

October 8, 2023

Letter From the President

Hello Hudson Leaguers,

It's me again!

LWVH has some AMAZING volunteers! Sending a huge, heartfelt Thank You to everyone who made the Candidate Roundtable Q&A event an incredible success! Together we are a formidable band of talent!

We were especially pleased that ALL candidates who are running for City Council participated! Please thank them personally if you run into them.



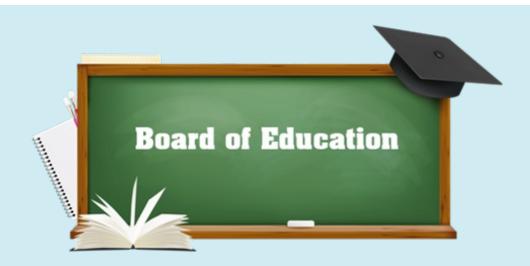
A quick look at the evaluation forms that were completed show that most people preferred the roundtable format to our traditional forum! Although this "speed-dating" format is not always possible, it is something we can do again in the future.

Have a great week!
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Speed dating with Hudson Candidates!



The Candidates Roundtable Q&A was held October 5 at the Media Center in Hudson High School. About 50 people attended and most said they heard about the event through an email. Many said that they enjoyed meeting the candidates in an informal setting and asking their own questions.

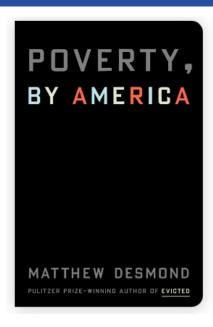


LWV Ohio Webinar. Oct 11: Navigating School Board Roles, Responsibilities, & Functions in a Polarized Era

Whether you're hosting a forum for school board candidates, considering a run yourself, or interested in attending one to learn more about who the candidates are, this is a great opportunity to learn more about what members do and what questions to ask.

This event is a partnership between the League of Women Voters of Ohio and School Board School, an organization centered on empowering education advocates and aspiring board members with the knowledge they need to positively impact their communities. Register here.

Next Book to Read for Book Club



Poverty, by America by Matthew Desmond

Next meeting will be on Nov 16 at 7pm Place to TBD

Bring a friend.
Non-members are invited!

The Pulitzer Prize—winning, bestselling author of Evicted reimagines the debate on poverty, making a new and bracing argument about why it persists in America: because the rest of us benefit from it. The United States, the richest country on earth, has more poverty than any other advanced democracy. Why? Why does this land of plenty allow one in every eight of its children to go without basic necessities, permit scores of its citizens to live and die on the streets, and authorize its corporations to pay poverty wages? Desmond builds a startlingly original and ambitious case for ending poverty. RSVP please.

Our Website Name Has Changed

Someone bought our website name, lwvhudsonohio.org!!! So if you've been having trouble reaching the site, that's why. Until this issue can resolved between our hosting provider and the domain name provider, please use the following: lwvhudson.org. It's even easier to remember! The website content has not changed, it still lists all our events, photos and news for both the public and our members. Check it out:

Visit LWVH website

Rank Choice Voting



If you didn't make it to the September 14 member meeting, you missed an interesting presentation from Kyle Herman who leads the Rank the Vote effort in Ohio. He explained the variety of reasons that people give for not voting: 1) No one represents me. 2) Nothing will change. 3) I don't like any of the candidates. 4) Don't have time. 5) System is too broken anyway.

He also explained some of the benefits of Rank Choice Voting:

- Discourages negative campaigning
- Encourages more people to run
- Gives voters more choice and more voice

For a 1 minute explanation of how Rank Choice Voting Works, watch this cute <u>VIDEO</u>.

Make Your Own LWV T-shirt





Proudly display our LWV logo! Great to wear when registering voters or volunteering for events. You can make your own t-shirt at the Akron Public Main Library. Call the library at 330 643-9000 to make an appointment. Bring a new unwashed cotton t-shirt, or a hoodie and \$7. If you want to print on both sides, it's \$14. The Tech Advisor will help you. Bring the LWV logo on a thumb drive, which you can get from Inge. Or, ask her or Barbara Bos to make one for you!

Are You a Teacher? Know a Teacher?



Did you know there is a FREE statewide online curriculum designed to civically engage students? It's called Voting and Civics: Know Your Ohio Government. To learn more go to LWV Ohio's website. This dynamic program is built with flexibility and versatility in mind — adaptable across grade levels, learning abilities, and teaching environments.

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