

The Voter

The LWV ABC Monthly Newsletter
November 2024



Fighting Domestic Violence

Monday, November 11

Andover City Council Chamber & Online via Zoom

1685 Crosstown Blvd NW

Andover Minnesota

6:30 - online and in person socializing

7:00 - program begins

Join us for a discussion with Anoka County Attorney Brad Johnson and Anoka County Sheriff Brad Wise on fighting domestic violence in Anoka County.

LWV ABC will also be presenting our 2024 Friend of League Award to an Anoka County champion for domestic abuse survivors.

[November Zoom Link](#)



Fair and Accurate Elections

In October, Anoka County Elections Director Tom Hunt joined us to discuss how elections officials keep our elections fair, accurate and secure.

[Watch Program Video](#)



Welcome New Members

Pamela Jacobson of Lino Lakes
Hannah Giebel of Coon Rapids



No-RSVP Lunch

November 18

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Davanni's in Coon Rapids

3430 129th Ave NW

Join LWV ABC members for an informal lunch. No agenda, no guest speakers, just good conversation (in a nonpartisan way) about all that's happened in November.

Purchase lunch on your own when you come in and gather for lunch in the party room.



Membership Chairs Kathleen Sehkon and Paul Sitz.

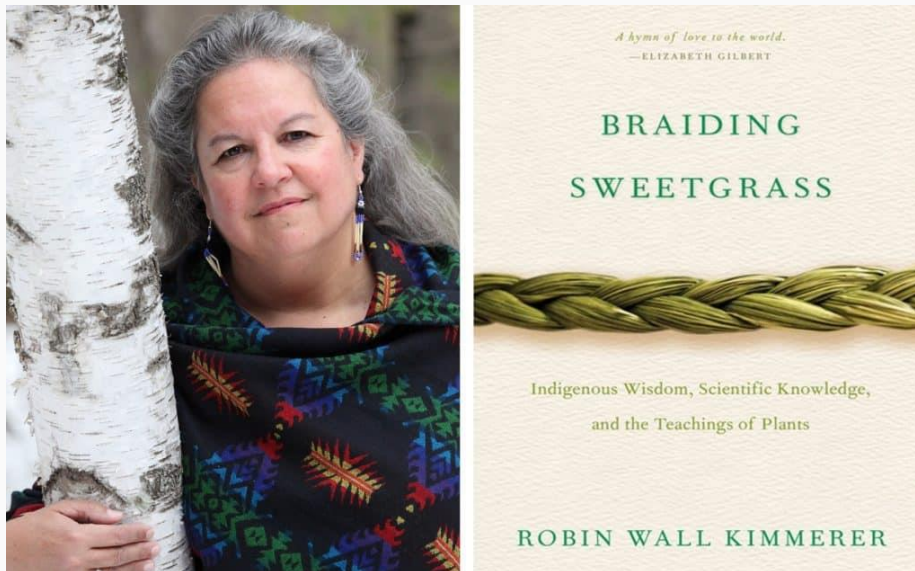
Board Highlights

By Kathy Aanerud, LWV ABC Secretary

- Confirmed arrangements for November 11 monthly program with Anoka County Attorney and Anoka County Sheriff. Location will be Andover City Hall, with taping by QCTV. The program will be preceded by the presentation of our Friend of League Award.
- December program is being finalized for Andover Community Center and will include a 6:30 ice cream social.

- Reviewed data on views for our Candidate Forums. High viewership for mayoral races, some city council races, and county commissioner races. Forum captains and any interested members will meet on Zoom on October 30 to make forum recommendations for next year and identify support that would be helpful from LWVMN
- Discussed upcoming training sessions from LWVUS for new membership platform, Chapter Spot. Board members are registering for their designated roles.

Members can find Board Agendas and approved Board Minutes in the Members Only section of our website



Book Club

Wednesday, November 20

7:00 pm on Zoom

***Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge,
and the Teachings of Plants (2013)
by Robin Wall Kimmerer***

In Anishinaabe belief, sweetgrass “was the very first to grow on the earth,” a

constant reminder of the creator Skywoman. It represents the union of mind, body and spirit.

Informed by both western science and indigenous teachings, this collection of personal essays focuses on nature, culture, and our interpersonal (person here including nonhumans!) connections.

[Book Club Zoom Link](#)

[Upcoming Books](#)



Exploring the Idea of a Mississippi River Compact

December 4, 2024

7:00 pm via Zoom

Is it time now for a Mississippi River Compact?

A Mississippi River Compact would be a legal agreement between all ten main stem Mississippi River states and the Federal Government. If enacted, a Compact could provide a forum for management over the entire watershed comprehensively using the sovereign powers of both state and federal governments.

Learn more at the LWV Upper Mississippi River Region webinar with guests John Stack, author of "The Mississippi River Basin Compact: A New Governance Structure to Save the Mississippi River"; Minnesota Senator John Hoffman, Senate District 34; and Mayor David Kleis of St. Cloud.

Senator Hoffman will discuss what a Compact could look like in Minnesota, and what would it take to pass legislation. He will talk about the political forces at work and how a group like LWV UMRR can help. Mayor Kleis will focus on the city perspectives on the river and how a Compact will help.

Click the button below to register.

[Register for UMRR Webinar](#)

[UMRR Blog](#)



Coming in December ...

Dec 9 - Program Meeting

Click button below to get details and find more events on our online calendar.

[LWV ABC Calendar](#)

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