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**NOVEMBER 8
Clean Energy & Golf!**

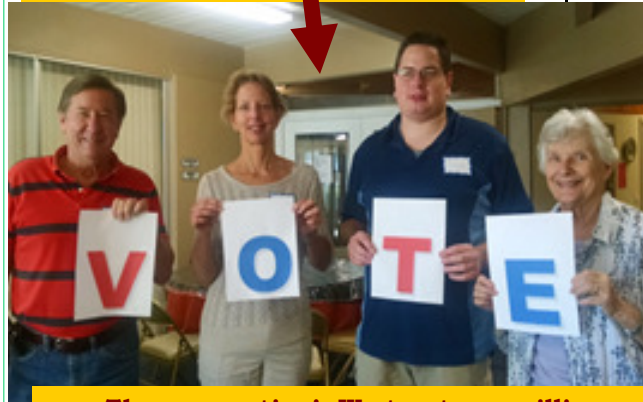
**It's TIME!!
November 4**



**Great
Combo!**

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L-R: Dave Leffert, Robin Schenck, Thomas Schneck, Roberta McIntosh

They are voting! We trust you will!



**Donna's
Doings**

Thank you to all the members who helped out with National Voter Registration Day on September 23: Joy Comstock, Karen Karinja, Lois Rogers-Watson, Janet Sanaker, Becki Snyder, Carolyn Underwood. ...and me. We had two locations and gathered 34 registration forms – 28 of them for brand new voters. Hopefully we can do even better next year. See Becki's and

Janet's pictures on page 2.

And thank you to new members Karen Karinja and Anne Decker for making a presentation at Royal Palms about the upcoming election. I understand it was very well received. I only wish Karen and Anne had thought to take a photograph.

Additionally, I want to remind everyone about the **double duo** we have going on this November 8. It is the combinations] of hearing Susan Glickman, Florida Director, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy,

and speaking on *The Clean Energy Revolution: Solar Sidelined in Florida*, AND the First Annual LWV-NPC Golf Tournament. Anyone can go to the presentation, the golf event, or both. Please look further in The Voter for more information. Either or both are sure to be great events! Please bring a friend/ tell a friend as we (cont'd on p. 2)

Donna's Doings—Continued

want both events to be the greatest. There will be prizes for all 18 holes at the golf tournament. Susan is one of 15 people from Pinellas County to be asked to participate in the summer expedition in 2016 to learn more about the effects of climate change. Her presentation should be very interesting. I can't wait to hear it.

Lastly, I'm going to again ask for volunteers. The Board of Directors decided that many of our jobs need a back-up person "just in case." And, we have some jobs that need a full-time person. The immediate needs are:



Webmaster. Kay Pitchon is doing a wonderful job and we love her. However, if Kay goes on vacation or gets the flu, it would be nice to have someone who

could fill in. If you are interested in learning how the website works and being Kay's backup, please contact her at kpitchon@gmail.com

Telephone Monitor. This person checks the voice mail of LWVNPC and responds to calls. Some calls would be referred to others (example -Someone who is interested in joining would be sent to our membership chairs.) and others would be responded to directly by the monitor (example – Someone called who wants to know if there is a LWV in Hernando County. The monitor would refer this person to the state LWV.) Contact Donna Sharpless – dsharpless@verizon.net or (727) 772-1163.



Thanks for all you do to make our League one of the best.

Ciao!

Donna Sharpless, President, LWVNPC

Our Deepest Sympathy to
Sallie Parks, past president of the League of
Women Voters of North Pinellas County, whose
husband died in October.



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

November 3 Meeting Topic:
China's Foreign Policy
Speaker: Vollie Riskin

We meet the **First Monday of Month**
2:00 pm
Pinellas Park Library, 52nd Street and 78th
Avenue, Pinellas Park.

Come join us!



**Thanks,
Becki!**



**Thanks,
Janet!**

**November 8: CLEAN ENERGY!
BUFFET LUNCH!
GOLF!**

**Y'all
come!**



WHO? Susan Glickman

WHERE?

**Bellevue Biltmore
Golf Club, 1501 Indian
Rocks Road, Belleair**

WHEN?



WHAT? Speaker Susan Glickman of the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy + Buffet Lunch + First Annual Golf Tournament of the League of Women Voters of North Pinellas County

YOU NEED TO: Make a reservation with Ashley BEFORE Nov. 4!

\$17-LWV Members & \$20-Guests plus \$30 for Golf Tournament after lunch , if desired, (—(18 holes, cart, and prizes. This is a 25% reduction)

Contact for reservations Asheley Pimley at 727-692-8450 OR email her at Ashley7276928450@gmail.com, OR send in the form (p. 4) by November 4.

SUSAN is the Florida Director of Southern Alliance for Clean Energy and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy Action Fund. Susan is also a longtime consultant to the Natural Resources Defense Council. She has worked for Ceres, Advanced Energy Economy, Union of Concerned Scientists, Physicians for Social Responsibility, Vote Solar, Clean Energy Group, Environmental Defense Fund and Clean Air Task Force. She developed and directed The Florida Business Network for a Clean Energy Economy, a coalition of business leaders working together to advance the clean energy economy.

Prior to energy and climate issues, Susan worked to grant the FDA authority to regulate tobacco with the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids; to institute a nation-wide health tracking system with Trust for America's Health and for the first time to fund prostate cancer research with the National Prostate Cancer Coalition.

Susan was appointed by Governor Rick Scott to the Florida Commission on Volunteer Service. She was Founding Chair of The Florida Commission on the Status of Women. A native of Florida, she grew up in Tampa, attending St. John's Episcopal Day School and Academy of the Holy Names . She holds a Bachelor of Science in Speech from the University of Texas at Austin and an A.A. from Florida State University. She was named as one of only 15 people from Pinellas County chosen to be on an expedition to the Arctic to study climate change. (See: <http://www.tampabay.com/news/business/energy/city-leader-environmentalist-help-develop-arctic-excursion-for-15-pinellas/2196309>)

**Hot Topics November 8
Reservation Deadline 11/4**

I will be attending the November 8 Hot Topics with Susan Glickman as speaker.

Name: _____ (print)

_____ Member

_____ Guest

Please send your check for \$17 (members) or \$20 (guests) to:

LWV North Pinellas County,
PO Box 6833,
Clearwater, FL 33758

Thank you! We need reservations early to know how much food to prepare! Please send in no later than **November 4, 2014.**

If you want to participate in the Golf Tournament, contact Ashely Wilson Pimley at (727) 692-8450 or ashley7376928450@gmail.com

MEET ASHLEY WILSON PIMLEY

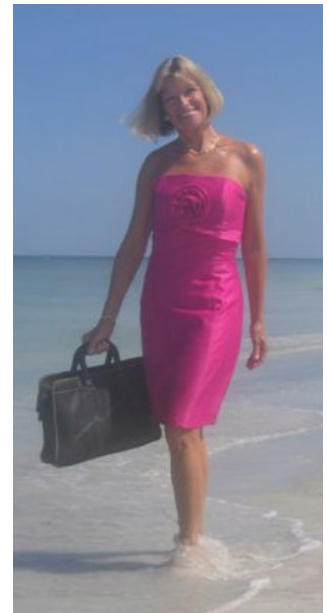
The League of Women Voters of North Pinellas County is very fortunate to have Ashley Wilson Pimley as a member who joined in 2013. She became active from the start and now serves on the Board and co-chairs the Membership Committee.

Ashley arranged for our program on November 8, 2014. It is an exciting one featuring Susan Glickman who is especially equipped to be talking about energy. Ashley hopes that all members will make a special effort to attend and will bring a friend, a spouse, a neighbor.

Before Ashley came to Florida in 1999 from Toledo, Ohio she spent twenty-five years in radio sales and worked in promotion and management of rock radio stations in both Ohio and Indiana. Her career in Florida has been in real estate. She works for Century 21.

Ashley is blessed with two daughters. Her daughter, Abigail, is an attorney in Tampa. Her daughter, Molly, is a teacher at Blake High School in Tampa. Ashley has a granddaughter, Ava, age 9, and she attends Beach Park Montessori School in Tampa.

In her spare time, Ashley enjoys yoga and Pilates, walking on the beach, and exploring Caledesi Island. One of her passions is care of the environment.



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**Informed & Active Citizen
Participation**



Officers 2014-2015

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Lois Rogers-Watson-Newsletter
Peggy Toohey-Transportation
Carolyn Underwood

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Margaret Heveran

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**LWV MISSION
STATEMENT**

“A non-partisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.”

Become a member! Membership/Membership Renewal Application:

League of Women Voters of North Pinellas County

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____
NEW MEMBER? PREVIOUS MEMBER? WHERE? _____

Annual membership is \$50. Household memberships are \$25 for each additional member residing at the same address. **Until 6/1/2014, persons age 30 or younger can join at \$25 and enjoy full privileges of membership.** Student membership is \$25. Cornerstone membership is \$100. After LWV membership for 50 years, there are no dues.

Dues are payable to the League of Women Voters of North Pinellas County on _____ or before May 1 of each year.

**Please mail the membership application and payment to:
LWVNPC,
P.O. Box 6833
Clearwater, FL 33758**



I am sure none of you need a reminder that the general election is November 4. Voting is so important to our democracy and there are two gubernatorial candidates with very diverse views on running our state. It will be a close race. We also have many other seats and issues that will make a difference in our community and state depending on which way the vote goes. Do your homework to make sure the candidate and issues you vote for represent your values and point of view.

A friend of mine just said to me that he “goofed” on his mail-in ballot. He didn’t know anything about the two candidates for one particular position, so he just picked one. My friend found out later the candidate has opinions completely the opposite of his. Of course, I chastised him for not taking a few minutes to look at the *LWV Voter Guide* or other places to get information on candidates. Let this be a reminder to us all of the need to make an educated vote. And, please do your best to get everyone you know who can vote to get out there and vote! It doesn’t matter if it is via by mail, by early voting, or going to the polls on the traditional day. -Donna Sharpless, President, League of Women Voters of North Pinellas County

VOTE-VOTE-VOTE-VOTE-VOTE

RECENT PHOTOS



Rita Garvey presides at the Pro/Con Meeting on Greenlight Pinellas on October 18, 2014

It was jointly sponsored by AAUW and the LWVNPC.



Why YOUR Vote is Important:

In 1876, Just One Vote gave Rutherford B. Hayes the Presidency of the United States.

In 1948, Just One Vote elected Lyndon Johnson United States Senator from Texas.

In 1995, Just One Vote resulted in the failure of the Balanced Budget Amendment in the United States Senate.

In 2000, Just One Vote in each precinct in Florida resulted in the election of George W. Bush, president of the United States.

In 2014, what will **YOUR** vote do?!



Karen Karinja, new Voter Service Chair, gets good mentoring from Carol Bickford who ably held the position in the past.