

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF CALIFORNIA

First Call to Convention 2013

January 28, 2013

- WHAT: The 64th State Convention of the League of Women Voters of California
- WHEN:10am Friday, May 17, through 3pm Sunday, May 19, 2013With special pre-convention events on Thursday, May 16, 2013
- WHERE: Dolce Hayes Mansion, 200 Edenvale Ave, San Jose 95136 | 408-226-3200
- **WHO:** Attendance at convention is open to everyone; we encourage all members to attend and are eager for the public to come learn about the League. We ask that you extend invitations to your friends and contacts.

This is the first call to Convention 2013 as required by the LWVC bylaws, Article X, Section 7. The LWVC Bylaws govern the composition and business of the convention. Our bylaws direct us (See Article X, Sec. 5) to:

- **Elect** officers, directors, and three members of the nominating committee for the 2013-2015 biennium (Article XII)
- Adopt a **budget** for the 2013-2014 fiscal year (Article IX, Sec. 2)
- Adopt program for 2013-2015 (Article XIII)
- Adopt amendments to the **bylaws** as needed (Article XVII)



myLeague: Leading the Charge for Change!

The purpose of the convention is to be inspired and empowered to increase active and informed participation in civic life. Come meet passionate people from across the state who are making democracy work!

Our theme is **myLeague: Leading The Charge for Change**. Read more about speakers, workshops, special activities on our blog.

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lwvc@lwvc.org www.lwvc.org vww.smartvoter.org www.easyvoter.org There is a range of activities to suit any schedule or budget, from investing in a full threeday registration for \$375 or treating yourself to a special pre-convention \$40 workshop; check out your options. Early bird registration starts **February 19**.

The hotel's special room rate of \$119 per night is good thru **April 15**. There is a special link on the blog or you can call the hotel and ask. Don't get caught without a room by waiting until the last minute; rooms may sell out before that date!

VOTING DELEGATES

Attending as a voting delegate is an exciting honor and a responsibility. If you are interested in attending as a voting delegate, speak with your local League or Inter-League Organization (ILO) board immediately.

Voting delegates to the convention are detailed in Article X, Sections 2 and 4:

- Each local League and ILO is entitled to send its **president**, **or an alternate** in the event the president is unable to attend. The president of a member-at-large unit may attend as a nonvoting member.
- In addition, each local League is entitled to **delegates in proportion to its membership numbers** as reported in the LWVUS database on January 31, 2013. Member-at-large unit members may attend as nonvoting members.

NOTE: only local Leagues that have paid their per member payment (PMP), or received an exemption because of proven hardship, are entitled to voting representation at the convention.

HOW MANY DELEGATES?

Article X, Section 4. Representation. The local Leagues shall be entitled to delegates in proportion to their membership as of the record date of the year of the biennial convention in accordance with Article X, Section 8. Each local League shall be entitled to at least one delegate in addition to the local League president as provided in Article X, Section 2(b). When local League membership reaches 51 voting members, the local League shall be entitled to one additional delegate. Thereafter, one additional delegate shall be authorized for each additional 50 members.

50 or fewer Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 1 delegate members
51-100 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 2 delegate members
101-150 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 3 delegate members
151-200 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 4 delegate members
201-250 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 5 delegate members
251-300 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 6 delegate members
301-350 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 7 delegate members
351-400 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 8 delegate members
401-450 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 9 delegate members
451-500 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 10 delegate members
501-550 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 11 delegate members

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CC: Presidents of Local Leagues, Inter-League Organizations (ILOs), and Member-at-Large (MAL) Units, and State Board Members of the League of Women Voters of California