



The Voter

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League of Women Voters of the Perrysburg Area



Members-Only Meetings Something new for 2024!

LWVPA's Program Planning and Annual Meeting will both be held on Saturday mornings!

Get inspired. Get revved up. Let your voice be heard.

We are finalizing times and agendas and will get those to you ASAP.

In the meantime, mark your calendars for Saturday morning!

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Program Planning

A chance for you to have input into LWV programs and priorities for the next year(s).

Saturday morning -- February 24, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Way Public Library, lower level

Annual Meeting

Saturday morning -- May 18, 9:30 a.m.

Way Public Library, lower level

Want to Help Stop Gerrymandering?

Petition Circulation Training

You can register on Page 3.



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Mission Statement

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Web Site

<https://my.lwv.org/ohio/perrysburg-area>

**The deadline for
Voter articles is the
25th of each
month.**

President's Letter



Dear LWVPA Members,

For a couple of months now, we have been talking up LWVPA's 2024 Program Planning meeting, and I am excited to say we only have a few weeks before we get together for this annual event!

Granted, you may never have seen the word *excited* used in conjunction with *program planning*, but I think you will be pleasantly surprised. Our agenda includes important League business that needs your input, the rolling out of our newly organized Voter Services Committee, and soliciting your ideas on future committees and meeting topics. League raffle items, hot beverages, delicious pastry, and networking will round out the meeting. But, before we say more, let's answer the question, "What is Program Planning?"

In the world of League, **Program** is the study, education, and advocacy *actions* that we adopt or undertake to move our mission forward. **Program Planning** is where we select from the above *actions* our Priorities (or our focus) for the next year or two. In addition to our own local planning, we will also be giving input to the National League on their priorities. We do not start Program Planning from scratch each year. Rather, we take our current Priorities and update, tweak, or leave as is to arrive at what we will focus on for the next several months.

The LWVPA Board invites you to join us at the 2024 Program Planning meeting on Saturday, February 24, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Way Library, lower level. This is a free, **members-only meeting**. Please register to attend by emailing Nancy Kelley at njkway@gmail.com and letting her know if you will or will not attend. We will also email reminders and more information as we get closer to the date. If you have any questions about Program or Program Planning, please contact me at lwvperrysburg@gmail.com.

Debra Greenley Gorman

President

P.S. Look on pages 4 – 5 in your **2023-2024 LWVPA Membership Directory** for our current Priorities and for a list of our local Positions. Can't find your Directory? Contact me.



Upcoming Meetings

For the most up-to-date information on League activities, click on

[League Calendar](#)

Saturday, February 24
— 9:30 — 11:30 a.m.

Program Planning Meeting Members Only.

Tuesday, February 27
— 2 p.m. *Perrysburg State of the City Presentation, Council Chambers, Mayor Tom Macklin.*

Tuesday, March 19 —
2 p.m. *What's Happening in Perrysburg Township, Perrysburg Township Fire Station, 26711 Lime City Road*

Saturday, May 18 —
9:30 a.m. *Annual Meeting, followed by catered brunch and speaker at 10:45*

All meetings will be held at Way Library unless otherwise noted.

All programs will be announced on our web page and in *The Voter* as soon as the dates are secured.

It's Time to End Gerrymandering in Ohio

Training is available for those interested in collecting signatures to get the *Citizens Not Politicians* amendment on the 2024 General Election ballot. Register below for a training session, aka *Petition Circulator Training*, that fits your schedule. If you have questions about signature gathering, email lwvperrysburg@gmail.com and we will contact you.



[PETITION CIRCULATOR TRAINING](#) (MORE DATES COMING SOON)



February 8 at noon, [Register](#)

February 20 at 7pm, [Register](#)

Register for League's 104th Birthday Celebration



[Register now](#) and celebrate the League's 104th birthday by joining a national discussion on *Empowering our Democracy in 2024 and the Power of Voters.*

February Topical Tuesday:
State of the City Address to Feature Mayor Mackin

Please join us on Tuesday, February 27 as City of Perrysburg Mayor Tom Mackin reflects on the past year and describes the future of Perrysburg.

The meeting will take place from 2 to 3 p.m. in Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, giving the public the chance to see where council meets.

This meeting is open to the public, so guests are expected and encouraged to attend.

Perrysburg Mayor Tom Mackin

