



# NORWF NEWS

Northwest Orange Republican Women, Federated

## President's Message

### Happy Valentine's Day Everyone

Hope the extra week in January helped you get all caught up from 2018 and ready for a wonderful 2019! The board is planning to have a very exciting year for all of you! Dianne started out exciting with the guest speaker John Michael Chambers.

Looking forward this month's speaker will be Robert Agrusa from the Apopka Chamber of Commerce speaking on how Chamber of Commerce and community effects politics. March is YOUR MONTH. Come see tables presented by NFRW and FFRW and from different parts committees from our club itself. Please, please bring at least two guests. It is "MARCH MADNESS" and we as a club needs to grow! Why does NORWF need to grow?

- \*Keep the club growing and relevant in the community
- \*To reach more voters
- \*To fill our committees abundantly
- \*FUN- when work as committee you make new friends and have fun
- \*Liberty- we as NORWF are responsible to the community for keeping it Red and that requires commitment and the more members the greater the action rewards.

Your job for MARCH MADNESS is to bring as many guests as possible as you can to luncheon; be friendly to everyone making them feel over the top welcome, and learn yourself from the many presentations.

The board worked hard all last year and we will continue to do so all this year, however, so what the committees get done is up to you and we still need to fill couple of the committees to keep us vital. I hear from past presidents who either have moved or working other projects and they all ask who is doing this-or-that. They love asking about you and always excited to hear how YOU are keeping the original purpose of the creation of NORWF going. See you in couple of weeks and look forward to working with all of you!!!!

Charlotte

NORWF President

P.S. Remember the B's from Media Talk:

- Be realistic
- Be prepared
- Be honest
- Be questionable
- Be in control
- Be liked
- Be innovative
- Be assertive



## President Trump's First Two Years in Office Bring Monumental Accomplishments

### From the NFRW Capital Connection.

January 20 marked two years since Donald J. Trump was inaugurated as America's 45th President and began advancing his agenda to Make America Great Again. Republican women can point proudly to the monumental accomplishments of the past 24 months.

**IGNITING A HISTORIC ECONOMIC BOOM:** President Trump's pro-growth policies are unleashing economic growth and providing opportunities to workers across the country.

**ROLLING BACK RED TAPE:** President Trump is rolling back costly regulations that have burdened hardworking Americans and stifled innovation.

**NEGOTIATING BETTER DEALS FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE:** President Trump is negotiating fair and balanced trade deals that protect American industries and workers.

**UNLEASHING AMERICAN ENERGY:** President Trump is rolling back costly and burdensome regulations to unleash America's incredible energy resources.

**EXPANDING OPTIONS FOR QUALITY AND**

**AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE:** President Trump is expanding access to affordable healthcare choices and taking action to lower drug prices.

**FIGHTING BACK AGAINST THE CRISIS NEXT DOOR:** President Trump mobilized his entire Administration to combat the opioid crisis that has devastated communities across the country.

**STANDING UP FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE AND PROTECTING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY:** The President is committed to defending the right to life and religious liberty.

**KEEPING AMERICAN COMMUNITIES SAFE:** President Trump has made clear that his first responsibility is to protect the safety and security of Americans.

**ENFORCING OUR LAWS AND SECURING OUR BORDERS:** From the first day of his Administration, President Trump has worked to uphold the rule of law and secure our borders.

**REBUILDING AMERICA'S MILITARY FORCE:** President Trump is rebuilding our military and defending America's interests across the world.

**RESTORING AMERICAN LEADERSHIP ABROAD:** President Trump is restoring American leadership on the world stage and advancing an America first agenda.

**HONORING AMERICA'S COMMITMENT TO OUR VETERANS:** President Trump is honoring America's commitment to our veterans by ensuring they receive the quality care they have earned.

**TRANSFORMING GOVERNMENT:** President Trump has followed through on his pledge to transform the Federal Government and increase accountability and transparency.



### Speaker for the February 21st Meeting

Robert Agrusa, a Florida native and leading advocate for the Central Florida business community, was named the new

president of the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce in September 2017. Since then, Agrusa has been charged to lead the premiere business organization for one of the fastest-growing communities in Central Florida, both in business commerce and residential development. With Apopka now the second largest city in Orange County after Orlando, Agrusa is focused on implementing the Chamber's new mission, which includes serving the economic development, prosperity and sustainability of our community and the northwest region through connectivity, leadership, education and support.

Agrusa came to the Chamber from BusinessForce, the political action arm of the Orlando Economic Partnership (formerly the Central Florida Partnership), where he had served as executive director for the previous two years. In that role, Agrusa represented thousands of businesses and their tens of thousands of employees and was directly responsible for advancing the business community's agenda through public policy advocacy and supporting business-friendly candidates for Florida's largest regional PAC.

Prior to his position at BusinessForce, Agrusa moved to Central Florida in 2011 to serve as the chief political liaison between Sen. Andy Gardiner's legislative office and his responsibilities as Florida Senate President Designate.

"Apopka is a wonderful place to grow your business," said Agrusa. "Every day I'm excited about the opportunity to meet the expanding business needs of this rapidly growing community."

Agrusa is a graduate of Leadership Orlando, Class 91, and the 2013 Central Florida Political Leadership Institute. His community involvement includes serving on the board of directors for the Tiger Bay Club of Central Florida, the Orlando Economic Partnership, the Rotary Club of Apopka and the Central Florida Young Professionals Advisory Council.



## NORWF CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2019

### NEW MEETING PLACE

**The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge, 625 ROCK RIDGE BLVD, APOPKA, FL 32712**

**\*\* 11:30AM-1:30PM \*\*. New time.**

### GENERAL MEETINGS

JANUARY 17	John Michael Chambers, Author "Trump and the Resurrection of America"
FEBRUARY 21	Robert Agrusa, President of the Apopka Chamber of Commerce
MARCH 21	Membership Drive
APRIL 18	Deputy Chief Randy Fernandez, Apopka Police Department
MAY 16	Victim Advocates of Orlando (tentative)
JUNE 20	Immigration Attorney
JULY	NO MEETING
AUGUST	NO MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19	TBA
OCTOBER 17	TBA
NOVEMBER 21	TBA
DECEMBER 19	Christmas Party

**NORWF BOARD MEETINGS: THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 AM APOPKA CHAMBER 180 E.MAIN STREET APOPKA, FL**

### **DATE**

### SPECIAL EVENTS

MARCH 10-12, 2019	FFRW SPRING CONFERENCE TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA
MARCH 21	NORWF MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
SEPTEMBER 26-29.	NFRW CONVENTION: ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS. INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
OCTOBER 11-12-13.	FFRW FALL CONFERENCE: ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ORLANDO





PICTURE OF NORWF AS IT APPEARED ON JOHN MICHAEL CHAMBER'S WEBSITE. YOU REMEMBER WHEN WE DID THE "THUMBS UP".

### Basket Drawing

We need gift basket donors for the months still open. Please let Judi Risser, [riss1042@aol.com](mailto:riss1042@aol.com) know if you would kindly donate a basket for the monthly drawing at our General Meetings. The proceeds go toward our Scholarship Fund 2019

- January            Bev Blackmon
- February        Charlotte White
- March
- April            Verlie Norris
- May
- June
- July              No Meeting
- August           No Meeting
- September
- October
- November
- December

**THANK YOU NORWF MEMBER SPONSORS  
FOR 2019**

PLATINUM EAGLE	JOYCE BROCKER VERLIE NORRIS
GOLD EAGLE	BEVERLY BLACKMON BEV WINESBURGH
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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A SPONSOR PLEASE CONTACT OUR TREASURER, JOYCE BROCKER AT [JBRO344@GMAIL.COM](mailto:JBRO344@GMAIL.COM) OR 407-463-0012.

Congratulations to Verlie Norris for her official installment as NORWF Recording Secretary. And a special note of thanks to Virginia Mapel for attending Board Meetings and offering her expertise while serving as Recording Secretary until Verlie could officially take the Office.



Joyce Hayward

Marty Harrison

Shirley Merrill

And all other Members and their families that need our prayers.

#### February Birthdays

Dianne Gieske

February 04

Mac McGuffin

February 06



**Membership Corner**

**Dues are delinquent as of February 1. Remember that dues are required every year to renew your membership. New Member applications are also required each year. If you have not done so please pay ASAP.**

**Active: \$30.00 annually**

This must be your primary federated club and is for women only.

**Associate: \$20.00 annually**

You must belong to another federated club and this is your secondary club and is for women only.

**Men Associate: \$20.00 annually**

This is your club too, but unfortunately you have no voting rights.

**Student: \$5.00 annually**

This is for any student member attending either high school or college.

**Sponsorship Levels:**

Bronze Eagle	\$35.00-\$50.00
Silver Eagle	\$51.00-\$100.00
Gold	\$101.00-\$200.00
Platinum	\$200.00 +

Please make check payable to:

NORWF  
P.O. Box 56  
Apopka, FL. 32704

Or deliver to the Treasurer

at the next meeting.

**2018-19 Officers**

President.	Charlotte White
1st Vice President.	Dianne Gieske
2nd Vice President	Beverly Blackmon
Recording Secretary	Verlie Norris
Treasurer.	Joyce Brocker
Asst. Treasurer.	Joni Keams
Corresponding Secretary	Marty Harrison

**NORWF Past Presidents**

2006-07.	Carolyn Booth
2008-09.	Patty Redlich
2010-11.	Linda Laurendeau
2012-13.	Barbara Zakszewski
2014-15.	Beverly Blackmon
2016-17	Joyce Brocker

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**General Meeting**

**When:** Thursday, February 21, 2019

**Speaker:** Robert Agrusa  
President, The Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce

**Topic:** How the Chamber of Commerce and Community Effects Politics

**Where:** The Tavern at Rock Springs Ridge  
625 Rock Ridge Blvd.  
Apopka, FL. 32712

**Time:** 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

**Cost:** \$20.00 with reservation, \$25.00 at the door without reservation.

**Advanced reservations required. Please RSVP to Bev Winesburgh. Call 407-257-1396 or e-mail [bwine@earthlink.net](mailto:bwine@earthlink.net) to make a reservation. You may also reserve online at [www.norwf.org](http://www.norwf.org)**

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MONDAY FEBRUARY 18th, at 8:00 PM.**

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