



FAYETTE DEMOCRATIC WOMEN WELCOME YOU TO THE

FDW LUNCHEON



August 25, 2018 | Flat Creek Country Club

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FAYETTE DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

A Subsidiary of the Georgia Federation of Democratic Women
The Democratic National Committee's Official Organization for Women





FDW LUNCHEON PROGRAM

Music

Marcia Dunscomb, Pianist

Opening

Heidi Danis, Past President
Lisa Rayam, Mistress of Ceremonies (MC)

Welcome

Pearline Greene, President

Musical Selection

Summer Davidson
Marcia Dunscomb, Pianist

Invocation

Stephanie Wright

Lunch

**Special Recognition
of Guests**

Lisa Rayam, MC

Artistic Expression

Georgianne,
“A Georgia Commentator”

Introduction of Speakers

Lisa Rayam, MC

Guest Speaker

Heather Fenton
Co-Founder, NewPowerPac

Keynote Speaker

Melita Easters,
Director, Georgia WIN List

**Special Recognition
of Nonprofits**

**Karen Rands, Carolyn Edwards
& Larris Marks**
Discovering Soldier Potential II
CEO, MSG/Retired Sandra Brownlee
Grandparents and Kin Raising Children
Board Chair, Karen Gillespie

Invitation to Join FDW

Irene Cheyne

Silent Auction Winners

Sandra Burton-Hughes & Susan Samson

Musical Selection

Summer Davidson
Marcia Dunscomb, Pianist

Closing Remarks

Karen Rands & Pearline Greene



Program Concludes at 2:30





A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, PEARLINE GREENE

On behalf of Fayette Democratic Women, I have the honor of welcoming you to the 2018 Annual Fundraiser Luncheon at the Flat Creek Country Club. Many months of preparation have gone into planning what we hope will be an experience that will energize, inform and entertain you!



We know that our keynote speaker, Georgia WIN List Executive Director Melita Easters' political knowledge and expertise will energize us as we prepare for the Midterm Elections. We are grateful for the insights that will be shared by Heather Fenton, Co-Founder of the NewPowerPac. We appreciate having Emmy Award winning journalist Lisa Rayam as the Mistress of Ceremonies.

Today we honor and recognize two wonderful non-profit organizations that serve our community: "Discovering Soldiers Potential II" and "Grandparents and Kin Raising Children." In stressful and challenging times, these organizations step forward to fill the gap as many vulnerable children and returning veterans stand in need of assistance and support. Your contributions through ticket purchases, advertisements and various levels of sponsorship have helped us reinforce their efforts.

In addition to highlighting these organizations, a portion of the proceeds from today's luncheon will subsidize the campaigns of Democratic candidates in the coming November elections. We are very fortunate in having an exemplary slate of candidates who have volunteered to serve their communities and our great state of Georgia. We are on the verge of making history by electing the first African American female governor of the state of Georgia, Stacey Abrams. We salute all local and state-wide candidates as we offer financial assistance, complete phone calls on their behalf, and post signs in our neighborhoods.

We gratefully acknowledge the efforts of the Fundraiser Committee chaired by Karen Rands.

Finally, I encourage you to contact all your friends, relatives, and neighbors to make sure that they are registered to vote. Encourage them to go to www.TURBOVOTE.org today to register! Your VOICE is your VOTE! Make sure that you are heard!

God bless America and each one of you!

-Pearline Booth Greene
FDW President

Thank You
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WELCOME AND THANK YOU. YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE.

"Women Will: Stand Up, Speak Up, Show Up" and you did it. You are here today. Thank you. On behalf of the Fundraising Committee, I would like to say how much we appreciate your show of support through your attendance at today's Fayette Democratic Women's Annual Luncheon. Since the 2016 election, and the great demonstration of purpose and resolve that came from the 2017 Women's March, we have seen women across America stand up, speak up, and show up to make our views known and to hold our elected representatives accountable. The theme for this year's luncheon reflects that. We sincerely hope that the program today will inspire you to use your voice and your vote to bring about positive change in your community, county, state, and country!



The November election is of critical importance, and it has the potential to be historic in many ways. FDW's goal is to build a financial war chest to help Democratic candidates get elected, as well as to be able to make donations to community non-profit organizations. To that end, please visit the Silent Auction of beautiful and enticing baskets and make bids on items you like. I invite you to visit the T-shirt and Pins table to make purchases and visibly show your support in the weeks and months to come. A very special "thank you" to our generous members, sponsors and patrons for their financial and volunteer support. Our success today would not be possible without them.

On a personal note, being the 2018 Fundraising Chair has been a transformative experience for me. After attending the March in Washington in January 2017, I found in the FDW's organization a safe place that let me know that I was not alone in my fear and frustration and that I had an avenue to continue to fight the good fight for the values I hold dear and for a country that I love. The role of Chair offered me a demonstrative way to DO MORE than just argue with my long-term friends and family, who are not like-minded. With the financial success of this luncheon and the tremendous help from the Fundraising Committee and our volunteers, we now have potential to move beyond a war of words to our real goal, triumph at the ballot box.

With Sincere Gratitude,
Karen Rands,
Fayette Democratic Women
Chair: Fundraising

THE SUCCESS OF THIS EVENT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE EXTRAORDINARY EFFORT OF THESE VOLUNTEERS.

Fund Raising Committee

Karen Rands - Chairwoman
Larris Marks - Co-Chair
Carolyn Edwards
Pearline Greene
Adrienne Johnson
Susan Samson

Luncheon Volunteers

Brenda Carter
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SHOUT OUTS

Congratulations
& much success
on the FDW 2018
Annual Luncheon

Alice M. Jones



Congratulations FDW on
your support of the
Georgia Blue Wave!!

Carolyn Edwards

Together we can turn GA Blue in 2018!

Ann Higdon

Congratulations FDW

Elverta J. Williams

Women will speak out...
and we do!

Delores Epps

Thank you for all you
do in our community

Nancy Worthmann

Thank you for helping to turn GA Blue

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LISA RAYAM

Mistress of Ceremony

LISA RAYAM is an Emmy Award winning journalist who is simply dedicated to telling the stories of everyday people. She is currently the Capitol Correspondent for PBS and GPB's Lawmakers Show where she covered Georgia's failing schools, campus carry debates, transportation bills and healthcare legislation. Lisa served as moderator for the 2018 GOP Gubernatorial primary debate. In addition, Lisa can be heard on WSB Radio as a guest anchor.



For 21 years, Lisa anchored the Noon and 6 pm news and previously worked at TV stations in Orlando, Florida, Ft. Myers, Florida and Flagstaff, Arizona. Lisa landed her very first job as a news reporter at KYCA radio in Prescott, Arizona. It was there she developed a love for community outreach and service.

Lisa is regular volunteer for the North Fulton Community Charities and a strong supporter of the Boys and Girls Club of America, St. Jude's Hospital and HOPE HOUSE. Additionally, Lisa is the founder of Living Fearfully and Wonderfully Made, Inc., a non-profit which sponsors self-esteem workshops for teenage girls. LFWM also provides outreach support for the city's homeless by conducting random food, blanket and clothing drops throughout the year.

Lisa holds a B.A. in English and M.S. in Family and Human Development from Arizona State University (Summa Cum Laude). She is a member of NABJ, NATAS, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., The Links, Inc. and Jack and Jill of America, Inc. In September, 2016, Lisa was proudly inducted in to the National Television of Arts and Sciences' Silver circle-a journalistic milestone. However, she considers her two teenagers as her greatest reward.

SPECIAL THANKS TO:



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MELITA EASTER

Keynote Speaker

MELITA EASTER is a creative strategic thinker, political strategist and author/playwright with deep connections to Atlanta's civic, business and political community. She combines fundraising, leadership, communications, event planning and organizational skills with her background as a former journalist and television producer.



Melita is the founding chair and currently serves as executive director of Georgia's WIN List, an 18 year old political action committee dedicated to changing the face of Georgia politics by electing Democratic women to statewide office and the Georgia General Assembly who are committed to reproductive freedom and economic, educational and legal equality for all women. Over the past two decades, the group has raised more than one million dollars for the more than 60 endorsed women it has helped elect, 34 of whom currently serve. She served as chair from 2000 to 2004 and re-engaged with the organization as executive director during the summer of 2015.

She has worked to raise millions for various progressive causes and candidates. Her knowledge of Georgia's political history, its players and her perspective from decades of involvement make her a valuable adviser to many causes, campaigns and political leaders. She is well read about national progressive public policy and campaign strategy-particularly when it comes to electing pro-choice Democratic women.

She is also the author of three one woman plays about southern literary figures-Harper Lee, Margaret Mitchell and Eugenia Price -which have been produced in Atlanta, during Piccolo Spoleto in Charleston, at The Cloister on Sea Island and throughout the southeast. Ms. Easter is a UGA graduate and was recently named a Grady Fellow by the UGA journalism school. Earlier during her professional career she served as State News Editor of the Tifton Gazette, a political reporter for the Atlanta Journal and Constitution, eight years as a producer of The Lawmakers on Georgia Public Television and press secretary for Roy Barnes during in his first bid for governor.

She has two daughters and five practically perfect grandchildren, ranging in age from eight to five months.

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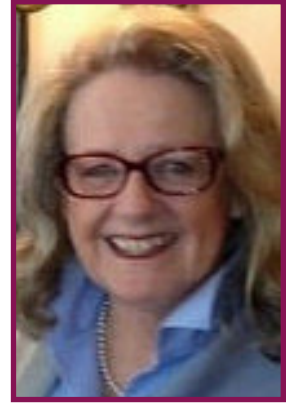
Guest Speaker

Prior to retirement, Heather Fenton had a long history as a management consultant. Since retiring Heather is frequently engaged in pro bono assignments calling on her background in strategic thinking, fundraising, and lobbying at the local and Federal levels.

Born in Australia and educated overseas, Heather has spent most of her adult life in the U.S. Married to Richard Ossoff, Heather and Richard have one son, Jon, a 2017 candidate for the Georgia 6th Congressional District.

Heather has been awarded many honors for her civic and professional accomplishments. She has served on a number of distinguished local and international boards supporting the arts, education, international business, resettlement of refugees, and health and development in the Third World. Most recently she has joined the Georgia Asylum and Immigration Network.

Her interest in women in politics began in the seventies when she was extremely active in the Women's Movement, back when it was called that. In 1988 she was one of only two females selected as International Business Fellows. Heather is currently actively engaged in supporting a number of women as they seek election in local and national races.



**Congratulations FDW on your
contributions to the Blue Wave!!**

Bonnie Williamson



SHOUT OUTS

Let's turn GA Blue in 2018!

Mr. Jacob & Mrs. Gwen Staffey

**I stand up for women's
financial independence**

Nancy Chorprenning

**Kudos FDW for
standing up and
speaking out!**

Alchanze H. Roberts





In Recognition of these Outstanding Community Organizations

GRANDPARENTS AND KIN RAISING CHILDREN



Located in Peachtree City, GKRC has been supporting needy families and children since 2011. The organization currently works with 47 families and 73 children, ages 2 to 22 years living in the state of Georgia. Nineteen of the children have special needs. The purpose of GKRC is to assist in the successful development of these children through pivotal training and personalized support to both the caregivers and their children. Educational classes, family support groups and activities to promote health and wellness are offered to strengthen caregivers' parenting skills. The children participate in afterschool educational enrichment, mentoring and recreational programs. Karen Gillespie is President of the Board. Find out more about this vital organization at www.grandparentsandkin.com

DISCOVERING SOLDIERS POTENTIAL II

Since 2016 under the leadership of MSG/Retired U.S. Army Sandra Brownlee, DSP II has become a multiple services center for American veterans. With hands on support including mental evaluation and counseling, vision screening, resume writing and job location for veterans, DSP II is a one stop shop. The organization helps veterans identify and secure benefits, make claims and submit appeals when necessary. The mission of this vital



organization is to assist in the eradication of veteran homelessness and offer a full range of care and services to those brave men and women who faithfully protected this great nation. Thus far, 5,447 veterans and their families have been served. Terrance Lawrence is the organization's Executive Director. Find out more about this important organization at www.dspwaypoint.com

PERFORMANCE & MUSIC BIOS

Georgianne, the South's most personable pundit, loves sharing her passion for God and Country and her glorious garden. Whether she's talking about the peaches on her grounds in Georgia or the grounds for impeachment in Washington, Georgianne's delivery is as sweet and refreshing as an ice-cold Coke. When she's not busy commentating, Georgianne enjoys a slew of hobbies such as watermelon carving, and creating artistic designs with her pressure washer outdoors. She also loves singing and writing her own songs. Most of all, Georgianne loves exercising her freedom of speech and sharing her pursuit of happiness.

Marcia Dunscomb is a composer, author, educator and pianist. She has served as a Contributing Author for the Thelonious Monk Institute for Jazz (Jazz In America); Consultant to the International Piano Teaching Foundation (IPTF); Educational Consultant in Jazz for the National Museum of American History; and Jazz Editorial Assistant for Jazz Expressions (Warner Bros. Publications).

Summer Davidson is in the seventh grade. She has been studying music for ten months. Summer loves playing the piano and singing for her family and for her church.





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Thank you Fayette Democratic Women for your support.

I am excited to be one of the many Georgia women **stepping up** and running for office this year.



SARAH RIGGS AMICO
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Thank you!





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Your contribution will assist us in making sure that our voices are heard, loud and clear.

Thank you!



Thank you for attending today.

Be sure to stop by the Merchandise Table to pick up a T-shirt(s) and Pins to show your support for FDW, Women Will, and Turning GA Blue!

The Silent Auction is a fun and rewarding way to contribute to the goals of this luncheon and to boost our support for the two non-profits today. Please make sure you bid on at least one item.

Join Us. Be a Force for Change. Become a Member.

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Details will be available at FDW Website and on FDW Facebook

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