



KFRW Newsletter

March 2019

President's Message

Effective with our March 25th meeting, we will now meet at the Monticello Chamber of Commerce, located at 420 W. Washington St., which allows us to open the doors as early as 5 pm. Unless something is planned for earlier, like our Social March 25th, door will be open at 6 pm. We appreciate Susan Rissman arranging for us to meet at the Jefferson Art Gallery for our last five meetings. *Thank you!!*

We voted from four logo designs and two, #1 a simple design and #4 a **bold** design, took the lead. We are waiting for several tweaks to both and will e-mail a final vote selection for the KFRW Logo. We much appreciate Sara Kirsch for stepping up and all her help on the logo!!

We raffled off a "Luck of the Irish" and "**Green**" themed gift bag filled with goodies at our February meeting, raising \$96! Awesome!!! The winner was Karen Purser. Raffle tickets are \$3 each or 4 for \$10. So, remember... bring a little cash\$\$\$. We also have a "Time for Change" jar for your loose change.

Our March speakers are Sheriff Mac McNeill and Sgt. Marvin Edwards. Topic: Using your own gun for protection and safely carrying concealed. Together, we will offer Concealed Weapon Permit classes in April for members and non-members, also a fundraiser.

We hope to see all of you on March 25th. Mark your calendars now!!!

Lynn, Joy, Karen, Brenda & Eydie

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Membership Update

We welcome our newest members: Debra Kay Sacket, Gloria Yaun, and Dusty Boyce.

Currently, KFRW has 37 Primary members and 13 Associate members for a total of 50 club members!

We have two New Member Socials planned in March. Please invite potential members to learn about KFRW and join us. All new members are encouraged to come to get to know other members! See separate flyer.

*Tuesday the 19th, 10 am, at Electric City Wheels & Grinds at 166 E. Dogwood St.

*Monday the 25th, 5:30 pm, prior to our meeting at the Chamber of Commerce.

Reminder: March 25th ends the 1st quarter membership contest. *Will you be our first club winner by introducing the most new members this quarter??* ■

“Each one bring one and Watch us Grow in 2019”

GROWTH = MEMBERS = STRENGTH = VOTES = REPUBLICAN MAJORITIES

2019 Membership Rewards Contest

The Membership Rewards Contest for the 1st quarter of 2019 is underway and ends at the March 25th meeting. Earn 1 point for each new Associate Member; 2 points for new Primary Members; and add 1 point to each when the new member changes party affiliation to a Republican.

Keep in mind, rewards for the most *new* members will be awarded quarterly at meetings in March, June, September, and at the December Christmas party. The member responsible for the most new members joining our club in 2019 will get a *special* prize at the Christmas party. ■

2019 KFRW Committees

All seven KFRW committees held initial meetings and will keep all of us informed, primarily at our monthly meetings. Please refer to the Committees tab on our website for the list of committees and members.

Events and Fundraising – Karen Purser will arrange greeters at meetings and members to lead invocation & flag pledge. Our next big event, June 14 & 15, is the Watermelon Festival & Parade. Plan now to participate!!

We’re asking members to sign up for a month and/or bring items that can be used to fill baskets for our raffle. These can be items you’ve received as gifts and never used. See the list through June on page 3.

Campaign – After the Special Primary Election on April 9th, KFRW will support the republican candidate for the Special General Election in June.

Community Outreach – Meeting with JS teacher Mr. Cheesborough; also planning an Essay Contest for Jefferson County middle and high school students.

Legislative – Currently tracking bills of interest during the Florida’s Legislative session, which began March 5th.

Media & Public Relations – Karen P. has agreed to be our Club Photographer and Lynn S. will video record our speakers.

The expectation is all members will help at club events, as available, throughout the year when called upon by the committees.

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“Some people give time, some money, some their skills and connections, some literally give their life’s blood. But everyone has something to give.” -- Former First Lady Barbara Bush

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KFRW New Member's Social – Friday, Feb. 15th



Two new members joined KFRW at the new member's social held last month at Tupelo's Bakery. Plan now to attend one in March!



Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets/Bags

March – April Showers <-> **Karen Purser**

Suggestions: Easter & spring items, fresh plant(s)

April – Cinco de Mayo <-> **Needed**

Suggestions: Mexican Fiesta - Chips, salsa, hot sauce, margarita mix, make it colorful and fun!

May - Sweet Summertime <-> **Brenda Sorensen**

Suggestions: Watermelon Themed Basket

June – “Proud to be an American” <-> **Needed**

Suggestions: Red, White and Blue “Patriotic” Theme



Concealed Weapon Permit Class

Offered to KFRW Members and Non-members by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

Please e-mail Lynn Stafford if you want to take the class and which of these possible dates & times you could attend. We'll fill one class before starting another. Deadline to sign up is March 28th.

- Saturday April 6 – 4-6 pm
- Sunday April 7 – 2-4 pm
- Saturday April 27 – 4-6 pm
- Sunday April 28 – 2-4 pm

Cost: \$35 for Members & \$50 Non-Members

Class Location: Karen & Kenny Knox's Property
3813 Dills Road, Monticello

What to Bring: Your own gun and box of bullets

This also is a fundraiser for our club.



Member's Birthdays In March

Happy Birthday to each of you!

We have no member's birthdays this month!



Calendar of Events

FL Legislative Session Begins
Tuesday, March 5



FFRW 2019 Spring BOD & Legislative Conference, TLH
Sunday, March 10, 2 pm - Dinner
Monday, March 11, 8 am - Banquet
Tuesday, March 12, 8 am - 10 am



J.C. School Board
Rental Policy Workshop, 4 pm
Meeting, 6 pm
Monday, March 11
1490 W. Washington St.



KFRW New Member Socials
Tuesday, March 19, 10 am
Electric City Wheels & Grinds
Monday, March 25, 5:30 pm
Monticello Chamber of Commerce



KFRW Member Meeting
Monday, March 25, 7 pm
Monticello Chamber of Commerce
~ Speaker: Sheriff Mac McNeil
and Sgt. Marvin Edwards ~



For additional photos and events >> KFRWFL.org

Difference Between Democrat and Republican

---- continued from February issue

Democrat vs Republican

Same-Sex Marriages: **Republicans** do not agree with same-sex marriages and believe that a marriage should be between a man and woman only. Republicans also think that gay couples should not be able to adopt children; and **Democrats** oppose same-sex discrimination at Federal state level and believe that same sex couples should have the same rights as heterosexual couples, including the right to adopt a child.

Limits of the Government: **Republicans** believe that a smaller government is better; the government should have fewer responsibilities and should not interfere in the economic sphere; and **Democrats** believe that the government should have a strong role in helping and supporting Americans. The intervention of the government in the public sphere includes the creation of regulation for businesses and for the health care system.

Immigration: **Republicans** are in favor of strong border controls and push for limits to immigration – in particular from certain countries. Republicans believe that a tighter control on immigration would benefit American workers and would reduce the risks related to terrorist attacks. The Muslim Ban proposed by President Trump a few days after the beginning of his mandate is a clear example of the stance of the Republican Party with regard to immigration and integration; and **Democrats** are generally more favorable to open immigration policies. Indeed, they do not believe that there should be no control and that anyone should be allowed in the country and granted asylum; but they believe that the process to request asylum should be quicker and that mass deportation is not the solution to all problems related to terrorism and unemployment.

Death Penalty: Traditionally, **Republicans** favor a death penalty and believe it is a just punishment for certain crimes; and most **Democrats** are against death penalty and believe that capital punishment should be commuted into life sentences.

Health Care: **Republicans** support private health care systems and believe that the regulation of the national health care system should not be entirely in the hands of the government; and **Democrats** support public universal health care and believe that the government should intervene to assist Americans who struggle to cover their health care expenses.

---- conclusion in next issue

The KFRW Membership Directory, with member contact information, is updated monthly and distributed via email to each active member.

If you have any changes, please email them to lynn@kfrwfl.org.