



February 12, 2025

## THE HUDSON VOTER

Hello LWVH!

I hope you are staying warm and "slip-free" in this crazy Ohio weather! What I love about February is that it is almost March and March (for me) means spring is around the corner!

Thursday, Feb. 13 at 10:30am at the Library, LWVH will review **Procedures and Positions**. This is an annual task that benefits local, state and national LWV. It would be great to see you there and get your input!



LWVO has begun sending **Take Action** notifications. The latest is about the Safeguard American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act. This act would require citizenship documentation to register to vote in federal elections.

Since voters already verify their citizenship when registering and it is illegal for noncitizens to register or vote, this is a waste of resources better used on election security. In addition, all Americans would have to prove their citizenship by presenting documentation in person when registering to vote or to update voter registration information. This would be the end of registering online or by mail for most voters. What's more, state drivers licenses, REAL ID, and veteran's ID would no longer be acceptable as documentation.

If you are not receiving these Take Action emails from LWVO, please let me know. To take action, click below:



Lastly, I want to acknowledge all the recent presidential executive actions: attacks on voting rights and DEI, cancelling USAID, the firing of federal workers, tariffs, remaking Palestine into the "Riviera of Gaza", et.al.

IT'S A LOT! I'm wondering how you all are doing? Have you or friends or

family been affected by these actions? Would you be willing to share your story with us? If so, contact me. The presidential actions have consequences that affect regular people.

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### **Calendar of Events**

**February 13, Thursday, 10:30am, Positions and Procedures Review**, at the Hudson Library. This is our opportunity to give our input to LWV Ohio for Planning Positions and Priorities for the upcoming two years.

**February 26, Observer Corps Meeting, 12 noon** for lunch at Maura McCaughey's home, 5347 Wilshire Park Drive. The meeting will start at 12:30pm for those who can only make it on zoom.

**NOTE: Climate Sustainability Meeting (2/27) is being RESCHEDULED**

**March 3, 7pm, Board Meeting**, 5230 Knollshire Dr.

**March 13, 6:30-7:30pm, Sunshine Meeting** Hudson Library. Details TBA

**March 18, 7:30. Attend Hudson City Council Meeting** at City Hall to observe governance in action.

**March 16-22 is Sunshine Week.** We plan to raise awareness of Sunshine laws. Sunshine Week is a nonpartisan collaboration among groups in journalism, civic, education, government, and private sectors with the goal to shed light on the importance of public records and open government.

**March 20, 7pm, Book Club** at Kathy Battiglia's home

**April 19 Hudson's Earth Day.** Details to Follow

**May 15, 6-8pm, Annual Meeting**, Hudson Library. We need a quorum for this meeting. Please plan to attend.

## **Black History Month: Shirley Chisholm**



“The one thing you’ve got going: your one vote.”

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Shirley Chisholm



Some of us remember when Shirley Chisholm ran for president and also when NOW was formed. Here's a reminder of all that she did:

#### Political career

- Elected to the New York State Assembly in 1964
- Elected to Congress in 1968
- Served seven terms in the House of Representatives
- Co-founded the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) in 1971
- Co-founded the National Organization for Women (NOW) in 1970
- Served on the Education and Labor, Rules, and Veterans Affairs committees

#### Presidential campaign

- Ran for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1972
- Was the first African American to run for president as a major party candidate

#### Other accomplishments

- Supported the Equal Rights Amendment
- Fought to legalize abortions
- Helped establish the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
- Helped raise the minimum wage for domestic workers



## Advocacy Corner

Last year SB 83, the “Enact Ohio Higher Education Enhancement Act,” passed in the senate but was not voted on in the house. But, now it's back as SB1 and it is moving fast!

LWVO opposes this bill because it's devastating to higher education, would restrict the teaching of “controversial” subjects, ban most diversity policies and programs, place entire courses and departments at risk, gut workers’ rights, and much more. Please take immediate action to stop this harmful bill.

## Next State Convention for LWV Ohio

You are invited to attend

**LWVO's 66th State Convention**

**May 16-18, 2025**

**Bertram Inn and Convention Center,  
600 North Aurora Road  
Aurora, Ohio 44202**



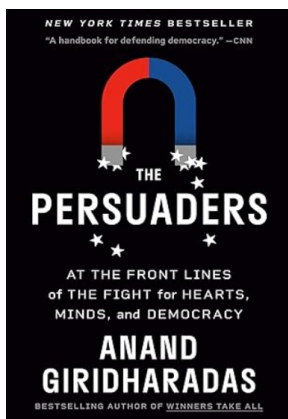
**Early Bird Registration Fees (until March 12, 2025)**

**Whole Weekend – \$300 Saturday Only – \$235**

**Sunday Only – \$70 Student Rate (Whole Weekend) – \$115**

We're wondering if LWVH should **reserve a table for 8 at the Gala** (fundraising and keynote speaker ) on Saturday May 17. The cost for early purchase of a single Gala ticket is \$125. If we reserve a table, it would be **\$100 per person**. Inge and Tracey are going to the Gala for sure! Let Tracey know if you'd like to join us!

## Book Club's Next Book



**The Persuaders: at the Front Lines of  
the Fight for Hearts, Minds and  
Democracy**

**by Anand Giridharadas**

**March 20, 2025, 7pm  
at Kathy Battaglia's home**

Join our discussion about The Persuaders, a book about movements for justice. The book grapples with how to "call out" threats and injustices while "calling in" those who don't agree with them -- but just might one day-- and point a way to healing and changing a broken country.

You do not have to be a member to join our meeting. Bring a friend!  
Please be sure to [RSVP](#).

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