





KFRW Newsletter

April 2024

President's Message

On **Friday, March 15**, we gathered at the Boyce's home for the **KFRW 1st Quarter Social**, feasting on favorite Irish potluck delights and drink in honor of St. Patrick's Day. What a fun time eating and getting to know members better.

Six students participated in the **2024 Essay Contest**, two high school and four middle school, one from Aucilla Christian, and the rest homeschoolers. After all winners were announced, cash awards and certificates presented, we heard the two 1st place winners read their essays. Wow, these young people impressed us all! See the list of participants, all winners, on page 2 under Community Outreach Committee Update and picture of all on page 3. I want to thank **Gretchen Wallace** for all her time and effort in conducting the essay contest. Also, the three essay judges for this year, who will remain anonymous. **Great job by all!!** Thank you!!

Attending the FFRW Spring Conference, United in Vision, Values & Victory, April 20-21 in Orlando will be myself and **Beth Young**, along with **Dotty McPherson**. Looking forward to what **Barbara Price**, the FFRW President for 2024-2025, plans for the federation for the next two years.

We kick off our "Meet the Candidates" series at our next meeting, 4th Monday, April 22. The first three candidates we will hear from are 1) **Eydie Tricquet**, current Superintendent of Schools and KFRW charter member, 2) Shanna Boutwell, candidate for Tax Collector and KFRW member since December 2022, and 3) Ana McGlamory, candidate for Clerk of Court. Each will have a 15-minute limit, including Q&A from members, to tell us about their qualifications, why they chose to run, and why we should vote for them. Another great opportunity to invite others!!

Election Workers I want to thank Michelle Milligan, our Supervisor of Elections, for selecting the following as **Poll Workers** during the March 19th Presidential Preference

Primary: Robin Frutig P2, Debbie Snapp P4, Beth Young P5, Janis Morrow P6, Lynn Stafford P7,

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2023-24 KFRW Executive Committee Officers

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President – Barbara Price 1st VP – Yvette Benarroch 2nd VP – Vennia Francois 3rd VP – Catherine Webb Treasurer – Deb Tamargo Secretary – Valerie Pfundstein Member-at-Large: Melissa Beaudoin, Patty Hobbs, & Bonnie Jackson | District Executive – Vickie Herrington District 2 Representative – Dotty McPherson – 850-591-4988 Bill Snyder P12, and Gretchen Wallace P15. For those new as Poll Workers in Jefferson County and the changes made with Print on Demand ballots and the EVID for sign-ins, it was the election to gain new experience...with the small turnout. It was a 1--o--n--g day for all of us!

Keep the faith! Speak the truth! And never give up! Lynn S.

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Membership Update

Not all members attend the monthly meetings or many of our events for varying reasons. They are still valued members and we ask members to help—by contacting the members you know, or those you don't, to keep them involved. Maybe a member who joined, because of you telling them about KFRW, hasn't been to a meeting in a while—please reach out to them and invite them to come with you next time.

Our current membership is at 64 members, 44 primary and 20 associate.

The **2nd quarter social** will be a **New Member Brunch** at 10 am on June 22 for potential new members we meet at the Watermelon Festival or members want to invite to learn about us!



For ladies, the $1^{\text{st}}/3^{\text{rd}}$ Wednesday lunches and $2^{\text{nd}}/4^{\text{th}}$ Thursday dinners are a great way to introduce potential primary members to KFRW.

Contact **Judi Cleckner** (850-997-5659) if you need a ride to a meeting.

Please support the club by attending activities and inviting someone new and watch us grow! ~ Lynn Wojciechowski, Chair

"Each One Bring One and Watch Us Grow in 2024"

KFRW Merchandise for S~A~L~E

A good time to be purchasing campaign merchandise and support our fundraising efforts. Tell your friends!

You'll find pictures of items available *(limited quantities)* to purchase & sell to your family & friends on the **KFRW Website** by categories:

Cowboy & fedora hats, visors & baseball caps, card cases & reading glasses, Trump playing cards & shot glasses, 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, to answer any questions, or offer suggestions. \blacksquare

KFRW Committee Updates

All Committee Chairs: *Please e-mail updates to Lynn Stafford by Sunday*, prior to monthly meeting. For committee info and purpose of each, refer to each on the KFRW website, and reach out to the committee chair.

Note: If you take photos at events, *please forward via text or email to Annaliese & Lynn S. ASAP.* [⊕]

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

Achievement Awards/Volunteer Hours – We are halfway there—please continue tracking your hours on a <u>Volunteer Hour Log form</u>, available at meetings or found on the <u>KFRW website</u>. Doing so consistently makes it easy to tally and report at the end of June. Questions? *Please contact* **Beth Young**, Chair

Campaign – Campaign events to be announced as we hear of them. *Please contact* **Beth Young**.

Remember, as a club, KFRW does not endorse any republican candidates prior to the Primary Election if there is more than one republican in a race; individual members are free to support candidates of their choice. ~ **Beth Young**, Chair

Community Outreach – The participants and winners of the **2024 KFRW Essay Contest** were introduced at our meeting by **Gretchen Wallace** and certificates and cash prizes were presented to all participates this year.



High School: 1st Belle Burrell (\$300)

2nd Genevieve Mediate (\$200)

Middle School: 1st Corban Burrell (\$300)

2nd Lillian Burrell (\$200)

3rd Cody Jones (\$100)

4th Ansleigh Camper (\$100)

Events & Fundraising – Dates for the annual **Watermelon Festival** are **June 14 & 15**. The sign-up sheet is being circulated, please sign up to participate during the next several meetings or contact **Lynn Stafford**, Chair.

Legislative – Email bethanddale3@hotmail.com for more info. ~ **Beth Young**, Chair

Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets



The March, "Monticello Madness" raffle basket was won by **Don Ledbury**. **Janis Morrow** stood in for **Abby McGehee** who provided the basket and was out of town, unable to attend the meeting. We raised a whopping \$211!! All 2024 baskets are adopted.

Suggested items for baskets are to provide ideas. If you have items to contribute for a themed basket. please bring to a meeting.

April - "Let the Fiesta Begin!"

Lynn McGrady

Cinco De Mayo / May Theme

May - "It's Watermelon Time!"

Donna Champion

Watermelon Theme

June - "My Heart Beats Red, White and Blue"

Patriotic Theme (Red, white & blue items) Janis Morrow

July - "Sunshine on My Mind"

Beth Young

Summer Theme

August - "Your Guess Is as Good as Mine"

Basket Theme is up to the adopter

Jacquie Flint

<u>September - "Fall Breeze and Autumn Leaves"</u>

Fall Theme

Tracy Boyce

October - "Make America Great Again"

Election Theme

Dotty McPherson

November - "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year"

Christmas Theme

Catherine McNeill





April Members' Birthdays

Happy Birthday to each of you!

4/8 Jason Friedrich

4/17 Ken Faircloth

4/18 Michael Flint

****** Calendar of Events



JC School Board Meeting

Monday, April 8, 6 pm 1490 W. Washington St

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KFRW Exec. Comm. Meeting

Wednesday, April 10, 5:30pm Lynn Stafford's Home, 295 Hickory St

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FFRW Spring Conference

Saturday, April 20 & 21 Orlando, FL



KFRW Membership Meeting

4th Monday, April 22

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



~ Meet the Candidates Series ~

Evdie Tricquet. Super. of Schools Shanna Boutwell. Tax Collector Ana McGlamory, Clerk of Court



~ The Value of Trump ~

(Especially share with the R's & NPA's you know who "don't like Trump" or say they won't vote for him.)

An oft familiar set of questions circles around a variation of 'does President Trump know this', or 'can President Trump eliminate this', or 'is President Trump the solution'. The most brutally honest short answers are: unlikely, doubtful, and no.



That said, the longer answers are much more complicated, involve the reader separating their emotion from logic and accepting that few people in this current American world we are forced to endure truly understand just how purposefully siloed the administrative state of government has become.

Those you think know, don't. Those who should know, are fed information to keep them aware of only those aspects that the intelligence apparatus wants them to know.

Many of you are more functionally aware of the details of our issues than any politician you can name. This should not be a surprise.

A very elegant outline is worth reading. I particularly like the non-pretense within this section.

By TL Davis – [...] "The people want a secure border. They want their veterans to be taken care of instead of illegal aliens. They want fiscal responsibility that will lead to an end to inflation. They want a budget that does not devalue their currency. They want their children to grow up without being force-fed communism and abnormal sexuality from kindergarten on. They want to be left alone to raise their families and enjoy the fruits of their labor, but the communists will never allow that, so they must be defeated and driven back into the holes from which they've sprung."

"Like it or not, the only way to begin that long, arduous battle is to use Trump as your bludgeon. He is not the answer to your problems, but he is their most-feared enemy and necessarily your biggest weapon. A lot of people hated Joseph McCarthy for calling out the communists in government. McCarthyism is the euphemism for political witch-hunts, because the communists in media and the government wanted a term that would cow their opposition, that if they branded them with that moniker, they could destroy them politically. Had we listened to McCarthy, we would have delayed our current predicament by a decade, maybe fifty years. But the communists never give up, so it would have come about." (please read full essay: Democracy By Deception and share with others!)

The truthful way to express the value of President Donald Trump is to accept that We the People are the solution, not necessarily Trump the man.

The question then becomes, "Who gives us the best opportunity to save ourselves?"

The overwhelming answer is President Donald J. Trump.

If we are looking for a person to be the solution to this matrix of mess, we are ignoring our responsibility. However, if we are looking for a person who will provide the greatest opportunity for us to be the solution to the problem, then President Trump is indeed the best weapon we have against them, these embedded communists.

Within the greater awakening, this reality was always going to be the destination of our journey.

If we are honest, at the core of our beginning most of us knew this, we just didn't talk about it that much because the admission is scary, complicated, and fraught with self-awareness.

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