

Palm Beach CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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January 2010

Voters Guide: Palm Beach Town Elections

Candidates Discussing the Hottest Issues in Town!

- Taxes & Town Budget including Pensions
- Shore Protection & Beach Renourishment
- Royal Poinciana Plaza & Theater
- Water Resources & Quality

To see a description, news, and important documents about these issues, go to:

www.PalmBeachCivic.org/Issues

Town Election Dates

Absentee Ballots

Supervisor of Election Office 561-656-6200
Your voted and signed Absentee ballot must be received by the Main Office of the Supervisor of Elections, 240 S. Military Trail, by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, February 2, 2010, in order to be counted.

Election Day: Tuesday, February 2
Polls Open 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.



Standing Room Only at Last Year's
Civic Association Candidates Debate

Candidates Debate Civic Association Forum



Monday, January 25, 2010
3:30 p.m.

**The Episcopal Church of
Bethesda-by-the-Sea**

Everyone Welcome

RSVP:
561-655-0820
Valet Parking

Civic Association Election Activities

- Voters Guide Mailed to Homes
- Monday Morning E-News with Campaign News
 - Candidate Debate; Community Forum 1/25
 - Get-Out-The-Vote Call Campaign 1/29, 2/1

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Town Council Seat Group 1



Richard M. Kleid

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Profession: Former Senior Real Estate Counsel for J.C. Penney

College: Columbia College A.B.; Columbia University Law School J.D.; New York University Graduate School of Law LLM(Taxation)

Public Service:

- Palm Beach Town Council – 5 years. President, 2 years. President Pro Tem, 1 year.
- Palm Beach Planning Building and Zoning Commission – 5 years. Chairman 1 year, Secretary 1 year.
- Palm Beach County Issues Forum
- Airport Noise Control Committee
- Town of Palm Beach Centennial Committee
- Completed Palm Beach Citizens Police Academy and Fire Academy
- Volunteer, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County
- Former Director, Palm Beach Civic Association
- Military Veteran

Top Priorities

- Preserving our preferred services within the framework of results-oriented budgeting
- Fiscally responsible restoration of our beaches, which protect us from storm damage and flooding
- Open mind to the re-vitalization of the Royal Poinciana Plaza under controlled conditions that take into account economic viability, aesthetics, and town-serving functions
- Quality and quantity of water supply
- Pension and health plan modifications
- Bring reasonable balanced judgment to key issues and a commitment to reconcile the many diverse interests in Palm Beach in a civil manner



Jeff Cloninger

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241 Bradley Place, Palm Beach

Profession: Managing Broker, Jeffrey A. Cloninger & Assoc., Inc.

College: Oklahoma State University, Bachelor of Science, Hotel Administration

Public Service:

- Vice President and Director Royal Park Homeowners Association
- Vice President, Palm Beach Board of Realtors
- Former President, Eliot House Condominium Association
- Former Chairman, PB Cats
- Town Council Appointee to the Royal Poinciana Way Redevelopment Steering Committee
- Alternate Member, Town of Palm Beach Planning and Zoning Commission

Top Priorities

- Initiate dialogue between Town and County to correct the disproportionate share of property taxes presently contributed by our Town
- Maintain our high standards for public safety and public works, while rigorously monitoring the Town budget to control expenses
- Encourage protection and preservation of our landmarked buildings
- Develop realistic town wide beach renourishment program
- Respect the established Palm Beach procedure for zoning changes and new development that has served us well for many decades and adhere to our Town's Comprehensive Plan

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Town Council Seat Group 2



David A. Rosow

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Profession: Retired – Former Chairman of Rosow & Company Inc., a private investment company.

College: University of Minnesota, BA

Public Service:

- United States Navy
- Completed Palm Beach Citizens Police Academy
- Former Alternate Member of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
- Member of the Palm Beach County Beach Coalition
- Town of Palm Beach Council

Top Priorities

- **Budgeting Smart:** We must continually strive to be the best-run, most efficient government possible. By working smarter, we can offer the level of service Town residents expect and deserve without increasing their tax burden. And we must do this without reducing our commitment to providing the absolute best police and fire rescue service in the state.
- **Beach Renourishment:** Beach protection is vital to our way of life - most of us are here because of our pristine shorelines. We must continue to find ways to achieve and streamline beach renourishment programs that put sand on our beaches now. This is vital to protect property values for all residents.
- **Quality of Life:** It is important that we protect the history and beauty of Palm Beach by maintaining the unique character and charm that makes our small Town the best place to live in America. We must remain committed to protecting green space, promoting cultural opportunities and the performing arts, demanding the highest architectural standards, while expanding our unique vistas, thereby making certain that as we move forward we maintain a strong connection to our Town's storied past.



Cynthia Simonson

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Profession: Independent Consultant and investor in medical industry. Non-Active CPA. Former:

- Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and co-owner General Surgical Corporation, sold to Medtronic
- Senior Auditor Price Waterhouse

College: Florida Atlantic University, BS Accounting; FAU, Masters of Accounting

Public Service:

- Elected office held: Hillsborough County Republican Executive Committee, Precinct #671

Top Priorities

- Follow the Mission Statement of the Town and maintain its traditions: "Palm Beach is a fully developed community, world-renowned for its extraordinary beauty, quality of life and small-town character."
- Our fully developed Town does not need more condos or development – that includes the Royal Poinciana Plaza
- Keep Royal Poinciana Playhouse and get the theater running again
- Listen to people, be gracious to residents, analyze the input, and offer creative solutions based on Town feedback
- Shore Protection: Propose solutions that are responsive to all residents including funding
- Property Taxes: Work on non-Town of Palm Beach assessments. We must be charitable to a certain degree but not 80% of our taxes going to others in the county.

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Town Council Seat Group 3 (Unopposed*)



Robert Wildrick

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Precinct
1200

Profession: Jos. A. Bank Board Chairman

- Checkpoint Systems, Inc. Board Director
- 2009 Award - "Hardest Working Corporate Board Member in Baltimore" by Baltimore Business Journal
- "Turn-Around Artist of Year"
- "Ernst and Young's Entrepreneur of 2003 Award"
- Recognition as one of Maryland's top executives by Governor Robert Ehrlich in 2004

College: Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Southern Illinois University

Public Service:

- 2009-2010 term as Town Councilman of Palm Beach
- Goodwill Industries Board Member
- Johns Hopkins Children's Hospital Advisory Board
- The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- Heart Association
- Police Associations

- Robert has been particularly active in The Boy Scouts of America, where he was a Director in New York and Charlotte, working to fund scout camps for children with disabilities

Top Priorities

- Shore Protection
- Stop Port Expansion, channel deepening and widening
- Control Town budget growth
- Continue cultural and beautification enhancements in our Town
- Preserve heritage and character. We are first a residential community but we need to understand that healthy small businesses are vital to our community
- Ensure residents have clean and safe drinking water
- Respect opinions of ALL citizens and work together as one community

***NOTE: Since Mr. Wildrick is running unopposed, his name will not appear on the ballot.**

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