

## **LWV Candidate Forums**

Spread the word on the candidate forums!

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### **Know the Candidates for the Nov. 2 Election: YouTube Videos of Candidate Forums!**

The League of Women Voters – White Bear Lake Area [www.lwv-wbla.org](http://www.lwv-wbla.org) conducted Candidate Forums by zoom for the Nov. 2 election for the following community elections: Mahtomedi City Council and School Board, and White Bear Lake City Council, School Board, and Mayor. Inform yourself on candidate positions by watching the forums on YouTube. Search for League of Women Voters White Bear Lake. And then **REMEMBER TO VOTE!**

## **Mark Your Calendar:**

**October 18 (7:00-8:00 PM)**

### **Local Redistricting: Redistricting in Washington County**

Jennifer Wagenius, Washington County (MN) Deputy Administrator, will discuss the redistricting process in Washington County. She will also give an overview of the services provided by the county, and the new census data and how it impacts our county. Paul Huffman, LWV MN Redistricting Coordinator and LWV WCGA Voter Outreach Director, will give a redistricting update from the LWV Minnesota. This is a public meeting - all are welcome! Zoom webinar registration link: <https://lwvmn->

### ***Sponsors: Woodbury-Cottage Grove Area LWV and White Bear Lake Area LWV***

Of special interest to our members in Washington County. LWV-WBLA has joined with the Woodbury-Cottage Grove LWV to send a letter to Washington County Commissioners asking that they adopt the proposed 2022 Redistricting Principles, which includes a new section on "Public Participation and Review."

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**October 23 (10:00 AM – 4:00 PM)**

### **Civic Saturday at the MN History Center and LWVMN Birthday Party!**

LWVMN invites us to join them to celebrate their partnership with the Minnesota History Center on the "Extraordinary Women" exhibit, as well as the "Votes For Women" online exhibit. Meet women from today and yesteryear as we celebrate 102 years of civic engagement by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota.

Kick off the day at 10:30 am in the 3M Auditorium with State Auditor Julie Blaha, celebrating LWVMN's birthday and featuring reflections from LWV's own former legislators Mindy Greiling and Peggy Leppik, along with Helen Bassett and Rose McGee.

Following the presentation, head up to the 3rd floor and view the "Extraordinary Women" exhibit and special cases featuring artifacts from the League's 102 year history. Visit tables to make your own button, participate in a kid's voting activity, learn about the League's work with the Mapping Prejudice Project and Just Deeds, and other civic opportunities. And don't forget birthday cupcakes at noon!

*Please note that masks and social distancing will be required in the auditorium and throughout the building. Event admission and parking fees apply.*

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### **October 26 (noon)**

#### **Ensuring Black Voters Matter - LaTosha Brown**

The co-founder of Black Voters Matter will discuss turning grassroots activism into political power and the extent of voter suppression efforts launched since the 2020 elections.

***Sponsor: Westminster Town Hall Forum (In-person and Zoom). Register: [westminsterforum.org](https://www.westminsterforum.org)***

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### **October 26 (7:00-8:00 PM)**

#### **Equity and Accessibility in Voting: Barriers to the Polls for Young Voters**

A panel of advocates will explore and describe barriers to voting for those aged 18-29.

***Sponsors: League of Women Voters of St. Paul, League of Women Voters of White Bear Lake Area***

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### **November 9 (6:30-8:00 PM)**

#### **Youth Civic Engagement – LWVWBLA Monthly Members Meeting**

Plan to attend the live viewing of young adult videos produced by our Century College filmmaker and talk with student leaders from Century College and White Bear Lake who are working on voter education projects as part of our League's grant from Ramsey County Voters Services. Free food and drinks.

Watch for details of this event in the November BEAR FACTS!