

NORWF PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hello Ladies,

First let me say what wonderful and informative guest speakers we had at this past meeting. Thank you for all that attended.

May is a special month as we celebrate very special people who play a vital role in our lives. Mothers are caregivers, comforters, chefs, taxi's, teachers, mentors, and best of all friends. We are always grateful for the love they pour into us every day. So, I would love to wish all mothers a very happy Mother's Day!

Katie

Katie Hope
President



NORTHWEST ORANGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED

Luncheon and Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2023



THE BACK ROOM STEAKHOUSE

1418 Rock Springs Rd, Apopka, FL 32712

\$20 (Includes Lunch) Without Reservation \$25

Reservation Deadline: Sunday, May 14, 2023

Mary Flynn

AWARD WINNING AUTHOR AND POET

“CONFESSIONS OF A HALLMARK GREETING CARD WRITER”

Food Selections: 1. Build your Own Burger. 2. Chicken Tenders. 3. Fish and Chips.
Choice of one side: French Fries; Cole Slaw; or Broccoli. Please state your selections
when making your reservation.

Lunch Meeting Starts at 11:30 AM—1:30 PM

—Bring a Friend—

Reservations: Marty Harrison 407-886-1922 or martyaoii@aol.com
and on-line at www.norwf.org



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“Women Making a Difference”

BY Barb Zack



In Memory of Memorial Day – The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Have you had a chance to visit The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery? If you have, you know what a moving and overwhelming experience your visit can be. If not, and you have plans to visit soon, brace yourself. When I had the opportunity to visit in 2017, I was overwhelmed and began crying. We made our way through these most hallowed grounds on our way to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, in silence and prayer.

We were blessed to witness the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb and were rendered speechless by the solemnity and honor this Ceremony invokes. Only a privileged few of the Army’s 3rd US Infantry Regiment “The Old Guard” walk the mat, with practiced and honed precision; the watch began July 2, 1937 and has continued uninterrupted, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year: twenty one steps across the black mat that lies across the Tomb; twenty one seconds standing straight, facing the Tomb; twenty one steps to the other side of the mat; the same routine repeats day and night. Guards do not wear rank insignia while on guard so as not to outrank the Unknown Soldier. The guards undergo rigorous physical, aptitude, mental and motivational tests. If they are accepted for Guard duty, they then undergo rigorous training. Beginning approximately 2015, women were also accepted as Tomb Guards, undergoing the same rigorous test and training as the men.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier began simply, with a simple stone marker. In 1926, Congress approved funds to design and build a more fitting memorial, with the new design replacing the original one in 1931. The Tomb Stone is eight feet wide, 13 feet long and 11 feet tall. On the Western façade reads the time-honored inscription: **HERE RESTS IN HONORED GLORY AN AMERICAN SOLDIER KNOWN BUT TO GOD.**

The remains of at least one soldier from every War, beginning with World War I, are interred in the tomb. A hero from each of the Wars made the selection of the soldier from that war to be honored with interment in the Tomb. The Tomb of the Unknown allows Americans to reflect on and thank these soldiers for their service and for the ultimate sacrifice they made. President Reagan, in a speech from 1984, concluded his remarks this way: “Thank you dear son. May God cradle you in His loving arms”. As we approach Memorial Day, let us remember these words and reflect on the sacrifices of all our soldiers, along with their families.

God Bless the United States of America.

(Note: Historical information derived from “Sacred Duty” by Senator Tom Cotton and “The Unknowns” by Patrick K. O’Donnell.)

Fred Brummer was a HUGE SUPPORTER OF NORWF. WE LOST ONE OF OUR OWN HE WAS OFTEN ONE OF OUR GUESTS SPEAKERS ONE OF THE REASONS I JOINED NORWF.... HE WAS A GREAT ADVISOR!!! GREAT LOSS FOR OUR CLUB!!

QUOTE FROM BARB ZACK: Mr. Brummer was also a friend to NORWF, as an associate member for several years, and as a policy advisor. He helped so many, even after he left the public office. His passing leaves a gaping hole in the Northwest Orange area, and especially Apopka.

Fred Brummer, former State Representative and County Commissioner, dies at 77.



Fred Brummer, a former representative in the Florida Legislature, has died at age 77.

PHOTO FROM THE FLORIDA HOUSE WEBSITE

Posted Thursday, May 4, 2023, 1:40 am

From Staff Reports

Fred Brummer, a giant in local politics, has died at 77. Brummer served as a representative in the Florida Legislature from 1998-2006 and an Orange County Commissioner from 2006-2014.

According to the biography on his Florida House home page, Brummer served as Chair of the State Administration Committee, the Committee for Appropriations for Commerce and Local Affairs, and the Committee for Finance and Taxation and as Vice Chair of the House Appropriations Committee. He was also recognized for his outstanding service by numerous organizations. He was acknowledged as "Representative of the Year" by the Florida Police Benevolent Association and the International Association of Fire Fighters.

In 2002, the First Amendment Foundation presented him with the prestigious Pete Weitzel/Friend of the First Amendment Award. He received the highest ranking in the Florida House and Senate by the

Associated Industries of Florida. The Florida Chamber of Commerce recognized Brummer with its award for legislative accomplishment in each of his eight years in the Legislature.

Brummer moved to Florida in 1957. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Master of Business Administration from Florida Atlantic University. In 1976, he earned the qualification as a Certified Public Accountant.

As a CPA with Brummer & Rogers, PA, CPA, he has practiced accounting in Apopka since 1981. Before beginning his private accounting practice, Brummer had ten years of government accounting and budget control experience.

He was a member of both the American and Florida Institutes of CPAs.

Brummer always considered community service to be the most significant quality necessary to holding public office. He chaired the Orange County School Overcrowding Committee, been a member of the Orange County Membership and Mission Review Board, Orange County Public Schools Finance Advisory Committee, the Wekiva Basin Area Task Force, the Wekiva River Basin Coordinating Committee, Lake County Fire & Emergency Service Advisory Committee, City of Apopka Fire Pension Board and served as President of the Apopka Rotary Club.

His dedicated work in local civic organizations earned Brummer service awards from the Apopka Improvement Association, Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce, and Apopka Rotary Club. In addition, he was named the Businessman of the Year Award from the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce in 1991 and Rotarian of the Year in 1993.

WHY PROGRAMS, NEWSLETTERS, YOUR ACTIONS COUNT!!! – THANK YOU, JONI!! FOR KEEPING US INFORMED

PLAN GOOD PROGRAMS AND KEEP GOOD RECORDS

<u>Programs</u> (Marty, Charlotte)	Points		Bonus Points	Descriptions of Programs
Our club's Program Chairman oversees the planning and implementation of programs that support the mission of NFRW and works with the Club Achievement Awards Chair.	3 points	3		
Our club programs featured Republican speakers and/or GOP initiatives in both 2022 and 2023 .	4 points	4		
Our club featured a state elected official or NFRW officer and/or board members as a speaker at one of our meetings.	3 points			

Our club held at least 3 programs on current legislative issues on either the state or national level in 2022 . <i>Describe issues.</i>	5 points			<i>Item #4 (Additional space provided at the end of the form)</i>
Our club held at least 3 programs on current legislative issues on either the state or national level in 2023 . <i>Describe issues.</i>	5 points			<i>Item #5 (Additional space provided at the end of the form)</i>
Our club presented the differences between Republicans and Democrats on vital public policy issues prior to any given election, both to our members and to the community, through a club program and/or articles in a newsletter, letters to the editor, e-mail, Facebook, Twitter. <i>Give a brief description of action taken.</i>	5 points	5		<i>Item #6 (Distributed Why I am a Republican list in Newsletter and on Facebook.</i>
Our club held at least one program or workshop in 2022 or 2023 where we invited our State’s National Committeeman, National Committeewoman, State Party Chairman, or local GOP leaders to explain GOP plans of action.	4 points			
Our club held at least one program in 2022 or 2023 on the purpose, programs, structure and brief history of the NFRW. This program may include a history of our State Federation.	3 points	3		Jan 2022 president explained hierachy of club, NFRW mission and history.
Add 3 bonus points if an NFRW Executive Committee Member, your State Federation President or State FRW representative presented the program mentioned above.			3 bonus points	
Our club’s Legislative Chairman reports on local, state and federal legislation at our meetings.	3 points			
Our club held an advocacy program and implemented a plan of action to lobby our local, state and/or national elected officials.	3 points			
				Wrote emails to senators for HR550, SB340, HB1557, HR7910, Title X, BA 10.086, 10.081, 7.07.13, Drag Queen Shows, FS 168.381
Our club members studied, drafted or acted upon legislation in 2022 or 2023 . <i>Include name/bill number and action taken.</i>	5 points	5		
Add 2 bonus points if members acted on legislation as directed by the NFRW Legislation and Research Committee.			2 bonus points	
Our club participated in a telephone hotline, e-mail and/or letter writing campaign to promote GOP legislation at the local, state or national level.	5 points			
<i>Please give a brief description of the action taken and the legislation involved.</i>				
One or more members of our club attended a local, State Federation or NFRW Legislative Day.	3 points			
TOTAL POINTS – Programs Section	Points:	20	Bonus Points:	



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS

May Birthdays
 Bev Blackmon May 3rd
 Joni Keams May 3rd
 Patrick Ryan May 28th

Katie Hope, so graciously set up the NORWF face book page for us. The link is below so that you can sign on to the page. If you have pictures from the past meetings, she would like you to send them to her so that she can post them to us. Also, if you have information on one of our events that you would like to get out to the other members <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100079902524868>.

I AM A REPUBLICAN BECAUSE



The proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations and the best government is that which governs least.

The most effective, responsible government is the government closest to the people.

I BELIEVE the strength of our nation is based on the individual and that each person's ability, dignity, freedom, and responsibility must be honored.

I BELIEVE that free enterprise and encouragement of individual initiative and incentive have given this nation an economic system second to none.

I BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice, and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, age, sex, national origin, or disability.

I BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

I BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom, and human rights throughout the world.

FINALLY, I BELIEVE that the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

NORWF Desserts Volunteers 2023

Month	Volunteer (s)	Contact Number
January	Judith Risser	407-886-3778
February	Susan Bornmann	321-299-3100
March	Katie Hope	352-910-3257
April	Beverly Winesburgh	407-257-1396
May	Sandy Bove' & Brenda Solomon	407-614-4712
June	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
July	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
August	Judi Risser	407-920-7518
September	Marty Harrison	407-493-0471
October	Louise Fortunato	407-310-8912
November	Loretta Forlaw	407-579-5971
December	Susan Bornmann	231-299-3100

NORWF Drawing Basket Volunteers 2023

Month	Volunteer (s)	Contact Number
January	Loretta Forlaw	407-579-5971
February	Judith Risser	407-920-7518
March	Sandy Bove' & Brenda Solomon	407-614-4712
April	Susan Bornmann	321-299-3100
May		
June	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
July	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
August		
September		
October	Marty Harrison	407-493-0471
November	Joni Keams and Charlotte White	
December	Katie Hope	352-910-3257

NORTHWEST ORANGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN, FEDERATED, INC
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: [] New Member [] Annual Renewal (Place an * next to new/updated information)

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse's Name _____
Street Address _____ Precinct # _____
City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____
Birthday (month + day) _____ How did you hear about our organization? _____

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS: Active Membership \$45.00/year Associate Membership \$30.00 per/year
Women who are associate members must be an active member in another Federated club. List the FFRW Club of your Active Membership
Male Associate Membership—\$30.00/year
Young Republicans/Student Associate Membership—\$5.00/year

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS: Includes one year of active or associate membership
Platinum Eagle \$251 + Gold Eagle \$200 - \$250 Silver Eagle \$100 - \$199 Bronze Eagle \$50 - \$99

Membership includes free monthly newsletters via email. Additional \$10/year for hard copy.

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES (please check all that apply)

STANDING COMMITTEES: [] Bylaws [] Campaign Activities [] Community Relations [] Finance
(Ways & Means) [] Membership [] Legislative/CAP/Resolutions [] Programs

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: [] Achievement Awards [] Adopt-A-Soldier [] Americanism [] Caring for America
[] Armed Services & Veterans [] Historian/Press Book [] M.E.L.P. [] Newsletter [] Public Relations
[] Scholarships [] Sunshine [] Telephone [] Chaplain [] Newsletter/Website [] Parliamentarian

AMOUNT PAID:\$ _____ Check # _____ Cash _____ CC _____

Signature on this application certifies that I am a Registered Republican. By signing this application, I also agree to abide by the By-laws and Standing Rules of NORWF, to include supporting Republicans only in partisan and non- partisan races.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION & PAYMENT TO: NORWF, P.O. BOX 56, APOPKA, FL 32704-0056
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NORWF