



KFRW Newsletter

December 2022

President's Message

We did celebrate our Republican wins from the General Election at the **KFRW Social & Victory Party** on Saturday, **November 12**, at **Lynn McGrady's** home on Lake Rd with lots of delicious food and great fellowship – getting to know each other better and entertaining a few guests as well. If you missed this party, then your next chance is our **Annual KFRW Christmas Party** on **Tuesday, December 13**, beginning at 6 pm, the Boyce's home at 520 E. Dogwood. Dress in your holiday attire and bring one of your favorite recipes for a potluck dinner together. Please invite your spouse or a friend to join in our last event together of 2022. To add to the fun, we will have a **Silent Auction** at this year's party, like we did at our first Christmas Party in 2018. *If you'd like to contribute an item for the silent auction, please contact **Karen Knox** at 850-251-0158 and let her know, then bring your item to the party or drop off earlier.*

On Monday, Nov. 28, the membership elected the following KFRW officers to serve a 2-year term to begin at the 2023 January meeting: **Lynn Stafford** for *President*, **Annaliese Mincy** for *V.P. of Programs & Public Relations*, **Lynn Wojciechowski** for *V.P. Membership*, **Janis Morrow** for *Secretary*, and **Judi Cleckner** for *Treasurer*. *Please support them in any way you can! (See photo on page 4.)*

We did hear about **Michelle Milligan's** experience running as a first-time candidate for Supervisor of Elections. She summed it up saying, she'd pretty much do the same thing the next time around. And since she won (*yeah!*), she probably should do just that! After she's been on the job as SOE for several months, we will have her back to update us on her progress, plans, and a Q&A session.

Remember, no meeting in December. Our next meeting is January 23, 2023, the **4th Monday**, our Annual Meeting. We will have the swearing in ceremony of our new KFRW Officers, share our vision for 2023, adopt the annual budget, and discuss ways each member can become more effective. If not already, please complete a 2023 Planning Survey and email by December 16, *greatly appreciate!*

With just one month remaining in this 6-month period (July - Dec. 2022) for volunteer hours and calls, please continue to track your hours for December on a [Volunteer Hour Log form](#). Hours are to include anything political for KFRW, JC REC, campaigns, poll watching/worker, etc. At the end of

December, please tally your hours and send in to me no later than January 5. All information can be found on the [KFRW website](#). Questions? Ask me.

Have a very blessed Christmas with family & friends.

Lynn

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KFRW Officers - Executive Committee

President – Lynn Stafford – 850-491-8755

VP Membership – Karen Knox – 850-251-0158

Treasurer – Judi Cleckner – 850-997-5659

Secretary – Annaliese Mincy – 850-519-4818

Florida Federation of Republican Women (FFRW)

President – Maricel Cobitz 1st VP – Diane Van Parys

Secretary – Roberta Ulrich 2nd VP – Yvette Benarroch

Treasurer – Ramona Rood 3rd VP – Vennia Francois

Member-at-Large: Esther Byrd, Emily Nunez, Kathy Smith

Districts Executive – Lisa Johnson

District 2 Representative – Dotty McPherson – 850-591-4988

National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW)

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Membership Update

We welcome four new members, **Jacquie & Michael Flint** and **V. Sheffield** joined after our Oct. meeting and **Knut Dybendahl** joined at the Nov. meeting. We currently have 50 primary and 20 associate members!!



2023 Membership Dues: If not already, please **renew your membership prior to Dec. 31, 2022**, at the Christmas Party, mail to PO Box, or drop off at Lynn's home (295 Hickory St). *Thanks!!*

Any new members joining, now 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: *Did someone join in 2022 because of you? Thank you!*

This is a club challenge for each KFRW member:

"Each One Bring One and Watch Us Grow"

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

KFRW Merchandise for S~A~L~E

Let the
\$hopping
Begin!

Holiday Shop with KFRW!

Share the link below to our website with your friends and family or shop for them! This helps our club sell merchandise and raise funds!

Limited quantities of items. Pictures of all merchandise available to sell and 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 – ALL OUR REPUBLICANS WON!!!



Thank you to all who helped our candidates win! By making \$ donations, putting up signs, waving & holding signs, making calls, telling others to vote for them. This is how WE win!!

Community Outreach – Gretchen Wallace will be releasing the 2023 KFRW Essay Contest in early January, stay tuned! Her civics class to homeschoolers begins January 9th. *If you would like to help or listen in, please let her know!*

Election Integrity – We had a few members who were selected to serve as Poll Workers on Election Day: **Karen Purser & Bill Snyder**. And a few as Poll Watchers through the REC: **Janis & Ernie Morrow** and **Lynn Wojciechowski**.

Events – A fun gathering to get to know your fellow members and invite guests and potential new members is the **KFRW Christmas Party**.



Potluck Dinner & Silent Auction, see Page 1.



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

School Board – The swearing in of the new School Board Members was held on Tuesday, November 22 at 5:45 pm. It was exciting to see both **Mags Flynt** and **Brenda Wirick** join the board. We need to begin thinking of potential candidates to run in Districts 2 and 4 for 2024. *Is God calling you? If not you, then who?*

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

A L👀👀k Back—BIG Things KFRW Did in 2022!

Below, left to right, are the new **KFRW Officers for 2023-2024: Lynn Wojciechowski, V.P. Membership, Judi Cleckner, Treasurer, Janis Morrow, Secretary, Annaliese Mincy, V.P. of Programs & Public Relations, and Lynn Stafford, President.**



April 4 ~ Governor DeSantis Press Conference in Hamilton Co.
LR: Crystal Putnam, Dotty McPherson, Gov. DeSantis, Lynn Stafford

June 17 & 18 ~ Annual Watermelon Festival ~ KFRW's Biggest Community Event



Standing LR: Annaliese Mincy, Gretchen Wallace, Janis Morrow, Karen Knox, Brenda Kiff, Andrew Kang, & Betty Upchurch.
On float LR: Dotty McPherson, Robin Frutig & Diana Osietski



Left: Walkers & Riders Before the Parade Began
Below: KFRW Parade Float on N. Jefferson
Standing: Robin Frutig | Sitting in Back: Diana Osietski | Sitting in Front: Dotty McPherson



Inside KFRW Booth ~ Hats, Caps, Bumper Stickers, Flags



Inside KFRW Booth ~ Magnets, Flags, Jewelry, Etc.

**June 24 ~ “2000 Mules” Movie & Dinner,
at the Monticello Mansion**



Above: Gathering for the Meal Blessing; Dig in; Watch the Movie

**July 30 ~ Candidates Meet & Greet,
at the Monticello Opera House**



Above: Tom & the Cats Band Entertained Us

Left: Set Up & Decorating Team Before Event

Below: KFRW Merchandise Tables at the Event



Left to right: Gretchen Wallace, Lynn Stafford, Dusty & Tracy Boyce, Annaliese Mincy, Catherine McNeill, and Karen Knox



Left to right: Beth Young, Dotty McPherson, and Lynn Stafford

**November 22 ~ 2022 Elected Republicans, Sworn in by the Honorable Judge Plains,
at the Courthouse and prior to the School Board Meeting**



Commissioner Austin Hosford



SOE Michelle Milligan



Brenda Wirick < School Board Members > Mags Flynt



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