

Democratic Club of Willow Valley

General Meeting February 25, 2025

Guest Speaker

John Heinly

Director of Donor Advising Lancaster Public Library



Treasury
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Treasury

Current Balance \$

Amount "owed" to Scholarship Fund \$

Membership

Current 2024 Membership 284

Membership drive status pending completion of website

Advocacy

Jimmy Carter 2025 Campaign

Inspiration: Habitat for Humanity

March Campaign: Chop Wood, Carry Water

Count and report your "contacts"

Advocacy (cont'd)

Visitation Advocacy Group

Small groups making face-to-face calls on legislators.

Sign-up sheets in back of room.

Advocacy (cont'd) 2nd of two groups

Letter-Writing Advocacy Group

Individuals making/copying letters to legislators.

Sign-up sheets in back of room.

Advocacy (cont'd) 2nd of two groups

Excerpt from a letter recently written by Peter Keller to our elected officials that you may use to contact them as well.

Elon Musk's representatives through his Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), have gained access to the federal payment system, which includes sensitive information about government expenditures. This system handles trillions of dollars in payments, including Social Security and Medicare. Clearly President Trump has either directed or allowed this to happen.

Excerpt from a recent Op Ed written by Bob Hollister, member of the Pennsylvania Advisory Committee of the US Global Leadership Coalition, in support of USAID.

USAID serves American interest in countless ways. They include: **Providing**humanitarian relief – poor people become migrants if they do not receive help in their home countries, where they prefer to stay. **Stabilizing governments** – terrorist groups form in the absence of stable government. **Advancing democracy** – promoting American values while shoring up our own by reducing foreign threats. This is a win-win scenario.

Advocacy (cont'd)

2nd of two groups

Donald J Trump & JD Vance

http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact

US Senator John Fetterman

https://www.fetterman.senate.gov/contact

US Senator Dave McCormick

https://www.mccormick.senate.gov/contact

US Rep Lloyd Smucker (11th District)

https://smucker.house.gov/contact/email

PA Senator Scott Martin (13th District)

https://senatorscottmartinpa.com/contact

PA Rep Steven Mentzer (97th District)

https://www.repmentzer.com/contact

Website Status

Met with developer Feb. 18th to start the re-development process.

Rewrite code to support existing screens.

Write new code to support online membership and donation processes.

Expected duration four weeks.

Voting

Making a motion and casting a ballot is restricted to current Club members.

Today you are voting for two Club officers:

Treasurer: Steve Wright

Vice President: Ross Fairweather

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Today you are also voting to revise our Bylaws:

Changes the Club name to Democratic Club of Willow Valley.

Revises wording and adds clarification to

Mission

Membership

Officers/Executive Board

Elections

See your handout

Upcoming Events

Understanding Our Democracy

Tues., Mar. 18th @ 10am

Minority Rule: How Our Constitution Imperils Our Democracy

We will look at what scholars of democracy say about how our constitution enables minority rule, allowing partisan minorities to consistently thwart & even rule over popular majorities. And what can be done to address this.

Upcoming Events

March 25th
General Meeting



- Jamie Arroyo
- Democratic Candidate, Mayor of Lancaster

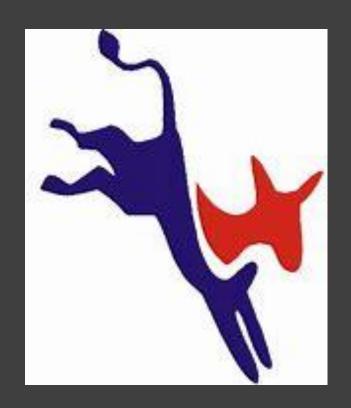
Fund raiser for Jamie Arroyo, Democratic Candidate for Lancaster

Thursday, March 13th 6 – 8 pm



This event and intimate setting offer a unique opportunity to meet Jaime, hear his vision for our community, and learn about the positive changes he aims to bring to Lancaster. Now, more than ever, the Lancaster community needs a strong, capable, and collaborative leader. Regardless of where we live in the County, we all benefit from a vibrant, dynamic, and prosperous Lancaster. That's why we are asking you to join us in endorsing and supporting Jaime Arroyo.

Fliers are in the back of the room.



Thank you for coming!

See you on

Tuesday,

March 25th