



BALLOT BOX

SEPTEMBER 2026

Congresswoman Anna Paulina Luna will be September luncheon speaker



On September 4, Belleair Women's Republican Club will be honored to again welcome Congresswoman Anna Paulina Luna as its featured speaker. The Congresswoman is currently seeking reelection to her third term as Representative for Florida's District 13, which includes part of St. Petersburg and northern Pinellas County. She is facing a strong challenge from Democrats, who have targeted the District 13 seat as potentially vulnerable to being flipped from red to blue in the November General Election. At the luncheon, Rep. Luna will share the latest news from Washington, DC, as well as stories from the campaign trail and ways in which BWRC members can help insure her victory at the polls.

Congresswoman Luna is currently serving her second term as the Representative for Florida's 13th Congressional District. She serves on the Oversight and Government

Reform Committee (including the DOGE Subcommittee) along with the Foreign Affairs Committee. She is also Chairwoman of the Task Force on the Declassification of Federal Secrets.

Anna Paulina Luna is the first Mexican-American woman elected to represent Florida in the United States Congress. Raised by a single mother in Southern California, her rough upbringing taught her the importance of hard work and grit. She experienced first-hand the consequences of big-government policies in cities like the one she grew up in.

Rep. Luna joined the military at a young age. She would go on to graduate from the University of West Florida with a bachelor's degree in biology. While serving in the United States Air Force, she met her husband, Andy, who earned a Bronze Star and Purple Heart while fighting

against terrorists in Afghanistan.

In 2023, Congresswoman Luna was named one of Time magazine's next 100 most influential people in the world.

Due to the need for increased security, the September luncheon will be a private event for members of BWRC and their personal guest, whose name must be submitted with the member's payment. Only one guest per member is allowed. No walk-ins will be accommodated, and members are advised to reserve a seat early as space is limited and may sell out.

The September 4 BWRC luncheon will take place at Belleair Country Club, 1 Country Club Lane, Belleair. Check-in begins at 11:30 am, with lunch starting at noon. The cost to attend is \$40 per person. Payments are due by Friday, August 28, by mailed check or by Zelle.

SEPTEMBER MEETING INFORMATION

Friday, September 4

Belleair Country Club
1 Country Club Lane
Belleair, FL 33756

Luncheon Fee: \$40

Registration & networking
begin at 11:30am.

Event begins
at 12 pm.

To RSVP:

A \$40 check made payable to
BWRC or \$40 electronic
payment is due by
Friday, August 28.

Mail check to:
BWRC
1350 County Road 1 #57
Dunedin, FL 34697

Scan this code to pay with Zelle
or send via Zelle bank transfer to
bellemessages25@gmail.com.



Alternate meal must be
Requested with your RSVP.

No substitutions may be made
the day of the luncheon.

Reservations and
advance payment required.

SEPTEMBER MENU INFORMATION

Gazpacho Soup

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Bistro Salad w/ Grilled Chicken,
Spinach, field Greens, Tomato,
Cucumber, Hearts of Palm,
Red Onion, Beets & Feta Cheese

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Rolls & Butter

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Blueberry Cobbler

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ALTERNATE VEGETARIAN PLATE

Bistro Salad w/ No Chicken

BWRC is privileged to host meetings and social events at Belleair Country Club. Members and guests must comply with BCC's dress and conduct code. Dresses, skirts, blouses, dress slacks and pantsuits are appropriate for women. Men must wear shirts with sleeves and remove caps in the dining room. Blue jeans are not permitted.



FROM THE BWRC PRESIDENT

Dear Members of Belleair Women's Republican Club,

In spite of the fact it has been hot, hot, hot, I hope you have all been enjoying the summer with family and friends. Many of you have been traveling far and wide, and I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful places you have traveled to in our great country.

BWRC 1st Vice President Jessica Reed has scheduled one of the club's favorite guests for September, U. S. Congresswoman Anna Paulina Luna. She is by campaigning, but thankfully, our club is one of her favorite stops. Rep. Luna is scheduled for the September meeting on Friday, the fourth. Please get your reservations in early as she always fills the room. Note that members may only bring one guest to this luncheon and that notice about the event is not to be shared on social media for security reasons.

We have all been very busy supporting our favorite candidates who ran in the primary on August 18. Now we need to pull together and throw all of our support behind the Republicans who will appear on the ballot on election day the first Tuesday in November. At the BWRC meeting in September, there will be plenty of yard signs for you to take and place around the county. It seems this year the political signs have been very light on our roads. Please take some and share them with friends and neighbors. Drivers read them daily as they travel throughout our county and signs in your yard lets neighbors and others passing by the candidates you are endorsing..

The 2026 election is very important. We need Republicans to win across the board. What can you do to get friends and family members excited to get out and vote? At the luncheon, take and share candidate brochures. Try phone banking; it is fun and easy. Get a group of friends together to all call together at a set time. Does anyone need a ride to the polls? It is time to get involved! We need all Republicans to get out to vote. Help us make that happen! We need to win!

Corinne Steinhardt
BWRC President

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Event teaches, inspires



Seminole Mayor, the Honorable Leslie Waters, kicks off the “With Women We Win Pinellas” event by leading her trademark “Waters Wave”.

In July, Belleair Women’s Republican Club made good on several of its inherent objectives by holding “With Women We Win Pinellas”, a free educational networking event for club members and their guests. The Saturday morning gathering was a great success, drawing nearly 100 women and men to hear three dynamic speakers while enjoying coffee and pastries at Belleair Country Club. The object was to educate and inspire those present to take action to insure Republican victories at the polls and to recruit others to do the same. Surveys responses completed by those who attended were across the board very positive and enthusiastic.

Seminole Mayor Leslie Waters spoke first, reminding the audience that while not everybody can do everything, everybody can do something to help get out the vote. She asked those present to share their knowledge of candidates and issues with at least five friends, encouraging each to then pass that information on to five others. Next up was Mark Blum who provided nuts and bolts details about voter registration and other election basics. He also showed everyone how to navigate the wealth of information available on the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections website. Rounding out the day was political pollster and analyst Matt Towery, a regular on the Fox News show “The Ingraham Angle”. His advice was to stay positive and to keep hammering home all of the accomplishments of the Trump administration. He predicted tight races, saying everyone needs to be extra vigilant in turning out the vote.

In addition to going home with a wealth of election-related knowledge, a number of attendees were the lucky winners of some very nice door prizes. BWRC thanks the following business for their donations: Allori Beauty & Wellness of Belleair Bluffs, Belleair Country Club and Art & Soul Salon & Spa and the Tippy Mermaid of Dunedin.



Belleair Women’s Republican Club recently made a donation to support the biennial convention of the National Federation of Collegiate Republicans, which was held in Tampa in August. Hundreds of collegians from across the country attended and heard from speakers including gubernatorial candidate Byron Donalds and Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Wilton Simpson.

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST BWRC MEMBERS

Kim Berfield

Collette Burgess

Tiffany Campillo

Jan Cohen

Rebecca Collins

Meg Craig

Crystal Davis

Krystal Eagan

Susan Lazernik

Marsha McArthur

Sandra Provenzano

Lydia Tremble

Lisa Villamagna

Nancy Vos

Financial team needs cooperation and compliance to assure smooth operations



Taking care of check-in and other financial needs at the August BWRC luncheon were, from left, Assistant Treasurer– Dues Janet Cameron, Jodi Howard, Emily Testa, Treasurer Carol Sturdivant, Mary Lou Galea, Assistant Treasurer-General Louise Davis and Sharon Coil.

Belleair Women's Republican Club is blessed to have a knowledgeable, dedicated and hard-working team of officers and other volunteers handling the club's financial matters. With an increasing membership and luncheons which are more well attended than ever, not to mention the fairly recently added additional payment option of Zelle, their jobs have gotten a bit more challenging., and everyone's cooperation and compliance with the club's financial policies and procedures are needed to help make things easier to handle and less stressful for everyone. These ladies are super talented, but they cannot read minds and do not have crystal balls. Therefore, please take note of the following to keep these ladies smiling, and thank you for your cooperation:

- ◆ No one has a luncheon reservation until payment is received, and payments must be received by the deadline of the Friday before the luncheon. Late payments and walk-ins cannot be accommodated.
- ◆ As of September, luncheon payments cannot be rolled forward. If a person makes a paid reservation and then cannot attend, she or he cannot ask for the payment to be applied to a future luncheon.
- ◆ When making a payment by Zelle, the fund transfer must include a note of explanation stating what the payment is for and for whom it is being made. (Ex: "For the September Luncheon for Kay Smith" or "For new member dues for Susie Hayes".) Zelle payments from business accounts are particularly problematic as they often do not have individual names unless added in a note.
- ◆ Whether paying for a guest by check or by Zelle, it is critical to have the name of the member and guest on the check or in a note accompanying the Zelle payment.
- ◆ Special meal requests must also be noted on payment checks or in Zelle notes.



PLEASE JOIN OUR HOST COMMITTEE
 Brian Aungst | Hon. Jay Beyrouti | Hon. Nick DiCeglie
 Jim Holton | Hon. Todd Jennings | Hon. Adam Ross

FOR A FUNDRAISING EVENT IN SUPPORT OF
CONGRESSWOMAN ANNA PAULINA LUNA
 FLORIDA'S 13TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Original Crabby Bill's Restaurant
 401 Gulf Blvd, Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785

SUGGESTED MINIMUM DONATION: \$1,000
 Please Make Personal Checks Payable To: "APL Victory Fund"
 Contributions Accepted at the Event
 Or Can Be Made Online [HERE](https://www.aplvictoryfund.com)

RSVP to Erica Ulmer:
 813.600.7225 | Erica@LincolnJacksonLLC.com

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CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF FUNDRAISER
 benefiting



Kathleen PETERS
 Pinellas County Commission

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BRIAN SCOTT
 FOR PINELLAS COUNTY COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 2, 2026
5:00 PM

Feather Sound Country Club
 2201 Feather Sound Drive, Clearwater, FL 33762

For more information & to RSVP, please contact Rick Porter
Rick@Porter-Strategies.com

SAVE THE DATE

CELEBRATING
25 YEARS

2026 ANNUAL
PINELLAS PAL BREAKFAST

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026
 CHECK-IN STARTS 7:15 AM / PROGRAM STARTS 8:00 AM

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE
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PICTURES FROM THE AUGUST BWRC LUNCHEON



(To see more pictures from BWRC events, visit bwrc.us > Photo Gallery)