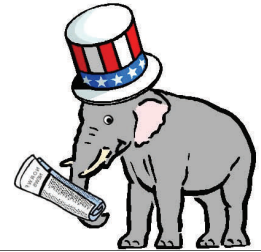




NORWF NEWS

Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated



"Women Making A Difference"

August 2011

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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We have taken our summer break and now it is time to ramp up for, perhaps, the most important election in our lifetime. I hope you are rested and renewed so we can hit the ground running. The pace is picking up considerably as candidates declare and conventions and Presidency 5 take place. In addition, we will be choosing a nominating committee in September in preparation for NORWF elections in November. Have you thought about how you would like to serve?

Do you want to take a "ride-along" with the board of directors and see how the meetings are run and how decisions are made? Meetings are the first Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at Errol. Our next board meeting will be held on September 1. All are welcome.

Former State Representative Adam Hasner, who represented Democrat-controlled Palm Beach County, will be our speaker this month. He is running to defeat Senator Bill Nelson in the U.S. Senate. Adam is a dynamic speaker who supports, among other things, life, the second amendment, repeal of Obamacare and a balanced budget amendment. And he promises to serve only two terms. This is a not-to-miss meeting.

In addition to our speaker, we will be electing delegates to the FFRW Convention to be held in Orlando on September 22 – 23. You MUST be present to be nominated and elected. The club will pay the registration fee, which includes breakfast on the 23rd. This convention has become a "mini-convention" and will be worked in around the Presidency 5 and CPAC events, so you will not miss anything. There is information on these upcoming events elsewhere in this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you at all our remaining meetings this year and preparing for 2012, a year that we hope will become even more historic than 2010! We MUST make President Obama a "former President" in 2012 – and we can!

Blessings to all,

Linda
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**** Pythagorean theorem: 24 words**
**** Lord's prayer:..... 66 words**
**** Archimedes' Principle: 67 words**
**** 10 Commandments: 179 words**
**** Gettysburg address: 286 words**
**** Declaration of Independence : 1,300 words**
**** US Constitution with all 27 Amendments : 7,818 words**

**** US Government regulations on sale of cabbage: 26,911 words**

SORT OF PUTS THINGS INTO PERSPECTIVE, DOESN'T IT

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General Meeting Information

When: Third Thursday of each month
Where: Errol Estate Country Club, 1355 Errol Parkway, Apopka
Time: 11 a.m. to ~1 p.m.
Cost: \$17 for lunch & dessert

LUNCHEON POLICY: Reservations are required if you wish to attend our monthly meetings, whether you are eating lunch or not. Please RSVP to Mary Smothers at 407-889-4009. The cost is \$17 per person for lunch. We will have a table set up in the back of the room for those of you who wish to attend the meeting but will not be having lunch. . If you are unable to attend, please cancel (by phone) within 24 hours notice or you will be billed for lunch. Thank you for understanding.

**CITY OF APOPKA MEMORIAL STREET SIGNS
NEW CITY PROGRAM**

The City of Apopka has begun a program to change existing city street signs, or make names available for developers to name new streets, from the standard design to one that will honor our veterans and public service employees who gave their lives in service. Additional information, a packet and examples are at:

<http://www.apopka.net/departments/public-services/streets-grounds-cemetery/streetnaming>

Navy Technician 2nd Class Jason Dwelley, 31, of Apopka was killed April 30, 2004, when his military vehicle hit an improvised explosive device while traveling in a convoy in Anbar province, Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Jason Dwelley Parkway was named for this hero.

COMMUNITY GATHERING

Sunday, September 11, 2011
10:30 am Apopka Amphitheater
(See Map on website for directions)
www.Remember-Reflect-Renew.com

Apopka churches are canceling regular Sunday services to Meet and come together. They will be honoring local fire and Police departments. Hope to see you

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominating Committee will be selected at our September meeting. The function of this committee is to select a slate of officers to run on the November ballot . The elected officers will serve from Jan. 2012 thru Dec. 2013.
If you would like to serve on this committee, you will need to be nominated

NORWF DUES

Options are:

**Platinum Eagle
\$200 plus**

**Gold Eagle
\$100 - \$199**

**Silver Eagle
\$51 - 99**

**Bronze Eagle
\$31 - 50**

**Active Member
\$30**

**Associate Member
(Active Member of another Federated club)
\$20**

**Male Associate Member
\$20**

**Student Member
\$5**

Please mail your check to NORWF, PO Box 56,
Apopka, FL 32704-0056

For those of you who want a hard copy of the news-
letter mailed to you please add \$5.00.

Aug 18—NORWF-Back to work! 11:00 am, Errol CC
Apr 27—Honor WWII Vets-2PM Mark St. Sr. Center
Sep 1—NORWF Board Meeting 9:30 am Errol CC
Sep 15-NORWF General Meeting 11:00 am Errol CC
Sep 22-23—FFRW Convention, Rosen Centre
Sep 23-CPAC Convention, Orlando Conv. Center
Sep 22-24-Fox News-Presidency 5, Convention Center
Sep 29- NFRW Biennial Convention, Kansas City



We're up to 104 members—AWSOME!

OLD MEMBERS:

**Please take the time to introduce yourself to
all of our new members!! It is always nice to
walk into a room and see a friendly face!**

**CAN YOU MAKE A BASKET FOR OCT.
LUNCHEON/FASHION SHOW FOR A RAFFLE?**

**WE NEED EXCEMPTIONAL
BASKETS AS THIS IS OUR
ONLY FUNDRAISER THIS
YEAR! PLEASE HELP!!!**

**CALL
SHARON ROUSEY
407.712.5467**



FLORIDA FAMILY POLICY COUNCIL EVENT

**August 27th, Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel
KEYNOT SPEAKER: U.S. Congresswoman and Presidential
Candidate: Michele Bachmann
Ticket: \$75.00**

**If you are interested in sitting at the NORWF table, Contact
Sharon Fenwick....she has seats available**



EDITORIAL

Guest Columnist: : Barbara Zakszewski

Hard to believe that summer is nearly over. Even though we have taken some time off, the Nation and it's problems sure have not. From the rancorous and extremely partisan debt ceiling debate and now the United States first credit downgrade EVER (from AAA to AA+), to all of the additional problems that downgrade will cause, to continuing problems overseas, and a President who insists on blaming everything and everyone but himself, it is clear that our vacation is over and back to work!!

Locally, here in Apopka, we have just received word that the property tax millage rate will remain virtually unchanged, proposed at 3.5164, which should be good news for taxpayers. However, we have not yet seen the proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-2012..that should prove extremely interesting. According to Ed Bass, Apopka's financial director, as stated that staff is close to attaining a balanced budget, which the City is obligated to do. It will be interesting to see what, if any cuts will be made, or what would be forecast as additional revenue to make up for the shortfall in property taxes. One thing for sure, with the downgrade of the US government's credit rating, cities EVERYWHERE simply cannot continue to depend on grants from the US government as revenue patches and to fund any program that property taxes and impact fees won't cover. We MUST cut federal spending and the way to do that will be for local governments to take the lead and say NO THANKS to federal grants and stimulus money to cover programs and then hoping local taxpayers will pick up the slack when the federal government money runs out.

The city is taking a federal grant in the amount of \$500,000 to build a plant to fuel vehicles with natural gas. Another \$250,000 grant for a front end loader. This is money that the nation does not have. Then you ask why the national debt is high. Our national debt is greater than then gross national product of our country. In simple terms in order for us to pay the national debt, we would have to confiscate every penny that a person earns along every penny from companies. Not

NOTE: *This column will be included in the newsletter monthly as long as there are articles submitted for publication. Any of our members are free to submit an opinion piece expressing their views and passion concerning any issue and we encourage them to do so. However, the appearance of an Op Ed piece does not necessarily reflect the views of NORWF or its members. NORWF reserves the right to refuse publication of content deemed offensive.*

Editorial continued

the profits but every penny coming into them. Of course this means nobody and I mean nobody would be able to put a morsel of food on the table for over a year.

As a City, we have had some missteps, most notably, the continuing saga of what I like to call Highland Gate. We also have projected costs of the UCF business incubator that have gone from \$400,000 to over \$1,000,000. It seems the City wants to be part of the Orange Blossom Express, but does not want to put out \$302,000 for its share of fixing the tracks; however, has no problem shelling out a lot more money for a regional airport. One has to wonder how all these disjointed expenditures and decisions tie into the much anticipated Town Center. We hear how the City has a "vision"; maybe they need to remove the rose-colored glasses and get a stronger pair.

No doubt about it, our work is cut out for us. As a Nation, we are at precipice; the decisions we make now will determine whether this Nation falls into the abyss with no hope at all, or whether we elect people at all levels of government who will wrest control away from the big spenders and socialists who would gladly preside over the complete destruction of life as we know it.. The choice is ours!!

**CHECK THIS
OUT!**



**Courage, New Hampshire
The Road to Revolution
The Travail of Sarah Pine**

***Watch the trailers:*
Www.ColonyBay.net**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FFRW MINI- CONVENTION

The Orlando-area Republican clubs have been asked to provide volunteers for registration for the FFRW Convention on the early afternoon of September 22 and early morning of September 23. We will have a sign-up sheet at the August 18 meeting. Please be generous with your time. Thank you.



MEET ADAM HASNER FOR SENATE

GUEST SPEAKER, AUG. 18, 2011

Adam Hasner is lifelong Republican deeply committed to limited government, free markets, American values and a strong national defense. Adam is strongly pro-life and received an "A+" rating from the National Rifle Association for his record on second amendment issues.

His record as an unapologetic conservative has already earned him the endorsement of Mark Levin, Monica Crowley and Erick Erickson as the true conservative in the race for Florida Senate.

Adam served alongside Marco Rubio in the Florida House for six years, and in 2007, he was tapped by then-Speaker Rubio to serve as Majority Leader for the Republican caucus. His strong, principled conservative leadership in the House made him a natural to lead key fight for the elimination of property taxes, for deep cuts in government spending (including his own salary as an elected official) and for accountability and choice in public schools. Adam also believes energy independence is vital for America. Adam fought hard for free-market energy solutions and sponsored legislation to unravel Charlie Crist's Obama-style cap and trade scheme in Florida.

By speaking from the heart about his mainstream principles, Adam knows how to bring new voters to the Republican banner. Even as a conservative Republican in heavily Democratic Palm Beach County, Adam successfully won re-election three times without ever sacrificing his bedrock principles by campaigning tirelessly and standing strong for conservative principles.

Adam is also a strong national voice for conservative causes: In 2010, Adam led the House Republican effort demanding the United States Congress pass a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution, serving as the founding national Co-Chairman of the citizen action group, Pass The Balanced Budget Amendment. He has also been an unwavering national advocate in support of Israel, has also become a nationally recognized voice in warning about the dangers of radical Islam, and he led the effort to pass Florida's first in the nation law to divest state pension funds from companies that do business in Iran.

After the term limits he supported sent him back home to Palm Beach County, Adam returned to the private sector, and today serves as the founder of a financial advisory firm. Adam and his wife Jillian live in Boca Raton, Florida.

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