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**Keiser University to host Election Connection – St. Lucie County Candidate Meet-and-Greet**

**Port St. Lucie** – Keiser University will host a candidate ‘Meet and Greet’ Wednesday, **July 13 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m**. on campus at **10330 South US 1, Port St. Lucie in the Marketplace Plaza**.  The public is invited to attend the non-partisan “meet-and-greet” to learn more about the positions that will appear on the August 2016 Primary Election ballots and meet the candidates seeking their votes.

The informal meet and greet will begin at 6 p.m. in classroom settings.  The following candidates have confirmed their attendance:

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| **SEAT** | **CANDIDATES** |
| US Congress/District 18 | Carl Domino; Mark Freeman; Rebecca Negron; Randy Perkins; Brian Mast, John Xuna; |
| Florida House/District 54 | Dale Glading; Lange Sykes |
| Florida House/District 83 | Gayle Harrell; Crystal Lucas |
| Florida State Senate/District 25 | Bruno Moore |
| Public Defender | Diamond Litty; Thomas Burns |
| County Commissioner District 1 | James Monds, Jr.; Chris Dzadovsky |
| County Commissioner District 3 | Linda Bartz; Patrick Campion; Howard Fein |
| County Commissioner District 5 | Kim Johnson; Alexander Tommie; Cathy Townsend; Kim Johnson |
| Sherriff | Ken Mascara; Richard Williams |
| Property Appraiser | Michelle Franklin |
| Supervisor of Elections | Sheritta Johnson; Gertrude Walker |
| Port St. Lucie City Council Seat 1 | John DiMola; Jason Konstandinu; Stephanie Morgan |
| Port St. Lucie City Council Seat 2 | John Carvelli; Linda Gausten; Chauncelor Howell; Robert Joseph; James Pucci; Armando Rodriguez |
| Port St. Lucie City Council Seat 4 | Ronald Bowen; Jolien Caraballo |
| Judicial 19th Circuit 1 | Beth Allen; Jim McCann |
| Judicial 19th Circuit 6 | Michael McNicolas; Kiernan Moylan; Robert Meadows; Leonard Silvio Villafranco |
| County Court Judge Group 3 | Ed Alonzo; Nirlaine Tallandier Smartt |
| School Board District 2 | Carol Hilson; Kacey Cooper-Armstrong |
| School Board District 4 | Kathryn Hensley; Jennifer Richardson |
| Ft. Pierce City Commission District 2 | Lisa Fasnacht |
| Clerk of the Court | Martha Hornsby; Joe Smith |

All candidates were invited regardless of political affiliation and Keiser University does not endorse any particular candidate or issue.

**Voter registration will be offered at this free community educational event**.  For more information about the Keiser University Election Connection scheduled for July 13, 2016,  contact Dr. Sharon Hayes (772) 398-9990, [shayes@keiseruniversity.edu](mailto:shayes@keiseruniversity.edu).

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