



KFRW Newsletter

October 2022

President's Message

At our next meeting, the 4th Monday, October 24, 2022, Neal Dunn will be our speaker. He is currently the Congressional Representative for district 2 serving the southwest portion of Jefferson County. He's running this term against career politician, **Al Lawson**, who is the Congressional Rep. for district 5, serving the majority of Jefferson County. Due to the congressional redistricting, district 2 will serve all of Jefferson County, therefore only one will remain in Congress, so **let's do everything we can** to make sure it is **Neal Dunn!** OK?

Prior to our September meeting, KFRW hosted a **Meet & Greet** for **Corey Simon** from 5:30 – 6:50, serving yummy refreshments to all, and at 7 pm, Corey spoke at length and answered questions. We are getting good at campaign events!! *Thanks to all the members who helped out and attended.*

The Nominating Committee, **Karen Knox, Debbie Snapp** and **Gretchen Wallace**, will oversee the election or re-election of KFRW officers (a.k.a. the [Executive Committee](#)) for 2-year terms to begin at the 2023 January meeting. The election of officers will be at the Nov. 28 meeting. We will have a few openings, therefore we are asking members willing to become an officer, based on their interest and skills, to complete a [candidate application](#). The requirements and duties for each officer can be found [here](#). If you are unsure and/or have questions, please attend an **informational meeting, Monday, Oct. 3, 5:30 pm** at my home, 295 Hickory St.



Mark your calendar now to attend the **KFRW Social/Victory Party** on Saturday, **November 12**, at **Lynn McGrady's** home, 5370 Lake Rd, time TBD. We will have a potluck dinner; each member is asked to bring a dish. KFRW will provide paper products, water & tea. This is a social event, to get to know one another better and invite others to celebrate the wins of our republican candidates.

Kari Lake, on with Tucker Carlson, had this to say regarding her appearing to be fearless. *"I'm not afraid of the fake news, I'm not afraid of the globalists, I'm not afraid of anything that I'm facing on the campaign trail. I'm not afraid of the cartels. But I'm scared to death of what happens if we don't step in right at this moment, and DO something. I'm afraid of the world our children will live in."*

Now halfway into the 6-month volunteer hours and calls for July - Dec. 2022, please keep track of the hours you spend on anything political for KFRW, JC REC, campaigns, etc. on a [Volunteer Hour Log form](#), which can be found on the [KFRW website](#).

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Membership Update

We welcome 4 new members who joined at the Sept. 26 meeting: **Annette & Jason Friedrich**, **Michelle Milligan**, and **Ken Faircloth**. We now have 46 primary and 17 associate members!!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

2023 Membership Dues: Please renew your membership anytime now through December 31, at a meeting, or mail to the P.O. Box.

Any new members joining, Sept. 26 through the end of 2022, dues are paid through 2023.

Annual dues each calendar year: Primary Members \$50 and Associate Members \$25.

Membership Challenge for 2022: *Have you told someone about KFRW? Have you invited or brought them with you to meeting or event? If not, why not??? If not you, then who???*

This is a club challenge for each KFRW member:

“Each One Bring One and Watch Us Grow in 2022”

GROWTH = MEMBERS = STRENGTH = VOTES = REPUBLICAN MAJORITIES

KFRW Merchandise for S~A~L~E



Holiday shop with your KFRW club.

Share the link to our website with your friends and family and help our club sell merchandise and raise funds!

Limited quantities of items. Pictures of all merchandise available to sell & purchase are on the [KFRW Website](#) by categories:

[Cowboy & fedora hats](#), [visors & baseball caps](#), [reading glasses](#), [fanny packs](#), [bumper stickers](#), [magnets](#), [buttons](#), [flags](#), [bracelets](#), [brooches](#), [earrings](#), [scarf holders](#), [watches](#), [lapel pins](#), [ties & tie bar](#), & [tile & paracord bracelets](#). *Contact Lynn Stafford to obtain items or to answer any questions.* ■

KFRW Committee Updates

All Committee Chairs: *Please e-mail monthly updates to Lynn S. by Sunday*, prior to monthly meeting. For info on committees and purpose of each, refer to each on the KFRW [website](#).

Campaign – Voter registration closes Oct. 11. Support and assist our local candidates! Go door knocking. There are still lots of campaign signs that need to be put out everywhere!!

Community Outreach – Let’s Get Political, local government class, Mondays, 10 am, in Oct. at **JCHAI Resource Center**, old SOE office:

10/3 – Eydie Tricquet, JC School Superintendent

10/10 – Angela Gray, JC Property Appraiser

10/17 – Chief Mosley, Monticello Police Chief

10/24 – Shannon Metty, County Planning Dept. / Acting County Coordinator

10/31 – Field Trip to FL House of Representatives

Election Integrity – Three times now, the REC has assured three different candidates they have poll watching covered on their behalf. Yet again, KFRW members will not be able to poll watch during the 13 days of Early Voting. If you want to be a **Poll Watcher** Nov. 8, Election Day, with the REC, *please contact Janis Morrow*.

Events – Veterans’ Day Parade is Friday, Nov. 11 at 11 am. *Please sign-up to walk and hand out buttons to those watching the parade.*

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.

“When a society like ours is veering away from truth, those who tell truth will face fire. That type of society goes after truth-tellers more than anything, because those who tell truth threaten their power. In times like these, there’s no substitute for courage.”

– Governor DeSantis

Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets



The September raffle basket “**Boo Away Cancer**” was a pink large tote bag filled with many pampering items. **Debbie Snapp** won, again, and **Gretchen Wallace** provided, raising a whopping \$145!!!

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

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

November - “Silver Bells” Susan Anderson
Christmas Themed Basket



2022 November 8th General Election Races

Local, State and Federal Races

- County Comm. D2** – Paul Henry (LIB) v. Gene Hall (D)
- County Comm. D4** – **Austin Hosford** v. Betsy Barfield (NPA)
- JC SOE** – **Michelle Milligan** v. Althera Johnson (D)
- State Senator D3** – **Corey Simon** v. Lorraine Ausley (D)
- Governor** – **Ron DeSantis** v. Charlie Crist (D)
- Attorney General** – **Ashley Moody** v. Aramis Ayala (D)
- CFO** – **Jimmy Patronis** v. Adam Hattersley (D)
- Agriculture Comm.** – **Wilton Simpson** v. N. Blemur (D)
- U.S. Senator** – **Marco Rubio** v. Val Demings (D)
- U.S. Representative D2** – **Neal Dunn** v. Al Lawson (D)

Only in America will we stop a football game, drag out measuring chains and look at a play 15 times from 6 different angles to make sure we make the right call, but won't verify the integrity of an election of the highest office in our nation!



October Members' Birthdays

Happy Birthday to each of you!

- 10/4 Keith Cook
- 10/14 Betsy Upchurch
- 10/17 Dusty Boyce
- 10/20 Michele Brantley
- 10/24 Brenda Kiff
- 10/29 Stephanie Cook
- 10/30 Terri Penrod



Calendar of Events



Constitution Alive

Saturdays: Oct 1- Oct 29, 1-2 pm

Let's Get Political, Local Gov't

Mondays: Oct 3 - Oct 24, 10-11:15 am



KFRW Officer Info. Meeting

Monday, October 3

5:30 pm @ 295 Hickory St



Columbus Day

Monday, October 10

JC School Board Meeting

6 pm, 1490 W. Washington St



Political Forum BOCC Candidates

Tuesday, October 11, 6 pm

J.C. Courthouse Upstairs Courtroom



KFRW Exec. Comm. Meeting

Wednesday, October 12

5:30 pm @ 295 Hickory St



Political Forum SOE Candidates

Thursday, October 13, 6 pm

J.C. Courthouse Upstairs Courtroom



Early Voting General Election

Oct. 23 - Nov. 5 – 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

SOE Office, 1175 W. Washington St



KFRW Membership Meeting

4th Monday, October 24

Door open 6:30 pm; Meeting 7 pm

American Legion, 1065 S. Water St

Speaker: Neal Dunn, US Rep, Dist. 2



~ Florida Constitutional Amendments | And Vote in Person ~

James Madison Institute, in Tallahassee, is a great source for Florida Constitutional information:

Florida's constitutional history is unique. In less than two centuries, Florida has had six different constitutions. Our current constitution, ratified in 1968, has been amended 144 times—most recently in 2020.

Florida also boasts the greatest number of ways to amend its constitution out of any other state. There are currently **five ways to get a proposed amendment on the statewide ballot**: (1) joint resolution by the Florida Legislature; (2) Florida Constitution Revision Commission; (3) Citizens' Initiative; (4) Constitutional Convention; and (5) Florida Taxation and Budget Reform Commission.

Fortunately, proposed amendments are required to be clear and straightforward. **For the 2022 election cycle**, there are only **three amendments on the ballot for consideration**, all of which are **joint resolutions from the Florida Legislature** (60 percent of both the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate must agree to put the proposed amendment on the ballot). Per constitutional requirements, each of the proposed amendments concern a single subject.

- A1 Taxes** Prohibits flood resistance improvements to a home from being considered when determining the property's assessed value for property taxes
- A2 Direct Democracy** Abolishing the Constitution Revision Commission – **VOTE YES, FFRW**
- A3 Taxes** Providing additional Homestead Property Tax exemption (\$50,000) for certain public service workers

Use JMI's [2022 Amendment Guide](#) to help evaluate each of the three constitutional amendments that will be presented on the Nov. 8 ballot. Each amendment is unique and should be considered seriously. Repealing any amendment that has passed requires a new ballot initiative garnering 60 percent of the vote in a subsequent election. Here's a [Quick Guide to 2022 Amendments](#) (2 pages).

Culminating on election day, November 8, 2022, more than 10 million Floridians will cast their votes. In addition to electing a governor, a lieutenant governor, 28 members of Congress, 120 members of the State House and 40 of the 40-member Florida Senate, the ballot tasks Floridians with voting on three proposed constitutional amendments. Constitutional initiatives play a pivotal role in the governance of the State, and thus warrant careful consideration. *Be informed, and then vote!*

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VOTE YES for ALL Supreme Court Justices on the ballot, **EXCEPT Jorge Labarga, VOTE NO!**

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~ **REMEMBER: Vote in Person, and preferably ON Election Day** ~



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