



August 2017 SOUTH BREVARD DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB

Our next meeting will be Saturday August 5th at the Neptune restaurant in Satellite Beach. Meeting time is 11:30. Come, order lunch and meet with like-minded Dems. Karen Houston will be telling us about a group named FLARA which stands for Florida Association of Retired Americans and works to protect Medicare and Social Security.

We have many people who have stepped up to fill the slots for delegates to the 2017 DWCF Convention in Sarasota Please check to see if any more are available if you would like to go. We want as many there as possible to vote for **Patty Farley for President in the DWCF** state election. We also would like for you to be there to see **Milly Krause** receive a well deserved "Outstanding Member of the Year" award. Time is running out to reserve rooms. Please see information about rooms included in this issue.

DWCF Regions VII & VIII are proud to be the sponsors of the 61st Annual Convention on September 7-10, 2017. The convention theme is "Determined, Diligent, Dynamic...Women Who Dare" in honor of the outstanding women of the past and present; the women who you know of through history and through today's media. Plus, the women like you who do what they can to make our country a better place for everyone to live, and to RESIST what they cannot change.

We think you will be pleased with our convention hotel, the lovely Hyatt Regency Sarasota, where every room has a view of the Gulf and has recently been redesigned.

We want to show you some of the beauty of Sarasota which was selected this year as the best tourist city in Florida. We can take you on tours to Selby Botanical Gardens with its famous orchid room and the Ringling Compound where John Ringling lived and has both an Art Museum and a Circus Museum. Thursday evening after you register, we invite you to join us for our Reception by the hotel pool where you can hang out with your friends and fellow DWCF members from our 50+ DWCFs. Friday AM our Business meeting will begin bright &

early with roll call and interesting reports. We'll stop for lunch and special speakers and then have interactive workshops in the afternoon. Members often get a little dressed up for our dinner with inspiring presenters. We'll have the second half of our business meeting Saturday morning followed by DWCF Elections, another great lunch and a panel discussion that you'll want to hear. Then we'll have a lively Live Auction and the end of our Silent Auction before going our different ways to meetings and workshops. Later we'll have a little music, line up for the Banner Parade and have our Banquet Dinner in which our new officers will be sworn in, awards will be given and our special guest speaker will put the perfect cap on the evening. You don't want to miss it!

The SBDWC will be paying registration fees and will then do a fundraiser to re buildout bank account, but you must be responsible for your transportation, room and food. There is information on the DWCF website.

PROPOSED CONVENTION AGENDA:

Thursday -

1:00PM	Pick up for Selby Gardens tour
3:00-6:00PM	Registration open
3:00-6:00PM	Live and silent auction rooms open
3:30PM	Selby Gardens tour returns
3:30PM	Pick up for Ringling Arts Museum Complex tour
6:00PM	Return of Ringling Arts Museum Complex tour
6:15-7:00PM	Board of Directors meeting
7:00-9:00PM	Welcome reception
8:00-10:00PM	DWCF Political Committee meet and greet

Friday -

7:00AM	Registration opens
7:30-8:15AM	Auction rooms open
8:30-11:30AM	General session
11:45-1:45PM	Lunch - Speakers are Doris Weatherford, Arthenia Joyner, and Theresa Cusimano.
2:00-3:00PM	Workshops A, B, C, D
3:15-4:15PM	Workshops A, D, E, F
4:30-5:30PM	Workshops B, C, E, F
5:40-6:45PM	Auction rooms and vendors
6:45-9:00PM	Dinner - Speakers are Terri Rizzo, Sally Boynton Brown, Grace Nelson, and Anna Eskamani (confirmed) and Ida Eskamani (invited)
9:00PM - ???	DWCF Presidential candidates meet and greet

Saturday -

7:00AM	Registration opens
7:15AM-8:15AM	Auction rooms open
8:30-11:30AM	General session
11:45AM	Group photo
11:45-2:00PM	Vote for DWCF officers
12:00-1:30PM	Lunch - Panel of 2018 Democratic Candidates for FL Governor with Moderator Judy Mount
1:30-2:00PM	Live auction
1:45-2:30PM	Silent auction room open
2:15-3:00PM	Legislative Liaison meeting
2:15-3:00PM	Workshops A & B
2:30PM	Election results posted
3:00PM	Silent auction winners posted
3:00-6:00PM	Pay and pick up all auction items

3:15-4:30PM Regions Caucus
 4:45-5:45PM Regional Chairs training
 4:45-5:30PM Workshops A & B
 5:30-6:25PM Music in hallway
 6:15PM Banner parade line-up
 6:30-10:00PM Banquet - Keynote speaker is Karen Carter Peterson, DNC
 Vice-Chair along with the Legislative Advocacy Award
 winner, Carlos Guillermo Smith. Allison Tant will preside over
 the installation ceremony, Maureen McKenna, and new
 DWCF President

Sunday -

8:00-9:00AM Region Chairs meeting
 8:00-11:00PM Board of Directors meeting

WORKSHOPS -

Friday -

- Electronic/Web-Based Communication Simplified
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Immigration
- Preparing For a Campaign
- Film - Heather Booth's Life
- DWCF Local Advocacy

Saturday -

- Saving Florida (environmental and political issues)
- Human Trafficking

See you there!!! More information to come,

Recent meetings

We would like to announce that **Terry Sanders and Laura Fausone** were re-elected as the State NOW President and Vice President. Fellow member **Barbara Cady** from Osceola County was elected Secretary. We congratulate Florida NOW for the wonderful job you did hosting the National NOW convention.

The meeting at **George and Terrie Smith's** home with Grace Nelson was a very nice event. We enjoyed many stories about Senator Bill Nelson and his family told by his charming wife Grace. Terrie had made many types of homemade delicious cookies and beverages for us. It was a wonderful afternoon and many of us had our photo taken with Grace.

DID YOU KNOW?

We just learned that a member of our executive board--**Bea Gillespie**--had her home destroyed the night of July 4th. Unexploded fireworks came down on her garage roof, and then exploded causing the garage and car to catch fire and then the entire concrete block house burned in Satellite Beach--you may have heard of it. The home was Bea's. The neighbors saw the fireworks fall and explode on her roof and managed to get Bea out of the house. Bea is safe, but she lost all her possessions except a purse, which a fireman rescued from the house for her. She will have to live in a rental home for around a year while her house is rebuilt.

The DWCF Convention in Sarasota

The Hyatt Regency Sarasota has been chosen as our hotel for the 2017 DWCF Convention because of its location, its large convention space and its beautiful, newly decorated lodging rooms. The hotel is located on the Gulf coast and every room has a view of the water. Although you are coming to the Convention for business, you'll feel like you are at a resort. The price of the rooms are as follows:

- Rooms for 1-2 people with two Queen beds or one King \$139 per night
- Rooms for 3 people with two Queen beds \$164 per night
- Rooms for 4 people with two Queen beds \$189 per night
- Rooms are available at our reduced Convention rate until our CUT-OFF DATE OF 8/10/17 or until our block of rooms are filled.

We advise you to make your reservation as soon as it is possible. Our block of rooms will fill up quickly. The number to call to make your reservation is: 888-421-1442

When making your call, please request the group rate for the Democratic Women's Club of Florida. Let the reservation clerk know if you have any special needs for your room. The Hyatt has free parking at its street level entrance or valet parking at \$22 per day. There is also street parking right in front of the hotel. If you have any difficulties making your reservation, please email Convention Chair, Mary Duda, at mcmduda@aol.com.

Vote for Patty Farley for DWCF President EXPERIENCE

Currently serves as First Vice President Democratic Women's Club of Florida, Inc.

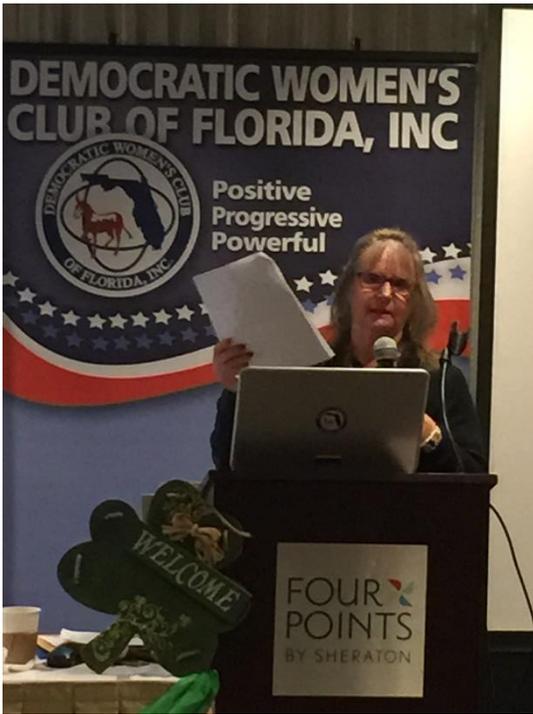
- Liaison for Brevard Federation of Teachers to Central Labor Council and Space Coast Labor Council Secretary
- Brevard Federation of Teachers Executive Board Member
- Member of the Florida Education Association, National Education Association, American Federation of Teachers and the AFL-CIO
- Librarian and Teacher for my Church

Previously served as

- Region VI Chair; Labor Chair; Convention Chair, and presented the DWCF with a check for \$20,000+
- President of the South Brevard DWCF; First VP of the South Brevard DWCF; Secretary, recording and corresponding of the South Brevard DWCF and
- Brevard Team Hillary Lead
- a member of the DWCF campaign finance committee
- Credentials Chair of Local Democratic Executive Committee for many years
- Public School Government Teacher for 31 years



Voting will take place at the
DWCF Convention in September
7-10 at the Sarasota Hyatt.



Milly Krause – SBDWC Legislative Liaison & DWCF Legislative Chair August 2017 News Article

In preparation for the 2018 Legislative Session, members should be refining their issues and visiting their local legislators as well as making calls to their local and state legislators regarding healthcare. As of this writing, a 4th AHCA Revision has been proposed. There has been talk that there might be a vote this week but expected votes don't support a vote. Soooooo - please continue to call our U.S. Senators as follows and DEMAND they Vote NO on the current healthcare bill. Thank Senator Nelson for his No Vote. ---Senator Rubio –DC – 202-224-3041 –Orlando – 407-254-2573

---Senator Nelson-DC – 202-224-5274 –Orlando – 407-872-7161

Our 6 local Brevard Legislative Delegation Members are: Chairman – Senator Debbie Mayfield Vice Chairman – Representative Randy Fine Senator Dorothy Hukill Representative Thad Altman Representative Rene Plascenia Representative Tom Goodson

Read about our 6 delegation members on their websites by looking them up individually at - House - myflorida.gov Senate - flsenate.gov

Senator Debbie Mayfield today announced that the Brevard Delegation Meeting, originally scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2017, will now be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017. The meeting will take place in the Brevard County Commission Chambers located at 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way (Building C) in Viera from 1:00-5:30 PM.

“The original date conflicted with a Jewish High Holiday, Rosh Hashanah,” said Senator Mayfield. “Therefore the date change is to accommodate our friends of the Jewish faith who would like to participate in the delegation meeting.”

The purpose of our annual delegation meeting is for local government entities, businesses, organizations, and citizens to have the opportunity to share with the delegation issues that are of the most importance to them. Please note that this is the only scheduled meeting of the delegation prior to the 2018 Legislative Session, which begins on Tuesday, January 9, 2018. The first portion of the meeting will be limited to presentations by local government entities and those requesting local bill submissions. The second portion of the meeting is for organization and citizen presentations.

Attached, please find the Appearance Request Form. Completed Appearance Request Forms are due no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, September 11, 2017, to ensure inclusion in and timely completion of meeting agendas for members and the public. Please send completed forms to Kayla Bailey in Senator Mayfield's Office at 900 E. Strawbridge Ave., Melbourne, FL 32901 by mail; Bailey.Kayla@flsenate.gov by email; or 888-263-3815 by fax. Telephone inquiries may be directed to Senator Mayfield's office at (321) 409-2025.

Senator Mayfield was elected to the Senate in 2016 to represent Senate District 17, which consists of Indian River and Brevard Counties. Prior to the Senate, Mayfield served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2008-2016.

BREVARD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION Hearing: Wednesday, September 20, 2017

In order to be placed on the agenda, all presenters must complete and return the attached Participation Request Form no later than Monday, September 11, 2017.

In order to have additional information included in the members' notebooks, please provide 7 copies to the contact below no later than Monday, September 11, 2017.

If you are presenting a proposed local bill, please make sure you have secured a Representative who is willing to file the bill during committee weeks, as all bills must have a sponsor in the House. Additionally, all local bills must be voted on at this delegation meeting.

It is suggested that the information be presented on organization letterhead and that it include any of the following information that is available:

- Legislative topic
- Brief statement of the issue
- Existing legislation by statute number
- Any necessary changes to existing legislation or proposed language if the issue calls for new legislation
- Supporting statistical information (state and local, as applicable)
- Project costs associated with the issue
- Names of any Legislators that are already supporting this issue
- List of known groups, coalitions, associations, lobbyists, etc. that support or oppose the issue

Please limit responses to two pages. If you have questions or need additional information, please call or email the contact below.

To be placed on the agenda, please return the attached form by Monday, September 11, 2017.

Contact: Kayla Bailey
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Melbourne, Florida 32901
Bailey.Kayla@flsenate.gov

321-409-2025 BREVARD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
Hearing: Wednesday, September 20, 2017

- **** MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED**** Name of Organization:
- Contact Person:
- Address:
- City: State: Zip:
- Phone: Mobile:
- Email:
- Name of person speaking:
- Is this a funding request? Yes _ No _
- Is this a legislative proposal? Yes _ No _
- Plan/Objective:
- Requested Delegation action:
- Have you met with a State Legislator regarding this issue? Yes _ No _
- If yes – Who have you met with:

- Will you be distributing materials at the hearing? Yes _ No _

Unfortunately, due to a prior event, I will SADLY be unable to attend so let's have a representative from SBDWC represent us. We can discuss this at our next meeting. Also, individuals can speak also and are encouraged to do so. If you plan to attend, please get your paperwork started so you can get an earlier slot on the very full agenda.

Remember to SAVE THE DATES - Tally Days Dates for 2018 will be from Sunday, Feb. 4th to Tuesday Feb. 6, 2018. There will be a new venue. The new DWCF Board that we will be voting on at the September Sarasota Convention (Vote for Patty Farley for President) will be responsible for planning Tally Days.

BTW – I'm honored to announce that I was voted by DWCF to be our Outstanding Member of the Year – please join me at the Sarasota Convention where I will receive this award. Respectfully Submitted –

Milly Krause SBDWC Leg. Liaison DWCF Leg. Chair

Leadership Blue



The Florida Democratic Party held its fundraiser meeting at the Diplomat in June and we had several members in attendance. **Patty Farley** was there with DWCF and the Democratic Labor Caucus. **Madeline Farley and Kelly Crutcher** were there with DWCF and the Disability Caucus. **Bill Rettinger, Mary Greene and Beth McMillan** were there doing the clubs and Caucus business as well as running the Disability Caucus. **Marti Kara and Seeta Begui** were there making the meetings, being lovely and taking photos.

We learned that the FDP will be putting in local offices in 8 regions in the state with local media markets, which will be very helpful in organizing the areas. New President Sally Boyton Brown who replaced the executive director Scott Arceniaux, impressed everyone with her knowledge and directness in dealing with the FDP budget.

Super Mule

Today, Russian President Vladimir Putin said he had nothing to do with the firing of FBI Director James Comey. Putin said, 'How could I? He's still alive, isn't he?' –Conan O'Brien

"Today, President Trump promised to bring back 'the spirit and prestige of the FBI.' Trump said, 'When I'm arrested, I want to be arrested by the very best.'" –Conan O'Brien

The Republican bill to repeal and replace Obamacare has officially fallen apart. But Republicans say they're just going to let Obamacare fail while they regroup and figure out a new plan. And Democrats said, "Hey, that's the same thing we're doing with Trump."—Jimmy Fallon

After the failure of the GOP healthcare plan, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell outlined plans to repeal Obamacare without a bill to replace it. The same way we got rid of Obama without a good plan to replace him [picture of Donald Trump].—Seth Meyers

Following news that the Senate healthcare plan will not pass, President Trump said that it is important to get more Republicans into office. More? Pretty sure when the "Titanic" was sinking, the answer wasn't more icebergs. —Seth Meyers

I'm heart broken, too. You cover the pain. It was always a longshot because the Republicans control only all three branches of government. Can't be expected to do everything.—Stephen Colbert

The Senate healthcare bill came out today, and it would cut a tax on indoor tanning. Which is the biggest proof so far that Trump was actually working on the bill. — Jimmy Fallon

They're calling the plan "Bettercare," as in: Just imagine how much better this plan would be if the people who wrote it cared. — Jimmy Kimmel

Yesterday, White House officials said Russia targeted election systems in 21 states last year. Trump was furious. He said, "I paid for all 50." — Jimmy Fallon

Following losses in two special congressional elections this week, one Democratic staffer reportedly said, "We have 80-year-old leaders and 90-year-old ranking members. This isn't a party, it's a giant assisted living center." Even worse, the reporter then asked about the upcoming G7 summit, and several people yelled "Bingo!" — Seth Meyers

NASA reports that it had a record 18,000 applicants to be astronauts. And apparently 1,000 more apply every time President Trump tweets. — Conan O'Brien

Senate Republicans today released a draft of their bill to repeal and replace Obamacare, which would cut taxes for richer Americans and insurance companies, and defund Planned Parenthood for one year. The bill is so bad, President Trump said, "Does anyone have any questions for me about Russia?" — Seth Meyers