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THE HUDSON VOTER

Hello LWVH Members!

Great news! LWVH has 7 new members! Welcome Emily Berry, Kate Disney, Karen Downing, Christine Radie, Nancy Treichler, Gina VonVille, and Meghann Mooney! Our membership is pushing 80! Keep it going!

I want to bring you up to speed on all the things going on right now (aka: volunteer opportunities!).

The business of any non-profit begins and ends with the treasurer. Connie Blohm does a



great job keeping track of our finances. Every year we do an audit of the books. This year, September 23rd at 10:00 a.m. Connie is hosting a small group for the audit. If you are a "numbers person," the committee can always use your expertise. Please contact <u>Connie.</u>

LWVH is pleased to present Citizens Not Politicians Amendment (Issue 1) What it is, How it Works, and Why it Matters" to LWVH members and the public on Thursday, September 12^{th.} This is important because most Ohioans 1) think gerrymandering ended years ago, 2) don't really understand what gerrymandering is and how it affects them, and 3) are going to be inundated with misinformation about this amendment. I encourage you all to attend, get educated, and be able to educate others about this amendment! See the SignUpGenius below to help with this event.

Voter Services activities are underway and especially important this election year. Voters should check their registration and be educated on the changes for voting in person and in absentia.

Thank you to all who signed up to register and inform parents and students at the open houses. Importantly, there are slots available at Kent-Twinsburg College and Twinsburg High School on September 16 and 17th. Please choose a date. If you have any questions, I'm always available!

We are also arranging to meet with residents of Laurel Lake, Hudson Meadows (contact Mimi Becker), Danbury, and Springwood (contact me). If you have other suggestions for locations, let me know! I'll continue the SignUp Genius for all voter registration locations.

LWVH is joining forces with LWVAA, Akron NAACP, and Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority Inc. to present a Summit County Candidate Forum in Akron. Date, time and location TBD (early October). We will need volunteers for mailings, publicizing the event, and helping at the event. We also plan to carpool.

A few more volunteer opportunities: I could use some help planning the December member social; we need a volunteer to host the mayor/city manager meeting on January 27, 2025; and sometime after January, we plan to form a committee to review the non-partisan policy, update the bylaws, etc. If you are detail-oriented this is for you!

Big shout out to Hillary Sullivan who is now LWVH's observer at the Summit County Board of Elections. This is especially important (if maybe not especially dynamic) right now. We appreciate your time and perspective.

Mark your calendars!

September 12th at 6:30pm at the Hudson Library. LWVH will invite the public to join us as we present the facts of Citizens Not Politicians to end gerrymandering in Ohio.

September 30th at 7pm October Board Meeting at 5230 Knollshire Drive. All members are welcome.

October TBD 7pm Summit County Candidate Forum in Akron. Details to come.

October 28th at 7pm November Board Meeting at 5230 Knollshire Drive. All members are welcome.

November 14th at 7pm The Climate Sustainability Committee will host another Roundtable focusing on transportation at the Hudson High School Media Center.

See you soon!

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> We Need Volunteers for Hudson School's Open Houses Aug-Sept



Join us at a Voter Registration Table at the Hudson School Open Houses. It's a great way to advertise our League, explain what we do, recruit new members, and register (or update) voter registrations. We'll be at all the schools in the coming weeks- 8/19 to 9/4.

Please sign-up by using this SignupGenius LINK.

If you need a voter registration kit, contact Tracey. If you already have one, check to make sure its up to date with the latest materials. Text or call Tracey at: 330-608-5264. Even if you are new to our League, please sign up and learn how to register voters from another member.



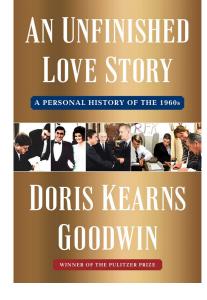
Citizens Not Politicians Campaign Needs Your Help!

It's time to volunteer! We need to educate the public about this very important amendment that will be on the ballot. Here's how you can help:

- Attend the Sept 12, 6:30pm meeting at the library and bring friends, neighbors, family member to the presentation about the amendment. You can also help out at the meeting: <u>SignUpGenius</u>
- Hold a house party where you invite your friends and neighbors to your home, provide a few refreshment and introduce one of our trained CNP speakers to talk about the amendment and answer questions.
- Join the CNP Speaker's Bureau and get training on how to present the PPT presentation.
- Volunteer to distribute literature, knock on doors, write postcards, etc. You can see dates for canvassing and sign up <u>here</u>.

Choose what you prefer to do and let<u>Lorann Murphy</u> know.

LWVH Book Club



An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960's

is our next read for our Book Club. The author and her husband, Dick, were very active in politics in the 1960's, working for both John and Robert Kennedy as well as Lyndon Johnson. When examining their boxes of memorabilia, they realized they had a personal time capsule of the 1960's, a decade when individuals were powered by the conviction they could make a difference. A time, like today, marked by struggles for racial and economic justice, and when lines were drawn and loyalties tested.

Doris Kearns Goodwin is a Pulitzer Prize winning author and historian known for her biographies of many US presidents, including *Lincoln*, which we discussed last year.

October 24, 7pm Kathy Battaglia's Home

Bring a friend! Non-members are welcome. Please RSVP.

Have Your Own Postcard Party!



Invite all your friends over to your house and have them write postcards urging women to vote.

It's easy. Just go to this <u>LINK</u> and order 20 (or 100?) postcards. They are pre-printed and prestamped. If you want to invite other LWVH members to your party, let <u>Inge</u> know and she'll put it in this newsletter.

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