

January 11, 2024

Letter From the President

Hello Members New and Old!

What does it take to maintain and enhance a volunteer organization?

A lot of people with the will to step up!

I believe LWWH has those people!

What we *need* is a better system for communicating, signing-up, organizing, and tracking. Over the next two months we are going to explore a new communication tool called **Club Express**.

If you are computer savvy-ish, (or willing to learn) this is a great volunteer opportunity for you!



Call, text or email me if you want to jump into these projects!

Volunteers! We Need You!

Three volunteers to arrive at 6:00pm to **greet members** for the Mayor / City Manager Meeting on January 29th.

Volunteers to **register voters** so they vote in the Primary March 19th. Arlene Grohl is contacting the area high schools and will have dates soon. If you need a voter kit or registration training, please let me know.

Lots of members to assist with **multiple tasks** at the Climate Roundtable on March 14th. We will assign duties.

Write **postcards, pick up and deliver petitions** and, **most importantly, collect signatures** for the Citizens Not Politicians petition drive. See *below for more info*.

Members to **review the Agenda for Action** - Lunch Meeting February

14 at 12:00 at 5230 Knollshire Drive. You will get lots of LWV info in this review process.

Are you a Social Media Butterfly? LWVH could use your skills to **amplify our message** on Facebook and YouTube.

Are you available for coffee or tea at Panera? Let's meet with new members (or just us regular old members) at Panera once a month. How 'bout we kick it off on the First Tuesday of the Month starting **February 6th at 10:30?**

Assist in **organizing the Annual Member Social** on May 9th.

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Mark your calendars!

Monday, January 29th at 6:30 pm, we will chat with the Mayor and City Manager at my home: 5230 Knollshire Drive. This is a members-only event. **Reservations required - See below.**

Monday, February 5th at 7pm
Board Meeting (at 5230 Knollshire Drive)

Thursday, February 8th at 10:30am at the Library, Hudson Police Chief Perry Tabak will join us to talk about safety and security in Hudson.

Thursday, March 14th at 7pm, at Hudson High School, Media Center, the Climate Sustainability Committee will update and educate us on their latest work.

Thursday, April 11th at 10:30am, we are going to hold Facilitator Training. LWVH often needs skilled facilitators; let's hone our skills so we are sharp for the next climate or candidate roundtable.

RSVP Now!

Mayor / City Manager Meeting

Monday, January 29, 2024



Tracey Mackay's Home
5230 Knollshire Drive

January 29, 2024
Monday 6:30 p.m.

Pay Your Dues
Pay period: June 2023 - July 2024
RSVP by Jan. 22

Mayor Jeffrey Anzevino and City Manager Thom Sheridan will join us at the LWWH January Member Meeting. The goal is to build camaraderie through open, civil, social dialogue; hear what Hudson's "been up to" since we talked last year; and have a bit of fun!

- Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share (small portions)
- Wine and Soft Drinks provided
- Members arrive at 6:30pm
- Mayor Anzevino and City Manager Thom Sheridan will speak at 7:00pm
- LWWH will open the Q&A with a few prepared questions then open the event to the members.

**This is a members-only event.
Dues MUST be received before the event.**

To RSVP click here: presidentlwwhudson@gmail.com by January 22, 2024. Or, call or text: 330-608-5264

If you have not paid your your dues, make out your check to: LWV Hudson and mail to Hudson LWV, P.O. Box 331, Hudson, OH 44236. (\$70 for an individual and \$105 for a family. Dues can also be paid online at lwwhudson.org - [pay dues](#)

Citizens Not Politicians



**It's time to end
Gerrymandering
in Ohio**

You can volunteer several ways: Write postcards, pick up and deliver petitions and, most importantly, collect signatures.

To circulate petitions, 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. We will also be offering in person training soon.

3.) CONTACT OUR PETITION CAPTAINS when you've completed the training: [Hilary Sullivan](#) or [Lorann Murphy](#). Contact Lorann to get

petition books to circulate.

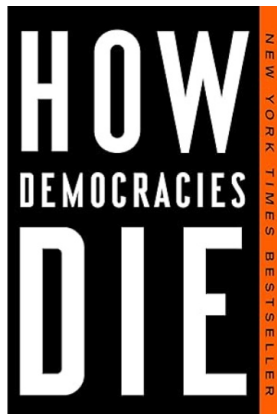
About the Petition:

The League of Women Voters of Ohio is joining forces with other Leagues and Common Cause Ohio to obtain signatures on the Citizens Not Politicians Amendment. Signature books are available and we hope to collect signatures at events around Hudson 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.
- Bans current or former politicians, political party officials, lobbyists, and large political donors from the Commission.
- Requires fair and impartial districts by making it unconstitutional to draw voting districts that discriminate against or favor any political party or individual politician.
- Requires the commission to operate under an open and independent process.

To learn more go to www.citizensnotpoliticians.org

Our Next Book for Book Club



How Democracies Die by Steve Levitsky & Daniel Ziblatt

Next meeting will be on
Thursday, January 18, 7pm
at the home of Kathy Battaglia

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 around the world, 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 the authors show us how to save our democracy. Please [RSVP](#) if you plan to attend.

NOTE: We need some volunteers to host our book clubs in the future. We usually have from 6-12 attendees, so we do not need a large place. Please contact [Kathy](#).



Sandra Day O'Connor Leaves a Legacy

Sandra Day O'Connor was the first woman to serve as a U.S. Supreme Court Justice. During her term on the Court, she was regarded as among the most powerful women in the world. In 1981, O'Connor, who was 51, was nominated by President

Ronald Reagan and confirmed unanimously by the Senate. She served for 24 years. She died last month at the age of 93.

O'Connor was the picture of self-confidence. She was athletic, playing tennis, golf, as well as skiing and horseback riding. In the courtroom, colleagues said, "She had a piercing gaze that could turn into an intimidating stare." To read full article click [HERE](#).

Save the Date: Feb. 23, 2024



Mark your 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 LWVO and more! It will be held at Wilmington College in Wilmington, Ohio, which is a 3 hour drive from Hudson. If interested, let [Tracey](#) 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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