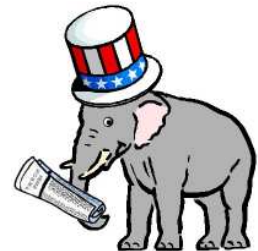




NORWF NEWS

Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated



"Women Making A Difference"

September 2010

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are now under two months to a general election that will set the course of our great nation for decades to come. We MUST succeed. It is a travesty that so few citizens choose, yes, choose, to go to the polls. It has been made so easy to vote by the traditional visit to the polls on Election Day, early voting and voting by mail. You can even drive up to the polls and vote in your car if you are disabled. And yet, the turnout is abysmal. In Orange County only 21.21% of the registered voters bothered to vote. Perhaps this will be to our advantage in this election cycle; however, we must assume nothing. Absolutely nothing.

I know a lot of our members worked so very hard in various races in the primary election. You are to be congratulated. You waved signs, called hundreds of voters, knocked on hundreds of doors and handed out countless palm cards – all in the incessant heat, humidity and rain. This is what we are all about. I know that some are upset and shocked at Bill McCollum's stunning loss. The voters have spoken, though and now we must pick ourselves up, dust ourselves off and go on with one voice to victory in November.

The primaries were just the warm-up for the general election. Now we are ready and poised to win seats all over Florida and send them as a unified conservative voice to Washington. We will work to elect three to represent us there; US Senator (Marco Rubio), US Representative District 8 (Dan Webster) and US Representative District 24 (Sandy Adams). We can put a Republican woman in office as the (non-partisan) Orange County Mayor (Teresa Jacobs) and as Florida's Attorney General (Pam Bondi). We can put a Republican in the offices of Governor (Rick Scott), Commissioner of Agriculture (Adam Putnam) and Chief Financial Officer (Jeff Atwater). We can return Republicans to offices in Florida District 38 (NORWF member Bryan Nelson) and Orange County Commissioner (NORWF member Fred Brummer). There are also some judicial seats up for election, so do your homework!

Our general membership meeting this month will be one that you do not want to miss. See the notice elsewhere in this newsletter and watch for the Constant Contact email from me. We will have a panel discussion on the proposed amendments to Florida's Constitution. We will also have a sheet you can score and take home to discuss choices with your family and friends. Not all the amendments may make it to the ballot, but you will be ready to discuss all of them and explain the positives and negatives so that you and those around you may make an informed, intelligent voting decision. See you on the 16th!

Blessings to all,

Linda

Linda Laurendeau
President

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It's the Bylaw..

A member of NORWF may not contribute to, endorse or otherwise support any candidate who is not a member of the Republican Party regardless of whether it is a partisan race or non-partisan race. Our bylaws, local, state and national, prohibit such activity and is grounds for dismissal from membership.

What you do in the voting booth is your business but you MUST NOT exhibit public support for a non Republican candidate!

LOGO ITEMS WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE

At the July meeting, we had a choice of five potential items that could be made available for sale. We looked over insulated mugs and tumblers, garment bags, and insulated and non-insulated grocery bags. The most popular were the insulated mugs and the insulated grocery bags. Stay tuned!

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.

NORWF GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY, Sept. 16, 2010

Errol Estate CC, 1355 Errol Pkwy, Apopka

RESERVE NOW AT WWW.NORWF.ORG OR
CALL MARY SMOTHERS AT 407.889.4009

FLORIDA CONSTITUTION BALLOT AMENDMENTS

GUEST SPEAKERS

The Honorable Bryan Nelson
The Honorable Fred Brummer
The Honorable Kathy Till

We will have a panel discussion on all the ballot amendments and the non-binding referendum that will appear on the November 2 ballot. Come and hear both sides of each proposed amendment and receive a spreadsheet to score and take home with you.

RESERVATIONS A MUST!!!

KAREN ALMOND WINS BIG!

Congratulations to our NORWF associate member, **Karen Almond**, who was elected to the Seminole County School Board with 52% of the vote!!! Way to go, Karen. Karen will be at our meeting, so come and congratulate her in person.

We knew she could do it!

BUSINESS CARDS ARE IN!

NORWF has generic business cards for you to take and use. They have a line for your name, phone number or other message. On the back are the reasons you are a Republican. These cards are now available at any general membership meeting.

Membership Corner

If you would like a hard copy of the newsletter mailed to your home address, add \$5 to your dues. Otherwise the newsletter will be sent electronically.

Membership Dues: Active — \$30
Associates — \$20 Men — \$20
Students — \$5

Sponsorship Levels:
Platinum Eagle — \$200+
Gold Eagle — \$100-\$199
Silver Eagle — \$51-\$99
Bronze Eagle — \$31-\$50

Calendar of Events

Sep 9—Grand Opening—Apopka Campaign Headquarters, 5:30 p.m., 2465 E Semoran
Sep.16 — NORWF—11 a.m., Errol Estate CC
Oct. 7—NORWF Board meeting, 10 a.m., Errol CC
Oct. 21—NORWF—11 a.m. Errol Estate CC.
November 2 — GENERAL ELECTION
Nov. 4—NORWF Board — 10 a.m., Errol Estate CC
Nov. 18—NORWF —11 a.m., Errol Estate CC
Dec. 16—NORWF Christmas meeting—6:30 p.m.—
Errol Estate CC

New Members

We now have 114 members! Awsome!

Our Sponsorship Members are:

- ★ Lynn Cline—Platinum
- ★ Patty Redlich—Platinum
- ★ Linda Laurendeau—Gold
- ★ Mary Frances Mancuso—Gold
- ★ Barbara Zakszewski—Silver
- ★ Joyce Hayward—Silver
- ★ Verbelee Nielsen-Swanson—Bronze
- ★ Andrea Samson — Bronze

Thank you for your support!

Sunshine Corner

Joan Alsup, Sunshine Chair

Cards were sent last month to: Bill and Stella Eelman, Matthew and Cheri Falconer, /Carolyn Booth, Amy Carpenter, Betty Bracey, Dale and Sharon Fenwick.

**Please let us know the news of our members—the sad and the happy so we can acknowledge them.



APOPKA GOP CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS IS OPEN!

The RPOF has, once again, opened a campaign office in Apopka. It is located at 2465 East Semoran Boulevard just east of Piedmont Wekiwa in the same center where Pier 1 was located, just east of Chili's and across 436 from Bealls. This is the same location as in 2008. WE MUST work to take the US House back and put a Republican in every available office in the US Senate, our state and our county. You are asked to make phone calls to promote voting Republican on absentee ballots. Not your cup of tea? Well, there are phones to staff, the front office, selling signs and buttons, walking door-to-door and much more. There is something for everyone and everyone can do something. Patty and Ron Redlich are in charge of this location for RPOF. You can reach Patty on her cell phone at 407.340.0623. The office number is 407.814.4876. There is no answering machine and a call will only be answered when the office is staffed. Stay tuned for additional information via Constant Contact and email.



The sign in front of the campaign headquarters — sponsored and paid for by NORWF.

Food for Thought...

As another school year in this great country of ours commences, much effort is extended to school budgets, the amount of days of education, the ratio of teacher to student, what courses will be added or cancelled due to budget restraints—the list of concerns goes on and on. Somewhere in all this anxiety we seem to have lost perspective on some ancient philosophy that once worked quite well.

The tradition of the Greco-Roman philosophers sought to teach not only by word but by example how to live a life of virtue. This example was provided by all who were elders of the young minds being taught. “All the elders” included parents, grandparents, friends and neighbors, as well as school system individuals. It was considered a noble thing to learn how to work in order to support oneself.

The ancient Hebrews glorified work as well. They said, “He who does not teach his son a trade, teaches him to steal”. “To eat bread” was a Semitic idiom meaning to “earn a living”. Giving into idleness was a clear departure from the “tradition” one had been taught.

Wouldn't it be great if our kids today were so properly prepared? Perhaps our concerns need to reach further than just reading, writing and arithmetic, moving on to facing tougher topics like social divisions, violence, teen suicide, teen pregnancy, drug use, gang participation and the total lack of preparation for living productive lives in our society.

Without proper teaching and example too many of our kids face a bleak future—one that lies somewhere between “do you want fries with this?” to “breaking and entering”. Somehow, somewhere we need to find a way to glorify work ethics, using the philosophy that one must gain all one can, save all one can and then give to others all one can.

—Sara Kelley

Constitution Week

The Congress, by joint resolution of February 29, 1952 (36 U.S.C. 106), designated September 17 as "Citizenship Day," and by joint resolution of August 2, 1956 (36 U.S.C. 108), requested that the President proclaim the week beginning September 17 and ending September 23 of each year as "Constitution Week."



**Grand Opening
Campaign Headquarters
Sep 9, 2010**

Do you have a business?

We have an exchange you may be interested in!

Please bring your business cards and place them in a window for guests to take.

This is a free service to our members who wish to promote their business.

Newsletter Published by Carolyn Booth

“Politicians are the only people in the world who create problems and then campaign against them.”

Charlie Reese

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NORWF Meeting Schedule

Executive Committee meets at 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of each month at *Errol Estate Country Club, 1355 Errol Parkway in Apopka..*

General Membership Meetings are at 11 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month at Errol Estate Country Club, 1355 Errol Parkway in Apopka. There is a business meeting & program each month. Cost for lunch is \$17.

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