



## Take Action Today

June 25, 2024

### Letter from the President

Hello Members!

I have two important messages today.

1.) Please call or email TODAY or TONIGHT regarding Senate Bill 83 which is going to the Ohio senate to be voted on today or tomorrow. This is an anti-teacher, anti-free speech, anti-LGBT+ bill that also hurts Ohio's economy. Please see more information below under Advocacy.



2.) We did it! LWV Ohio along with many other groups have gathered enough required signatures to get the Citizens Not Politicians amendment on the ballot this Nov. 5. There will be a rally on Monday, **July 1, 2024** at Noon in Columbus at the Ohio Statehouse Atrium to celebrate the accomplishment of delivering the required signatures to the Ohio Secretary of State's Office. It would be great if a group of us were to attend. If you are interested contact [Lorann](#) at 216 702-0393. For more detailed information and to register (they need a count) go [HERE](#).

#### Check Your Calendar

LWVH 2024 Annual Member Social: **Aug. 8, 2024 6:30pm** 5230 Knollshire Drive (Car pool if possible and park on the same side of the street please.). The agenda includes socializing and getting to know one another, learning what brought us all to LWV, and making a plan to engage, register and inform voters. This year we are requesting a \$25 contribution from members with your RSVP. (No charge for guests.) Details to follow closer to the event date.

**Sept. 12, 2024 6:30pm** (Location to be confirmed.) LWVH will invite the public to join us as we present the facts of Citizens Not Politicians to end gerrymandering in Ohio.

See you soon!

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## Advocacy Corner

**WE NEED ACTION TODAY** to stop Ohio Senate Bill 83! It is a devastating higher education bill that would restrict the teaching of “controversial” subjects, ban most diversity policies and programs, place entire courses and departments at risk, as well as harm workers’ rights.

**Action Needed: ASAP** — Until now the bill has been in committee, but Speaker Stephens is receiving intense pressure from some legislators to pass SB 83 through the House before the legislature leaves for summer break in a few days. SB 83 has been passed by the Senate and only needs a full House vote before it heads to the governor.

**CONTACT Ohio House Speaker Jason Stephens (614) 466-1366 or email him at: [Rep93@OhioHouse.gov](mailto:Rep93@OhioHouse.gov) and tell him NOT TO PASS SB 83.**

**CONTACT YOUR STATE HOUSE REP.** Find yours [here](#). Yours may be **Bill Roemer** (614) 644-5085 who represents some of us in Summit County.

The message is simple: Do not support SB 83. It is an anti-union, anti-free speech, government overreach, bureaucratic bill that will make it difficult to keep and attract faculty and students. This will hurt Ohio’s economic competitiveness.

If you want more information see the [Deep Dive](#).

## Let's Get the John Lewis Voting Rights Act Passed!



It will only take **1 minute** to do your part to help get this Voting bill passed. Simply click [HERE](#) and send your senator an email.

Every day, the freedom to vote is under attack. Since the 2012 Supreme Court decision in Shelby County, at least 29 states have passed 94 laws that make it harder to vote, with the burden falling mostly on voters of color. We need to

fully restore VRA to defend our democracy and protect the freedom to vote. That is why LWV is proud to support the reintroduction of HR14 and S4, the John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, which is vital legislation that is needed to fully restore and modernize the VRA and ensure that discriminatory voting policies are stopped in their tracks.

# Next Book for LWVH Book Club Is Your Choice



LWV Hudson Book Club  
August 15, 7pm  
Kathy Battaglia's Home

At our last book club meeting we decided that for August's meeting we would have everyone choose their own book to read and tell the rest of the club about it. The topic is "disinformation" and there are many books on this topic. For example:

- *Attack from Within, Barbara McQuade*
- *Disinformation, Richard Minitzer*
- *Evil Geniuses, The Unmaking of America, by Kurt Anderson*
- *The Great Deception, The Triumph of Dollars and Politics Over Science and Why You Should Care, by Guy Mitchell*
- *Lie Machines: How to Save Democracy from Troll Armies, Deceitful Robots, Junk News Operatives and Political Operatives, by Philip Howard.*

So, attend our LWV Hudson Book Club and tell us about your book. Bring a friend! Non-members are welcome. Please [RSVP](#).

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