

Catching Up with Lake NOW

November, 2016



Devoted to the continuing improvement of women's rights and freedom from discrimination

Upcoming...

Tuesday, November 15 4:00 Meeting 5:00 Social	Lake NOW Board Meeting/Social 1884 Restaurant and Bar, Magnolia St., Eustis Join us for the board meeting at 4:00 if you like, but at least make the social portion starting at 5:00. If we have enough members present we will hold a quick meeting for voting purposes.
Tuesday, December 13 3:30 p.m.	Lake NOW Book Club "The Sound of Gravel," by Ruth Warner

It certainly has been a long, intense ride over the past several weeks and a huge letdown for all the work that so many put into the campaign that did not give us our first woman president after all. I know we are all immensely disappointed, and not just a little nervous about what the next 4 years will bring, but it is time to put some serious focus on our NOW chapter.

For myself, I have recently experienced a medical issue that many of you closest to me and the democratic organizations in the county have already heard about. I experienced what was called a "small stroke" over the weekend of November 5th. My symptoms began during the night Saturday and continued through Sunday. Not wishing to think it was anything I couldn't handle, I managed throughout the day Sunday and even got up Monday and went to work. It became clear to me that I was not going to be able to just function "normally" through the workday, so I went to the ER at Waterman, where I had some tests in the ER and was admitted so they could do an MRI. I was found to have had a lacunar stroke, which is a common kind of stroke. I was very lucky indeed as I seem to have minimal loss of functioning and my cognition appears to be pretty good. At least I haven't bumped up against any obvious gap. I do experience some need for better concentration doing thoughtful chores (such as at work) but can DO them.

So, here I am a couple of weeks in and we still have to do our NOW things. Our meeting for November was originally meant to be on Tuesday, November 15 (3rd Tuesday) instead of the usual 3rd Wednesday as the library uses the community room on this particular 3rd Wednesday. However, we are switching the general meeting to be more of a social and are holding it at 1884 Restaurant in Eustis at 5:00 on Tuesday the 15th. This will follow our board meeting, which also has been delayed due to my little crisis. All are welcome to attend the board meeting if they would like, but please DO join us for the social at 5:00. If we find we have a quorum, we will move forward with the items we have yet to consider and pass - our budget and updates to the bylaws. If not, they will move to our holiday event in December, and continue to be on the agenda until they are successfully passed or my term ends. This is another point that I really want to emphasize. The current board has 3 members whose terms were enacted under our current bylaws, so we will term out in 2017. That would be Carol King as Membership Director, Nancy Hurlbert as Vice President and me as President. We will need to have interested members to join a nominating committee and set to work to develop a slate for the elections we will hold in February, 2017. This is YOUR chapter and will need your considered participation in the process. So please keep that in mind and let any board member know if you are interested in running for a position or at the least, being part of a committee to develop the slate.

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