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National

[www.lwc.org](http://www.lwc.org)

Nationwide Election Information  
[www.VOTE411.org](http://www.VOTE411.org)

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## CALENDAR FOR APRIL AND MAY 2011

### APRIL

**7 FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON**, Charles Hemingway from Central Oregon Veteran Outreach, will speak about the current status of services for veterans. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at King Buffet..

**14 Board Meeting 10AM at the County Building.** All members welcome.

**21 ANNUAL MEETING** April 21st at 9:30 am at Sunrise Village Clubhouse. It will be a potluck lunch. The Annual Meeting Workbook will be sent out to members in early April with more details.

### MAY

**5 FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON** , Todd Dunkelberg, Director of the Deschutes County Library System.11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at King Buffet.,

**12 Board Meeting 10AM at the County Building.** All members welcome.

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# Presidents' Message

Dear League Members,

April is almost here, and we long for some spring-like days. But most of us in central Oregon realize that winter will hang around for quite a while, often until June. So, what do we do? We look forward to some very interesting activities this month.

For our First Thursday Luncheon on April 7<sup>th</sup> we will have Charles Hemingway from the Central Oregon Veterans Outreach as our speaker. Many members have expressed concerns about our veterans. We hope you all can come and hear about what services are available here for veterans and how much they are utilized.

Be sure to come to our Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 9:30 am (for coffee and rolls), followed by the meeting at 10 am. After the meeting we'll have lunch (please bring a salad) and then we will hear from Susan Wilson, the Secretary/Treasurer of LWVUS. We are honored to have a National Board member come here and we certainly look forward to her remarks.

We may also be having some candidate forums and/or educational forums in April. Check the calendar on the front page of this newsletter for details.

We hope you will try to attend all of these events and bring friends with you to introduce them to the League.

Anita Elliott and Dalyte Hartsough

## FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON

Charles Hemingway Hemingway is currently Executive Director Central Oregon Veteran Outreach,) Chuck of Central Oregon Veterans Outreach (COVO), a position he has held since May 2010. Prior to that time he was Case Manager for COVO's Veterans Housing Program, managing a transitional house of 6 homeless veterans.

Mr. Hemingway retired in 1994 following a 23-year career in the U.S. Army. He practiced law in the Washington, DC area for six years following his military retirement and moved to Oregon in 2001. Since moving to Oregon he has completed a Masters in Counseling degree with Oregon State University (Cascades Campus), worked with incarcerated youth at the Deschutes County Juvenile Community Justice Center, as an addictions counselor with a residential treatment program, as Case Manager with Bethlehem Inn. He began working for COVO in December 2009.

## Topics to be covered: (Current Status of Services for Veterans)

- Numbers of veterans in Deschutes, Crook & Jefferson Counties & services available
- Housing opportunities (HUD-VASH vouchers, transitional housing, permanent housing for homeless female veterans, housing in South County (LaPine), upcoming opportunities in Redmond, Madras, Prineville
- Pending grant applications for veterans housing.
- Transportation for veterans: DAV van to Portland Medical Center; local van to transport veterans to the local VA clinic
- Homeless Outreach: Medical Van project; Dental Van
- Supportive Services for Veteran Families grant with NeighborImpact

## There are still tickets left!!

# Announcing the LWVOR Raffle 2011 Win \$3000 For the Vacation Of Your Choice!

The LWVOR Raffle 2011 winner will arrange a dream vacation with a certificate of \$3000 to be applied to travel anywhere in the world through travel agent, Doug Walker, Walker Travel, [www.walkertravel.com](http://www.walkertravel.com).

Soon Raffle 2011 tickets will be available through your local League's Raffle Representative. Please buy tickets to introduce the League to non-League members, as a fundraiser for your local League, as gifts and towards an excellent vacation for two. The only restrictions are LWVOR board members and staff are not eligible to win, however their relatives are!

Each raffle ticket costs \$10.00 and only 2,000 tickets are printed for this statewide raffle.

The drawing will be held at the annual convention on **May 14**, 2011, Saturday night at 8 PM. The winner does not have to be present.

The Raffle will raise about \$15,000 after expenses for the prize, fees, postage, and printing, and has turned out to be an important revenue component to our budget. It raises funds to support Action activities and keeps convention costs and other expenses, such as PMP, down. It identifies non-members who are willing to support our programs.

Not only does this benefit LWVOR, but it also raises funds for local Leagues. If we sell the exact number of tickets as our total number of members, our League will receive \$1 back for each ticket sold. Tickets sold over the membership number will earn us a \$2 benefit per ticket sold. For example, if our total membership is 100 and we sell 120 tickets, our earnings will total \$140. That is, \$100 for the first 100 tickets sold plus 20 times \$2 = \$40, therefore the \$140 total. Raffle tickets will be available for sale in February. Please help LWVOR and our League by buying some for yourself and selling some to friends and family.

For more information contact **Eve McFarland at 541-389-5682**

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**FIRST THURSDAY LUNCHEON**

APRIL 7, 2011

**Charles Hemingway**

Executive Director Central Oregon Veteran  
Outreach

**11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

at ***King Buffet*** (formerly J.J.North's)  
2050 N.E. Third St., Bend (behind McDonald's)