

December 5, 2023

RSVP Now! Holiday Social is on Dec. 14, 2023 Deadline is Dec. 7



D'Angelo's Ristorante 7995 Darrow Rd. Twinsburg, Oh

> Dec. 14, 2023 Thursday, 6pm

> > \$39

RSVP by Dec. 7

We've only received a handfuls of RSVP's for our Holiday Social. If you have already sent your check, please email <u>Connie Blohm</u> and let her know. A number of people have said they sent checks, but they have not been received. If you haven't sent your check, do so today!

To RSVP, send your check for \$39.00 made out to the LWV Hudson and mail it to Hudson LWV, P.O. Box 331, Hudson, OH 44236. (While you're writing a check, if you haven't already done so, please pay your dues-\$70 for an individual and \$105 for a family. Deadline is Dec. 31.)

OR you can RSVP using Paypal (\$41.00 to cover fees) Just click here: PAYPAL Then hit "SEND" and follow the instructions. It will ask "What's this paying for?" Type: Holiday Social.

Our evening will start at 6pm with social time, followed by dinner at 6:30pm. Desserts and alcoholic beverages are available at an additional charge. The buffet will have:

- House salad
- Fresh baked rolls
- Chicken Marsala, Eggplant Parmesan
- Smashed redskin potatoes with light garlic
- Mixed Italian vegetables
- Penne with Marinara Sauce
- Tea, coffee, non-alcoholic beverages included

Citizens Not Politicians



It's time to end Gerrymandering in Ohio

The League of Women Voters of Ohio is joining forces with Common Cause Ohio to obtain signatures on the Citizens Not Politicians Amendment. Signature books are available and we hope to collect some during December at events around Hudson. Signature collection will continue through at least May. This amendment:

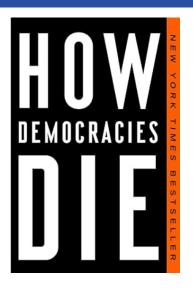
- Creates the 15-member Ohio Citizens Redistricting Commission made up of Democratic, Republican, and Independent citizens who broadly represent the different geographic areas and demographics of the state.
- Ban current or former politicians, political party officials, lobbyists, and large political donors from the Commission.
- Require fair and impartial districts by making it unconstitutional to draw voting districts that discriminate against or favor any political party or individual politician.
- Require the commission to operate under an open and independent process.

To be a volunteer to collect signatures, here's what you need to do:

- 1.) REGISTER with Citizens Not Politicians HERE. and also register with Citizens Not Politicians Summit County HERE.
- 2.) COMPLETE A TRAINING. Once you register you will see the dates for the training sessions. This is a requirement the campaign is insisting everyone do. Please try to get it done soon. There are two zoom sessions coming up within the next 2 weeks. We will also be offering in person training soon.
- 3.) CONTACT OUR PETITION CAPTAINS when you've completed the training: <u>Hilary Sullivan</u> or <u>Lorann Murphy</u>.

To learn more go to <u>www.citizensnotpoliticians.org</u>

Our Next Book for Book Club



How Democracies Dieby Steve Levitsky & Daniel Ziblatt

Next meeting will be on January 18, 7pm Place TBD

Bring a friend.
Non-members are invited!

Is our democracy in danger? Harvard professors Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt have spent more than 20 years studying the breakdown of democracies in Europe and Latin America, and they believe the answer is yes. Democracy no longer ends with a bang--in a revolution or military coup--but with a whimper: the slow, steady weakening of critical institutions, such as the judiciary and the press, and the erosion of long-standing political norms. The good news is that there are several exit ramps on the road to authoritarianism.

Levitsky and Ziblatt show how democracies die--and how ours can be saved. RSVP please.

NOTE: We need some volunteers to host our book clubs in the future, including January. We usually have from 6-12 attendees, so we do not need a large place. Please contact <u>Kathy.</u>

Save the Date: Feb. 23, 2024



Mark you calendar for Feb. 23, 2024 for a Statewide conference on "Methods for Bridging Divides," with a focus on Ohio.

Representatives from Ohio's Colleges and Universities will share their related efforts, along with panelists from LWV Ohio and more! It will be

held at Wilmington College in Wilmington, Ohio, which is a 3 hour drive from Hudson. If interested, let <u>Tracey</u> know so we can carpool.

To learn more about the organization sponsoring this conference, go to ohiopeaceandconflict.org As the speakers and events are finalized, we will provide more information.

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