



KFRW Newsletter

April 2022

President's Message

Judi Cleckner, me and **Joy Frisby** attended the **FFRW Spring Conference** "We are Florida" in Tallahassee, March 4-6. I have to say, Spring Conference was far better in comparison to the Fall of 2021 Convention in Naples. Better use of time, more speakers, and not the long drive! Friday afternoon was spent at the Florida Capitol with Legislators dropping in to speak, **Lt. Gov Nunez**, and several Cabinet Members and Dept. Heads.

This was **Judi's** first FFRW conference and she enjoyed attending and hearing the speakers, which were: **Gov. DeSantis**, FL Senate Pres.-Elect **Aaron Bean**, FL US Congressman **Byron Donalds** on CRT, FL Senator **Ana Rodriguez**, FL Rep. **Erin Grall**, **Kristin Whitaker** (SUS Board of Governors), Pres. Trump's former Chief of Staff **Mark Meadows**, NY US Congresswoman **Claudia Tenney**, Sr. Policy Fellow at the Institute for Liberty **Kerri Toloczko**, all on *Election Integrity*, British Conservative media personality **Katie Hopkins** on *Surviving Cancel Culture*, Florida-based strategist **Ryan Tyson** on *Polling 2022*, Pres. & CEO of FBA **Alex Sanchez** on *Fiscal Policy Impacts*, and Co-Founder of Moms for Liberty **Tina Descovich** on *Out of Control School Boards & Upcoming SB Elections*. Also, NFRW President **Eileen Sobjack** spoke Sunday, *NFRW Vision for next 2 years*; 47 states now have a federated organization, HI the latest. **KFRW received the Bronze Achievement Award for 2020-2021.**

Everyone enjoyed hearing **Glen Bishop**, recently elected J.C. Republican Party Chair, share his vision and plans for the party with KFRW. Glen is a 5th generation Jeffersonian, involved with the local republican party for a number of years. I was very excited and relieved to hear him share his desire about weeding the party of RINO's (Republicans in Name Only); making sure only vetted individuals fill the seats of our precinct committeeman/woman and retaining only those who are active in those roles. Received this from Glen and sharing with all our members. "Please share my contact information below with your organization. I welcome questions and/or concerns and hope to develop a great relationship with all of you. Thank you again for the opportunity to speak and the hard work you are putting in!" [Contact: e-mail: BenjaminGlenBishop@gmail.com | cell: 850-508-4536]

Our next meeting is Monday, **April 25, 2022.** **Gretchen Wallace** and her team of judges are looking forward to reading the 2022 Essay Contest entries, announcing the winners and their presentations.

We are a quarter of the way through 2022, and truth about the Nov. 3, 2020 election is being revealed!

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Membership Update

KFRW 1st Quarter Membership Social was held at **The Downtown Club, March 26**, enjoying a covered dish meal together. We had a meaningful discussion about the 2022 election, concern for voter irregularities and what we might still can do.

We currently have 43 primary and 15 associate members.

Annual dues each calendar year: Primary Members \$50 & Associates Members \$25.

Membership Challenge for 2022: *We all know folks concerned about local, state or national issues and the direction we're heading. Have you asked them if they might be looking to get involved? Have you told them about KFRW? How about inviting or bringing them with you to our next meeting or function?*

"Each One Bring One and Watch Us Grow in 2022"

**GROWTH = MEMBERS = STRENGTH =
VOTES = REPUBLICAN MAJORITIES**

KFRW Merchandise for S~A~L~E

Help the club S-E-L-L merchandise!

Limited quantities of items. Pictures of all merchandise available to sell & purchase are on the [KFRW Website](#) by categories: [Cowboy & fedora hats](#), [bling & baseball caps](#), [visors](#), [reading glasses \(1.0-3.5\)](#), [fanny packs](#), [umbrellas](#), [flags](#), [magnets](#), [bumper stickers](#), [ties & tie bar](#), [buttons](#), [bracelets](#), [brooches](#), [earrings](#), [lapel pins](#), [scarf holders](#), [watches](#), [Trump shot glass](#), and [tile & paracord bracelets](#). Contact Lynn if you have questions or to obtain items. ■



Button (shown above), Bumper Stickers & Magnets for Pres. Trump

KFRW Committee Updates

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

For info on committees and purpose of each, refer to each on the KFRW [website](#).

Community Outreach – The 2022 KFRW Essay Contest for Jefferson County middle and high school students are due March 31, post-marked by then. We're checking the PO box daily. Judging will take place the first part of April with winners announced at the April meeting by **Gretchen Wallace** & presentations by the essay winners.

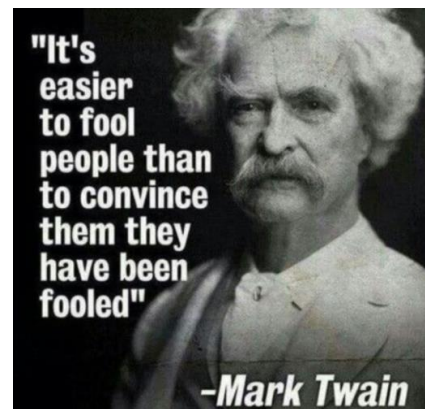
Events & Fundraising – Our next big event is the [Watermelon Festival](#), June 17 & 18. We'll have a booth (Friday & Saturday) and be in the parade Saturday morning. Please sign up to work at the booth or participate in the parade!!

School Board – So far, republican candidates filed to run are: **Brenda Wyrick**, Dist. 3 (vs S. Washington); **Keren Stevens & Ruby Schmigel Grantham**, both Dist. 5 (vs C. Boland), NONE for Dist. 2. **Please work to support any of these candidates.** Will invite all to speak.

12-year term limits for SB Members passed, beginning with the 2022 election cycle, not retro-active. Also, HB 1467 requiring Elementary schools to publish an online listing of all materials maintained in school libraries & other materials included in school reading lists passed, both now Florida law. – **Karen Purser**

Media – Note: If you take photos at events, *please forward via text or e-mail to Lynn Stafford ASAP.* ☺

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



Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets



The winner of the “**Gold Dust be Gone**” raffle basket, time to remove the pollen, made up of indoor/outdoor cleaning and organizing items, prepared by **Annaliese Mincy**, was won by **Bill Snyder**, but he drew another name, so **Gretchen Wallace** went home with the basket, which raised \$83.

2022 raffle baskets. You can pair up with another member on the baskets. Suggested items for baskets are to provide ideas, yet optional. If you have items to contribute for a themed basket, *please bring to a meeting.* ☺

April - “Seaside Escape” Diana Mulhearn
Beach Themed Basket

May - “Thanks a Melon” Judi Cleckner
Watermelon Themed Basket

June - “America First!” Susan Carabello
Red/White/Blue Themed Basket - Patriotic items, USA made

July - “Elephant Ears” Janis Morrow
Primary is Coming! - Election Themed Basket

August - “Let’s Get Ready for Football” Joy Frisby
Fall Themed Basket - Suggestions: Snacks, Dips, Recipes

September - “Boo Away Cancer” Gretchen Wallace
Pink Themed Basket - Suggestions: Pampering items

October - “Gobble till You Wobble” Catherine McNeill
Thanksgiving Themed Basket

November - “Silver Bells” Susan Anderson
Christmas Themed Basket



Judi Cleckner, Dotty McPherson, Crystal Putnam & Lynn Stafford - FFRW Conference



April Members’ Birthdays
There are no April Birthdays!



Calendar of Events



Rep. Candidate Meet-n-Greet
Saturday, April 9
5:30-7 pm @ Cowhaus Coffee Company



JC School Board Meeting
Monday, April 11
6 pm @ 1490 W. Washington St



KFRW Exec. Comm. Meeting
Wednesday, April 13
5:30 pm @ 295 Hickory St



Easter



Sunday, April 17



Tax Day



Monday, April 18



KFRW Membership Meeting
4th Monday, April 25

Door open 6:30 pm; Meeting 7 pm
American Legion, 1065 S. Water St

KFRW Essay Award Ceremony & Essay Winner Presentations

