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Mission: The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

"Celebrate the League" - May 10th



The Board of League of Women Voters of the Space Coast is hosting the 4th "Celebrate the League" and inviting all League members and friends who might be interested in joining League to a

Wine and Hors d'oeuvre Party.

This is an enjoyable social event. Camaraderie and long lasting friendships are also benefits of League Membership.

When: Tuesday, May 10th

Time: 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: River House Club House

115 N. Indian River Drive, Cocoa, FL 32922

The River House Club House is located across the street from the River House Condominiums.

Reservations: to Doreen Archer at 321-622-4071 by Thursday, May 5th so we know how many will be attending. **There is no cost.**



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Voter is not published in June, July and August. Updates on League events and news can be found on our website
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Directions to River House Club House:

From the south: US 1 to Peachtree Street just before Cocoa water tower. Turn right, go to blinking red light to make left turn onto Forrest Ave. Turn right on Mulberry Street, just before public library. *Condo parking is off Mulberry on your right.*

From the east: 520 past Whitley Bay condominium; turn right onto Indian River Drive. Go to end of 2nd block to turn left for library or condo parking off Mulberry Street.

Indian River Drive is in front of the two-story condominium buildings along the river.

Parking: Use parking spaces west of condo buildings or the library's parking lot and walk to River House. **There is no parking adjacent to the building, River House itself.** Parking is available behind the condominium buildings, but not allowed on the riverbank. There are two entrances to parking lots from Mulberry Street (between condominium and library). Those with difficulty walking will prefer the lot behind the two-story buildings, *as there are no steps to negotiate.* If necessary, park in the library's lot.

A ramp leads to the recreation building's south door, but there are a few steps to be negotiated for the door on the north side.

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Diversity Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters of the Space Coast will promote in all aspects of the League's activities, a philosophy of inclusion that reflects the diverse composition and issues of the community.



President's Corner
Fran Baer & Priscilla Griffith
COMMENTS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Many thanks to all who attended our Annual Meeting, April 9th at Anderson Senior Center in Rockledge. For those who could not attend, I would like to share the comments I made following the business meeting, election, and lunch arranged by the students in Chef Knight's Culinary Arts Class at Cocoa High School.

I have now completed one full year as Co-President of the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast. Without the dedicated Board and Committee Chairs and Members, the accomplishments would not have been possible and the challenges insurmountable.

Last summer, the Board held a brainstorming session to strategize our program year. We said we wanted to cultivate and hold accountable elected officials at all levels while giving credit when they support our issues.

So we spoke at the Brevard legislative meeting prior to the opening session of the Florida Legislature and partnered with other organizations to congratulate Thad Altman on his support of Amendment 1.

We said we wanted to pay attention to the Brevard Charter Review Commission which meets once every six years to review and present changes to the Charter for citizen action. So we monitor their meetings and at the LWVSC Board's direction have spoken in support of sound, legal practices.

We said we wanted to track dollars going into politics. So we endorsed with our State League the Anti-Corruption Bill written by local attorney, Michael Kahn, championed by Florida Today's Matt Reed and Florida's prosecuting attorneys and introduced in the Florida House by Ritch Workman and signed into law by Governor Rick Scott after a heated battle.

We said we wanted to build coalitions and coordinate positions. So we worked with the environmental community on the Save Florida rally held last May in support of fully funding Amendment 1. We partnered with Florida Today, LEAD Brevard, and the National Conference of Black Women in welcoming the new Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Desmond Blackburn. We joined the Space Coast League of Cities and attend their meetings.

We said climate change, rising seas, fracking, the Indian River Lagoon, and health are critical issues worthy of further study and action. So we held meetings open for our members and the public, spoke successfully against fracking at the County Commissioners' meeting, and approved a contribution to the Save the Lagoon Coalition.

We said solar energy needs our attention. So we have been circulating Solar Choice petitions and arranged a tour of the Florida Solar Energy Institute in Cocoa.

We said membership diversity in age, economic, cultural, race and religion is essential for the sustainability

of our League at all levels. So Audrey Grayson, our Speakers' Bureau Chair, has arranged speaking engagements at churches, colleges, and other facilities to encourage active participation and an understanding of our mission of good government and informed voters. Membership is growing.

We said the Canaveral Port/Rail extension is on our radar. So we held a Timely Topics drawing our largest audience and have been attending and monitoring Port activity and the newly appointed CEO.

We said voter registration and voter information are our mission. So we have become registrars in order to sign up voters at community events and libraries and we held a candidate forum for Cape Canaveral elections. We met with the Supervisor of Elections about registering students in our high schools and will continue to pursue that course.

We said we wanted to meet and hear from the new School Superintendent, so we invited him to speak at a Timely Topics Luncheon at Cocoa High.

We said we wanted Fair Districts essential to good politics in Florida and we supported the court challenge successfully engineered by our State League.

We said developing legislative priorities was needed. So we surveyed and submitted our priorities to the State League and met with each representative to explain our positions including Medicaid expansion which remains on our agenda.

We said we wanted to participate in the State League's Open Primary Study. So 1st Vice President and Florida LWV Board member Tony Dutton, worked on the options which are still in formation.

We said we wanted to find alternative fund raising activities. So we agreed to hold elections for Launch Federal Board Members and so many of you volunteered and showed up for duty that full day.

We said we wanted to use technology to a greater extent. So we have updated our Facebook and Web sites and now accept dues through PayPal and credit cards on line.

A lot has been accomplished, but we all know there is much more needed and that is going to take many more hands and minds. Training and finding members for our vacant committee chairs remain in the "to do" column. In this election year it will take every one of us to meet our goals and challenges.

I know that for some the pace has been too rapid, not allowing for enough study and research. For some, I also know, the pace has been painfully slow in a world that can change overnight. I am reminded of an African Proverb:

*"If You Want To Go Fast, Go Alone,
 If You Want To Go Far, Go Together"*

In League we want to go far and deep to make the sustainable difference we all desire for our community, our country and our world.

Fran Baer



Membership

Debra Mischley – Chair

As your new Chair of Membership, I look forward to continuing the good works of Barbara Dutton who helped grow the membership significantly! These are big shoes to fill and it will take the efforts of many to keep the pace up. Please consider joining me on the Membership Committee so that we can continue to help grow the League and further improve our influence on creating good government. I am very proud of all the accomplishments and to be a part of the League of Women Voters of the Space Coast (LWVSC). We are helping to make a better world starting right here in Brevard County. From our work on the passage of Amendment #1, to the Fracking Ban Ordinance that was proposed by this League and passed by our County Commissioners, we are on the MOVE getting things done and keeping people informed about the issues.

The Membership Committee will be trying to determine the needs, issues and desires of the current membership and look for areas that we can improve and perhaps to have more fun and friendship along the way! We will be looking for ways to get new members further engaged into the Committees, where true accomplishments grow from.

Please reach out and bring a friend or neighbor along to the upcoming Celebration of the League – Meet and Greet on Tuesday May 10th at the lovely River House Club House in Cocoa Village. It would be a perfect opportunity to introduce a guest to the dynamic members of our League and to learn more about the issues and concerns we are currently working on and to invite them to join the League.

Please don't hesitate to contact me to join the Committee or to just share an idea or concern:

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Health Care

Jo Shim & Connie Dobrin Co-Chairs

New Legislation Impacting Health Care Access

Members of the Health Care Committee were again disappointed that the 2016 Legislative Session closed without passing a bill that would make Medicaid funding available to approximately 600,000 Floridians currently in the "Health Care Coverage Gap". House Bill 629, would have raised the eligibility limit for Medicaid recipients to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). However, the bill was not heard at any time during the session. Had it been passed, it would have enabled access to \$5.9 billion federal dollars allocated

for providing medical treatment for the working poor and other Floridians currently without medical insurance. Nonetheless, committee members are resolved to continue education and advocacy efforts on this issue that is critically important to so many uninsured Floridians.

Despite the deep disappointment over Medicaid expansion there was also much to celebrate. Following seven years of advocacy, the bill to expand KidCare coverage to lawfully-residing children was passed by the Legislature. Formerly, legal immigrant children had to wait five years before becoming eligible for KidCare coverage. Another positive piece of health care legislation was a bill that holds consumers harmless in circumstances "beyond their control" where they must go out-of-network for medical coverage. Increased scope of practice for both Physicians Assistants and Nurse Practitioners was also passed and it is anticipated that this will contribute to reduce health care costs and increase options for patients.

Finally, the LWVF actively lobbied to oppose the passing of a bill that further impacts a woman's right to choose. The bill requires all physicians performing abortions to have hospital admitting privileges, changes the definition of trimester for the purpose of determining the length of pregnancy and limits access to funding for provider organizations.

The Health Committee welcomes your input and participation. We meet usually the third Monday of the month at the Suntree/Viera Library from 6-7:50 pm. For additional information about our work, please contact one of the Health Committee Co-Chairs:

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Welcome to our New Members

Bobbie Keith
Jacolyne Dale
Louise Malpass
Midge Taylor
John R. Twitchell

Please add new members to your membership book. Addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of new members will be sent to you by e-mail.



Education

Linda Scales – Chair

New Florida Education Laws

There are three bills that have recently been signed into law by Governor Rick Scott. **They are SB 672, HB 7003 and HB 1365.** Our committee is also following HB 7029 bill with many provisions, HB 287 on Principal Autonomy, and HB 1365 on Competency-Based Education. All have passed and are sitting on the Governor's desk waiting to be signed into law as of April 10, 2016.

Part 1 of SB 672 expands the Gardiner Scholarship Program.

1. Clarifies program implementation:

- Renames the "Florida Personal Learning Scholarship Accounts Program" as the "Gardiner Scholarship Program," and expands the definition of disability to include autism spectrum disorder, muscular dystrophy and specified 3- and 4-year olds.
- Expands and clarifies authorized uses, length of time to earn, and reversion of funds.
- Expands the Department of Education's (DOE) investigative authority and clarifies the Commissioner of Education's authority regarding participation and fund recovery.

2. Streamlines program implementation:

- Requires funds to be prorated, allows earlier receipt of funds, and limits wait list time.
- Requires the Florida Prepaid College Board to implement specified provisions regarding use of program funds for Florida's prepaid plans.

3. Tightens program accountability requirements:

- Clarifies a scholarship funding organization's (SFO) duty to review and prioritize applications. Requires SFOs to notify participants of ability to request a new or revised matrix of services and documents each student's eligibility before granting a program scholarship. Revises requirements for SFO payment transfer systems.
- Authorizes a SFO administrative fee of 3% of the amount of each award, subject to conditions. Prohibits a SFO from charging an application fee. Prohibits administrative expenses and fees from being deducted from a student's scholarship award.
- Simplifies parent compliance statement and removes duplicate auditing requirements.

Florida Postsecondary Education Options

- Establishes a Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities (center) at the University of Central Florida for statewide coordination of information regarding programs and services for students with disabilities and their parents.
- Requires rule adoption by the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education in consultations with the center.

- Establishes a process through which postsecondary institutions in Florida can voluntarily seek approval to offer a Florida Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition Program (FPCP or program) for students with intellectual disabilities.

Standard Student Attire Program - This bill awards incentive payments (\$10 per student) to school districts and charter schools that implement districtwide or schoolwide, standard student attire policies applicable to students in kindergarten through grade 8.

Policies must:

- Prohibit certain types or styles of clothing, while requiring solid-color clothing and short or long sleeved shirts with collars:
- Allow reasonable accommodations based on a student's religion, disability or medical condition.

Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program (FTC)

The bill provides for increased accountability and use for scholarship funds by Scholarship Funding Organizations. The bill appropriates \$95,336,000 as follows: (1) \$71.2 million for scholarships, and \$2,136,000 for expenses, under the Gardiner Scholarship Program; (2) 14 million for incentive payments under the Standard Student Attire Incentive Program; and (3) 8 million in support of postsecondary education options. These take effect on July 1, 2016.

CS/HB 7003- Individuals with Disabilities

- Creates the Financial Literacy Program for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities within the Department of Financial Services (DFS) to provide information and outreach to individuals and employers;
- Modifies the state's equal employment policy to provide enhanced executive branch agency employment opportunities for individuals who have a disability;
- Creates the Employment First Act requiring an interagency cooperative agreement among specified state agencies and organizations to ensure a long-term commitment to improve employment for individuals who have a disability;
- Creates the Florida Unique Abilities Partner Program to recognize businesses that employ or support the independence of individuals who have a disability.

CS/CS/HB 1365 – Competency-Based Education Pilot Program

- The bill promotes competency-based student learning opportunities by establishing a competency based innovation pilot program within the Department of Education (department) for a period of five years. This pilot program is only available in Lake, Palm Beach, Pinellas and Seminole County School districts but we will follow the results from this program as citizens of Brevard County.

Bill summaries provided by www.flsenate.gov



Natural Resources

Susan Little – Chair

Indian River Lagoon

by Maureen Rupe

Florida Today, Monday December 11, 1995, by Lou Misselhorn, Front page Headline “Can Indian River Lagoon be saved?” That story said “During the past three decades, the runoff has killed between 30 percent to 50 percent of the lagoon’s sea grass beds. Around Melbourne 90% of the beds have died.”

Back then, we were already throwing money to study for a quick fix: “The federal government has tried to do something about it, giving a team of experts a total of \$5 million during the past five years to diagnose the estuary’s ills and devise a plan to clean it.” Today, we are doing nothing but studying the problem, hoping it will fix itself.

Back in that 1995 story, we had the same problems from the federal government: “In Washington, the Republican Controlled Congress is cutting money to achieve a balanced budget. Among their biggest targets are environmental programs geared to protect areas such as the lagoon and its wildlife. U.S. Rep. Dave Weldon has aligned himself with GOP leaders who want to weaken environmental laws. Nonetheless, he says he will try to find money to help the sick estuary.” Things have not changed much today. In a March 29, 2016 Florida Today story by Jim Waymer, Representative Posey said “We all know that there is no instant gratification here, there's no happy pill for this.”

The state isn’t any better, as the 1995 story read “‘It’s probably not possible’ to expect much state support, said State Rep. Harry Goode Jr., D-Melbourne.” Today, in that 03/29/2016 story Governor Scott said “we will do all we can for the lagoon”, but history shows the state isn’t too bothered. Amendment 1 has been all but ignored, concentrating more on consolidating cost in its payments with such things as salaries, which should be coming from general funding, instead of concentrating spending on trouble spots such as the lagoon. To show where Florida’s priorities are, the state even joined an American Farm Bureau lawsuit to stop the federal government from cleaning up Chesapeake Bay, but according to a story in the Washington Post, the Supreme Court stopped that challenge in 2013. The Governor also vetoed funding to fast track oyster filtering by the Brevard Zoo, so tell me how that Governor Scott is “doing all you can do”?

Fast forward to September 8th, 2013, a story in Daily Mail Online, a national British Newspaper, reads “Florida lagoon is an animal mass murder mystery as 46 dolphins, 111 manatees and 300 pelicans die from unknown case.” “Biologists are now trying to work out what the problem is, but there is no doubt that it is a

serious one.” “The lagoon contains more species than anywhere else in the U.S. and to towns along its edge – Titusville, Cocoa, Melbourne, Vero Beach and Stuart, it accounts for millions in revenue from angling, boating, bird-watching, tourism and other waterfront activities.”

How’s that for a tourism advertisement?

Back in 1995, we knew at least some of the things that had to be done to fix the problem: 1) “Developing regulations to better monitor septic tanks, which have been blamed for leaking pollutants into the lagoon.” 2) “Developing better marina regulations to reduce runoff that carries fuel and grease from work areas. Also the permits would ensure marinas have facilities to handle human waste from boats.” 3) “Devising a regional storm water utilities plan that would help smaller communities such as Malabar to get the help and funding they need to treat storm water runoff. So far we’ve done none of these. In 1995, the story said “Each year, almost 120 million pounds of sediments and fertilizers are added from Brevard’s cities and towns. That’s enough to fill 2,222 dump trucks. That runoff clouds the water starving sea grasses of sunlight they need to survive. The excessive amount of fertilizers can cause algae blooms that kill fish and injure sea grasses.” Even with that story, I am sad to report it took 20 years to implement a summer fertilizer ban in Brevard. With a track record like this, how can we bring our lagoon back from its near death present state?

Back in 1995, we knew it was really only left to us as the article said “That leaves only local money, and the possibility of proposing an unpopular tax increase along with raising boat mooring fees, officials said”

Fast forward to 2016; the river is all but nearly dead, past any tipping point. The environmentalists have warned of this for years, but a lot of times we were just called tree huggers and were told we care more about ecosystems and wildlife than humans. I hope some people recognize we are connected. If we don’t take care of the environment, nature has a way of paying us back and ruining our lives. On a side note, the Federation of World Wildlife reported that since 1970 half of the wildlife in the world has gone.

April 7th Florida today story by Dave Bergman titled “Special property tax proposed to clean up lagoon,” County Commission Chairman Jim Barfield wants to give Brevard County residents a chance to finally do something; “a proposed annual tax of \$1 per \$1,000 of taxable property value. In other words, the owner of a home with a taxable value of \$150,000 would pay \$150 a year for this special tax.” “Barfield said that would raise about \$27.5 million a year for lagoon-related projects. And it could allow the county to raise up to \$400 million through the sale of bonds for lagoon-related projects.” Now it will be entirely up to you. It is not too late if we demand action (*continued on Page 7*)



International Relations

Joyce Calese

The International Relations Group will be meeting from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 and Tuesday, May 24 at the Satellite Beach Library for two presentations:

- Climate Change led by Margee Smith
- Rise of ISIS led by Martha Bradshaw and participation of members.

“The Koreas” by Ruth Almeida

Korea, “the Hermit Kingdom” got its name when the Mongol tribes who migrated there isolated themselves from the warring kingdoms around them – China, Russia and Japan. In 1910, Korea was invaded by the Japanese who brutally ruled until their defeat by the U.S. and Allied forces in 1945. Thereafter, the South and North were informally separated by the victors at the 38th Parallel. The North Koreans and their Russian allies settled above the line. The South Koreans and their U.S. allies settled below.

In 1950, the N. Korean military aided by Russia and China broke this informal truce and poured into the South. They planned to resettle the peninsula under communist rule. The U.S. and allies sent forces to prevent this precipitating the Korean War which ended in 1953. At that time the 38th Parallel was established as the official separation between No. and So. Korea. The dividing line was called the DMZ (Demilitarized Zone). Despite isolated breaches by the North, this 2 mile zone has held to the present day.

During this 63 year period (1953-2016), the differences between So. and No. Koreans have multiplied despite their common heritage and language. The So. Koreans have established a democratic republic with a robust global economy. They no longer depend on agriculture and independent small farms for existence. They have become an industrial giant in electronics (Samsung et. al.), ship building (Daewoo), and auto production (Hyundai) etc.

Conversely, the No. Koreans have remained stagnant or regressed under the 3 generations of the communist dictatorship of the Kim Family. At one time the Industrial North was dominant. Now these factories are closed and the machinery and skills have been lost. In the Northern provinces, the population starves as they search for grass, leaves, even tree bark for food or fuel. They are physically shorter, with deformed bodies and less mental capacity. Most are unschooled, without income or hope. Their death rate is well above normal, particularly for infants and older people. The southern provinces of No. Korea around the capital, Pyongyang, have fared better. Some collective farming exists as well as a burgeoning Nuclear development. Still North Korea is heavily dependent on income and supplies

from its neighbors, particularly China. The corrupt government and its elite class could not exist without Chinese aid said to represent 40 to 80% of N. Korea's budget. Occasional famines and governmental secrecy obscure the actual situation regarding outside aid.

The CIA Fact Book calculates the GDP capita as follows: No. Korea, \$1,800; So. Korea \$36,700. The land area is comparable, taking into consideration that much of the Northern Provinces are mountainous. No. Korea is 46,400 sq. miles; South Korea is 37,900 sq. miles. Population size (rounded) is 25 million for the North versus 49 million for the South.

Until recently, the South Koreans have voiced a strong desire for reintegration with the North into one country (obviously under democratic rule). That wish no longer may exist among the younger So. Korean generation who realize to integrate will affect their own financial stability. Currently it is calculated that the average So. Korean is at least 40 times richer than the average No. Korean. They have absorbed the lessons from the painful integration of West and East Germany whose differential was only 3 times. Further, the So. Koreans are encountering financial instability in their own economy as global competition rises and global demand for their products decline. The stresses on So. Korean workers are unsettling. Housing costs in the overpopulated capital of Seoul are very expensive. The education to meet the demands of a technological society is expensive and highly competitive. Much of the serenity of the rural, Confucian agricultural past has been lost as South Korea heads toward a volatile and uncertain economic future.

For those who want to understand the future prospects for Korea, I recommend Andrei Lankov's book, “The Real North Korea” (2013). Lankov is a Russian Native who teaches in a So. Korean University. He predicts that change must come from within the society. He feels that the demise of the North Korean rule is inevitable with date uncertain. The book is available in Brevard Co. libraries.

Update: “Bloomberg Businessweek”, February 15-21, 2016, pg. 13.

“South Korea in December announced plans to establish a \$1.2 billion fund to help local shipping companies pay for new vessels they've ordered....Hyundai Heavy Industries, the world's biggest shipbuilder, said on Feb. 4 that it had suffered its ninth consecutive quarterly operating loss, following a \$1.4 billion loss in 2014. The recession in shipping is causing trade friction. Daewoo Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering is in the worst position among Korea's shipbuilders. Korea Development Bank and another state-owned lender, Export-Import Bank of Korea are leading a 4.2 trillion won bailout of Daewoo.”



Natural Resources (article continued from Page 5)

from our elected officials and we all fight for a clean Indian River Lagoon and to preserve our wildlife.

My granddaughter sent me the following quote:

“If you really think the environment is less important than the economy, try holding your breath while you count your money.” – Dr. Guy McPherson

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Local Government – Ron Bobay - Chair



There has been continued discussion concerning the proper placement of the Constitutional/Charter Officers in the organizational structure of local government with recommendations shared with the Governing Board of the LWVSC.

There has been continued discussion on the revenue caps contained in the current Brevard Charter of 3% or the Consumer Price Index whichever is the lesser. Fran Baer, our co-president spoke to the Brevard Charter Review

Commission encouraging them to address this matter at a recent meeting.



Culinary Arts Students and Chef Knight from Cocoa High School who served the delicious lunch on the day of our annual meeting.

~May Calendar – Members welcome at all meetings~

- Wednesday – May 4 Board Meeting – Large Room at Suntree Library 10 a.m.
- Wednesday – May 4 Timely Topic Event – 4Generations Community Seminar – Our Families “Four Generations: Challenges and Opportunities” at Eau Gallie Yacht Club – 1:30 pm. to 3:30 p.m. with speaker Jack LaVine (no cost)
- Tuesday – May 10 International Relations Group meeting at Satellite Beach Library 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Topic is Climate Geopolitics: The road to Paris and beyond led by Margee Smith.
- Tuesday – May 10 Celebrate the League 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Details are on Page 1.
- Tuesday – May 24 International Relations Group meeting at Satellite Beach Library 1 p.m to 3 p.m. Topic is Rise of ISIS led by Martha Bradshaw and we will have a general discussion.

Health Committee normally meets on 3rd Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at Suntree Library but please verify date with Jo Shim or Connie Dobrin – Health Committee Chairs.

Date and Time of Local Government Committee will be announced later.

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- Fund Raising/Finance
- Health Issues
- Hospitality/Events
- International Relations Study Group
- Justice
- Legislative Action
- Local Government/Observer Corps
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- Natural Resources
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ANNUAL DUES

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- \$85.00 for Household Membership
- \$25.00 for Student Membership