



# East San Gabriel Valley

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### *East San Gabriel Valley League at Citrus College*

The recent Citrus College Student Officer Elections were monitored by our ESGV LWV. The following individuals receive a gold star for their work on the election. They are: Loretta Cousar, Caroline de Llamas, Rosie Fabian, Olga Fernandez, Phyllis Gardener, Dorothy Gavran, Sandra Gavran, Marilyn Gilgore, Olivia James, Sally McMahon and Lawrie Stratton. These eleven ladies manned the elections on December 7 and 8 at Citrus College and are to be commended for their Volunteer work.

If you would like to help with our volunteer projects please contact us at: [www.esgv.ca.lwvnet.org](http://www.esgv.ca.lwvnet.org) or by phone at 626 966 8505.



### *Human Rights/Discrimination Against Women LWVUS*

#### [League and Partners Sign Joint Testimony in Support of CEDAW Treaty](#)

The League and its coalition partners submitted joint testimony to members of the Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law in support of the Convention for the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) Treaty.

### [California's First Citizens Redistricting Commission](#)

Proposition 20, passed in November 2010, expanded the **Citizens Redistricting Commission's** responsibilities to include drawing congressional district boundaries. The final six commissioners are being selected: [read our joint statement](#) about the process. The commission will be seated by January 2011 to begin the work of drawing district lines using 2010 census data.

Learn more about the **selection process, time-lines** and **implementation** at [CAvotes](#)

***Watch Where the Money Goes***

**[Follow the Money](#)**

Millions of campaign dollars are flowing everywhere in our elections. Tracking the money path can be challenging because the information is patchy and found in different places. We can help you find out who is funding political campaigns and how much money is being spent.

***Local Election***



A special Election will bring an environmental issue to the foreground in the City of Azusa. The Vulcan Mining Company and the Azusa Chamber of Commerce along with the city of Azusa and citizen groups from Azusa have differing opinions on the mining issue in the Azusa Canyon Area. The FPPC have also gotten involved with the election materials being distributed. To learn more click here

[FPPC investigating campaign literature by Azusa pro-mining group - By Daniel Tedford Staff orWriter](#) or plece link in your web browser to learn more if you cannot catch the link here.

***Membership Information***

We lost Andrew Bliss, who was one of our former Presidents, he passed away recently. We would like to acknowledge his dedication to our ESGVLWV.

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Join our League at  
<http://www.esqv.ca.lwvnet.org>

Please join us for our Board meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Covina Public Library Community Room. The Library is located on Second Street, Covina, CA 91723.

***Our Jeopardy Answer***

Our Jeopardy Answer for this New Year is a double decker. These two years are important to those involved in the Rose Parade. This is the year when the first Rose Parade began with its horse driven carriages. The second year is when the actual floats began with the horse driven carriages. Good luck.

**The Jeopardy Question** will appear in our Spring Edition of the Online Voter.

***Guest Writer, LaRue Brewer***

Celebrating our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Yes, the celebrations were many and well-deserved. On August 26, 1920, the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was officially ratified, giving women the right to vote in national elections. This historic event has been documented in innumerable ways, as it was a struggle of decades. Legislation enacted by Congress as a result of the 19<sup>th</sup> amendment elevated the participation of women in the social, economic and political life of our country, advancing and protecting their rights as equal participants in the decision-making processes of our democratic republic.

In the years since, we have extended this concept to countries around the world, as noted by Hillary Rodham Clinton in her remarks at the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, on September 5, 1995: “We come together in fields and in factories, in village markets and supermarkets, in living rooms and boardrooms. . . . We share a common future. And we seek common ground so that we may bring new dignity and respect to women and girls all over the world – and in doing so, bring new strength and stability to families as well.”

Today, we celebrate The League of Women Voters. On February 14, 1920, at a meeting in Chicago, Illinois, The National American Woman Suffrage Association, comprised of women whose sacrifices and pain brought about ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment, created a new organization, the League of Women Voters, for the purposes of fostering education in citizenship and supporting improved legislation affecting both women and men.

It is this collection of women that we honor today, women dedicated to the pursuit of good government through honesty, integrity, fairness and nonpartisanship for the benefit of women and men everywhere. We educate, analyze, motivate, testify, inform, study, publish and advocate. In honor of 90 years of service to our communities, we salute you and say, “Thank you” for your tireless efforts on our behalf.

LaRue Brewer

***Education Fund/Please Donate***

The Education Fund is one very important mean of supporting our LWV activities. The money allows education of students, funds for interns and many other activities to keep our democracy strong. Send your tax-deductible donations to LWV Education Fund:

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