

LWV of Dakota County

Member/Public Meeting
December 3, 2019



Welcome!



- Mix, mingle & socialize
- Enjoy some refreshments
- Explore opportunities within LWV Dakota County
- Get your questions answered
- Talk with leaders of various activities within LWVDC
- Talk with leaders from LWV Minnesota

We will have a brief meeting and presentation 6:00-6:30!



Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Call to Order
- Nonpartisan Policy Reminder
- LWV Minnesota presentation by Sue Hnastchenko
- Local League Application project update
- Member Survey
- Resume open house
- Conclude at 7:30PM



Nonpartisan Reminder

- Keep your comments non-partisan. **Talk about ideas – not partisan labels.**
- **Promote political actions that are not party-specific** such as researching a topic, educating voters or contacting lawmakers in general regarding an issue.
- **Refrain from endorsing or opposing specific candidates or elected officials.**
- **Only state facts, not judgments about the facts**, when it is not possible to avoid mentioning a specific candidate, lawmaker, or party.
- **Avoid discussing your individual activities supporting or opposing any candidate or party.**





LEAGUE OF
WOMEN VOTERS®
MINNESOTA

LWV Minnesota

A Century of Civic Engagement



Welcome!



SUE HNASTCHENKO

Membership Chair

Sue, after recently downsizing and returning to her roots, is once again a resident of Minneapolis and a member of LWV Minneapolis.

She embraces living in the city and enjoys walking and biking around the lakes, exploring new neighborhoods and sketching in her journal. She joined LWV South Tonka in 2011 because she wanted to become a more informed citizen and participate in the political process in a nonpartisan way. After meeting the amazing and inspiring women of South Tonka, she joined the board.

Over the last eight years, she has worked on expanding membership, defeating the Voter ID amendment, planning LWV community events, and ushering through a briefing paper on the effect of neonicotinoids on honey bees. During this time, she also worked at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts and chaired the Excelsior Art on the Lake event.

LWV has proven to be a wonderful and educational experience for her and she looks forward to contributing in new and challenging ways.

Welcome!



Dec. 7 Event Regarding History of the Women's Suffrage Movement

[Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church](#) in Apple Valley will host an event regarding the history of the women's suffrage movement in Minnesota on Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. to noon. The keynote speaker will be [Michelle Witte](#), Executive Director of LWV Minnesota. The church is located at [12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd in Apple Valley](#). More information is available [here](#).



100 Years Strong!



Education for Democracy

**ALL THIS
COMES OF
TEACHING
GIRLS
TO READ**

LWV Minnesota: 100 Years Strong!



University of Minnesota Woman's Suffrage Club



Voter registration volunteers at a naturalization ceremony

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Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.

Check out our websites!



Please take time to look at all the great opportunities available to you here locally by browsing the tables tonight, and also perusing your LWV Dakota County Website at www.lwvdakotacounty.org.

Also, take a look at all the activities and resources available to local Leagues on the LWV Minnesota State Website at www.lwvmn.org.



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Governance



ANNUAL REPORT

Aligned with our fiscal years, this most recent biennial report highlights 2016-2017.
Published August 2018

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NONPARTISAN POLICY

LWV Minnesota is a nonpartisan organization. We never support or oppose political parties or candidates for elected office.

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DEI POLICY

LWV Minnesota is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in principle and in practice.

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At the State Level...



State & Local Advocacy



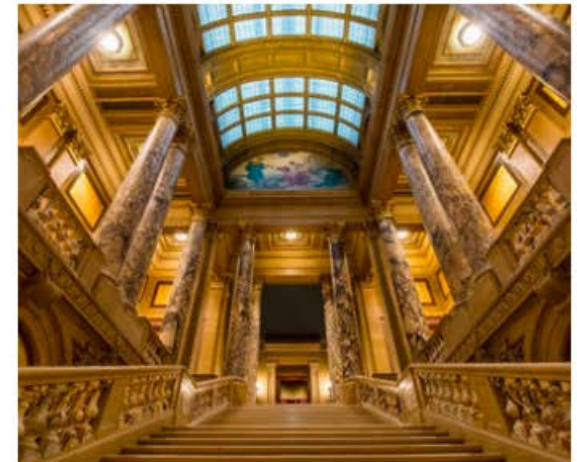
OBSERVER CORPS & LOBBY CORPS

These structured programs offer a way for individuals to exercise their right to know by becoming a volunteer lobbyist.



CAPITOL LETTER & ACTION ALERTS

Recurring publications that provide reports and updates on what is happening in the current legislative session.



PROGRAM FOR ACTION

LWV Minnesota's positions on a broad range of public policy issues (which also includes LWV US's positions) are its *Program For Action*.

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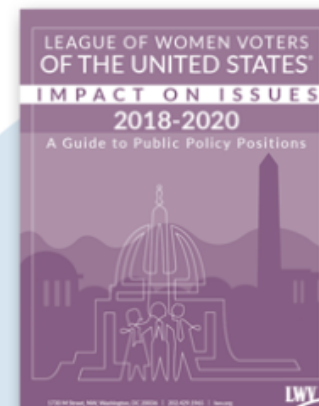
Help us Advocate!



Our Positions

Program For Action • 2019–2021

LWV Minnesota's positions on a broad range of public policy issues are its *Program For Action*. Because LWV Minnesota is part of LWV United States, it automatically adopts all positions within their *Impact on the Issues* publication. Our *Program For Action* provides an overview of the US positions alongside the state-specific positions LWV Minnesota has adopted as well.



The 2020 Elections are WOW!



Voter Engagement



CANDIDATE FORUMS

Nonpartisan forums provide the public an opportunity to hear first-hand from candidates running for state or local offices.



NEW CITIZEN CEREMONIES

LWV Minnesota has a presence at naturalization ceremonies across the state, helping new citizens register to vote.



VOTER REGISTRATION

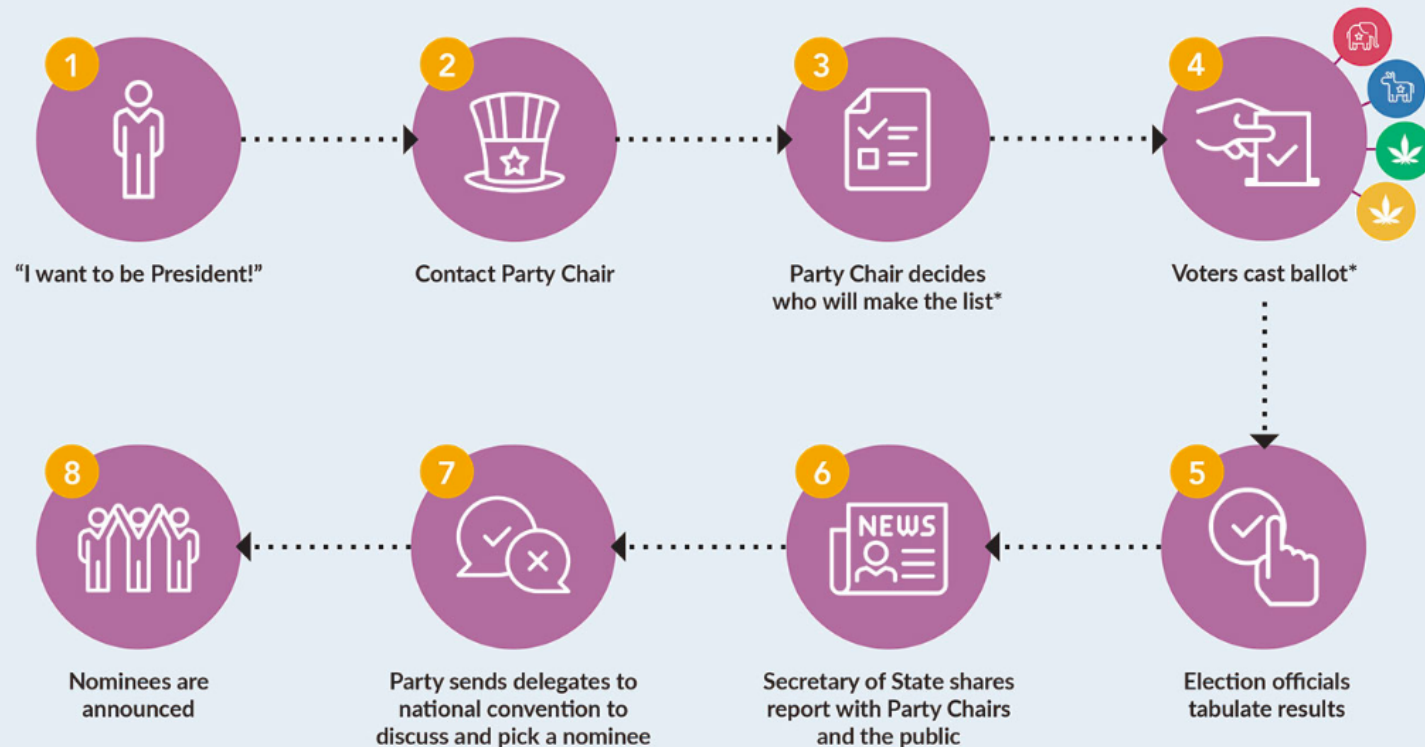
Having a presence at community events and local high schools and colleges allows us to engage with and register eligible voters.

Presidential Primary on 3/3



SUMMARY

The presidential nominating primary is a process by which voters cast a vote for their preferred presidential candidate on a ballot of their preferred major political party. The day for the presidential nominating primary is March 3 (also known as "Super Tuesday"), but early voting begins January 17. The result of the presidential nominating primary may affect who appears on the ballot in November.



Help with Voter Service!



Voting Information

We're also launching the Vote411 Voter guide across the state and will be assisting voters with their questions all year long.

You can help with data entry, candidate forums, printed local voter guides - our elections need YOU!

The screenshot displays a grid of six interactive cards, each featuring a purple silhouette of Minnesota. The cards are arranged in two rows of three. Each card includes a title, a brief description, and a call-to-action button. The first card, 'REGISTER TO VOTE', shows a ballot icon. The second, 'MN VOTING INFORMATION', shows a ballot box icon. The third, 'YOUR BALLOT', shows a ballot icon. The fourth, 'VOTE 411', features a speech bubble icon with the text 'VOTE 411'. The fifth, 'MNVOTES.ORG', shows a person at a podium icon. The sixth, 'NEED TO CALL SOMEONE?', shows a magnifying glass icon.

REGISTER TO VOTE	MN VOTING INFORMATION	YOUR BALLOT
It only takes two minutes to register to vote (or to check if you're already registered).	View important election dates and candidate forums, find a polling location, and more.	What's on your ballot? Enter your address to get personalized, local voting information.
Register Now	Learn More	Learn More

VOTE 411	MNVOTES.ORG	NEED TO CALL SOMEONE?
An initiative of LWV Education Fund, Vote411 contains comprehensive election info.	As an alternate resource, try The Minnesota Secretary of State's website.	Contact your local election office with voting issues, including absentee ballots.
Visit Website	Visit Website	Find Now

A Renewed Interest in Civics 101



Civic Education



YOUTH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Young people get an opportunity to engage with their government and learn about democracy alongside their peers.

[Learn More](#)



ISSUE & EDUCATION FORUMS

Local Leagues around the state conduct Issue and Education forums to help their communities understand what's at stake.



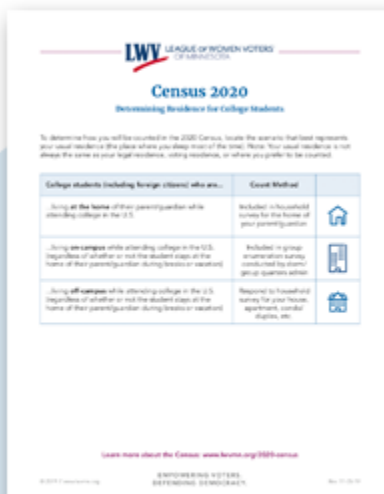
STUDIES & PUBLICATIONS

LWV Minnesota conducts periodic studies about important issues with regards to voting, the election process, and the legislature.

Action Kits & Tools



LWV Minnesota has a lot of action kits and tools for local Leagues to help them provide great Civics support to their communities. Here's an example of a piece from our Census tool kit. You can download this flyer and make it available at local colleges!



2020 CENSUS - DETERMINING RESIDENCE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Download and print this one-page, 8.5 x 11 flyer to use as a handout and/or resource when interfacing with college students.

[Download PDF](#)

Our Centennial Continues



AUGUST 26-27, 2020

Minnesota State Fair

Celebrate Women's Equality Day, and the first woman's vote nationwide here in Minnesota, with a special day of voter and civic engagement at the State Fair on August 27!



SEPTEMBER 2020

Minnesota History Center

The Centennial will be featured in a special exhibit at the Minnesota History Center, being planned for a September 2020 opening.



WATCH OUR 2-MINUTE VIDEO

In this quick, two-minute video, we'll walk you through our five-part series celebrating 100 years of women's right to vote.

BE PART OF OUR CENTENNIAL

To get involved, email: info@lwvmn.org

Website resources available

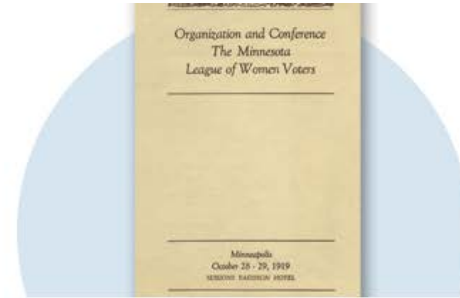


Recap of the Evening



EVENT PROGRAM (2019)

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INAUGURAL PROGRAM (1919)

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EVENING PROGRAM & SPEAKERS VIDEO

[Watch Video](#)



GALLERY OF PHOTOS

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Statewide Activities



Traveling Exhibit

Quick Links



WHERE CAN I SEE THE EXHIBIT?

Plan your visit by exploring this list of locations around the state.

[Explore Locations](#)



CENTENNIAL TOOLKIT

Use our toolkit for ideas to help plan and celebrate the Centennial.

[Browse Toolkit](#)

About the Exhibit

A CENTURY OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT: LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MINNESOTA

To celebrate the 19th Amendment's centennial year, LWV Minnesota created a traveling exhibit to recognize the organization's mission and history over the past century. Exhibit visitors will discover that:

Great time for us to Partner! **LWV**

Planning Partners



All local Leagues will get to exhibit!



MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



HER FIGHT OUR RIGHT

Minnesota women shifted the political landscape before and after the passage of the 19th Amendment.

Inspired by their stories, what actions will **you** take to shape our democracy?



MINNESOTA
HISTORY
CENTER

345 W. KELLOGG BLVD., ST. PAUL

EXHIBIT OPENS
SEPTEMBER 2020



Keep your eyes open!



League Calendar

Welcome to our calendar.

Anoka County History Center Exhibit

Jan 19, 2019 - Dec 31, 2019

Member Workshops

Dec 7, 2019 10 AM - 1 PM
Park Rapids [See Map](#)

Citizenship Ceremony: Register New Citizens to Vote!

Dec 11, 2019 10 AM
St Paul [See Map](#)

LWV of Minnesota Board of Directors Meeting

Dec 16, 2019 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Citizenship Ceremony: Register New Citizens to Vote!

Dec 17, 2019 10:30 AM
St Paul [See Map](#)

Citizenship Ceremony: Register New Citizens to Vote!

Dec 17, 2019 1:45 PM
St Paul [See Map](#)

Citizenship Ceremony: Register New Citizens to Vote!

Jan 14, 2020 10:30 AM
St Paul [See Map](#)

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Use the criteria below to filter your results.

Show Keywords On or After:

12/2/2019

Meeting Type:

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**SAVE THE
DATE!**

April 25, 2020

**LWV
Minnesota
State Council
Meeting at
Brookview
Golden
Valley.**

Your Next Step?
Become a true Local League!



Join Your Local League

There's never been a better time to join the League of Women Voters. We've seen the Year of the Woman in 2018, the rise of the Me Too Movement, and an unprecedented increase in women running for office. Women are on the move! The League is nonpartisan and open to all genders age 16+ years, and to both citizens and non-citizens. *You can make a difference. Vote, learn, advocate, or run.*



Local League Application Project Update

Lead/Spokesperson: Paula Stein Clark

- Project is underway!
- Significant components:
 - Bylaws development
 - Nonpartisan policy development
 - Board development
- Mark your calendar for 6:00PM on Tuesday, January 7, 2020—our member meeting will focus on this application, with important information—please plan to attend or if you cannot attend, please make time to watch the video replay.



Upcoming Member Survey

Lead/Spokesperson: Paula Stein Clark

- Self-assessment
- Important decisions about how LWV Dakota County looks and operates in the future
- We need your input!
 - What initially brought you to LWV?
 - What do you value most?
 - What do you see as our highest priority activities?
- Please respond to the member survey that will be out by Sunday, 12/8!
- You will be helping to set the course!



Action Items



- Respond to the member survey
- Follow us on our website, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube!
- Join LWV and tell a friend! **Everyone is on the membership committee!**
- Volunteer and get involved!
- Sign up for LWVMN's Capitol Letter
- Sign up for LWVUS and LWVMN Action Alerts



Wrap Up

- Next LWV of Dakota County meeting will be **Tuesday, January 7, 2020** at Burnhaven Library, with Mix & Mingle beginning at **5:30 p.m.** and the regular meeting beginning at **6:00PM.**

Resume Open House!



Thanks for being here!



****Members** please drop your name badge at the check-in table when you leave!

