

THE VOTER

October 2021

Letter from the President



Dear Leaguers,

Joyous October to you all!

We're a month out from the general election for the city of St. Petersburg! I hope that you all have taken advantage of our incredible, volunteerproduced Voter Guide as you think about your ballot.

Please make sure that you are encouraging everyone around you to be informed as they cast their vote at the ballot box. We have other opportunities to meet the candidates via our Candidate Forums!

While this is certainly our busiest time of year, the work doesn't end on November 2nd. We believe that civic engagement is a 365-day activity and duty to our community.

We hope that you continue to engage with us in any way that you can; by joining one of our action teams, providing support for our office, helping us with our digital communications and outreach, and donating to keep the doors open. Click here for a list of volunteer opportunities.

Have a safe, and hopefully, cooler October!

In League, Linsey

ST. PETERSBURG GENERAL ELECTION

Get Ready to Vote!

Election Day is Tuesday, November 2nd and mail ballots will be in mailboxes soon.

Here's what's on the ballot:

- Mayor of St. Petersburg
- St. Petersburg City Council Districts 1, 2, 4, 6 & 8
- 7 Proposed Amendments to the St. Petersburg City Charter
- 1 Referendum Question

For the top five things to know for the Municipal General Election and access to more valuable information, <u>READ ON.</u>

Check out Pinellas Voter Guide!

- See how the candidates for Mayor and Council responded to community questions.
- Read analysis of the Amendments and Referendum.



WHAT'S ON YOUR BALLOT?

Learn about the candidates, charter amendments and more PinellasVoterGuide.com







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The Voter Guide is one of the League's signature voter education efforts, and it's something that members of our community have come to rely on over the years as a strong source of unbiased, non-partisan information about the candidates and issues that appear on the ballot.

Please recognize a small but mighty team of Voter Services members that has once again published an outstanding Voter Guide!

The team was led and organized by LWVSPA 2nd VP and Voter Guide Chair **Amy Keith**, and consists of **Heidi Davis**, **Mary Hanrahan** and **Terry Rimer**, with contributions from **Cece Clarke**, **Stacey Kroto** and **Caitlin Constantine**.

READ MORE about this extraordinary team.

VOTER SERVICES KUDOS!

Caitlin Constantine, Election and Voter Protection Co-Chair, and **Amy Keith**, LWVSPA 2nd Vice President & Election and Voter Protection Co-Chair, were recently appointed as LWV representatives to the Florida Election Protection Coalition. Caitlin recently presented valuable information to the Voter Services Chairs of local Leagues based on field experience the LWVSPA Voter Protection Team has gained over the past four years.

Caitlin and Amy are a dynamic duo who leads a dedicated team that have brought recognition to the LWVSPA as leaders in the state.

READ MORE about their work and why it is critical to ensuring every eligible voter can cast their ballot on Election Day.

EVENTS



LET'S CIRCLE UP

League of
Women Voters
St. Petersburg
General Meeting

Online event

Oct 28, 2021 6:00 PM

Register Today!





TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2 PM

LIFELONG LEARNING AUDITORIUM | FAU BOCA RATON







REGISTER

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

By VOTER Team Member Bonnie Hough bonnie@banyannonprofitstrategy.com

Meet Caitlin Constantine, one of the leaders of LWVSPA's Voter Services work. Caitlin has been involved with the League in various capacities since 2017. Get to know Caitlin a little bit more through this

month's Member Spotlight!

Read the full spotlight on Caitlin



FOOD POLITICS TEAM

Food Politics



By VOTER Team Member Olivia London olivia.e.london@gmail.com

The food politics team is raising awareness around issues that include: food choice, healthcare, sustainability, climate and helping individuals move toward a more plant-based diet. To learn more about these issues and how you can reduce your ecological footprint, **READ MORE**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Gina Burchenal, Volunteer Coordinator kgburchenal@gmail.com

Hey....We need you!

Volunteers are needed on the Finance Committee, Media and Publicity, Fundraising, the Suffragette March 2022, Voter Services Speakers Bureau and Election and Voter Protection.

As a LWVSPA volunteer you will increase your engagement in your city, build relationships with league members and invest in democracy.

CLICK HERE for a complete listing of volunteer opportunities

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome New Members!

Please join the Membership Committee in welcoming these new Leaguers who joined in the last month:

Carolyn Lane
Allison Miller
Nicholas Fiorentino
Chloe Bethune
Lisa Childress
Shayna Nunez-Lefrak

Paulette Jones

Time to renew, Seasoned Members!

September 2021

Ashley Agard Meryl Blackman LeRoy Dunn Janet Ferguson Kathleen Garrity Andrea Graham Diana Hammer Lynn Waddell Harvey Katherine Herrin Sandy Kern Lisa Kirchner Karen Lieberman Anysia McDowall Patti Myers Laura Myerson Bruce Nissen

Cara Olson
Kim Paget
Miriam Pardoll
Bethany Peabody
Alison Quinn
Gwendolyn Reese
Julia Rissler
Cara Serra
Sara Smith
Stephanie Stuefer
Jessica Tomlinson
Michelle Unterberger
Maria Celia Villac
Claire Wray
Sheree Wysocki

August 2021

Bill Ackerman
Valerie Ackerman
Terry Bazzone
Ruth Bentley
Catherine Blackburn
Trish Brewer
Beverly Cohen
Judith Comeau
Lauren Constantino
Christina Cowell
Amy Durand
Sue Ellen Glover
Donna Grace
Stacey Hughes
Susan Kaineg

June Kicklighter Peterman
Kathy McCabe
Kelly McCabe
Angel McCormick
Catherine Michels
Mary Olson
Eddie Pringle
Ann Rascoe
Dana Robertson
Paula Shea
Amanda Singleton
Tracey Smith
Robin Storch
Kathryn VanderMolen
Lola Ward

July 2021

Janet Adams
Kristin Beck
Ingrid Bredenberg
Rebecca Davis
Paige DePagter
Lisa Flaherty
Teresa Francis
Geraldine Gray
Barbara Hartwell
Cherita James
Kristin Kern
Margaret Kowski

Holly Lazo
Beth Lurie
Devon Murray
Sandra Owens
Barbara Pierce
Alexis Quintal
Carlyn Scott
Christa Shoaf
Betty Ward
Kari Weddle
Angela Williams

Renew / Join Now

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

- October Calendar of Events/Meetings
- Meet our Board
- Explore Issues



• **Engage!**



League of Women Voters of the St. Petersburg Area <u>Email</u> | <u>Website</u> Telephone: 727-295-5255









The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase $understanding \ of \ major \ public \ policy \ issues, \ and \ influences \ public \ policy \ through \ education \ and \ advocacy.$