



NORWF NEWS

Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated



President's Message

Ladies:

Once again it has been a busy month. NORWF continues to be active in the community, grow as a group, and strive to keep club up to date and meeting all guide lines.

We participated in the Apopka Art and Foliage Festival which brought in two new applications, registered people to vote and got us recognition. Thank you to the lovely ladies who worked the event.

The May 3rd Prayer breakfast was the best one I personally have attended. John Stemberger addressed family values, our individual character and how that effects the world around us. He stated we sometimes have to "Stand alone and be a light" to hold true to our principles. Paradox to that we are never alone.

We are currently with Bev Blackmon updating the new membership training and look forward to welcoming our new members with information to help their journey in the club. Thank you for bringing guests each month.

Really exciting is that Marty will be announcing the new 2018 Scholarship winner at this upcoming meeting. You will know her mother and it is exciting. THANK YOU for making this possible by doing the raffle baskets each month!

We have several candidates for Orange County Mayor. We are presenting the first candidate Pete Clarke who has had quite a history with Orange County. We are in communication with other candidates and hope to give you updates soon. Please read the newsletter to see all the Lincoln Dinner events and other options to meet the candidates.

Look forward to seeing all of you on the 17th at 11:30 a.m. Don't forget we are not like the other clubs-BUSY ELECTION YEAR so we will be meeting ALL summer so keep your calendar open!

Charlotte

"Women Making a Difference"





Pete Clarke

Growing up in a military family, Pete traveled a great deal and lived in Seattle, Germany, Alabama, France and Milton in Northwest Florida. While still a teenager, his father passed away unexpectedly, and his widowed mother moved to the family to Orange County. Pete graduated from Boone High School and subsequently continued his education -- earning a Bachelor's degree in Marine Biology from the University of West Florida. While working for the State of Florida at the Orange County Health Department and later Orange County government's Health and Family Services Department, he earned Master's degrees in Education and Public Health from Florida State and in Management from Rollins College Crummer School of Business.

During Pete's own military service in the Florida Air National Guard, he completed coursework in Hospital Administration/Health Services Management at Sheppard Air Force Base with the United States Air Force. He has furthered his education through FEMA Emergency Management coursework, and is certified in the National Incident Management System. He has completed Leadership Orlando, as well as extensive coursework through the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

Professionally, Pete's long-term public career has provided far-reaching benefits for residents and visitors in our entire community. As Deputy Director of the Orange County Health and Family Services Department, he was responsible for services including inmate health care at the Orange County jail, the District Medical Examiner's office, Animal Services, Mosquito Control, the Great Oaks Village residential services for abused, abandoned and neglected children and teens, the EMS system medical direction, Disaster Management, our Environmental Protection Department, Orange County's mental health services, Social and Family services, Head Start, Community Action, the county Parks and Recreation Division, the county Veteran's Services Division, and many other units and programs across Orange County. Those responsibilities included oversight and management of over 1,000 employees and budgets approaching 150-175 million dollars. Under his management, budgeting was taken very seriously and his departments did not over-budget to allow a return of funds at years end.

While serving as Orange County's District 3 Commissioner, Pete's community involvement continues through his efforts with a number of organizations and interests. These include the local Metro Plan (Vice Chair), the Transportation Disadvantaged Council (Past Chairman), the Central Florida Water Collaborative (Secretary), Community Action Board (Chair), the Citizens' Commission for Children Advisory Board, the Central Receiving Center/Children's Mental Health Board of Directors (Chair), Kiwanis Club of Central Orlando (Past President), Florida Abolitionists Board of Directors (dedicated to eradicating Human Trafficking and modern-day slavery), the Urban Caucus, where he serves as co-chair, the Florida Association of Counties, and the Healing the Children Advisory Council. His multi-agency and diverse community involvement further serves to demonstrate his commitment to the entire community and all its residents and visitors



THANK YOU LADIES!!!

Barb started it off with a strong 5 hours Saturday, Bonita and Kathy both days working hard and Bonita registered couple people to vote. Andrea, Mary, Christine and Bev filled Saturday and finished Sunday. Andrea thank you for working and bringing out the items on Sunday to set up the table and having it READY!

Apopka Foliage Festival update:

Every vendor was over the top excited with their sales, plant people had to bring in more plants, Boy scouts on Saturday alone made \$4,400 and we are still balancing the books to see how much the club ended which takes full month until plant people give us percentage.....some of you will benefit because all the proceeds go back to charities and clubs in the local area. My sponsors alone brought in over \$12,000.

Thank you to OCCREC for sharing the cost of the booth with us.

Barb/everyone who worked please note with Bonita and Kathy's hours on Saturday and Sunday we tripled our hours from last year so we can add this to records for achievement awards and our volunteer hours.

Membership Orientation will take place after the May 17th Meeting

Membership is excited to announce the Membership Orientation class after our May meeting. The Board has been working on the agenda to help you understand what we do and how we do it.

We hope to answer questions you have about our club. What the duties of the officers are, what we believe, how we spend our money, where you can be involved.

You do not have to be a new member to attend. However, we are highly recommending any one who has join in the last two years to consider attending.

Please let me know (Beverly Blackmon, 407-361-6715 or beverly@cbconceptsinc) if you can plan to stay for less than an hour after the meeting on May 17th, at The Tavern at Rock Spring Ridge. This way we can plan for you.

Membership is the life blood of NORWF. Without our members we do not exist. Democrats would love for us to go away, however we plan to stay strong and stay the course.

Hope to see a lot of new and familiar faces at our May meeting.

Basket Drawing



Thank you to everyone who has signed up to donate a Gift Basket for the monthly drawing at our General Meetings. The proceeds go toward our Scholarship Fund



LINCOLN DAY DINNER HERMAN CAIN

FRIDAY, MAY 18TH, 2018

TICKET OPTIONS & SPONSORSHIPS

SILVER

DINNER & PROGRAM

GOLD

PRIVATE ROOFTOP RECEPTION WITH HERMAN CAIN – PHOTO – DINNER & PROGRAM

“999” DEAL

(2) GOLD TICKETS WITH PROGRAM RECOGNITION

PLATINUM

(2) GOLD TICKETS AND (8) SILVER TICKETS WITH SPONSORSHIP RECOGNITION

STARS & STRIPES

(4) GOLD TICKETS AND (6) SILVER TICKETS WITH SPONSORSHIP RECOGNITION

FLAGSHIP SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES TOO!

(ALL TICKETS INCLUDE CONVENIENT COMPLIMENTARY SELF-PARKING)

DISNEY'S
CONTEMPORARY RESORT

4600 N. WORLD DRIVE – LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL 32830



FESTIVITIES

6:30PM – 7:30PM – ROOFTOP VIP RECEPTION AND SOCIAL HOUR

7:45PM – DINNER & PROGRAM

BIDDING AUCTION WITH EXCITING TRIPS & SPECIAL SURPRISES!

WWW.OCREC.ORG

TICKET INFORMATION CALL: 321-663-5278

THANK YOU NORWF MEMBER SPONSORS FOR 2018

PLATINUM EAGLE

JOYCE BROCKER
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VERLIE NORRIS

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BEVERLY BLACKMON
JO GRAHAM
PATTY REDLICH

SILVER EAGLE

CHRISTINE MOORE
ANDREA SAMSON
CHARLOTTE WHITE
BEV WINESBURGH
BARB ZAKSZEWSKI

BRONZE EAGLE

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A SPONSOR PLEASE
CONTACT OUR TREASURER, JOYCE BROCKER AT
JBRO344@GMAIL.COM OR 407-463-0012.





NORWF CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2018

NEW MEETING PLACE

The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge, 625 ROCK RIDGE BLVD, APOPKA, FL 32712

**** 11:30AM-1:30PM **. New time.**

GENERAL MEETINGS

JANUARY 18	Bryan Nelson, Orange County Commissioner, Candidate for Mayor of Apopka: Nonpartisan elections and campaigning.
FEBRUARY 15	Diane Velazquez Incumbent City Council Seat 2 and Alice Nolan challenger for City Council Seat 2: Candidates Forum.
MARCH 10	Saturday at Windy Hill Ranch: 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM membership/fundraiser Bingo and Italian Buffet \$20.00. Will take the place of the March 15 meeting.
APRIL 19	Senator Denise Grimsley candidate for Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services Special meeting time: 12:00 noon-2:00 PM.
MAY17	Peter Clark, Orange County Mayoral Candidate: 2018. Membership Orientation immediately after meeting.
JUNE 21	Candidates forum: Christine Moore, Fred Brummer and Mark Byrd running for Orange County Commissioner.
JULY 19	NORWF: Getting to know us: who we are and what we do. Officers, Committee purposes, and what we support.
AUGUST 16	COL. Mike McCalister (Ret.) candidate for Commission of Agriculture and Consumer Services
SEPTEMBER 20	TBD**
OCTOBER 18	TBD
NOVEMBER 15	TBD
DECEMBER 20	Christmas Party

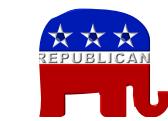
NORWF BOARD MEETINGS: THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9:30 A.M. APOPKA CHAMBER 180 E.MAIN STREET APOPKA, FL

DATE	<u>SPECIAL EVENTS</u>
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APRIL 6-7-8	FFRW FORT MYERS SPRING BOARD MEETING
APRIL 28 & 29	APOPKA ART & FOLIAGE FESTIVAL-MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
MAY 3	MAYORS PRAYER BREAKFAST, APOPKA COMMUNITY CENTER NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
MAY 18	LINCOLN DAY DINNER - HERMAN CAIN - DISNEY'S CONTEMPORARY RESORT
SEPTEMBER 21-23	FFRW FALL CONFERENCE ORLANDO, FLORIDA
MARCH 10-12, 2019	FFRW SPRING CONFERENCE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

** TO BE DETERMINED REVISION 5/09/18

THE CALENDAR WILL BE UPDATED AS WE FILL THE SLOTS FOR GUEST SPEAKERS.



Membership Corner

Dues are delinquent as of February 1. Remember that dues are required every year to renew your membership. New Member applications and Loyalty Oaths also required each year. If you have not done so please pay ASAP.

Active: \$30.00 annually

This must be your primary federated club and is for women only.

Associate: \$20.00 annually

You must belong to another federated club and this is your secondary club and is for women only.

Men Associate: \$20.00 annually

This is your club too, but unfortunately you have no voting rights.

Student: \$5.00 annually

This is for any student member attending either high school or college.

Sponsorship Levels:

Bronze Eagle \$35.00-\$50.00

Silver Eagle \$51.00-\$100.00

Gold \$101.00-\$200.00

Platinum \$200.00 +

Please make check payable to:

**NORWF
P.O. Box 56
Apopka, FL. 32704**

**Or deliver to the Treasurer
at the next meeting.**

2017 Officers

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Recording Secretary	Virginia Maple
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Corresponding Secretary	Marty Harrison

NORWF Past Presidents

2006-07.	Carolyn Booth
2008-09.	Patty Redlich
2010-11.	Linda Laurendeau
2012-13.	Barbara Zakszewski
2014-15.	Beverly Blackmon
2016-17	Joyce Brocker

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General Meeting

Thursday, May 17, 2018

Speaker: **Orange County Commissioner Pete Clarke
Orange County Mayoral Candidate**

Topic: **Office of Orange County Mayor**

Where: **The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge
625 Rock Ridge Blvd.
Apopka, FL. 32712**

Special Time: **11:30AM-1:30 PM**

Cost: **\$20.00 with reservation, \$25.00 at the door without reservation.**

Advanced reservations required. Please RSVP to Joyce Hayward. Call 904-315-2535 or e-mail joycehywrd@yahoo.com to make a reservation. You may also reserve online at www.norwf.org

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MONDAY

May 14 at 8:00 PM.

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AND THE FLORIDA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN (FFRW)

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