

## Better Angels Skills Workshop: How to Talk Across the Political Divide

**What:** There's a lot of stress these days among family members and friends who are divided politically, and the current polarized public conversation doesn't help. Please join us for the Better Angels Skills Workshop to learn skills for having respectful conversations that clarify differences, search for common ground, and affirm the importance of the relationship.

After a presentation, you will have an opportunity to practice conversation skills. You will practice in a pair with someone of your same political persuasion—red or blue. "Reds" lean conservative and tend to vote Republican. "Blues" lean liberal and tend to vote Democratic. If you fall somewhere in the middle, you can choose a side for purposes of practicing the skills.

Who can come? Anyone interested in having better conversations with people on the other side of the political aisle.

**Organizer:** Gerry Whelan and Marcia Willsie

When: Thursday, July 18, 6:30 – 8:45 PM

Where: Free Library of Springfield Township

8900 Hawthorne Lane, Wyndmoor, PA 19038

Questions? Contact: Gerry Whelan gwhelanmd@gmail.com

To register for the workshop: Call (215) 836-5300

## **About Better Angels:**

Launched in 2016, Better Angels is a bipartisan citizen's movement to unify our divided nation. By bringing red and blue Americans together into a working alliance, we're building new ways to talk to one another, participate together in public life, and influence the direction of the nation.

We are not enemies, but friends. We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory...will yet swell the chorus of the Union, when again touched, as surely they will be, by the **better angels of our nature**.

- Abraham Lincoln, 1861

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