



NORWF NEWS

Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated

President's Message

Well NORWF

*NFRW in Indianapolis was a wonderful trip, wonderful classes, presence of Vice President Pence, seeing Oakland Raiders and meeting Charlotte, NC RNC Chairman chair. The down side is they did vote to raise the dues \$10.00. The process of voting, stepping to the microphone to give your opinion and the decisions was a learning experience in itself. I do see the need for the increase just wish they had started the increase couple years ago so increase could have been more gradual or even still not needed.

*Before NORWF October meeting Dianne and I will have attended the FFRW Convention and we will have lots to share.

*Now I am looking forward to hearing from this month's guest speaker. Yes Doug is "guest speaker" but family to us. When I send a prayer request out for our club he is one the first to respond. His Jerusalem experiences would be worthy of writing a book.

* Finally but continually ---My heart and soul goes out to our president for all these attacks. We pray they will stop.

*I hope all of you responded positively to the call of the nominating committee. Ladies in TWO MONTHS NORWF WILL HAVE COMPLETE OFFICER TRANSFORMATION----- HOW DO YOU WANT THE TRANSFORMATION TO TURN OUT??? SAY YES TO THE CALL.

See all of you soon.

Charlotte White, President

**Republican Party of Florida Chairman Gruters:
“Abolishing party primaries in favor of a free-for-all primary with only two candidates advancing to the general election would devastate bipartisanship and limit choice for all Floridians.”**

Tallahassee, Florida – The Republican Party of Florida (“RPOF”) and its Chairman Joe Gruters have come out strongly against the proposed “All Voters Vote” primary amendment to the Florida Constitution. Yesterday, RPOF filed a brief in the Florida Supreme Court opposing the amendment and urging the Court to not allow its deceptive contents on the ballot.

Chairman Gruters said on the proposed amendment: “The proposed amendment abolishes party primaries for the Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet. Doing this would allow the top two vote-getters – regardless of party – to move on to the general election. For instance, if this primary system were in place during the 2018 gubernatorial election, the general election choices would have been Adam Putnam and Ron DeSantis. As much as I’d like to see Republicans in every office across Florida, this result would have severely limited the choice for millions of Floridians.” The proposed amendment seeks to model Florida’s primary elections after California’s “jungle primary” system. The California system and its recent troubles were the subject of a Fortune Magazine article titled: [“What Is California’s ‘Jungle’ Primary—And Why It Has Democrats Freaking Out.”](#) The piece detailed that in California there are actually too many Democrat candidates on many of the ballots, which causes vote splitting and allows the minority party in a district to band together and support fewer candidates creating a scenario where the top two vote-getters on the general election ballot are both from one political party.

RPOF General Counsel Ben Gibson had this to say on the proposed amendment: “RPOF argues in its brief filed in the Florida Supreme Court that not only is the proposed amendment bad for Floridians, but the ballot title and summary mislead voters into thinking that all this amendment does is open up our current party primaries to NPAs. The truth is far from that. What the amendment really does is abolish party primaries and limit the choice of voters in the general election. The ballot summary and title – ‘All voters vote in primary elections for State Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet’ – do not accurately describe the chief purpose of the amendment and seek to intentionally mislead Florida voters.”

Chairman Joe Gruters closed with, “We have faith that the Florida Supreme Court will keep this misleading amendment off the ballot and that its contents are never brought forth again. A so-called ‘open primary’ in Florida would decimate voter choice and permit radicalization on both sides of the aisle.”

Commissioner Doug Bankson will speak to NORWF at the October 17, 2019 Meeting



Doug Bankson is an author, pastor, teacher and musician who has been in full time ministry both nationally and internationally for over 35 years. He and his wife Jeri are the founding senior pastors of Victory Church World Outreach Center, here in Apopka.

In addition to pastoring, he is also actively engaged in the community by serving on several city committees:

- City of Apopka’s Independence Day Committee
- City of Apopka Sign Committee
- Insight 2025 committee; hosting a city-wide Insight 2025 Kick-off Event
- Extensively involved in planning the city’s 120th anniversary activities
- Flag Day celebration
- Emcee of the Champions Parade for the 2001 Little League US World Series
- Planned numerous citywide concerts.

He has also served as the President of the Apopka Christian Ministerial Alliance and now as one of the Chaplains for the Apopka Police Department. He is also a past Chairman of the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce and currently serving as Commissioner, Seat 3 for Apopka City Council.

Doug and Jeri’s children are now adults: Benjamin, Joseph, Michael and his wife Chelsey, and daughter Victoria.



NORWF CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2019

MEETING PLACE

The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge, 625 ROCK RIDGE BLVD, APOPKA, FL 32712
**** 11:30AM-1:00PM **.**

GENERAL MEETINGS

JANUARY 17	John Michael Chambers, Author "Trump and the Resurrection of America"
FEBRUARY 21	Robert Agrusa, President of the Apopka Chamber of Commerce
MARCH 21	Membership Drive/The Tavern at Rock Springs
APRIL 18	Kathy Till, "Influencing Leaders and Making a Difference in our Community."
MAY 16	Artie Renée Pobjecky, Attorney & Counselor at Law, Immigration Attorney
JUNE 20	Red, White and Blue Celebration by NORWF Members
JULY	NO MEETING
AUGUST	NO MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19	Dan Peterson, Coalition for Property Rights: Florida Septic Tank Crisis
OCTOBER 17	Commissioner Doug Bankson
NOVEMBER 21	Lou Marin, OCREC
DECEMBER 19	Christmas Party

NORWF BOARD MEETINGS: THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 AM APOPKA CHAMBER 180 E.MAIN STREET APOPKA, FL

DATE SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH 10-12, 2019	FFRW SPRING CONFERENCE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA
MARCH 21	NORWF MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
MAY 2	MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
SEPTEMBER 26-29.	NFRW CONVENTION: ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS. INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
OCTOBER 11-12-13.	FFRW FALL CONFERENCE: ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ORLANDO



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families in need of comforting and support

Basket Drawing

We thank everyone who has donated a gift basket for this year. Please let Judi Risser, risser1042@aol.com know if you would like to donate a basket for next year. The proceeds go toward our Scholarship Fund 2019

January	Bev Blackmon
February	Charlotte White
March	Marlene Ryan
April	Charlotte White
May	Verlie Norris & Mary Smothers
June	Judi Risser
July	No Meeting
August	No Meeting
September	Diann Haubner
October	Louise Fortunato, Charlotte White and Vicki Vargo
November	Patriotic Christmas Tree, C. White
December	Carolyn Booth

October Birthdays

Sue Brook

October 30



Membership Corner

Yearly renewal application and membership dues are due each year by February 1st. If you have not renewed, please do so now.

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 +

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at the next meeting.

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2012-13.	Barbara Zakszewski
2014-15.	Beverly Blackmon
2016-17	Joyce Brocker

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General Meeting

When:	Thursday, October 17, 2019
Speaker:	Commissioner Doug Bankson
Topic:	City of Apopka update, visit to Israel
Where:	The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge 625 Rock Ridge Blvd. Apopka, FL. 32712
Time:	11:30 AM-1:00 PM
Cost:	\$20.00 with reservation, \$25.00 at the door without reservation.
Advanced reservations required. Please RSVP to Bev Winesburgh. Call 407-257-1396 or e-mail bwine@earthlink.net to make a reservation. You may also reserve online at www.norwf.org	

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MONDAY OCTOBER 14th at 8:00 PM.

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