



THE VOTER

League of Women Voters - Crystal, New Hope, East Plymouth

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Board Meetings

Wed, September 4, 6:30 p.m.
 Kathy Smrekar, 763-544-6433
 @ Rockford Road Library
 6401 42nd Ave N, Crystal

Wed., October 2, 6:30 p.m.
 Sara Utt, 763-545-5390
 8316 29th Ave N, New Hope

Wed., November 6, 6:30 p.m.
 Sue Isenhardt, 763-545-8562
 3205 Gettysburg Ave N,
 New Hope

LWVUS News

The League of Women Voters announced the newly redesigned VOTE411.org, the most trusted nonpartisan election website used by more than five million voters in 2018. Since 2006, the League of Women Voters Education Fund has operated VOTE411 providing registration deadlines and tools, absentee and early voting information, polling place location, voting hours, and more.

MONEY & POLITICS



Join us on Thursday,
 September 19, 2019
 at 7:00 pm
(6:30 pm Social)

New Hope City Hall
 Council Chambers
 4401 Xylon Ave N., New Hope



Speaker: State Senator John Marty

Reducing the influence of big money in our politics makes our elections fairer. Voters have the right to know who is raising money for which political candidates, how much money they are raising and how that money is being spent. Our elections should be free from corruption and undue influence and should work so that everyday Americans can run for office, even if they aren't well connected to wealthy special interests.

Senator Marty is best known to Minnesota residents as an advocate on environmental issues, health-care reform, and government ethics and campaign-finance reform. Marty does not accept soft money contributions or contributions from lobbyists, and he sharply limits the contributions he will accept from any one person. Among Marty's ethics legislation was the Minnesota law banning lobbyists from giving gifts to public officials.

Membership News

Welcome our newest member, Sheila Webb!

Sheila joined our organization last month. I met with her for coffee and enjoyed getting to know her. Sheila is energized and passionate about community education.

Sheila is married with three adult kids and eight grandkids. She has a graduate degree in Social Work from the University of Minnesota and started working in the field of social services in 1996. Her career has consisted of employment with Salvation Army Harbor Lights, Simpson Housing Services, Hennepin County Child Services, The Wilder Foundation and she is currently in her 6th year with Minneapolis Public Schools as a School Social Worker.

She enjoys spending time with family and friends, reading, writing, listening to music and watching documentaries.

"I'm passionate about HUMANITY. I'm an advocate of human rights, equity and education. I love working with families with children, it's been amazing to have had the privilege to meet so many different people in my work; learning various customs, beliefs, traditions and values. We can learn so much from each other, if only we'd rest our fears and increase openness."

Sheila decided to join the League to become more knowledgeable about policies and to be an active participant around its mission. She wants to be an advocate for the importance of learning public policies and exercising one's right to vote.

Membership Dues Reminder

For those of you who were unable to attend the Annual Meeting, please remember to send in your annual dues. I will be sending out additional reminders.

Thank you,
Michelle Jayne
Membership Chair 2018-20



CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES

The Federal Court year is October 1st - September 30th, and they have increased the number of large Citizenship Ceremonies to catch up on the backlog of immigrants seeking to obtain citizenship. As a result, since October 1st, 2018 we have registered over 8,500 new citizens. With several large ceremonies scheduled before the end of the court year, we are on target to have the largest number registered in any one year since 2007!

Oct. 8th, 2019 10:30 am and 1:45 pm at RiverCentre, 175 W Kellogg Blvd, St Paul

Nov. 5th, 2019 10:30 am and 1:45 pm at RiverCentre, 175 W Kellogg Blvd, St Paul

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Judy Stuthman at jastuthman@aol.com.

Celebrating 100 Years of Empowering Voters!



100th Anniversary “First Night” Gala

When:

Saturday, October 26, 2019 – 5:00 pm

Where:

Union Depot in Saint Paul

Tickets:

Tickets are not on sale yet.

What:

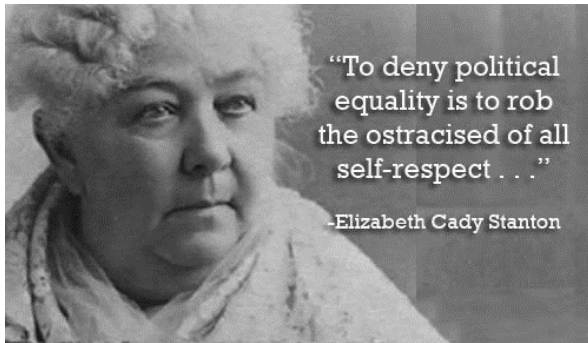
Our “First Night” gala celebrates the first night of the second century of the League of Women Voters Minnesota while also commemorating the first 100 years.

<https://www.lwvmn.org/gala>



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LWV-CNHEP Celebrates Locally!



**Join us on Friday,
November 15th,
5:30-7:30 pm
to celebrate the League’s
100th Anniversary**

“Heroes paving the way — from Cady Stanton through present day”

New Hope Golf Course Party Room
8130 Bass Lake Road, New Hope

STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SEPTEMBER**
- National Hispanic Heritage Month*
- 4 Board Meeting**, Kathy Smrekar, host, 6:30 pm
Rockford Road Library
- 4** Citizenship Ceremonies, 10:30 a.m., 1:45 p.m.,
RiverCentre, St. Paul
- 8 Minnesota Women’s Suffrage Day, 12-5 p.m., State Capitol & Women’s Suffrage Memorial, St. Paul**
- 9 Robbinsdale ‘Meet & Greet’**, LWV booth, 5-8 p.m.
- 19 “Money and Politics”, State Senator John Marty**,
6:30 pm social, 7 p.m. program, New Hope City Hall Council Chambers
- 24 National Voter Registration Day**, register students at
Cooper/Armstrong HS, 10:30 am-12:30pm
- OCTOBER**
- National Cyber Security Awareness Month*
- 2 Board Meeting**, Sara Utt, host, 6:30 pm
Rockford Road Library
- 26 LWVMN 100th Anniversary Gala, 5 p.m., Union Depot, St. Paul, ‘The First Night of our Second Century’**
- NOVEMBER**
- National Native American Heritage Month*
- 2 Presidential Primary Caucus**
- 5 Election Day**
- 6 Board Meeting**, Sue Isenhardt, host, 6:30 pm
Rockford Road Library
- 9 West Metro Meeting, 9:30 am, South Shore Center, Minnetonka, “Primaries and Caucuses**
- 15 “Heroes paving the way — from Cady Stanton through present day”, LWV-CNHEP celebration, 5:30-7:30 p.m., New Hope Golf Course Party Room**



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