Interested in some perspective about those long lines on Election Day 2012?

Don't Miss our January 14 Program! RSVP Now.

History of Voting Experiences Nationally and Proposed Election Reforms for Florida Residents

Our keynote speaker is Charles Stewart
Our keynote speaker is Charles Stewart III, Kenan Sahin Distinguished Professor of Political Science at MIT. Prof. Stewart studies congressional politics, elections, and American political development. He serves as the MIT Director of the Caltech/MIT Voting Technology Project, a major research program that applies scientific analysis to questions about election technology, election administration, and election reform. A highly regarded scholar who has won numerous awards of recognition, Prof. Stewart is a national leader in quantitative assessment of election systems.

Where: Sundial Beach Resort, 1451 Middle Gulf Drive, Sanibel

When: Tuesday, January 14th.
   Registration - 11:30 a.m.
   Luncheon and program - 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Cost: If you paid $80 for all four LWV luncheon programs (20 November, 14 January, 18 February, and 25 March), we have reserved your place. Otherwise, the cost is $25 per person for this luncheon and program. Please make your check payable to LWV Sanibel and note the program date and number in your party on the memo line. Mail checks to LWV Sanibel, P.O. Box 1194, Sanibel, FL 33957.

RSVP: Click Here to email Ellen O'Neill and reserve your place by email. Please provide the names of the people in your party. Reservation deadline is January 11.

The League of Women Voters of Sanibel needs YOU to volunteer.

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The ballot box returns in 2014. There will be a Florida primary election on August 26 and a general election on November 4. LWV of Sanibel is hosting voter registration tables and we need your help. Ask a friend to join you and volunteer to work one or more two-hour sessions to help register new voters or help citizens who are currently registered but need to revise their registration.

**LWV Voter Registration Dates and Locations**

**Sunday, January 12, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Sanibel Farmers' Market**

**Saturday, January 18, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Bailey's General Store**

**Saturday, January 25, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Bailey's General Store**

You must be certified by the LWV Florida to register voters, so we are offering a (free!) training session; it will take less than an hour of your time.

**Volunteer Training for Voter Registration:**

**Tuesday, January 7, 2014, 11:00 a.m. in the Sanibel Library Conference Room.**

If you have one, bring your tablet or laptop. If you don't have such, sign up anyway and we'll provide a computer.

Did you volunteer last year need to refresh your skills on voter registration? Come to the training session!

Registering voters will be fun; you can meet the public, welcome new residents to our Sanibel community and encourage them to participate in our democratic process. Each registration session must have two volunteers, so call a League friend or get a friend to join the League and sign up together!
For information and to sign-up for training and registration sessions, click here to email Dick Calkins or call him at 239/395-1751.

Tour the Everglades with the League
22-23 February 2014

Join our own Carolyn Gray, LWV Florida Second Vice President, along with an experienced guide on this weekend excursion into the Everglades, a habitat that exists nowhere else in the world. Click here for details and registration information.

LWV Board Meeting Notes
By Bob Winters, Secretary

The board met on December 11, 2013. Bob Jim Lavelle reported a bank balance of slightly more than $4,500.

Following discussion the board decided to publish a membership directory, listing the active members as of the end of the membership year on January 31. The board reviewed ideas to increase the attendance at our membership meetings. One step we will take is to ask the presidents of the local Democratic and Republican clubs to suggest to their members that they would find the meetings rewarding.

The League has been active in soliciting signatures for the clean water ballot initiative. Voters Service chair Dick Calkins reported that we collected 149 signatures. He also said that we will be providing voter registration opportunities early next year.

We have a new email address: lwvsanibel@gmail.com

Next board meeting January 8, 2014 at 3:30, Bank of the Islands.

Not an LWV Sanibel Member, but interested in joining?

Special Bonus: If you join now, your membership will be valid
until the end of April 2015. You will enjoy more than year of membership.

Membership Application

Please copy this form and mail it along with your check (made out to LWV Sanibel) to LWV Sanibel, P.O. Box 1194, Sanibel, FL 33957

Questions: lwvsanibel@gmail.com

Name_____________________________Phone (Home)_____________________
Address___________________________Phone (mobile)_____________________
_________________________________E-mail____________________________

Please Circle Annual Membership Level

$125 Susan B. Anthony membership ________________________
$95 Household membership                ________________________
$65 Individual membership                ________________________
$30 Student membership                     _________________________

TOTAL                                                ______________________

Please Circle Your Interest Topics

Voter Services Publicity
Local Government Membership
Fundraising Hot Topics
Health Care Education
Sustainability/Natural Resources Hospitality/Events

LWV Sanibel 2013-14 Board

Linda Kramer, President
Linda Robison, Vice President
Jim Lavelle, Treasurer
LWV Sanibel Board Meetings 2013-2014

Members are invited to attend all Board meetings which are held at 3:30 p.m. at the Bank of the Islands from October through May. With some exceptions, meetings are on the second Wednesdays of the month. The 2013-2014 schedule for Board meetings is: January 8, February 12, March 12, April 9, and May 14.

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