



It is hard to believe Labor Day weekend is upon us! We have so much planned for the coming months and there are so many ways to GET INVOLVED. We could put your skills and enthusiasm to good use! The upcoming elections are a great way to have an impact. Read on for opportunities to be a poll-worker, help register voters, and more. Democracy is not a spectator sport!

**Our Fall Kick-Off Social will take place on Monday, September 9 at Post in Hamilton.** We will have a short business meeting starting at 6:00 pm, followed by socializing. Light refreshments provided; drinks available for purchase. Members and guests welcome. Bring a friend or two!

#### **AUGUST EVENTS:**

- **Early In-Person Voting**
  - **HAMILTON - Saturday, August 24 through Friday, August 30** [See Town Website](#) for details.
  - **WENHAM - Saturday, August 24 through Thursday, August 29** [See Town Website](#) for details.
- **Civic Engagement Subcommittee: Volunteer Fair Planning Thursday, August 29, 9 AM, Panera, North Beverly.** Join us to wrap up planning for the Volunteer Fair!

#### **SEPTEMBER EVENTS:**

- **State Primary Election Tuesday, September 2, 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM**
- **Steering Committee Meeting & Fall Kick-Off Social Monday, September 9, 6:00 PM, Post, Hamilton**
- **National Voter Registration Day Tuesday, September 17** Help us register folks, check their registrations, and Get Out The VOTE
- **Volunteer Fair Saturday, September 21, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, The Community House, 284 Bay Road, Hamilton**

#### **OCTOBER EVENTS:**

- **Early In-Person Voting begins Tuesday, October 19** See Town websites for details
- **Last Day to Register to Vote in Presidential Election - Saturday, October 26**
- **Vote by Mail Applications Due Tuesday, October 29**

#### **NOVEMBER EVENTS:**

- **Election Day** Tuesday, November 5
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## WHAT'S NEWS:

### ✓ 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 the Fall Kick-Off Social at Post (Monday, September 9, 6PM)

### Hamilton-Wenham VOLUNTEER FAIR!

We are excited to bring back our Volunteer Fair in partnership with The Community House! The first one in February of last year was a huge success and we hope to make this one even bigger and better. **Join us Saturday, September 21, from 10 AM to 1 PM at The Community House.**



Our community is full of dynamic, talented, and caring folks of \*all\* ages. We'd like to help match this energy to opportunities to build a stronger community through participation! The Volunteer Fair enables community members to learn about positions open to them in local organizations, civic boards, and elected offices. Most organizations need volunteers to function; town committees often have empty seats and elected offices are not always contested. There are many people in our community who would like to get involved, but they don't know what volunteer opportunities exist, the nature of each commitment, and who they should contact for more information. Having

eager citizens, welcoming organizations and all of their information together in one place will be helpful for everyone!

The Volunteer Fair is an initiative by the League of Women Voters of Hamilton-Wenham in partnership with The Community House of Hamilton and Wenham to drive civic engagement across the community, and is supported in part by a grant from the Hamilton-Wenham Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

### **LWVHW Volunteers Needed!**

**We need YOU!** Our very important initiatives this year need a point person or team to lead them. Learn more about ways to get involved and make an impact – join us at the Fall Kick-Off Social and get your questions answered!

We are working on:

- Ballot Question Information Sessions
- Joint Town Hall with LWV North Shore
- Candidates Night
- Updating our *How to Run for Office in Hamilton-Wenham* booklet

### **VOTE411.org**

[Vote411.org](https://www.vote411.org) is your one-stop NATION-WIDE information source for all things election-related! Share this with your family and social circles to help them with all the election information they need:

- Register to vote
- Check your registration
- Find what's on your ballot
- Find your polling place
- Discover upcoming debates and forums in your area
- Sign up to be a Poll Worker!

### **WENHAM is Seeking Election Officers for 2024**

2024 continues to be a big year for elections with a State Primary September 3, and the Presidential General Election on November 5. Please consider becoming an Election Officer to help on election day or during Early Voting periods. Volunteer, paid, and Senior Tax Write-Off hours are available for US citizens ages 16+. [Apply to be a Wenham Election Officer here!](#)



## [LWVHW.org Calendar](#)

Check out our handy [LWVHW Calendar](#). Now it's even easier to add our events to your own Google calendar and keep up with the League!



## [WELCOME, Max!](#)

Max King has officially joined our Steering Committee as an At-Large member. Max has been a member of LWVHW for a few years now and has been a tremendous help with our graphics, taking them up several notches! After years of Steering Committee meetings, she finally agree to join the board as our graphics specialist.

**We are still looking for Steering Committee members and would love to have YOU consider the role!** There are so many ways to share your time and talents. We have something for everyone! Check out our [13 Reasons to Join the Steering Committee](#) info page on our website.

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## OTHER IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

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

Our fiscal year has turned over and we are now collecting dues for 2024-25. Please [visit LWVHW.org to renew by PayPal](#) 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 September 9 at 6 PM at Post.**

- [Approved Minutes from July 25](#)

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Know someone who would like to join the League, let us know or simply have them [join online!](#)

You can also encourage folks to [sign up for our periodic email updates](#). Thanks for helping build our community!