

Belleair Women's Republican Club

From Our President's Desk



BWRC President, Monica Peremba

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend last month's meeting. It was well received after our summer hiatus as we kick off the upcoming election year. We

are honored to have such a phenomenal club of long-standing members and excited to see so many new faces interested in speaking out on conservative values. Together we can make a difference through our voice and our vote.

On Tuesday, 9/12/2023 congress held a session on banned books. Senator John Kennedy read directly from two books that are in schools across America: 1) All Boys Aren't Blue and 2) Gender Queer. Democrat Secretary of State from Illinois was there to speak out against "book bands." These contain pornographic material that is too explicit to be aired on news stations and parents are being prevented from reading excerpts at school board (Continue reading on Page 4)



October Luncheon

Please join us for our monthly luncheon on Friday, October 6. **Luncheon Fee:** \$35

Menu listed on the BWRC website <u>bwrc.us</u> under the Events & Reservations tab.

<u>Location:</u> Belleair Country Club 1 Country Club Lane, Belleair, FL 33756

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

The speaker for the October meeting will be Dawn Peters. Dawn M. Peters was elected to the School Board in November 2022. She is a Florida native, a successful businesswoman and a devoted mother to two children. Ms. Peters' strong desire to be involved in her children's education and her community motivated her to volunteer at her daughters' schools after a successful career in property management. Both her daughters attended neighborhood, fundamental, magnet and charter schools and are now using the Bright Futures scholarships at St. Petersburg College and the University of South Florida.

Read more on our website bwrc.us!

September 17, 2023

Constitution Day

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The document defines the three main branches of the government: The legislative branch with a bicameral Congress, an executive branch led by the President, and a judicial branch headed by the Supreme Court. Besides providing for the organization of these branches, the Constitution outlines obligations of each office, as well as provides what powers each branch may exercise. It also reserves numerous rights for the individual states, thereby establishing the United States' federal system of government.

Our Organization

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Belleair Women's Republican Club 2023 Event Calendar

Make \$35 check per event payable to BWRC and mail to Treasurer Marilu Baker, 9347 89th Ave, Seminole, FL 33777

Date	Description	Reservation & Payment Due
Oct 6	Luncheon	Sep 27
Nov 3	Luncheon	Oct 25
Dec 1	Luncheon	Nov 22

Dress & Conduct Code Reminder

BWRC is privileged to host meetings and social events at Belleair Country Club (BCC). Our members & guests must comply with the BCC's Dress & Conduct Code. Dresses, skirts, blouses, dressy slacks, and pants suits are appropriate for women. Men must wear shirts with sleeves and remove caps in the dining room. Blue jeans are not permitted.

Additionally, the BCC Code of Conduct imposes high standards of social manners and decorum.

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meetings. Yes, the far-left extremists are trying to restrict parents from having a say as to what is available to children and teenagers in our schools. Thankfully, Florida is leading the charge through legislation to help prevent this overreach to protect our children's innocence.

We are fortunate to have Dawn Peters speak at our October 6th meeting about this concerning topic. She will be providing insight into what is being done locally and what we can do to help.

I end my letter with a quote from Albert Einstein
"The world is a dangerous place to live; not because
of the people who are evil, but because of the
people who don't do anything about it."

Getting to Know You

BWRC 2nd VP, Claudia Walker

My husband Rob and I relocated to Dunedin, FL January 2020 from San Diego, CA. I lived most of my life in Southern California attending Burbank High School and California State



Claudia Walker, BWRC 2nd VP

University, Northridge. I worked for many years with Robert Half International, resigning in 2010 to start the first of our own company ventures.

Currently we are kept very busy with Stirling Global Management, a consultant firm. Our specialty is Defense and Aerospace Engineering.

In addition to my day job, I am an active member of Dunedin Youth Guild, Clearwater Yacht Club, Dunedin Boat Club, Dunedin Fine Art Center, and the Scottish American Society, just to name a few. In our free time, we enjoy cruising on our boat, Blind Date.

BWRC New & Improved Website

Reminder, our website domain has changed and we can now be found here: https://bwrc.us.

We hope you are enjoying the new look and feel. If you or someone you know did not receive our email blast that includes the website and newsletter, please confirm your email at the luncheon upon check in so we can update our records. We are actively recruiting for a new board member to fulfill the Director of Communications role that will be able to continue its development to highlight the BWRC.



Calling All Volunteers

I would like to start by introducing myself, I am Laura Morelli, new member of the BWRC. I am excited to take on the role as Volunteer Coordinator. The next 2 years will be eventful, with the upcoming election year and our club celebrating 60 years. I am looking forward to working alongside all of you.

We are recruiting to fill many volunteer needs. No skill is too small and all hands -on deck are needed to bring success to the Republican party this election year. Please give some thought to how you might use your talents to help make events a success!

Please feel free to reach out to me if you would like more information on how you can best help! Contact Laura Morelli 727-710-2104 | bwrcvolunteercoordinator@outlook.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Our Club continues to grow and attract many enthusiastic conservative women who want to make a difference. In August, our Club welcomed 6 new members:

> Angela Dougherty Kelly Ackley Laura Morelli Meredith Reagin Becky Carter And "re-activating": Patti Thompson



In September, our Executive Committee voted in 10 new members, who will be introduced at the October luncheon.

Alicia Kay Pelonis
Amy Gau
Angela Bushelmann
Carey Sauer
Dori Lynn Fifield
Diane Richardson
Emily Garvin
Kathy Froberg
MaryAnn Johnson Bair
Shelley Breiner

Please be on the lookout for new faces and welcome them to sit with you at your table! We look forward to the continued growth of our prestigious and hard-working club.

Membership Renewal 2024

Effective September 1st, we are now accepting new members and renewals for 2024. Our Executive Committee will review your membership application, verify your Republican voter registration status, and vote to approve your membership. Please email Claudia Walker at bwrcmembershipchair@gmail.com with any questions.

Membership is Open to:

- 1. Registered Republican voters in Pinellas County.
- 2. Ladies and gentlemen.

Annual membership dues are \$25. Payable starting September 1st thru January 1st.

Please mail completed membership application with check made payable to Belleair Women's

Republican Club to: Claudia Walker/VP BWRC

PO Box 2005

Dunedin, FL 34697

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Special memories from our September 8
Luncheon Meeting

Check In: Claudia Walker, Marilu Baker and Grace Ignico





Greeting Guests: Monica Peremba and Grace Ignico

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Prayer: Rebecca Carter



Speaker: Bill Urban



Sarah Mollo and Deb Walker

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BWRC Guests/Members





Candidate Vince Nowicki with Sharon Janks and Deborah Whisenand



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