



# KFRW Newsletter

June 2024

## President's Message

We are halfway into our "Meet the Candidates" series, and last month heard from these candidates: **Jessica Grambling**, County Commission Dist. 1, **Mac McNeill**, incumbent for Sheriff, and **Trey Hightower**, Clerk of Court. Each candidate had 15-minutes to share about themselves and take questions from members. Don't miss hearing directly from the candidates, very informative! At the **June meeting**, we will hear from these three candidates: **Kendra Burrus**, School Board Dist. 4, **Jessica Robinson**, County Commission Dist. 1, and **Chris Tuten**, Clerk of Court. *Please invite others to hear directly from their local candidates!!*

Don't miss the rest of the newsletter, as KFRW has a lot going on in June. I hope each of you will find opportunities to get involved to make a difference. This is the **MOST** critical election year and we need all our ladies, and men, fully committed in helping where and when you can. Keep track of the time (hours) *you* spend on behalf of KFRW, JC REC, campaigning, attending meetings, etc.

The **Watermelon Festival**, Friday & Saturday, **June 14 & 15**, is almost here. Contact me to walk or ride in the parade on Saturday, with decorating the float beginning at 9 am; the parade begins at 10 am (route CC Bank to York St) and should end about 10:45 am. Those walking will hand out small USA flags, patriotic beads, and buttons! Let Monticello/Jefferson County see who the ladies, and men, in RED are. This is our BIG chance to show patriotic support for our 2024 candidates!

At our booth, during the **Watermelon Festival**, **June 14 and 15**, we will have a sign-up sheet for any potential new members who would like to know more about KFRW and what we do. Our booth provides a great opportunity to meet other like-minded ladies (and men) who see the importance in getting involved in a grassroots group, like KFRW. We are planning a brunch for anyone interested in becoming a member, **Saturday, June 22, 10 am to noon**. **Please RSVP to Tracy Boyce**, if you have someone you'd like to bring.

KFRW will coordinate **Poll Watchers** for the Republican Party during early voting for the primary election, which is August 20th. The 13 days of Early Voting for the 2024 Primary are August 5 – 17 (8am-5pm). Please let **Janis Morrow** know if will serve in this way. *We need all to help out.*

See you all at the **Watermelon Festival**.

Keep the faith! *Pray for President Trump!*

*Lynn S.*

### Keystone Federated Republican Women

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### National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW)

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## Membership Update

The **2<sup>nd</sup> 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 more about KFRW! Any KFRW new members who joined this year are welcome to attend in order to learn more about the club. **RSVP to Tracy Boyce by June 17, 2024 at 850-322-9548.**

Let's keep building KFRW and bring your guests to the meetings. *Let's meet NFRW's challenge and increase our members by 25%!* For KFRW, this means gaining 13 new primary members in 2024. We've gained 4 new primary members so far, that leaves us nine to go!

Our current membership is at 68 members, 46 primary and 22 associate.

For ladies, the 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday lunches and 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> 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

**New merchandise** now on the website include **Trump buttons, magnets, flags, hats, scarves, shot glasses, card cases & just two sets left of the golf balls.**



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. ■*

## 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** – At the end of June, please total your hours for Jan. – June 2024 and submit your [Volunteer Hour Log form](#) via email to **Beth Young & Lynn S.** or drop off at Lynn's home. **Hours are DUE NLT July 6<sup>th</sup>.** Questions? *Contact Beth Young*, Chair

**Campaign** – **Neal Dunn** has a Republican opponent, **Rhonda Woodward** (Panama City) & **Maghann Hovey** (TLH) a Democrat has filed. **Corey Simon** has two Democrat opponents, **Kimblin Eugene Nesmith** (Quincy) and **Daryl Parks** (TLH). **Jason Shoaf** has a Democrat opponent, **Kenny Beasley** (Live Oak). Changes locally: Superintendent race has 2 Republicans and 3 Democrats; County Comm. D3 **C.P. Miller** (D) is opposing **J.T. Surles** (R) & in D5 **Issac Manning** (D) is opposing **Ben White** (R).

**Qualifying ends at noon on June 14, 2024.** Last day to file for the Primary Election is July 22.

Reminder, KFRW does not endorse 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 homeschool Civics & American History class is on pause for the summer. ~ **Gretchen Wallace**, Chair

**Events & Fundraising** – The **73<sup>rd</sup> Watermelon Festival** is **June 14 & 15**. We need additional KFRW members to participate in the parade, please contact, ASAP, **Lynn Stafford**, Chair.

**Legislative** – Focus is on promoting **NO** on Amendment 4. Working to get signs "Vote NO on 4" to spread throughout the county. Committee feels this amendment is the most important to defeat. At May's meeting, a handout comparing current Florida law & the proposed amendment was distributed. ~ **Beth Young**, Chair

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## Monthly Themed Raffle Baskets



### **“It’s Watermelon Time!”**

The May raffle basket was won by a guest, **Frances Walker**, and provided by **Donna Champion** along with the basket and ready to eat watermelon. We raised \$166!!

### **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.*

### **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**

### **September - “Fall Breeze and Autumn Leaves”**

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**



**Dotty McPherson** (2<sup>nd</sup> from left in pic) is “loaning” us her **HUGE** elephant to ride on the float this year, which should be a **BIG** hit in Monticello and give KFRW a boost with the onlookers of the parade.



**“Ginny” a republican elephant will be riding on our WF float, too!!**



## **June Members' Birthdays**

*Happy Birthday to each of you!*

6/2 Debbie Snapp  
6/5 Chuck Mincy  
6/17 Jacquie Arbogast  
6/22 Robin Frutig  
6/26 Theo Cox



## **Calendar of Events**



### **JC School Board Meeting**

Monday, June 10, 6 pm



### **KFRW Exec. Comm. Meeting**

Wednesday, June 12, 5:30pm  
Lynn Stafford's Home, 295 Hickory St



### **Flag Day ~ Friday, June 14**



Friday, June 14 – Booth (2-8 pm)  
Saturday, June 15 – Parade & Booth



### **Father's Day ~ Sunday, June 16**



### **KFRW New Member Brunch**

Saturday, June 22, 10am-Noon  
Tracy Boyce's Home, 520 E. Dogwood St



### **KFRW Membership Meeting**

★★★ Monday, June 24 ★★★

Refreshments 6:30 pm | Meeting 7 pm  
American Legion, 1065 S. Water St



### **~ Meet the Candidates Series ~**

Kendra Burrus, School Board D4  
Jessica Robinson, County Comm D1  
Chris Tuten, Clerk of Court



~ **Protect Women and Children, Vote NO on Amendment 4** ~

Below is information from Do No Harm Florida PAC ([DoNoHarmFL.org](http://DoNoHarmFL.org)) received from Lynda Bell, President of Florida Right to Life, and our speaker in August.



**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FULL TEXT**

**Ballot Title:** Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion

**Ballot Language:** The following language would be added to the state constitution: Except as provided in Article X, Section 22, no law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient’s health, as determined by the patient’s healthcare provider.

**Ballot Summary:** No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider. This amendment does not change the Legislature's constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.

As written, the deceptive language of Amendment 4 will allow unsafe, unrestricted, unregulated abortion on demand up to birth without parental CONSENT as determined by someone who does not have to be a physician with medical training."

Do No Harm Florida’s explanation of the amendment’s deceptive language:

# AMENDMENT 4

Repeals all common-sense laws enacted by our duly elected state representatives.

By precedent, this is not just physical health but also emotional, financial, etc. creating no limits on abortion.

**Ballot Summary:**

No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient’s health, as determined by the patient’s healthcare provider. This amendment does not change the Legislature’s constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.

Viability is not defined, will include painful, late term abortions through birth.

No definition for healthcare provider is given, leading to non-physicians performing abortions.

Parental notification is NOT parental consent, allowing underage children to obtain abortions without their parents' permission.

[KFRW will soon have 5,000 [rack cards](#) available to distribute to churches, co-workers, family, friends, community hangouts...cards to give to anyone, where ever you go.]

Note: Original language in **Black** – commentary in **Red**.

**Ballot Summary:** No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion (essentially tosses out all pro-life laws and enshrines abortion in the Florida Constitution) before viability (viability is defined as 24 weeks, these are late term abortions - when babies feel pain) or when necessary to protect the patient’s health, (notice – it states – “or,” essentially throwing out all limitations to obtain an abortion, literally, through birth! “Health” is undefined, it can mean anything as defined by the mother and the abortionist including stress) as determined by the patient’s healthcare provider. (Notice it states, “health care provider” NOT a physician. The definition of a healthcare provider is so broad that almost anyone in the health care industry could perform abortions.) This amendment does not change the Legislature’s constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion. (Notification is NOT consent. This removes Florida’s Parental Consent law. The method of Notification isn’t defined. Is it a letter in the mail, an email, a voice mail? This is dangerous for our minor girls.)

**Do No Harm Florida** believes the deceptive language of Amendment 4 is by design. The voters of Florida deserve better, than this ambiguous language that is designed to fool Floridians.

If passed, every pro-life law and possibly even safety protections will be eliminated. Minor girls could be taken to an abortionist without their parents' consent. Abortions would increase and safety decrease. Florida would become the top abortion destination. This is not a pro-woman amendment; this is a pro-abortion amendment. Nothing in this language is about the safety of girls and women. Amendment 4 backs an industry that promotes death.



### **WE MUST STOP AMENDMENT 4**

**Please pledge to vote NO on Amendment 4 on Election Day → [here](#).**

*Please remember, the baby MUST be ALIVE at the time they remove the organs. These babies feel the pain as they are being torn apart and murdered for their organs.*

Another resource is the PAC, [FLORIDA VOTERS AGAINST EXTREMISM](#), and their campaign to stop the extreme Florida Abortion Amendment. A Women’s Pregnancy Center has partnered with them. Fact sheet available on site. **Beth Young** is working to get yard signs similar to their logo.



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