



## NORWF President's Letter

May 2025

Hello,

We are already approaching the halfway mark for this year. This is an exciting month as we are awarding the NORWF scholarship to a deserving and accomplished young man.

The evening Happy Hour gatherings are enjoyable and informative. I anticipate that we will continue to have informal evening meetings. The Happy Hours format encourages dialogue and to be a good schedule for those who are off by 5 PM or a little earlier and for those who arrive a little later. It is interesting that other patrons ask who is meeting and having such an enjoyable time.

The board members are overly excited to see all that is happening in the country with President Donald Trump's Leadership. We need to focus on maintaining this momentum at the State and Local level.

We have much to accomplish in the next six months. The NORWF Board would love to have your input, committee membership, and fundraising support. As we move forward, let us remember the importance of unity and collaboration. Together, we can achieve our shared goals and create a lasting impact in our community. It is through our collective efforts that we can support and uplift one another, fostering a sense of camaraderie and mutual respect. The NORWF Board would love to have your input, committee, and fundraising support. Please do not assume who would be interested in making a difference for NORWF- Recruit, Recruit, Recruit

In closing, I encourage each of you to stay engaged and actively participate in our events and initiatives. Your involvement is crucial to the success of our organization, and I am confident that, with your dedication and passion, we will continue to thrive and make a difference in the lives of those we serve. Please do not assume who would be interested in making a difference for NORWF and our community - Recruit, Recruit, Recruit.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to NORWF. Let us make the remainder of this year as productive and impactful as possible.

With gratitude,

President, NORWF

Loretta Forlaw PhD, FACHE (R)

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**SAVE THE DATE JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> SUMMER FUN!!**

**SEE YOU AT OUR JUNE MEETING FOR SUMMER FUN AT:**

**HILTON GARDEN INN • APOPKA  
580 E. MAIN ST  
APOPKA. FL 32703  
11:00 A.M. Networking – Meeting 11:30 A.M.**

**No meetings July and August**

**The May meeting started with THE ANNUAL PRESENTATION OF THE 2025 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER BY OUR OWN MARTY HARRISON.**



**We had FUN May 15th, meeting!**

**on Thursday, May 15th, 2025, NORWF welcomed Chad Creech – Apopka chamber ambassador and Apopka serves foundation chairman of the board. Chad explained Apopka serves foundation and how it serves families in need in Apopka. Highly informative.**



**JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>**

**SEE YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS FOR FUN AND SEE THE WINE BAR  
CREATED IN MEMORY OF LINDA LAURENDEAU!**

**North Orange Republican Women, Federated**

**Stephie's Pub & Irish Eatery  
1061 W ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL**

**PLEASE EMAIL/CALL SANDY BOVE AND BRENDA SOLOMON TO HELP!!!! THEY NEED GIFT  
CARDS AND GAME PRIZES NOW!!! MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!!! VOLUNTEER  
[solomonb2@msn.com](mailto:solomonb2@msn.com) OR [mylipstix@aol.com](mailto:mylipstix@aol.com)**



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**June 6- D-Day Anniversary**

**Jun 14-Flag Day**

**June 14-President Trump's Birthday**

**Jun 15 - Father's Day**

**Jun 20 - Summer Solstice**

**FINDING YOUR PURPOSE**

- YOUR VALUES
- YOUR APTITUDES
- YOUR ECONOMICALLY VIABLE INTERESTS



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

VICKI VARGO MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>

JONI KEAMS MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>

MAY BEV BLACKMON MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>

AMELIA HARRISON MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

ANDY ANDERSON JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>

HILLARY COURSON JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>

LORETTA FORLAW JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>

**NO JULY BIRTHDAYS**

***Save the Date!***

Save the date and get excited! The NFRW 43rd Biennial Convention is September 25-28! You won't want to miss this! Registration will open this summer!

## MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO ATTEND 43<sup>RD</sup> THE BIENNIAL CONVENTION HERE IN ORLANDO SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>- 28<sup>TH</sup>!!!

Events >> [Biennial Conventions](#)

### Biennial Conventions

Since the Federation's founding in 1938, thousands of Republican women have come together for several days of fellowship, education, inspiration and business at the NFRW Biennial Convention. [History of the Biennial Convention](#)

Held every two years in one of America's premier cities, our conventions give Republican women from across the nation the opportunity to:

- **TRAIN** for leadership roles in government, politics, business and community by attending a variety of educational seminars and programs;
- **PREPARE** for upcoming elections by hearing from Republican candidates, leaders, elected officials and political experts;
- **VOTE** in the NFRW Republican Presidential Straw Poll (every four years);
- **RECOGNIZE** distinguished leadership and service within the NFRW;
- **NETWORK** with women from across the country;
- **COMMEMORATE** milestones, anniversaries and other important events;
- **PLAN** the future of the Federation and **CONDUCT** Federation business;
- and so much more.

**NEXT UP:** The NFRW's 43rd Biennial Convention is September 25-28, 2025, in Orlando, Florida.

#### The following are the voting delegates:

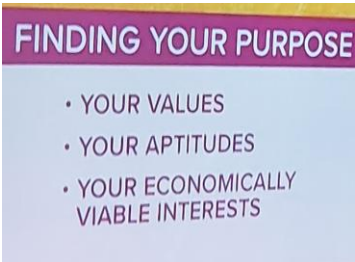
NFRW Bylaws Article IX, Section 3(A)(3)(4)(5):

The voting body of the Biennial Convention shall be:

1. one delegate from each club,
2. five delegates-at-large from each state federation, and one additional delegate-at-large for each 500 members or major fraction thereof in the state federation based on the payment to the NFRW of the current year's dues and postmarked ninety days prior to the convention,
3. presidents of state federations,
4. voting members of the NFRW Executive Committee, chairmen of NFRW standing committees, or in the absence of a chairman, the vice chairman of the committee, and former NFRW presidents.

We support the objectives and policies of the National Federation of Republican Women (“NFRW”), the Republican National Committee (“RNC”), the Republican Party (“GOP”), and the Republican Party of Florida (“RPOF”); and I Perform any lawful activity not inconsistent with the foregoing.

Don't forget we have a couple of special elections happening in our state. Make sure your clubs are helping with those elections.



**MAKE THIS A GREAT YEAR!!! NORWF’S 20<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!!!!**



**NORWF 20 YEARS STRONG!**

NORWF CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2025	
<u>DATE</u>	<u>GENERAL MEETINGS</u>
January 16 <sup>th</sup> .	Inauguration Ceremony
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	City Commissioner - Diane Velazquez
March 20 <sup>th</sup> -	Happy Hour
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Pat McGuffin
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Chad Creech
June –	TBD
July –	No Meeting
August 21st	No Meeting
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party

## NORWF 2025 Volunteers

<u>Raffle Basket</u>			<u>Dessert</u>	
Month	Name	Phone #	Name	Phone #
January	Joni Keams	407-883-1403	Brenda Solomon Sandy Bove	407-463-9437
February	Brenda Solomon Sandy Bove	407-269-2499	Barb Zakszewski	407-921-7219
March	<del>Loretta Forlaw</del> Happy Hour	407-579-5971	<del>Verlie Norris</del> Happy Hour	407-221-8011
April	Paulette Chessa	321-229-6888	Loretta Forlaw	407-579-5971
May	Verlie Norris	407-221-8011	Louise Fortunato	407-301-8912
June	Loretta Forlaw	407-579-5971	Lil Finno	407-703-4743
July		No	Meeting	
August		No	Meeting	
September	Andy Anderson	689-309-3467	Beverly Blackmon	407-361-6751
October	Barb Zakszewski	407-921-7219	Lois Cooper	407-920-2508
November	Judy Risser	407-920-7518	Paulette Chessa	321-229-6888
December	Hillary Courson	407-402-8733	Marty Harrison	407-493-0471

3-17-25





**You Are Invited to Join the FFRW Champions**

Your donation of \$150 will give you entrance into this exclusive club, The FFRW Champions. The Champions Program provides a unique opportunity to take your FFRW membership to the next level. This special sponsorship program helps the FFRW complete its mission by giving direct financial support to the organization year-round. You will receive recognition in our newsletters and invitations to special Champions Events.

For your initial donation, you will receive the above pictured pin, as well as your first charm for 2025. The pin has soft enamel glitter with a magnetic back and a 4mm loop to wear as a necklace. The pin is 1 3/4" tall. Each year with your renewal, you will receive another charm with the corresponding year to attach to the bottom of the previous year's charm.

Please complete the application below.

Name		Title/Club	
Address		City	ST Zip
Phone		Email	
Check	Cash	Credit Card	

Please mail this application and your check to: Lynn Stafford, FFRW Treasurer  
295 Hickory Street  
Monticello, FL 32344





## NORTHWEST ORANGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED, INC

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Website: WWW.NORWF.ORG

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: ☐ New Member ☐ Annual Renewal (Place an "\*" next to new/updated information)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month + day) \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear about our organization? \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS: \_\_\_\_\_ Active Membership \$55.00/ year

\_\_\_\_\_ Female\*/Male Associate Membership \$40.00/ year

\*Women who are Associate Members must be an active member in another Federated club. List the FFRW Club of your

Active Membership \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Young Republicans/Student Associate Membership—\$10.00/year

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS: Includes one year of active or associate membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Platinum Eagle \$251 + \_\_\_\_\_ Gold Eagle \$200 - \$250 \_\_\_\_\_ Silver Eagle \$100 - \$199 \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze Eagle \$60 - \$99

Membership includes free monthly newsletters via email.

**I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES** (please check all that apply)

STANDING COMMITTEES: \_\_\_\_\_ Bylaws \_\_\_\_\_ Campaign Activities \_\_\_\_\_ Community Relations \_\_\_\_\_ Finance  
(Ways & Means) \_\_\_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Legislative/CAP/Resolutions \_\_\_\_\_ Programs

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: \_\_\_\_\_ Achievement Awards \_\_\_\_\_ Adopt-A-Soldier \_\_\_\_\_ Americanism \_\_\_\_\_ Caring for America  
\_\_\_\_\_ Armed Services & Veterans \_\_\_\_\_ Historian/Press Book \_\_\_\_\_ M.E.L.P. \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ Public Relations  
\_\_\_\_\_ Scholarships \_\_\_\_\_ Sunshine \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Chaplain \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter/Website \_\_\_\_\_ Parliamentary

AMOUNT PAID:\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ CC \_\_\_\_\_

Signature on this application certifies that I am a Registered Republican. By signing this application, I also agree to abide by the By-laws and Standing Rules of NORWF, to include supporting only Republicans in partisan and non- partisan races.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION & PAYMENT TO: NORWF. P.O. BOX 56, APOPKA, FL 32704-0056

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NORWF