

SBDWC NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

February election madness continues. Supreme court Justice Antonin Scalia dies unexpectedly. Republicans vow to block any nominee from president Obama. It seems the month of February was cold and windy in more ways than one.

SBDWC had our usual business meeting at Meemaw's on Feb 7. We discussed the Agenda of events for the coming year. After a little wiggling and jiggling, we voted and agreed on a tentative arrangement of our calendar. And just in case you missed it, here it is.

Polls are like sleeping pills, designed to lull voters into sleeping on election day. You might call them sleeping polls. -Harry Truman



Agenda for the year

January 9 Business Meeting Meemaw's

January 15 Board Meeting Squid Lips

February 6 Business meeting

Meemaw's

February 20 Board meeting

TBA

March 5,6 Grant Seafood
Festival- work for candidates

March 25 Board Meeting



March 26 Champagne and Chocolate- Milly's Clubhouse Fundraiser 2:00

April 2 Business meeting Meemaw's

April 29 Board meeting TBA

May 7 Derby Day fundraiser for convention Bonnie's 4:00

May 20 Board Meeting TBA

June 4 Membership Tea Canova Park House 1:00

June 24 Board meeting TBA

July 2 Business meeting Meemaw's

July 29 Board meeting TBA

August 6 Candidate Forum TBA

August 26 Board Meeting

September 3 Business Meeting Meemaw's

September 17-20 Convention

September 23 Board meeting TBA

October 1 Soup Salad and Sweets Fundraiser at Madeline's 4:00

October 28 Board meeting TBA

November 5 Business meeting Meemaw's

No Board meeting

December 3 Holiday Party TBA

December 30 Board meeting

Our next exciting event is our annual Champagne and Chocolate Fundraiser on March 26 at Milly Krause's condominium clubhouse. Since it is the day

before Easter, and a few days following the first day of Spring we plan on bringing in the spring season with style. Eileen Manning and Madeline Farley have already gotten out the tablecloths and the good dishes. Please join us sat 2:00 on March 26 at Milly's

Milly's condo address is 800 S. Brevard Avenue, Cocoa Beach, 32931

The condos are light beige with red roof. Parking for the clubhouse is at the northern end of the condos back on the river. Look for signs and balloon

All of this decadence for a 20 dollar donation , so, Spoil yourself a little. Bring a friend or your significant other or anybody else who looks like they need some chocolate.

We also voted on our proposed budget. Of course it is proposed since we don't even have some of the money yet. If you missed it, here it is.

SBDWC Proposed budget 2016

Based on projected membership 100

Membership Retention:

Guest lunches Speakers etc. 20.00x 5 100.00

Newsletters: 400.00

Sunshine Obligations (cards, flowers, postage) 1000.00

Bereavement fund 200.00

Membership event 100 people x 10.00 per person 1000.00

Sub-total-----2,700.00

Community Outreach- Parades, donations 500.00

Table Rental to promote club 150.00

Merchandising expenses 300.00

Miscellaneous forums, venues etc. 1000.00

Subtotal-----1,950.00

Public education

AV equipment 1,600.00

Subtotal-----1,600.00

Club Obligations

State Dues 100x7.00 700.00

Region Dues 100x2.00 200.00

Convention Registration 45x20 900.00

Ad Journal requests 500.00

Misc. Printing 350.00

Convention fundraiser 500.00

Subtotal-----3,250.00
Total Expenses-----9,500.00

And that's about all I have to say about that.

Bonnie

Tally Days by Patty Farley

Tally Days

Only three members from our South Brevard DWC attended Tally Days this year, but I must say it was a great event and what a truly educational experience. Several members from other clubs in our Region, especially our Indian River DWC and our Central Brevard DWC, also attended. Region chair Claudette Pelliter had a small region meeting to discuss the proposed boundary changes to our region.

On Sunday we explored the old Capitol building with his beautiful architecture and wood details. State FDP Chair Allison Tant gave her beautiful home over to us for a big welcoming reception on Sunday evening. Monday morning and afternoon was devoted to many speakers who educated the assembly on various proposed legislation some good, but mostly bad. A reception for the Democratic Members of the legislature was held to meet and greet with members and we had our gift basket drawing which is always a lot of enjoyment and a big fundraiser for our organization. Tuesday was devoted to being at the Capitol itself. Senator Geraldine Thompson recognized the DWCF in the Senate and Rep. Lori Berman, who that day returned from her cancer surgery, recognized the DWCF in the House of Representatives. Members dropped off cards and notices with office staff since both houses of the legislature were in session and we walked around the capitol for photos ops with our signs.

It was a full few days and worth every minute of the long journey. Please consider going next time.

Patty

In the NEWS.....

Florida Republican incumbents and candidates are collecting ten times as much money in independent political action campaigns than are Democrats.

A FloridaPolitics.com review of 140 such PACs affiliated with office holders or candidates ranging from Gov. **Rick Scott** to state representatives finds a nearly complete dominance of the political financing strategy. More than 100 Republicans have PACs to support their messages, policies and election campaigns, and combined they finished January with more than \$22 million in the bank. Meanwhile, Democrats are affiliated with fewer than 40 such PACs, with combined assets of just over \$2.1 million

Link to the article <http://floridapolitics.com/archives/202866-202866>

U.S. Rep. Alan Grayson's campaign for the U.S. Senate is declaring that the ethics complaints issues pushed by his Democratic opponent U.S. Rep. Patrick Murphy have turned into a fundraising bonanza for Grayson.

The campaign stated in a news release Thursday it has seen a recent surge in contributions, especially in small, on-line donations, "as Grayson supporters rallied against the smear tactics employed by the Patrick Murphy for Senate campaign."

As a result, the Grayson campaigns aid it expects to top \$1 million in online small-dollar donations in a few days.

Link to article <http://floridapolitics.com/archives/202876-202876>

Milly's page

Hi SBDWC Members, Friends & Alliances -

Please read the following articles relating to our top priority issues -

Senator Bean Says - "Don't force us to pay for this horrible procedure -

The Senate bill (SB 1722), Termination of Pregnancies, faces one more committee stop, in the Senate Fiscal Policy Committee, before heading to the floor. The House companion (HB 1411), filed by Rep. Colleen Burton, R-Lakeland, has passed all its committees and is ready for a floor vote.

<http://www.theledger.com/article/20160217/NEWS/160219439/1003/NEWS01?p=all&tc=pgall>

Read Why We Are Thanking Senator Miguel Diaz del la Portilla

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<http://miamiherald.typepad.com/nakedpolitics/2016/02/diaz-de-la-portilla-killing-the-guns-and-immigration-bills-was-common-sense.html>

See the Abundance of Education Bills - Education Week

<http://www.capitalnewyork.com/article/florida/2016/02/8591260/slate-contentious-education-bills-ready-house-vote-thursday>

Education Week in Tally Follows:

<http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/state-regional-govt-politics/contentious-teacher-bonus-school-choice-bills-pass/nqSYr/>

Some Education Bills Have Died -

<http://www.tampabay.com/blogs/gradebook/florida-senate-education-committee-again-wont-meet-killing-several-bills/2265952>

Again, begin to think about who we should be thanking during this year's legislative session. Let me know - I'm keeping a list but could easily miss some of our Champions.

Moving Forward -

Milly



The Hillary Clinton Campaign opened field offices in Orlando and Jacksonville on Wednesday, February 17th. The location of the office is 2153 West Oak Ridge Rd.

We had four members of our SBDWC in attendance at the Orlando office grand opening event: Seeta Begui, Vickie Impoco, Susannah Randolph, Greater Orlando member and candidate for House of Representatives, Terry Sanders, who was the featured guest speaker as Florida NOW President, and Patty Farley DWCF First VP. Some of our members are working on the Hillary campaign as individuals. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Patty Farley at 321-773-2949.

Florida NOW and the National Education Association have already endorsed Hillary Clinton. Our DWCF or SBDWC will not endorse anyone at this point in time. As a Democratic caucus we cannot endorse a candidate until the convention or state party does so.

SUPER MULE Just for Laughs

Last night was the Republican caucus in Nevada, and Donald Trump scored a big victory, bringing him one step closer to the Republican nomination. A Trump presidency is getting so real, Mexico is starting to think a wall is a pretty great idea." –Jimmy Fallon

"NASA said this week it has received a record high number of 18,000 applications for their astronaut training program. NASA said it shows a growing interest in space exploration. Then people said, "Nah, we just wanna get off the planet before this election." –Jimmy Fallon

"Although she herself is an immigrant, Donald Trump's wife Melania says she is fine with her husband's tough anti-immigration stance. When asked why, Mrs. Trump said she had about 4.5 billion reasons." –Conan O'Brien

After he won yesterday's Nevada caucus, Donald Trump said, 'I love the poorly educated.' Trump then said, 'and when I'm president there'll be more of them than ever.'" –Conan O'Brien

"Despite Jeb Bush's poor campaign, some analysts are already talking about the political rise of his son, George P. Bush. George P. Bush has already got his campaign slogan: 'Don't Worry I Was Adopted.'" –Conan O'Brien

"Trump won the Nevada caucuses in every demographic last night. He won white men, white women, white rich people, and white poor people. Rural whites, urban whites. He got one vote from a Chinese guy, which was nice." –Jimmy Kimmel

"Trump even won the Latino vote. Which is amazing. It makes me wonder if people really come here from Mexico for a better life or if they come to get away from their relatives. Maybe they want the wall to keep their in-laws out." –Jimmy Kimmel

"Dr. Ben Carson finished a distant fourth in Nevada. He only got 5 percent of the vote. But for some reason he's still not dropping out. He's promised to continue on. He said, 'I believe that things are starting to happen here.' You know it's time to drop out when it has been weeks since Donald Trump even bothered to call you a moron." –Jimmy Kimmel

"I was thinking about why Ben Carson is still running today and my first guess is he's retired and he's bored. He has \$10 million in the bank. Why not run? But there's another possibility. Maybe he's sleepwalking." –Jimmy Kimmel

"Donald Trump said yesterday that his supporters are so loyal that they would kill for him. In fact, that's who killed that thing he wears on his head." –Seth Meyers