



DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA

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President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

Our July break is over and your board members are fired up for the upcoming election season! We have programs in place for monthly meetings through October which include **Claire Conner**, author of *Wrapped in the Flag*, in August; a special luncheon at Newtown's Robert L. Taylor Center in September; and our 4th Annual Marina Jack Fund Raising cruise in October. We're also looking forward to a holiday luncheon in December that will include all of the Democratic Clubs in Sarasota County.

I'm very excited about our August speaker, **Claire Conner**. I recently heard her speak at a Democratic event and immediately bought a copy of her book *Wrapped in the Flag*. The inspiration for Claire's book came from her upbringing by parents who were leaders in the ultraconservative John Birch Society. Her topic will be "Extremism Has Gone Mainstream" and will focus on the idea that today's radical ideas are repackaged John Birch ideology and that by using America's fundamental Christians along with fear, hate, and paranoia, the new radicals have captured the GOP and the House of Representatives and taken over 60% of state legislatures. Claire's conclusion is that Democrats need to wake up and realize these radicals are working hard to destroy the federal government and are winning. Her book will be available at the luncheon. I look forward to seeing you at Marina Jack on August 9th.

—Mary Clupper - President

September 13th – AUGUST 2014 The Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon – In Celebration of Newtown's Centennial

On September 13th, the Democratic Club of Sarasota will gather at the Robert L. Taylor Center in Newtown to celebrate the community's 100 year anniversary. A barbecue lunch will be served and residents of Newtown will be our guests. The board is working with Newtown leadership to organize the event and the details are coming together. Watch for more information on the program and speakers and make your reservations now. We will offer voter registration and educate attendees on signing up to Vote by Mail. The \$25 that our members pay for the event will help cover the costs of all the guests that will be invited. In a few weeks we will have a page on our web site that will allow you to prepay your reservations and make additional donations. Right now, you can send your checks made payable to: DCS, PO Box 51076, Sarasota, FL 34232. Reservations are required and must be prepaid. Cost is \$25 per person.

New Club Members and Friends in June

Sandra Jenkins, Tessie Jose, Dan Robinson, Norm & Paulette Tarantola, and Judith Weinstein.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 550

Saturday August 9th Luncheon Meeting Details

Claire Conner – Award Winning Author & Speaker – "Extremism Has Gone Mainstream"

Saturday, August 9th, 2014

11:30 Social Hour — 12:00 Lunch and Program
(check-in opens at 11:00)
Members: \$24
Non-Members: \$26
(Please make out check in advance to DCS.
Mastercard and Visa now accepted)

**** Special location for August only ****

Marina Jack Restaurant
2 Marina Plaza, Sarasota
Phone: 365-4232

Complimentary valet parking available
Take elevator to 2nd Floor and enjoy the view!

For more details on the program content, visit our website at www.sarasotadems.com

Reservations:

Call: 379-9233

E-mail: reserve@sarasotadems.com

E-mail reservations (only) will receive confirmation.

If no reply, please re-send.

Menu Choices: No Substitutions

- Chicken Caprese Pan Roasted Breast of Chicken Topped with Vine Ripe Tomatoes, Buffalo Mozzarella, Pesto Cream & Drizzled with Balsamic Reduction OR
- Porcini Mushroom Ravioli, Saffron Cream, Baby Roasted Vegetables & Fresh Sautéed Asparagus
Dessert: Key Lime Pie

Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS:

Wednesday evening, August 6th

LATE FEE: Late cancellations and no-shows will be billed. Late reservations, if accepted, will be charged \$26. Walk-ins will be charged \$26, if accommodated.

Upcoming Events

09 Aug (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon – Monthly Meeting

11:00am to 1:30pm at the Marina Jack Restaurant. Reservations required. See other side for details.

Other Events

11 Aug (Mon): Reception to Re-Elect Joe Saunders – Candidate for House District 49

Elected in 2012 as one of Florida's first openly-gay lawmakers, Joe is up against a Tea Party opponent and he needs our support. Hosted at the home of Greg Taylor, 1739 Waldemere Street, Sarasota, FL, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Suggested minimum donation \$100. RSVP to VoteJoeSaunders@gmail.com. Check out Joe's web site at www.votejoesaunders.com

13 Aug (Wed): Sarasota County Democratic Party (SCDP) – Monthly Meeting

This month's meeting will be at the Waldemere Fire Station (2070 Waldemere St. Sarasota, FL). Come at 6:30pm to socialize. Meeting at 7:00–8:30 pm. All Democrats are welcome. Info: 941-330-9400, hq@sarasotadems.org, www.sarasotadems.org.

16 Aug (Sat): Venice Area Democratic Club (VADC) – Monthly Meeting

The VADC will show the movie, "Inequality for All". The movie is a passionate argument on behalf of the middle class. Narrated by Robert Reich professor, author and member of President Clinton's Cabinet. The meeting will be held at Naar Hall, United Church of Christ (620 Shamrock Blvd, Venice FL) from 10:30am to 12:00pm. No charge. Info: 941-492-5965, sheilafaroff@gmail.com, http://www.venicedemocrats.org.

31 Aug (Sun): Venice Area Democratic Club – Englewood Pioneer Days Festival

VADC will have a booth - Come by to talk about Vote by Mail, voter registration, get literature on candidates and our usual Democratic staples. The location is Pioneer Park on Dearborn Street, in Olde Englewood Village from 2:00pm to 9:00pm. No charge. Info-Phone: 941-492-5965. Info-Email: sheilafaroff@gmail.com.

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