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# From the desk of Kay Wildt, NCFRW President

Happy New Year - May God guide and bless NCFRW.

While the year has changed, we haven't. We are the same patriotic women willing to work tirelessly to support and elect those who share our bedrock Republican values and who remain dedicated to our Platform.

The 2022 NCGOP Platform is linked below. Take a few minutes to review it - it's not long, but it is important to understand what guides our NCFRW members.

Article I - The Family - states clearly what is important to the moms and grandmas in our federation. We strongly condemn any actions or persons that jeopardize the safety of the family or our God-given rights.

Fortunately, our NC elected representatives are trustworthy people on whom we can count, and we are heartened by their courage fighting against wasteful spending and programs that harm the innocent. We're especially proud to send Senator-elect Ted and Amy Kate Budd to D.C.

This January newsletter is the 32nd newsletter or alert that I've written over the last 13 months. I appreciate that so many of you responded and made comments pushing back against Federal government overreach in rules and regulations.

I thank you all for your hospitality; I've loved visiting clubs across the state, sharing in your celebrations. My time on the road cannot compare to others', but 12,400 miles passed quickly. And I love using the time to pray and reflect on the beauty of the Great Old North State.

See you in February at our Winter Board meeting - we're **Building NC Leaders!** 



#### 2022 NCGOP Platform

The Republican Party is committed to the values and ideals that are the true greatness of America, and we gladly join together to fight for justice, secure the blessings of liberty, and provide true opportunity and hope for generations to come. NCGOP Platform adopted at the 2022 Convention.

## It is fitting....

It is fitting that at the dawn of a new year we look to our first President, George Washington. Who, by God's goodness to us at the birthing of new nation, knew that we would need someone who was honorable, sought Him in all things, and stood for righteousness's sake.

Read Margeaux's entire prayer...

# **NCFRW Winter Board Meeting**



NCFRW will host its Winter Board Meeting in Raleigh near RDU Airport, and you're invited!

NCFRW Winter Board Meeting February 3-5, 2023 Hampton Inn & Suites RDU Brier Creek 8021 Arco Corporate Drive, Raleigh 27617

We have planned an interesting and rewarding program to kick off our 70th Anniversary Year, with a workshop on Saturday presented by the Leadership Institute and dinner Saturday evening featuring **Mr. Gordon Chang**, whose speech, "China Is at War with America" will be both chilling and thought-provoking.

Our NCFRW goal in 2023 and beyond - **Building NC Leaders** - preparing women to be even more effective leaders and candidates with training from a premier resource, the **Leadership Institute (L.I.)**. The Institute teaches conservatives of all ages how to succeed in politics, government, and the media through workshops in campaigns, fundraising, grassroots organizing, youth politics, and communications.

On Friday evening there will be a special event for 2022/2023 Regents to thank them for their generous support, so if you've considered becoming a Regent, now is the right time to join and receive your personal invitation. There is a information at the end of the newsletter and a link to sign up to become a Regent.

Here is the Eventbrite link to register for our Winter Board meeting: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-ncfrw-winter-board-meeting-tickets-502245659287

#### **RESERVE YOUR ROOM:**

Two ways to reserve your hotel room (includes complimentary breakfast):

- Call the hotel directly at (919) 484-0500 and request a room under the NC Fed Republican Women group, or using the code FRW.
- Book your room directly by clicking on the button below:

Book your room online

Please reserve your room by **January 20, 2023,** to secure the discounted rate.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

# NCFRW earned Campaign awards

30% of all election work in the nation was done here in NC! Per the RNC, that's what you did. Thank you!

NCFRW clubs garnered top Campaign awards from NFRW, and it's no wonder. Here are just a few highlights of the ways NCFRW members contributed to the effort (from Dave Warren's NCGOP Election Integrity team):

- Poll observer shifts filled: 25,000+ for the election cycle.
- Trainings held 600+.
- Poll observers trained: 10,618.
- All 100 counties involved....NEVER BEEN DONE BEFORE!

## **Club President & Treasurer Reminders**

**Presidents, Treasurers & Board Members:** There will be a mid-January Zoom call to give updates for the February meeting and welcome new Club Presidents. We will email the details.

From Treasurer Kathy Allen: Hello awesome Treasurers. This is a friendly reminder that the next Board of Election report is due January 11th, covering receipts and expenditures from October 23rd to December 31, 2022. I will hold a Treasurer's Zoom call in February and will contact treasurers with the date and time. Please ensure that we have your correct email.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

January 9th - Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

January 9th - 4 PM Zoom NFRW Faith Coalition "Draw the Circle Prayer Challenge." Program for NFRW members. Registration is free but required. <a href="https://nfrw.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEqdeiopzIsGdyLkv6P7ll4ntQdD\_46GTx2">https://nfrw.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEqdeiopzIsGdyLkv6P7ll4ntQdD\_46GTx2</a>

#### **Deadlines:**

January 11 - SBOE Treasurer Report (October 23rd to December 31, 2022).

January 15 - NFRW Political & Campaign Volunteer Award Deadline for reporting hours and calls for third report, July 1-December 31, 2022. Count Associates' efforts, as well as regular members'.

January 31 - Deadline for 2023-2025 NCFRW Officer Application forms.

March 1 - Membership ends if not renewed.

March 3 - Resolutions for the 2023 NFRW Spring Board Meeting due. A resolution must be approved by the local club, then be approved at our Winter board meeting in February before it is forwarded to the NFRW Resolutions Committee.

March 30 - Convention deadline for new clubs. New clubs must be in good standing six months prior to the convention to be eligible for representation.

**June 1** - All **NFRW Award** submissions due: Club Achievement Awards, Caring for America and Armed Services.



## **Privacy for personal information**

Per NFRW/NCFRW, all member information is confidential and cannot be shared - not to the NCGOP, not to your County Chair, to no one under pain of expulsion for any member who divulges it. This includes sharing lists of attendees at events.



## **NFRW Achievement Awards**

At the 2023 Biennial Convention in Oklahoma City, NFRW will recognize outstanding clubs through the Achievement Awards program. The Achievement Award is a roadmap to success to develop vibrant, engaged clubs with interesting programs that attract members.

Set your Club up for success by using the Achievement form to plan your club's activities. It is a useful checklist of club functions, membership development ideas and milestones, programs, leadership development, campaign activities, and community relations that earn points towards the biennial awards.

If your club is changing presidents, make sure to fill out the Achievement Awards form with your 2022 activities, save, and pass it along to your new president! Very helpful to your new leader and a head start on winning an award!

Go to the NFRW website and learn about all the resources they provide.



Send your current Club Bylaws to Linda Petrou by January 31, 2023. Clubs Bylaws must be updated to agree with the latest NFRW Bylaws. Go to www.nfrw.org and use their "Club Bylaws Template" for a simplified model. Remember to use Standing Rules for club policies that can change as your board requires.

## **Tribute to Women Program**

Thanks to Gay Dillard and Linda Petrou for their work on the beautiful commemorative program for the Tribute to Women.

# Heritage on "Southern Border Crisis Coming to NC"



national effects.

Sunday, February 5, 2023, at 2:30 pm at Sandhills Community College in Pinehurst.

The Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr. Speaker Series will host "An Afternoon with the Heritage Foundation."

Mike Howell, director of Heritage's Oversight Project, will present an in-depth lecture about the border crisis including discussion of its facilitators, past and current governmental policies, and state and

Tickets are \$50.00; to purchase, go to www.JHSpeakerSeries.com.

## Save these dates

May 5-7, 2023 NCFRW Spring Board Meeting/Biennial Convention. Foothills Region.

Spring Legislative Day in Raleigh. TBA

June 8-11, 2023 NCGOP State Convention Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

September 28 - October 1, 2023 - NFRW 42nd Biennial Convention, Omni Hotel and Oklahoma City Convention Center, Oklahoma City, OK.

## **Condolences**



## **Betty Budd**

NCFRW mourns the death of Betty Budd, long-time member of the Buncombe County Republican Women's Club and former NCFRW Vice President, and sends its deepest condolences to her family and friends.

In 2016, Betty was named her club's Tribute to Women Honoree, and Betty was elected as an At-Large Delegate to the 2016 RNC Convention. Betty worked tirelessly to further conservative ideals. She will be greatly missed.

## **Election of NCFRW officers**

Election of 2023-2025 officers will be held at the Spring Board of Directors Meeting/Convention.

Members of the Nominating Committee are:

Coastal – Kathy Lawler, Member; Stephanie Broughton, Alternate Capital – Martha Jenkins, Chair - Member; Marianne Benway, Alternate Central – Bonnie Joyner, Member; Leisa Rowe, Alternate Foothills – Mary Anne Huggins, Member; Marge Hooper, Alternate Mountain – Cher Sylvius, Member; Kathy Flett, Alternate

The committee's task is to select the best applicants for the slate, those whose skills and experiences will make a strong team to lead our federation.

- All applicants, including current office holders, must submit the NCFRW Officer Application form, resume, photo and 3 letters of recommendation.
- Print and complete the form, scan and email it to all 5 members of the nominating committee, whose names and email addresses are on the form.
- The deadline to receive applications is January 31st.

For questions, contact Martha Jenkins, Nominating Committee Chair: <a href="marthanjenkins@gmail.com">marthanjenkins@gmail.com</a>

After the Nominating Committee presents its report at the Convention, nominations may be made from the floor.

See the NCFRW Officer Application HERE

# **NCFRW's Scarf!**



NCFRW designed a beautiful silk scarf featuring our seal and edged with a graceful blue scroll interspersed with delicate dogwood blossoms, our state flower.

Each corner of the scarf has a significant North Carolina symbol: the state of North Carolina flag map; the Longleaf Pine (Pinus Palustris); Kitty Hawk, the Wright Brothers' Flyer; the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse.

A great addition to your wardrobe - or a great gift, you can purchase it on the home page of our website for only \$55: <u>ncfrw.com</u>.

# Share your club news with us!

We'd like to hear about it and share it in this newsletter! Contact <a href="MCFRepublicanWomen@gmail.com">MCFRepublicanWomen@gmail.com</a> and send in your information and photos.

# Go here to donate

#### Support our work!

NCFRW members volunteer thousands of hours to elect candidates. Thank you for your support.

#### **NCFRW Regents**

NCFRW's Regent Program provides additional funding to keep NCFRW dues low, fund special events, train and recruit candidates and educate voters. Payment may be made in a lump sum or in installments during the year. See website for information to join.

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