



The Forum

September 2018

*This month the meeting is at the
Twin Isles Country Club and
reservations must be made
or cancelled no later than
Wednesday, September 5*

PEACE RIVER FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S FORUM

P.O. Box 511985 • Punta Gorda, FL • 33951-1985

September Speaker: Diana Watt



Gov. Rick Scott and Diana Watt

Diana Watt is the Regional Field Director of the Republican Party of Florida working in Glades, Hendry, Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties. Diana works for the Republican National Committee running ground game operations in South West Florida.

Before moving to Florida, Diana worked for the Ohio Republican Party and was part of the team that won Ohio for President Donald Trump. She is also a veteran of the United States Air Force.

Diana is the mother of three amazing young adults who all work for the Republican Party as well. Diana and her family had a challenging life, but she believed that no matter what happened they would eventually prevail if they lived with conservative values and faith in God. She became a Republican while she was on food stamps after the financial devastation of raising a child through 50 operations and countless hospital stays. She lost her home, her VA loan, her car, her marriage and her dignity and then she rebuilt it all. Diana believes that anything is possible when you choose to be unstoppable and she brings that attitude to her work with the Republican party.

Forum Meeting

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Twin Isles Country Club

301 Madrid Blvd. • Punta Gorda, FL

Social: 11:30 A.M.-Noon

Lunch & Meeting: Noon-1:00 P.M.

Menu

House Salad with
Balsamic Vinaigrette

Chicken Normandy
(Applewood Bacon & Apples
with a Brandy Cream Sauce)

Wild Rice Pilaf

Chef's Choice Vegetables

Bread & Butter

NY Cheesecake w/ Blueberries

Coffee • Iced Tea • Decaf

Members: \$20 • Guests: \$22

For reservations, please contact:

Dora Smith

by noon on the Wednesday

preceding the meeting

email:

peacriverforum@gmail.com

or call: 941-916-7224

Use PayPal for advance reservations and memberships here:
www.charlottegop.com/peace_river_forum
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LUNCHEON CANCELLATIONS

Please email peacriverforum@gmail.com or call 941-916-7224 no later than Wednesday noon prior to the meeting. Late cancellations may be charged to the Member, and invoices may be issued for payment for all no-shows and late cancellations.

INFORMATION CHANGES

If you have a change of name, address, telephone or email address, please contact Joette Maynard (941-457-0271) or email her on: joettemaynard@comcast.net

The Minutes

The August 8, 2018 meeting of the Peace River Federated Women’s Forum was held at the Twin Isles Country Club in Punta Gorda. The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Harrington at 12:00 noon. President Harrington gave an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. The July minutes were approved as presented. The Treasurer’s report was presented and approved. The candidates for airport authority were introduced by Vanessa Oliver.

Officers Present: Debbie Harrington, President; Vanessa Oliver, Vice President; Joette Maynard, Treasurer; Christine Lee, Assistant Treasurer.

Dignitaries Present: Steve Russell, Florida State Attorney; Cynthia Beckett, Dist. Aide for Michael Grant; Jae Williams, Legislative Assistant to Senator Grimsley; Roger Eaton, Clerk of Courts; Vickie Potts, Tax Collector; Paul Polk, Property Appraiser; Robert Hancik, CC Airport Authority Dist 2; Kathleen Coppola, CC Airport Authority Dist. 4; Lynn Matthews, Punta Gorda City Council, Dist. 4; Nancy Prafke, Punta Gorda City Council Dist. 5; Justin Kim-Hummell Southwest Florida Regional Director for

Ashley Moody Campaign for Attorney General.

Candidates for Elected Office Present: Julie Price, candidate for Airport Authority Dist. 2; Stan Smith, Airport Authority Dist. 4; Cara Reynolds, School Board Dist. 1.

New Members and Guests Present: Patricia Ferrari, Carol Hyatt, Mark Futch, JoAnn Helpenstein, Michelle Diererdarno, Joy Kiser, Stacey Minnsohn, Lisa O’Conner, Dan Revallo, Nancy Sands, Linda Smith, Kim Wilder, Chad McCrory, and Jennifer Mapstone-Coppola.

Announcements: President Harrington stated that Republican headquarters is open for volunteers. President Harrington acknowledged the wait staff at Twin Isles and thanked them for their service. President Harrington announced this year’s FFRW fall conference and invited members to go. Mail in ballots are out. Please check with the SOE if you have not received a ballot. You need to reapply for an absentee ballot every 2 years. There is a new website for the Forum available. Please check out peacriverforum.com for information

and events. Thank you, Christine Lee for website. Please join us for the Wild Hog Wild event, as a portion of the proceeds will go to the Forum. President Harrington has tickets. Another event on October 13, is the 2018 Statesman of the Year Award for Lindsay Harrington at the Isles Yacht Club. President Harrington will have tickets and information.

Program: The program consisted of candidates running for Charlotte County Airport Authority — District 2: Robert Hancik incumbent and Julie Price; and District 4: Kathleen Coppola incumbent, and Stan Smith. Bios are available online in the newsletter. Each candidate had an allotted time to speak, followed by a question and answer period.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. Our next meeting — the program will be on “voter data” presented by Diana Watt — will be held at the Twin Isles Country Club on September 12, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Lee
Acting Secretary

Treasurer’s Report

PRFRWF Check Register Balance (06/30/18)	\$4,718.17
Receipts:	
Luncheon income	1,380.19
Membership	60.00
Total receipts	1,440.19
Disbursements:	
Luncheon	-1,160.15
P.O. Box rental	-96.00
Website	-85.83
Mobile phone	-28.15
Total disbursements	-1,370.13
PRFRWF Check Register Balance (07/31/18)	4,788.23
\$Petty cash on hand	100.00
PRFRWF Balance (07/31/18)	\$4,888.23



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