

## LAST DAY to register to vote! And HWHRS Mock Election Volunteers needed!

Election Day 2024 is nearly upon us and voting is well underway! We are assisting the Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School Social Studies Department at their Mock Election THIS FRIDAY, November 1st. **Sign up for a shift here!** It promises to be inspiring!

#### **OCTOBER EVENTS:**

- Last Day to Register to Vote in Presidential Election TODAY!! Saturday,
  October 26 Voters may register online until midnight at the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Online Voter Registration page.
- Deadline to Request Vote by Mail Ballot Tuesday, October 29
- Early In-Person Voting turnout has been ROBUST and steady! Make your plan to vote.
  - HAMILTON Tuesday, October 19 through Friday, November 1 <u>See</u> <u>Town Website</u> for details.
  - WENHAM Tuesday, October 19 through Thursday, October 31 <u>See</u> <u>Town Website</u> for details.

## **NOVEMBER EVENTS:**

- Election Day Tuesday, November 5, Polls are open 7:00 AM to 8:00PM (Hamilton @ the Rec Center, Wenham @ the Wenham Museum)
- Steering Committee Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 6:00 PM, Wenham COA, 10 School St., Wenham
- Civic Engagement Subcommittee Meeting Thursday, November 21, 9 AM, Panera, North Beverly. Details below.

## **DECEMBER EVENTS:**

• Steering Committee Meeting Tuesday, December 10, 6:00 PM, Wenham COA, 10 School St., Wenham

#### SAVE THE DATE!

• Civics Bee 2025! Thursday, March 13, Miles River Middle School

## WHAT'S NEWS:

## HWRHS Mock Election - Volunteers NEEDED!

We are working with the high school's Social Studies Department to facilitate a student mock election on Friday, November 1st. We need poll workers for three shortish shifts that day. Sign up HERE to help! There is a lot of excitement around this event and it's always inspiring to see student enthusiasm around voting!

If you are done with your "Red Book," we could use them at the mock election. Let us know at LeagueHW@gmail.com and we can pick up from you or you can drop in the bin on the bench at MJ's house (58 Moulton, Hamilton)

## **Election Information - What You Need to Know**

- Town Clerks are ON IT! Hamilton and Wenham Town Clerks have posted all the info you need to register to vote, check your registration, and learn about all your options for casting your ballot. Visit them at:
  - Hamilton Town Clerk Election Information Page
  - Wenham Town Clerk <u>Election Information Page</u>
- Check Your Registration Visit the Secretary of the Commonwealth's **Elections** Division page to confirm your voter status. Bonus, you can click through to a sample ballot from the confirmation page.
- Ballot Questions There are five binding ballot questions on the ballot. Looking for information to help inform your choice? The League of Women Voters of Massachusetts has taken no position on any of the questions, but the Center for State Policy Analysis at Tufts University has published a Voters' Guide to 2024 Massachusetts Ballot Questions

You can also check out a recorded session with the Center's Executive Director Evan Horowitz hosted by the Concord League. The session gives an independent policy analysis for each of the questions as well as a quick overview of the ballot initiative process.

• Make a Plan and Encourage Others Reduce election stress with a PLAN! Make yours, share it, and encourage those in your circle to do the same. Vote411.org is a one-stop NATION-WIDE information source created by LWVUS. Share it with friends and family looking to register, check their registration, find out what's on their ballot and more!

## Don't Just Vent, VOTE! - Yard Signs Available - Get Yours TODAY



Get your own "Don't Just Vent - VOTE" lawn sign!

This is not an election season to sit out. Encourage your neighbors to exercise their franchise! Venting may be a temporary stress reducer, but VOTING is how we make longer term change.

## ORDER YOURS NOW!

Only \$20 and we will deliver it to you or you can pick up at a Leaguers home at your convenience.

## Civic Engagement Subcommittee Meeting

Join us on Thursday, November 21, at 9AM at Panera in North Beverly for a planning session for our upcoming Water Resources and Conservation speaker event and the Civics Bee! Hope to see you there!

# LWVHW.org Calendar

Check out our handy <u>LWVHW Calendar</u>. Now it's even easier to add our events to your own Google calendar and keep up with the League!

#### OTHER IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

# \$ Dues are now payable for the 2024-25 membership year!

Our fiscal year turned over in May and we are still collecting dues for 2024-25. Please <u>visit LWVHW,org to renew by PayPal</u> or mail a check to LWVHW, PO Box 283, Hamilton, MA 01936. Dues remain at \$80 and include membership at the local, state, and national levels. Please take a moment and renew today!

★ Steering Committee Meetings (generally second Tuesdays of the month) - Members are always welcome at Steering Committee meetings. Our next meeting will be November 12 at 6 PM at the Wenham Council on Aging. 10 School St., Wenham.

- Approved Minutes from August 13
- Approved Minutes from September 9

Know someone who would like to join the League, let us know or simply have them **join** online!

You can also encourage folks to <u>sign up for our periodic email updates</u>. Thanks for helping build our community!