

Lake NOW

A Monthly Newsletter

January NOW Notes, 2013

NEXT Lake NOW Chapter Meeting



We are One Year Old!

January 15, 2013
 WT Bland Library, 1995
 Donnelly St, Mount Dora, FL

ONE BILLION RISING:

STRIKE | DANCE | RISE!

February 14, 2013

This is a world wide event to demand an end to violence against women. Our February Chapter Meeting will feature a program on Violence Against Women.

www.onebillionrising.org

2013 Florida State NOW Conference:

SAVE THE DATE

March 22-24, 2013
 Gainesville, FL

Hampton Inn
 352-240-9300

Group Rate Code: FLO

2013 National NOW Conference:

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, July 5 - Sunday, 7,
 Chicago, Illinois

Hilton Chicago
 720 South Michigan Ave.
 Chicago, IL 60605
 312-922-4400

Coming up in January...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

LAKE NOW

We are one year old this month.

Time to RENEW Your Dues!

Bring your check made out to Lake NOW for \$35.00 to the January meeting or mail to [Barbara Kaplan-Arnone, 21027 Royal St. Georges Lane, Leesburg, FL 34748.](mailto:Barbara.Kaplan-Arnone@LakeNOW.org)

At the top of this page you see two *save the date* announcements for upcoming NOW Conferences. To be a voting delegate your

membership must be current 90 days before the National NOW Convention (by April 4, 2013) and 30 days before the State conference (by Feb 21, 2013). Don't Miss Out!

BE SURE TO RENEW YOUR LAKE NOW MEMBERSHIP THIS MONTH(even if not due yet)

January Chapter Meeting will give us an opportunity to participate in a citizen's initiative on the 2014 ballot to propose a constitutional amendment to preserve Florida's Land and Water using existing funds. This is not a new tax!

[Jason Brady](#) from the **Florida Land and Water Legacy Campaign** will be our guest speaker. We will meet at the W.T. Bland Library, 1995

Donnelly Street, Mount Dora in the new community room at 7:00 pm on January 15.

Election of Lake NOW Officers

will be held at our Feb Chapter Meeting. Feb 19, 2013. The Nominations Committee will present a slate of officers in our Feb. Now Notes Newsletter. Nominations will be taken from the floor as well. Please contact the Nominations Committee if you are interested in serving as an officer. President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer are the elected officer positions. If interested please call or email [Cheri Jackson Whitford, cherijackson@hotmail.com](mailto:cherijackson@hotmail.com), 484-888-3550 before Feb 5th.

Lake NOW Holiday Social Photos...



Last Month:

Lake NOW Holiday Social

Lake NOW celebrated in December with a Holiday Social held at Cafe Gianni Restaurant in Eustis. Thank You to Carol King for organizing and coordinating this lovely event.

What a good time we had getting to know each other better and finding so many common threads in our lives. We even added two new members to the chapter after they met us!

I think more socials may be in our future!

Next Month:

What is coming up in Feb.....

Lake NOW will focus on the problem of Violence Against Women during the month of February. On Feb 14 there will be a participation in the world wide One Million Rising event. Look for details at our January Chapter Meeting and in the Feb. Newsletter. We also will provide a dynamic program on the problem of Violence Against Women at our February Chapter Meeting on Feb 19. You don't want to miss it, so mark your calendars now!



President's Note:

This month Lake NOW completes its first year, so I would like to use a little space to share my thoughts with you.

Nancy Hurlbert, Mary Flanagan and I attended the National NOW Conference in Tampa in June 2010. All three of us were National NOW members at large and realized after attending this inspiring event that we would like to form a local chapter as well. So we decided to form one.

It took a few months to get it organized and put everything in place for the charter meeting last Jan 30, 2011. Lake NOW began with 50 charter members and reached 100 members by September 2013.

For the last 2 1/2 years Lake NOW has been a major focus for me.

It has been such a pleasure and passion for me. To see so many like minded feminists (both female and male) come together in Lake NOW has been an inspiration.

I regret to inform you that I cannot run for re-election as President of Lake NOW, as much as I would like to do so. My 87 year old



Mother has been having serious health issues since last May and she needs my attention at an ever increasing degree in the year to come.

I want you all to know I will continue to be an active member of Lake NOW, and would be glad to continue as the Chair of the Action Committee if asked to do so, but cannot be an officer in 2013.

I look forward to seeing new officers continue to define and develop this very important organization.

Judi



Executive Board

The Lake NOW Executive Board is composed of the Elected officers:

Judi Phillips Jones, President;
judjones@comcast.net; 352-735-1256

Carol King, 1st Vice President (Programs);
carolflam@aol.com; 352-483-2011

Mary Flanagan, 2nd Vice President (Membership);
miflanagan@centurylink.net; 352-343-5922

Les Jones, Secretary; joneslesj@aol.com; 352-735-1256

Barbara Kaplan-Arnone, Treasurer;
shopqueenlady@gmail.com; 352-435-0094

LAKE NOW COMMITTEES & Resource Groups

WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMITTEES AND RESOURCE GROUPS FORMED WITHIN LAKE NOW.

Consider joining the committees you are interested in and making a difference in the lives of women.

Share a Ride

Name	Town	Phone
Judi Jones	Mount Dora	352-735-1256
Bettie Bailey	Mount Dora	352-483-1197
Mary Johnson	Mount Dora	352-409-7771
Carol King	Eustis	352-483-2011
Bill Boyer	Lady Lake	352-787-0355
Sandra Paradise	Lake Jem	352-343-2064
Jane Hepting	Leesburg	352-250-6771
Julie Devon	Leesburg	352-460-4359
Marilyn Ives	Leesburg, Royal Highlands	407-644-4325
Brenda Flagg	Leesburg, Royal Highlands	352-787-3444
Bonnie McKonley	Leesburg, Royal Highlands	352-459-0258
Rachel King	Umatilla	352-455-1433
Melba Seron	Eustis	352-589-6654

Please keep this list handy when you need a ride.

To add your name, phone number and town to the list contact Judi Phillips Jones by email or phone.

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Media Committee: (Writers and Computers): letters to editors of newspapers, write newsletter for members, set up and post to Facebook, Twitter, and website)

Writers Committee

Rachel King
Elizabeth Kapoor
Julie Bozeman
Merrilyn Karrels
Sande Paradise

Computer Committee

Julie Bozeman
Sande Paradise* (Website)

2. Legislative Committee (track legislative issues, bills and amendments and report to membership)

Nancy Hurlbert * (leader)
Judi Phillips Jones
Julie Devin

3. Action Committee (organize rallies, protests, other actions to take in order to publicize our support or opposition to issues)

Judi Phillips Jones * (leader)
Julie Devin
Alexis Jandreou
Mary Johnson
Evie Waterhouse
Linda Bozeman
Sande Paradise
Rachel King
Mitchell Middleton

Les Jones
Royalene Millard
Bettie Bailey

4. Membership Committee (assist the Vice President for Membership in recruitment of new members)

Mary Flanagan * (leader)
Rachel King
Julie Bozeman
Brenda Flagg
Kali Telana
Merrilyn Karrels
Melba Seron

5. Member Education

Committee (provide our members with education on NOW's history and policies)

Judi Phillips Jones * (leader)
Rachel King

6. Creative / Dramatic Committee and Films on Feminist Issues (use creative and dramatic methods to present our message)

Julie Devin * (leader)
Kelly Devant
Deb Streu (winter only)

7. Herstory of Lake NOW Committee (create a scrapbook to record Lake NOW activities, press releases, and other historical documents)

Barbara Kaplan-Arnone * (leader)
Rachel King
Brenda Flagg
Bonnie McKonley
Marilyn Ives

8. Fund Raising Committee (generate ideas and organize fund raising activities to support the Chapter's actions and projects)

Judi Phillips Jones * (leader)
Rachel King
Rose Plouf
Francine Garcia
Royalene Millard

Please Contact Judi Phillips Jones or the Committee Leader to join any committee!