



# BALLOT BOX

OCTOBER 2024



## November General Election candidates to speak in October

While much attention is focused on the Presidential race in November's election, there are a number of other important contests Pinellas County voters will find on their ballots. A good number of General Election Republican candidates have already appeared and spoken at a Belleair Women's Republican Club event, but there are a few remaining GOP office seekers who have not yet had that opportunity.

The next BWRC luncheon and meeting hopes to fix this. All the Republican candidates who have not addressed the club have been invited to speak on October 4. Six of the seven who accepted the invitation to appear are pictured above. Going from left to right, an identification and description of the office they are seeking follows.

The first photo shows Rep. Adam Anderson, who is seeking a second term in the Florida House as the representative for

District 57. District 57 encompasses the northern part of Pinellas County.

The second photo shows Rep. Kim Berfield, who is running for a second term in the Florida House as the representative for District 58. District 58 encompasses a central section of Pinellas County.

The third photo shows Rep. Linda Chaney, who is seeking a second term in the Florida House as the representative for District 61. District 61 encompasses a southwest section of Pinellas County.

The fourth photo shows Rep. Berny Jacques, who is seeking a second term in the Florida House as the representative for District 59. District 59 encompasses a central section of Pinellas County.

The fifth picture shows Vince Nowicki, who is running for the District 3 seat on the Pinellas County Commission. District 3

encompasses a southeast section of Pinellas County.

The sixth photo shows Chris Scherer, who is running for the District 1 seat on the Pinellas County Commission. District 1 encompasses a northeast section of Pinellas County.

Not shown is Nelson Amador, who is running for election to the Florida House as the representative of District 62. District 62 encompasses a small portion of South Pinellas County and a section of Hillsborough County.

The October 4 BWRC luncheon will take place at Belleair Country Club, 1 Country Club Lane, Belleair. Check-in begins at 11:30 am, with lunch served starting at noon. The cost to attend is \$37 per person. Reservations and payment for the luncheon are due by Thursday, September 19. Mail checks to BWRC at P.O. Box 1117, 850 E. Lime St., Tarpon Springs, FL 34688.

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## OCTOBER MEETING INFORMATION

Friday, October 6

Belleair Country Club  
1 Country Club Lane  
Belleair, FL 33756

Luncheon Fee: \$37

Registration & networking  
begin at 11:30am.

Event begins  
at 12 pm

To RSVP:  
A \$37 check made  
payable to BWRC is  
due by September 19.

Mail check to:  
BWRC  
P.O. Box 1117  
850 E. Lime Street  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34688

If paying at the luncheon,  
please no \$100 bills.

Alternate meal must  
be requested  
with your RSVP.

No substitutions  
may be made  
the day of the luncheon.

Reservations required.  
Please ,no walk-ins.

## OCTOBER MENU INFORMATION

Caesar Salad

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Bistro Salad

Thinly Sliced London Broil w/  
Mashed Potatoes &  
Broccoli/Cauliflower Mixed Veggies

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Rolls & Butter

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Cheesecake w/  
Strawberries

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### ALTERNATE VEGETARIAN PLATE

Mushroom Tortellini Salad w/  
Broccoli, Arugula, Cubed Tofu  
& Thai Chili Drizzle

BWRC is privileged to host meetings and social events at Belleair Country Club. Members and guests must comply with BCC's dress and conduct code. Dresses, skirts, blouses, dress slacks and pantsuits are appropriate for women. Men must wear shirts with sleeves and remove caps in the dining room. Blue jeans are not permitted



# FROM THE BWRC PRESIDENT

Team players are so vital to any organization. Belleair Women's Republican Club has succeeded in so many ways because its members are invested in supporting the club and supporting the goals set forth in the bylaws. Those goals are:

1. To promote an informed electorate through political education.
2. To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active participation.
3. To promote educational programs which will broaden political understanding and knowledge of government at all levels.
4. To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its ideals.
5. To support objectives and policies of the Republican National Committee and to work for the election of the Republican Party's nominees.

A good team player listens with empathy, helps to solve problems, inspires and motivates, speaks up in helpful ways, keeps themselves and others accountable, shows patience, is collaborative, demonstrates emotional intelligence, and adhered to the club's vision. I find BWRC club members often have these traits. So many members have stepped up and worked for the club's goals.

BWRC has a large membership, and together they can make a huge difference in our local communities. In the next few weeks I hope everyone will actively participate in the upcoming election to get out the vote and help Republican candidates get elected.

I am so proud of BWRC and feel honored to act as president. The "Paint the County Red Rally" at Bon Appetit Restaurant was such a great success, and the speakers at club luncheons this election cycle have been stellar. Congresswoman Anna Luna was amazing this month as our speaker, and we were so blessed to have her share her mission and vision with us. I was so proud of our membership as they welcomed her.

*Dianne Blum*  
**BWRC President**

PS. To see a video Congresswoman Luna posted on her Facebook page about her visit to BWRC, including her exciting arrival with a police escort furnished by the Belleair PD, go online to:

<http://fb.watch/usr2qlqBqz/>



## BWRC OFFICERS

**President**  
**Dianne Blum**

**First Vice President**  
**Sara Mollo**

**Second Vice President**  
**Claudia Walker**

**Treasurers**  
**Jessica Reed**  
**Louise Davis**

**Hospitality**  
**Candace Gardner**

**Ways & Means**  
**Corinne Steinhardt**

**Communications**  
**Claudia Thomas**

**Corresponding Secretaries**  
**Kassy Brewer**  
**Alyssa Palis**

**Recording Secretary**  
**Carol Abernathy**

**Historian**  
**Deb Walker**

**Chaplain**  
**Patricia Wagner**

**Past President**  
**Deb Walker**

**Parliamentarian**  
**Renatta Cochran**



# PINELLAS GOP

## 2024 Reagan Day Dinner

### Blue Jeans & Blazers



**FEATURING**  
**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**  
**SENATOR RICK SCOTT**



**OCTOBER 5, 2024**  
**VIP RECEPTION 5:30 PM**  
**DINNER 6:30 PM**

**HILTON - CARILLON PARK**  
**950 LAKE CARILLON DRIVE**  
**ST PETERSBURG 33716**

**PURCHASE TICKETS BY CALLING**  
**THE PINELLAS GOP OFFICE**  
**727-539-6009**

**INDIVIDUAL TICKETS:** \$175 \_\_\_\_\_ PCREC and Club Members  
\$200 \_\_\_\_\_ Individual Ticket  
\$225 \_\_\_\_\_ VIP Ticket

**TABLE SPONSORSHIPS:**

**\$5,000** Premier Reserved Table, 10 VIP Reception & Dinner Tickets, Recognition on GOP Website & Social Media, Program Listing, Sponsor Signage & ½ Page Program Ad

**\$2,500** Reserved Seating, 5 VIP Reception & Dinner Tickets plus 5 Individual Dinner Tickets, Recognition on GOP Website & Social Media, Program Listing, Sponsor Signage & ½ Page Program Ad

**\$1,000** 2 VIP Reception & Dinner Tickets, Recognition on GOP Website & Social Media, Program Listing & Sponsor Signage

**\$500** 2 VIP Reception & Dinner Tickets & Recognition in Program

**Required\***

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*City: \_\_\_\_\_ \*State: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT METHOD:** (\*Required information)

Check enclosed payable to "**PCREC**" \_\_\_\_\_

Charge to: \_\_\_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ American Express

\*Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**RSVP by Friday, September 27, 2024 Phone: 727-539-6009**  
PCREC Office: 4707 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Suite 208, Clearwater, FL 33762  
Paid for by Pinellas County Republican Party

## Pinellas County GOP General Election Endorsements

President of the United States: Donald J. Trump

US Senator: Rick Scott

US Representative CD 13: Anna Paulina Luna

US Representative CD 14: Robert "Rocky" Rochford

FL Senator SD 21: Ed Hooper

FL Representative HD 57: Adam Anderson

FL Representative HD 58: Kimberly "Kim" Berfield

FL Representative HD 59: Berny Jacques

FL Representative HD 60: Ed Montanari

FL Representative HD 61: Linda Chaney

FL Representative HD 62: Nelson Amador

Circuit Court Judge Group 14: Jenn Dubbeld

Pinellas County Commission Dist. 1: Chris Scherer

Pinellas County Commission Dist. 3: Vince Nowicki

Pinellas County School Board Dist. 5: Stacey Geier

St. Petersburg City Council Dist. 3: Pete Boland

City of Dunedin Mayor: John Tornga

City of Dunedin City Council Seat 3: Steven R. Sandbergen

City of Largo Commission Seat 3: Michael DiBrizzi

City of Largo Commission Seat 4: John Lauser

State Constitutional Amendment 1: Yes

State Constitutional Amendment 2: Yes

State Constitutional Amendment 3: No

State Constitutional Amendment 4: No

State Constitutional Amendment 5: Yes

State Constitutional Amendment 6: Yes

Proposed County Charter Amendments

1,2,3,4,5,6 & 7: All Yes



## PHONE BANKERS NEEDED!

- ★ *Learn how to do auto dialer phone banking (that does not use or show your own phone number)!*
- ★ *Please bring your tablet or laptop (if you have one) to learn how to use it along with your phone*
- ★ *A script will be provided for what to say while phone banking*
- ★ *There will be training at both North and South County GOP offices.*

Please email [olivia@voteapl.com](mailto:olivia@voteapl.com) or [amanda@voteapl.com](mailto:amanda@voteapl.com) if you are able to help phone bank for Rep. Luna

## WELCOME TO THE NEWEST BWRC MEMBERS

Joyce Baker

Coco Bodnek

Hannah Gundle

Amy Harris

Linda Rew

Maureen Roach

Sarah Ross

Alison Tompkins

Joanne Walker

Valerie Woods



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## PICTURES FROM THE SEPTEMBER BWRC LUNCHEON



(To see more pictures from BWRC events, visit [bwrc.us](http://bwrc.us) > Photo Gallery)