

# Your VOTER

(GUIDE TO LWV SAN BERNARDINO ISSUES, ACTION, & INFO)

## LWVSB to HONOR 17 CITIZENS OF ACHIEVEMENT APRIL 29

This year we will be honoring 17 individuals who have enhanced the quality of life in their communities. Our focus was on those who have made a difference in the lives of youth as well as in neighborhood improvement, but we also considered those who make the community a better place to live through their involvement in various other civic and cultural activities.

If you have received your invitation to the reception and awards ceremony, you should note that the date has been changed to April 29.

### THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENTS ARE:

Hugh Bialecki, mountains community activist, founding member of the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust, involved in recreation and parks, youth sports programs, and civic and cultural activities

Cheryl Brown, co-publisher of the Black Voice News and an active community member for many years in organizations as well as on various commissions and boards.

Patsy Dixon, co-founder and artistic director of Junior University youth theatrical productions.

Carol Dixon-Cahill, Assistance League leader and fundraiser benefiting the Dental Clinic and Operation School Bell.

Laura Dyberg, a founder of the Inland Empire Fire Safe Alliance and leader in the San Bernardino National Forest Association's fire education program.

Clara Franklin, active in the Community Development Alliance and the Arrowhead Suburban Farms Neighborhood Association.

Michelle Freeman, who uses her experiences to help rehabilitate women suffering from domestic violence, drug addiction, and incarceration

Patricia Green-Lee, CEO and founder of Brothers and Sisters in Action, an HIV-AIDS educator and advocate

Randy Hlebasko, teacher and coach at San Geronio High School, and headmaster and producer of the Sturges Summer Academy that offers inner-city and low-income children training in performing and visual arts.

Ardyce Koobs, leader in the development of Loma Linda, also active in many civic organizations and activities, especially music programs and activities for children



Gordon Cornell Layne, Lake Arrowhead teacher and mentor who writes, directs, and produces programs that are given free to the public

Cindy Olson, founder of Mountain Fifes and Drums that are available free of charge to interested mountain youth, teaching patriotism through music

Millicent Price, Principal Librarian - San Bernardino Public Library, dedicated to serving the public, especially to meeting the needs of the Hispanic community, and to providing free access to information.

Ellen Pollema, Lytle Creek community volunteer, active in the Lytle Creek Fire Safe Council and the Inland Empire Fire Safe Alliance dedicated to protecting the community.

Tom Rivera, Associate Dean of Educational Support Services at CSUSB and founder of the Inland Empire Future Leaders Program for Hispanic youth

Peggy Scoggin, pioneer in diabetic health education and founder of after-school programs for low-income children teaching diet and exercise through play

Jim Trotter, teacher and founder of Cajon High School's peer leadership class that encourages student community involvement, as well as participant in drug and alcohol abuse prevention, violence prevention, and character education programs.

The Citizens of Achievement award ceremony will take place at the San Bdnno County Government Center, 385 No. Arrowhead Ave., Sunday 29, from 2 – 4 p.m. See you there!

## LWVSB MEMBERS HELP CSUSB STUDENT ASSN. WITH ELECTION

Eight LWV members oversaw and conducted an election regarding a referendum on Associated Student fees that would provide expanded student health center facilities and services and funds to augment the intercollegiate athletic program. Students approved the fee increase as they did in 2001, when the fees at that time were committed to building a new 2-story \$13M recreation center, a benefit that many who voted for the future common good would not be on campus to enjoy.



Thanks to the following LWV members who volunteered their time:

Gloria Anderson, 15 hours; Susan Nieblas, 13 hours; Kim Carter, 5 hours; Marilyn Patterson, 5 hours; Marion Vassilakos, 5 hours; Anne Brennan, 3 hours; Brenda Frederick, 2 hours; Barbara Sokoloff, 2 hours.

## MEMBERS DONATED TO THE LWVSB for LWV ED FUND

Thanks to the following members, LWVSB's access to Education Fund account has grown: Gloria Anderson, Sue Borrer, Brynn and Tom Dodson, Lillian Eaton, Brenda Frederick, Carolyn Getchell, Carol Hartman, Vivian Kassel, Lee Manak, Millie McKim, Jennifer and Mel McMullen, Susan Nieblas, Marilyn Patterson, Juanita Scott, Betsy Starbuck, Geneva Wood.

# PREZ SEZ



We are looking forward to our 31st Citizens of Achievement reception and awards ceremony on **April 29**. And although we said March 15 was the deadline for returning the form that was in the last YOUR VOTER, we still need help with the food and working on that day setting up, serving, the check-in table, etc. Please call me or e-mail me if you are willing and able.

The Social Justice Coalition of which LWVSB is a part has been analyzing the power structure in the San Bernardino area so that we can be more effective in advocating issues of mutual concern to the group. Kim Carter and I have been attending the meetings, but they are open to anyone who is interested in being involved.

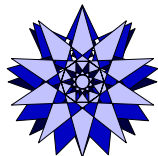
This year we were able to meet with both our state senator, Gloria Negrete McLeod, and our state assembly member, Wilmer Amina Carter. Questions this year focused on League priority issues: state budget reform, redistricting, infrastructure needs in a growing state, and health care. We also talked about the three elections that will take place in 2008, beginning with the presidential primary being moved to February, the regular primary in June, and the general election in November. Informing voters and getting out the vote will be a huge challenge for us.

And be sure to save JUNE 2 to attend our Annual Meeting. You will be receiving information on it around the first week in May. I am also looking forward to seeing many of you on April 29. Gloria Anderson 338-4163 [glorand@juno.com](mailto:glorand@juno.com)

## Keeping Up with Members

### ANN IVEY: LWV MEMBER AND EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY ACTIVIST

Ann Ivey, LWVSB long time member, former County Public Health Dept. official and community organizer/strategist and volunteer, is one of our featured members this month.



You may recall Ann's name, often cited in local newspapers because of her involvement and dedication to community-building causes. She was awarded the Area Chamber of Commerce's Athena award a few years ago for outstanding service to our community. Ann was recognized by the LWV 26 years ago for community achievement up to that time and has continued her efforts to enhance the quality of life in the area.

Ann joined the Kiwanis Club of San Bernardino in May, 1989. She has served on the Board of Directors and was the recipient of the Harry F. Rheubottom Award – an annual award presented by the Club to a member who exemplifies what Harry stood for – giving back to your community. Harry had a motto: “Your community is like your bank account – You make regular deposits and very few withdrawals.” Recently Ann was recognized by the YWCA at its Holiday brunch.

Ann graduated in nursing from UCLA and worked at San Bdn County's Department of Public Health. Her passion to help attain health care and screening for children directed her volunteer efforts. She helped establish the successful Community-University Partnership project at CSUSB, which brings together the multidisciplinary expertise of CSUSB faculty, researchers, students, and regional medical professionals and develops an early childhood intervention project --- the focus of which is early intervention to: increase parenting skills, increase school readiness, facilitate cognitive and emotional development and provide coordinated, non-overlapping case management services to children and families. CSUSB students are the primary staff for the implementation of the project, serving under the leadership of campus and community leaders.

You will be sorry to hear that Ann has been battling ovarian cancer (correctly diagnosed 7 months after onset). Treatment has included interperitoneal chemo therapy. She was hospitalized at St. Bernardine's and in Los Angeles but is home now. Thanks to family and friends she is recovering and has been in remission for 2 months. She has been able to attend a few Kiwanis meetings and meets with friends occasionally for lunch or other endeavors. She endeared herself to your editor by saying she enjoys reading the VOTER and in receiving other communications from LWV. Give Ann a call to buoy her up as she recovers from this disease.

### GLORIA ANDERSON

Gloria grew up in Wisconsin, taught English and speech for a few years, came to California in 1962 to visit a college friend, and stayed, got married, and delivered son Scott, the father of grandchildren Luke (3) and Eden (1). She used to take Scott to League meetings; and when LWV had a unit in the mountains, babysitting was provided. This was in the old days when women usually didn't work outside the home. Gloria joined the League in 1965 in the Antelope Valley, and then belonged to the Torrance and Long Beach Leagues when the family lived there before moving to Crestline in 1974.

(“I like to say I live above it all.”) Meredyth Jordan was LWV president then. Gloria followed Marilyn Bonney as president (her 1<sup>st</sup> term). That was just after she was 40; and now, 30 years later, she is serving a 2nd term. In the meantime, she was on the LWVC Board as Natural Resources director in the last century(1989-93). One of the biggest challenges she had was when our League was involved in the failed effort to find a site for disposal of low level radioactive waste. Gloria was project manager; Erna Schuiling was the moderator; and Brenda Frederick was on the Citizens Advisory Committee. Gloria answers to a couple of other names: to her grandchildren she is Gramma GG and to her LaTeDa Ladies Red Hat Society friends, she is Lady Gloria in Excelsis Dea. (Ed. note: Gloria has taken the reins of LWVSB often and fostered cooperative activities with other organizations. Her optimistic outlook contributes to her success when speaking for LWV at County Supervisors' meetings and presenting LWV views at City Council meetings.)



LWVSB  
meantime,

## LWV of San Bernardino Board of Directors

President	Gloria Anderson	Nominating Committee: Micaela Cruz, chair
Vice President/Program	Susan Nieblas	Kathy Roberts (deceased) both elected by membership
Secretary	Kim Carrter	
Treasurer	Ruth Petrucci	
Director Voters Service	Barbara Sokoloff	
Director Observer Corps	Marion Vassilakos	
Director VOTER Editor	Annetta Casey	
Director/ no portfolio	Ann Knickerbocker	
Director/ Public Relations		
Membership Director		
Website Off Board Director	Jill Vassilakos-Long	
VOTER Distribution Off Board Dir.	John Weininger	
Address Labels Off Board Director	Cathy Goring	

**Membership in LWV is a bargain and a statement. You will be saying that you are committed to the ballot as a means for change and to providing non biased information to voters. The issues your League follows are those that affect every resident's family and community. Get involved in the League of Women Voters.**



\* \$50 One Year individual membership, \$75 household membership, \$40 student membership  
\* Please send me more Information.

NAME/NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to League of Women Voters and return with this application form to:  
League of Women Voters, San Bernardino, 568 No. Mountain View #150, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1218**

### KNOW YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

President George W. Bush, The White House, Washington, DC 20500  
Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 445-2841  
Senator Barbara Boxer, 201 No. E St., San Bdn 92401, (909) 888-8525  
Senator Dianne Feinstein, 11111 Santa Monica Blvd #915, LA, CA 90025, (310) 914-7300  
Representative Jerry Lewis, 1150 Brookside #J-5, Redlands, CA 92373 (909) 862-6030  
Representative Joe Baca, 201 No. E St., San Bernardino, 92401 (909) 885-2222  
State Senator, Bob Dutton, 8577 Haven Ave., Rancho Cuc., 91730 (909) 466-4180  
State Senator Gloria Negrete McLeod, 4959 Aalo Verde St. #100B, Montclair, CA 91763, (909) 621-7483  
Assemblyman Assemblyman Anthony Adams, 135 W. Lemon Ave. #A, Monrovia, CA 91016 (626) 359-8305  
Assemblywoman Wilmer Carter, 335 No. Riverside Ave., Rialto, CA 92376 (909) 820-5008  
Assemblyman Bill Emerson, 10681 Foothill Blvd. #325, Rancho Cuc 91730 (909) 466-9096  
Assemblyman Paul Cook, 34932 Yucaipa Blvd. Yucaipa 92399 (909) 790-0479  
San Bdn County Supervisors: #1 Brad Mitzelfelt (090) 387-4830, #2 Paul Biane (909) 387-4833, #3 Dennis Hansberger (909) 387-3018, #4 Gary Ovitt (909) 387-4866, #5 Josie Gonzales (909) 387-5392, 385 No. Arrowhead, San Bdn 92415

### IN MEMORIAM

Selma (Jerry) Keller, beloved wife of Ed, LWVSB charter member, former librarian and WWII WAVE, died March 25 after a long illness. LWV sends its sympathy to Ed and family.

## LWV SUPPORTS CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE PARITY ACT

*Let the Sunshine in*

LWVUS urges Senators to report a clean S.223 (Full Disclosure Act) from the Rules Committee. S.223 (Feingold/Cochran with 29 additional co-sponsors) requires electronic filing of campaign finance disclosure reports filed under federal campaign finance laws.

Currently, all federal candidates, party committees and federal PACs are required to file their campaign finance disclosure reports electronically – with the sole exception of Senate candidates who still are filing paper reports.



The only purpose served by the exception for Senate candidates is to deprive the American people of timely and meaningful public information about the campaign finance activities of Senate candidates during critical periods of their elections. In order to make informed choices, the voters need this public information immediately.

The Senate Rules Committee should pass a "clean" bill --- no riders or amendments to poison the bill's purpose

or cause it to lose support. Write your Senators.

## CALIF. AIR RESOURCES BD. SCHEDULES DIESEL POLLUTION WORKSHOP

California's ARB has developed a strategy for incorporation in the State Implementation Plans re-air quality standards. A copy of the draft State Strategy can be found at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/2007casip.htm>. A state workshop addressing diesel standards will be held in El Monte on April 17, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. The Air Resources Bd. annex is at 49530 Telstar Ave., El Monte, CA 91731. Info available at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/maps/elmomaps.htm>. Public parking is available around the building. Contact Tony Brasil, mgr., at [abrasil@arb.ca.gov](mailto:abrasil@arb.ca.gov). For simple ways to reduce demand on energy, see <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. LWV does not support or oppose any political party or any candidate. It does, however, take action on selected government issues in the public interest.

### CALENDAR

April 29 (Sunday)	Citizens of Achievement Event, 2 – 4 p.m., County Govt. Center, San Bdn
May 18 – 20 (Fri. – Sun.)	LWVC convention, Doubletree Hotel, Bakersfield – call Gloria for info 338-4163
June 2 (Saturday)	LWVSB Annual Meeting, time and place to be announced

**LWVSB THANKS HARPER'S PRINTING  
FOR HELP IN REPRODUCING THIS 'VOTER'  
Harper's, 1956 No. E St., LWV's EXCLUSIVE PRINTER AND COPY SHOP**

League of Women Voters of San Bernardino  
568 No. Mountain View Ave.  
San Bernardino, CA 92401

*Note date change for Cit. of Achievement to April 29*

**April 2007**

**Dated Material**

**YOUR VOTER**

