

**September 2023**

**FOCUS ON 2024 ELECTIONS!**



**First Row:** Beate Marston, Amy Keith, Susie Paterson, Jackie Azis, Amy Weintraub  
**Second Row:** Deborah Williams, Nancy Wilderfeir-Field, Susan Dickson, Deb Mazzaferro, Gina Burchenal, Laura Turley, Janice Drinkwine, Betsy Wells, Laura Crabtree

On August 26, LWVSPA Team Leads & Board Members met to develop a strategic plan for 2023-24 that focuses on Communication, Membership and Fundraising leading up to the 2024 elections. Empowering Voters and Defending Democracy is our mission as we face the challenges ahead.

**ALL-MEMBER MEETING**

RESCHEDULED!  
**All-Member General Meeting**  
**Tuesday September 5th**  
6:00-7:30 PM  
Allendale UMC  
3803 Haines Rd. N.



**REGISTER**

City of St. Pete Council Vice-Chair Deborah Figgs-Sanders will be speaking about hot topics in the city. Get updates on upcoming issues, elections and League projects and an opportunity for two-way communication with League and Action Group leaders!

Following the meeting the Reproductive Rights team will offer a 15-minute training on best practices in collecting the petitions to get abortion rights on the 2024 ballot. This is for people new to petition collection work.

## **BRING A FRIEND**



### **Hopped-Up On Democracy: Redistricting Edition**

**Thursday September 14th**

**6:30-9:00 PM**

**Pinellas Ale Works**

**1962 1st Ave. S**

Hey smarty pants! Do you like Democracy? Craft Beer? Trivia, Games and Prizes? Then join us for a FREE, non-partisan, democracy-themed Game Night, special redistricting edition. Bring your friends, bring your spouse who's apathetic about voting, bring your mom and let's get our democracy on! Free food and drinks!

**REGISTER**

## **NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE**

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*honoring the will of the people*

### **What is the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact?**

No one wants the Loser to win and that is entirely possible with the Electoral College. In 2006, the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact was introduced. It's an elegant solution to ensure that the candidate with

the most votes in all 50 states wins the presidency.

**JOIN US SEPTEMBER 6 FROM 1-2 PM**  
**Learn how this works without a constitutional amendment.**

**REGISTER**

## **REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS**



### **Support Reproductive Freedom in the Sunshine State!**

***Rachel (Barbie) Kent above***

Any interference with the doctor-patient relationship poses a serious threat to women's health. The St. Petersburg Area League of Women Voters is working hard on efforts to amend the state constitution in support of reproductive freedom.

***Join our Reproductive Rights Action Team and our campaign to put reproductive health access on the 2024 ballot.***

We are out in the community every week collecting petitions. ***But we need more support approaching Floridians to complete these petitions.***

**JOIN THE REPRO RIGHTS  
TEAM**

Also, please consider urging all Floridians in your networks to submit a petition. The button below will lead you to a sample email message you

can personalize and send to all Floridians in your address book.

SAMPLE  
EMAIL



## SEPTEMBER 28

### Save the Date, Reproductive Rights Advocates!

On Thursday evening, September 28, LWVSPA Repro Team Co-Chair Amy Weintraub will host a fundraiser for the statewide ballot initiative campaign, [Floridians for Reproductive Freedom](#) (FPF), at her home.

FPF must raise millions of dollars -- not only to cover all the fees charged by local Supervisors of Election to validate each petition, but also for the political persuasion campaign that is coming which will include super expensive items like TV ads and billboards.

Although the 28th is not technically a LWVSPA event, all Leaguers are invited.

*Watch your inbox for an invitation to this house party.*



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