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Voter Services Report

Thanks go out to the members who participated in the Voter Registration and Education Drive we sponsored. We registered voters at three sites, between January 17th and February 3rd, for a total of 16 hours for voters to register and obtain education and information about ranked-choice voting. The following members participated: Chris Furlanetto, Lynn Gary, Susan Haase, Berit Leonard, Virginia McCallum, Susan Nickelson, Patricia Pedersen, Linda Rosencranz, Betsy Schillinglaw, and Mary Schruben.

The latest Voter Guide is up on our website, lwvsfc.org. Thanks go out to Suzanne Ronneau, Voter Information Chair, and her helpers, JoAnne Dutcher and Marcy Litzenberg.

International Women’s Day

The Santa Fe League will participate in the International Women’s Day event sponsored by Santa Fe Community College. We will have a table to introduce students to the work of the League and encourage them to become a member. The event will be held at SFCC from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 8th. If you are interested in being at our table, please contact Ann Coulston at anncoulston@gmail.com or call 650-743-6919.

You can sign up for the entire time or any hour you are available. There will be music, speakers, and other information tables. Should be a fun three hours.
March is Women's History Month

League Hosts Luncheon on "Women Marked for History"

To celebrate this special month, the League of Women Voters of Santa Fe County is holding a luncheon featuring a talk by author Rosanne Roberts Archuletta, sharing stories through New Mexico Historical Markers.

March 15, 2018
11:30 am - 1:00pm
Historic Hilton Hotel, Santa Fe Plaza
Cost: $25.00

Rosanne Roberts Archuletta is the co-author, with her husband Phil Archuletta, of the book "Women Marked for History," which was published in May 2013 by Sunstone Press. Their book is the compilation of the first 80 stories of the women who have been honored with New Mexico Historical Markers. These women are celebrated for their accomplishments as New Mexico's Women Leaders in Community and Government, Education, Military, Business, Healing Arts and Medicine, Entertainment, Cultural Preservation, and the Arts.

Rosanne will have copies of the book for sale at the event.

Join us for
League Libations
Thursday, March 22, 2018
5:30—7:00
Santa Fe Hilton Bar/Lounge
No-Host Bar
High School Mayoral Forum – February 2, 2018

Esther Kovari, teacher at Monte del Sol Charter School, organized a Mayoral Forum for high school students from around the city. All five candidates attended, as well as about a hundred students. Monte del Sol students moderated the forum. Questions from the audience covered five topics: Immigration, Education, City Services, the Economy, and the Environment. Each candidate got a different question from a different student in a round robin format. Student’s questions were very sophisticated and interesting. The school recognized the LWVSFC in attendance for voter registration. League members Sharon Starkey, Steven Hamp, and Marcy Litzenberg were available to register students to vote in the upcoming election.
Mayoral/City Council Candidate Forums

In February 2018, standing-room-only crowds attended the Santa Fe League’s candidate forums for the offices of Santa Fe mayor and Santa Fe city councilors at the Santa Fe Higher Education Center.

Laura Atkins moderated the Program Planning Meeting held on January 30, 2018.

League Nominating Committee

The League of Women Voters of Santa Fe County’s Nominating Committee will soon begin its work. If you have a desire to step up your volunteer involvement and/or have sat on the sidelines but would like to get more active in the League, please contact me and let’s chat about opportunities to serve. There are many ways to offer your skills and leadership with the League, from taking on a very specific task, being a key volunteer or leader in an activity area, serving on a committee, or joining the leadership team to help guide the work of the League. The League is working to find ways to use our skilled and diverse members to help with outreach, projects, and issues. Let’s make it happen!

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April Nonfiction Book Club Selection “Against the Grain”

The League will hold its next Nonfiction Book Club meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at Collected Works Bookstore & Coffeehouse beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The book selected to read is “Against the Grain: A Deep History of the Earliest States” by James C. Scott. From a review in Yale University Press, “Why did humans abandon hunting and gathering for sedentary communities dependent on livestock and cereal grains, and governed by precursors of today’s states? Scott explores why we avoided sedentism and plow agriculture, the advantages of mobile subsistence, the unforeseeable disease epidemics arising from crowding plants, animals, and grain, and why all early states are based on millets and cereal grains and unfree labor.”

James C. Scott is Sterling Professor of Political Science and co-director of the Agrarian Studies Program at Yale University. Get reading, and we will see you in April!

Check www.lwvsfc.org for locations and updates.

*LWVNM and other organization functions in italics

Regular meetings:
Action-Advocacy 1st Thursday of each month
LWVSFC Board meetings 3rd Tuesday of each month, 10-12, NM Bank & Trust
Unit Meetings are only for League members
League Libations 4th Thursday of each month @ the Hilton Hotel Ortiz Café & Bar, except for December.