



PASADENA RPEA CHAPTER 007 NEWSLETTER

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“California Ballot Propositions”

Robbie Davis - League of Women Voters

Thursday, October 8th, 2026 at 12:00 Noon

Villa Gardens Retirement Community

842 E. Villa Street, Pasadena

1st Floor Garden Room

Lunch – Free to RPEA members + 1 guest
(chance to win one of five - \$20 cash raffle w/RSVP by deadline)

California Ballot Propositions

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization working to protect and expand voting rights and ensure everyone is represented in our democracy.

The League of Women Voters, Pasadena Area, will present information and answer questions about measures on the November 3 General Election ballot. There may not be time to cover all 14 state measures but links to additional sources of League information will be provided. Long-time League member and former president Robbie Davis will be the speaker.

Reservations Required

Please call in your reservations by
Thursday, September 24

Beverly Knapp 626-797-6850
Walter White 626-359-5805

Or e-mail to blaberly48@gmail.com your reservation with “RPEA” in the subject line.

Valet Parking is available

The valet entrance is the driveway just west of the main entrance at the front of Villa Gardens. You may also park on the street or use public transportation. Be aware that street parking has many more restrictions than in the past.

Public Transportation:
MTA Bus Route 662
Pasadena ARTS Routes 20 or 40
Metro A (Gold) Line - Lake Station

Next Board of Directors meeting will be held at 1 pm on **Nov 10th** in the Fellowship Room of Trinity Lutheran Church. 997 E Walnut St., Pasadena.

Parking lot access is off Locust St. Please contact Michael Warner to confirm date and time or to get directions.

(All members are welcome to join.)

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Upcoming Chapter Meetings at Villa Gardens

October 8, 2026 Garden Room
December 10, 2026..... Garden Room

June Meeting Notes

President's Report: Michael introduced Catherine Jeppson, RPEA state secretary-treasurer who stated that Sacramento's concerns about the CalPERS Pension Fund was being well monitored and that they would keep us informed.

AAA Travel Advisory Presentation: A shift in AAA service from traditional travel agents to travel advisors, focusing on customized planning and vendor expertise. Membership is not required to book travel through AAA, though active members receive additional perks such as onboard credits ranging from \$50 to \$100 and specialized vouchers.

Accessibility and safety remain primary focuses for the advisory team. Cruises were specifically recommended for members with mobility concerns, as ships are equipped for scooters and elevators. AAA and their vendors monitor international safety conditions and will not send travelers to destinations deemed unsafe.

Travel opportunities includes a 2027 Japan cruise is currently available with pre-reserved cabins specifically timed for the cherry blossom season. A New Year's cruise itinerary was highlighted, covering southern Spain and Morocco. For land-based travel, AAA recommended Insight Vacations, noting their motor coaches provide six inches of additional legroom compared to industry standards.



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