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Of Fremont, Newark and
Union City



Valentine's Day, February 14



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF FREMONT, NEWARK AND UNION CITY
Presents

JOHN DUTRA

SPEAKING ON

“THE CALIFORNIA BUDGET”

and perhaps other sundry matters

February 21

Niles Congregational Church

255 H St. The corner of 3rd and H
in the Niles District.

Fremont

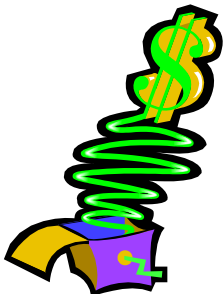
Please enter through the Patio

7:00 PM—Coffee, tea and dessert

7:30 PM—Program

There will be a question and answer period.

This meeting is free and open to the public.



THE REAL WINNERS ARE...PRESIDENT STARR'S MESSAGE



As I described once before, a friend of mine puts together a list of "The Real Winners" after a major dog event. This list recognizes not the blue ribbon winners, but the behind the scenes volunteers who make everything work. This is my special list for the incredible job performed by our League members and League members from around the Bay Area at monitoring the Sikh temple election on January 9th and the ballot counting on January 10th.

- The most on-time volunteer...Ruthe Gomez, first to arrive, before the sun came up.
- The best mother-son team...Tina and Greg Bonaccorsi.
- The most dedicated Peninsula trio...Sherrean and Bill Rundberg and Kay Cloud. (Central San Mateo County League).
- The youngest married couple team with a Hindi speaking member...Jarucia Jaycox and Surnish Nirula (Los Altos-Mt. View League).
- The best volunteer from the most northern League in Alameda county...Sherry Smith (Berkeley, Albany, Emeryville).
- The best spouse and M.D. team...Marilyn and Bob Singer.
- The best alliteration of first names team...Joanne and John Landers.
- The best dynamic duo from an "A" named League...Kate Quick and Lena Tam (Alameda League).
- The best team that had to park almost back at their homes...Suzanne Barba and Nancy Van Huffel (Eden Area League).
- The most unflappable former state board member (Conn.) from the South Bay...Barbara Wardenburg.
- The most unflappable volunteer who did have to park at home and get a ride...Barbara Friedrich
- The most unexpected and hard working non-League member volunteer...Adele Levine.
- The most patient spouse and volunteer leading up to the election...Peter Starr.
- The most dedicated MTA and volunteer...Bunny Robinson.
- The most efficient on-time a.m. shift volunteers from the south bay area...Sandy Mory and Gloria Chun Hoo (San Jose-Santa Clara League).
- The best German speaking volunteer with the biggest smile...Ursel Bloxsom.
- The best publicity chair and volunteer who speaks Hindi...Syeda Yunus.
- The two best telephone "persuaders and enforcers"...Letha Saldanha and Kay Emanuele.
- The best sport/spouse for arriving early and being there when we need him...Guy Emanuele.
- The most patient and positive volunteer at table #1 and at Monday's ballot counting...Mary Miller.
- The most precise partner for the best ballot counter...Jane Mueller.
- The best go-with-the-flow (even if the flow never stops) volunteer and tied for the most precise counter...Lara York.
- The best mid-day floater who smiled the entire time...Holly Walter.
- The best half-day volunteer self-converting into a full day volunteer...Bob Wiekowski.
- The most inspirational half day worker and Monday ballot counter who had to park near King Ave and walk to the temple from there...Mary Roulet.
- The most indefatigable two-day volunteer who almost had to stop smoking for a day <g>...Miriam Keller.
- The best "I Learned Everything I Need to Know In Kindergarten" volunteer who cut zillions of faces out for us to stick on ballots... Ken Ballard.
- The most faithful volunteer recovering from a cold on both days who made copies of the instructions for all tables ...JeanHolmes.
- The quietest volunteer who helped the judges' team at the "I should be on the voting list table"...Sister Elaine.
- The best spouse and improvise another table team (and John can count, too)...Sybil and John Smith.
- The best half day, unflappable, get-down-and-dirty volunteer at table #12/13...Nina Moore.
- The best, go-with-the-flow, O.K. let's establish another table volunteer...Julice Winter.
- The best " Surprise, look, Ma, I'm home to help count" volunteer...Ellen Culver.
- The volunteer with the most positive outlook...Carolyn Hedgecock.
- The best "Who can I recruit to join at police headquarters" volunteer...Ann Crosbie.
- The newest member and ballot counter...Kirstin Hu (welcome!).
- The most musically inclined ballot counter (must be all the metronome experience)...Caryl Dockter
- The most tired and eternally grateful for-all-the-unselfish-help volunteer...Alex Starr.
- The bestest League in the whole wide world...LWVFNUC!!! **WE ROCK!**



—Alex Starr, Co President

FREMONT CITY COUNCIL

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WRITER

By Ahdia Siddiqi

On Tuesday December 7, I attended the Fremont City Council Meeting. It was a farewell to the outgoing Mayor Gus Morrison and Councilmember Bill Pease being sent off. Also, the incoming Mayor, Bob Wasserman and Council members Steve Cho and Bob Weickowski being sworn in.

Mayor Gus Morrison served the council for twenty-five years and Councilmember Bill Pease for eight years. It was said that Mayor Morrison fulfilled his mission with Nummi and Toyota. It was also stated that he served with love for the city and was not into his own ambitions. As mayor, he was a great spokesman. For Bill Pease it was said that he served on numerous boards and committees. Therefore, the city council has developed further. He made the sacrifice to make Fremont a safer place, but he came up a little short from his goal. People agree that Bill was good in following through with his decisions. Everyone at the meeting congratulated Gus Morrison and Bill Pease for their service, as they were presented with awards.

Council member Bob Weickowski won with 24000 votes. He will restore the fire department and the police department for the city's safety. He will bring more jobs to Fremont. He will also attempt to have a new BART station constructed in Irvington. Council member Steve Cho will bring a passion to his job and is looking forward to serve Fremont for the next four years.

The ceremony was well attended and supported enthusiastically. The people appreciated the service of the outgoing public officials, while looking forward to the proposals brought forward by the new officials.

ELECTRONIC CORNER**Some useful addresses**

Bay Area Monitor: <http://www.bayareamonitor.org>

LWVC: <http://www.ca.lwv.org>

LWVBA: <http://www.lwvba-ca.org>

LWVUS: <http://www.lwv.org>

Smart Voter: <http://www.smartvoter.org>

Barbara Boxer: <http://boxer.senate.gov/>

Dianne Feinstein: <http://feinstein.senate.gov/>

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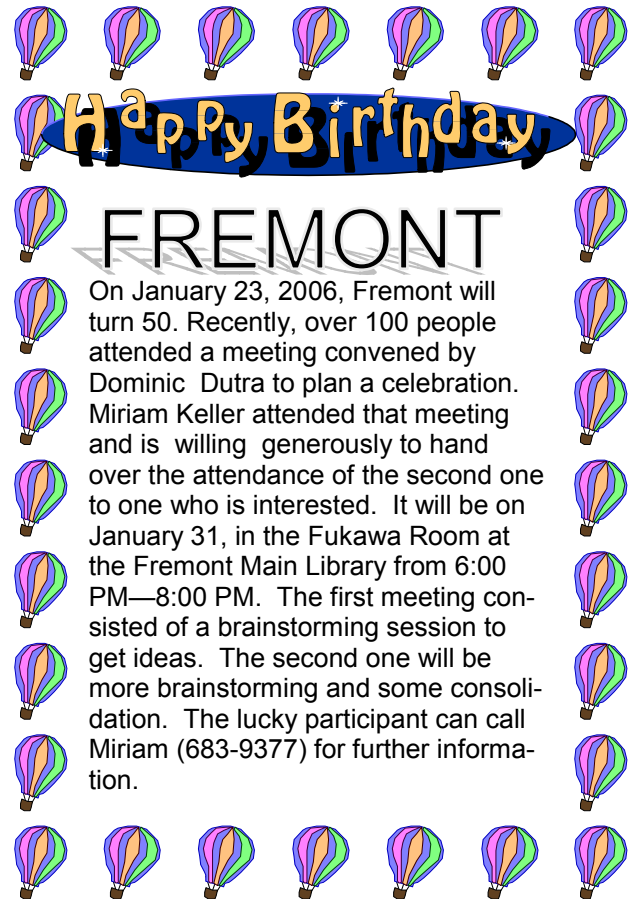
THE ACTION COMMITTEE SWINGS INTO ACTION

The Action Committee is planning to do interviews with many of our elected officers. Members will interview Anu Nataragian, Bob Weickowsky, Bob Wasserman, and Fred Diaz (new Fremont City Manager) Muriel Nolan will arrange interviews of State officers. Look for reports of these interviews in later *Voters*.

The committee is planning some interesting Cable programs: Character Education, in general and Character Education in secondary schools, Sustainable Energy, and interviews with two new city managers and one new council member.

The committee is discussing a proposed change in State law that general law cities be allowed to vote some kind of provisional ballot if a city council member is running for mayor. Also under discussion is the next campaign to pass a utility users tax.

—Miriam Keller



THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM IN THE CALIFORNIA

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The California Performance Review (CPR), ordered by Governor Schwarzenegger and released on August 3, 2004, is an attempt to restructure the California executive branch making it "more efficient, accountable and responsive." Among the general recommendations is one for a two-year budget cycle, which would give all public education institutions some relief, because it would give more planning time between the passage of a budget and the beginning of the new school year.

The proposed reorganization of the state administration of K-14 education is extensive, although details are very few and far between. Some selected CPR recommendations for education K-14:

- moving policy decisions for preK-14 education to a new Department of Education and Workforce Preparation
- abolishing the Community College Board of Governors
- creating an Education and Workforce Council to coordinate the efforts of education, work force preparation, and economic development
- consolidating the Community College Chancellor's Office with other research and grant administering agencies in a Higher Education Division managed by a Deputy Secretary of Higher Education
- eliminating unnecessary reports required in the Education Code
- reforming the way high school students may participate in concurrent enrollment in community colleges, encouraging them to do so, and determining how these students are to be funded
- making it easier for students to transfer from a community college to a university
- making higher education more affordable by reducing the cost of textbooks
- establishing community college enrollment priorities to favor students nearing graduation and new students over those with more than 90 credits
- expanding options for obtaining a bachelor's degree by allowing the community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees
- relaxing the goal of a 75-25 percent ratio of full-time to part-time faculty for vocational/technical programs
- requiring community service of all public college and university students.

The CPR has very little to say about where the money to do any of this will come from, and it also skips over the fact that CCs are "locally owned" and operated by locally elected trustees. Numerous community college district (CCD) boards of trustees, including LA CCD, Pasadena CCD and San Diego CCD, have already taken positions opposing many of the provisions.

The California Performance Review page (http://lwvc.org/lwvc/action/perf_review/) on the LWVC Web site contains the League's statement on the CPR and links to the report itself and other key sources of information about it, including a link to the response of the Chancellor's Office to the CPR.



VOTERS SERVICE

Our Voters Service directors, Ellen Culver and Letha Saldahna did a fine job with the November 2004 Election.

- They registered voters in 23 locations.
- They arranged for ten speakers from our Speakers Bureau.
- They distributed 5000 Pros and Cons and 700 Easy Voter Guides.
- They distributed voter information to the Tri-City Voice and to the Argus,
- They handled 62 phone calls.
- They involved 20 League members in 10 Candidates Forums.
- They got the word out about Smart Voter by distributing bookmarks at registration sites, libraries and health fairs.
- They sent letters to all local candidates to participate in Smart Voter. Thirty-two candidates participated.



These stars are for you two.

All of this was a lot of work. So congratulations to Ellen and Letha for a job very well done.





PRAISE FOR SMART VOTER



"We love your website! Thank you for posting all of this information in one, easy-to-use place, and especially having the ballot search function!!! We will recommend to others!"



"Special thanks to LWV and smartvoter.org for this incredible public service!"



"Please know that I will be a more informed voter when I step into the booth tomorrow, and all because of this site."



"This site is a great antidote to sound bite politics."



"Thank you for the good work. I...feel I had a better grasp on my ballot as a whole after using your site to work through the issues."



"Tremendous public service."



"Thank you for a fantastic site. The ballot propositions in the California ballot were daunting this year. With your web site, and the links you supplied, I gathered enough information to make a decision for each proposition. The details on every elective office were fantastic. I was comfortable to vote for senator and congress, as well as school committee and judge. Thank you."



"Thanks for the hard work put into this site. It was so helpful and very well put together. It put all the information at our fingertips."



"Phenomenal site. Thank you, thank you, thank you and thanks to your funders."



"For the first time ever, I was actually able to make informed decisions in these [judicial] races thanks to your site . . . It's good to know I have a place to go to find this info for future elections."



"THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU for www.smartvoter.org! This was by far the easiest way for me to do my "one-stop shopping" to see EXACTLY what I would be voting on and give me all the relevant information I needed (and then some!) to make an informed decision. This is an invaluable tool and one I'll make sure all my friends know about so they can't use any excuses not to vote - it's just so easy!"



"I wish to thank the League of Women Voters Smart Voters Project for providing me the opportunity to use your web site for my candidacy this past election."



"Many, many thanks for creating this opportunity to reach the public. As candidate for Port San Luis Harbor Commission, I not only was able to present myself to my constituents but to provide information about the Port and how we do the public's business."



"Your web site was, by far, the best source of information yesterday [election day] and early this morning on all of the elections. Thank you."



"I have been searching to find out the critical results for our small school district's future, and finally googled to your link - I should have known the League of Women Voters would recognize the importance of letting us know the results! Thanks again."



"Congratulations on a first rate web site that provides the public a quick and easy way to get election results. In minutes your web site provided me with the information I was unable to get by watching a whole night of network news. Thank you!"



LWVC CONVENTION 2005

The five Leagues of Women Voters of Orange County will be your hosts for the League of Women Voters of California Convention from May 20-22, 2005 (*corrected*) in Garden Grove, California. The theme of this biennial convention is "It's a New World." We are looking forward to an exciting and productive gathering of League members.

Our theme, "It's a New World," is intended to stimulate discussions about the impact of various changes that have taken place in the areas of technology, demographics and political policies, to name a few. We hope you will join with us as we explore these issues in workshops and with the guest speakers.

We encourage all Leagues to plan to send at least one representative to this biennial state League meeting where delegates will network and make decisions about League programs and budgetary matters for the next two years. As a grassroots organization we depend on input from every local League at the convention.

There are plenty of sightseeing opportunities in this beautiful southern California area. Disneyland is conveniently located near the Crowne Plaza Hotel. So plan to come early and stay after the convention to enjoy all the attractions in the area. You will receive more detailed information in the January UPDATE.

On behalf of the LWV of Orange County, I am extending a warm welcome to Leagues throughout the state. I hope each League will be able to send a full complement of delegates and guests to Garden Grove in May of 2005.

Barbara Hopkins, *Executive Vice President*, evp@lwvc.org

LWVC JOINS EDUCATIONAL JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE (EJC)

The LWVC board has approved joining the Educational Justice Collaborative (EJC), naming off-board Education Program Director Barbara Inatsugu as the League representative. The EJC is a network of community organizations, researchers, educators, policy and legal advocates, and civic organizations--all working toward a more equitable and adequate system of public education in California. Each participating organization shares the same ultimate goal, but each takes its own action towards that goal.

The EJC coordinates research, policy, and capacity building to better inform and equip its members to advocate for change. The group communicates through an intranet site for information sharing and on-line discussions, monthly focused conference calls, retreats and meetings, and hands-on workshops. A recent full-day meeting focused on the implications of the *Williams v. California* case settlement.

Kathy Webb, *Social Policy Director*, social_policy@lwvc.org

DEMOCRACY DINNER, APRIL 22,

The Democracy Dinner is a major fund raising event for the League of Women Voters Education Fund. Conceptually, this event is to be held every other year in a different area of California. The last Democracy Dinner was held in September 2001 in Contra Costa County. Since we are running behind schedule, we (Fremont/Newark/Union City, Los Altos/Mountain View Area, Palo Alto, Santa Clara Valley, San Jose/Santa Clara, South San Mateo) hope to make this bigger and better than ever before.

We are trying to attract more corporate sponsors and have contracted with a public relations firm to assist us in reaching corporations in the Silicon Valley. The seven local Leagues working on this event have the responsibility for selling individual tickets. We hope that many League members will be able to attend, so mark your calendars for April 22, 2005. We will hold the event at the Doubletree Hotel in San Jose and there will be a special price for League members. Whether or not anyone from your League can attend, we are counting on your help with the Silent Auction.

On April 22, 2005, LWV California is hosting a 'Democracy Dinner' in San Jose, featuring speaker Nancy Soderberg, former Ambassador to the United Nations. Important political figures and representatives of the corporate powerhouses of Silicon Valley have been invited. Funds raised from this dinner will benefit the LWV California Education Fund's efforts toward voter registration, participation and education.

As part of this festive evening, we plan an auction of items or activities, one from each League in California, to add to the fun and profit. We are asking each League to donate at least one auction item that will highlight the unique features of your area. The item could be a case of wine, a stay at a resort or B&B, a dinner featuring foods unique to your area or with a well-known host or chef, an adventure such as a boat trip, or kids' party at a local attraction. The auction item is a terrific way for your League to showcase all that is best about your area.

Please contact auction co-chairs Ann Crosbie (crosbieclan@comcast.net) or Lucile Spurlock (caspurlock@aol.com) with your donation information. *If you submit your donation information by January 31, it can appear in the invitation.*

A YEAR LATER: HOW IS CALIFORNIA DOING?

One year ago, when Arnold Schwarzenegger was elected, he promised to fix the state's budget mess. And, certainly there are positive signs.

The governor appears to be working hard to bring fiscal gains to our state. He has been to Washington, touting his ability to be the "Collectinator." (Success, however, has been minimal.) He has promoted our products and services in Japan. And, Californians say that our state is headed in the right direction—the first time in five years we have said that.

What are the key indicators that show California's economic climate improving?

Economists give Schwarzenegger credit for creating a better business climate—one not so frightening, as one economist stated. And, Wall Street's view of the Golden State has improved which brings down the cost of borrowing money for our state.

However, California still has the lowest credit rating of any state in the country. Standard & Poors says the rating is due to "the need to bring spending and revenues into balance." Californians passed two bond measures in the last election; we do not yet know the rate at which the bonds will be sold. The state debt has risen from \$36.6 billion in November 2003 to \$53.9 billion one year later.

Although eschewing most tax measures, voters in November agreed to a tax surcharge for those earning more than \$1 million a year to pay for mental health services. The impact of this tax increase on the state budget is not known. Those who opposed the measure said that it would make some high-income earners leave the state, reducing the income tax revenue available for future budgets. Others counter that argument by looking to the early 1990s, when California had higher rates on the top income tax brackets and the number of millionaires increased.

The state's continued use of property tax funds intended for cities and counties to relieve its budgetary problems has been a sore point with local governments for more than a decade. The passage of Proposition 1A allows the state to take

an additional \$1.3 billion per year this fiscal year and next, but after that the state will be prevented from taking additional property taxes unless they are repaid with interest. This will certainly create additional pressure on the state's budget.

How well are other indicators of the state's economic climate doing? Unemployment is down. But, the prison population—a large drain on the state budget—is up.

School districts are in increasing trouble. In each of the past six years the number of California school districts not able to meet their budget has grown—from one to nine. Those with a qualified budget (districts that say they may not be able to meet their budget over the coming three years) have increased from 14 to 35. According to many, these numbers will go up this year, too. Also, fees for classes at all UC and CSU campuses have increased by at least 14 percent in the last year. Community college fees have gone up by 44 percent.

The Legislative Analyst has indicated that there is a structural deficit of about \$8 billion a year within the state budget that must be fixed. She says it will worsen if lawmakers and the governor don't deal with it this coming fiscal year.

Continuing to rely on one-time fixes, bonds and other borrowing mechanisms creates its own problems. It appears new taxes will need to be raised or further cuts to health, education, transportation, social programs, and other state programs will occur. But, the governor said that he will not raise taxes and has chosen Tom Campbell—a man with similar views—as his new Director of Finance.

The governor may have been right when he stated, "The people do not like to be taxed." The November election results were mixed. Will further service and program cuts be the answer to our budget ills? Or, at what point will the people agree to more taxes for governmental services to meet citizen needs?



MIXED RESULTS ON LOCAL MEASURES



Despite Governor Schwarzenegger's post-election claim that the November results proved that "people don't want to be taxed," a quick survey of local tax and bond measure results around the state presents a mixed picture.

Since Proposition 39 passed in 2000, local school bonds require only 55 percent approval. In November, nearly all of the school bonds on local ballots passed, providing about \$3.6 billion for local schools. A few bond measures for non-school purposes, such as a seismic safety measure for the San Francisco Bay Area BART rail system and a measure to clean up the storm water system in Los Angeles, reached the two-thirds vote needed for passage.

Other local measures did not fare as well, with only about a third approved. Most of these were taxes for special purposes, requiring a two-thirds vote for passage, and many of them garnered a majority vote but fell short of two-thirds. (Tax increases for general purpose spending require only a majority vote.)

A sales tax increase to fund law enforcement fell short in Los Angeles County with 60 percent support, while one in San Francisco to maintain general city programs fell well short of even a majority. New or extended sales taxes for transportation generally did better, passing in a number of counties.

Utility user taxes for general purposes were proposed in a number of cities, and nearly all the new proposals were rejected, although existing taxes were extended in a few cities. Parcel taxes had a similar success rate, with about a third of the proposed measures winning. Hotel and motel occupancy taxes, which are paid by out-of-towners, were considerably more popular with local voters; roughly half of those measures passed.

Differing local situations make it chancy to draw overall conclusions from these results. However, voters seem to prefer taxes for designated purposes rather than those for which spending will be determined by their elected representatives.

Looking at the overall picture of state and local tax measures, one might speculate that most voters were willing to support taxes they didn't expect to pay, such as the state tax on the highest income taxpayers for mental health services and the local hotel taxes, but not the state phone tax for emergency medical service or local utility taxes they were certain to pay.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Excerpts from a report by Barbara Frierson, Fremont Environmental Specialist

In 1999, Fremont City Council adopted a 75% waste diversion goal for the year 2010. This diversion level is a goal, not a mandate for Fremont. The State of California Integrated Waste Management Board has certified Fremont at 62% diversion for 2002.

How can Fremont capture the remaining discarded materials that could be diverted and how can Fremont engage all segments of the community in meeting the 75% diversion goal in the next five years?

The ten most common recyclable materials found in Fremont's solid waste stream in 2000 were:

Food waste (11.1%)

Non-recyclable paper, low-grade contaminated and non-contaminated paper including tissue paper, napkins, paper towels, paper plates, food and milk cartons, waxed paper, cigarette packages and other paper contaminated by liquids or food.) (8.7%)

Unpainted wood (7.6%)

Plastic containers and mixed plastics (6%)

Film plastics (5%)

Non-crushable inert materials (dirt, sand, soil, cat litter, plaster and other inert solids not suitable for use as crushed aggregate,

Painted wood (4.7%)

Composite bulky items (large non-electrical items such as furniture, mattresses, box springs, lawn mowers, automotive and industrial parts) (4.7%)

Ferrous metals, non-food or beverage containers (4.6%)

Crushable inert materials (rock, brick, concrete, asphalt, ceramics (4.6%)

The residential, multi-family, commercial, educational and public sectors of the community are all actively participating in waste reduction and recycling, to varying degrees.

Diverting additional materials for recycling and reuse is always possible. However, there are many factors that affect the feasibility of new programs, including collection costs, processing capability, community involvement and support, and availability of markets for the diverted materials. The Transfer Station MRF is anticipated to be open by January 2006 and will provide new diversion opportunities. If you have any bright ideas regarding materials that could be targeted for increased diversion, sectors of the community that could be approached with incentives for more participation, or methods that could be used to improve community engagement and interest in these activities, please contact Miriam Keller, 683-9377, or miriamk@worldnet.att.net.

—submitted by Miriam Keller

It's easy to JOIN the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Any person, man or woman, who subscribes to the purpose and policy of the League may join.

To be a voting member, one must be at least 18 years of age and a U.S. citizen

Annual dues includes membership in Local, Bay Area, California and National Leagues.

Make your check payable to: LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS and mail it with this form to:

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AN INVITATION FROM AAUW

The American Association of University Women invites members of the League of Women Voters to join them in their Great Decisions group. Great Decisions is sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association. The topics this year include U.S. intelligence, Russia, Outsourcing Jobs, China, Sudan's crisis in Darfur, the Global Poverty Gap, the Middle East and Global Water Issues. The meetings will be the 1st Wednesday of the month, 7:30pm at members homes starting in Feb. For more information or to join, call Anne MacLeod, 651-0646 or gcmacleod@comcast.net. —Miriam Keller



SAVE THE DATES

Fremont Flowers has chosen us to earn \$500.00 in February for helping on Sat., Feb. 12th and Sun. Feb. 13th to prepare roses for Valentine's Day. We need 12 people each day to work and enjoy a three hour shift. It is not hard work, no brain drain, and you can take time to "smell the roses". "Smell the roses" shifts: Saturday, 1 - 4, Sunday, 12—4. Think about it, and sign up with Kay Emanuele. (

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QUOTE

A sufficient measure of civilization is the influence of good women—RALPH WALDO EMERSON



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Watch Ann Crosbie interview Bev Chernov and Sue Kessler. Topic: Character Education
Fremont, Channel 29, every Wednesday at 7:30 PM
Newark, Channel 6, every Thursday at 7 PM
Union City, Channel 15, every Thursday at 9:30 PM
Hayward, Channel 28, every Monday at 9:30 PM

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[Http://www.lwvfnuc.org](http://www.lwvfnuc.org)
Peter Starr, Webmaster,
Jack Keller, Back-up

CALENDAR

Wed., Feb. 2	Action Committee	9:30	Miriam Keller's home
Thurs., Feb 10	LWVFNUC Board Meeting	7:30—9:30	Mary Miller's home
Fri., Feb 11	Education Committee	11:45 (bag lunch)	Miriam Keller's home
Sat. and Sun, Feb 12, 13	Fremont Flowers Fundraiser	Time is in shifts: Sat, 1:00—4:00 Sun., 12:00—3:00	Fremont Flowers
Sat., Feb. 19	Voter Deadline		
Mon., Feb. 21	Unit Meeting—John Dutra, speaker	7:00 PM	Niles Church