

JANUARY 2018



Dear Members,

First I want to wish you all a happy New Year. I hope it brings you good health, happiness and more Democrats in office! You will soon receive a survey, and I urge you to complete it and return it to us as quickly as possible, because your preferences matter. We will ask about our meetings and how we communicate with you – for instance, do you prefer to receive your newsletter by USPS or email? Another question we have for you is whether or not it is important to you to have food at some or all of our meetings, because this will dictate where we hold our business and program meetings. And most importantly, we want to be sure we can communicate with you in a timely manner, so updating your contact information is critical. You can expect to receive your survey in about ten days; please look for it and return it to us as quickly as you can.

My goals for the SBDWC have remained consistent over time. They focus on increases; first in membership, currently at 73 members, because new members bring fresh ideas and energy and we have much to do, and increasing fundraising will allow us to do even more. We also want to increase members who participate at the State level, as well as having more members attend both the Tally and serving as delegates at the Convention.

We need you! I hope this year all our members will engage to the fullest. We need your help more now than ever before.

Sincerely, Madeline Farley, President

SBDWC COMMITTEES
Frances Speegle – Bylaws
Patty Farley – Legislative
Bonnie Ollinger and Patty Farley – Reconciliation
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Eileen Manning - Ways and Means
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The Democratic Women's Club of Florida Outraged Over Actions and Speech of Donald Trump Therefore, calls for his censure and demand Congress initiate impeachment proceedings.

- ❖ The crude remarks made by Donald Trump regarding Haitian and African immigrants of color have been verified and publicly condemned.
- ❖ [“#WETOO”](#) condemn Donald Trump's toxic words that reveal ignorance, racism and a total disrespect for the rule of law, the freedom of the citizens of our nation and ultimately the esteemed office which he now holds.
- ❖ [“#WETOO”](#) Democratic Women's Club of Florida, demands Congress immediately censure Donald Trump.
- ❖ This president has shown ignorance of the freedoms guaranteed by the very Constitution that he is sworn to uphold.

THEREFORE, for the public good, general welfare of our nation and its domestic institutions and to protect citizen's freedoms, the Democratic Women's Club of Florida immediately call for impeachment proceedings against Donald Trump.

The Democratic Women's Club of Florida asks all Floridians and beyond to join together, united in a common belief of democracy to join this call.

Patricia Farley ~~ President, Democratic Women's Club of Florida

SOUTH BREVARD DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB

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HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 6 BUSINESS MEETING

The only right for women in the Florida Constitution is the right to vote! Only two states have not passed the ERA bill, and this will be a priority for us at the State level.

There are ten vacancies now to fill with special elections in the Florida Legislature. A list will be provided to members identifying the ten districts and providing some action steps that can be taken to support electing women.

The theme "Democratic Women Are The Life of The Party" was adopted unanimously.

The Grievance Committee has now been renamed the Reconciliation Committee.

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENTS NOW DUE

Please send your \$25 annual membership fee to
Doris Bailey
380 Lemon Street, Satellite Beach FL 32937



2018 MLK Day March, Melbourne

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES – PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

FEBRUARY 3, 2017 is our next meeting of the South Brevard Democratic Women's Club at the Satellite Breeze Restaurant in Satellite Beach. The restaurant was formerly the Neptune, where we previously had held some of our meetings. Our Guest Speaker is Leonard Ross who will do a presentation on the MLK's "I Have a Dream Speech" for Black History Month.

FEBRUARY 4-6 Tally Days will take place in Tallahassee. Attendees will have a full day of education on issues that are currently in front of the Legislature, and will visit with our Legislators to promote our platform.

FEBRUARY 17 will be our first Regional meeting with Monica Readus as our new region Chair. The meeting will take place somewhere in Winter Haven, hosted by our East Polk Ridge Club.

FEBRUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER will contain highlights of these activities as well as photos of the January 20 March on Brevard, which took place on Eau Gallie Bridge, kicking off the statewide marches in Orlando, Jacksonville, Miami and St. Petersburg. Stay tuned and stay involved!

Democratic Women Are the Life of the Party