



Democratic Sisters and Brothers:

“Democratic Women Changing the Tide” seems so appropriate for 2008. We are truly going to see a change this year so long as the machines **HOLD UP.**

**Region VII** is elated at being able to host the 52nd annual Convention of the Democratic Women’s Club of Florida in Sarasota, Florida, on September 4-7, 2008.

We invite all members of the DWC of FL and their friends and families to attend our convention at the Lido Beach Resort, 700 Ben Franklin Drive, Sarasota, Florida 34236 on beautiful Lido Key. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-441-2113 by August 5, 2008. The cost of a two bedded room is \$99. a Junior Suite is \$149, a one - bedroom 2 - bath suite will be \$189, and a two - bedroom, two - bath suite will be \$259. Do not forget the tax.

The Executive meeting will be held on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 5PM followed by a reception by the pool at 6PM. Dress is relaxed!!!

We will have a fun- filled working weekend of speakers and workshops along with free time to explore and relax.

Registration packet and Convention information enclosed.

We are asking each club to:

- Make hotel reservations by August 5<sup>th</sup>
- Submit all State and Region Dues with Membership List by June 30<sup>th</sup>
- Elect delegates by August 7<sup>th</sup>
- Register for the convention by August 21st
- Each Club and Region purchase an ad in the Souvenir Journal
- Each Club and Region donates at least one auction item of \$30 and a gift basket representing the area in which they live, if possible

Thanking you for your co-operation and Democratic ideals,

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**DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB of FLORIDA, INC.**

**September 4-7, 2008 Lido Beach Resort  
Sarasota, Florida**

**Democratic Women...Changing the Tide**

**52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention Meal Plan**

**Breakfast is on your own**

<b>_____Friday Lunch</b>	<b>\$23.00</b>	<b>__Floribbean Grilled Chicken</b>
		<b>__Tropical Fruit Plate</b>
		<b>__ Fruit and Salad Plate</b>
<b>_____Friday Dinner</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>__Chicken Florentine</b>
		<b>__Mahi Mahi with crab</b>
		<b>__ Vegetarian</b>
<b>_____Saturday Lunch</b>	<b>\$23.00</b>	<b>__Two Flaky Croissants with turkey/ham</b>
		<b>--- Cobb Salad</b>
		<b>__Vegetarian</b>
<b>_____Saturday Dinner</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>	<b>__ Beef Tenderloin</b>
		<b>__ Grilled Chicken and Salmon</b>
		<b>__ Vegetarian</b>

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Club** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Needs** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to DWCF Convention and mail to:  
Carolyn Helms at 1387 Landmark Ct., Fort Myers, FL 33919  
Orders must be received by August 21, 2008

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## **Friday Plated Lunch**

All salads are served with a selection of freshly baked rolls and sweet cream butter.

### **Floribbean Grilled Chicken and Island Greens**

Seasoned flamed chicken breast atop a bed of mixed greens  
with tomato, sweet pepper, onions and hearts of palm

OR

### **Tropical Fruit Plate**

Yogurt dip in a pineapple boat with fresh berries and fresh fruit muffin

OR

### **Fruit Platter with Chicken and Tuna Salad**

**Key Lime Pie/Coffee, Tea**

## **Friday Dinner**

All plated diners come with rolls with choice of chef's Vegetable and starch and Miami Garden Salad.

### **Chicken Florentine**

Stuffed with fresh spinach, sun dried tomatoes, Asiago cheese, pan finished with garlic pesto sauce

OR

### **Miami Mahi Sauté**

Florida mahi, pan seared with snipped chive Buerre Blanc  
topped with blue crab and tomato avocado sauce

OR

### **Vegetarian**

**Raspberry Coconut Cake/Coffee, Tea**

## **Saturday Lunch**

Lunch sandwiches come with chef's potato salad, pickle spear and dessert.

### **Two Flaky Croissants**

With their own fillings (1) with sliced turkey, provolone, lettuce and tomato  
(2) with shaved ham, Swiss cheese, tomato, lettuce and stone ground mustard

OR

### **Cobb Salad**

Crisp greens, smoked turkey, diced Roma tomato, bacon, blue cheese crumbles, sliced mushroom and egg

OR

### **Vegetarian**

**Carrot Cake/Coffee/Tea**

## **Saturday Banquet Dinner**

All plated dinners include Lido Caesar Salad, rolls, vegetables, and starch.

### **Grilled Beef Tenderloin**

Seasoned and grilled over a wood scented fire, on a grilled Portabella Mushroom in Bordelaise Sauce

OR

### **Grilled Chicken and Salmon**

Grilled chicken breast in Pommerey mustard sauce with filet of salmon in dill sauce

OR

### **Vegetarian**

**Turtle Cheesecake/Coffee, Tea**