



The Suncoast Bulletin

Newsletter of Clearwater AAUW Branch

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AAUW advances equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Thank You Again!

Thanks to the generosity of our Clearwater AAUW Branch, a SPC Women on the Way student received a generous gift worth over \$500 to help her provide for her family this Christmas. We appreciate the donations of Jan Stephens, Salome Harasty, Kathy Egolf, Carol Zeph, Millie Latlief, Hattie Bradlow, Rita Garvey, Margaret Hyde, Dana Garlick, Barbara Simshauser, Ruth Bragman, Barbara Perkins, Gay Gentry, Maureen Melton, Lorene Esin, and Fran Newman.



Performing youth chorus of REH Performing Arts entertain guests.

North Pinellas League of Women Voters and Clearwater AAUW ANNUAL MEETING

**Saturday, January 25, 2014 11:00 a.m.
Luncheon and Talk**

Belleair Country Club

**1 Country Club Lane
Belleaire FL 33756**



Returning by popular demand, our guest speaker, USF professor of political science and a state and national political commentator.

Dr. Susan MacManus, will join us on Saturday, January 25 at the Belleair Country Club. She will review issues that impact women and families in Florida.

From [The Digital Bullpen](#), the online news service of the USF School of Mass Communications, Briana Sellers shared some of the following information about MacManus:

USF political science professor and political analyst, Susan MacManus, accredits her success in life to her passion for politics. MacManus is from the small town of Land O'Lakes and her family grows oranges in Pasco County. "I may be from a small town but my family was very involved in the large world of politics," MacManus said. MacManus admitted that her politically divided family got her interested in politics because they could never agree on anything. She described her mother is a democratic University of Florida fan and her father as a republican Florida State fan, and was surprised that they made it through their first date!

MacManus graduated from Florida State University in 1975 with her doctorate in political science. After graduating, she "started searching for ways to become a part of politics without actually running for office," and that's when she decided to look into analyzing.

MacManus has been an expert analyst for News Channel 8 and in 2011 was featured on a popular Florida politics website called Sayfiereview.com. MacManus is the co-author of the most widely used state and local politics textbook, "Politics in States and Communities," which have been updated over the years. The St. Pete Times actually called her the most quoted political analyst in Florida.

She never intended on making a career out of politics but is glad she did. And on January 25 you will have the pleasure of hearing this very interesting woman share her thoughts about things political in Florida and in the nation. Send in your reservations (form on next page) as soon as possible.



Marian with family members.

Thank you also to Karleen DeBlaker who made a generous donation to honor Marian Major at our brunch-fundraiser for Ruth Eckerd Hall's education program: The Performing Arts Institute. Thanks to those who attended the Brunch and who made donations in her honor, over \$800 will be donated in Marian's honor.

AAUW improves the lives of women and girls through advocacy, research, education, and philanthropy. These extra efforts are appreciated by our Branch and the people who benefit from them.

Belleair Country Club Menu

*Lettuce Greens with Toasted Almonds,
Dried Cherries and Feta Cheese with
Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing
Combination Plate of Shrimp and ½ Chicken
Breast w Marsala Sauce and Stuffing
Rice Pilaf
Vegetable Mixed Medley
Rolls & Butter
Chocolate Silk Pie
Coffee & Tea*

Price: \$22.00 includes tax, gratuity, and valet parking.

I plan to attend the joint LWV-AAUW on Saturday,
Jan 25 : _____

I plan to bring the following guest(s):

Enclosed is \$22 per person.

Reservation for lunch is made with my check
payable to Clearwater AAUW. Please send your
check to:

Treasurer Carol Zeph
1000 McFarland Street
Dunedin, FL 34698

Reading: **“No entertainment is so cheap as reading nor any pleasure so lasting.”**

The Friday Morning Book Group will meet on January 17 to talk about their travels with The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared by Jonas Jonasson.

Judy Lauzen will host our gathering in her home at 10:00 a.m. Please let her know you are coming via email or phone. Contact information is in our Membership Directory.

