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This is the beginning of a very exciting and historic year for Women Suffrage and the League of Women Voters. We invite everyone to share in the many Centennial events planned for 2020, the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment granting the right to vote to women AND the 100th birthday of the League. Watch the Voter during the year for announcements about various commemorative events. Here are the events we know about or are planning so far. See the following pages for more detail about each event.



JANUARY 11—2 to 4 pm at the National Hispanic Heritage Center Library presents Dr. Anna Nogar as she explores the many facets of Nina Otero Warren.

JANUARY 19 and 26—1 pm at the Guild Cinema. “Equal Means Equal” film about the Equal Rights Amendment.

JANUARY 24 to JUNE 30—“El voto femenino: sufragistas Latinas luchando por el derecho al voto” exhibit at the NHCC History and Literary Arts Building.

FEBRUARY 5—5:30 pm LWVNM League Day at the Legislature Reception at Rio Chama restaurant featuring LWVUS CEO Virginia Kase.

FEBRUARY 6—8 am to closing. Centennial displays in the West Hall of the State Capitol. THEN 12:30-2 pm featured speakers and refreshments in the Rotunda in honor of the 100th birthday of the League of Women Voters and the centennial of New Mexico’s ratification of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution.

FEBRUARY 15—11 am to 1 pm LWV Birthday Bash luncheon at the Embassy Suites Hotel featuring Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver .

FEBRUARY 21—Noon to 3 pm at NM State Library, Santa Fe. “They Won the Vote: Suffrage and Suffragists in New Mexico” by Sylvia Ramos Cruz, M.D. This discussion will explore the suffrage movement nationally and in New Mexico and the people who made it all happen. Free to the public.

AUGUST 22—10 am there will be a Suffrage Celebration parade beginning at the National Hispanic Cultural Center (NHCC) that will wind its way up 4th Street to Civic Plaza where there will be speeches, activities, and more, beginning at 11 am.

★ AUGUST 29—5:30-9 pm at the Sheraton Uptown Hotel. LWVNM Suffrage Centennial Celebration and Dinner. Special Guest Speaker TBA.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday

10 am — noon

LEAGUE CALENDAR

January 2020

- Thursday, Jan. 2** 5:30 pm LWVCNM Board Meeting, Conference Room 4th floor, 6100 Uptown NE
- Monday, Jan. 6** 10:00 am Deadline for luncheon reservations
- Thursday, Jan. 9** Luncheon Meeting: Nuclear Waste Storage Facilities Update
- Saturday, Jan. 11** 10 am to Noon LWVCNM Program Planning meeting. Special Collections Library, Edith and Central NE, Center for the Book. **NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION.**
- Tuesday, Jan. 14** 3:30 pm Rio Rancho Mayor Gregory Hull will speak to the Rio Rancho Unit at the Neighborhood about the city's legislative priorities
- Wednes., Jan. 15** Deadline for February VOTER articles
- Monday, Jan 20** Martin Luther King, Jr. HOLIDAY
- Tuesday, Jan. 21** New Mexico 30 day legislative session starts
- Monday, Jan. 27** 10 am Northeast Heights Unit Meeting at La Vida Llena

SEE PAGE 7 FOR DATES OF CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

February 2020

- Wednes., Feb. 5** 5:30 pm League Legislative Reception, Rio Chama restaurant, Santa Fe
- Thursday, Feb. 6** 100th League birthday and 19th amendment Centennial, Roundhouse in Santa Fe
- Thursday, Feb. 6** 5:30 pm LWVCNM Board Meeting, Conference Room 4th floor, 6100 Uptown NE
- Saturday, Feb. 15** 11 am LWVCNM Birthday Luncheon. Sheraton Uptown Hotel. Speaker: Maggie Touse Oliver, NM SOS
- Saturday, Feb. 15** Deadline for March VOTER articles
- Monday, Feb. 24** 10 am NE Heights Unit Mtg. at La Vida Llena

January 9 luncheon details....

Regular menu: Croissant Chicken Salad Sandwich with Vegetable Bowtie Pasta Salad.

Vegetarian menu: Croissant Egg Salad Sandwich with Vegetable Bowtie Pasta Salad

The January luncheon will be in Ocotillo I; North end of the Embassy Suites.

REGULAR UNIT MEETINGS IN JANUARY.....

LUNCHEON UNIT MEETING

Thursday, January 9, 2019

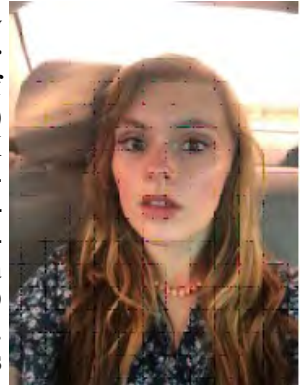
11:30 AM

EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL

1000 Woodward Pl. NE, Albuquerque

Reservations are due Jan. 6 before 10 am to (505) 884-8441 or emailed to lunch@lwvcnm.org. Lunch is \$22.00. (You may attend free of charge without lunch.) (It is now possible to pay online at www.lwvcnm.org by donating \$22.00 for one meal. If you register online, please pay by 10:00 am on Jan. 6. The treasurer will recognize that entry as payment for a lunch.)

Ms. Bobbi Merryman, Advocacy Officer for the American Nuclear Society, will discuss the safety of Spent Nuclear Fuel Storage (SNF) storage installations in NM and TX for receipt of SNF from 99 US operating commercial nuclear power reactors and decommissioned US nuclear facilities. Ms. Merryman is a nuclear engineer pursuing her PhD at the University of New Mexico. While her technical research focuses on developing new criticality safety code methods for loosely - coupled systems; she is active in nuclear energy public education and policy advocacy. She is a Co-Chair for the American Nuclear Society (ANS) retention committee, the UNM ANS Advocacy Officer, and previously served on the Board of Directors for Generation Atomic. She is currently developing a working group on SNF Options for NM and the greater Southwest.



Ms. Alexandria Ragsdale, ANS President for UNM Chapter, will also be available for response to LWVCNM member questions. (See p. 6 for more details about LWV and spent fuel storage options..)

RIO RANCHO MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2019

3:30 pm

The Neighborhood

900 Loma Colorado Blvd NE, Rio Rancho

No reservations are required.

Greggory D. Hull, Mayor of Rio Rancho, will speak at The Neighborhood meeting on "City of Rio Rancho Requests of the 2020 NM Legislature Session." Mr. Hull was elected as mayor of Rio Rancho in April 2014 in a runoff election and was re-elected in March 2018. He has called New Mexico home for more than 25 years, with many of those years spent raising



his family in Rio Rancho. He has been married to his wife Carrie for more than 20 years, and is the father of five and grandfather of six. He is the Former President/CEO of Certified Packing and Crating, Inc. and Express Manufactured Homes, Inc. He has been active in youth and teen ministries for the past 20 years including serving as Sunday School teacher. In May 2017 Governor Martinez appointed him to serve on the New Mexico Workforce Development Board; he is a member of the Mid-Region Council of Governments Board of Directors and Executive Board (Board Chairman, FY 19); and a Board member of the NM Workforce Connection (Central Region).

NORTHEAST UNIT MEETING

Monday, January 27, 2019

10 AM

La Vida Llena

10501 Lagrima de Oro NE, Albuquerque

No reservations are required.

Ms. Stephanie Stringer, Resource Protection Division Director (RPD) for the NM Environment Department (NMED), will address the January 27, 2020 LNE Heights Unit meeting. Ms. Stringer will discuss the Kirtland Air Force Base spill, including Background and timeline of the spill and subsequent cleanup activities. Ms. Stringer has been the



Director of the RPD since March 2019. Previously she was the NMED' Drinking Water Bureau Chief. She has a BS in Aquatic Biology and a MA in Entomology and has worked in the environmental field for over 25 years with an emphasis on water quality protection. (See p. 6)

LEAGUE DAYS AT THE LEGISLATURE February 5 and 6, 2020



Wednesday, February 5, 5:30-7:30 pm

LWVNM Legislative Reception

Rio Chama Restaurant, 414 Old Santa Fe Trail
(two doors north of the Roundhouse)

Honored Guest

Virginia Kase, CEO, League of Women Voters of the United States

Packets of materials for League Day will be available at the Reception on February 5 and at the LWVNM table in the West Hall of History at the NM Capitol after 8 am on February 6. Members may wish to attend committee hearings in the morning of the 6th before the celebrations begin.

Thursday, February 6

League's 100th Anniversary and Women's Vote Centennial

Displays in the West Hall, Roundhouse, 8am-3pm

Legislative Committee Hearings, 8 am -10:30

Special legislative memorials in House and Senate late morning

(See <https://www.nmlegis.gov/> for schedule)

Program, Entertainment, and Refreshments, 12:30-2pm

People are encouraged to wear suffrage garb. Senator Nancy Rodriguez and Rep. Joanne Ferrary, League members from Santa Fe and Las Cruces respectively, are sponsoring legislative memorials recognizing the League's history and accomplishments that will be read in their respective chambers that day.

Accommodations: The Desert Inn (formerly Garrett's Desert Inn) is the most convenient, most affordable place to stay since it is on the same block as the State Capitol and the Rio Chama Restaurant. The hotel is offering a special rate of \$59 plus tax per room for one queen bed or \$69 for two queen beds. Parts of the hotel are still under renovation, but the rooms we have blocked have been completely renovated. If we fill 10 rooms, the hotel will waive the \$8 parking fee. Non-guests pay \$10 a day. Mention League of Women Voters to take advantage of this rate. Call 505 982-1851 to make a reservation. They will hold your room with a credit card number. Their new website is not up yet. For further information, please contact Meredith Machen at 505- 577-6337 or projects@lwvnm.org.



Virginia Kase

HONORED GUEST....

VIRGINIA KASE, Chief Executive Officer of the League of Women Voters of the United States, will be a guest speaker at the LWVNM League Day at the Legislature reception on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. Virginia has been CEO since 2018. She is leading the organization through a period of rapid transformation and growth focused on building power by engaging in advocacy, legislation, litigation and organizing efforts centered around issues of voting rights and democracy reform. Prior to joining the League in 2018, she served as COO of CASA, an organization at the forefront of the immigrant rights movement representing nearly 100,000 members. In that leadership role, Virginia managed the strategic growth, direction, and operations of the organization and served as a key thought leader on its politics and policy team. (

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FROM THE DESKS OF THE CO-PRESIDENTS....

LWVCNM hopes that all of our members were able to share holiday celebrations with friends and loved ones and now will emerge freshened from the annual festivities to enter this new decade. 2020 marks not only a new decade but also the centennial of the founding of LWV 2/14/1920 as well as the 8/26/1920 centennial of passage of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution granting women the right to vote. Jeanne Logsdon chairs the LWVCNM Suffrage Centennial Committee and coordinates LWVCNM events with Meredith Machen, who is leading LWVNM celebration activities. LWVCNM members are actively engaged in planning the celebrations for both of these milestone anniversaries and seek additional volunteers to ensure necessary measures are successfully accomplished (see article, p. of Voter).



The initial centennial activity involving LWVCNM volunteers is showing the documentary "Equal Means Equal" on two consecutive Sunday afternoons, January 19th and 26th, at the Guild Cinema in Albuquerque, including coordination with the National Organization for Women (NOW),

and Indivisible Nob Hill. LWVCNM office volunteers have taken the lead role in ticket sales and distribution. LWVCNM members will join other LWV members representing the four local leagues and the LWVNM in the annual League Day at the NM Legislature. Virginia Kase, LWVUS Chief Executive Officer, will address attendees during the February 5, 2020 Legislative Reception, and LWVCNM will also have a table in the Capitol Rotunda February 5th & 6th featuring Suffrage Anniversary literature. LWVCNM will hold the 100th Birthday Party (see separate Voter article) recognizing Lifetime Members and featuring a presentation by our NM Secretary of State, Maggie Toulouse Oliver.

The December 2019 APD Forward meeting included discussion of the Independent Monitor's 10th Quarterly Report issued November 1, 2019 which evaluated APD progress against the Court Approved Settlement Agreement (CASA) milestones during the February – July 2019 reporting period. Judge Browning replaced Judge Brack as the federal judicial appointee supervising the Independent Monitor during summer 2019. Judge Browning elected not to convene a December 2019 Status Conference, as Judge Brack had previously done each quarter, indicating that he had competing priorities and also appeared to be satisfied with APD progress discussed during the prior August 29, 2019 Status Conference.

Dick Mason, LWVNM Advocacy Chair, addressed the December LWVCNM General Meeting and discussed LWVNM priorities for the upcoming 30-day NM Legislative Session focusing on budgetary and financial support for NM funded government and educational institution operation.



Karen Douglas and Karen Wentworth
Co-Presidents

At the December Board meeting, LWVCNM voted to use VOTE411, the LWVUS online voter education portal, as a way to expand our voter education during the 2020 Election year.



This means that candidate and issue information will be readily available online. Voters will be able to see the candidates and issues that will be on their specific ballot without having to remember their legislative district numbers.

Candidates will input their own responses to our questions directly onto the VOTE411 system. We will still continue to print our Voter Guide for the General Election. We hope to test the VOTE411 system for selected races during for the primary election. Watch the Voter for more information as this project proceeds. Contact Mary Wilson at t3wilson@aol.com for more information or to volunteer.

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LUNCHEON SPEAKER AND SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL.....

There are currently two private corporations proposing to store all SNF from the nations' 99 commercial nuclear power reactors in southeast NM midway between Carlsbad and Hobbs and on the TX/NM border, 5 miles from Eunice, NM. The NM/HOLTEC Consolidated Interim Storage Facility (CISF) and TX/Interim Storage Partners (ISP) have CISF license applications pending 2021 approval by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission. If approved, both NM/HOLTEC and TX/ISP CISF applicants anticipate SNF receipt 2023.




The LWVNM Spent Nuclear Fuel Storage Research and Advocacy Committee, chaired by Karen Douglas, LWVCNM Co-President and LWVNM Director, has been studying the adequacy of the two CISF license applications to determine the public safety and continuing environmental protection for both candidate sites since the SNF Storage study approval by the LWVNM May 2017 Convention delegates. The LWVNM SNF Storage Study background, scope, and progress has been reported in quarterly La Palabra articles since spring 2017 with 2017-18 presentations to familiarize members of the four NM local leagues. LWVNM approved the SNF Storage Advocacy Statement November 2019 (to be included in Winter 2019 LWVNM La Palabra) with submission to LWVUS Chief Executive Officer Virginia Kase December 6, 2019 for approval.

NORTHEAST HEIGHTS SPEAKER AND KIRTLAND SPILL....

The spill included hazards impacting air, water, and the environment and Ms. Stringer will discuss the toxicity and hazardous substances involved including stakeholder outreach opportunities by NMED officials.

The purpose of the NMED RPD is, to the maximum extent possible, prevent new contamination and address legacy pollution in New Mexico for the protection of public health and the environment. The Division ensures that hazardous waste is managed – from cradle to grave – and contaminated sites are cleaned up as quickly as possible to lessen the burden to communities, their health and our environment. The Division closely monitors the environment within and around U.S. Department of Defense (U.S. DOD) and U.S. Department of Energy (U.S. DOE) facilities in New Mexico, taking swift and meaningful compliance actions when warranted. Additionally, the Division ensures that petroleum storage tanks are managed to prevent releases and remediated when they occur and ensures that solid waste and recyclable materials are responsibly managed.





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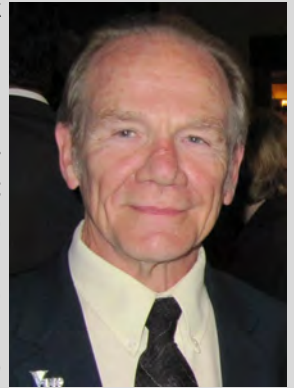
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LWVNM Legislative Priorities for the 2020 Legislative session Updated 12/27/19

This is a 30-day session: which runs from January 21 to February 20. They can only consider legislation that is directly related to the budget or that are included in a message by Governor to the Legislature. Dick Mason, LWVNM Advocacy chair presents the following priorities for the session.



Tax Reform & Funding – Making our tax system fairer and generating revenue

Last session the Senate Finance Committee (SFC) gutted HB6 that had generated much needed additional revenue and started to make the tax system more progressive. We expect that the House will attempt to restore the parts of HB6 removed in the SFC. We need to advocate for the Senate to support the proposed changes. In addition, we need to assure that any other changes to the tax code make the system more progressive. We have been told that there will not be any major tax reform proposals in this session. HB83 has been filed that would start to generate for a new permanent fund for early childhood programs. The plan is to build the fund over the next 3 years and then to start distributions for early childhood programs. HJR1 has also been filed. If passed by the legislature it would go on the ballot in 2020 and would ask the voters to approve an increase in distribution from the existing permanent fund to be used for early childhood education.

Solar Tax Credit

New Mexico’s solar tax credit system expired in 2016. During the 2019 legislative session the League supported SB 518, the New Solar Market Development Tax Credit. The bill would have provided an income tax credit for 10% of solar installation costs (both thermal and photovoltaic) at a home or business with a maximum annual allowance of \$5 million for the program. SB 518 was supported by the governor. It passed in the Senate, but died on the House floor.

Redistricting: Reform New Mexico’s redistricting process

The League will again file a bill that would create an Iowa style redistricting process in New Mexico. That would require a message from the Governor. The Fair Districts for New Mexico project, being led by the League, will file a House memorial that requests that the Legislative Council create a Redistricting Task Force that would include legislators, representatives from the Governor’s office, the Secretary of State and public members. They would start to meet in the Spring of 2020 and would advise the legislature on the redistricting process following the 2020 census.

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■ **LWVCNM CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS** will be held monthly as follows: January 27, February 24, March 23, April 27 and May 18 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm at Erna Ferguson Library. Contact Jeanne Logsdon at jlogsdon@unm.edu for more information. All are welcome!
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She is me.



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF CENTRAL NEW MEXICO



100th Birthday Celebration
For the League of Women Voters

You are Invited to Attend the LWVCNM 100th Birthday Party
Guest Speaker: NM Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver
“Election Security for the 2020 Election”

Saturday February 15, 2020

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Embassy Suites Hotel, Ventana Room

1000 Woodward Place NE, Albuquerque, NM

Luncheon Cost \$25.00

Please contact the LWVCNM by 10:00 am February 10th to confirm attendance

lunch@lwvcnm.org or (505) 884-8441



**PLEASE ATTEND
THE ANNUAL PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING
OF LWVCNM
January 11, 2020
10 am—Noon
Special Collections Library, Edith and Central NE, Center for the Book**

WHAT IS PROGRAM PLANNING?

To understand League program planning, you must first understand what League “Program” is. League Program is the education and advocacy that we adopt to move our mission forward. League Program consists of the Principles and positions on public policy we adopt at the local level at our annual meeting in May and at National Convention every even-numbered years and at State Convention in odd-numbered years AND the action to implement the Principles and those governmental issues chosen by the convention for concerted study, concurrence or action.

Program Planning is NOT Calendar Planning which we do in June to select the topics we will cover at our monthly unit meetings.

This is how Program Planning works: On January 11 the LWVCNM members will meet to discuss 1) Local League Program Planning and 2) National Program Planning. During the discussion of local league program planning. We will discuss whether we want to conduct any new studies during 2020-21, whether we need to update any of our local positions and what actions and activities we want to undertake to implement our Principles and Positions. Your suggestions will then be considered by the Board for its recommendation for a decision to be made at our annual meeting.

If you want to suggest a study or update of a position, you need to also be willing to serve on a committee to conduct the review, recruit other members to the committee, explain how this study could lead to action that the local league can take aimed at a local government entity, and explain why this is a timely subject and worthy of League attention.

Some activities already in progress at the local level are listed on the [next page](#). We can discuss the importance of continuing these activities.

BRING YOUR MEMEBERSHIP HANDBOOK TO THE MEETING. IT LISTS ALL THE LOCAL POSITIONS. IMPACT ON ISSUES LISTS THE NATIONAL POSITIONS. DOWNLOAD IT FROM LWV.ORG.

PROGRAM PLANNING, continued.....

Celebrating 100 years of Women's Right to Vote: Jeanne Logsdon is leading a committee that is planning celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment giving women the right to vote. There are several events throughout the years, and if anyone is interested this is the time to join the planning committee.

Voter Guide: 2020 will be a big election year and this time the league is considering putting together an online Voter Guide for the primary in June by using some new software available to us through the U.S. League of Women Voters. This will require active involvement of many members, who will put together questions for candidates and work to make sure the candidates answer them. Mary Wilson is in charge of this activity.

Public Transportation Committee: This activity is led by Sharon Moynahan. She has been talking with the City of Albuquerque Public Transit Department about how they plan to improve bus service throughout the city.

Know Your Local Government: Over the years the local league has put out a small publication called Know Your Local Government that explains how the City of Albuquerque and the County of Bernalillo actually work. It usually contains information about where to go if you have problems with your neighbors and where local governments get their money and how they spend it. Co-President Karen Wentworth is volunteering to lead this effort, which should take a few months of regular meetings and require some research of volunteers. She is looking for interested committee members.

At Program Planning we will be discussing the following National issues:

Recommended Program : The Campaign for Making Democracy Work®

The LWVUS Board recommends that Program 2020-2022 continue the campaign for Making Democracy Work® with Leagues throughout the country working on: Redistricting; Voting Rights; Improving Elections; Campaign Finance/Money in Politics

At Convention 2018, delegates voted to support a program that would fully utilize core League positions in the area of Voting Rights and Election Reform. The campaign for Making Democracy Work® – includes ensuring a free, fair, and accessible electoral system for all eligible voters. Leagues at every level continue to work to protect and advance voting rights and election reform as well as fight efforts in Washington, D.C. and state legislatures to suppress voters.



Before March 10, the LWVCNM Board will be submitting answers to the following National Program Planning questions:

1. Do you support the proposed program focus, continuing the Campaign for Making Democracy Work®?
2. Would you like to recommend another program item, in addition to or instead of the Campaign for Making Democracy Work®?
3. Which areas of the 2018-2020 national program priorities (Voting Rights, Improving Elections, Money in Politics/ Campaign Finance, Redistricting, Other) within the Campaign for Making Democracy Work® has your League worked on during the current biennium?
4. Which LWVUS Positions does your League use to act at the state and local level?
5. Please provide anything else you would like to share on the Program Planning.
6. In June 2019, LWVUS authorized a pilot concurrence on electoral systems. The purpose of the pilot was to give Leagues additional time to review and consider this position during their program planning. Was the additional time for review helpful in reviewing and considering the proposed concurrence position on Electoral Systems?
7. If you would like to offer comments about the pilot concurrence process or recommend suggestions for future pilots, please provide a statement describing potential improvements to the process, its importance in assisting your League adequate review and consideration time, as well as resources LWVUS could provide in the future.

Your discussion of these questions will be solicited at the January 11 meeting. See page 13 for more information .

CENTENNIAL EVENTS AT THE NATIONAL HISPANIC CULTURAL CENTER

January 11, 2020

2 pm – 4 pm

In celebration of the 2020 Women’s Vote Centennial, please join Dr. Anna Nogar as she explores the many facets of Nina Otero Warren. Early 20th century nuevomexicana Adelina “Nina” Otero-Warren ran for national office as a Republican candidate to Congress from New Mexico in 1922, shortly after women gained the right to vote. An advocate of suffrage, Otero-Warren achieved political prominence for her promotion of Spanish/English education, and involvement in educational and health efforts supporting Indo-Hispano nuevomexicanos. Otero-Warren authored *Old Spain in Our Southwest* (1936), was superintendent of schools, and an educator, who supported herself and her extended family; in short, a nuevomexicana mujerota.



Dr. Anna Nogar

This is a **FREE** event **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**.

Anna Nogar is Associate Professor of Hispanic Southwest Studies in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at UNM. Dr. Nogar’s teaching and research specializations include Mexican American cultural and literary studies; colonial Mexico; early modern writers and communities of reading; and community oral histories.

Friday, January 24th, 08:30am - Tuesday, June 30th, 05:30pm

Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 am–5:30 pm

1st Saturday of the Month, 10 am–5 pm

“El voto femenino: sufragistas Latinas luchando por el derecho al voto”

This exhibit features Latinas from the international Hispanic diaspora who were instrumental in women’s suffrage worldwide and is in conjunction with the 100th anniversary celebration of U.S. women’s suffrage. History and Literary Arts Building at NHCC.



Suffrage Centennial Celebration & Dinner
Saturday August 29, 2020 5:30 – 9:00 pm
Sheraton Uptown Hotel in Albuquerque

Need additional volunteers:

- Publicity
- Budget/Finance
- Honored Guests (Sponsored) – complete listing, invitations with RSVP
- Invited Guests (not Sponsored) – comprehensive unbiased listing, invitations with RSVP
- Sponsored Tables, Appropriate Recognition (Program?)
- Donations: Silent Auction/Wine/Silent Auction hors d’oeuvres – contact businesses
- Printing – invitations, programs

Next LWVCNM Centennial Dinner Committee Meeting – Friday, January 20, 2019 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. Contact Karen Douglas at ug90t16@unmalumni.com for location.

VIRGINIA KASE.....continued from page 4

Earlier in her career, Virginia spent eight years serving as the National Technical Assistance and Training Manager at the Center for Neighborhood Enterprise (CNE) in Washington, DC. While at CNE she developed a grant making and capacity building program for grassroots non-profits addressing issues of urban violence, economic, racial and social inequality. During that time, she also studied what made them effective, using that information to assist groups in deepening their impact by replicating best practices and identifying opportunities for cross-sector movement building.

Virginia's career started in her early 20's when she co-founded a youth-led non-profit in her hometown of Hartford, CT. There she organized current and former gang members and other at-risk youth and sought to provide them with a pathway out of a destructive lifestyle through leadership development and access to employment and educational opportunities. The idea for this work was formed out of her desire to create a change in her community because of her experience as a teenager living in one of the city's most violent and gang-infested neighborhoods.

Virginia has more than 20 years' experience working in the non-profit sector and is a passionate activist and advocate for social justice. She graduated from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor's degree in Communications. She is the mother of two awesome sons and lives in Maryland with her rescue dog Boss. She has appeared on various television news programs, published multiple opinion pieces for The Hill newspaper, and been quoted in news articles including The New York Times, Time Magazine, Glamour and more.



REDISTRICTING.....On December 11th the LWVNM convened a meeting of key organizations supporting Fair Districts for NM. We all agreed on strategy for the 2020 legislative session. Key to that strategy is filing a Joint Memorial that will create a Redistricting Task Force that will include legislators, public members, and representatives from the Governor's office and the Secretary of State. They will meet starting in May of 2020 and advise the 2021 legislature on redistricting. We want legislators to support the joint memorial. Ask your legislator to support the joint memorial. Report any response to me at act@lwvnm.org. Here

are groups that supporting the Joint Memorial: League of Women Voters of New Mexico; Common Cause New Mexico; New Mexico Ethics Watch; New Mexico Open Elections; Progressive Democrats of America Central New Mexico; Indivisible Corrales; The Brennan Center for Justice; Election Reformers Network; Princeton Gerrymandering Project; New Mexico First; Indivisible, Nob Hill; ACLU-NM; New Mexico Money Out of Politics.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS...

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CENTENNIAL READING LIST

Below is a list of publications and films on the League's history, women's suffrage including information on Carrie Chapman Catt and the National American Woman's Suffrage Association (NAWSA). Use these resources for historical context and to help tell our collective story.

Born for Liberty: A History of Women in America – Sara M. Evans (1989, 1997)

Carrie Chapman Catt: A Life of Leadership – Nate Levin (1999)

Carrie Chapman Catt: Feminist Politician – Robert Booth Fowler (1986)

Century of Struggle: The Women's Rights Movement in the United States– Eleanor Flexner and Ellen Fitzpatrick (1959, 1975)

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At 2020 LWVUS Convention, members will be asked to adopt this recommended statement by concurrence.

Position in Brief: Support electoral systems at each level of government that encourage participation, are verifiable and auditable and enhance representation for all voters.

Position in Full: LWVUS promotes an open governmental system that is representative, accountable and responsive. We encourage electoral methods that provide the broadest voter representation possible. Whether for single or multiple winner contests, the League supports electoral methods that: Encourage voter participation and voter engagement; Encourage those with minority opinions to participate, including under-represented communities; Are verifiable and auditable; Promote access to voting; Maximize effective votes/minimize “wasted” votes; Promote sincere voting over strategic voting; Require the winner to receive a majority of the votes for executive and single seat offices; Are compatible with acceptable ballot-casting methods, including vote-by-mail

The LWVUS believes in representative government. The League supports electoral systems that elect policy-making bodies—legislatures, councils, commissions, and boards—that proportionally reflect the people they represent. We support systems that inhibit political manipulation (e.g. gerrymandering).

The LWVUS supports enabling legislation to allow local jurisdictions to explore alternative electoral methods, as well as supporting state election laws allowing for more options at both the state and local levels. With the adoption of any electoral system, the League believes that education of the voting public is important and funding for startup and voter education should be available. We encourage a concerted voter education process.



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