



**NORWF President Letter  
December 2025**

It was a busy 2025 with lots of activities associated with National, State and Regional meetings. We were fortunate to have had 2 to 3 members (Loretta Forlaw, Charlotte White, and Katie Hope) attend some or all each conference. Thanks to Brenda Solomon for volunteer hours at NFRW. Many of the changes associated with these meetings will be shared and taking place in 2026.

Congratulations and Welcome to our new officers:

Recording Secretary: Paulette Chessa

President: Loretta Forlaw

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Carolyn Booth

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Katie Hope

Treasurer: Sue Dewbre

Corresponding Secretary: Sandy Bove

We appreciate our assistant 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Charlotte White and

Assistant Treasurer: Lillian Finno

Please consider attending the 12-13 February FFRW Meeting in Tallahassee:

**FFRW Legislative Day and Club Leadership Training. This year's Legislative Day motto is "Power in Every Step.**

Our major focus will be making our **20<sup>th</sup> year our best!** Please share your ideas for events, election year activities, and fundraising starting now!

**Thank you for a successful 2025. Merry Christmas to all NORWF members, associates, and supporters.**  
Wishing everyone joy, peace, and a wonderful holiday season.

***Loretta***

Loretta Forlaw  
President, NORWF



## NORTHWEST ORANGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED

# Christmas Luncheon



NORWF

Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Papa Diesel's BBQ

464 S. Hunt Club Blvd., Apopka, FL

Lunch Meeting Starts at 11:30 A.M. until 1:30 P.M.

Cost: Individual by meal, ordered day of event.

RSVP: MARTY HARRIS ON: email [martyaoii@aol.com](mailto:martyaoii@aol.com) or call 407-493-0471.

## Installation of 2026 Officers

INSTALLED TO CELEBRATE NORWF 20<sup>th</sup> YEAR

Fun! HOLIDAY SPIRIT! Joyful Event!

Casual Holiday Attire

ENTERTAINMENT: Bold & Playful Who Dun It?

It's Murder Mystery Time!

Vote for the murderer of your choice.



**"Women Making a Difference"**

**DUES ARE DUE PLEASE SEE APPLICATION AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER  
AND RETURN TO BRENDA SOLOMON!**

**THANK YOU TO:**

**NOTE: ELECTIONS HELD AT THURSDAY MEETING (NOVEMBER): CONGRATULATIONS  
TO THE FOLLOWING NEW OFFICERS FOR 2025-2026**

President	Loretta Forlaw
First Vice President	Carolyn Boothe with support by Charlotte White
Second Vice President	Katie Hope
Treasurer	Sue Dewer
Recording Secretary	Paulette Chessa
Corresponding Secretary	Sandy Bove

Please consider GETTING INVOLVED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES.... PICK A PROJECT AND FURTHER OUR GROWTH, SUPPORT, AND EXCITEMENT.... WHAT TOUCHES YOUR HEART??

1 <u>Americanism</u>	7 <u>Federation Fund</u>
2 <u>Armed Services</u>	8 <u>Leadership Development</u>
3 <u>Awards</u>	9 <u>Legislation and Advocacy</u>
4 <u>Campaigns and Elections</u>	10 <u>Literacy and Education</u>
5 <u>Caring for America</u>	11 <u>Regents Program</u>
6 <u>Email Network</u>	

EVERY MEMBER HAS A GOD GIVEN GIFT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO USE YOURS THIS YEAR TO SUPPORT NORWF, LORETTA AND THE BOARD?

**MEMBERSHIP: Newsletter:** We are going back to following our guidelines for publishing. The 8th of the month is deadline for submission to the newsletter. PLEASE this is your newsletter. Every officer, every committee member should be submitting updates, requests, and timely information pertaining to that committee. The 20<sup>th</sup> year should have something submitted every month. This is your newsletter! Every committee above has deadlines and guides the committee can use the newsletter to promote. If individual has something of great interest/heart issue they want submitted please submit! The new deadline date for submission Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. The newsletter always was sent before the meeting reason is part of the lateness but also deciding what everyone wants to see and read and more importantly WHAT NORWF needs educated on is totally YOU as membership needs to let me know. Communication is everything. Have idea for committee or speaker please let us know.

Charlotte



## WHO ARE WE?

***We are a non-profit, grassroots organization dedicated to promoting political cultural and civic goals in a conservative tradition of individual rights and freedoms.***

## OBJECTIVES:

- ◆ ***Elect qualified, capable and strong leaders into political office.***
- ◆ ***Educate the public about the Republican party and its leaders.***
- ◆ ***Seek qualified candidates and promote for office.***
- ◆ ***Increase Republican votes and voter turn-out.***
- ◆ ***Promote loyalty and support of the Republican party.***
- ◆ ***Uphold the values and traditions of the Republican party.***
- ◆ ***Bring issues of importance to the public's attention.***

Congratulations to NORWF on our 20<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. Thank you to all the amazing women who had the insight and drive to set our club into motion so many years ago. Thank you to all the women who have kept this club relevant and continuing to make contributions to the Apopka area, Orange County, the state of

Florida and our country through our scholarships, volunteer efforts, and support of conservative candidates. As we look to the future, may we continue the fight for the conservative values and Christian principles that have guided our lives. I thank each one of you for joining our club and being a part of this tradition of strong, productive, and effective women!!

Brenda Solomon  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President/Membership

**It is not too early to get ready for the 2026 tax season** IR-2025-116, Nov. 26, 2025

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service encourages taxpayers to take steps now to prepare for the upcoming filing season by visiting [IRS.gov/GetReady](https://www.irs.gov/GetReady) for tips on what is new and what to consider before filing. This is the first in a series of special IRS "Get Ready" reminders to help taxpayers prepare in early 2026 for the upcoming tax filing season. A little advance work preparing paperwork and organizing information now can help with filing tax returns quickly and accurately.

It is important for taxpayers to get ready now because the [One, Big, Beautiful Bill](#) can significantly affect federal taxes, credits and deductions. The IRS and Treasury are working to implement the new legislation, including providing information on the new tax deductions, such as no tax on tips, no tax on overtime, no tax on car loan interest, the new temporary deduction for seniors and others. The IRS will release latest information as it becomes available.

**Gather and organize tax records** Having organized tax records helps taxpayers file complete and accurate tax returns and avoid errors that could delay refunds. Start by collecting:

- Bank account information.
- Forms W-2 from your employer(s).
- Forms 1099 from banks and other payers.
- Records of digital asset transactions.

Taxpayers should wait to file until they have received all their tax records. Keeping documents organized can also make it easier to locate information needed to claim deductions or credits.

**Online Account** An [IRS online account](#) allows taxpayers to access personal tax information, including recently filed returns, securely. Through this tool, taxpayers can:

- View tax records, including adjusted gross income and transcripts.
- Make, schedule and view payments.
- Get or view their [Identity Protection PIN](#) (IP PIN).
- Authorize a tax professional to access their tax records digitally.
- Access available Forms W-2 and certain 1099s.

**Speed tax refunds with direct deposit**

Direct deposit is the fastest way to receive a refund. Additionally, in accordance with [Executive Order 14247](#), the IRS began [phasing out paper tax refund checks](#) on Sept. 30, 2025, which means most taxpayers must provide routing and account numbers to get their refunds directly deposited into their bank accounts.

Taxpayers without a bank account can learn how to open one at an [FDIC insured bank](#) or through the [National Credit Union Locator Tool](#). Veterans, see the [Veterans Benefits Banking Program](#) for financial services options at participating banks.

Prepaid debit cards, digital wallets, or mobile apps may support direct deposit. To use these options, taxpayers must have routing and account numbers associated with their personal accounts. Check with the mobile app provider or financial institution to confirm which numbers to use.

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**THANK YOU FOR ALL WHO SERVED THIS 2025 YEAR.... PLEASE EMAIL  
BRENDA BEFORE DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> WITH YOUR MONTHS TO SUPPLY  
DESSERT OR PREPARE A BASKET.**

**Please let Membership Brenda Solomon know  
which month you will be donating desert or  
basket (can share a basket).**

**NORWF CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2025****DATE****GENERAL MEETINGS****NORWF 2025 Volunteers**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Raffle Basket</b>		<b>Dessert</b>
		<b>Phone #</b>	<b>Name</b>	
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	<u>Loretta Forlaw</u> Happy Hour	407-579-5971	<u>Verlie Norris</u> 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
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			Marty Harrison	407-493-0471



### Find the FFRW on Social Media!

- Join FFRW on our private [Facebook GROUP](#)
- Like FFRW on our public [Facebook PAGE](#) (YOU CAN SHARE FROM HERE!)
- Follow FFRW on [X \(formerly Twitter\)](#)
- Find FFRW on [Instagram](#)
- Follow FFRW on [Truth Social](#)

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### Want to learn more about the National Federation of Republican Women?

- NFRW's website ([www.NFRW.org](http://www.NFRW.org))
- Follow formerly Twitter ([@NFRW](https://twitter.com/@NFRW))
- NFRW on Facebook
- Find NFRW on Instagram



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS

December 11<sup>th</sup> Sandy Bove

December 23<sup>rd</sup> Russ Bove

**REMEMBER TO START WRITING 2026 ON ALL  
DOCUMENTS**

<b>January 16<sup>th</sup>.</b>	<b>Inauguration Ceremony</b>
<b>February 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>City Commissioner - Diane Velazquez</b>
<b>March 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Happy Hour</b>
<b>April 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pastor Pat McGuffin</b>
<b>May 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Chad Creech</b>
<b>June -</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>July -</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>August 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>No Meeting</b>
<b>September 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Florida House of Representative Doug Bankston</b>
<b>October 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Apopka Chief Editor - J. C. Derrick</b>
<b>November 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Apopka Police Department-Sargent Mark Creaser,</b>
<b>December 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Party</b>

**STEP UP AND BE ACTIVE NORWF**

**\* MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.... THE BEST FRIENDS CREATED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED WITH SIDE BY SIDE, WORKED WITH ON BOARD, COMMITTEE OR SAT WITH AT A MEETING....**

**\*\* GREATEST MEMORIES, IS SUCCESS STORY OF ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT MADE A SMALL DIFFERENCE  
TAKE A STEP OF ENJOYMENT VOLUNTEER**



**AS WE START 2026, WE NEED TO REALLY CONSIDER OUR HIGHWAY OF FINANCES!!!  
OUR AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR THE ANNUAL BUDGET IS MINIMAL FOR 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR!!!**

**A JANUARY FUNDRAISER IS A MUST!!! HELP NORWF BY COMING ALONG AND HELP ORGANIZE FUNDRAISER AND RE-BUILD FUNDS!!! SO, LETS GAME IT UP AND COME UP WITH FUN FUNDRAISER!**



**YOU CHOOSE PATH OF FUNDRAISER- AND OTHERS WILL FOLLOW AND HELP!!!! COME UP WITH NEW AND UNIQUE IDEA ALONG WITH BINGO, AND ONE MORE FUNDRAISER.....START THE YEAR ON RIGHT NOTE OF BUILDING BUDGET FUNDS! WHILE HAVING FUN WITH FRIENDS..... THINK OUT OF THE BOX!!!**

**NORTHWEST ORANGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED, INC**  
**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**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 \$45.00/year      Associate Membership \$30.00 per/year \_\_\_\_\_

Women who are associate members must be an active member in another Federated club. List the FFRW Club of your Active Membership \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Male Associate Membership \$30.00/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Young Republicans/Student Associate Membership \$5.00/year

**SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:** Includes one year of active or associate membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Platinum Eagle \$251+      \_\_\_\_\_ Gold Eagle \$200 - \$250      \_\_\_\_\_ Silver Eagle \$100 - \$199      \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze Eagle \$50 - \$99

Membership includes free monthly newsletters via email. Additional \$10/year for hard copy.

**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      \_\_\_\_\_ Parliamentarian

**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 Republicans only 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**