

## *The VOTER AUGUST 2026*

Dear League Members and Friends,

August is always an exciting time for the League. Election season is here, and with it come countless opportunities for us to serve our community and fulfill our mission of empowering voters through education and engagement. We welcomed our 2026-2027 Board during our July board orientation, where we focused on our strategic



priorities and reaffirmed our shared commitment to empowering voters and defending democracy through education, advocacy, and civic engagement! We left inspired by the passion, experience, and dedication of this incredible group of volunteers. Together, we're building on the League's legacy while looking ahead to new opportunities to educate voters, strengthen civic participation, and make a positive impact throughout Hillsborough and Pasco Counties.

Our volunteers have been busy! From hosting virtual candidate forums to staffing voter education tables across the community, League members continue to show up wherever voters need us. Whether you're helping someone check their vote-by-mail status or register to vote, answering questions about the election process, or ensuring candidates have an opportunity to share their views in a fair and nonpartisan setting, your time and commitment truly matter. Thank you for being the heart of this organization -- you are making a meaningful difference!

With election season upon us, now is the time to make a plan to vote and encourage your family, friends and neighbors to do the same. Share **VOTE411.org** with them! It's a one-stop shop for election information, providing personalized ballot information, candidate responses to League questionnaires, polling place information, voter registration details, and answers to frequently asked election questions. The League's goal is to offer an invaluable, nonpartisan resource that helps voters cast informed ballots with confidence. A well-informed voter is an empowered voter, and together we can help ensure all eligible voters have the information they need to participate in this year's elections.

[Click here to sign up for upcoming Election Outreach Events.](#)

Thank you for everything you do to make the League such a respected and trusted voice in our community. Together, we are ensuring that every voter has access to reliable information and every voice has the opportunity to be heard. We look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events as we continue this important work together.

Diana and Teresa  
Co-Presidents

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# Important Voting Information

## 2026 Primary Election - August 18, 2026

- Deadline to Request a Vote-by-Mail Ballot (Hillsborough): **August 6, 2026**
- Early Voting (Hillsborough County): **August 3-16, 2026**, 10 am - 6:00 pm
- Early Voting (Pasco County): **August 8-15**, 10 am - 6 pm

## 2026 General Election - November 3, 2026

- Deadline to Register or Change Party Affiliation: **October 5, 2026**
- Deadline to Request a Vote-by-Mail Ballot: **October 22, 2026**
- Early Voting (Hillsborough County): **October 19-November 1, 2026**
- Early Voting (Pasco County): **October 19 - October 31, 2026**

[VoteHillsborough.gov](https://VoteHillsborough.gov) or [PascoVotes.gov](https://PascoVotes.gov).

*We are the League of Women Voters.*

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### Do you have friends, family, or neighbors in the military?

Here is information from the [Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office](#) and from the [Pasco County Supervisor of Elections](#) regarding how deployed military personnel can vote from abroad and throughout the U.S.

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If you live in Hillsborough County and don't get SOE Craig Lattimore's newsletter, click [here](#) to read the July issue. It is full of useful information about voting.

## League Meetings & Trainings

Please continue to check our online calendar for upcoming events and trainings. If you are unable to make a scheduled Voter Services Training, please reach out. We are scheduling them every other week and are happy to work with your schedule.

- August 4 12pm-12:30pm - Voter Services Training. [Register here.](#)
- August 5 12pm-1pm - LWV Membership Committee Meeting. [Register here.](#)
  - Our league needs help with this! Please join us if you have a little time to help with membership coordination.
- August 24 6:30pm -7:30pm - League Monthly Meeting. [Register here.](#)

## Meet the Pasco Candidates

The Pasco NAACP Branch 5630 and the League of Women Voters of Hillsborough and Pasco Counties, Pasco Action Group are co-hosting a Zoom Forum for Pasco School Board Candidates, **Monday, August 3, at 6 pm.**

Remember, in Pasco County, ALL Registered Voters can vote for the School Board candidates in ALL Districts. If you are a resident of Pasco, you may sign up through the QR code below or click [HERE](#).

Your questions for candidates are collected at online registration. The Zoom sign-in begins at 5:30 pm.

Questions? Ask [pascolwv.cb@gmail.com](mailto:pascolwv.cb@gmail.com).



The graphic is a blue rectangular banner with white and red text. At the top left, there are three stars: a red one, a white one, and a blue one. The main text reads: "Pasco School Board Candidates Zoom Forum AUGUST 3, 2026 6 pm to 8:30 pm". To the right of this text is a QR code with the word "REGISTER" in red above it and a red arrow pointing to the code. Below the QR code, a white box contains the text: "All registered voters can vote for School Board Candidates in the Primary Election, by Mail, during Early Voting and on Election Day, 8/18/26". At the bottom left is the NAACP logo with the text "Pasco NAACP Branch 5630". At the bottom right is the LWV logo with the text "LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS' OF HILLSBOROUGH AND PASCO COUNTIES".

## Goodwill and GOTV

### Let's Get out the Vote (GOTV)!

We have been invited to provide voting information to Goodwill customers at any of their stores in Hillsborough and Pasco County. **In order to set up an event with them, we need you to choose the day & time!** We can add Goodwill dates to our Get Out the Vote sign-up once we have one league member offer to staff it. We will confirm with Goodwill once two members have signed up. Thank you to Lauren Foley and Mary Switzer who have teamed up to do multiple dates in Ruskin. All other locations are up for grabs! **If you are interested in helping to staff or coordinate a two-hour tabling event at one of the following Goodwill locations in Hillsborough or Pasco, please send an email to [president@hclwv.org](mailto:president@hclwv.org) with the date, time & location.** Any dates in August, September, and October will work.

- [Goodwill Hillsborough Ave - 4102 W Hillsborough Ave, Tampa, FL 33614](#)
- [Goodwill US-301 - 1407 US-301, Tampa, FL 33619](#)
- [2390 Willow Oak Dr, Wesley Chapel, FL 33544 - Goodwill Wesley Chapel](#)
- [Goodwill Spring Hill - 4750 Commercial Way, Spring Hill, FL 34606](#)
- [Goodwill Plant City - 2802 James L Redman Pkwy, Plant City, FL 33566](#)
- [Goodwill Brandon - 1106 E Brandon Blvd, Brandon, FL 33511](#)
- [Goodwill Trinity - 11462 State Road 54, Trinity, FL 34655](#)

- [Goodwill Oldsmar](#) - 3929 Tampa Rd, Oldsmar, FL 34677
- [Goodwill Riverview](#) - 10739 Big Bend Road Riverview, FL 33579

## Working the Polls

The National Poll Worker Recruitment Day is August 11.

Help your local Supervisor of Election by sign up as a poll worker. People power our elections and at the League of Women Voters, we're asking for your help. Election administrators often need more support recruiting poll workers in non-presidential years to ensure every voter has an efficient experience at the polls.



Poll workers are critical to helping maintain safe and accessible in-person voting for all voters. Plus, you get paid!

Join LWV in recruiting the poll workers we need to make sure our polls are accessible for everyone who wants to cast their vote. Sign up here: <https://www.powerthepolls.org/lwv>.

Check out this blog to learn more about being a Poll Worker: <https://www.lwv.org/blog/being-election-worker-101>.

Looking for Poll Worker Stories: Have you been a Poll Worker in the past? Want to share your story? If so reach out with your story and a photo to our Communications Chair, Deana Turnipseed, [Communications@HCLWV.org](mailto:Communications@HCLWV.org). If you would rather chat about your experience, send your name, phone number, and a good time to call to [Communications@HCLWV.org](mailto:Communications@HCLWV.org). We would like to feature you on our Facebook page and Newsletter.

## Monitoring the Polls!

LWVFL is hosting a coordinated nonpartisan poll monitoring program with our partners for the August 18 (primary) election, both during Early Voting and on Election Day.

### Nonpartisan Poll Monitors:

- Help make sure every registered voter gets to exercise their rights.
- Support voters by answering questions, reporting issues and connecting voters denied the ballot to legal resources.
- Stand or sit outside of priority polling locations during early voting and on Election Day (standard shift is 4 hours), beyond the 150' no-solicitation zone.

Sign up [here](#) for online training

To participate, sign up [here](#).

#### Current Training Dates Available

- Sun, Aug 2, 2:00–3:30 pm
- Wed, Aug 5, 6:30–8:00 pm
- Sun, Aug 9, 2:00–3:30 pm
- Tue, Aug 11, 7:00–8:30 pm
- Wed, Aug 12, 6:30–8:00 pm
- Sun, Aug 16, 2:00–3:30 pm

Sign up [here](#) for online training



## Talking About the (2020) Elections

### Navigating Conversations on False Claims About the 2026 Elections -- Guidance from the [National Task Force on Election Crises](#)

President Trump gave a national address about the 2020 elections on July 16, 2026. He claimed election fraud influenced the outcome and presented alleged evidence about election vulnerabilities. Whether you're chatting with coworkers, neighbors, or classmates about the false election claims, below are some recommendations to navigate those difficult conversations.

1. **RESIST THE TEMPTATION TO ADDRESS EACH CLAIM MADE OR TO SIMPLY LIST FACTS. DO NOT TAKE THE BAIT.** The President's intent is to plant seeds of doubt. When we get into proving them wrong, we are fighting feelings with facts. And when we fight feelings with facts, we lose. Instead, address the speech and the intention to manufacture a pretext to reject the 2026 results before votes are even cast.
2. **DO NOT REPEAT THE LIE(S).** The more we repeat something — even in an effort to debunk or fact-check it — the more believability it gains.
3. **DO NOT REPEAT CLAIMS ABOUT NON-CITIZEN VOTING, EVEN TO DISPUTE THEM.** Once we start repeating the words “non-citizen voting,” we are giving the claims free air time and putting ourselves on their playing field.
4. **EMPHASIZE THAT THE SPEECH WAS DESPERATE AND RIDICULOUS.** Avoid being baited into a political debate. This is not about one party versus the other; it's about adhering to the U.S. Constitution and respecting the peaceful transition of office.
5. **USE SIMPLE AND ACCESSIBLE LANGUAGE.** Avoid legal jargon. We need to communicate this in terms all Americans can understand (and echo).

#### What Voters Should Know

These claims of years-old interference, timed to arrive months before a midterm election, should be evaluated with heightened scrutiny and skepticism.

- **The 2020 election was secure and accurate.** It has been affirmed and reaffirmed in five years of audits, recounts, court cases, and intelligence reviews that turned up no trace of foreign tampering with a single actual vote anywhere.
- **The President released documents that do not support his claims.** By the account of reporters and analysts reviewing them in real time, he presented no new evidence in July that a single vote was altered in 2020.

- **State and federal laws are extremely effective in preventing noncitizens from voting.** Reports of large numbers of noncitizen registrations or voting typically reflect confusion or deliberate misrepresentation of voter data. Once seriously investigated, these numbers routinely shrink to very few cases of noncitizen registrations or voting—and even these are usually accidental rather than intentional. For more information, check out this fact sheet: [Rebutting Allegations of Widespread Voter Fraud by Noncitizens](#).
- **Voting machines are reliable and secure.** There is no evidence that voting machines have ever been exploited to rig a U.S. election, including the 2020 presidential election. All technology has potential vulnerabilities, which is why election officials deploy numerous safeguards to protect them from hacking and exploitation. We should always be vigilant and continue to invest in those security efforts.
- **Voting lists are often public.** Even if a foreign country obtained voter data, that does not mean it was stolen or that it could be used to change a vote.
- **Voters should be confident in the results of past elections and in the states' ability to administer the 2026 midterms.**

## Vote411

Check out [Vote411](#) yourself and recommend it to others who are still deciding about the candidates.

**\*\*\* Fun Fact: In FL, the LWV-FL had a 64% response rate to candidate questions.** Per LWVUS, this is a very high response rate. 85% of Democratic candidates responded while 42% of Republicans did!

In Hillsborough & Pasco Counties, our league has an 87% response rate, all but 1 candidate in Hillsborough and 4, but we are still trying to get them all! This includes judicial, school board, county commission and mosquito control candidates.

## Focus on NPAs

### Can NPA voters vote in primaries?

Florida uses closed primaries, which means:

- You must be registered with a party to vote in that party's primary.
- No Party Affiliated (NPA) voters cannot vote in partisan primaries.

However, all voters can vote in the Primary Election for nonpartisan candidates which in Hillsborough & Pasco, includes school board, judicial and mosquito control races.

Also, If all candidates in a race are from the same party and no write-in candidates qualify, a partisan primary becomes a Universal Primary Contest, and all voters, including NPAs, can vote.

It is now too late to change parties or select a party before the primaries.



On August 8, the League of Women Voters will [Unite and Rise for Voting Rights](#) nationwide to honor the 61st anniversary of the *Voting Rights Act of 1965* and demonstrate the power of communities working together to shape our future.

The nearest actions to us will be in Clearwater and Lakeland. To find out more, click [here](#).

## LWV Florida Council of Leaders *by Deana Turnipseed, Communications Chair*

On July 11-12, league members from around Florida met at Rollins College in Winter Park. Elaina Stevenson and I attended and enjoyed a packed agenda and a variety of topics to help us learn and grow.

Our State President, Jessica Lowe-Minor left us with these reminders:

- We have been at inflection points before in America; our National Anthem is about barely surviving the night and yet we did. We have reason to be optimistic about the future of America.
- We achieve our goals by bridging divides, being curious, finding common ground, and building connections with people.
- **\*\*\*Election Protection is our priority.\*\*\***

Keynote Speaker Karen Castor Dentel, Supervisor of Elections for Orange County, grew up in our league. Her mother, Betty Castor is a former league President and was very active in our League for years. Karen graciously shared her remarks with us and we are sharing this excerpt:

*"When I think about the future of democracy, I often think about my mother. I think about all the League members who came before us. None of them knew exactly what challenges the next generation would face. But they understood something timeless.*

*"Democracy survives because ordinary people decide it is worth caring for. Not just every two or four years. Everyday. Through service, education, advocacy, partnership.*

*"Through showing up.*

*"They handed the responsibility to us.  
And it's our turn to hand it to the next  
generation a little stronger than we  
found it."*

*"Democracy does not come to life on its  
own. It comes to life because people like  
you choose, every single day, to bring it  
to life."*



## Making Good Trouble

We Partied with a Purpose on July 18 at the Jackson Heights NFL YET Center. State Representative Dianne Hart hosted this event in her district to get residents ready for the upcoming elections. We were there with Magnified Voices and the Hillsborough County SOE.

A great time was had by all! We appreciated Representative Hart's hospitality.



Elaina Stevenson, Lynne Price, FL Representative Dianne Hart, Deana Turnipseed, and Liz Taylor reminding everyone to "Go Vote"

## Justice for Detained Teens

One of the fundamental components of reproductive justice is the human right to parent children in safe communities. In 2026, that human right is being undermined before our eyes, as the federal government deploys inadequately trained ICE agents

whose abusive actions have resulted in deaths and spread fear throughout many the communities. ICE has not only forcibly detained pregnant teens – many of their pregnancies a result of rape – but also moved them to Texas, a state that has fully banned abortion. **Now, some of those minors and their newborns are nowhere to be found.**

[Sign and amplify Ultraviolet's petition](#) demanding that Congress investigate, get answers about every girl and infant who has passed through the Texas facility, and stop any abuse they find. ([Learn more about the investigation here.](#))

## 4 out of 10???

Four out of ten low-income menstruators report missing school or work due to a lack of access to period products.

The [Tampa Period Pantry](#) is a mutual aid organization that provides around 40 pantries in Hillsborough, Pasco, and other counties with free menstrual and health products. Help build up the stock of period and hygiene products to keep all 40 pantries and their Pads for Students program full.

Drop off unused/individually-wrapped or unopened-box products at Disco Dolls or Kaleisia Tea in Tampa), [or donate online here.](#)

## Car-Free Tampa!



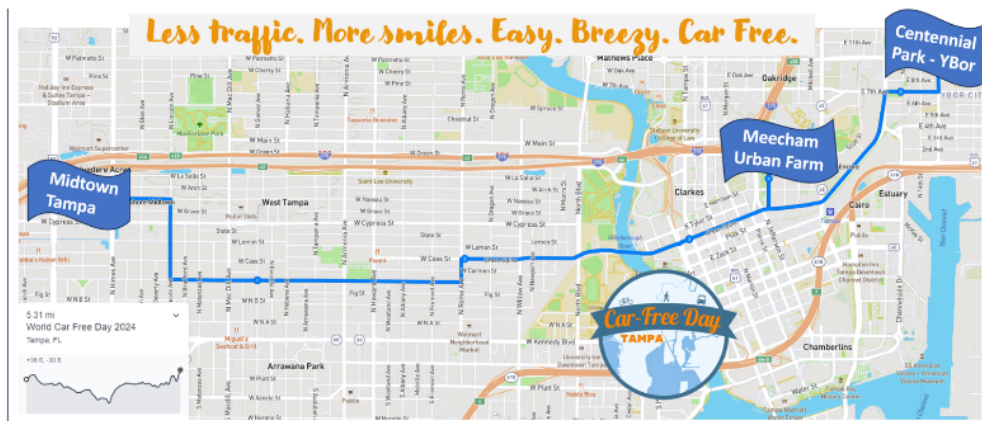
## Don't Miss Tampa's World Car Free Day!

Mark your calendar for September 26, 2026, from 9am to 2pm! Bring the whole family and walk, bike, roll, or scoot to one of our neighborhood activity hubs. Explore your community, enjoy fun activities, meet your neighbors, and make memories together—all while experiencing the joy of a day with fewer cars and more people.



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**Want to volunteer? Be a Sponsor? Be a vendor? Join in the fun?**  
email: [WCFDTampa@gmail.com](mailto:WCFDTampa@gmail.com)



Anyone interested in getting a group of LWV members together to ride this day? Perhaps in LWV t-shirts? See down below to purchase a t-shirt. Write to [voter@hclwv.org](mailto:voter@hclwv.org) in August if you might be interested in getting a group together.

## The Time is NOW

Attend the 2026 Florida NOW state conference Aug. 14-16, conveniently located in St. Pete. Feminists from across the state will strategize, learn, and strengthen their collective work for gender justice. For information about the event, click [here](#). David Jolly may be the lone male speaker.

NOW's literature says the deadline for registering has passed, but the registration page still seems to be working. If anyone from Tampa wants to carpool, contact [voter@hclwv.org](mailto:voter@hclwv.org).

[Sign up here!](#)

## The Urgency of Now!

Mark your calendar now for the Oct. 3 NAACP gala!

Tickets to the gala include an annual membership in the NAACP.

<https://www.naacphillsborough.org/>

Also note that the monthly meetings of the Hillsborough County NAACP take place the third Thursday of every month at 5101 N 40th Street, Ste. B Tampa, FL 33610. The meetings start at 6:30 pm.



## Know Your E-bikes! *by Emily Hinsdale, Transportation Chair*

### Know your E-bikes!

Not everything with an electric motor is an electric bike! Electric bikes can be an important piece of our community's transportation system. They allow riders to travel further and with greater ease, making them especially useful to people with mobility challenges or who lack other options. However, more and more electric dirt bikes are appearing on our roads and sidewalks, creating safety hazards for users and other people in these spaces. These "bikes" are not legal on roads and sidewalks in Florida! Law enforcement already has the laws to ticket these vehicles.

So the next time you hear someone complain about e-bikes, make sure you know the difference: If the pedals don't move, it's not a bike.

## Spot the Difference: E-Bikes

**Class 1**



**Class 2**



**Class 3**



**Not E-Bikes**



# Opportunities for Safe Routes to School

## *by Emily Hinsdale, Transportation Chair*

Automated school zone speed cameras have been legal in Florida since 2023 legislation. Local governments have passed ordinances to permit camera use and some of the results are starting to roll in.

In the first semester of the 2025-26 school year at 28 Hillsborough County schools, cameras recorded a 48% drop in speed violations. Over 90% of drivers learned the lesson and did not receive a second violation.

Hillsborough County decided to expand the program to all schools located in the unincorporated county. Tampa will activate its first cameras at 18 schools starting in August. Temple Terrace is finalizing a contract to activate cameras at all of its schools.

Cameras offer consistent, unbiased, and safe speed enforcement. However, with thousands of people driving through schools at deadly speeds every day, how to use the collected fines becomes a large budgeting question.

Penalty fine breakdown:

- 20% to state general revenue breakdown
- 3% for state law enforcement standards and training fund
- 5% for school crossing guard recruitment and retention (operated by the sheriff's office)
- 12% for school district security, transportation, or improving safety for student walking conditions
- 60% retained by city to administer program and other public safety initiatives

The last two percentages are the ones to watch as they are the most open to local input and advocacy.

The school district is receiving its 12% but as yet has not spent it nor shown a clear plan for how it will be used. The district can only make changes to school property, unless it enters into an agreement with county or city transportation departments to transfer funds toward building school-area sidewalks or other safety impedimenta.

Tampa City Council has asked the city mobility department to look at a plan for how to use its 60% to further reduce speeding infractions around schools. While some of that money will go toward operations - both the company that provides the cameras and the police staff needed to assess violations - the remainder could be spent on sidewalks, crosswalks, crossing lights, bike lanes, and other infrastructure that slows cars down.

Hillsborough County has not clarified how it will be using its portion of the fines.

Many who oppose speed cameras worry these devices are an opportunity to boost government revenues. Our local governments have the opportunity now to ensure fines are used responsibly to make children safer.

Questions to ask our school board, county commissioners, city councils, and mayors, both current and campaigning: How will these funds be used? Will they be used to improve safety around school zones or disappear into unspecific “public safety” budget line items?

## Teach Your Children Well

### Leah's Pantry: Food Smarts



This interactive, trauma-informed nutrition lesson, presented by Feeding Tampa Bay, includes a food demonstration that focuses on how to nourish your body, move your body in a safe enjoyable way, explore where foods come from, health goal setting, which helps to build cooking and nutrition skills while reducing household food waste. **Recommended for kids and teens.**

August 4 at 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Seffner-Mango Branch Library](#)

410 N. Kingsway Rd., in Seffner



August 25 at 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

[Riverview Public Library](#)

9951 Balm Riverview Rd., in Riverview

Please contact the individual library for more information.



**SIERRA  
CLUB**



## Take Action to Stop TECO's Unfair Rate Hikes in Tampa Bay!

Please sign our petition  
against the TECO rate hikes:

Sierra Club is a member of

**HILLSBOROUGH**  
**AFFORDABLE ENERGY COALITION**

Instagram: @HAECoalition



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Join the Sierra Club at Angry Chair Brewery for a Watch Party of the Sierra Club's new monthly series, *Vs Goliath*. Tuesday, August 4, 7:30-9:30 pm. Viewing begins promptly at 8. Address: 4101 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33603

To live stream and for additional details: [VS. GOLIATH: Appalachia](#)

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## **ALERT: Tell the EPA to Monitor Microplastics**

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act, every five years the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is required to develop a nationwide monitoring program for up to 30 currently unregulated contaminants in drinking water. Unbelievably, the EPA **failed to include microplastics in its proposed monitoring rule**.

We can't wait another 5 years – or more – until the next monitoring cycle for the EPA to start to protect people from microplastics. We need monitoring now, not delays and excuses. The proposal is out for public comment and we have until August 31 to demand federal monitoring of harmful microplastics.

To learn more and submit a comment, go [here](#).

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## **Forbidden Florida Reads**

Izzy Miletic's recommendation for August is *Two Boys Kissing*, by David Levithan. It was awarded the Stonewall Book Award (2014) and BANNED in Charlotte, Clay, Collier, Escambia, Hernando, [Hillsborough](#), Marion, Okaloosa, Polk, Seminole, St. Lucie, and Walton County schools. For Izzy's complete review and summary, click the burning book above.



## Raising Conscienceness



July 25, several members of our League attended *Predictor* at Stageworks Theater. *Predictor* is the powerful and moving story of Meg Crane, the woman who created the home pregnancy test.

We were also treated to a Q&A with Meg Crane after the show. She is a quiet woman who changed millions of lives. The play was produced by Powerstories Theatre. Be sure to catch "Conscience" in August, hopefully with our group.



From left, Nancy Stephens, Deana Turnpseed, Nancy Sardinas Lambert, Gail Gibson, Liz Taylor, Shirley Acuri, Farah Stokes, Teresa Potter



Step into the smoke-filled backrooms of 1950's Washington, D.C., where a gripping political story unfolds in Joe DiPietro's powerful play, *Conscience*. Senator Joseph McCarthy and his ruthless team aren't just hunting communists; they are launching a devastating witch hunt to expose and purge LGBTQIA+ individuals from the federal government. In this climate of absolute fear, employees' private lives are twisted into alleged national security threats, and a simple rumor can destroy their careers instantly. While the rest of the Senate cowers in fear, one person refuses to be silenced: Maine Senator **Margaret Chase Smith**. As the only woman in the Senate, she risks her entire career and her political survival to stand up against a tyrant and deliver her historic "Declaration of Conscience" speech.

Note that Tampa Bay's leading lady of theater (imho), Roxanne Fay, will be portraying the Senator in this staged reading.

Our league has been offered the group ticket rate again! So anyone who would like to attend with us as a group, please email [president@hclwv.org](mailto:president@hclwv.org) and note which performance you would like to attend. We already have two league members attending each performance so you can choose your date! If you attend with our group, the ticket cost is \$30. If you go with us, we will collect the funds and write them one check and avoid platform fees.

If you have plans to attend separately with others, league members can buy discounted tickets [here](#) for \$33.65 (platform fees included).

*If this subject is of interest to you, whether or not you can attend the staged reading, consider zooming into Ellen Schrecker's talk on Senator Margaret Chase Smith and the broader lessons of McCarthyism. Professor Schrecker is one of the leading historians of McCarthyism, political repression, and American higher education. This free event will be held on Sunday, Aug. 2, from 4-5 pm. [RSVP here.](#)*

## Tiger Bay

The August 21 Tiger Bay lunch will feature candidates running for the Hillsborough County Commission. The room opens at 11:30 and the program starts at 12:00.

Click on the tiger for more information and registration.



## Restore Ponds in Pasco

The environmental section of the Pasco Public Works Department is only three years old and has its work cut out for it! If you live in Pasco and are concerned about the state of its 6000 bodies of water, you could help the Stormwaters Smart Solutions Pond Restoration Project. Learn more from the Tampa Bay Times article [here](#) and apply [here](#).



Café con Tampa is a 501(c)(3) organization that holds community fora to discuss important issues facing Tampa Bay. The weekly gatherings of neighborhood and community leaders take place on Fridays at 8 am at the Portico at 1001 N. Florida Ave., Tampa. Doors open at 7:30 am. Each event opens with community announcements, which are followed by a speaker and a Q&A.

To learn about future speakers, visit [Upcoming Events](#). Speakers are usually not announced until a few days ahead. If you are interested in becoming a speaker, visit [Speaking at Café con Tampa](#).

## Shopping for Good





### **LWV of Hillsborough and Pasco Counties Merch!**

Ready to show your League Pride? Ready to let folks know you can help them with a voting plan? Check out our very own MERCH at [Zazzle!](#)

A small portion of your purchase comes back to our League. So get your t-shirts, tanks, buttons, stickers, hats, magnets and get ready for Election Season!

Most shirt designs can be put on other styles of shirts. (women's cut, unisex, short sleeve, etc).

## **Follow Us on Facebook**

We post lots of updates and pictures of our events and it's another way to stay informed and active in the League. Click on the logo:



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*Upcoming Member Meetings*

Aug. 3, 6-8:30 pm, [Pasco County School Board Forum](#)  
Aug. 4, 10am-12pm, [Voter Education](#), Goodwill Ruskin  
Aug. 4 12-12:30pm - [Voter Services Training](#)  
Aug 5 12-1pm - [Membership Committee Meeting](#)  
Aug. 8, 12-2pm, [Voter Education](#), LUSH  
Aug. 15, 12-2:30 pm, [Voter Education](#), Goodwill Ruskin  
Aug. 24 6:30-7:30pm - [League Monthly Meeting](#)

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Check the League's website [calendar of events](#) throughout the month for new meetings and events.

Want to know what's coming up? You can now subscribe to our HCLWV Events Calendar so our events show up on your online calendar! Find the subscribe link just below the calendar heading [here](#).

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