



LWVSF Annual Meeting

On June 18, SF League members gathered at the historic Metropolitan Club for our annual meeting. We voted in new [board members](#), passed a vote to start a local study on Vote by Mail and were treated to hearing [Belva Davis](#) speak about her experience as one of the first African American women journalists. We bid a fond farewell to outgoing President Karen Clopton and welcomed new President Tricia McGovern. Check out [photos](#) from the day.



SF League Study: Vote by Mail

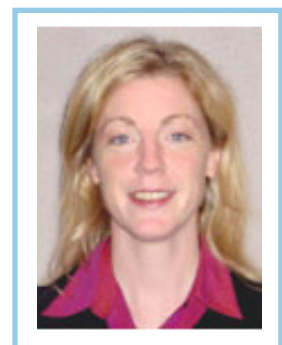


The San Francisco League membership voted to proceed with a local study on vote by mail (VBM). All chapter members are encouraged to participate in this study, beginning with planning further research and a panel discussion on elections and voting issues. The League will be taking a close look at whether VBM systems and procedures are secure, accurate, recountable, accessible, and transparent. League studies have been a most popular avenue for involvement in important topics which are of interest to members.

Reminder: the regularly scheduled meetings are the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 6pm in the League office (there will be no meeting in August). Please join in!

Story Bank: Tricia McGovern

After exploring the San Francisco League of Women Voters I found that the League does not just do something - the League does a lot! I had found my match. My first responsibility with the League was as the Bay Area Liaison. In this role, I was the San Francisco League representative of the Bay Area League, which dealt with greater Bay Area affairs, including transit, water, and environmental issues that cross city boundaries. We held forums with hundreds of attendees educating them on local issues such as Bay Delta water issues, climate change, zero waste programs, and water recycling. [Read more.](#)

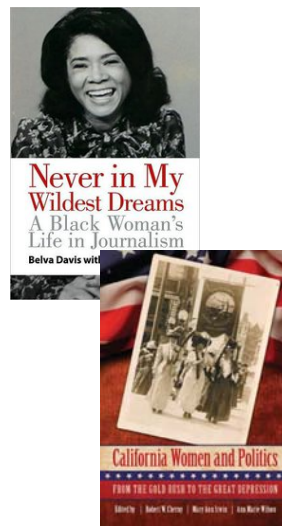


Do This Now: Check Out Our Summer Reading List!

Don't miss these reads to stay involved with LWVSF this summer:

Never in My Wildest Dreams by Belva Davis

Were you fortunate enough to hear Ms. Davis' inspiring [keynote address](#) at the Annual Meeting and want more? Did you miss it but are eager to learn about the incredible and formative experiences of one of the Bay Area's most renowned journalists? Pick up Belva Davis' memoir [Never in My Wildest Dreams](#) at your local bookstore or public library today!



California Women and Politics

Celebrate 100 years of women's suffrage by learning more about the history of women's activism in [California Women and Politics: From the Gold Rush to the Great Depression](#), a collection of essays edited by Robert W. Cherny, Mary Ann Irwin, and Ann Marie Wilson. Learn more.

League Education Study



The LWVUS is conducting a Study on the Role of the Federal Government in Education. This fall, our local League will be participating in the study by discussing the issues together and educating our communities. Get started educating yourself now by reading the following background papers:

- [Common Core Standards and Assessments](#)
By Janelle L. Rivers, PhD
- [Early Childhood Education, Equity and Funding](#)
By Pat Aaron
- [Funding and Equity Issues](#)
By Jean Pierce
- [Legislation and Funding for the Education Of Children Who are Disadvantaged](#)
By Patricia O'Brien Libutti, PhD
- [Role Of Federal Government In Public Education: Historical Perspectives](#)
By Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins and Margaret Hawkins Hill

Upcoming Events

League Summer Membership Tea

WHEN: Saturday, August 20, 2011, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Location details provided upon RSVP

WHY: Meet old and new friends at the League's annual summer gathering.

HOW: RSVP by emailing lwwsf@lwwsf.org

Mayoral Candidate Forum

WHEN: Wednesday, October 5, 2011, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Robertson Auditorium, UCSF Mission Bay, 1675 Owens Street, San Francisco

WHY: Mayoral candidates will answer questions from journalists and from the audience about their plans if elected Mayor of San Francisco.

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