

**Sarasota County Democrats who have filed to run for delegate for the  
2020 Democratic National Convention for  
Congressional District 16**

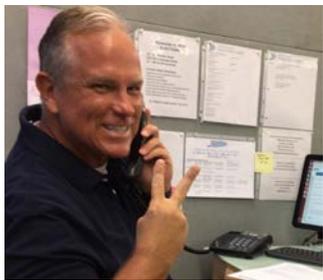
Candidates are listed in alphabetical order.

**Margaret Jean Cannon (Jean) for Joe Biden**



Joe Biden has a history and experience for ‘doing and building.’ He is dedicated to creating a better American. I want to work on his solutions to build the 2020 platform for the Party and our future. I am a natural collaborator who builds teams in business and families, working together to solve problems. I have a husband, 2 grown children, 2 grandchildren, and 12 brothers and sisters. I started to work in 1964, received my MBA in 1986. I have experienced managing global projects. Currently, I am the SCDP Issues Committee Chair and Precinct Captain.

**Jay Castle for Joe Biden**



Jay Castle and his wife, Lynn Hautamaki, are both native Sarasotans. They have seven children & stepchildren and two grandchildren, along with three dogs who pretty much get whatever they want. Jay works as a health law attorney, a Florida Supreme Court certified mediator, and a business advisor. For several decades, Jay has volunteered behind the scenes to support Democratic candidates and causes. He decided to run as a delegate this year because we face unprecedented attacks on Democratic values like fairness, integrity, and civil justice. This election is crucial, and we need to assure Team Blue wins it.

**Linda Clouse for Joe Biden**



My husband, Steve, and I moved to Sarasota from Florence, Italy 1 ½ years ago where we lived for 15 years. Having been out of the country for political campaigns, I missed out in taking an active role. But I have supported Joe Biden since the first time he ran for president. After arriving in Sarasota, I became active with the Sarasota County Democratic Party and co-chaired the silent auction for the 2019 Kennedy-King dinner. I was surprised and humbled when the Joe Biden for President campaign asked if I would like to be a Biden delegate.

**Mary Clupper for Joe Biden**



I am fortunate to be part of the incredible volunteer team of Sarasota County Democrats. I have dedicated most of my personal life to the County Democratic Party for the past 11 years. I served as president of the Democratic Club for 10 years, helping to raise Democratic Party awareness, organizing events to keep Democrats informed about candidates and relevant political issues, and raising money for worthy charitable organizations. I have also served as your State Committeewoman since December of 2016. I would be honored to be elected as a delegate to the convention and I ask for your vote.

**Cion (CJ) De Jesus for Joe Biden**

### **Doreen Dupont for Bernie Sanders**



In 2016 I was an At-Large Alternate Bernie Delegate. Since then I started #IndivisibleCD16, got trained by Al Gore and got on the DECF and SCDPC Boards. I chair Environmental Activism of ECSCD. I want to help shape policy by talking with legislators and press, and to make sure we defeat Trump. I have a clear understanding of the future we face and knowledge of solutions to mitigate. I'm articulate, incisive and experienced in self-started persuasive leadership. I want to make a difference and us all to be in good hands. It's also exciting and inspirational. Please send me.

### **Isaac Eger for Bernie Sanders**

#### **Lou Grossman for Joe Biden**



Lou is a precinct captain who has worked on numerous local campaigns. He has been active on the Biden campaign since the V.P. announced one year ago. His other qualifications include: a founder and director of Sarasota Democratic Jewish Caucus, Member Sarasota Democratic Black Caucus, Statewide Biden for Florida Coalition member, Official Florida Biden Fundraiser, Organizer for Biden at State Democratic Convention, Biden Precinct Captain at Iowa Satellite Caucus in Port Charlotte, Biden Florida primary campaign organizer and active poll worker, received letter of commendation from V.P Biden, Dec, 2019, and continuing work on Biden for President campaign.

#### **Pat Hayes for Joe Biden**



I grew up poor in Miami. I'd never heard of air-conditioning, but always had a home-made butterfly net on my shoulder. I won a scholarship to Harvard, later earned a PhD in physics from MIT, then spent many years advancing the state-of-the-art in computer chip design. In recent years, I led a national security project initiated by Obama, and am eager to use my experience to help our party and our country form effective policies on a range of science and technology issues, COVID-19, climate change, airplane safety - and some fun stuff like vehicle-to-vehicle communications. Thanks for your consideration.

#### **Sherri Johnson for Bernie Sanders**

#### **Barbara Katz for Joe Biden**



I am a proud, lifelong Democrat, the product of a union family. Like Joe Biden, I believe that the coming election is a battle for the soul of our nation. Since moving here in 2014, I have: -Built up the Sarasota County Democratic Party's voter protection operation to prevent voter suppression, expanding our poll watcher team from two dozen volunteers to over 300. -Become a Precinct Captain and, eventually, Chair of Precinct Organization and Development. -Been elected and reelected SCDP Treasurer, helping double the party's income. -Registered voters, done phone banking and fundraising, and canvassed for candidates around the county.

### Jordan Letschert for Joe Biden



Born and raised in Sarasota Florida, I served as an openly gay police officer. I was on Amicus Briefs in both the 11th circuit court of appeals as well as SCOTUS for marriage equality. I have served on a police oversight committee for Sarasota and currently am a partner in Crunch Fitness. My husband and I are raising our 3.5 year old son here in Sarasota. I am a Board Trustee on the Florida Democratic Party and committee for Equality Florida to enhance LGBTQ rights, to ensure our son grows up in a more accepting and caring world. Joe Biden is the person to accomplish this.

### Matt Martell for Joe Biden

### TM Mawn for Bernie Sanders



My name is TM Mawn. I am an attorney, activist, and organizer. I graduated from Pine View School and New College of Florida, and after finishing law school I moved to Germany. In October of 2019 I returned to the US to work for Bernie. I campaigned for him in Nevada, California, and Florida. I knocked on thousands of doors, trained hundreds of volunteers, and I can speak in depth to anyone about Bernie's platform. I am well prepared to be a strong advocate for Bernie's progressive ideals at the Democratic National Convention.

### Mark Pienkos for Joe Biden



**GO JOE BIDEN!** I appreciate your vote as a Biden delegate. A lifelong Democrat, I've worked on several campaigns serving in various leadership capacities in Wisconsin and Florida. I am a SCDP Precinct Captain (121), as well as a member of Biden's Florida Ethnic Outreach Committee. I serve as the Polish American Congress National Vice President for Public Relations, as well as a member of the Polish-American Association of Sarasota. Recently elected to The Meadows HOA Board of Directors, I am currently a candidate for District 1 - Sarasota County Commission. Thanks for your support! **STAY HEALTHY! GO DEMS!**

### Pamela Schuneman for Joe Biden



I am running to be a delegate for Joe Biden because I believe this election will change the direction our country is headed. We need a leader to heal our country and I feel Joe Biden can do the job. As for my qualifications, I am a life-long Democrat with a steadfast and enduring commitment to the Democratic Party. In the past, I served as a precinct committee member and held the office of Treasurer for the Sarasota County Democratic Party. I am a native Floridian, University of Florida graduate, and a local CPA.

### Mary Ann Shea for Joe Biden



What an honor to be considered as a delegate for Joe Biden at the Democratic Convention. I bring diversity, as well as leadership qualities and grassroots support to the Biden campaign. As a precinct captain I had the 3rd highest increase in voter turnout in Sarasota county in 2018 and am determined to improve on that record for Joe in November. I am a member of the board of directors of the Sarasota Democratic Women's Club, a past president of the Stonewall Democrats, and the Alternate Regional Director of the Florida LGBTQ+ Democratic Caucus. I respectfully ask for your vote.

### Arlene Sweeting for Bernie Sanders



I am running to be a Bernie Delegate to continue to push the Democratic Party to support progressive issues like Medicare for All and a Green New Deal. I was a founding member of Sarasota for Bernie in 2015, which transitioned to Progressive Sarasota, a local Our Revolution affiliate at the end of 2016. Progressive Sarasota endorsed Bernie Sanders for President in March 2019. As a Bernie Victory Captain, I hosted 46 events – organizing parties, phone banks and canvasses to help educate people about the campaign. Progressive Sarasota continues to organize locally to support progressive candidates and issues.

### Johannes Werner for Bernie Sanders



Why I am running: Muddling through is not good enough. If the Democratic Party fails to project a comprehensive vision, we will be stuck in opposition for the foreseeable future. We have to distance ourselves from the financial players that weigh down our economy, we have to push for a Green New Deal, for taxing the rich, for providing (unemployment) benefits to tipped workers and gig-economy workers, for raising the federal minimum wage, and for universal healthcare. We have to move away from our militarized foreign policy and never-ending war.

### Marilyn White for Bernie Sanders

I am a retired veterinarian with particular interests in public health and environmental preservation. I have lived in the Sarasota area for three years and in Florida off and on over the years but my family has a long time connection to the area - my father is a native Floridian and my great grandmother lived in Sarasota in the 1930s. I am involved in the preservation of a natural lake in my community, becoming a community board member, instituting testing and participation in Lake Watch and working to improve the overall health of this rare west of the trail treasure. I have worked to get grants and city and county support for my community. I support Medicare for All, particularly in this time when people have lost medical insurance tied to their jobs and many people have no insurance at all.

### Robin Williams for Bernie Sanders



I'm a lifelong progressive, union activist and retired biology teacher. I served as Democratic committeewoman in NJ for 30 years and am a Precinct Captain in Sarasota. I'm a longtime Bernie supporter. I've never been to the Democratic National Convention and am excited to run as a Sanders delegate. The COVID-19 pandemic underscores the vital need for Bernie's policies, Medicare for All, Paid Family and Medical Leave, \$15/hr minimum wage, free college education, student loan debt cancellation, women's, LGBTQ, and immigration rights, criminal justice reform, corporate regulation, banning assault weapons, the Green New Deal, and preventing unilateral preemptive wars.