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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS – WEST CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 27

The annual meeting, in addition to the usual business meeting including prospective and retrospective reports of activities and election of officers, will feature a presentation by Professor Rick Mintrop of the UC Berkeley Graduate School of Education. This presentation will initiate our consideration of the national study, "The Role of the Federal Government in Pre K-12 Education". The speaker is an expert in funding of education and will provide an overview of education funding to assist the membership in preparing for our discussion of these issues that will occur at consensus meetings next month.

The meeting will be held at Denny's Restaurant, 11344 San Pablo Ave. El Cerrito, from 11:30 to 2:00 PM.

LWVUS STUDY ON THE FEDERAL ROLE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

Our league has begun preparing for the consensus meetings on the LWVUS study, "The Role of the Federal Government in Pre K-12 Education". Come to the annual meeting to learn about what is being done. Members who wish to inform themselves ahead of time on the issues can access background papers on the study at the national LWV web site; a link is provided on our web site. The meetings in which our membership will determine the extent of its support of the study will be held on Oct. 12 and 25 (see calendar page for specifics). The meetings in which our membership will determine the extent of its support of the study will be held on Oct. 12 and 25 (see calendar page for specifics).

BAG IT

October 29, Saturday, 10 to noon at the Rialto's Cerrito Theatre.

Free Feature Film and shorts, panel with guest actors/artists/and experts plus prizes.

Get inspired, get educated, and get activated! Join us for an interactive and informative community engagement event sponsored by the Eco -Film series of El Cerrito's Environmental Quality Commission.

Feature documentary:

Bag It has been garnering awards at film festivals across the nation. What started as a documentary about plastic bags evolved into a wholesale investigation into plastics and their effect on our waterways, oceans, and even our bodies. Join the Bag It movement and decide for yourself how plastic your life will be.

Shorts include PLASTIC STATE OF MIND:

Here's pretty much everything you need to know about why plastic bags are just plain dumb, put to the tune of "New York State of Mind," and chock full of plastic facts.