

Vision & Voices

NEVADA WOMEN'S LOBBY **A VOICE FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES**
The Organization Dealing with Issues Concerning Women, Children and Families

NWL LOBBYIST BOBBIE GANG RETIRES

NWL's lobbyist Bobbie Gang has decided to retire after being our voice in Nevada's legislature for fifteen years and eight sessions. NWL contracted with Bobbie in 1991 and renewed her contract every session through 2005.

Bobbie remains an active member of NWL, serving on the Steering Committee. Bobbie says, "I believe NWL will benefit from fresh ideas and strategies that a new lobbyist will bring to our efforts. I resign with admiration for the leaders and supporters of NWL, their mission and ideals. I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and challenges of working as lobbyist for NWL through eight legislative sessions and I know our efforts will continue with success in the years to come."

NWL's steering committee thanks Bobbie for her dedication and steadfast belief in the principles the Lobby stands for. Bobbie's knowledge of the issues and absolute integrity in supporting our positions have established an excellent reputation for the Lobby. She has given us credibility and standing in Nevada policy-making.

During the next few months NWL will conduct interviews with candidates interested in this position. See the announcement for our lobbyist position on this page. Please let us know of your interest and help disseminate this information to others.



NWL LOBBYIST POSITION AVAILABLE



The Nevada Women's Lobby (NWL) is seeking a Lobbyist for the 2007 Legislative Session. NWL is a statewide non-partisan coalition of individuals and organizations concerned about issues affecting women and families.

The successful candidate will have a broad knowledge of the legislative process in Nevada, strong written and oral communication skills, ability to work with volunteers, legislators, organizations and coalitions, demonstrated strategizing and negotiating skills, and commitment to NWL values which include dedication to equity, non-violence and reproductive choice. NWL works for stronger laws in key areas that include child care, child and family violence, health care, mental health, the elderly, families in poverty, reproductive rights, justice and equity for all, individual liberties, education and juvenile justice.

Salary is negotiable as an Independent Contractor. Letter of Interest and resume should be sent ASAP but no later than July 1, 2006 to NWL, P.O. Box 5565, Reno, NV, 89513.

More information about NWL, our Principles of Unity and our issues can be found at www.nevadawomenslobby.org. Telephone inquires to our voice mail: (702) 615-2383.

TASC PETITION - DECLINE TO SIGN

Paid signature gatherers are already busy trying to get the TASC proposal on Nevada's ballot. Under the banner of limiting growth in taxes and spending, TASC's limits could cause damaging cuts in vital services such as schools, health care, transportation, and police and fire protection.

TASC would limit future growth in Nevada expenditures to annual changes in population plus inflation. Any further growth would require voter approval. Health care would be especially impacted under TASC, as costs have been growing at rates much greater than inflation. One disturbing aspect buried in this long and complicated proposal changes the way votes will be counted on all future tax related ballot questions. If a voter chooses not to vote on a question, that will automatically be counted as a "no" vote.

NWL's position is that TASC is a severe threat to current safety net programs for Nevada families, and would make any new initiatives virtually impossible to undertake. TASC is especially threatening on top of the recent major cuts in federal funding of Nevada's safety net programs. It could hold services at this low level indefinitely.

Spread the word. Encourage your friends and neighbors to look into the facts and DECLINE TO SIGN. The more they hear about the proposal, the less they'll like it.

READY, SET, VOTE

Nevada's primary election has many critical races this year, especially with the broad spectrum of candidates in the Gubernatorial race.

Stop those candidates at your door and elsewhere, and ask them about the issues you care about and what you want them to accomplish. Encourage others to register to vote and to do early voting. Here are some important facts:

Primary Election: August 15 (Note Nevada's new early primary)

Must register by July 15 by mail; 7/25 in person. Early voting: 7/29 through 8/11

General Election: November 7

Must register by 10/7 by mail; 10/17 in person. Early voting 10/21 through 11/3

Early voting can be done at county offices or at numerous locations in the community (watch your newspaper). For those vacationing in August or October, absentee ballots must be requested in writing from county offices. Voter registration applications can be downloaded online and mailed: www.fec.gov/votregis/pdf/nvra.pdf. Get lists of candidates and more voting information at <http://sos.state.nv.us/nvelection/faq.htm>.



Return Service Requested

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our success in the legislature representing your priority issues depends greatly on our members, their dues and donations. Please become a member and help us represent Nevada's women and families. ■ ■ ■ ■

NWL Principles of Unity

Nevada Women's Lobby is a voice for women and children. We are dedicated to equity, non-violence and reproductive choice.

The lives of all people are inherently valuable and worthy of respect and dignity; therefore, we actively work to remove barriers of race, class, age, gender, religion, physical ability and sexual orientation.

Beginning with our own actions and language, we promote non-violence in all aspects of personal, economic and organizational relationships.

We support every woman's right to reproductive choice and self-determination.

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ITEMS NEEDED - NWL YARD SALES

Your yard sale items can assist NWL's lobbying efforts. In the north, NWL will participate in the Hidden Valley community-wide annual yard sale August 19, and in the south another garage sale is planned at a date to be announced. Please help us by donating your gently-used, but no longer necessary, items (no adult clothing, please). Donors will be provided with an estimate of item value if requested.

Donations will be accepted starting July 1. To arrange for donation drop-off or to volunteer to help with the sales, please call (775) 856-3662 or (702) 615-2383.



2006 Membership
Nevada Women's Lobby
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NWL is a statewide organization

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Dues:

Individual \$40
 Living Lightly \$15
 Sustaining \$100
 Circle of Empowerment \$250
 Organization \$75

Donation: \$ _____ (thank you!)

NWL dues & donations are not tax deductible.

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