



April 2024



LEAGUE MEETINGS & EVENTS

Annual Meeting

LWVSPA Annual Meeting & Luncheon

April 14

St. Pete Shuffleboard Club
559 Mirror Lake Dr N, Saint Petersburg, FL 33701

Business meeting: 12:30-1:30 pm in the Club House
Shuffleboard fun available: 1-2 pm on the Courts
Luncheon: 2 pm in the Bridge Room

Non-members are invited to luncheon.

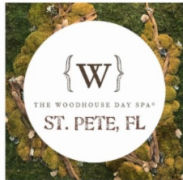
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Lauren Brenzel, Director of
Floridians Protecting Freedom

"The amendment to limit government interference with abortion will put these decisions back where they belong, in the hands of Florida families and their doctors, not extreme politicians. As we look back on Roe v. Wade, the need to restore these freedoms has never been greater."

**MEMBERS: GET READY TO VOTE
AT THE ANNUAL MEETING**

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APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS



Reproductive freedom advocates are gathering in Orlando to show their power! Will you be there?

RALLY TO END THE 6-WEEK ABORTION BAN

YES ON 4
Floridians Protecting Freedom

CAMPAIGN KICKOFF
APRIL 13 @ NOON
LAKE EOLA, ORLANDO
Visit yes4fl.com/launch or scan >>>



Saturday, April 13 @ 12 pm-2 pm

Yes on 4 Kickoff - Rally to End the 6-week Abortion Ban

Lake Eola Park, 195 N Rosalind Ave, Orlando, FL 32801

[Sign up Now](#)

Need a ride? Can offer a ride?

[Check out the LWVSPA Carpool](#)



**Safe.
Private.
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**Learn about self-managed
abortion**

**Tuesday, April 16
11 am-1 pm**

Learn how to legally share information about self-managed abortion and receiving abortion pills by mail in this two-hour train-the-trainer event. Hosted by Amy Weintraub and Progress Florida interns. Register to receive the meeting link.

[Register!](#)



YES ON 4
Floridians Protecting Freedom

SUPER SATURDAY!

Saturday, April 20th

TAMPA BAY / 10AM - 12PM

Allendale United Methodist Church
3803 Haines Rd N
St Petersburg, FL 33703

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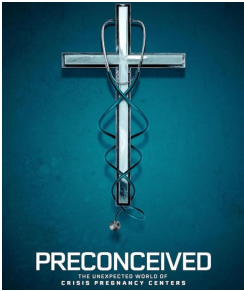
Saturday, April 20, 10 am-12 pm

Tampa Bay Super Saturday #YesOn4

Allendale United Methodist Church, 3803 Haines Rd N, St. Petersburg

Let's learn how to cultivate our "story of self" to add to our perfect #YesOn4 elevator pitch. We will strengthen our messaging toward helping voters recognize the harms of the current 15-week abortion ban and the pending dangers of the six-week ban. Co-sponsored by League of Women Voters St. Petersburg Area, Planned Parenthood, Progress Florida, and Allendale UMC.

Register!



Tuesday, April 23, 6:30-8:30
Film Screening:
"Preconceived"
Followed by Q&A with Amy Weintraub, Progress Florida
 Miller Auditorium at Eckerd College,
 4200 54th Ave S, St. Petersburg
 free admission

Preconceived tells the stories of Maleeha and Maria, two women who, while navigating unintended pregnancies, inadvertently found themselves at facilities with a mission to stop all abortions. The film is a window into these enigmatic centers that some call "pregnancy resource centers" and

others call "fake clinics." Shedding light on how many of these centers are part of a movement striving to make abortion unthinkable and illegal, the documentary explores the complex role of deception, finances, faith, and privacy.

Co-sponsored by Eckerd College Feminists Club, League of Women Voters St. Petersburg Area, and Progress Florida.

[Facebook Event Page](#)



MIX, MINGLE, & MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

 **COCKTAILS &
CONVERSATION**



Big Catch at Salt Creek
Tuesday, May 21st
5:30-7:30 PM

We would love for you to join the League for Cocktails & Conversation. These happy hours are the perfect time to relax with (or without!) a drink and enjoy some great company. Just an easy, casual evening out - the perfect mid-week pick-me-up!

For May, we are meeting up at the Big Catch at Salt Creek.

Free parking is available at the restaurant or the ground lot on the north side of 15th Ave S between 3rd St S & 2nd St S.

REGISTER



MAYOR WELCH'S CITY HALL ON TOUR

St. Pete Mayor Kenneth T. Welch is taking St. Pete City Hall on tour throughout the year with "Mayor Welch's City Hall on Tour event series." Each quarter, the Mayor and members of his City Leadership team will host "open house" tour stops at different locations throughout the city to listen to and learn from residents about their needs.

These tour stops will purposely be held in different neighborhoods, providing an opportunity for all residents to ask questions and address concerns with key City leadership. The Mayor will be joined by City Administrators, the Police Chief, Department Directors, and more. Mayor Welch's City Hall on Tour series is family-friendly.

[Click Here for More Details](#)

VOLUNTEER!



SIGN UP TODAY MAY VOTER REGISTRATION TRAINING! Deadline April 15th

Photo above: Voter Registration Team volunteer Janice Drinkwine helped this teen register to vote!

Interested in getting out into the community and helping people with nonpartisan info on all things voting-related? Then you should join our Voter Registration (VR) Team.

If you'd like to attend a VR training session via Zoom in May, please email Voter Services co-chair Maryellen Gordon: maryellengordon1@gmail.com with the Subject Line: May 2024 VR training session!

Maryellen will send a group email to all who express interest by April 15, 2024, with more details.



Garden Guides and Garden Helpers needed on Earth Day, April 22nd

Guides will lead 30 minute outdoor education sessions with 2nd graders.

The Sustainability Team will schedule a quick training meetup on the Wednesday evening before Earth Day. A second training meetup can be scheduled if needed for those not available on that Wednesday.

contact: lauracrabtree.league@gmail.com



DONOR THANKYOU!

Thank you to the following who donated to the League of Women Voters of the St. Petersburg Area in March

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