns [annkuhns@verizon.net](#)

Please send all membership updates and ideas to Ann Kuhns at [annkuhns@verizon.net](#)

Welcome New Members!!

- Allison Herbert of Los Angeles, James Stewart of Torrance, Kay Hudspeth of Gardena, and from Manhattan Beach: Colleen Egan, Kitty Salinas, Patti Neumann, Sarah Geller, and Mary Dillon.

Thank You for your Generosity for the February Non-Event Contributions!!

Jane Alfonso	Marilyn Dubas	Ann Martin
Ron Arias	June Eicker	Sunhee Park
Barbara Arlow	Debra Estroff	Michelle Murphy
Peggy Bartlett	June Eicker	Wendy Phillips
Don & Sari Brann	Catherine Fox	James Stewart
Mark Burton	Susan Grebe	Vvian Rahe
Paulette Caudill	Ruth Hart	Carole & Peter Vallianos
Harriet Chase	Fatima Malik	Diane Wallace
Barbara Doss	Maureen Kelly	April Halprin Wayland
Pat Dreizler	Penny Markey	Lance Widman

Committee Updates



- **Education**—The Education Committee is examining two areas of interest for the year - early childhood education and the impact of declining enrollment on low-income districts. If you are interested in participating with us on either of these topics, please contact [Jeanne Hamilton](#) for more information.

- **Health and Wellness** — The Health and Wellness Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, March, 24th 1–3pm at Harriet's home. Our focus is on helping seniors in our service area to age well. We are planning to move on from presenting our goals to organizations and city departments in Hawthorne, Inglewood, and Lennox to working with them in planning special projects for the seniors. Please contact Harriet Chase, Co-chair, for interest or more information at: [hzchase@roadrunner.com](#). Contact [Harriet Chase](#) for interest.

- **Homelessness**— Our team meets every 6-8 weeks to work on educational updates for our members and local residents; we also coordinate support for service projects. Most team members work with other organizations actively involved with homelessness and housing, bringing that knowledge back to the League. Email [Teri Neustaedter](#) at [tmufic@gmail.com](#) or call (913) 568-5466 if you're interested in joining our group!

- **Natural Resources**— The natural resources committee supports on a local level the LWV policy to "Promote an environment beneficial to life through the protection and wise management of natural resources in the public interest." Climate change, clean air and water, and environmental justice are high priorities.

We analyze objective evidence including technical reports, research articles and government records. By understanding the past and present, we can determine the policies that can help us reach the future we want. Then we fight hard to get those policies enacted and implemented.

Because housing policy is climate policy, we work with the housing and homelessness committee. Pushing electeds to enact a Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) that follows the law and reduces carbon dioxide emissions instead of accelerating climate change has been the biggest priority in 2019. For further questions, please contact [Grace Peng](#) (310-613-7432).

Stay Connected!

Like to add something to next months calendar? Please contact us by the following:

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