



## VOTER

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### Fun Festival Parade

League of Women Voters of Coos County (LWVCC) members promoted voting and the League while participating in the Fun Festival parade in Coos Bay September 15. We decorated two “League blue” cars, members rode or walked and carried signs: Exercise Your Right To Vote, Register by October 16, and Vote!



*Above: Joe Smith with his decorated convertible.*



*Above: Judith Uno and Julia Graves decorate Jerry Chadwick's car.*



*Above: Lining up for parade.*

### Public Forum – General Election

October 23, 2018, 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Coos Bay City Hall, 500 Central Avenue,  
Coos Bay. Tim Novotny will serve as  
Moderator.

7:00 – Coos County Commissioner  
candidates, Position 2, Katy Eymann and  
John Sweet

8:00 – Coos County Sheriff candidates,  
M. A. Kinnaird and Craig Zanni

LWVCC had hoped to hold an additional public forum for State Representative District 9 candidates, Caddy McKeown and Teri Grier; and for State Senate District 1 candidates, Dallas Heard and Shannon Souza, however only the Democratic candidates agreed to participate. Our Forum Policies require two or more opposing candidates for a forum to proceed.

Suzanne Grami is our new Forum Chair, taking over from Judith Vanduzer Uno, who has been our forum leader for a number of years. Thank you, Judith!

LWVCC members are encouraged to help out the night of the forum. Contact Suzanne Grami or any board member to volunteer.

**Dues:** It's time to pay annual dues to LWVCC. Please send your check to PO Box 1571, Coos Bay, OR 97420. \$65 individual members, \$95 for household, and student memberships are free!

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**National Voter Registration Day**

League members registered voters at the Coos Bay Public Library on National Voter Registration Day September 25. Thanks to Carol Ventgen, Carol Sanders, Alice Carlson, Melanie Bloom and Suzanne Grami for volunteering their time to help the public be ready to vote on Election Day.

**November 3, 2018, General Meeting**

League members and the public are invited to hear a talk by Miles Phillips on the Sustainable Tourism & Outdoor Recreation Business Development Program. Mr. Phillips is associate professor of Tourism & Business Development, College of Business, Oregon State University, and Oregon Sea Grant. 10:30 to 12:00; location to be announced.

**Annual Holiday Potluck & Auction**

League member Jan Hooper and husband Steve have invited us to their home for our annual Holiday Potluck & Auction on Saturday, December 8, 2018. Stay tuned for more information and directions in a future issue of Voter, but mark your calendars now.

**100th Anniversary Celebration**

By *Becky Gladstone, LWVOR*

Please plan to join us for our 100th Anniversary LWVOR celebration in March 2020!

As we prepare during this election season, we know our work is more important than ever. Our foremothers fought and died for women's access to the ballot. Today we strive to help all voters cast informed votes, assured that they can be confident in understanding issues and candidate perspectives, with League help.

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A showing of the movie "Suffragette" at the Egyptian Theatre in Coos Bay is planned for February 2020.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Open to men and women of voting age, it neither supports nor opposes political parties or candidates.

*(Letter to the Editor submitted to The World for publication)*

Dear Editor;

The yard signs are up; the ads are running non-stop. It's election time again. Are you registered to vote in the November 6, 2018 election? Sure?

It's not too late. In these days of automatic registration with driver license renewal, you may believe you are. But if you have changed your name or your address since you last voted or failed to vote in several elections, you could find yourself without a ballot or a voice in America's future.

It's as easy to check your registration as it is to register: Go to [elections@cc.coos.or.us](mailto:elections@cc.coos.or.us) and under Vote, click on "Am I Registered to Vote" to check the status of your voter registration. If you're not, you can also find an online registration form. (Registration forms can also be found at your local public library and public-school building as well as on-line at [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov).) You must be registered by midnight on October 16, 2018.

Ballots will be mailed between October 17 and 20, 2018. In the last mid-term elections only 50.9% of registered voters actually voted. Make sure you are registered. Once registered, vote.

Sincerely,

The League of Women Voters of Coos County.



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**The Public Is Invited.**

For more information, call Suzanne Grami at 541-260-2028 or  
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