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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE RED RIVER VALLEY PO BOX 295 FARGO, ND 58107

*Informing the voters of
West Fargo, Fargo, Moorhead, & Dilworth*

Watch this space for info from the League on the North Dakota and Minnesota Fall 2012 Elections.

For information on the Voter ID Minnesota Constitutional Amendment go to [lwvnm.org](#). You will find video on the Voter ID Amendment and the League's efforts against it. You will also find links about other issues and races in Minnesota.

DECEMBER 14, 2012

The **December-February 2013** "Red River Valley Voter" newsletter is available today. The newsletter features the "Look Ahead" calendar and:

- President's Letter: The votes are in. Did Voters win?
- Meet two of our LWVRRV Board Members:
Frank Kratky and Ashley Ladbury
- Progress made- report on Women in Politics -Election 2012
- Supreme Court set to review Voting Rights Act
- League sends letter to U.S. Congress on the "Fiscal Cliff," taxes and the budget
- Upcoming league activities: LWV after Dark, Legislative forums, MN Legislative interviews
- Time To Join The League
- 2011-2012 LWVRRV Officers

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December 7, 2012

First Friday

Date: Friday, December 7, 2012
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Location: Sons of Norway, 722 2nd Ave, Fargo, ND
Topic: What is it like to be an immigrant or new citizen in the Red River Valley?

This **First Friday** (12/7), we will have a panel of new immigrants and citizens discuss their experiences in our community. Panel members include:

- Tri Phan from Vietnam
- Ushashi Chakraborty from India
- Nezir Ahmed from Kurdistan Region
- Gunel Huseynova from Azerbaijan

Please join us at the Sons of Norway. The program begins at noon. Come early and enjoy the great food offered by the Sons of Norway staff and volunteers.

FIRST FRIDAY

Date: The First Friday of each month
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Location: Sons of Norway, 722 2nd Ave, Fargo, ND

- **Sept 7th:** "Open Meeting Laws and How Citizens Can Contribute to Government Transparency" Presented by the founders of The People's Press Project Cindy and Duke Gomez-Schempp.
- **Oct 5th:** Presentation from both sides of the Minnesota Voter ID Amendment.
- **Nov 2th:** "Understanding election polls before Election Day and exit polling on Election Day" Presented by Dr. Phil Baumann, Professor of Political Science MSU Moorhead and Dr. Jim Danielson, Professor Emeritus MSU Moorhead. These professors also run the MSUM's Public Affairs Institute that have conducted political polling for candidates and news media organizations.
- **Dec 7th:** A panel discussion on "What is it Like To Be an Immigrant or New Citizen in the Red River Valley?"

Open to public and interested parties encouraged to attend. If you have ideas for a First Friday program please email [Barb Headrick](#)

VIDEO OF CANDIDATE FORUMS

Thanks to Les Bakke, the city of Fargo and others you can find video to watch at your leisure of many of our candidate forums.

Simply go to <http://lesbakke.com/lwvrrv/>

Les gets up each forum as soon as he can.
We will keep them up until Election Day on November 6.

2012 ND CANDIDATE FORUMS

Tuesday, September 11th
Fargo City Commission Chamber, 200 3rd St N, Fargo

- County Commission District #3 at 6:30 - 7:00
- County Commission District #1 at 6:30 - 7:00
- Senate 44th District at 7:15 - 8:30
- House 44th District at 7:15 - 8:30

Monday, September 17th
The Casselton Auditorium, 702 1st N, Casselton

- Senate 22nd District at 7:15 - 8:15
- House 22nd District at 7:15 - 8:15
- County Commission District #5 at 6:30 - 7:00

Tuesday, September 18th
Fargo City Commission Chamber, 200 3rd St N, Fargo

- Senate 46th District at 6:30 - 7:30
- Senate 16th District at 7:45 - 8:45
- House 46th District at 6:30 - 7:30
- House 16th District at 7:45 - 8:45

2012 MN CANDIDATE FORUMS

Tuesday, September 25th
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1st. Ave. N, Moorhead

- MN House District 4A at 6:30 - 9:00
- Moorhead School Board at 6:30 - 9:00

Wednesday, September 26th
Dilworth Depot, 3 4th St. NE, Dilworth

- MN Senate District 4 at 6:30 - 9:00
- MN House District 4B at 6:30 - 9:00

Tuesday, Oct. 2nd
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1st. Ave. N, Moorhead

- Clay County Commission at 6:30 - 9:00
- Soil and Water Supervisors at 6:30 - 9:00

SEPTEMBER 5, 2012

The **September-November 2012** "Red River Valley Voter" newsletter is available today. The newsletter features the "Look Ahead" calendar and:

- President's Letter: Why Study Government Transparency
- US Senate Refuses to Debate DISCLOSE
- Would you like to help with League work?
- Voter ID Amendment on the Minnesota Ballot - Nov. 6
- Get Out the Vote in Moorhead
- Time To Join The League
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Candidate Forums Video

Did you miss the candidate forums held in Fargo on May 3rd and 8th?

[Watch the candidate forums](#) held in Fargo for Fargo City Commission, Fargo School Board, Fargo Park Board, Cass County Commission District 1 and Cass County Commission District 5.

Thanks goes to Les Bakke for transferring the video to his website.

February 23, 2012

The **March-May 2012** "Red River Valley Voter" newsletter is available today. The newsletter features the "Look Ahead" calendar and:

- President's Letter
- Bridging the Political Gender Gap
- LWVRRV Annual Meeting, March 31 Notice
- Notes of Interest
- Why I Belong To The LWV
- Time To Join The League
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January 6, 2012

First Friday: The War on Voting

Date: Friday, January 6, 2012
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Location: Sons of Norway, 722 2nd Ave, Fargo, ND
Topic: The War On Voting
Speaker: Dr. Barbara Headrick

The links below are for those of you interested in details on the effort to limit voting access via Voter ID laws, the attacks on early voting and the phony charges of rampant voter fraud that are threatening the ability of millions of eligibility voters to exercise their constitutional right.

Voter ID laws have even led to the statewide League in Florida to stop registering voters due to fear of penalties for false registrations or delays in turning in registration forms. This issue strikes at the core of the mission of the League of Women Voters and should be a concern for all citizens. *Voting is a right not a privilege.*

LINKS:

- [Myths of Voter Impersonation](#) from national LWV
- [Rolling Stone Article](#)
- Brennan Center for Justice [review of 2012 voting law changes](#)

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CANDIDATE DEBATES/ FORUMS - FALL 2012 SCHEDULE

Sponsored by League of Women Voters, Bismarck Tribune and Dakota Media Access.

Wednesday, October 3rd
Bosh Froehlich Room – Mandan

- 6:00 p.m. Morton County Commission
- 7:15 p.m. Department of Public Instruction Debate

Thursday, October 4th
Bosh Froehlich Room – Mandan

- 6:00 p.m. Legislative District 34

Wednesday, October 17th
Tom Baker Room – Bismarck

- 6:00 p.m. Legislative District 30
- 7:15 p.m. Burleigh County Commission

Thursday, October 18th
Tom Baker Room – Bismarck

- 6:00 p.m. Legislative District 7
- 7:15 p.m. Legislative District 32

Thursday, October 25th
Location TBD

- 6:30 p.m. US Senate Debate

The debates and forums will be carried LIVE on Government Access, channel 2 and online at [www.freetv.org](#). They will also be replayed on cable and available for online viewing up until the election.

Debate/Forum Locations and Call-in Number: (no call-in questions for debates)

Bismarck - Call-in # - 355-1312

- Tom Baker Meeting Room, City/County Building, 221 N 5th Street

Mandan - Call-in # - 667-3237

- Ed "Bosh" Froehlich Meeting Room, Mandan City Hall, 205 2nd Ave. NW

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2012

Dear Friends,

The Bismarck-Mandan League of Women Voters and Dakota Media Access share a common mission: "To Support and encourage the INFORMED participation of all citizens in our governmental processes." This means helping provide a means for everyone to learn more, to become informed, but not indoctrinated, locally, regionally and nationally in who, how, when, where and why our city, state and county really work, so we can help democracy serve all our US citizens better.

- Do you want to be part of the solution and not part of the problem?
- Do you find yourself more often thinking, "yeah, but . . . it's more complicated than that!" regardless of your political party or persuasion?
- Would you like to be involved, but not have a huge responsibility that could take over all your free time and your life?

If any of this fits you, we have an invitation. Stop by the Dakota Media Access Studios, located at 307 North 4th Street in Bismarck, between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Wednesday, August 15th, to meet some of the current members, ask questions and find out where you could fit in. We will be providing a light lunch of sandwiches and salad.

We hope you can join us! If you can't and still would like to be part of the solution, we have enclosed a membership application for you to return. Please feel free to contact us to find out more about the LWV.

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