



## MANATEE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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**Sheryl Wilson, Chair**

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### MANATEE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUBS and CAUCUSES

ALL DEMOCRATS ARE WELCOME!

Because meeting time and places can change, please contact person for clubs and caucuses.

Democratic Executive Committee meets monthly, 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, 6:00 pm at Headquarters

#### **Anna Maria Island Democratic Club**

Meets Sep-May, 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 11:30 am  
IMG Academy Golf and Country Club  
4350 El Conquistador Parkway  
Phyllis Boles: 941-778-94377  
[phylliseboles@gmail.com](mailto:phylliseboles@gmail.com)

#### **Democratic Women's Club**

Meets Sep-June, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 11:30 AM  
IMG Academy Golf and Country Club  
4350 El Conquistador Parkway  
Pat Benson: 941-758-4610  
[pattybenson43@gmail.com](mailto:pattybenson43@gmail.com), [www.dwcmanatee.com](http://www.dwcmanatee.com)

#### **Lakewood Ranch Democratic Club**

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm  
Lakewood Ranch Town Hall  
8175 Lakewood Ranch Blvd.  
Lucy Lapidés : 941-704-5971  
[lucylap@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:lucylap@tampabay.rr.com)

#### **Manatee Young Democrats**

George Thurlow: 908-463-5428  
<https://www.facebook.com/SarasotaYoungDems/>

#### **Progressive Caucus**

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 7:00pm  
Headquarters at 435 Cortez Road  
Pam French: 770-827-2090  
[www.facebook.com/manateeProDem](http://www.facebook.com/manateeProDem)

#### **Longboat Key Democratic Club**

Meets Nov-Apr, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, noon  
Portofino Restaurant  
2600 Harbourside Dr, LBK  
Ken Marsh, President  
941-356-3077, [awekam@yahoo.com](mailto:awekam@yahoo.com)

#### **Manatee Democratic Club**

Meets Sep-May, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 11:30 am  
Peridia Golf and Country Club  
4950 Peridia Blvd. East  
Paul Dain: 941-756-4050  
[pauldain73@gmail.com](mailto:pauldain73@gmail.com)

#### **Sarasota/Manatee Black Caucus**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 6:00 pm  
Headquarters at 435 Cortez Road  
Susie Copeland: 941-447-2189  
[www.msdbcf.com](http://www.msdbcf.com)

#### **Manatee LGBTQA Democratic Caucus**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 6:30 pm  
Meets at HQ 435 Cortez Road



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### MANATEE DEMOCRATS CARE ABOUT:

- ❖ “Democrats believe cooperation is better than conflict, unity is better than division, empowerment is better than resentment, and bridges are better than walls.”
- ❖ We care about providing quality, affordable public education for all students from pre-school through technical or college level programs.
- ❖ We care about feeling safe and secure in our homes and community through responsible firearms ownership and safety measures.
- ❖ We care about respecting our local law enforcement and first responders and making sure our criminal justice system is fair for all.
- ❖ We care about protecting our environment so we have clean air, water and land for us, and future generations. We want to protect our coastline from off shore drilling. We want sensible, green development with corresponding infrastructure.
- ❖ We care about creating opportunities for good paying jobs and affordable housing in our community.
- ❖ We care about ensuring all of us have high quality, affordable health care. This includes supporting Medicare, Medicaid, the Children’s Health Insurance program, Planned Parenthood and other community healthcare providers.
- ❖ We care about having a living minimum wage with equal pay for equal work for all.
- ❖ We care about the diversity immigrants bring to our community and providing a path to citizenship for those making positive contributions and abiding by our laws.
- ❖ We care about people being able to vote without restrictions or intimidation.
- ❖ We care about supporting our military with training, equipment and leadership while in service and providing job opportunities, healthcare and veterans programs after service.
- ❖ We care about leading the world with principle, purpose and diplomacy
- ❖ “We know that diversity is not our problem—it is our promise. As Democrats, we respect differences of perspective and belief, and pledge to work together to move this country forward, even when we disagree.”