# DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA

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#### **DECEMBER 2014**

## President's Message

Dear Members & Friends,

Thank you to everyone who chose to attend the Club's November luncheon just 4 days after the election. It was heartening to see Democrats come together after the results of that Tuesday. We heard encouraging words from Sarasota County Democratic Party Chairperson, Rita Ferrandino. Rita shared that, in spite of the tsunami that swept Democratic races across the country, Sarasota County Democrats are actually performing better. We also heard from Edward James III, Pine View graduate, former president of the NAACP Sarasota County Youth Chapter, Sarasota County field organizer with Organizing for America, and most recently regional field director for Gwen Graham's Congressional campaign. He delivered a positive message with stories from the victorious Graham campaign. It was encouraging to know that with the right ground game, a Democrat can win in North Florida. We expect to see much more of Edward as we head toward the 2016 election cycle and beyond. Our main speaker was Rob Lorei, who provided an insightful analysis of the Florida and US election. The clear message at the end of the day, was that the political work we are doing in Sarasota County is a work in progress and we can't get tired or discouraged. We're playing the long game and need to be energized and ready to fight again in 2016. The Club will continue our work of raising Democratic awareness through outreach, supporting the County Party and likeminded organizations, and providing social and educational events for our members.

Democratically yours, Mary Clupper - President

### The Democratic Club of Sarasota Luncheon

## All Club Holiday Luncheon

Join us on December 13th as we celebrate the holidays and the Sarasota County Democratic Clubs and Caucuses. We are moving the luncheon south to Bentley's in Osprey to make it easier for our South County colleagues to join us. We will learn more about the work of the clubs and caucuses while we socialize and enjoy musical entertainment from barber shop quartet, Afternoon Delight. The quartet is made up of members of the Sarasota Chorus of the Keys Barbershop Chorus and come highly recommended. We will also collect canned food for the All Faiths Food Bank. Please be generous.

### New Club Members and Friends in October

Deanie Bergbreiter, Robert Brosman, Marilyn Schmal, Roy Truby.

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIP - 510** 

# Saturday December 13th Luncheon Meeting Details

## All Club Holiday Luncheon

Saturday, December 13, 2014

11:30 – Social Hour – 12:00 Lunch and Program (check-in opens at 11 a.m. Please do not arrive before 11 a.m.)

\*\*\* Price \*\*\*
All Guests: \$26
(Please make out check in advance payable to the DCS.

Mastercard and Visa accepted)

Bentley's Boutique Hotel 1660 S. Tamiami Trails, Osprey, FL 34229 941-966-2121 Free Parking

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 resend.

Menu Choices:

No substitutions

• Chicken Picatta with Mashed Potatoes OR

• Vegetable Pasta Primavera

Dessert: Key Lime Pie

Menu choice NOT guaranteed past noon.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS:

Wednesday evening, December 10.

LATE FEE:

Late cancellations and no-shows will be billed.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SARASOTA EVENTS

# 13 Dec (Sat): Democratic Club of Sarasota Club Holiday Luncheon

11:00am to 1:30pm at Bentley's Boutique Hotel (1660 S. Tamiami Trails, Osprey, FL 34229). Reservations required. See other side for details.

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

## 09 Dec (Tue): Longboat Democratic Club Monthly Luncheon Meeting

12:00pm to 2:00pm at the Portofino Restaurant at the Marina of the Longboat Key Club and Resort. The speaker will be Kelly Kirschner - The Reality of Immigration Reform. \$25 per person, paid in advance. Send checks to LBK Dems Club, PO Box 8025, Longboat Key, FL. Info-Phone: 41-383-4899 or 941-362-0590. Info-Email: napablue@comcast.net.

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

There is no SCDP meeting scheduled for December. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 7 p.m. at the Waldemere Fire Station, 2070 Waldemere Street,

Sarasota, FL. Info: 941-330-9400, hq@sarasotadems.org, www.sarasotadems.org.

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### Our Sustaining Members:

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Alice & Murray Blueglass
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Mary Dailey & John Clay
Mary Clupper
Tom & Kathy Cook
JoAnne DeVries
Kelly Franklin & Ron Kashden
Marcella & Art Levin
Thomas Meriweather
Dan Robinson
Aileen & Bernard Schuman
Roy Truby