



MMN – MONDAY, JULY 19, 2010

*Mission: The purpose of the Democratic Women's Caucus is to fund, inspire, recruit, support, and train progressive, pro-choice women to increase the numbers of women in the electoral process and in elected and appointed positions*

Dear Ann,  
Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

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**JUST A LITTLE OVER 100 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK, IN 1848, THE FIRST WOMEN'S RIGHT'S CONVENTION WAS HELD IN SENECA FALLS, NEW YORK.**

The Seneca Falls Convention was an early and influential women's rights convention held in Seneca Falls, New York, July 19–20, 1848. It was organized by local New York women upon the occasion of a visit by Boston-based Lucretia Mott, a Quaker famous for her speaking ability, a skill rarely cultivated by American women at the time. The local women, primarily members of a radical Quaker group, organized the meeting along with Elizabeth Cady Stanton, a skeptical non-Quaker who followed logic more than religion.

The meeting spanned two days and six sessions, and included a lecture on law, a humorous presentation, and multiple discussions about the role of women in society. Stanton and the Quaker women presented two prepared documents, the Declaration of Sentiments and an accompanying list of resolutions, to be debated and modified before being put forward for signatures. A vigorous discussion sprang up regarding women's right to vote, with many including Mott urging the removal of this concept, but Frederick Douglass argued eloquently for its inclusion, and the suffrage resolution was retained. Exactly 100 of approximately 300 attendees signed the document, mostly women.

Read more at: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seneca\\_Falls\\_Convention](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seneca_Falls_Convention)

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**IN NO SMALL MEASURE THIS LED TO ANOTHER EVENT IN WOMEN'S HISTORY – THIS WEEK IN 1984,**

Geraldine Ferraro became the first woman nominated by a major political party as a vice presidential candidate.

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**AND HERE WE ARE TODAY, AS A GROUP OF DEMOCRATIC WOMEN, STILL TRYING TO PROMOTE WOMEN'S INVOLVMENT AND SUCCESS IN THE POLITICAL ARENA.**

**Members Lu Cregar, Jean Umiker-Sebeok and Shirley Fitzgibbons** invite you to help!

Please Join Us for a Sunday Brunch in Support of Two Outstanding Women Candidates!

Linda Robbins –

Candidate for Monroe County Clerk

Cheryl Munson –

Candidate for County Council, District 2

Date: Sunday, August 8, 2010

Time: Noon to 3 pm

Place: 1104 S. Covenanter Dr., Bloomington (corner of Ruby Lane & S. Covenanter Dr.)

Cost: Donation to the candidates

Hosts: Lu Cregar, Shirley Fitzgibbons, Jean Umiker-Sebeok

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Both candidates are familiar to local voters and would bring a wealth of talent and experience to the public offices they seek (see candidate snapshots below). They have excellent campaign teams that know how to win. But they are facing well-known Republican opponents and are running in an anti-Democrat climate. Your support will help them to get their messages and qualifications out to the voters and to encourage Democratic voters to cast their votes.

Bring a hearty appetite and learn how these wonderful candidates would energize these elected positions that are so important to the well-being of our community!

If you cannot attend but would like to donate to the candidates:

Send checks or money order to:

Robbins for Monroe County Clerk

4755 S Dunlap Rd.

Bloomington, IN 47403

Committee to Elect Cheryl Munson

6707 W. Rock East Rd.

Bloomington, IN 47403

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## **PICNIC PLANS**

If you've not put August 22nd on your calendar, do it now!! The DWC annual celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment (Women's Suffrage) is on that date in the form of an old fashioned family picnic. Games, races, pies, cakes, quilts, lace, croquet, lawn chairs, and the like will help us recreate that era when the amendment was passed. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$15 for children 4-12, children under 4 are free. Tickets can be purchased from a committee member or a steering committee member. Sponsorships are available – contact Lorraine Farrell

at [lm.farrell@comcast.net](mailto:lm.farrell@comcast.net) for more information on that. Please come, support our efforts to raise funds for our women candidates this year.

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NEXT BREAKFAST MEETING ON AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup> AT THE VILLAGE DELI

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