

DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA

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DECEMBER 2013

President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

Thank you to everyone who joined us on the Marina Jack II Luncheon Cruise on November 9th. We celebrated Veterans Day by honoring Gene Jones, President of the Florida Veterans for Common Sense, with the Club's Carroll Buchanan Award. The funds raised will help us continue our work in the 2014 election year.

Our community recently suffered the loss of two dedicated Democrats, **Pat Liebert** and **Tom Brommage**. They both volunteered their time with the Sarasota County Democratic Party and the Club. Pat was president of the Club for multiple terms. Her contribution will be long remembered. Tom served on our current board. He approached every project with a huge smile and always had encouraging words for his colleagues. Please take a few moments to remember Pat and Tom.

As we move into the holidays, the 2014 election season is beginning. Candidates are announcing and campaigns are gearing up. The Club board looks forward to bringing relevant topics to you over the next year. Thanks for your continued support.

Democratically Yours,

Mary Clupper—President

December Luncheon Call to Action

We look forward to welcoming **Phillip Tavill**, President of Children First, to our December luncheon. Children First offers a Head Start and Early Head Start Program and serves over 550 of Sarasota County's lowest income children from birth to five years old. Phillip will give us an overview of the services provided by Children First and the effect of the Sequester on the poor in Sarasota County. In an effort to support this organization, we encourage you to bring needed items to the December luncheon for Children First to distribute. Suggested items are:

- Diapers
- Wipes
- Formula, especially "Good Start"
- Baby food
- Non-toxic children's crayons
- Construction paper 8½ x 11 size
- Non-toxic markers
- Gift cards for gas (Hess, Shell, BP etc)
- Gift cards for groceries (Walmart, Publix, Target etc)

New Club Members and Friends in October

Austin Jambor, Sean McDonald, Jeanette Ocasio.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 635

Saturday December 14th Luncheon Meeting Details

Phillip Tavill, President of Children First

Learn about the needs of low-income children in Sarasota County

Saturday, December 14th, 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.
Mastercard and Visa now accepted)

Laurel Oak Country Club
2700 Gary Player Blvd.
Sarasota, FL

Phone: 378-3608

Travel Directions:

The entrance to Laurel Oak 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 Blvd. through the stop sign to the Country Club on left.

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

- Roasted Pork, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, & Vegetable Medley OR
- Chicken Marsala, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, & Vegetable Medley OR
- Pasta Primavera with Parma Rosa Sauce
Dessert is Red Velvet Cake

Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS:
Wednesday evening, December 11th

LATE FEE:

Late cancellations and no-shows will be billed.
Late reservations, if accepted, will be charged \$26.

Upcoming Events

14 Dec (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon – Monthly Meeting

The Democratic Club of Sarasota meets on the second Saturday of each month from 11:30am (Social) to 1:30pm. Check-in opens at 11:00 am. The luncheon is held at Laurel Oak Country Club (2700 Gary Player Blvd, Sarasota).

The program will feature **Philip Tavill**, President and CEO of Children First. Reservations are required and can be made by voice mail at 379-9233 or email: reserve@sarasotadems.com. The cost is \$24 for members and \$26 for non-members and walk-ins. Reservations must be made by the Wednesday prior to the luncheon. Info-URL: <http://sarasotadems.com>

Other Events

10 Dec (Tue): Longboat Key Democratic – Luncheon

This month's luncheon will be held at the Longboat Key Club and Resort (Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, FL) from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. The cost of the luncheon is \$25 per person. The speaker will be Kathy Dent, Sarasota County SOE. Info: Murray Blueglass at 941-383-4899 or napablue@comcast.net.

14 Dec (Sat): Venice Area Democratic Club – Annual Holiday Dinner & Show

The holiday dinner and show will be held at the Jacaranda Country Club West (1901 Jacaranda Blvd, Venice FL) from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. The cost is \$40 per person. Info: 941-484-7937, <http://www.venicedemocrats.org>

18 Dec (Wed): Sarasota County Democratic Party (SCDP) – Holiday Party

This month's regular meeting, usually held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month has been canceled. Instead you are invited to a holiday party at Democratic Headquarters at 7358 S. Tamiami Trail (Coral Cove Mall) from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. All Democrats are welcome. If able to contribute, suggested donation is \$15 per person or \$20 per couple. Info: 941-330-9400, info@sarasotadems.org, or www.sarasotadems.org.

Every Wednesday: Civic Event – WSRQ Radio – Local Politics – *The Susan Nilon Report*

Political columnist **Susan Nilon** brings her Sarasota roots to the airwaves to talk about what's important to Sarasota. Interviewing not only key political leaders in our community, but also bringing business leaders, community activists, and organizations to the focal point of the topic of everyone's conversation. 4pm – 6pm, 1220 AM & 106.9 FM. Info Phone: 94-373-1220.

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