# **DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA**

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### President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

I'm writing this after a wonderful evening of Democratic fellowship at the Manatee County Democratic Party's Annual Dinner. The keynote speaker, former Florida Governor **Charlie Crist**, was welcomed with very open arms. He spoke with pride about his support of President Obama and the Democratic Party, leaving no doubt in everyone's mind that the gubernatorial race is going to be anything but boring.

To be ready for the 2014 elections, your Club Board is getting serious about fundraising again. Coming up in late April we will host a Wine, Cheese & Politics event at 1350 Main Street and on April 24th we hope you will join us for a day of fun at the Hard Rock Casino in Tampa.

We greatly appreciate your ongoing support!

Democratically Yours, Mary Clupper-President

### **New Club Members & Friends in January**

Michael Brown, George & Merle Chorba, Marsha Haygood, Steve Ivan, Ryan Lay, John & Elizabeth McCarthy, Ann Miller, Bill Orcutt, Gerald Prindiville, Christine Raghunath, Corey Rioux, Betsy Roberts, Jennifer Shaw, William Stager, John Stolz, Natalie Tate, Steve Weingarten, Joyce Wowak, Walter Zipp.

### Membership & Outreach

**APRIL 2013** 

Help us raise money to continue community and student outreach and more great events!

#### **Hard Rock Casino Bus Trip**

Cost: Prepayment of \$40 per person – Includes round trip bus transportation & \$30 in "Free Play" credits. Payment must be received by Friday, April 19th

**Departure:** Bus leaves promptly at 10 a.m. **Return:** Approximately 5:30 p.m.

**Location:** Burlington Coat Factory parking lot – 3941 Cattleman Road, Sarasota, FL

**Instructions:** Mail checks made payable to DCS to: PO Box 51076 Sarasota, FL 34232

Must include: Name, Address, Date of Birth Drivers License #

The casino requires this information in order to issue a Free Play Card. If you already have a Players Club Card, then just provide your name and your card #. We will distribute cards as you board the bus on April 24th. Your personal information will be carefully protected.

#### **CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 702**

### **Saturday April 13th Luncheon Meeting Details**

#### Wade Matthews on "Religion and Our Public Schools"

Vice President of the Sarasota Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State

#### Saturday, April 13, 2013

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. Master and Visa now accepted)

\*\*\* Special Location for April Only \*\*\*

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

Complimentary Valet Parking Available Take Elevator to 2nd Floor

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 Marsala OR
- Porcini Mushroom Ravioli
   Principal Company

Dessert: Rich Chocolate Fudge Cake Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS:

Wednesday evening, April 10

#### 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**

## 10 Apr (Wed): Sarasota County Democratic Party (SCDP) - Monthly Meeting

This month's meeting is at the **Waldemere Fire Station** (2070 Waldemere St. Sarasota). Come at 6:30 p.m. to socialize prior to the meeting at 7:00–8:30 p.m. All Democrats are welcome. Info: 330-9400, info@sarasotadems.org, or www.sarasotadems.org.

## 13 Apr (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon – Monthly Meeting

The Democratic Club of Sarasota meets on the second Saturday of each month from 11:30 a.m. (Social) to 1:30 p.m. Check-in opens at 11:00 am. The April luncheon will be held at **Marina Jack**. See inside for details or visit www.sarasotadems.com.

## 24 Apr (Wed) Democratic Club of Sarasota Fundraiser – Hard Rock Casino Bus Trip

Prepayment of \$40 per person required. Payment must be received by Friday, April 19th. Receive \$30 in "Free Play" Credits. See inside for details, call 328-8072 or visit www.sarasotadems.com

## 27 Apr (Sat): Venice Area Democratic Club – Spring Luncheon

Saturday, April 27, at noon, at **Jacaranda West Country Club** featuring **Amy Ritter**, Executive Director of Florida Watch, Inc. speaking on "**The Pink Slip Rick**" Campaign. Cost is \$30 per person. Call 493-5087 or 492-5965 for reservations or e-mail Norma Dayton at ohpiffle@yahoo.com

## 30 April (Tues): Democratic Club of Sarasota Wine, Cheese & Politics at 1350 Main Street

Watch your e-mail and our web site for details on our first 2013 Wine, Cheese & Politics event. Speaker to be announced. Cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Reservations required. RSVP@sarasotadems.com or by leaving a message at 404-4678. Cash, checks, Mastercard, & Visa accepted at the door.

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