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## October Mental Health Book Talk

League member Mindy Greiling's memoir, *Fix What You Can: Schizophrenia and a Lawmaker's Fight for Her Son*, will be the topic of discussion at the Tuesday, October 20, League meeting. The book, which launches in October and is published by the University of Minnesota Press, chronicles her family's experience and legislative work in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

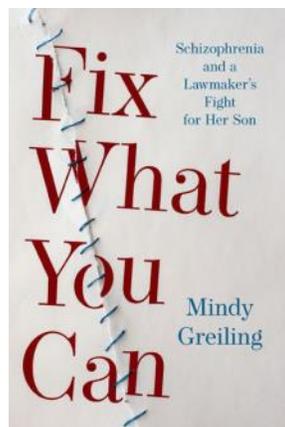
Sue Abderholden, executive director for NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Minnesota's largest provider of family and public education and support and the state's strongest mental illness advocacy organization, will provide additional remarks about the book and our mental health system.

The meeting is co-sponsored by the Ramsey County Library Roseville and NAMI Ramsey. League member Florence Sprague will moderate.

Books will be available for purchase online through Subtext Books after the 6:30 p.m. virtual meeting that is free and open to the public. You must register to access the event at this link: [zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_T7143419TRq3IPjKuORdRg](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_T7143419TRq3IPjKuORdRg)



Mindy Greiling with her son, Jim



LWVMN conducted a comprehensive study of our state's mental health system in 1989, resulting in a position that is timely today:

*Support a comprehensive and coordinated system of programs and services for mentally ill adults and emotionally disturbed children and adolescents. Priority should be given to persons with serious and persistent mental illness or acute mental illness. Public policy and funding should sustain an array of community based services which are available and accessible to persons with mental illness. Administration of that policy should provide clients with appropriate and adequate services.*

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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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Since joining the LWV of Roseville Area Board, I've been awed by how many members and partners are involved behind the scenes of our seemingly seamless programs and services. This year, those members within each of our teams have responded repeatedly to necessary changes to pre-planned events. In a flurry of emails, phone calls, Zoom meetings, and even a few safe conversations between neighbors, formats were changed, advertising was updated, and participants and viewers were notified. Here, I will describe just those activities I've heard about, with respect to the Maplewood Mayor and City Council candidate forum and our September program offering.

The State League, justifiably concerned about issues of fairness related to unreliable Zoom connections, and lack of control over props and backgrounds, hinted that maybe we didn't need to do forums this year in those cases where a safe in-person gathering wasn't possible. Forum coordinators Teresa Wernecke and Cecilia Warner didn't take the hint. Believing that a large field of candidates made it all the more important for residents to have the opportunity to hear their candidates' positions, they found a way for the Maplewood Mayor and City Council forum and District 43 forum to occur virtually.

With little more than a week to go before the first scheduled forum, Cecilia and Teresa proposed options and sought feedback from Board members. Choosing phone-in Zoom, based on the experience of Maplewood city staff partners, they set to work. All Maplewood city candidates responded positively to Cecilia's phone calls. Experienced moderator Linda McLoon practiced the unfamiliar format, becoming comfortable with not being able to see the candidates. Mary Peterson and Barb Anderson advertised the forum and solicited questions for Linda to sort through, select and organize. Thank you to the league members who offered questions!

On forum evening, Maplewood city staff members Joe Sheeran, Mycahl Fowlds, and Kevin Schmitz worked their technology, including to provide names and photographs of speakers to viewers, while Cecilia checked telephone connections and served as voiceover timer. When I logged on to the city website for the live event, I saw a smoothly run forum where candidates expressed their views in response to Linda's questions. Phew! See Voter Services Team Leader Karen Lake's article for a summary of candidate forums, and photos of moderators in action ([page 6](#)).

When Florence Sprague took over Program Committee responsibilities from Bonnie Koch this summer, one of the key goals was to reschedule the 100-year anniversary program, highlighting Josie Johnson's community organizing with LWV, featuring both Josie Johnson and Carolyn Holbrook, one of Josie's co-authors of a book about this work. Originally scheduled for April, Mindy Greiling reconfigured a COVID-19 compatible event for September – a task requiring Mindy's unique blend of charm and persistence. Since Josie was unable to participate in the new schedule, the program now featured Carolyn alone, providing background for both the co-authored book and her own recently published book, in conversation with our member Marquita Stephens.

Plans for the event were developed further with Ramsey County Library Roseville staff member Carrie Lyons. An unexpected advertising partner, LWV of Woodbury/Cottage Grove, added to revised promotions by the library in addition to Rachel Geiser's Voter newsletter, Barb Leary's flyer, Mary Peterson's eBlast, and all the other connections of Mary's and Barb Anderson's Communications Committee. On program night, the library's Jason Lyons smoothly ran the webinar technology, and Florence set the stage with welcoming remarks. Marquita's outstanding preparation was evident as she led Carolyn Holbrook through an intimate and inspirational view of her and Josie's experiences (see the recap on [page 7](#)).

Our members and partners continue to go above and beyond. Thank you to everyone, and everyone stay safe!



**Barb Barany**

## Undoing History

By Florence Sprague

*“It is not your responsibility to finish the work of perfecting the world,  
but you are not free to desist from it either.” Rabbi Tarfon, Pirke Avot 2:21*

History is messy. It is full of armies marching across continents leaving death, destruction and bastard babies in their wakes; empires rising and falling; winners, losers. Long past injuries sometimes surface to create support for current conflicts. It is easy to inflame tempers in times of uncertainty when cultural identity is redefined to accentuate differences and grievances. Certainly there has been more than enough injustice and cruelty in the past to make us all feel like victims in some context.

But some injuries are still more grievous than others.

We are living in an unusual time in this country. Perhaps quite a remarkable time. We are being asked, or are asking ourselves, to actively address the evils, injustice, harm, and destruction of the past instead of just moving on. We cannot erase the damage caused by the earlier immigrant and invader founders of this nation, by our ancestors, by our nation, in the past, but we can try to face it.

One immense injury is the forced transport and enslavement of millions of Africans. Another is the land theft, genocide, and cultural destruction committed against Native Americans.

Such huge, historical injuries can take your breath away and turn your stomach while making you feel helpless. They are so big! They are so long ago! How can anything be done without destroying everything?

I don't have an answer. I am still just wading in, with my feet freezing in the cold water, feeling overwhelmed. Here are a couple of views to consider.

- [nytimes.com/2020/06/18/us/politics/reparations-slavery.html?searchResultPosition=1](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/18/us/politics/reparations-slavery.html?searchResultPosition=1)
- [theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/](https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/)

We have let the injuries fester for so many years. South Africa did not wait so long to put its Truth and Reconciliation process in place. I don't know the details of it, but my impression is that it was helpful and somewhat cleansing. But could it happen here?

I attended a webinar on restorative justice recently. One speaker referenced Rozella Haydee White, author of *Love Big: The Power of Revolutionary Relationships to Heal the World*, and shared a quote that highlights another aspect. “But true reconciliation requires facing hard truths head-on and giving back what was taken from Black and Indigenous people, honoring the labor that built this country and created generational wealth for white Americans. Any other starting point is bullshit and doesn't honor the very people you want to be in relationship with.”

If that were not hard enough to work with, she goes on to note that, “As a Black woman, I can't name a time when people of color were in life-giving, reciprocal, and uplifting relationships with our white counterparts. This time has never existed, yet we talk about being reconciled as if there's a former reality we can recreate.”

So... we are trying to build something totally new to all of us.

It is a daunting challenge...opportunity...burden...that we cannot just leave to future generations. We must find a way to contribute to the repair, because as Ta-Nehisi Coates says in *The Atlantic* (article linked above), “Two hundred fifty years of slavery. Ninety years of Jim Crow. Sixty years of separate but equal. Thirty-five years of racist housing policy. Until we reckon with our compounding moral debts, America will never be whole.”



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## CMAL Parks Event

By Karen Schaffer

The Council of Metropolitan Area Leagues of Women Voters (CMAL) will host a Zoom program on the metro-area parks and trail system on Saturday, October 17, at 10 a.m.

Speakers will be Emmett Mullin, Manager of the Metropolitan Council's Regional Parks and Natural Resources program, and Holly Jenkins, representing Wilderness in the City – Preserving Urban Natural Areas. All League members in the metro area are invited to watch the presentations and engage in the Q&A. RSVP to Marti Micks at [marthaal60@msn.com](mailto:marthaal60@msn.com) and she will send you a Zoom link!

# Voter Services—Voting Resources and Reminders



- **Keep an Eye on the Clock!** Absentee ballots must be postmarked by election day, November 3, and received at your local elections office (the address on your ballot envelope) by November 10. The US Postal Service recommends that ballots be mailed at least one week ahead of the election to ensure that they are received in time. *Earlier Is Better!*

It's a good idea to verify three or four days after mailing that your absentee ballot was received!

- Go to [mnvotes.org](https://mnvotes.org), click Other Ways to Vote, then click Track your absentee ballot.
- You can also call your county elections office (Ramsey County is 651-266-2171).

Contact your county elections office to learn the location of in-person early voting sites, the option for which began on September 18. (Ramsey County: [ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting/voters/vote-election-day/vote-person](https://ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting/voters/vote-election-day/vote-person))

- **Vote 411 Candidate Q&A:** Early October is the goal for having candidate responses to questions available in the Voter Guide section of the [Vote 411](https://www.vote411.com) site, also dependent on when candidates respond! Minnesota is the only state in the country undertaking the extraordinary task of providing a voter guide entry on every race in the state locally, as well as on state and federal elections (7,700+ candidates in 4,400+ races). There was a response beyond expected by candidates for the primary election, so the expectation is high for participation by general election candidates. LWVMN's partner, Minnesota Public Radio (MPR), will distribute candidate information from the Vote411 Voter Guide.

Sherry Hood (Roseville), Barb Luck (Maplewood), and Mary Moran (Falcon Heights) volunteered to follow up with candidates who have not responded to the Vote411 Voter Guide request for information. Everyone is encouraged to check the [Vote 411](https://www.vote411.com) site and email or phone reminders to local/state candidates to please submit the requested information.

- **We Have *Personal Power* from the Safety of Our Homes!** In spite of the circumstances surrounding the current pandemic, we still have *personal power* in GOTV, *Get Out the Vote*.

Encouraging friends/family/neighbors to vote; become informed about candidates; and vote with absentee ballots, at early voting centers, or at the polls on November 3 is powerful. Identify and maintain contact with 10 people to assist in:

- Becoming familiar with [mnvotes.org](https://mnvotes.org) for forms and answers to election-related questions.
  - Explaining how important it is to *vote early*, and be certain to *follow the mailing* of their absentee ballot by using the Tracking your absentee ballot link at [mnvotes.org](https://mnvotes.org) or calling their election office (Ramsey County is 651-266-2171).
  - Spreading the word to return their ballot *early*.
  - Explaining that in the next few weeks, the Secretary of State's Office will mail out applications for absentee ballots, along with instructions for how to apply online to registered voters who have not applied for one. (Allow for some possible crossing in the mail if someone received an application and already applied for an absentee ballot).
  - Explaining that organizations (e.g., AARP) are mailing unsolicited absentee ballot applications.
  - Encouraging others to check the status of their absentee ballot application and/or receipt of the mailed ballot either online or via phone (see above).
  - Locating voting centers.
- **Ramsey County Early Voting Sites:** In-person early voting began on September 18 at these early voting sites.
    - City Of Maplewood: 1830 County Road B E, Maplewood, MN 55109
    - New Brighton Community Center\*: 400 10th St NW, New Brighton, MN 55112
    - Ramsey County Library Roseville\*: 2180 Hamline Ave N, Roseville, MN 55113
    - St Anthony City Hall: 3301 Silver Lake Rd, St Anthony, MN 55418
    - Ramsey County Elections Office\*: 90 Plato Blvd W, Saint Paul, MN 55107

*\*issues ballots for all precincts in county*

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## Voter Services—Voting Resources and Reminders (cont.)

- **Voting by Absentee Ballot and Perhaps for the First Time!**
  - What if you forget which ID you used on your application for an absentee ballot?
    - ◆ Track your ballot online at [mnvotes.org](http://mnvotes.org) (Click Other Ways to Vote then Track your absentee ballot).
    - ◆ Call your county elections office and ask which ID you used (Ramsey County is 651-266-2171).
    - ◆ Write both your driver's license or state ID number and the last four digits of your Social Security number on your ballot's signature envelope. There is only one line but you may write underneath it or in any available space!
  - Don't worry! Two of the Ramsey County elections staff will read every signature envelope and notify you if your ballot is invalid for any reason such as forgetting to sign, ID does not match, etc. You will be mailed a new ballot with a letter informing you of your error and you can submit a new ballot. In Minnesota, there is a desire that all eligible voters be encouraged to vote and that the process be user-friendly!
- **Voter Services Community Civic Engagement:** The Voter Services Committee determined additional means of doing voter outreach during this pandemic.
  - Twenty-four LWV of Roseville Area members picked up Vote from Home lawn signs and posters for display and distribution. Contact June Stewart to procure any remaining signs/posters.
    - ◆ Virtual and in-person, with no live audience, candidate forums were conducted.
    - ◆ A Zoom meeting, co-sponsored by League and the Ramsey County Library Roseville, was held on National Voter Registration Day, September 22. Michael Wall, Voter Outreach Specialist with the MN Office of the Secretary of State, responded to participants' questions about registering to vote applying for and completing an absentee ballot, and any other questions related to the elections.
    - ◆ Voter Services Committee member, Suzanne Sancilo, researched and contacted area community organizations, including those who offer Meals on Wheels and food shelves, to inquire if they would distribute voter information to the people they serve. Of the 14 who agreed, resources were provided according to their needs.
  - Barb Luck and the Environmental Committee offered their services to contact additional community organizations and senior housing units for voter outreach and more groups were/will be provided resources.
  - League members, acting individually, have participated in letter and postcard writing efforts to encourage voter registration and voting in support of other non-partisan organizations' work.
  - New citizenship ceremonies are being conducted outdoors at the Minneapolis Federal Court Plaza on a rolling system with fewer than 20 participating at a time. Masks and social distancing measures are required. Judy Stuthman continues to provide voter registration instruction and reported that 99% of the new citizens register. Outdoor ceremonies are planned through the end of October after which they will move inside to the River Center in St. Paul with COVID-19 safeguards in place.
  - Student election judge recruitment continued, especially via the Instagram account being managed by League member, Elizabeth Hansel. There is still a need for election judges who are bilingual.
  - Remember to vote early and track your ballot on the [mnvotes.org](http://mnvotes.org) site!

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## With Malice Toward None

*By Carol Marchel*

As we near the November 3 election, many of us are anxious about the results. No matter who wins, people will no doubt feel a range of emotions: joy, fear, anger, worry. The biggest risk is that no matter what happens, winners and losers will continue to work at cross purposes. At a time when our nation faces so many challenges, we will need to unite more than ever.

With the post-election future of our country in mind, Braver Angels (formerly Better Angels) is working proactively. They started the "With Malice Toward None" program. People on both sides of the political spectrum are encouraged to take an online pledge to overlook political differences and respect others in order to work together after the election.

League members interested in supporting this nonpartisan effort should visit the website: [braverangels.org/what-we-do/with-malice-toward-none/](http://braverangels.org/what-we-do/with-malice-toward-none/) to see the pledge as well as other actions you can take to support helpful and inclusive post-election relationships. Ideas and materials for organizations are also available.



# In Memoriam: Ruth Bader Ginsburg

By: Florence Sprague

*“And though she be but little, she is fierce.”*

*Spoken by Helena about Hermia; A Midsummer Night’s Dream, William Shakespeare*

The reports mention often that RBG was petite and shy. That is, until she performed in court and then she was a powerful persuader and fierce advocate. I have loved hearing repeatedly that she was a forceful advocate for gender equality from the beginning of her career, and even before. That empowers all of us more; we don’t have to be on the Supreme Court to make a difference. Long before she became a Justice of the Supreme Court, Ruth Bader Ginsburg labored and fought so creatively and persuasively for gender equality that it can be said that she changed the world for all of us. By identifying laws under which women were treated disparately and challenging them, often by highlighting the consequent harm to men as well, we are all better off.

She displayed true grit and an innate ability to not go along to get along. When confronted with injustice, she confronted the injustice. Blessed with drive and an ability to focus and to function effectively on little sleep, she was able to find original ways to define issues that enabled people, and justices in particular, to see things in new ways.

She was blessed with a strong, loving partner who did not need to be persuaded that women should be equal partners in this world. He loved her, teased her, prodded her, argued with her, and fed her great food, being the better cook in the home. Marty and Ruth Ginsburg were a couple to admire and perhaps envy.

In Justice Ginsburg’s own words, “To make life a little better for people less fortunate than us, that’s what I think a meaningful life is. One lives not just for oneself, but for one’s community.”

RBG, may her memory be a blessing.

For more, listen to or read Nina Totenberg’s moving, personal recollection of RBG at [npr.org/2020/09/19/896733375/a-five-decade-long-friendship-that-began-with-a-phone-call](https://www.npr.org/2020/09/19/896733375/a-five-decade-long-friendship-that-began-with-a-phone-call) or Totenberg’s initial report on the RBG’s death at [npr.org/2020/09/18/100306972/justice-ruth-bader-ginsburg-champion-of-gender-equality-dies-at-87](https://www.npr.org/2020/09/18/100306972/justice-ruth-bader-ginsburg-champion-of-gender-equality-dies-at-87). Also, read this op-ed by two of RBG’s former law clerks: [nyti.ms/3iQL6t2](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/18/opinion/ruth-bader-ginsburg.html).

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## Candidate Forums

By: Karen Lake

Despite the significant challenges of organizing and providing candidate forums during a public health crisis, the co-chairs of the LWV of Roseville Area effort, Teresa Wernecke and Cecilia Warner, persevered and made them happen! They were supported by community officials, tech experts, and League members who developed questions to which candidates could respond. Additionally, Rita Mills and Barb Anderson served in the roles of hosts/point people for a virtual forum offered by LWV of White Bear Lake.

LWV of Roseville Area has three highly-skilled forum moderators: Kitty Gogins, Linda McLoon, and Florence Sprague. These women facilitated professional, non-partisan, respectful opportunities for candidates in area mayoral, city council, school board, and Minnesota House and Senate races to share their views on issues with constituents. The candidate forums were presented in virtual formats and in-person with no live audiences due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



**Linda McLoon**  
Moderator



**Pictured: McLoon (left), Gogins (right), and Sprague (middle) leading recent candidate forums**

# Recap: Celebrating Suffrage for All

By Rachel Geiser

This event was long anticipated as part of a 100-year suffrage celebration to be held in April 2020. As COVID-19 forced us into our homes and changed our plans, the talk with civil rights icon Dr. Josie Johnson and Carolyn Holbrook was rescheduled virtually to September 16. Unfortunately, Dr. Johnson was no longer available, but Holbrook stepped forward and spoke with League moderator Marquita Stephens both about Johnson's book (*Hope in the Struggle*), of which she was a co-author, and her own book (*Tell Me Your Names and I Will Testify*).

As described by many attendees, the event was less a moderated panel and more an enlightening conversation between Holbrook and Stephens about microaggressions and larger injustices experienced by people of color and Indigenous people while living in Minnesota. Holbrook began by sharing the compelling poem by Lucille Clifton, "at the cemetery, walnut grove plantation, south Carolina, 1989," that was the inspiration for the title of her book (find the poem here: [owlcation.com/humanities/Lucille-Cliftons-at-the-cemetery-walnut-grove-plantation-south-carolina-1989](http://owlcation.com/humanities/Lucille-Cliftons-at-the-cemetery-walnut-grove-plantation-south-carolina-1989)).

Holbrook touched on the work black women have always had to do in life; the fact that writing her story helped her stay alive, deal with reality, and raise her kids; the demand to adapt to other cultures with no allowance to bring her own into a space; the need for code switching (speaking one way in one space, but having to behave differently in another); how she perceives Minnesota Nice, and much more.

The conversation between these two strong women is powerful and gives those of us with different life experiences a momentary glimpse into the reality of black women in our own cities. What they impart is not to be missed and should be a wake-up call for all.

Watch a recording of the conversation here: [rclreads.org/hope-in-the-struggle/](http://rclreads.org/hope-in-the-struggle/).

If you'd like to watch Dr. Johnson speak, watch her presentation at East Side Freedom Library in 2019: [youtube.com/watch?v=IHqUx-6OUto](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHqUx-6OUto).



Left: Carolyn Holbrook; Right: Marquita Stephens

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## New Member Spotlight: Sylvia Poppelbaum

By Sylvia Poppelbaum

After graduating from Syracuse University in 1961, I taught seventh grade social studies in a Buffalo suburb until my older son was born. In the early 1970s, we returned to the Utica, New York, area where I grew up. My mother was an active League member there, and I joined, too. As a stay-at-home mom, I was able to reconnect to the community through the League. I learned to research issues and moderate candidate meetings, and spoke locally about the state Equal Rights Amendment. (Sadly, it failed.) Over the years, I have registered voters, proofread candidate questionnaires, you name it. I have been interested since high school in political science, and I believe we have a duty to support the democratic process. Thanks to the League for providing me with the means to do that.

My LWV work in Utica led indirectly to a job in county government once my sons started school, managing state grants for youth recreation and federal CETA grants to municipalities and non-profits. Two career highlights were my time as executive director of a three-county Planned Parenthood and my position as program manager for a two-county community foundation. I also earned my MBA at Syracuse as a non-traditional student in the mid-1980s. Throughout my career, the skills I learned as a LWV member have been a key to my success. In 2005, I retired and we moved to Madison, Wisconsin, to be closer to our sons and their families in St. Paul and in Chicago. This April, we moved to Roseville, not far from our St. Paul family.

Besides the League, I have long been an active member of Zonta, an international service club whose mission is to empower women through service and advocacy, in Utica, Madison, and now Roseville. I enjoy photography; reading, especially literary fiction; and, when there is no COVID-19, travel. *(See an image of Poppelbaum on the next page.)*

# Leaguers Working Across State Lines

*By Rita Mills*

Three of our newest League members put pen to card and participated in a voting project with Lift Every Vote and LWV Florida—the goal being to “send 41,000 postcards to supporters of the Second Chance Coalition’s successful ballot initiative to restore voting rights to people with felony convictions.” Leaguers Megan Schletty, Kris Olsen, and Jeanne Voight completed and mailed 100 postcards in a day.

*(See an image of Schletty, Olsen, and Voight below.)*

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## Getting to Know You!

*By Rita Mills*

Without face-to-face contact during meetings and programs, it can be difficult to get to know fellow League members. Last month we met League members who joined during 2019. Now we introduce you to Leaguers who have joined during 2020. Introducing...



**Audie Black**



**Margo Bock**



**Patti Hoffman**



**Amy Kenzie**



**Connie Marty**



**Cynthia Miller**



**Kristin Olsen**



**Nancy Olson**



**Rachelle Peleska**



**Jill Peterson**



**Sylvia Poppelbaum**



**Kathy Ramundt**



**Megan Schletty**



**Julie Strahan**



**Jeanne Voight**



**Mary Kay Vondelinde**

*(Not pictured: Marty McCusker and Mollie Miller)*

## Future League Events

**Event recording:** Many of our events are recorded. If you would like to watch a recording of an event at home, go to our website, [lwvrosevillearea.org](http://lwvrosevillearea.org). Click on the YouTube icon on the righthand side and choose from recorded events.

October events are detailed on [page 1](#) and [page 10](#).

- **November 17 – Health Care Panel.** A panel on the health policy lessons COVID-19 provides. Cohosted with Ramsey County Library Roseville and hosted on their Zoom platform; 6:30-8 p.m. Watch the Voter, eBlasts, and League social media for the event registration link.
- **December 8 – Redlining and Racial Covenants.** Kirsten Delegard of Mapping Prejudice will speak on discrimination in real estate through racial covenants and redlining. Cohosted with Ramsey County Library Roseville and hosted on their Zoom platform; 7-8:30 p.m. Watch the Voter, eBlasts, and League social media for the event registration link.
- **January – Conversation with Constituents.** More information will be shared later.
- **January – Social Event.** Pending COVID-19 social safety measures, a New Year’s social event will be held. Watch for more information.
- **February 16 – Redistricting.** A representative from LWVMN will speak on redistricting. More information will be shared later; 7-8:30 p.m.
- **March – TBD.** Event topic is being finalized. Watch for more information.
- **April – TBD.** Event topic is being finalized. Watch for more information.
- **May 4 – LWV of Roseville Area Annual Meeting.** More information will be shared later.
- **June – Field Trip.** Event details are being finalized. Watch for more information.

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## League Facebook Campaign

By Barb Anderson

In these times of social distancing, and with the loss this year of our local newspapers, it is more challenging to reach a broader audience.

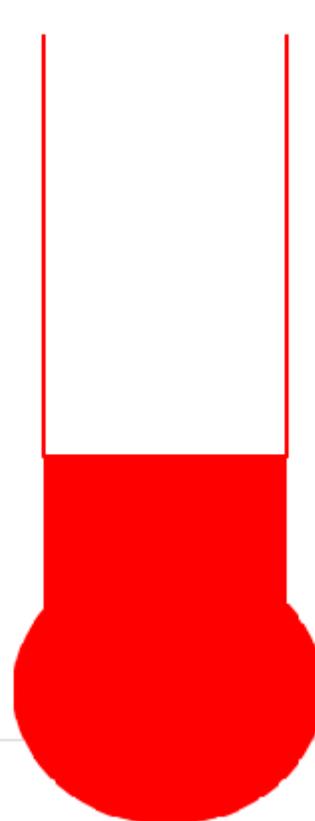
One way that League communicates about issues and events with others is by using Facebook. The Communications Committee has set a goal of reaching 1,000 followers by the end of the year. Since the number of followers, currently at 401, has increased by 100 in less than two months, this is an attainable goal. But we need your help.

Won't you follow our League on Facebook (if you don't already)? Go to [facebook.com/lwvRosevilleArea](https://www.facebook.com/lwvRosevilleArea), then like and share our posts among your friends and followers. It's that easy!

In the following issues we will update you as to our progress. Stay tuned!

### Facebook Followers September 15

1,000  
900  
800  
700  
600  
500  
400  
300  
200  
100  
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## **LWV of Roseville Area: October Event Calendar**

- **October 1 – Talking About Race Learning Circle: Social Identities and Systems of Oppression.** Virtual event; 7-8:30 p.m. Registration at: [rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b2c39c1f2300d95f3d](https://rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b2c39c1f2300d95f3d).
- **October 15 – Talking About Race Learning Circle: Being Anti-Racist.** Virtual event; 7-8:30 p.m. Registration at: [rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b5c39c1f2300d95f3f](https://rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b5c39c1f2300d95f3f).
- **October 17 – CMAL Parks Event.** Virtual event; 10 a.m. See details and registration information on [page 3](#).
- **October 20 – Mental Health Book Talk.** Virtual event; 6:30-8 p.m. See details and registration information on [page 1](#).
- **October 29 – Talking About Race Learning Circle: Community Building.** Virtual event; 7-8:30 p.m. Registration at: [rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b71f3a293900f1be91](https://rclears.bibliocommons.com/events/5f1db1b71f3a293900f1be91).

### *Voter Article Submission Deadline*

Submissions for the next issue of The Voter are due 10 days before the end of the month. If you have any questions or information to submit for the newsletter, contact Rachel Geiser at [rachelsoup@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsoup@gmail.com).



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