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BIDEN WINS:

- Inflation Reduction Act
- CHIPS & Science Act
- PACT Act for veterans
- First major gun safety legislation in decades
- Took out the leader of al Qaeda
- Historic job growth
- Historically low unemployment
- Expanded the NATO alliance
- American Rescue Plan led to fastest jobs recovery in history
- Confirmation of Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson
- Rallied our allies in support of Ukraine
- Once-in-a-generation infrastructure investments



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by Gail Bucker



Greetings Sister Warriors,

We have now passed the 100 days mark and are quickly moving towards Election Day 2022. Within a few short weeks, citizens will begin requesting absentee ballots as we remain laser-focused on electing Democrats. We must ensure voters are informed about the many voter suppression laws that have changed the voting process and help guide them through these changes.

Our Democratic Sisters in Kansas demonstrated how collaboration can achieve great things. By uniting with other organizations to oppose the amendment, the measure was soundly defeated, and women's reproductive rights will remain legal in Kansas. We commend Candace Ayars, President of the Kansas Federation of Democratic Women, and all Kansas Democratic Sisters for their dedicated work to preserve a woman's right to choose. Their monumental achievement sent a tidal wave of inspiration that galvanized our country. Democrats are fired up and ready to go! Read Kansas President Candace Ayars' statement following this section.

Yes, electing Democrats is our focus, but let's pause to celebrate and acknowledge our wonderful and inspirational 51st Annual Meeting held on June 10 and 11. Our special guest speakers were phenomenal. Lilly Ledbetter inspired us, especially the update on her book *Grace and Grit*, which is required reading at Harvard Law School and a Japanese law school.

Our intent to achieve equal pay is stronger than ever. NFDW's ERA Sub-Committee has developed an Equal Pay Toolkit, which we are sending to state presidents. Thank you to Chair Marena Groll, and members Jeri Burton, Linda Stover, and Audrey Dempsey for their dedicated work.

Indeed, extraordinary women dominated our annual meeting. DNC Women's Caucus Chair Lottie Shackelford and DNC Treasurer Virginia McGregor delivered powerful clarion calls that when Democratic women work together and vote, Democrats win. We can be extremely proud to be represented by these two great leaders.

We can also be very proud of DNC Chairman Jamie Harrison and his stellar presentation that helped close out the Friday meeting. Internationally renowned journalist and activist Pat Mitchell helped close the annual meeting on Saturday. The riveting stories she shared inspired her to write *Becoming a Dangerous Woman* which motivated us to join her as dangerous women fighting for values that will sustain this country.

Political Education and Training Chairs Lovie West and Patricia Farley provided a great update and overview on the status of women serving in elected office. The committee did a great job throughout this year. We will distribute the presentation at a later date (*be mindful data changes after every primary and election*).

Thank you to those who worked very hard to help us cover all the bases. Bylaws Chair Dr. Corrine Anderson and Co-Chair Norma Lester and the Bylaws Committee Members' report was well received with overwhelming affirmative votes.

Resolutions submitted by our state federations were bold and persuasive. Thank you to Oklahoma, Washington State, Georgia, Puerto Rico, Washington DC, and Michigan for their foresight in creating these timely documents. Resolutions Chair Kellie Green, Committee Advisor Judy Villa, and Committee Members Joanne Sullivan, Judy Casagrande, and Peggy Monroe compiled these significant documents and sent them forward.

Awards and Internship Chair June Krise, Committee Advisor Peggy Stepp, and Committee Members Telise Turner, Denise Murphy McGraw, Bettie Richie, and Peggy Monroe presided over the selection of the award winners with meticulous accounting. We enjoyed celebrating with the various awards and internship winners.

Thank you also to Diane Lechner and her team of Tellers who tallied the votes, including Danielle Neetz, Roxanna Murray, and Kristina Dixon.

Idaho State Senator Melissa Wintrow imparted important self-care considerations as we move forward executing our busy schedules.

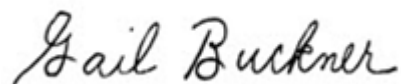
The Young Women's Leadership Meeting was filled with excellent information and presentations from Chair Susan Rutt, Advisor Virgie Rollins, and members Betty Ward Cooper, and Trudy Redus. Dr. Pamela Pugh, Gwendolyn Collins Greenup, Pennsylvania State Rep. Patty Kim, and Linda Wolessagle were also presenters. Former interns Samantha Waterman and Ashely Jackson provided excellent videos. Norma Lester introduced her grand-daughter Ashley Jackson.

Last but certainly not least, we owe much gratitude to NFDW's Convention Committee. Debi Thompson and Co-Chair Monica Readus led the convention committee with steady hands and positive encouragement. Committee members Cindy Jenks, Wanda Bynum Ashley, Gini Ballou, and Dorinda White were dedicated and helped deliver a wonderful annual meeting. Monica Readus and her Communications Team made our virtual meeting possible. We cannot say thank you enough for their professional and valuable service.

Now as we move forward with "*Good Trouble, Necessary Trouble*," while focusing on the election of our lifetime, we can joyfully sing the praises of President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, and Congressional Democrats for their many far-reaching achievements: Record-setting jobs creation, better-paying jobs, and historic legislation. The Inflation Reduction Act demonstrates Democrats' progressive and courageous leadership. It will provide resources to fight climate change, create hundreds of thousands of well-paying jobs, reduce prescription drug costs, and reduce the national debt.

President Biden's two executive orders to protect women's right to life-saving healthcare and our right to privacy and personal decisions must be shouted from the rooftops. Fired up and ready to go and we need all hands-on-deck!

Best regards,



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2022 NFDW AWARDS

OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF THE YEAR



NFDW members know Jeanne Marszalek as the History Committee Chair. Our documents are conserved at the Library of Congress because of Jeanne's leadership, skill set, and her commitment and determination to have our documents preserved. She understands the importance of safeguarding our history so that future leaders can look back at how NFDW organized and functioned as an organization representing all Democratic women. Here is what the Mississippi Federation of Democratic Women included when nominating Jeanne for this prestigious award:

Jeanne Marszalek

Jeanne Marszalek is a current member of the Oktibbeha County Federation of Democratic Women Club in the State of Mississippi.

In upholding the National Federation of Democratic Women's (NFDW) objective, Ms. Marszalek has consistently demonstrated her desire to unite women of the Democratic Party. She was a 1990 founding member of the Oktibbeha County Federation of Democratic Women's Club and served as its president and treasurer for two terms. In addition, she served on the state level as treasurer, secretary, and Congressional District Director. Her work with the County Executive Committee includes serving as chair for 10 years, and she served on the State Democratic Party Executive Committee for several years.

On the national level, Ms. Marszalek attended the 1992 and 1996 National Conventions and served on the Resolutions Committee under the leadership of Dr. Corinne Anderson. She has chaired the History Committee since 2011 where she developed a state of the arts historical process to preserve NFDW's records in the Library of Congress. Ms. Marszalek's interest in history has been her life's work where she served as a history research assistant to her husband Dr. John F. Marszalek. John's work included serving as a history professor at Mississippi State University (and other universities), where he became the William L. Giles Distinguished Professor in 1994. Over the course of his career, Dr. John F. Marszalek published more than three hundred articles and has written/edited thirteen books. Jeanne Marszalek served as a history research assistant to her husband and traveled extensively throughout the United States and abroad.

2022 NFDW AWARDS

HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR

Britney Thornton was nominated for the Humanitarian Award by the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women. You will enjoy reading about this outstanding woman.



Britney Thornton

Britney Thornton is a proud native Memphian from Orange Mound. A master social worker, licensed K-8 educator, and former law student, Britney has found her passion as a community organizer. A graduate of Baylor University and the University of Pennsylvania, she has called Memphis home for 32 years.

Founder of the non-profit [JUICE Orange Mound](#), Britney continues to challenge systems of oppression by thinking of new and creative ways to address old issues. Under her leadership, she has mobilized residents to invest over \$12,200 in spare change to fund community-based initiatives. A strong belief in meeting people where they are, Britney is proud to have canvassed every street in her home community of Orange Mound and even led the non-profit to pivot into mobile service during the [pandemic](#).

Her standard of excellence in dedicated service has been recognized by the White House as she holds the 2020 President's Volunteer Service Award. In February 2021, Britney led by example and opened the doors to the ONLY homeless shelter in Historic Orange Mound. Uniquely housing over 80 men, women, and children, the HubOM homeless shelter has been featured on all local news outlets for its impact and service to the community.

Moving the needle, Britney's leadership continues to motivate local churches, citywide supporters, and Orange Mound residents to get more involved. In fact, her work has motivated over 25 churches, including New Salem Missionary Baptist Church and World Overcomers Outreach Ministries to take direct action to support the homeless community of Orange Mound. New connections within the Muslim and Jewish communities, the LGBTQ community, the local business community, and even the political community have all been established under her leadership. Most notably, Britney initiated a weekly worship service for the homeless community where local worship leaders still come to the shelter to create a praise and worship experience for residents. Her impact reaches beyond the boundaries of Historic Orange Mound as Britney is truly a natural leader.

2022 NFDW AWARDS

OUTSTANDING ELECTED DEMOCRATIC WOMAN HOLDING PUBLIC OFFICE



Congratulations to New Jersey Lieutenant Governor Sheila Oliver, winner of the Outstanding Elected Democratic Woman Holding Public Office Award. She was nominated by the New Jersey Federation of Democratic Women.

Sheila Oliver

It is with great pleasure that the New Jersey Federation of Democratic Women is nominating our New Jersey Lieutenant Governor, Sheila Oliver, for the NFDW Outstanding Elected Democratic Woman Holding Public Office award.

Lt. Gov. Oliver has pioneered a successful career in public service, advocating for social justice, women's equality, and education.

Lt. Gov. Oliver became New Jersey's 2nd Lieutenant Governor on January 16, 2018. She is the first woman of color to serve in a statewide elected office in New Jersey history. Prior to her election she served as the first African American female Speaker of the NJ State Assembly from January 2010 to January 2014. Lt. Gov. Oliver continues as a contributing member of Essex County Chapter NJ Federation of Democratic Women.

Governor Phil Murphy appointed Lt. Gov. Oliver Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs. As Commissioner, she has the responsibility of serving each municipality from urban cities to rural communities. She has led efforts to strengthen and expand initiatives for fair and affordable housing, community revitalization, homelessness prevention, and local government services that support New Jersey's 564 municipalities. Her office also manages the economic impact of the Covid 19 pandemic by overseeing how Cares Act Funds are used to help small businesses.

The NJFDW worked and supported the Lt. Governor in her re-election bid. She helped our Democratic team win reelection, *the first Democrats to do so since 1977*.

In her role as Acting Governor, Lt. Governor Oliver has signed multiple bills into law:

- Signed into law a bill that established a Restorative and Transformative Justice for Youths and Communities Pilot Program within the Juvenile Justice Commission to help divert youth from entering and re-entering the juvenile justice system
- Signed legislation that established a Caregiver Task Force to identify ways to support people taking care of loved ones who are elderly or disabled
- Signed a bill that requires all public-school students in grades 6-8 to receive financial literacy education
- Signed a bill enacting among the strongest anti-wage theft and equal pay for equal work bills in the nation, which strengthened equal pay for equal work by preventing employers from asking employees' previous salary history and protecting employees from wage theft
- Signed a resolution declaring June 12th as Women Veterans Appreciation Day in New Jersey

2022 NFDW AWARDS

RILLA MORAN WOOD INTERNSHIP

Congratulations to Caroline McGraw, winner of the 2022 Rilla Moran Wood Internship. As you can see from the following information, she is an outstanding young woman. During her service with the DNC, she had numerous great experiences, including attending meetings with Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senator Elizabeth Warren. Caroline was nominated by the New York Federation of Democratic Women.



Caroline McGraw

Activities, duties or positions you have been engaged in or performed for the Democratic Party at any level.

Delegate, Young Democrats of America National Convention

Member, New York State Young Democrats

Member, Schenectady County Democratic Committee

Member, Schenectady County Young Democrats

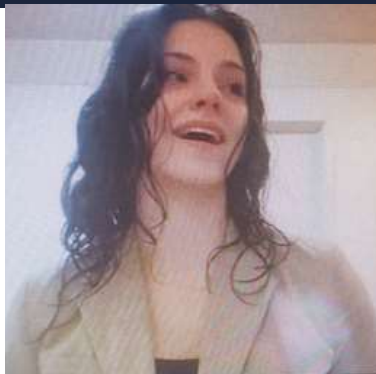
Member, Niskayuna Democratic Committee

Media Outreach Director, Catholic University Students for Biden

Member, Catholic University College Democrats

2022 NFDW AWARDS

AGNES BIRD INTERNSHIP



Congratulations to Shields Bartee winner of the 2022 Agnes Bird Internship. She was nominated by the Missouri Federation of Women's Democratic Clubs.

Shields Bartee

Wow, what an amazing young woman Shields Bartee is! The MFWDC is proud to recommend her for a 2022 internship. Ms. Bartee has been very involved around the state and worked with many members of the Greene County Democratic Women. As such, we know her well and feel compelled to endorse Ms. Bartee.

Ms. Bartee is very hardworking, dedicated and reliable and an enormous asset to the Democrat Party. Through her internship with the Greene County Democratic Party, Ms. Bartee has developed skills and experience in campaign research, finance and communications. She also has an understanding of Votebuilder and campaign finance reporting sites. This pre-existing skill set, when partnered with her inherent propensity towards political organizing, make Ms. Bartee an excellent hire. Ms. Bartee came into the office every day ready to work. She both adapted to and excelled in the unique and challenging environment that a campaign headquarters presents.

True Blue Award Certificates and Profile in Leadership

Under the leadership of Awards and Internships Committee Chair **June Krise**, Committee Advisor **Peggy Stepp**, and members **Telise Turner**, **Denise Murphy McGraw**, **Betty Richie**, and **Peggy Monroe**, NFDW has now created two new outstanding and timely awards.

True Blue Award Certificates

Each state may now present five certificates per year to dedicated members who work diligently as grassroots leaders, organizers, and team players.

These Democratic women make all the difference in the world to your success in uniting Democratic women. When you think of these women you ask yourself,

“What would we do without her?”



Profile in Leadership

This award will be presented annually to a Democratic woman who has achieved national prominence because of her strong leadership skills and notable achievements. Nominations for this award will be accepted during the same time period all NFDW Awards are solicited and received. The nomination due date is May 1.

FLORIDA UPDATES



*It's The 5th Annual
Women's Equality Day Celebration*

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ILLINOIS UPDATES



On behalf of the Illinois Democratic Women, we would like to congratulate **Chair Lisa Hernandez** on her election as **Chair of the Democratic Party of Illinois**. In this critical election year, we offer our support to ensure she is successful in her new role. IDW has a long-standing positive partnership with the Democratic Party of Illinois and looks forward to continuing that under her leadership.

We thank Congresswoman Robin Kelly for her outstanding leadership in working to modernize the party and expanding efforts to reach Democrats throughout Illinois.

We also thank the DPI staff for their dedication to serving the Democrats in our state.

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ILLINOIS DEMOCRATIC
WOMEN'S

Bash Before the Brunch

August 16th
6:30pm-8:00pm

Tickets \$25

Sponsorships are available

JP Kelly's
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Springfield, Illinois

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**CONGRESSMAN
JOE NEGUSE**



2022 COUNTY CHAIRS'
BRUNCH
GUEST SPEAKER



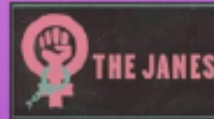
ILLINOIS UPDATES



Democratic Women of DuPage County, Democratic Party of DuPage County Illinois Democratic Women, Indivisible Naperville, Illinois NOW, and DuPage NOW invite you to join us for

Women's (In)Equality Day Friday, August 26, 6:45pm

Location available upon registration



We will be screening the documentary, "The Janes", which tells the story of a clandestine network of women helping women access abortion in Chicago and the midwest prior to the Roe v Wade decision.



Historical perspective will be provided by Circuit Court Judge, Bonnie Wheaton, one of the "Founding Mothers" in DuPage County who helped establish the women's health clinic that operated in the basement of a church in Wheaton.

Registration required
<https://bit.ly/3oDkalm>

NORTH BURBS

FAMILIES FOR

SAFE ABORTION ACCESS GATHERING

SEPTEMBER 18TH, 4:00-5:30PM

COMMUNITY PLAYFIELDS, WILMETTE | ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS, MUSIC AND ACTION GUIDE PROVIDED



KANSAS UPDATES

by Candace Ayars, President



The voters of the state of Kansas successfully fended off an attempt to amend their state constitution to allow legislators to pass draconian abortion laws as have been passed in numerous other states, including Texas, Oklahoma, Idaho, South Dakota, Arizona, and Florida. Radical and extremist Republican legislators placed a constitutional amendment on the primary ballot to side-step the 2019 Kansas Supreme Court decision that the Kansas constitution guarantees to women “inalienable rights” including personal autonomy for making decisions about their bodies and health. Generally, few Kansans vote in primary elections, practically ensuring passage of this amendment to enable the legislature to bring Kansas into alignment with the Republican Party Platform to ban all abortions. Many state leaders had already conceded the amendment’s passage because of historically low turnout in primary elections.

Pro-choice advocates set out to change the primary voting pattern in Kansas, but we had to organize quickly and work together collaboratively since no one group had the members or resources to mount an organized Get Out the Vote campaign specifically to defeat the amendment. Led by Planned Parenthood, a bipartisan nonprofit coalition was formed and pro-choice advocates across the state joined together to block the amendment. Each group contributed in different ways: fundraising for media ads, donations for anti-amendment merchandise, design of media messages, organizing rallies across the state, leveraging earned media, phone banking, postcard writing, writing letters to newspapers, and door-to-door canvassing. These activities began and continued incessantly until the polls closed on August 2nd.

KANSAS UPDATES

Importantly, we did not assume everyone was in agreement about all aspects of abortion. We went everywhere and spoke to everyone who would listen, including areas of the state thought to be hostile toward pro-choice. The primary focus was countering the lies being propagated by anti-abortion groups. We did this by explaining the unintended consequences of the amendment to women's health, that legislators were interfering in the medical decisions of doctors, how women in other states were suffering under abortion bans with no exceptions, and educating voters, especially the unaffiliated ones, about their right to vote in the primary and how to do it. Most importantly we emphasized that Kansas did not need the amendment because abortion is already regulated in our state. What made it work was everyone's focus on the outcome with no one group claiming any credit, but rather working together under the banner of Kansans for Constitution Freedom. And, we trusted the polls that showed, if voters are asked, they overwhelmingly reject total abortion bans.

The defeat of the extremist legislators has changed the political rhetoric in Kansas. State party leaders have backed away from continued assaults on women's rights. At the moment, abortion is protected in Kansas and likely to remain so, but the fight continues in other states. Kansans have shown these fights can be won with stinging effects to anti-abortion opponents. We support all those who stand with women to protect their inalienable rights and call on organizations in other states to get the issue in front of their voters through initiatives and referendums to repeal existing laws or enact new laws guaranteeing a woman's right to make decisions about her own body and health.

We urge advocates to seek allies in social groups, political groups, and religious organizations who do not hold that life begins at conception. The key to protecting abortion rights is letting the voters decide by taking it out of the hands of radical legislators. However, this can take place in your state should be your goal.

Thank you to Kansas Federation of Democratic Women President Candace Ayars for providing insight into what transpired in Kansas that helped defeat the misguided ballot question that would have made abortion illegal in that state. Kansas Democratic Women, you have helped galvanize all Democrats.

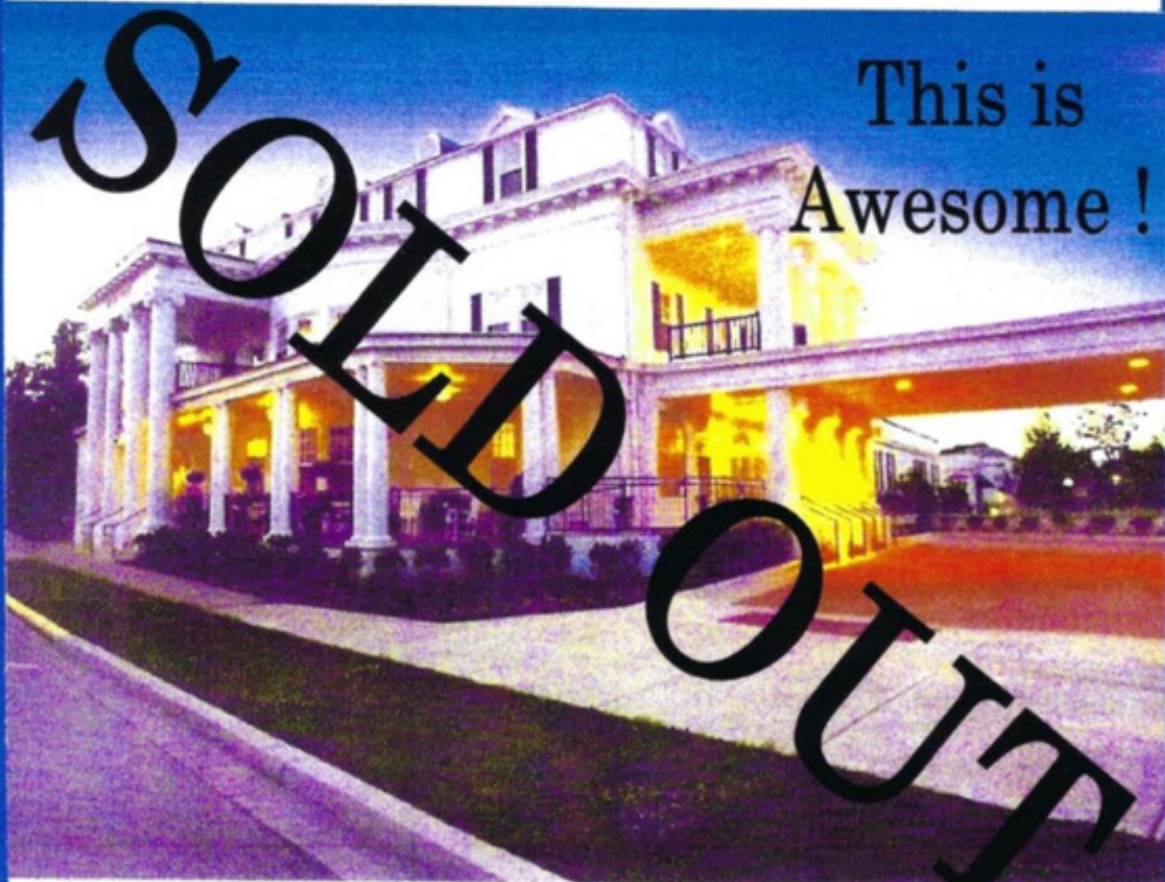
KENTUCKY UPDATES

by JoAnne Bland, President



Democratic Woman's Club of Kentucky **SUMMER MEETING**

July 15-16, 2022
at Historic Boone Tavern
in beautiful Berea, Kentucky



This is
Awesome!

Registration Information

MISSISSIPPI UPDATES

by Lovie West, President



MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

2022 2nd QUARTER ACTIVITIES

During the 2nd quarter of 2022, the clubs in Mississippi continued to engage in voter registration activities as they participated in Juneteenth celebrations, regional festivals, and other public events on the local levels. In addition to the clubs' monthly challenges, a virtual political book club was started and the Mary Katherine Brown Institute ongoing training included three (3) workshops - Zoom, Bylaws, and Robert Rules. Club growth continues to be a priority and three new clubs were federated in MFDW: Winston, Coahoma, and Warren counties.

2022 NFDW SOUTHERN REGIONAL FALL MEETING

November 11-12, 2022 ~ Biloxi, MS

The Mississippi Federation of Democratic Women will host the 2022 NFDW Southern Regional Fall Meeting. The event will be held November 11-12, 2022 in Biloxi, MS and the theme is: Defending Democracy. The Fall Meeting will begin with a Friday night reception featuring our National President Gail Buckner and Virgie Rollins, DNC Black Caucus Chair, with our Fall Meeting on Saturday. Saturday night we will host a Blue & White Formal Gala with the theme: Defending Democracy: A Tribute to Congressman Bennie G. Thompson. For more information please contact Lovie West, MFDW President @ lovie.west@gmail.com.

NEW JERSEY UPDATES



Did you see what happened in Kansas this week?

PROOF that the effort women put into an issue pays off!

From the DNC Women's Caucus...

On 8/3/22, President Biden issued an Executive Order on Securing Access to Reproductive and Other Healthcare Services, building on actions that the Biden-Harris Administration has taken to protect access to reproductive healthcare services and defend women's fundamental rights.

Read President Biden's statement on Kansans' overwhelming rejection of a ballot initiative to remove the right to abortion from the state constitution [HERE](#).

AND...

DNC Chair Jaime Harrison issued the following statement:

"Tonight's result speaks for itself: the majority of Kansans rejected Republicans' assault on the right for women to make their own health care decisions and believe that abortion should be safe and legal. Kansas Republicans' attempt to lay the groundwork for an extreme and wildly unpopular abortion ban failed."



PLEASE...SHARE SHARE SHARE with your members!

We are really looking forward to meeting in person!

Get the EARLY BIRD rate of \$75!

The luncheon price will increase after September 15th.

ANNUAL PEG ROBERTS FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON OCTOBER 15th, 2022 NOON - 4 pm Pines Manor, Edison, NJ

We cannot wait to see you there and present the awards for outstanding volunteer and outstanding elected officials from all three regions of NJ!

Margaret Weinberger | President
Rachel Green | 2nd Vice President
Roberta Walters | Secretary
Shawn Hunter | Treasurer
<http://www.njfdw.org/>

NEW YORK UPDATES



SAVE THE DATE

1st Annual AWARDS GALA
& FALL BUSINESS MEETING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

CROWNE PLAZA DESMOND HOTEL, ALBANY NY



The New York Federation of Democratic Women featured Senator Kirsten Gillibrand in a well-attended Lunch and Learn Zoom.

OHIO UPDATES



Reproductive Rights Rally On Medina Square August 26th

5:30 PM SIGNS ON THE SQUARE WITH SUGAR AND SPICE AND
REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS LED BY BRITTNEY COMBS



6:00PM RALLY AT THE GAZEBO TO HEAR FABULOUS SPEAKERS

Speakers include Dr. Christina Collins, Dr Kristin Kranz, Sue Hudson,
and more to be announced soon.

If you would like to sit during the speakers, please bring a lawn chair



Host



Co-hosts:



The "Women Build Back Better" Conference hosted by the Ohio Federation of Democratic Women and the Lorain Federation of Democratic Women filled the entire ballroom in Lorain, Ohio.

OKLAHOMA UPDATES



Women's Equality Day 2022 is coming soon. We need your help to make our Brunch & Rally successful. Our 2022 Women's Equality Day commemoration will be as close to an old-fashioned political rally as can be experienced in post-pandemic 2022! It is our pledge that you won't be disappointed, that you will be Fired Up & Ready-To-Go full throttle towards Election Day 2022 - Tuesday, November 8th!

In addition to celebrating the ratification of the 19th Amendment and the 49th Observance of Women's Equality Day, we will honor five outstanding OFDWC activists with our 2022 NFDW True Blue Award—one deserving woman from each of our five congressional districts! Can we count on your attendance and/or support?

General Open Seating: **\$50**

\$500 Gasoline Raffle: Several clubs still have raffle tickets available. The drawing will be held on Friday, August 27th. Ticket donations are \$1.00 each or 5 tickets for \$6.00. If you would like to enter the drawing, please reach out to your club or email: **ofdweokdemocrats.org**.

OUR SPONSORS: Oklahoma Federation of Democratic Women, Carter County Federation of Democratic Women, Edmond Democratic Women, Oklahoma County Democratic Party (OCDP), Madison Horn - U.S. Senate Candidate, Debi Thompson - NFDW 4th Vice President, Dr. Warigia Bowman - Oklahoma Corporation Commission Candidate, Robbie White - OCDP Chair, Kalyn Free - ODP DNC Committeewoman, Jana Lewis Harkins - OFDWC State President

"ENGAGE! EDUCATE! EMPOWER! VOTE!"

**2022 Women's Equality Day Brunch
True Blue Rally**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022 - 11:00 A.M.
COLE COMMUNITY CENTER
4400 NORTHWEST EXPRESSWAY, OKC 73116**



WEST VIRGINIA UPDATES



WEST VIRGINIA FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S 58TH ANNUAL MEETING

The date is approaching fast, and we're making preparations. Don't miss out! President Anna Gillespie announces the 58th Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Federation of Democratic Women on **September 30 to October 2, 2022** Marriott Town Center in Charleston

For more details and meeting registrations, please contact your county president.

Use #WVFDW when making hotel reservations at (304) 345-6500.



Among the highlights of the three-day, in-person event will be the attendance of **Adrienne Belafonte Biesemeyer**, the oldest child of singer, actor, political and social activist Harry Belafonte, and educator and early childhood development advocate Frances Marguerite Byrd-Belafonte-Mazique.

Want to see more Democratic women elected to office?



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- ✓ INCREASED COMMUNICATION TO NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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SAVE THE DATE

Indigenous Peoples Day Program

October 10, 2022

(tentative date)

Program Planners: Carin Chase, President Washington Federation of Democratic Women, and Diane Lechner, President New York Federation of Democratic Women.