



KFRW Newsletter

March 2020

President's Message

It was great to see a number of you at **Sheriff Mac McNeill's** Campaign Kickoff event on Saturday. What a beautiful, chilly day it was. These events are a perfect opportunity for us to network with other republicans (hint: *ask them to join our club*) and also voters registered as NPA and Democrats. Our #1 mission is to convert as many of these registered voters to republican, which makes them more likely to vote for republicans. This was just one of the points Brett Doster shared with us at our February meeting. I think everyone present benefited greatly with what he shared with us, although not necessarily pleasant to hear. To read more of the pertinent points Brett made, critical to the 2020 election, please see page 4!

The **March 23rd meeting topic is Campaign 2020** and **our speaker is Alex Jones**, Deputy State Director for the Florida GOP. **Florida's Presidential Preference Primary is Tuesday, March 17!** Even though President Trump doesn't have any serious republican opposition, WE all need to vote, which sends a definitive message of our support for him to all voters.

Thank you to those who came and enjoyed our first quarterly social-movie night at the Knox's home on Friday, February 28. We shared a great meal & viewed **Politics: Easy as PIE** (Politics = Integrity + Economics) one of several educational DVDs our club owns. It's one many of those around us need to see as well and I hope more of you get the chance!

Did you *forget* to come to the meeting last month? If *you* would like a reminder text, prior to the 4th Monday meetings, send a text to 850-251-0158 to authorize a monthly text.☺ Hey we're all busy!!

Mark your calendars now –there are five Mondays in March – we meet on the 4th Monday, March 23rd!

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Membership Update

We welcome our newest members: The first month we've had no one to list here. ☺ See the Membership Challenge for 2020 below and let's all make a point of inviting one new person to a meeting and/or ask them to join the KFRW.

Currently, we have a total of 67 paid for 2020: 47 primary & 20 associate members. We still have several members who need to renew for 2020. Please do so soon!

Renewal Dues for 2020: If you still need to renew, *please contact Karen or Lynn.*

Membership Socials: Our 2nd quarter social and movie night will be at Eydie and Butch Tricquet's home, 61 N. Ojibwa Rd, on May 22. Make a note now! We begin at 6 pm with a potluck meal together & then view one of our educational DVDs. Bring a friend or fellow club member. If you can host one in August, *please let Karen know.*

Membership Challenge for 2020: As a member, will YOU commit to inviting at least ONE new person to join us? We can double if everyone invited just ONE new member into the club this year. *Let's do it!*

"Each One Bring One And Watch Us Grow In 2020"

When sharing with friends about our club, invite them to come to a meeting with you, or one of our membership socials, to learn about KFRW and join us. We do this prior to each meeting at 6:30 pm.■

GROWTH = MEMBERS = STRENGTH = VOTES = REPUBLICAN MAJORITIES

Club Fundraising ~ Merchandise

For the 2020 Election, we have Trump [hats and T-shirts you can sell](#) to your friends and family members for them to show their support for President Trump and 4 patriotic bracelet designs. [See the selection here!](#) Funds raised are used for club events & activities ■

KFRW Committee Updates

All Committee Chairs: *Please e-mail monthly updates to Lynn by Sunday, prior to monthly meeting, so updates can be shared with all club members via email, newsletter, etc. Thank you!*

Campaign – Joy Frisby is encouraging all club members to choose a task you are comfortable doing to help our republican candidates. This may be helping with voter registration stations, knocking on doors, making calls, or holding up campaign signs close to and on election days. Reach out to one, or two, of our republican candidates and let them know you'll help; or you can *contact Joy at 590-5359 to find out how you can help.*

Community Outreach – Junior Achievement classes have been completed and Gretchen and Charlie are continuing to do remedial phonics and reading for designated first graders twice a week. *Please contact Gretchen* if you'd like to know how you too can volunteer.

Events and Fundraising – Make a note of the month you adopted a raffle basket, *see page 3.* We will be gearing up soon for preparation for the Watermelon Festival booth and parade > June 19th & 20th. *Save the date, we need you!*

Legislative – We hope you'll support bills and initiatives that are important to you. There are just two weeks left in the 2019 session.

Media – Our website was hacked with malware and has been deactivated since Feb. 17. We're working to resolve the problems, still not there! Please share what our candidates are doing on your social media. And, if you take photos at our meetings & events, *please forward via text or e-mail to Lynn S.*

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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Q: What year did **Susan B. Anthony** request that **Senator A. A. Sargent** (R-CA) introduce the 19th Amendment to the U. S. Congress?

A: 1878

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Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets



The “**Green with Envy**” basket, donated by **Leta Allen**, was raffled at the February meeting, raising \$105. *Awesome!!* The winner... **Catherine McNeill!!**

All 2020 baskets are adopted! You have to Enter > Win!

Raffle Tickets: \$3 each or 4 for \$10. Remember to bring a check or cash \$\$\$ to the meetings.

Have fun and help us raise club funds! If you have items to contribute for a theme below, *please bring to a meeting.* ☺



March - “Put on Your Easter Bonnet” <-> **Diana Mulhearn** - *Suggestions: Springs Items, Flower Seeds*

April - “Patriotic Summer Ahead” <-> **Leslie & Brenda**
Suggested Items: Summer Items, Red White and Blue

May - “Watermelon Crawlin” <-> **Jessica Lane**
Suggested Items: Watermelon Themed Items

June - “1776 was a Great Year” <-> **Marianne Arbulu**
Suggested Items: Patriotic Items, Grilling Accessories

July - “Celebrating 100 years of Women Voting” <-> **Susan Carabello** - *Suggested items: Empowering Women*

August - “I’ll Take Fall for \$100, Alex” <-> **Jessica Robinson** - *Suggested Items: Fall Themed Basket*

September - “Fight Like a Girl” <-> **Joy Frisby**
Suggested Items: Pink Themed Basket

October - “Paint Jefferson Co. Red” <-> **Charlie Cook**
Suggested Items: GOP Themed Basket

November - “Winter Wonderland” <-> **Judi Cleckner**
Suggested Items: Items for those Cold Winter Nights

December - Christmas Party Basket <-> **Catherine McNeill** - *Items for Raffle Basket for Christmas Party* ■



March Members’ Birthdays

Happy Birthday to each of you!

- 3/27 BT Williams
- 3/29 Leta Allen



Calendar of Events



Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday, March 8



J.C. School Board Meeting

Monday, March 9, 6 pm
1490 W. Washington St.



KFRW Exec. Comm. Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 5:30 pm
Lynn Stafford’s Home, 295 Hickory St



Voter Registration Table

Friday, March 13, 4 pm – 6 pm
Saturday, March 14, 11 am – 2pm
Saturday, March 21, 11 am – 2pm



Mike Robinson Campaign KO

Saturday, March 21, 11 am - 2 pm
195 Pecan Place, Monticello



KFRW New Member Info.

Monday, March 23, 6:30 pm

KFRW Member Meeting

Monday, March 23, 7 pm
(Door opens at 6 pm)

Monticello Chamber of Commerce

**Guest Speaker: Alex Jones,
Florida GOP, Campaign 2020**



For blog posts: KFRWFL.org

2020 Elections and Campaign ~ March

Key points from Brett Doster, speaker this past Monday evening:

1. Try to persuade **NPA**s in Jefferson County to register as **Republicans**. This is crucial as it has been shown once they do this, they tend to be more committed to the voting process.
2. Encourage people to vote as soon as possible, preferably by absentee ballot.
3. Winning Florida is critical to winning a sufficient number of Electoral College votes. In the past 20 years, every president has won Florida.
4. Door knocking is the most effective way to communicate with the voters so that should be part of our campaign activities. [This seems to be Jefferson voter's preferred method too!]
5. Due to the hatred of socialism by immigrants from Columbia and Venezuela, a large number of these folks are **Republicans**. The younger Cuban population tends to favor the **Democrat** party and do not perceive the socialism threat.

NPAs are the wild card in this election so they must be a priority! Get them to commit to become a **Republican**!! Now is the time!!

Four pivot counties in Florida voted for Donald Trump in the 2016 election after previously voting for Barack Obama in 2012 and 2008 and Jefferson County had the 2nd highest percent behind Monroe County! Let's make Jefferson County number one in 2020!!!

KFRW will be setting up Voter Registration tables in various locations in the upcoming months for 2-3 hours in Monticello and around the county. See Calendar of Events for March dates! Great opportunity for our candidates to meet face-to-face with voters!!

Active Jefferson County Registered Voters:

	As of 3/1/20:	As of 1/31/20:	As of 6/30/19:
Democrat:	5,150	5,136, down 14 in a month	5,451, down 301 in 20 months
Republican:	3,546	3,504, up 42 in a month	3,050 up 496 in 20 months
Other:	1,139	1,147, down 8 in a month	1,150, down 11 in 20 months
Total:	9,835	9,787, up 48 voters	9,651, up 184 voters

March Election >> Florida Presidential Preference Primary – Tuesday, March 17, 7 am – 7 pm

Early Voting >> Saturday, March 7th consecutively through Saturday, March 14th

At the SOE Office - 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Republican Candidates on Ballot: Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente Joe Walsh
Donald J. Trump Bill Weld

The next election book closing (deadline to change party affiliation or register to vote) for the Primary Election in August is **July 20, 8:30 am**.

List of Republican Candidates to support who have filed (*italics represents KFRW Members*):

Clerk of Circuit Court & Comptroller	<i>Kirk Reams</i>	
Sheriff (no opponent at this time)	<i>Mac McNeill</i>	
Superintendent of Schools	<i>Eydie Tricquet</i>	and Al Cooksey
Tax Collector	<i>Lynn Stafford</i>	
County Commissioner - Dist.1	<i>Mike Robinson</i>	
County Commissioner - Dist.3	J. T. Surles	

Please note: School Board is a Non-Partisan Race. *Karen Purser* is running for Dist. 4.

Please REMEMBER TO VOTE in the Presidential Preference Primary in MARCH!!!

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