



Dear Friends,

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ILNH participated in the New Hope Lambertville Pride Parade this Saturday. Missed it or just want to relive it? [Click here](#) for a video! 🌈

Don't forget to fill out our short survey! COUNTY LINE: New Jersey's county line ballot was briefly discussed. If you'd like ILNH to host another meeting devoted to this topic, please fill out this [very short survey](#) to let us know!

Lastly, if you love democracy, like we love democracy, please donate today to ILNH through ActBlue! All donations received between April 1- May 31 will be DOUBLED by Indivisible National! Money raised goes to our deep canvassing efforts, community gatherings, outreach efforts and GOTV activities. [DONATE TODAY by clicking here!](#)

Peace in activism,
ILNH

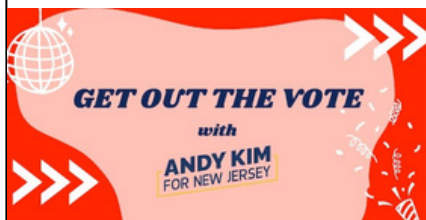
Events

Get Out the Vote with Team Andy Canvass!

(hosted by Warren County Democratic Committee)

**June 1 & 2, 12-3pm
Phillipsburg, NJ**

Come knock doors with Team Andy in Warren County! Materials, training, and script will be provided beforehand. [Click here](#) to register!



GOTV Post-It Notes

(hosted by Action Together NJ and HCRise)

May 28, 6-8pm

Flemington DIY, [26 Stangl Road, Flemington, NJ](#)

Bring your pen, a snack to share, and the rest will be provided! Write encouraging notes on post-its and stick them on Vote by Mail applications. They'll be mailed to Hunterdon County voters who have not voted since 2020. Donations for the use of DIY's space will be gratefully accepted at the door.

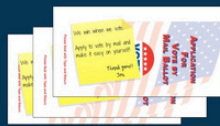


WE PROVIDE



Winn will provide folded VBM applications in batches of 100.

You return to Winn



You return to Winn the folded VBM application with the sticky note on each, in batches of 100.

YOU PROVIDE



You write a short sticky note and stick one on each VBM application.

LIZ PROVIDES



Winn collects all and delivers to Liz, who prints the info sheet, the name & address, the bulk rate permit, nest, folds and mails.



Deep Canvass with ILNH

**June 9, 11am-3:30pm
Phillipsburg, NJ**

If you've taken CTC's or ILNH's Deep Canvassing training, come to this canvass! We are launching in *Phillipsburg* to turn out the vote in NJ Congressional District 7. Our goal is to knock on the doors of voters that don't usually vote, have great conversations, and inspire them to vote! Help us defeat Tom Kean Jr.!

[Click here](#) to sign up!

2024 Bucks County House Tour

(hosted by Turn Bucks Blue)

* [TICKETS NOW ON SALE](#) *

2024 BUCKS COUNTY HOUSE TOUR

Sunday, June 23, 10am-3pm

www.tbbuckshousetour.com



Black Horse Farm
A classic PA working farm on 60 acres. An 1854 stone home extended and improved with solar and geothermal. A restored bank barn and potting shed-guest house. Heritage animals. Gardens. Art studio. Apiary.



Coda by Jules Gregory
An elegant, mid-c. synthesis of Gregory's signature elements: open, multi-level spaces; wood; walls of glass to let in sunlight and nature; and its new owners' music studio.



Drumbore Farm
Founded in 1798, Drumbore's stone house, summer kitchen, and barn date from the early-mid 19th c. A crafter of textiles and an amateur musician acquired Drumbore in 2006, preserved the original buildings, and added space indoors and out to support their joyous gatherings.

*This tour is a fundraiser hosted by the independent political action committee Turn Bucks Blue. Its mission is to elect Democrats who will promote and protect democratic values in Bucks County.



June 23, 10am-3pm

All proceeds from the Bucks County House Tour will support the mission of Turn Bucks Blue PAC: To elect Democrats who will promote and protect democratic values in Bucks County.

Tickets are limited for this summertime tour of three exceptional properties: Drumbore Farm and Black Horse Farm in Perkasia and Coda by Jules Gregory in Solebury. Each is an expression of their owners' vision and creative energy. Treat yourself to this rare opportunity while you support TBB PAC and help us turn out the vote in 2024!

If you can't attend, we appreciate your donation. If you are attending and want to increase your support, simply add the amount in the donation box. Every dollar counts and will be put to good use. [Click here](#) for details, to buy tickets and to donate!

Sign up for Indivisible's Neighbor2Neighbor



What is Neighbor2Neighbor?

Neighbor2Neighbor is a new innovative tool created by Indivisible. It provides a low barrier/high impact way to canvass. It's the most convenient way to have conversations with your neighbors about the upcoming election! The goal is to knock 200,000 doors in House, Senate, and Presidential battlegrounds across the U.S. in 2024. It's going to take neighbors talking to neighbors to fight back against MAGA extremism and secure our rights. Let's do this!

When you sign up, you commit to talking with ten people in your neighborhood. The people will be like minded voters. You will receive a simple script and a piece of literature to leave with your neighbor. It's simple, no app, no reporting - just you knocking on neighbors doors to let them know about our efforts and our Indivisible groups they can join if they'd like. [Click here](#) to sign up!

Key Dates for Primaries

New Jersey.

Last day to register to vote in primary: 5/14

Last day to apply for mail ballot: (in-person) 6/2, (by mail) 5/28

Mail ballot return: (in-person) 6/4, (by mail) postmarked 6/4

Early voting: 5/29 – 6/2

Action Opportunities

Tell Gov. Murphy to VETO OPRA bill!

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Get Out the Vote (GOTV)/ Canvass

[Click here](#) to find GOTV actions near you!

Register Democrats
(hosted by The Democratic National Committee)

Join in registering Democrats in our highest priority states. All you need is a phone or computer to get started.

[RSVP here](#) for this phone banking event to let us know if you can make it! All are welcome at this event

Tell Lambertville leaders to protect against flooding in Lambertville!
(NJ League of Conservation Voters)

Hurricane Ida decimated Lambertville, damaging roughly half of the properties. New Jersey floods every time it rains, but Lambertville is unique. Being bordered by the Delaware River and several creeks, Lambertville is hit by flooding from all sides. And if leaders don't put protections in place, we'll see this same devastation again and again.

Fortunately, the Lambertville City Council is looking to establish a dedicated source of funding with minimal impact on residents so that homes and businesses, especially those in the lowest lying parts of the city, are protected. But these leaders need to hear that residents support this work. [Please send a message, by clicking on this link, urging Lambertville city leaders to invest in updated infrastructure to defend against flooding.](#)

Call to Action: Freedom to Read Bill!

1. Call your NJ State Senators to ask them to co-sponsor S2421. [Click here](#) for suggested phone script. If needed, phone messages can often be left during non-working hours. (Rationale: Focus on increasing support in the Senate as this version is expected to move to Committee sometime soon and thus needs support now. Studies show legislators pay more immediate attention to phone calls and in person visits than other forms of communication)
2. [Sign petition](#) to raise awareness of the bill in both houses.

Petitions in support of ranked-choice voting

According to Action Network.org, "Voters are forced to choose between the lesser of two evils. Over and over and over again. Voters have little choice, and third-party candidates never seem to have a real shot at winning elections. Why? The spoiler effect. When a third-party candidate enters the race, they always run the risk of splitting the vote with the establishment candidate whose politics they most closely align with. If a progressive candidate enters the race, she draws votes away from the Democrat. If a conservative enters, she draws votes away from the Republican. If we're only allowed to choose one candidate on

the ballot, the spoiler effect will always be a problem in our elections, and keep us trapped in a two-party system with only two choices." Click [here](#) for a video explaining RCV.

[Click here to sign the NJ PETITION!](#)
[Click here to sign the PA PETITION!](#)

Looking to get more involved with ILNH?

Check out Indivisible Lambertville/New Hope's volunteer opportunities! [Click here.](#)

Abolish NJ's County Line

What is the county line?
This peculiar New Jersey practice is not used in other states. In New Jersey, county party committees can endorse candidates for the party primary and have their names listed in the first column on the primary ballot, giving those candidates, on average, a 38% greater chance of being elected. Those seeking the nomination who are not endorsed by the County Democratic committee have their names scattered elsewhere on the primary ballot, where they are much less likely to be found. This is called the "county line". HOWEVER, thanks to a win for [Andy Kim's lawsuit](#), the 2024 primary ballots will be arranged in an "office block" style, where candidates will be arranged by the office they're seeking!

The fight is not over though. The win is just for this year's primary so more work needs to be done! To learn more about it: Go to the [Fair Ballot Alliance](#), [Abolish the Line](#) & [Good Government Coalition of NJ](#) websites for more information.

Action:

A petition is being circulated by the Fair Ballot Alliance opposing the county line. [You can sign it by clicking here!](#)

COUNTY LINE: If you'd like ILNH to host a meeting devoted to this topic, please fill out this [very short survey](#) to let us know!

Anti-Tom Business Cards



Take action by educating people that Tom Kean (NJ7) is a big wolf in sheep's clothing! Distribute these business cards at local events, post them on bulletin boards, or just leave them laying around in places they'll be seen. Cards can be picked up at Sharon's house @ [121 N. Main St. Lambertville](#). The house is on the corner of N. Main and Jefferson Streets. The cards will be on the side porch that is on Jefferson. Any questions? Contact Elycia @ elycialerman@yahoo.com. [Click here](#) for guidance on where and how to distribute them! Have fun!

Write an Op-Ed to a news outlet

[Click here](#) to see an example of a letter to the editor written by Maggie Savoca (OneNJ7) and [here](#) by Allson Levine (ILNH). Also [click here](#) for a resource on how to write letters that really get attention!

Join the "Let's Read Banned Books" Club

To find out more information, contact Julie Meyers on her [Let's Read Banned Books Fb page!](#)

News and Views: What ILNH is reading and listening to

[Radically revised OPRA bill would make it much tougher to access public records](#) (NJ Spotlight News)

[Republican Pennsylvania State Representative with Ties to the New Apostolic Reformation Wants Chaplains in Public Schools](#) (Bucks County Beacon)

[Maddow: 'The Republican party is trying to get rid of the form of government we have'](#) (MSNBC video)

Friends of ILNH you might want to check out!

[One NJ7](#)

[Districts for Democracy](#)

[Action Together NJ](#)

[We the People NJ-07 fb page](#)

[New Jersey Citizen Action](#)

[New Jersey Working Families Party](#)