

DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA

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President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

I met **Holly Treadway** in 2008 when we canvassed her neighborhood for Barack Obama. It was the beginning of a close friendship between two likeminded liberals. Holly served 4 years as the Club's Recording Secretary and has resigned in order to free up time for other pursuits. The board would like to thank her for her contribution to our organization. As Holly leaves us, we are joined by new comers **Kelly Franklin and Paul Peterson**. Kelly, a web designer and information architect, has already contributed her skills to improving the Club's web site. Paul, a lifelong Democrat, will be filling the role of treasurer. We welcome the professional expertise he brings from his job as a Senior Pricing Analyst for AT & T. Welcome to Kelly and Paul! Because we couldn't achieve a quorum at the February luncheon, the board appointed the new board members and those starting new terms at our last board meeting. Those continuing included **JoAnne DeVries** – Vice President, **Tom Cook** – Corresponding Secretary, **Pat Coville**, stepping into the role of Recording Secretary, as well as **Helen Magill** and **Dick Stammer**. I am also pleased to serve another term as president of the Club and am looking forward to all we will accomplish in the next two years.

Democratically Yours, *Mary Clupper—President*

Wine, Women, Art & Politics

MARCH 2014

Please join us on Tuesday, March 11th at the Bayfront Community Center for a unique evening dedicated to art and women! Sarasota artists **Miriam Cassell, Raven Skye, Pat Kaufman, Deborah Ahonen and Cecilia Trummer** will display their compelling art and be available for comment. We will also hear remarks on women's political issues from **Barbara Zdravecky**, President & CEO of Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida. Don't miss this opportunity to support progressive women from our community. Wine, beer, and light bites will be served.

Time: Doors open at 6:00 (no earlier),
Program begins at 6:30

Location: Bayfront Community Center
(behind Municipal Auditorium) at 803 N. Tamiami Trail

Cost: \$20 per person

Reservations Required: E-mail RSVP@sarasotadems.com or leave a message at 404-4678

New Club Members and Friends in January

Lee Bosserman, Carol Carr, Ariston Carter, Lewis Dean, Joan Dreyfuss, Richard Ellis, Jackie Hendelman, Arthur Hock, Mitch Mallet, and Cornell Maxfield. New sustaining members are Kelly Franklin and Ron Kashden.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 533

Saturday March 8th Luncheon Meeting Details

Jeff Wright, Director of Public Policy Advocacy for the Florida Education Association

Program Topic: "Our Kids are More than a Test"

Saturday, March 8th, 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.
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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

- Tuna Salad Stuffed Tomato with Fresh Fruit OR
 - Honey Pecan Chicken with Rosemary Roasted Potatoes and Vegetables OR
 - Vegetarian Pasta Primavera
- Dessert: Tiramisu

Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS:

Wednesday evening, March 5th

LATE FEE:

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

Upcoming Events

8 Mar (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon – Monthly Meeting

Jeff Wright, Director of Public Policy Advocacy for the Florida Education Association. Reservations required. See other side for details

11 Mar (Tue): Wine, Women, Art & Politics Luncheon – Monthly Meeting

6:30 pm at the Bayfront Community Center, 803 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, behind the Municipal Auditorium. The cost is \$20 per person. Wine, beer and light bites will be served. Enjoy paintings from local Sarasota artists and hear remarks from **Barbara Zdravecky** of Planned Parenthood. Reservations Required. RSVP to rsvp@sarasotadems.com or by calling 404-4678.

Other Events

11 Mar (Tue): Longboat Key Democratic Club – Luncheon

The Luncheon will be held at the Longboat Key Club & Resort, Harbourside Dining Room (220 Sands Point Road, Longboat Key, FL) from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. The cost is \$25 per person. Info: Murray, 941-383-4899 or napablue@comcast.net.

12 Mar (Wed): Sarasota County Democratic Party (SCDP) - Monthly Meeting

This month's meeting is 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, info@sarasotadems.org, www.sarasotadems.org.

14-23 Mar (Fri-Sun): Sarasota County Fair

Volunteers needed to staff the Democratic booth at the Sarasota County Fair. Go to <http://www.sarasotadems.org/countyfair> to schedule a time slot.

15 Mar (Sat): Venice Area Democratic Club (VADC) – Monthly Meeting

The topic will be voting rights. 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@verizon.net, <http://www.venicedemocrats.org>.

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