

## Words From the President

Joyce Weissbach

There are many issues the Democratic Women's Club could champion in the coming months. Our task is to select and focus on those topics that excite enthusiasm and for which members are willing to work.

The selection of four or five issues and how we choose to develop them, could be achieved by holding a DWC retreat. Those who attended the January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting agreed the retreat should be open to all members.

The first part of the retreat will be used to discuss and select meaningful political issues. Since there is no shortage of pertinent issues, we should choose those that are within the goals and scope of the DWC-Lee.

In the second part of the retreat, we will

separate into groups in order to establish short term goals and devise strategies to reach these goals.

Our past President, Frankie Jennings, has agreed to find a location for the retreat. We hope to set the date for a weekend in March. A facilitator will be obtained for the event. During the afternoon break, sandwiches and cold drinks will be available.

At our meeting on February 14<sup>th</sup>, members will find on each table sticky pads to write your suggestions for topics to discuss at the retreat. A tripod with a flip chart will be available for you to post your message and the chart will be brought to the retreat.

Put on your thinking caps! More to come!

## If You Couldn't Be in D.C., Broadway Palm Was the Place to Be!

by Annie Estlund

We did it!

No matter where you were when you watched the historic Inauguration of Barack Obama, you undoubtedly felt thrilled, tearful and thankful. But watching that event with more than 400 excited Obama supporters, super-sized the excitement on Tuesday.

Thanks to the generosity of Will Prather and his family, the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater hosted a six-hour Inauguration Day event, which was filled to overflowing with enthusiastic Obama fans. We were puffed up with pride and glowing as this year of high emotions and hopes and dreams culminated in our candidate being sworn in as our 44<sup>th</sup> president. All our hard work had been for this one moment in time, when America awarded its highest honor to a man we've come to idolize.

The \$25/person cost for the event included a lovely brunch, a Jumbo-tron TV (so we all could feel up-close and personal with the event), and an attentive staff hovering around



A crowd of about 400 people watches attentively President Barack Obama's Inaugural speech.



Vi Niggel proudly displays her 'Change' T-shirt.

at all times. Not all attendees hung around the big screen long enough to watch the Obamas and Bidens walk down Pennsylvania Ave. to

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lead off the Inauguration Parade, but those who did say the ebullience lasted until the last drummer drummed and the last trumpet tooted!

I'm sure all 400 of us wished we could be present in Washington, D.C. for this historic event. But the Broadway Palm was certainly the best "second best" way to feel a part of the event. And, there was a lot to be said for being in the midst of an enthusiastic crowd of hundreds (not millions), of sitting down (not standing), in a warm and comfortable room (not on a frigid marble step), and easily driving home (not fighting for space on a train or bus) when it was over. And, for that we thank the Prathers.

Will Prather was elected Chair of the county Democrats in December, giving the party a real shot in the arm. He is also a bit of a celebrity, having served on Barack Obama's national finance team throughout the campaign.

How can we properly thank the Prathers for providing this opportunity and for their continuing generosity toward local Democrats? This writer recommends that we each patronize the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater, to whatever extent we can afford, during 2009 when many patrons may be unable to do so. It's a good way to show our support and let



The crowd cheers as President Obama is sworn in.



Betty G., Marj Lowell and Carolyn Helms celebrate.



From left to right: Jan Guardiano, Lyle Olson, Annie Estlund and Audrey Olson enjoy brunch.

them know how appreciative we are. And, the food and entertainment are always great!

## Celebration Here and Around the World



From left to right: Chair of the Lee County Democratic Party Will Prather and wife Andrea, DWC member and State Committeewoman Ellis Robinson and husband Dick, in Washington D.C. for the Inauguration. "What a historic several days these have been! Dick and I were in DC, along with Lydia and Steve, and Will Prather and his wife. Together we attended the Florida Ball at the National Museum for the American Indian," said Ellis.



From The Netherlands, Flavia Harvey sends us photos of some local newspapers. They featured, as all major newspapers around the world did, President Barack Obama's Inauguration and the commemorations by the American people on their front pages as well as in many inside pages. The one on the right wishes good luck to our President; the one of the left says "Time for a Better History". Around the world, it was time for celebration.

## Review: State Committeewoman Ellis Robinson



Joan Patterson holds list for speaker State Committeewoman Ellis Robinson.

by Pat Fish

Ellis Robinson, our own DWC member and also State Committeewoman for the Democratic Party of Lee County, and, therefore, a member of the Democratic Party of Florida, presented a discussion at the January 2009 DWC meeting on 'What Makes a Good Candidate'.

Ellis started the talk by having the members list 'What Makes a Good Elected Official'. The participants listed the qualities they see in

Florida Senator Dave Aronberg, Florida's CFO Alex Sink, and U.S. Senator Bill Nelson: knowledgeable, hard-working, good listener, ethical, can work within the system, communicate well, good organizer, compassionate and not greedy, but most importantly, accessible.

The second part of Ellis' presentation was 'What Makes a Good Candidate'. Number one on this list was 'personality and charisma'. This list was somewhat the same: articulate, tireless and energetic, squeaky-clean, knowledge of the issues and ability to communicate them, knowledge on how to campaign, have the proper credentials, and name recognition doesn't hurt. One of the most important details to having a successful candidate is having a WINNABLE DISTRICT.

Ellis handed out a four-page list of all the electoral races that will occur in Lee County in 2009 and 2010, including when the primary and the general election will be held, as well as who will be termed out. It is not too soon to be looking ahead for Democratic candidates to fill these positions.

## Gerrymandering: Long-Due Reform

by Pat Fish

According to Lee County's state senator, Dave Aronberg, "the biggest misconception in our democracy is that Florida voters choose their politicians". He feels that this is "not entirely correct: it is the politicians who choose their voters, not the other way around".

Voters can choose among candidates in an election, but long before that (every ten years) the legislators in Tallahassee choose which voters will live in their districts. If a legislator of a given party wants fewer voters of the opposing party in his or her district, then the district is drawn that way.

The phenomenon is not new. Gerrymandering is a form of redistribution in which the boundaries of an electoral district or constituency are manipulated for electoral advantage. The term is derived from Elbridge Gerry (1744-1814), the governor of Massachusetts from 1810 to 1812, and first appeared in the Boston Gazette on March 26, 1812. In 1812, Governor Gerry reluctantly signed a bill into law that redistricted his state to benefit his party. The term is a blend of his name and

"salamander," used to describe the shape of the electoral district pressed into law, by Jeffersonian democrats, in order to reduce competition by their opponents in the upcoming senatorial election.

Modern technology has made the problem worse. At one time politicians had to combine data and guesswork to try to draw lines advantageous to their party. Now, with computers, the guesswork is gone. The result is that NO incumbent was defeated in any Congressional or legislative seat in the last presidential election. Seventy-two percent of state legislative seats had only one major party candidate running. Plus, politics have become more partisan and more divisive than ever, since candidates in gerrymandered districts do not have to appeal to the general population. This has resulted in very few moderates in any district.

A bipartisan group, [FairDistrictsFlorida.org](http://FairDistrictsFlorida.org), is leading a petition drive to enact redistricting reform by creating standards. The districts would be drawn as compactly as possible, eliminating the sprawling and weaving in and out of neighborhoods, such as we now have.

## February Food Donations

Because the Harry Chapin Food Bank is able to buy \$5-worth of food for every dollar they receive, the DWC is asking that each month you bring a check, in ANY amount, to the general meeting. Make the check out to the HCFB. (We also will accept cash!)



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## About Our Members

✓ From Carolyn Helms: "There aren't sufficient words in the English language to express my gratitude for the calls, cards, visits, meals, and well wishes I received from DWC members and Obama volunteers after my auto accident. Special thanks to Charlotte Blitt for setting up daily visitors, to Patty Bigelow who coordinated meal preparation and errands, to Marj Lowell for transportation to the doctor, and to Claire de Elizalde for being the best neighbor in Whiskey Creek. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!!!!!"

✓ We regret to inform the passing of Patricia Zelkowitz' husband on January 10, 2009. Pat plans to be out of town for one week before returning for the memorial service. Our prayers are with you, Pat.

✓ Welcome to a new DWC-Lee member, Phyllis Abram.

## Dr. King, "We wish you were here!"

by Annie Estlund

"I had a dream!"

I dreamed that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was still alive for this, his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. I dreamed that he gave another impassioned and spellbinding speech, building to a joyous crescendo that echoed throughout the land... That dreams DO come true!

Imagine his euphoria, to know that the week he turned 80, a bright young and inspiring black man, Barack Obama, was inaugurated as America's 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America! And to know that that young man had been swept into office by blacks, whites, people of all colors working together. And to know that by Inauguration Day, public interest polls were showing this black man had an "approval rating" of about 79 percent, in America and throughout the world.

Obama's election was a dream come true for all who have worked for equal rights and equal opportunity. It was an overwhelming showing of what's best about America, and what we can do when we work together. It was just the shot in the arm America needed after eight regressive years under George W. Bush.

Fort Myers celebrated Dr. King's birthday



with the usual plans, a nice sedate community breakfast, an informal two-mile "walk and sing" from Dunbar's public library to Centennial Park, where the celebration began in earnest. Soul food was cooking, T-shirts were selling, and

the music was so "enthusiastic", the thousand or more people gathered there could hardly hear each other talk. The time had come to celebrate and celebrate we did!

I've attended these MLK events every year for 14 years, but this year's was special. It was more. More people, more enthusiasm, more laughter, more singing, more noise and, very obviously, more pride. The pride isn't just "black pride," although there was plenty of that to be seen... Everyone was scrubbed and beautiful. But the overall pride is "Obama color"... Part white, part black and a few other colors mixed in! You can see it in everyone's eyes. You can see that people feel good about themselves and what this election meant for America.

We are all more proud to be American than we have been in a long time, and that showed in the events of Dr. King's birthday.

"Ah, Dr. King: We wish you were here!"

## Early Voting Bill

by Pat Fish

In the last days of 2008, Florida Senator Dave Aronberg filed SB 472 with the state legislature. This bill would allow early voting sites to be established on community college campuses, and would allow extended voting hours at the discretion of each county supervisor of elections. The bill amends 101.657, F.S.

SB 472, if enacted, would 'allow an elector to vote early in the main or branch office of the supervisor. The supervisor shall mark, code, indicate on, or otherwise track the voter's precinct for each early voted ballot.' The bill further states that a branch office must be a permanent facility and designated and used as such for one year prior to the election. The supervisor may designate any city hall or permanent public library facility as early voting sites; these sites must be 'geographically located so as to provide all voters in the community an equal opportunity to cast a ballot.'

Additionally, the bill says that the results or tabulation of votes cast during early voting may not be made before the close of the polls on election day.

Early voting shall begin on the 15<sup>th</sup> day before an election and end on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day before an election. In the event of a special election, early voting shall begin on the 8<sup>th</sup> day before an election and end on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day before an election. Senator Aronberg's bill also amends the hours. 'Early voting hours shall be established by the supervisor of elections for each county. However, early voting shall be provided for a period of no less than 8 hours and no more than 12 hours per day at each site during the applicable periods. Early voting sites shall open no sooner than 7:00 a.m. and close no later than 7:00 p.m. on each applicable day.

If enacted, this bill, with Senator Aronberg's amendments, would take effect July 1, 2009.



# DWC Minutes of the Meeting, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009

President Joyce Weissbach called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. She welcomed guests and new members and asked that they introduce themselves. Most had worked with the Obama campaign.

In her invocation, President Weissbach asked for a moment of silence for citizens in need, those suffering on the battlefield, and thoughts for all distressed people. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Weissbach asked for any corrections or additions on the Minutes of the last meeting published in the Newsletter. On motion by Lydia Sherman, seconded by Joyce Ramay, the Minutes were approved as published.

Treasurer Patti Duffy reviewed the financial situation. She said the Club's expenses are close to income with printing and mailing the Newsletter being the biggest expenses. The fund-raiser in December yielded \$695 for the Scholarship Fund, and the November birthday party added another \$700. The bank balance is positive.

Another area of financial loss is the price of the luncheons. With tax and gratuity added, the Club is losing about \$2.00 per meal. It is difficult to find a meeting place, but President Weissbach would like to keep the luncheon cost at \$15. She will ask Jo-Ann Cerilli to check with Royal Palm for a more minimal lunch or a breakfast/brunch at an inclusive cost of \$15 per member.

Patti asked members to review the copy of the proposed budget for 2009, based on 95 members. Ellis Robinson moved for approval. Joyce Ramay seconded. Passed unanimously.

Pat Carnavale gave the membership report. She is making announcements for the Club in local papers and on TV websites. She is trying to get the Breeze newspapers to carry announcements in local areas of Lee County.

Joan Patterson spoke for the Issues Committee. She reported on the current attempt by the State of Florida to lease Alligator Alley to private/foreign interests. She feels it is a quick fix for a long-term problem. The lease would be for 50 years. Senator Dave Aron-

berg is against the leasing solution and is calling for elimination of sales tax exemptions. A cigarette tax increase is another solution to increase revenues. Alligator Alley is an important east-west evacuation route. All tolls are now waived during crisis situations and that might not be true if the road is privatized. She asked members to sign letters to the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Florida.

Planning/Program Chair, Nancy Simms, was not at the meeting. President Weissbach said that DWC member Joyce Ramay will speak on Pakistan/Afghanistan at the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Under New Business, President Weissbach suggested to have a retreat to research topics for the DWC to champion in the coming months. She would like a one-day retreat in two sessions with a box lunch. Frankie Jennings suggested a place, and will see if it's available. Limit attendance of about 20 people was suggested. A vote for interest showed that the all of the Club would like to attend. Ellis Robinson suggested prior meetings to bring ideas to the retreat. The retreat will be discussed again next meeting. Ellis will bring some ideas from the DEC meetings.

President Weissbach suggested instead of bringing food donations that a \$5 (or more) donation be made each month to the Harry Chapin Food Bank. Ellis suggested putting a donor box at the check-in table. It was informally decided that members could bring either food or their checks.

Announcements were made of an Inaugural Ball at the Metropolitan Restaurant on College Parkway, January 20 at 7 p.m., and an Inaugural Brunch at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, January 20, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

President Weissbach introduced the speaker, Ellis Robinson, Lee County's Democratic State Committeewoman, who brings years of experience to political campaigns (please see Review on page 3).

There being no further business on motion of Anne Estlund, seconded by Lydia Sherman, the meeting adjourned Noon for lunch.

## A Letter from State Senator Dave Aronberg

### Special Session Wrap-Up

This week, the Legislature eliminated services and raided our State trust funds to fill a \$2.8 billion hole in the 2008-2009 budget. The deep cuts — including \$467 million to K-12 public education — and the refusal to explore closing special interest tax loopholes left me no choice: I voted no.

As with the people of Florida, the government must tighten its belt during these difficult economic times. But just as Floridians are doing, the Legislature needs to prioritize its cuts.

Unfortunately, the plan that passed this week (27-13 in the Senate) hits education hard for the second year in a row. Even Governor Crist has said education cuts have gone too far.

Beyond education, the cuts will have severe consequences. For example, the budget eliminates Guardian Ad Litem positions that will leave 1,000 children without representation and protection. The Lawton Chiles Endowment Fund, which comes from tobacco lawsuit settlement money, was raided to the tune of \$700 million to fill part of the general revenue hole. The Governor and legislative leaders have promised to replenish the trust fund at a later time, but the \$700 million represents two-thirds of the entire trust fund. Our government is tasked with protecting critical services in criminal justice, health, and education, but this budget does not do that. As such, I could not support the plan.

I have spoken with the legislative leaders of the Senate, and I believe there is an emerging consensus to revisit some of these decisions in the spring. In the meantime, I will continue working on your behalf. Please stay in touch.

Best regards,  
Dave Aronberg



*Let it be said by our children's children that when we were tested, we refused to let this journey end, that we did not turn back, nor did we falter; and with eyes fixed on the horizon and God's grace upon us, we carried forth that great gift of freedom and delivered it safely to future generations. — President Obama*

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## Getting to Know You



### Frankie Jennings

Public officials must make decisions that best benefit the lives of people most affected, so that they become the beneficiaries — and not the victims — of those decisions. It is this guiding principle that Frankie Jennings, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, uses in her personal and professional life.

Though it's been seven years since she relocated to Fort Myers, Atlanta remains close to her heart. She maintains ties with her native city as reflected in her ongoing membership with the Women in Business Committee of the Atlanta Business League. While living in Atlanta, Jennings sat in on legislative sessions and worked with legislators to put programs and policies in place to enhance the quality of life for the people of Atlanta. Her love of public service followed her to Fort Myers.

In 2004, she served a two-year term as President of the DWC, and was one of four delegates elected from Florida's 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District to attend the DNC in Boston, in July 2004. This was followed by her tenure on the Fort Myers City Council, where she served and represented the residents of Ward 1 for almost a year.

In Spring 2006, she became the Director of Basic Learning Skills (BLS), a Lee County tutoring service approved by the State of Florida under the "No Child Left Behind Act" of 2001. BLS provides supplemental education services and serves 13 schools in Lee and Collier Counties. During the 2006-07 school year, BLS tutored close to 600 students.

In May 2007, Frankie was elected to the Board of Directors of Partners in Self Sufficiency of Lee County, and is committed to helping the agency move forward and take its rightful place as a full service developer in the City of Fort Myers. Jennings sees her recent appointment to the Advisory Board of the Fort Myers redevelopment agency as an opportunity to make a positive impact. She is particularly committed to being an agent of change — the kind that will lead to the

eventual elimination of blight in the city and improve the standard and quality of life for its residents.

Frankie and her husband, Roy, are the parents of an adult son and two granddaughters, ages 13 and 7, who spend their summers with them in Fort Myers.



### Burnett Bloodworth

At the Lee County DWC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration Joyce Weissbach introduced Burnett Bloodworth, a charter member of the Lee County DWC. Burnett, a life-long Democrat, was born in Chattanooga, TN and moved, with her husband Allan, to Ft. Myers in 1951.

In the mid 1950's, James A. Haley (D) Sarasota, a member of Florida's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, acquired Lee County as part of the redistricting plan, and then hired Burnett to manage the Lee County office for the next four years. She said her husband was surprised that anyone would get paid to do politics!

In addition to a banking career, Burnett has spent most of her life involved in Democratic politics. A few of her activities include:

- President of the DWCF, 1968-1971
- Lee County State Committeewoman, late 1970's
- Delegate to 1964 Democratic Convention in Atlantic City
- Delegate to 1968 Democratic Convention in Chicago
- Candidate for Florida Representative in 1972, the election in which Republicans took over (not even Sheriff 'Snag' Thompson, who held office from 1945, could get re-elected); Bloodworth defeated Frank Mann in the Primary, but lost to H. Paul Nuckolls in the general election.

Burnett Bloodworth is a good role model for all Democratic women who would like to run for office, proving that this could be done even in the 1970's.

# Global Family Day in Lee County

by Steve Sherman



Top left: kids in line for bounce house fun; top right: Global Family Day cake; bottom left: pans of wonderful food; bottom right: building blocks of peace made by the kids.

Global Family Day is a concept that has received recognition by the United Nations, the U. S. Congress and several other countries (<http://www.gfd.org>). But the concept of unity, peace and sharing for one day a year is only now gathering recognition.

Former Lee County Field Director for the Barack Obama/Joe Biden Campaign, Aaron Myers, is currently serving as National Director Designate for Global Family Day and shared the concept with Michelle Guerin and other campaign volunteers. Michelle brought the idea to the organizational meeting for the Lee County Campaign For Change Volunteers and Quality Life Center. The answer was a resounding, "Yes, We Can".

Over the period of three weeks, a group of volunteers worked with Quality Life Center, the NAACP and local churches to develop a plan. Donations were collected for the expected modest expenses. After-school program participants, with Lee County Campaign For Change Volunteers assisting, created "building blocks for peace", and a plan for Global Family Day on January 1<sup>st</sup> was developed.

Families, Quality Life Center program participants and their families, local homeless individuals, and Lee County Campaign for Change Volunteers were invited to attend. At 9:30 a.m., on a beautiful first day of the new year, the volunteers and representatives from

Quality Life Center began getting things ready. Tables were set up, chairs arranged and food began arriving, and arriving, and arriving.

A little after 1 p.m., Mr. Mohammed of Quality Life Center, welcomed everyone. His brief talk focused on 'we are all one people with one set of dreams and hopes', and he honored Will Prather as the new chairman of the Democratic Party of Lee County. Lyn Oliva, leader of 'the Republicans for Obama', then presented Will with the first annual 'Yes, We Can' award for his work in local charities, community involvement and, specially his efforts to help elect Barack Obama.

Councilman Johnny Streets was in attendance; along with Brother James, new Chairmen of the local NAACP; Rev. Wayne Robinson; Rev. Tommy; and State Committeewoman Ellis Robinson. Over 150 meals were served. The bounce house was active. A great time was had by all.

Several "doggie bags" were taken home and the little food leftover was used at the Quality Life Center during the next few days. Donations exceeded needs by \$30 so the extra money was given to the teenagers from Quality Life Center who began helping at 9:30 a.m., then stayed through final cleanup after 4:00 p.m. They had been raising money for the last week for a pizza party at Chuck E. Cheese and this helped them reach their goal.

## DWC Membership Dues

Your DWC membership dues for 2009 are now due. Please bring a check for \$25 made out to the DWC to the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, or send a check to Patti Duffy, 14941 Reflection Key Circle #611, Fort Myers, FL 33907.

## Newsletter

If you are receiving the Newsletter by regular mail but would like to receive it now by email (and in color!), please contact Pat Fish and Jan Guardiano to make the change. You will be saving money for the DWC and trees for our planet!



## Coming DWC/Democratic Events

Sat., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. . . . .DWC Meeting — Speaker: Joyce Ramay on Pakistan and Afghanistan, at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, 2360 West First Street, Ft. Myers (one block north of the Edison & Ford Estates on McGregor, left on Larchmont Ave.)

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