Units are small groups of members who meet regularly to discuss key issues pertinent our lives in a democracy. They typically meet monthly from September through May. If you are interested in joining one of these in-depth discussions, please feel free to visit several units in order to find the one where you feel at home. Email the contact ahead of the meeting or just jump in on zoom and introduce yourself. We’d love to have you! Questions? Email us at vote@lwvmpls.org.

**All units are open to new members and welcome guests. New units may be formed at any time.**

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| **Unit** | **Contact** | **Meeting Information** | **Profiles** |
| **1** | **Libby Bottem**  [**Libby.bottem@gmail.com**](mailto:Libby.bottem@gmail.com)  **Join Zoom Meeting:**  <https://lwvmn-org.zoom.us/j/85384820428?pwd=TWNzdjQ5eStTSUZrdDBmdEhkN3R6Zz09> | 2nd Monday, 7:15 PM | Unit 1 welcomes visitors and new members.  Members live predominantly in south-southwest Minneapolis.  Discussion is lively. Members are active in League and the community. Special interests: education, libraries, city government, judiciary, and voting.  Food is important and traditional events include a September soup/salad dinner, December holiday party, and May potluck, but, of course now we are meeting virtually on Zoom – so, for now it will be a BYOT (bring your own treat!). |
| **11** | Jane Papageorgiou [papag002@umn.edu](mailto:papag002@umn.edu)  **Join Zoom Meeting:**  <https://zoom.us/j/92560459137?pwd=aHZJL21DRTZsL1B4aDZNYTNoUlVydz09> | 2nd Tuesday, 7:15 PM | Unit 11 members live mostly in southwest Minneapolis; those who’ve moved away generally remain members. Our unit is filled with women who have served LWV in many ways and are willing to mentor anyone who wants to get involved in leadership. Discussion is lively. In pre-COVID times, we started each year with a potluck dinner, joined another unit for a December holiday gathering with a guest speaker, and enjoyed dessert and coffee at monthly meetings. This year we are planning on meeting in person in good weather months and on Zoom in the cold, dark months. We expect members attending in-person meetings to be fully vaccinated, and we welcome new members. |
| **25/29** | **Susan Anderson**  [susan331@mac.com](mailto:susan331@mac.com)  **Join Zoom Meeting:**  <https://lwvmn-org.zoom.us/j/89893332735?pwd=UTVWVG5CZXNUdDVyUlFMMTZ1SFArUT09> | 2nd Wednesday,  1:00 PM | Unit 25/29 (Northeast and Southeast) Our meeting notification goes to a number of people; the meetings draw a varying group of 7 to 10 members for our unit discussions.  We are working women, retired women, mothers, grandmothers, liberals, and conservatives. (Ages range from the 30's to the 70's.) Members are interested in: climate change, immigration, housing, social policy, international relations, environmental policy, education, and elections and government process.  We are currently meeting by Zoom and missing our monthly coffee and treats. We meet in the afternoon and we welcome people from all over the Twin Cities. |
| **48** | Jennifer Johnson [Jennaj5133@gmail.com](mailto:Jennaj5133@gmail.com)  **Join Zoom Meeting:**  <https://lwvmn-org.zoom.us/j/85211848498?pwd=U2poeVd1eE4yNlJLc1prZ2pvTm5Ddz09> | 3rd Monday, 7:00 PM | Unit 48 members live in north, south Minneapolis, Kenwood/Isles, Uptown, downtown, and beyond. We have long-term and newer members, with attendance averaging about ten to twelve per meeting. We usually meet in members’ homes, but are open to other ideas. During the pandemic, we are meeting on Zoom.  Some of our members have had experience in League activities including participation in events and projects, and serving on the board, and many are active in the community, so discussion is usually lively and informed. Visitors and new members of diverse backgrounds, locations, and ages are very welcome. |
| **53** | **Gwen Myers**  [salmyers@comcast.net](mailto:salmyers@comcast.net)  **For In-person meeting information**: contact Karen Ringsrud rings001@umn.edu  **Join Zoom Meeting:**  <https://lwvmn-org.zoom.us/j/82576200280?pwd=bC82NzUyMGs5b2hQQVdueUFQOXc1Zz09> | 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 PM  7:00 PM. – Social time  7:30 PM – Meeting | Unit 53 began in Bryn Mawr in the 1950s and now includes members living downtown, S.W., North Minneapolis and suburbs.  Typical attendance is about 15. Many members work outside the home while others are retired. The unit brings various interests to the group for discussions. Some members are active in League beyond the Unit level, serving on the board or lobbying LWV positions at the legislature. We welcome diversity of all kinds, racial, religious and sexual orientation.  Beginning September 2021 we will again meet in person for as long as health guidelines allow. We did meet on Zoom during the pandemic and will do that again if needed. We are great friends and there is mentoring that happens to get new members involved beyond the Unit meetings if desired. |