



**November 26, 2024**

## THE HUDSON VOTER

### Happy Thanksgiving!

I hope your holiday is filled with love and laughter! I personally have been busy decorating my home for Christmas. Though, since I'm feeding twelve people this week, I should probably run to the grocery store!

Thank you to the **Climate Sustainability Committee** for their diligence and dedication. They work very hard to plan and pull-off the climate workshops. November 14th's event was another success (in spite of the rain).



**Kudos to the committee and all who assisted.** The discussions at the table were very lively! We look forward to the follow ups!

I hope to see you **December 11th at 6:30pm**, our **Holiday Social** at D'Angelos Ristorante, 7995 Darrow Road, Twinsburg. The cost for the dinner is \$39. **Your payment is your RSVP.** (*Regrettably, we cannot welcome walk-ins for this event.*) Please **send your checks by December 8th** to: LWVH; P.O. Box 331; Hudson, OH 44236.

**Also:** (*since you are writing checks*) **please pay your dues (\$70).** Beginning January 2025, LWVUS is changing the membership process. Members will pay dues directly to LWVUS instead of to the local chapters. To be prepared, we are asking members to pay for the year by December 31, 2024. Thank you.

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### Calendar of Events

**December 2, 7pm, Board Meeting**, 5230 Knollshire Drive. All members are welcome. (Fair warning: you ***might*** be recruited for something!!!)

December 6, 7, 13, & 14, 5pm to 7:30pm Winter Wonderland at Case Barlow Farm. Vote for the LWVH tree! The theme is: Women's Suffrage. Take some time to visit. It's very festive!! [casebarlow.com/wonderland](http://casebarlow.com/wonderland)



January, 6, 7pm, Board Meeting, 5230 Knollshire Dr.

January 16, 7pm, LWVH Book Club. See below for more information.

January 27, Monday, 6:30pm, Meeting with City Manager, Thom Sheridan. We'll meet at Lorann Murphy's home to talk about Hudson Happenings. The address is 2580 Brunswick Lane. RSVPs will be requested closer to the date. Only members who have paid their dues may attend.

Thursday, February 13, 10:30am, Positions and Bylaws Review, at the Hudson Library. We will be reviewing current Positions, Bylaws and discussing positions to suggest. If you want to really understand LWV, this is a great meeting.

Sunshine Week is March 16-22 and is a nonpartisan collaboration among groups of journalism, civic, education, government and private sectors that sheds a light on the importance of public records and open government. In previous years, LWVH has received a proclamation from the city for our work on Sunshine Laws. Whether we receive a proclamation this year or not, we would like as many members as possible to attend the city council meeting during Sunshine Week (March 18th). To learn more and become involved, please see below and contact [lwwhobservercorps@gmail.com](mailto:lwwhobservercorps@gmail.com).

The Annual Meeting is May 15 at the Hudson Library 6pm-8pm. We need a quorum for this meeting. Please plan to attend.

## Volunteer for Sunshine Week Committee

Are you a current member, looking for a way to become more involved in our local league without a long-term commitment? If so, plan to

Join the Sunshine Week 2025 Ad Hoc Committee!



As a league, we celebrate Sunshine Week in March every year, and this year, we would like to raise more awareness about the public's right to access government information and hold officials accountable. At our first meeting last week, we discussed aiming for a collaborative effort with journalists, educators, and government all to shine a light on the importance of public records and open government. There are many examples of how access to public records improves all of our lives; think public water testing or police reports. And, our LWVH Observer Corps monitors government adherence to the requirements of open meetings laws by observing public meetings.

If you have some ideas about how to promote Sunshine Week, or want to know more about sunshine laws and Observer Corps, email Maura McCaughey at [lwvhobservercorps@gmail.com](mailto:lwvhobservercorps@gmail.com). Watch this space for more information and future meeting dates!

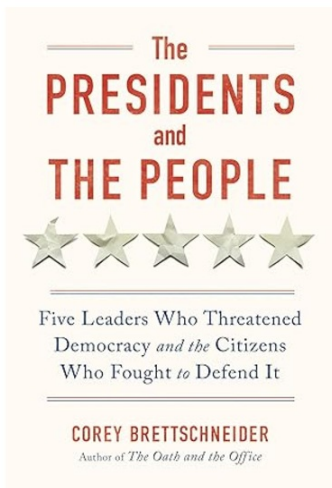
## Climate and Sustainability Committee Held Workshop Nov 14



The topic at the November roundtable was "Transportation," which was the third in a series called "Living Sustainably." Both the speakers and the participants at the tables discussed practical tips for individuals on ways to reduce emissions related to (mostly) public transportation as well as ideas to implement in the future by individuals and the government. So many creative ideas and research were discussed. The committee will provide a report on the many ideas and data collected later this year.

## LWVH Book Club

*The Presidents and the People:  
Five Leaders Who Threatened  
Democracy and the Citizens Who  
Fought to Defend It*



by Corey Brettschneider

Imagine an American president who imprisoned critics, spread a culture of white supremacy, and tried to upend the law so that he could commit crimes with impunity. Constitutional law and political science professor Corey Brettschneider provides a thoroughly

researched account of assaults on democracy by not one such president but by five—John Adams, James Buchanan, Andrew Johnson, Woodrow Wilson, and Richard Nixon. This is a book about citizens—Frederick Douglass, Ida B. Wells, Daniel Ellsberg, and more—who fought back against presidential abuse of power. Their examples give us hope about the possibilities of restoring a fragile democracy.

January 16, 7pm  
Kathy Battaglia's Home

Bring a friend! Non-members are welcome. Please [RSVP](#).

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