



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NAPA COUNTY ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, June 13, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Native Sons Hall

937 Coombs St., Napa

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AGENDA

10:00am - 10:30am Business Meeting Part 1

- Call to order: Co-President Bernadette Brooks
- Appointment of Parliamentarian: Barbara Hill
- Credentials Report: (20% of 60 members =12)
- Adoption of Order of Business (as contained in agenda) and Annual Meeting Rules
- Appointment of Committee to read and approve 2026 Annual Meeting minutes: Bobbe Ferraiolo, Leslie Rota and John Wilson.

10:30 - 11:15 Introduction to Presentation & Guest Speakers by Cindy Watter

- Topic: Won't You Be My Neighbor: Napa County's Housing Challenge

Guest Speakers: Joelle Gallagher and Kara Brunzell

Q & A

11:15am - 11:30am Break

11:30am - 12:15pm Business Meeting Part 2

- President's Annual Report: by Co-President Bernadette Brooks
- Treasurer's Report 2025-2026 YTD: by Treasurer, Kim Farmer
- Proposed 2026-2027 Budget: by Treasurer, Kim Farmer
 - Motion to Adopt 2026-2027 Budget
 - Discussion & Adoption of Proposed Budget
- Proposed Program for 2026-2027: Co-President Yolanda Schonbrun
 - Motion to Adopt 2026-2027 Program
 - Discussion & Adoption
- Report of the Nominating Committee Chair Brad Wagenknecht
 - Nominations from the Floor followed by Election of Officers and Directors.
 - Election of 2026-2027 Nominating Committee

12:15pm - 12:30pm

- Announcements & Directions to New Board: Co-Presidents Bernadette Brooks & Yolanda Schonbrun
- Adjourn Business Meeting

PROPOSED RULES GOVERNING LWV of NAPA COUNTY'S 2026 ANNUAL MEETING

Speakers from the Floor

Speakers will state their name and whether a member or nonmember, indicate the subject, and speak no longer than three (3) minutes. No one should speak twice to a question until everyone who wishes to speak has had an opportunity to do so.

Voting Procedure

Voting will proceed in the following manner according to Roberts Rules:

1. the chair calls for a motion
2. a second is made
3. discussion occurs
4. the chair closes discussion, repeats the motion and calls for a vote.

Required Votes

Voting on all matters, except as noted, requires a majority (50%+1) vote of the members present. Members are those whose annual dues have been active within the past three months.

Quorum

Twenty percent (20%) of the membership shall constitute a quorum. LWV of Napa County has 60 members. By-laws require a quorum of 20% or 12 members.

Adoption of Local Program

A League's "local program" consists of issues chosen for a focus on education or action. It does not imply that LWVNC will be unconcerned about other local issues. After the local program recommended by the board has been presented, issues not recommended by the board may be proposed for consideration. We ask that non-recommended issues be emailed to LWVNapa@gmail.com at least 24 hours before the meeting begins. All issues must be presented for discussion before voting takes place. A majority (50%+1) vote is needed to adopt items recommended by the board. A three-fifths (3/5) vote is required to adopt other program items.

Adoption of Nominations to the Board

Nominations from the floor for Officers, Directors and the Nominating Committee may be made by LWVNC members attending the annual meeting, providing that the consent of the nominee has been secured in advance. We also ask that these nominations be emailed to LWVNapa@gmail.com at least 24 hours before the meeting begins.

Won't You Be My neighbor: Napa County's Housing Challenge



Joelle Gallagher

In 2022, Joelle Gallagher became the first woman to represent Napa's 1st District on the Board of Supervisors. She brings a "human-centered" philosophy to the role, focused on how policies affect the community's most vulnerable--and on investing in prevention strategies that reduce costly downstream interventions while building a healthier, thriving Napa County.

Joelle has spent her career leading organizations that serve children, families, and community. She served as executive director of First 5 Napa County (2017-2022) and Cope Family Center (2001-2017). Earlier, she led the Napa County Farm Bureau and Napa Valley Grape Growers Association, collaborating with industry and government to protect and promote agricultural resources. She also served as a county planning commissioner from 2017-2022.

Her volunteer leadership includes co-founding the Napa Housing Coalition, the Community Leaders Coalition, and Teens Connect, along with board service on the Continuum of Care, Napa Chamber of Commerce, Community Health Initiative, and the Live Healthy Napa County Leadership Collaborative. Joelle grew up in Sonoma, attended Justin Siena High School, and holds a psychology degree from the University of Santa Clara. She lives in Napa with her husband, Bill Chadwick, and has two grown children, Katie and Will.



Kara Brunzell

Kara Brunzell has lived in Napa's Alphabet Streets neighborhood for over two decades. Kara grew up in Southern California and attended UCLA before moving to Napa County in 1996 with her husband, journalist Phil Barber. After working as a chef and a stay-at-home mother to their four daughters, she changed paths, attending Sacramento State for a Master's Degree in Public History and becoming an architectural historian.

Kara is the owner and principal of Brunzell Historical, a small historic preservation and cultural resource management consulting firm. She is a board director for local historic preservation nonprofit Napa County Landmarks. Kara has served on the Napa County Planning Commission since 2023.

LWVNC Treasurer's Report April 30, 2026

	2025-2026 Budget	Year to Date	April	Comments
1 INCOME				
2 Dues	\$1,000.00	\$560.61	\$145.00	2 renewals and 8 new members
3 Contributions:				
4 Other donations	\$1,500.00	\$829.01	\$100.00	John Wilson
5 Give!Guide	\$4,000.00	\$2,845.52		
6 Grants	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Grant from On the Move for VCN support
7 Interest	\$500.00	\$568.45	\$54.65	CD and Savings
8 Total Income	\$10,000.00	\$9,803.59	\$5,299.65	
9 Transfer from savings	\$4,502.00			
10 Total Income & Transfers	\$14,502.00	\$9,803.59	\$5,299.65	
11				
12 EXPENSES				
13 PMP (per member payment)				
14 LWVBA	\$162.00	\$114.00		
15 LWVC	\$1,512.00	\$1,498.00		
16 LWVUS	\$1,728.00	\$1,712.00		
17 Admin/Board/Misc.				
18 PO box	\$280.00	\$268.00		
19 Bank/PayPal&Stripe charges	\$120.00	\$81.39	\$45.26	Stripe charges & new checks
20 Rent	\$100.00	\$108.00		
21 Misc Board expenses	\$50.00			
22 Website, social media	\$1,000.00	\$554.90	\$39.50	MailChimp
23 Taxes, fees & insurance	\$100.00	\$68.15		
24 Conferences & nonlocal mtgs	\$2,000.00	\$1,150.00	\$1,150.00	2 registrations for LWVUS convention
25 Membership & Programs				
26 Annual meeting	\$500.00			
27 Printing & postage, misc.	\$300.00	\$273.84		
28 Edu & community events	\$500.00	\$618.89		
29 Coalition support (MLK)	\$600.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	to LWVC in support of Vote411
30 Voter Service				
31 Translations	\$400.00			
32 Forums & misc.	\$500.00	\$550.00		
33 Pros&Cons/VOTE411/EVGs	\$1,200.00	\$415.81		
34 Youth Fellows (civic engage)	\$3,000.00	\$150.00		
35 GiveGuide	\$400.00	\$400.00		
36 Advocacy	\$50.00			
37 Total Expenses	\$14,502.00	\$8,212.98	\$1,484.76	
38 Income&Transfers/Expenses	\$0.00	\$1,590.61	\$3,814.89	
Dues Assistance balance at beginning of FY		\$482.00		
Plus contributions to fund in this FY:		\$0.00		
Minus scholarships this FY:		\$0.00		
Balance in Dues Assistance today:		\$482.00		
Balance at beginning of Fiscal Year, 7/1/25:		\$31,374.22		
Plus Income this year:		\$9,803.59		
Minus Expenses this year:		\$8,212.98		
Balance at end of month:		\$32,964.83		

Account Balances	
Umpqua Checking:	\$ 8,609.90
Umpqua Savings:	\$ 3,530.54
CD:	\$ 20,824.39
PayPal:	\$ 0
TOTAL Bank Accounts:	\$ 32,964.83

ADOPTION OF LOCAL PROGRAM FOR 2026-2027

PROGRAM PLANNING

A League "Program" names the issues a League votes to educate about, act on, or advocate for. The three issues proposed at a February 2026 Program Planning meeting were the following subject areas.

- **Climate Change:**
- **Immigrant and Civil Rights:**
- **Protecting Democracy**

Motion to Adopt 2026-2027 Issues for Action/Program Plan

Discussion & Adoption of Proposed Program Plan

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominations for Officers and Board of Directors for 2026-2028

Co-presidents Yolanda Schonbrun and Bernadette Brooks and 2 Directors-at-large Nancy Moore and Cindy Watter will be continuing through June 30, 2027.

Nominees for open positions are:

Secretary: Pamela Blatt for a term of 2 years, July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2028

Treasurer: Kim Farmer for a term of 2 years, July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2028

Directors-at-Large: Sheri Thomas, Iris Barrie and Linda Dietiker-Yolo
for a term of 2 years each, July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2028

Motion to Adopt 2026-2027 Board Nominees and Officers.

Discussion & Adoption of Proposed Nominees and Officers.

Nominating Committee for 2026-2027: Jan Darter (chair), Brad Wagenknecht (member), an additional member from the Board of Directors TBD at first Board meeting of the new year.

Motion to Adopt 2026-2027 Nominees for Nominating Committee.

Discussion & Adoption of Proposed Nominees for Nominating Committee.