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Democratic Club of Sarasota

An Informed Member is Our Best Voter



MAY LUNCHEON PROGRAM

Seth Miller, Executive Director of the Innocence Project of Florida

A point of pride for all Americans is our justice system. Although most of us recognize that it is not perfect, our courts and legal system generally protect our citizens and provide a framework of justice often not afforded to other societies around the world.

On Saturday, May 12, Seth Miller, Executive Director of the Innocence Project of Florida, will focus on times when our system has proved imperfect. He will talk about the Innocence Project's efforts to "Correct Injustices and Restore Lives Lost to Wrongful Convictions."

Miller will discuss the causes of wrongful conviction, potential remedies to prevent future wrongful convictions and the work of the Innocence Project of Florida (IPF). IPF is the first project in the US to have a full-time social worker on staff to help the exonerees transition back into society. On average, the exonerees spend two decades wrongfully imprisoned.

Miller will be joined by Derrick Williams who was exonerated on April 4, 2011, after serving 18 years in

prison for a Manatee County rape. He has since married his longtime fiancé and is working full-time in Bradenton.

Miller joined the Innocence Project of Florida in 2006. A magna cum laude graduate of FSU's College of Law, he had been a student intern with IPF in 2003. He also teaches Post-conviction Remedies as an adjunct professor at the FSU College of Law. A recent student commented, "Very passionate about the material. Class is tough, but fun and he's got a great personality and sense of humor. Bring your A-game, though, because he does not mess around."

Join us on May 12 to hear from a very passionate Seth Miller on this very important topic.

LUNCHEON DETAILS: See back page

NOTE: The luncheon is at the **Laurel Oak Country Club**. Drinks will be available for sale at a bar near the luncheon meeting room.

Last Month: FL House Rep. Kriseman on 2012 Session

Thanks to redistricting, voters have some great opportunities to increase the number of Democrats in the Florida House beyond 40. This would end the current two-thirds Republican majority which denies Democrats the ability to influence legislation.

Florida House Representative Rick Kriseman, our April luncheon speaker, urged us to support Adam Tebrugge is his campaign for the new District 71 seat and to convince other strong potential Democratic candidates to run.

Kriseman said the new House districts are set. (New districts numbered 70 through 74 each include parts of Sarasota County.) He

expects the revised Senate maps will again be rejected by the court and redrawn by the judges this time. The Congressional maps, which are being reviewed in Washington, might be tweaked slightly.

After redistricting, the main business of the 2012 Legislative Session was the state budget. Kriseman reported that the GOP-dominated legislature took no action to increase revenues to balance the budget, focusing only on cutting expenditures. Two potential sources of revenue that were rejected were taxes collected by online travel companies that have not been remitted to state and local (Continued on page 6)

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Newsletter Mission Statement

The mission of the newsletter of the Democratic Club of Sarasota (*FOCUS*) is to promote the growth of the Democratic Party in Sarasota County, to inform Club members about Club events and other local events of interest to Democrats, and to address local, state and national issues of interest to Party members.

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What do we include in the newsletter?

Democrats have a lot to say — and the Board encourages club members to say it with articles or letters to the editor for our newsletter! Unfortunately, there is limited space. Dealing with this dilemma, the Board adopted the following list of policies and procedures:

Articles and letters to the editor from club members will be accepted on a space available basis using the following priorities:

- 1. Local information of immediate importance to club members
- 2. Articles or letters from members who have not written recently
- 3. Articles or letters relating to state issues.
- 4. Articles or letters relating to national issues.

Due to limited space, articles and letters should be written as concisely as possible (between 100 and 150 words) and once submitted, may be edited. Letters to the editor should contain statements of proposed action by the membership.

Submission Deadline:

Third Saturday of the month for the next issue Email submissions to Feedback@SarasotaDems.com

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President's Column

Dear Members and Friends,

Our April luncheon competed against the Sarasota Film Festival for attendees, but we still had a nice turnout to hear Florida House Representative Rick Kriseman. It was Rick's second time to address our group with a legislative update and, once again, he did a fantastic job. Rick should inspire us all to work even harder to promote Democratic candidates so that our voices will be heard at all levels of government. His ideals, values, and work ethic exemplify what Democrats stand for.

It was fitting that on the day we heard a report on our state legislature from a Democratic House Representative that we also introduced recently-announced Florida House candidate, Adam Tebrugge. As the recipient of the 1st Annual Democratic Club of Sarasota's Carroll Buchanan Award in 2011, Adam is one of our own. We are thrilled that he is running for office. Next year I anticipate inviting him to recap the legislative session!

Rick spoke about the Guiding Principles written by the Florida House Democratic Caucus and the Florida Senate Democratic Caucus. After reading the document, I decided it was important to share them with our membership. These guiding principles go beyond the Florida House and Senate. They provide the framework that answers the question of why we have chosen to be Democrats.

Thank you to all our members for your continued support. Our total membership is approaching 700. We are strong and engaged and poised for success in 2012!

Democratically yours,

Mary

The Guiding Principles

of the Florida House Democratic Caucus and the Florida Senate Democratic Caucus

Members of the Democratic caucuses of the Florida House of Representatives and Florida Senate present our Guiding Principles that are founded on values and beliefs to move Florida forward.

Your Government

We believe that to hold public office is to hold a sacred trust, and that in holding this trust, government must be fair, honest and open.

We believe in and respect all sections of and amendments to the Florida and United States constitutions.

We believe in three independent, separate branches of government, and we believe that each should be adequately and appropriately funded to fulfill their constitutional duties.

We believe in our court system and the system of law that exists in our country and in this state, and insist it remain independent and free from partisan influence.

We believe in responsible stewardship of public dollars.

Your Prosperity

We believe in a strong, vibrant middle class and expanding opportunity. We don't believe in smaller government or bigger government. Rather, we believe in more effective, better government.

We believe that fiscal responsibility is fundamental to sustained economic growth as well as effective government.

We believe in and support our frontline working Floridians and celebrate the positive impact they have had on our state.

We believe in the entrepreneurial spirit of the working men and women of Florida, and that free enterprise is the key driver of economic growth.

We believe that small businesses are the backbone of our local communities and Florida's economy. As small businesses thrive, so does Florida.

We believe that an innovative, "green" economy presents Florida with opportunities to invest in its future beyond tourism and agriculture and instills self reliance.

We believe that Florida's current tax system is broken and must be overhauled to make it fair and equal for all Floridians.

Your Quality of Life

We believe that education is the key to Florida's current and future successes, and as such, we believe in policies that protect public education.

We believe that all Floridians must have access to affordable, high-quality health care.

We believe in law and order and in preventing crime by addressing the root causes of crime.

We believe that a balance between protecting Florida's land and water and smart growth exists.

We believe in policies that recognize and support the diversity of today's American family.

We believe government must aggressively fight discrimination on the basis of race, creed, religion, gender, or sexual orientation; defend liberties; and respect our private lives.

We believe that Florida's immigration policies should be tough, fair and practical.

We believe that the common civic ideals that Americans and Floridians share transcend any differences between us and should be the basis upon which we forge unity.

From Your Membership Co-Chairs

Dear Democratic Club Members and Friends.

We continued to maximize our visibility in the community this month. Thank you, thank you, thank you, once again to the marvelous volunteers who made these outreach and educational projects possible. Upcoming events where we will have a presence in Sarasota County are Voter Registration and Fun Day at Greater Hurst Chapel AME Church, Cinco de Mayo and the Harvey Milk Festival. As always, please share with us any Outreach events you may be aware of.

In addition to all the social, educational, and outreach events the Club has sponsored, we continue to work to grow our organization. At each of these events, we reach out to attendees to join us. We wanted to share with you, what we share with them — the levels of club support available:

Member: Any Democrat registered to vote in Florida and interested in the objectives of this club shall be eligible for membership. Contribution: \$20 per year

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ I am registered as a Democrat in Florida.		
☐ I am a Democrat but am registered in a state other than Florida, and I would like to become a Friend of the Democratic Club of Sarasota.		
Enclosed is a check for \$ for a term of (circle) 1 yr \$20; 3 yrs \$52; 5 yrs \$80; 10 yrs \$150 or Sustaining Member @ \$200 or more per year		
Date Signed		
Name		
Address		
City/Zip		
Phone		
E-mail		
Referred by		
☐ Please contact me about volunteering.		
Send to: Democratic Club of Sarasota Membership Committee PO Box 51076		

Sarasota, FL 34232-0329

Friend: Democrats not registered to vote in Florida may become Friends of the Democratic Club of Sarasota by paying annual dues. Contribution: \$20 per year

Sustaining Member: Club members who support the objectives of the club, its status as one of the most active Democratic Party Organizations in the state, and increase their yearly financial contribution to \$200 per year

At a recent Outreach event, we had a request from 8-yearold Mikael that we open membership to those who are too young to register to vote. Mikael expressed a strong desire to become involved to help get President Obama re-elected. We hear you, Mikael!

Please help us continue to build and grow our organization. If you have any questions about membership or would like to share the name of a possible member we should reach out to, do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you to all our members and friends for their continued support.

Your Membership Co-Chairs,

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New & Reinstated Club Members and Friends (in March)

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Gay J. von Lutzow, Lavilla Watson



Sarasota County Tax Collector Barbara Ford-Coates, Democratic Party Chair Rita Ferrandino & Sarasota Mayor Suzanne Atwell

Springer captivated the crowd at Wine, Cheese & Politics

A Guest Column by Susan Nilon, WSRQ Radio

Jerry Springer was the guest speaker at Wine, Cheese & Politics in March. For those of you who were there, you probably wondered if you were going to see a glimpse of the man you watched on television for the past twenty-one years on "The Jerry Springer Show." But did you expect to see such a passionate and well-spoken Democrat?

Jerry Springer arrived and the crowd took notice. A sold-out audience sat waiting to see which direction the speaker would take. He started off his speech with "May you never be on my show," quickly apologizing to anyone who might take issue with the antics that his show is known for. And that was the last moment anyone in the room thought about "The Jerry Springer Show."

A child immigrant whose parents were the only survivors of the Holocaust from his family, Springer told us a story about seeing the Statue of Liberty as he was arriving on a boat to America. Watching those around him stare at the statue and asking his mother what the statue meant, she replied, "One day it will mean everything."

On Being a Democrat

Springer reminded everyone what it meant to be a Democrat. From organized labor, civil liberties, and equal rights — these are all things that have shaped who we are today. He believes that, secretly, the majority of people in this country are liberals because, in the end, each of us deep down wants to help our neighbors. It's easy to cast a stone upon someone you don't know, but the minute that person has a name or a connection to you in some way, you reach out to help. That is why he believes "we will have gay marriage."

On Government

"Capitalism will not survive unless we recognize the role of the government." We must remember that "every business in America will replace every



"This is the first time in our history that we cannot say our children will have it better than we do."

—Jerry Springer

person as possible" to cut costs and increase profits. You must recognize that "every single penny that the government spends employs someone." He went on to chastise the people who insist that the government cut costs and then complain about unemployment numbers. "How can you create all of those layoffs and then complain about the unemployment numbers going up?"

On Education

Of course our educational system is wrought with peril, "We built the system on a no vote." He goes on to ask, "Why would you build an educational system on property taxes?" The poor communities who need it the most can't pay enough in property taxes to support good schools. "The wealthy don't need the government." We have built into our system a disadvantage and then we fault those who can't pay for their own way and say they have made the wrong choices ...when they really had no choice to make.

On the Future

"The good news is that in the end Liberals always win. We are going to win!"

Local Candidates Need Help

We're getting down to the wire for candidates to file the papers required to run in the 2012 elections.

Candidates who plan to qualify via voter petitions instead of paying the qualifying fee must turn in all petitions by noon on May 7. Qualifying fees and all paperwork must be submitted by noon on June 8.

Sarasota County officials to be elected in 2012 include all five Constitutional Officers, three County Commissioners, two School Board members, three Hospital Board members and five Charter Review Board members. As *FOCUS* goes to press, the Democrats who have announced their candidacy are incumbents Barbara Ford-Coates and Teresa Carafelli, Jennifer Cohen running for County Commission and Robert Earl Sublett running for Clerk of the Circuit Court.

As a result of Redistricting, parts of Sarasota County are in five new Florida House districts, numbered 70 through 74. Adam Tebrugge has announced that he is running to represent District 71. The new Florida Senate districts are still in flux, but no local Democrat has filed to run as *FOCUS* goes to press.

Our new U.S. Congressional District, now #16, encompasses most of Sarasota and Manatee Counties. Keith Fitzgerald is running to unseat Vern Buchanan.

Keep abreast of which Democrats are running and how you can help them on the Sarasota County Democratic Party website, www.SarasotaDems.org, or the Party's Facebook page.

Right now you can help by downloading and signing the petitions of candidates seeking to qualify via petition. Get your neighbors to sign also. Return the completed petitions no later than Saturday, May 5 when you attend the Democratic Primary Caucus.

—Debbie Trice

Bill Sorrell: A Living Legacy

Bill Sorrell cast his first vote for Harry Truman and has voted for Democrats ever since. He's compounded that loyalty by serving on the board of our Democratic Club for nine years, almost half of his 21 in Sarasota. From 1996–2002 he was Vice President, and has preserved to this day a compendium of 17 *FOCUS* editorials written before he was "put out to pasture," as he characterizes his well-deserved retirement.

A Tennessee native, Bill grew up in Michigan. He served in the US Navy as a radar operator and attended Michigan State before leaving to find better jobs — and because he didn't like the cold.

Bill's 40-year career was in sports broadcasting, and we can still hear it in his rich and resonant voice. He did radio play-by-play for Michigan State, Kentucky, Cincinnati, and Xavier Universities, as sports anchor in Lexington KY for seven years, and then moved to Cincinnati as sports director for the CBS radio affiliate. Attending the World Series, the All-Star Game, and the Kentucky Derby each year, Bill feels he was most fortunate to have had a career that gave him such pleasure, never having a day when he didn't want to go to work.

The milestones that he describes in his most recent years, however, are ones of loss, such as driving, vision, and other infirmities that make socializing difficult. But he has five children, 8 grandchildren, and 2 great-grands, and is active in his assisted living community, currently working to have the hearing loop installed in the activity center. And of course he tries to attend our luncheons every month!

—Paula G. John

Editor's Note: "Living Legacies" is an occasional column highlighting the interesting lives and diverse achievements of our members. Email Feedback@SarasotaDems.com with your suggestions of members to interview.

Last Month: Kriseman upbeat about 2013

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governments (\$500 million accumulated so far); and collection of sales tax on Internet purchases (\$1 billion). Although Florida's corporate tax rate is already among the five lowest in the country, Gov. Scott wants to lower them further, sacrificing that revenue to attract jobs to Florida. Kriseman pointed out the irony that Wyoming, the state with the lowest corporate tax rate, isn't known as a job magnet.

Budget cuts included \$300 million from higher education, and cuts to Medicaid and nursing home reimbursement rates. Contrary to the appearance of providing additional funds to K-12 education, the \$1 billion increase was one step forward after two steps back (\$1.8 billion decrease) last year.

Change coming for Democrats

Kriseman believes that Florida's Democratic voters learned from the effects of the 2010 election and will turn out to vote this year. He sees the potential for the House to go from 39 to as many as 45 Democrats, and we might even pick up one or two seats in the Senate. Kriseman is also upbeat about having a strong and effective Minority Leader in the next session, something that has been missing since Dan Gelber left the House. He also sees the incoming House Speaker, Republican Will Weatherford, as "more reasonable."

Kriseman was pleased to report that House Democrats have completed drafting "guiding principals" which will be used, not only in legislation, but also in conveying to Florida voters what Democrats stand for.

—Debbie Trice



Left: Adam Tebrugge is running to represent the new Florida House District 71 which includes much of the area west of US 41 in Manatee County and Sarasota County north of Bee Ridge Road.

Right: Keith Fitzgerald is running to represent the new United States Congressional District 16 which includes almost all of Sarasota and Manatee Counties.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

This information is presented as a guide only. While we do the best we can to present dates and times with accuracy, event times and venues do change. Please check with the event sponsor to confirm the details surrounding the event. Note: all telephone numbers are 941 Area Code, unless otherwise noted.

To request that your event be listed, email Tom Cook at willardcook@mac.com.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA EVENTS

- 12 May (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon
 Seth Miller, Executive Director of the Innocence Project
 of Florida will discuss the Project's work to "Correct
 Injustices and Restore Lives Lost to Wrongful
 Convictions." Miller will be accompanied by a local man
 who was exonated after serving 18 years in prison.
 (Club elections will be held if there's a quorum.) The
 luncheon meeting begins at 11:30 am at Laurel Oak
 Country Club, 2700 Gary Player Blvd in Sarasota.
 Cost: \$23 for members; \$25 for non-members and
 walk-ins. Reservations (due by May 9): 379-9233 or
 reserve@sarasotadems.com
- 9 Jun (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon Gene Jones, President of Florida Veterans for Common Sense, will be the featured speaker at a special celebration of the life of *Common Sense* author and Founding Father, Thomas Paine.

CLUB-SPONSORED OUTREACH EVENTS

28 Apr (Sat): Voter Registration & Fun Day

Reach out to fellow Democrats and help with voter registration, 10:30 am until 3:00 pm, at Greater Hurst Chapel AME Church, 2730 North Links Ave in Sarasota. Certified Voter Registration volunteers needed. Contact JoAnne at jdv.devries8@gmail.com

5 May (Sat): Cinco de Mayo

Reach out to fellow Democrats and help with voter registration at this annual festival of Latin Culture, Music & Cuisine, 5:00–11:30 pm, in Downtown Sarasota (Main Street). Both Spanish-speaking volunteers and Certified Voter Registration volunteers needed. Contact JoAnne at jdv.devries8@gmail.com

12 May (Sat): Harvey Milk Festival

Another fun opportunity to reach out to fellow Democrats and help with voter registration, 3:30–10:00 pm, at Five Points Park in Downtown Sarasota. Certified Voter Registration volunteers are needed. Contact JoAnne at jdv.devries8@gmail.com

OTHER EVENTS

Sarasota-Manatee Democratic Meetups Info: visit http://democrat.meetup.com

26 Apr (Thur): SAFE Movie Night at North Sarasota "Koch Brothers Exposed" — Come for a free

screening, 5:30–6:30 pm, at North Sarasota Library, 2801 Newtown Blvd., Sarasota. Info: See May 1

30 Apr (Mon): SAFE Movie Night at Selby Library "Koch Brothers Exposed" — Come for a free screening, 5:30–6:30 pm, at the Selby Library, 1331 First Street in Sarasota. Info: See May 1

1 May (Tue): SAFE Movie Night at North Port Library "Koch Brothers Exposed" — Come for a free screening, 5:30–6:30 pm, at the North Port Library, 13800 S. Tamiami Trail in North Port. Info: 330-9400 Movie Trailer: www.kochbrothersexposed.com

2 May (Wed): "Democrats Mean Business" Happy Hour

Come to a business networking event organized by the Sarasota County Democratic Party at 5:30–7:00 pm at the Sarasota Vineyard, 1528 Main Street in Sarasota. Info: 904-273-6347 or jayfrankcastle@gmail.com

2 May (Wed): Meet & Greet for Keith Fitzgerald

Contact Norma Dayton for details about a house party in Venice at 6:00–7:30 pm. Wine and cheese and other light refreshments will be served. Info: 330-9400 or ohpiffle@yahoo.com

5 May (Sat): Democratic Primary Caucus & Day of Action

All are welcome to attend a variety of activities. Registered Democratic voters are encouraged to vote between 10 am and 2 pm at our statewide Democratic Primary caucuses for delegates to the Florida and National Conventions. Training courses will also be offered: Facebook at 11 am and 1 pm; and "How to Blog" at 10 am until noon. The location is Sarasota County Democratic Party HQ, 7358 S. Tamiami Trail in Sarasota. Info: 330-9400, www.sarasotadems.org/docs/SCDP-caucus-5may12.pdf or headquarters@sarasotadems.org

8 May (Tue): How Democrats Will Win Florida in 2012 Rita Ferrandino will speak at 7:00–8:00 pm at this Seminar in the Village Walk Community Room on Palmer Ranch. Info: rustira@yahoo.com or 330-9400

21 May (Sat): North Port Democratic Club

The monthly meeting will be at 7:00–8:30 pm at the George Mullen Activity Center, 4956 City Center Blvd in North Port. Info: 275-9195, www.northportdems.org or contact@northportdems.org



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Email: reserve@sarasotadems.com

Email reservations (only) will receive confirmation. If no reply, please re-send.

MENU CHOICES:

*** No Substitutions ***

- Florida Citrus Chicken w/rosemary roasted potatoes
- Mediterranean Corvina Salad w/kalamata olives, feta, tomatoes, cucumbers
- Vegetarian Pasta Primavera

Dessert: Key Lime Pie

Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon

DEADLINE:

Wednesday evening, May 9

LATE FEE:

Late cancellations and no-shows will be billed. Late reservations, if accepted, will be charged \$25. Walk-ins will be charged \$25, if accommodated. This Month's Luncheon Meeting

Seth Miller

Executive Director of the Innocence Project of Florida

Saturday, May 12, 2012 11:30 Social Hour — 12:00 Lunch and Program (check-in opens at 11:00)

> Members: \$23 Non-Members \$25

(Please make out check in advance to DCS and show last names of everyone included in the check)

Laurel Oak Country Club 2700 Gary Player Blvd., Sarasota Phone: 378-3608

Travel Directions:

The entrance to Laurel Oaks is on Bee Ridge Road about 2 miles east of I-75 (across from Bent Tree). At the traffic light, turn left onto Gary Player Blvd. and stop at the guard gate. Then continue on Gary Player to the Country Club.

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