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## Bright Future

*President Dee Drewry*

What a privilege it is to be an integral part of our Republican women's federation. It is my undeniable affection for WFRW and deep-rooted desire to see it flourish that I stand by your side. We are a force to reckon with when we unite! There is always strength and synergy in numbers.

Do you remember how you felt November 4, 2008? I do. We were poised for change; the direction we were headed defied our conservative values. Well, the tides have turned, and yes, the future looks bright. As Republican women, don't apologize. The opposition has a playbook to disrupt and discredit our Republican President and elected officials. It is our responsibility to challenge them with knowledge and facts. Take action and state your position. Become a "community organizer." Our goals can be accomplished by organizing or participating at town halls and via social media. Have your club author resolutions and press releases; get behind initiatives that represent your core values and speak to your concerns. Make your presence known; don't sit back and be a passive observer. We have the values, the talent and determination to make "our voices" heard.

Recently our Vice President, Mike Pence, said ***"We must all of us rise to the challenge before us, tomorrow and every day thereafter. The other side is not sitting idle, and their allies in the media are more than willing to amplify their defense of the failed status quo every single day... We've got to mobilize. We've got to march forward as if it's the most important time in the history of our movement because it is..."***

It never hurts to remind ourselves as to the mission of this organization: "To unite and empower women with an informed voice of influence."

*Dee Drewry*

***"The time is now, my fellow Americans to recapture our destiny, to take it in to our own hands."***

**Ronald Reagan**

## Winners' Circle

Winners' Circle presents...



**Ladies come join the celebration!**

WFRW Spring Convention May 5th 6-8:30

Brought to you by Chelan-Douglas Women and  
Fredi Simpson. In lieu of dinner, there will be a  
nacho/taco buffet, margaritas, etc. Ola'  
Guest speakers will be Wenatchee City Council-  
woman Ruth Esparza and Wenatchee Police Sgt.  
Jim West. (WC Members Only)

## Celebrate Women's History Month

(RNC) Chairwoman Ronna Romney McDaniel released the following statement on Women's History Month: "This month marks a celebration of thousands of powerful women who have shaped the course of history. The Republican Party has never had so many trailblazing women ready to continue making history for generations to come."

The story of Republican women's clubs begins many years before women even had the right to vote. Inspired by the Republican Platform of 1872, Republican women's clubs were off and running. In fact, the oldest such club on record was founded in Salt Lake City in the late 1800s. In 1938 Marion Martin, assistant chairman of the Republican National Committee, called a meeting at the Palmer House in Chicago to organize these clubs into a national organization. Today, the NFRW is one of the largest grassroots political organizations in the country with thousands of active members in local clubs across the nation. Millions of American women, ages 19 to 90, have helped shape our nation through wartime and peace, through depression and prosperity, through good times and bad – all through the National Federation of Republican Women.



# With Pride - Serving the Washington Federation of Republican Women 2017

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### *Did we make a mistake?*

If we have your name, phone or email wrong, please contact WFRW Membership Secretary Billie Jean Liedahl at hrhdotcom@msn.com.

*Thank You!*



## Keeping UP With WFRW Members!

### Cascade Republican Women Start the Year Bright!



Cascade Republican Women and men!

Cascade Women got in the spirit at their February meeting donning sunglasses because "the future's so bright we have to wear shades." Other news: Two members attended the WFRW convention in Nov.

Christmas gifts were given to their adopted community service project,

"The Genesis Project". Genesis works to help girls get out of the sex trafficking trade in the SeaTac area.

Member, Barbara Hagstrom, attended President Trump's inauguration in January. Barbara worked with his Washington State Campaign, and took this photo at the welcome ceremony.



Inauguration Jan, 2017



President Emma Herron, Linda Jeans, Momoko Stafford, Yuko Faris, Barbara Hagstrom

Several members joined the WFRW Day at the Capitol on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Lewis County Republican Women Discuss Election

by hosting J Vander Stoep at their January meeting. Mr. Vander Stoep, an attorney is a former WA State Representative and former Staff to Senator Slade Gorton. He was well received with his analytical perspective of the election results.



### Republican Women of Whatcom County are Getting Prepared

March 7th the luncheon speaker was their own State Committeewoman Carolyn Anderson! Carolyn's presentation "Counteracting Inaccuracy & Belligerency" challenged them with the question "How do we respond to harsh criticisms from those not supporting our President".

In December their own Eileen Sobjack, NFRW 3rd VP, officiated at our Installation of Officers for 2017-18. L to R are Jeanne Quinlivan, 2nd VP; Toni Whitmyre, Treas.; Susan Kaplan, 3rd VP; Gail Pappacostas, Pres.; Eileen Sobjack; Joan Dow, 1st VP; Mary Miller, Sec. The festive holiday luncheon included the beautiful sounds of Christmas music played by Gail Pappacostas on her Celtic harp. A silent auction fund raiser brought in \$1,030. Whatcom County Sheriff Bill Elfo addressed our well-attended January 3rd luncheon.



One of their newer members, Ashley Butenschoen of Lynden, is seen with NFRW President Carrie Almond at the NFRW Pre-Inaugural Open House in Alexandria, VA, on Jan. 19th. The ladies are holding a milk chocolate replica of the Capitol Building. Ashley has been appointed to Chair the Social Marketing Communications of RWWC.





## Keeping up with WFRW Members!

### Ponderosa Republican Women Welcome College Graduates!

Ponderosa is excited to have young Republican women serve on their 2017 Board. Pictured: Installation of the Officers by Spokane County Commissioner Josh Kerns. L-R Jennifer Muroya Thomas, Fundraising VP; Ellen Sommers, Secretary; Emily Strode, Membership VP; Vicki Horton, Programs VP; Gloria Higgins, Treasurer, Ariana Swynenburg, President. Also pictured is Ariana Swynenburg, Emily Strode & 6th Dist Rep Mike Volz -Day at the Capitol.



### Clark County Republican Women Remember Michelene Doan

Clark County Republican Women's President, Michelene Doan passed away on Dec 1, 2016. She was a strong and active Republican woman in CCRW, WFRW, her church and community. Michelene was an outspoken advocate for Republican voters and the people in our country, believing the exercise of freedom of speech was critical to the continuation of the greater freedom from oppression. Michelene will be greatly missed.



### Congratulations!



The future is definitely bright with these great Republican women. Congratulations to Ronna Romney McDaniel, the first woman elected Republican National Committee Chair in 50 years (photo with Fredi Simpson, National Committee Woman) and Susan Hutchison Washington Republican Party Chair appointed to the Republican National Committee Executive Board

### Chelan/Douglas Republican Women Have Influence

The Chelan/Douglas Republican Women started the year educating every member and guest on the importance of the Electoral College, how it affected the outcome of the Presidential election. They learned how much influence they can have on our government with a program from the 'Center for Self Governance'. Club President Fredi Simpson attended the Inauguration of President Donald Trump in January. She also helped elect the first woman to be RNC Chairman in over 50 years. CDRW will be hosting the WFRW Board of Directors Winners Circle reception on May 5<sup>th</sup> in Leavenworth. Their club is growing, becoming more educated and stronger in their support of our Republican President Trump.



CDRW President Fredi Simpson-Inaugural Swearing In and Trump Socks at the Inauguration

CDRW with State Treasurer Duane Davidson. Mona Guentzel, Vicki Malloy, WFRW President Dee Drewry, Shirley Schreiber, Representative Mike Steele, Representative Cary Condotta, CDRW President Fredi Simpson with Whatcom RW Ashley May Butenschoen, NFRW 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Eileen Sobjack, Whatcom RW Nichole Weber



## Keeping UP With WFRW Members!

### WFRW Day at the Capitol!

The Washington Federation of Republican Women want to thank our elected Officials, Representatives, Senators and other distinguished guests who joined us for our Day at the Capitol. It was an honor to have them. Their words of encouragement make for a bright future indeed! A special thank you to the Clubs for the abundance of pictures.





## Engaging and Empowering Women

### Club Achievement Awards

It is time to start putting together NFRW Awards. Visit the "Member Center" on the NFRW.org website. Scroll down to "Digital Resource Library" and click on "Award Forms". Shirley Schreiber is the state chair for Club Achievement and Campaign Volunteer Hours.

**The forms are due to her by June 1.**

Don't wait till the last minute.

Contact Shirley at [shirleyjschreiber@gmail.com](mailto:shirleyjschreiber@gmail.com) or call **509-741-0124** if you have any questions.

### Caring For America

Our Caring for America national leaders held a telephone conference at the beginning of February in which Caring for America state leaders were gathered from all over the nation to discuss ideas and exchange information. Several things were emphasized. When you submit your Caring for America Award Form, put in ALL the great things you did for Caring for America projects during the two years of 2016 and 2017 and circle the size of your club and give your club's complete name. If you added new members due to any of your projects, this would be good information to share as well. In the past, only one project was asked for but now NFRW is asking clubs to put in every project they have done, big or small, to make America great again. **DEADLINE is June 1<sup>st</sup>. 2017** to send in your CFA Form. Send entries on regular sized paper with the form to -- Sharon Krey, 15211 84th Ave Ct NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98329. Questions: [sharonkrey@gmail.com](mailto:sharonkrey@gmail.com), or **253-376-4525** --text or talk. The form can be found in the Members section of the NFRW website: <http://nfrw.org/> Follow CFA on Facebook.

### Legislative Issues

There are approximately 3000 bills in the Legislature each year. Republicans in the House have good bills, but rarely get out of committee. Most bills regarding Property Rights, Water Rights and Growth Management Act are dead this year. Marijuana bills are in abundance. Democrats are pushing Homeless Housing bills that increase development while restricting encampments under Religious Organization Programs. Educational bills this session are quite frustrating as the McCleary Decision is still dictating to our Legislators. HB 1014 which is a Republican Bill to review the process of the Department of Ecology is dead while the Governor's Greenhouse Gas Bill is still alive. Bills on the following issues are also dead: Human Rights protecting women and children and transgenders; Religious Freedom; Eminent Domain; Right to Work and other labor laws. Parental Rights in regard to abortion is dead in the House, but alive in the Senate: SB5320 is scheduled for a floor vote. Prohibition of taxpayer's funding of abortions is dead in the House. Human Rights and Mental Health Bills like the Vulnerable Citizens Act are doing well in both chambers. Only one gun law HB 1122 is still alive while the assault weapons ban is dead. A same day voter's registration law is still going. Our state is only one of five that allows people to get driver's licenses without proof of who they are and register to vote without identification. *Thank you Carolyn Crain for this summary and for being WFRW's Legislative Chair for 2016.*

### \*WFRW Painting Olympia Red!\*



# *WFRW Women in High Places!*



## NFRW

Your NFRW Third Vice President is on the move. This past summer I joined President Carrie Almond on Rosie's tour of Washington, spoke at the Everett Trump Rally on behalf of Republican Women then headed to California, Nevada, Cleveland and Kansas in the Fall to speak on NFRW's bright future. Recently I met with the 11 member NFRW Executive Committee at the Alexandria headquarters to map out goals for NFRW in 2017. NFRW has a new hashtag **#NFRWBrightFuture** because for the first time in years Republicans have a majority and a goal to change the failed politics of the last eight years. When visiting other State Federations there's enthusiastic Republican Women ready to work to Make America Great Again."

**Eileen Sobjack**  
**NFRW 3<sup>rd</sup> VP**  
**Region 2 Director AK, AZ, CA, HI, NM, NV**  
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## RNC

The RNC elected its first woman Chair in over 50 years-only the second one, ever! *Ronna Romney McDaniel* was elected unanimously and in her first month raised over \$19M! With strong women in leadership like WSRP Chairwoman Hutchison-who was appointed to the RNC Exec-Board, Republicans are on their way to building strong women's coalitions that will help pass President Trump's 'women's equality'

**Fredi Simpson**  
**National Committee Women**  
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## WASHINGTON STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY

May we celebrate our newly elected President Trump and look forward to a bright future under his presidency. President Trump's speech to Congress was inspirational, patriotic and realistic. Your Washington State Republican Party is working hard every day for you. We will continue to build on our successes of the last four years with a great team. Our mission of the WSRP remains the same to elect Republicans at every level of government. Let's unite and win!

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## WFRW Important Information!

### **What is Winners' Circle and why should you join?**

**Red Rose Level: \$100 or more; White Rose Level: \$250 or more; Blue Rose Level: \$500 or more**

Winners' Circle members enjoy an exclusive reception at the regularly scheduled WFRW Board of Directors meetings and the biennial Convention.

Clubs may join and entitle their President to participate in Winners' Circle events.

We also encourage all elected Republican officials to join the Winners' Circle and support the Republican women's programs that enable WFRW to support the candidates.

If you are a current member of Winners' Circle but your name is not listed, or you are not a member of the Winners' Circle and would like more information, please contact Roxanne Husmann, **425-343-5586** or email [edsapples@gmail.com](mailto:edsapples@gmail.com)

To join or renew, forward your check to WFRW Treasurer Wanda Grone, 2876 Doc Savage Dr, Langley, WA 98260 Below is a list of 2016 members.

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| ❖ Amie Beisel - Evergreen                | ❖ Gail Pappacostas - Whatcom           |
| ❖ Carolyn Crain - Clark                  | ❖ Jeanne Quinlivan - Whatcom           |
| ❖ Dee Drewry - Chelan-Douglas            | ❖ Shirley Schreiber - Chelan - Douglas |
| ❖ Patsy Excell - Thurston                | ❖ Eileen Sobjack - Whatcom             |
| ❖ Georgene Faries - Evergreen            | ❖ Jeannette Sumpter                    |
| ❖ Sharon Helm - Whatcom                  | ❖ Sally Taylor - Lakewood              |
| ❖ Roxanne Husmann - Evergreen            |  |
| ❖ Suzanne Lambalot - Bothell- North King |  |
| ❖ Marjorie Leighton - Chelan- Douglas    |  |
| ❖ Karen Meredith - Bothell               |  |
| ❖ Mary Jane Olson - South Whidbey        |  |
| ❖ Ellie Ownbey - Chelan-Douglas          |  |
- ❖ MEMBER CLUBS 2016
- Chelan-Douglas RW Club  
Lakewood RW Club  
Ponderosa RW Club  
Snohomish County RW Club

### CALENDAR

- May 5 - 6 ..... WFRW Spring Convention  
May 15 - 19..... Candidate Filing Week  
May 29..... Memorial Day  
July 14..... Primary voting period begins  
August 1..... Primary Election  
September 4 ..... Labor Day  
October 9 ..... Columbus Day  
October 20..... General voting period begins  
October 20 - 21..... WFRW Fall Board Meeting  
November 7..... General Election  
November 11..... Veterans' Day



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**Washington Federation of Republican Women**  
**Official Call**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
**May 5-6, 2017**  
*Icicle Village Resort*  
*505 Hwy 2, Leavenworth, WA 98826*

March 2017

Dear WFRW Board Member,

This is the Official Call to the Washington Federation of Republican Women's 2017 Spring Board Meeting, to be held May 5-6, 2017, at the Icicle Village Resort in Leavenworth, WA. As leaders in one of the largest women's political organizations in America, it is imperative for us to ride the momentum of our Presidential election and to increase our visibility, our influence and grow as a grassroots organization.

On Friday, the Winners' Circle will gather for a festive Cinco de Mayo reception. Saturday will include a District Directors' meeting with District Director Coordinator Cristi Lysne and a Club Presidents' workshop lead by WFRW 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Gail Pappacostas. If you are a Club President or District Director, I'd like to encourage you to attend your respective meeting. These meetings are designed to provide you the opportunity to network with other WFRW Republican women and assist you in being more effective as a leader.

It is important that every member of the WFRW Board of Directors attend all of the scheduled board meetings so we can conduct business with a quorum. The Board is comprised of the WFRW Elected Officers, District Directors, Club Presidents and Standing Committee Chairs. Only Club Presidents can send a proxy and the proxy cannot already be a voting member on the WFRW board. To have a vote at the Spring Board of Directors' meeting your club must be in good standing and your membership dues must be paid and reported to WFRW.

At Saturday's board meeting we will receive reports from standing committees, review and approve proposed bylaws changes and elect delegates and alternates for the NFRW's Biennial Convention in Philadelphia. If you want to be elected as a delegate please arrange ahead of time to have someone nominate you. All Delegates and Alternates must be in good standing. In addition to the WFRW at-large delegates, each club is entitled to send one delegate and one alternate. In many cases, the club president is the automatic delegate. Please check your bylaws. Only clubs in good standing are eligible to send a delegate and alternate.

I look forward to seeing you in Leavenworth as we unite to build our Federation.

*Dee Drewry*

President, WFRW

**\*Please note: Any Club, the Board of Directors, and any Standing Committee may present resolutions. All resolutions shall be germane to the work of the Federation and shall be sent to the Resolutions Committee Chairman, Mary Jane Olson (czarina@whidbey.com) not later than 14 days prior to the board meeting. Please refer to WFRW Standing Rules at the [wfrw.org](http://wfrw.org) website for more information about submitting resolutions.**



**Washington Federation of Republican Women  
Registration Form  
Spring Board of Directors' Meeting**

May 5 & 6, 2017  
505 Hwy 2, Leavenworth, WA 98826

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE/ POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE INDICATE ANY SPECIAL NEEDS HERE \_\_\_\_\_

**Meetings and Fees (please check all that apply):**

Attend?  
Yes No

<b>Registration Fee: YES! I will attend the WFRW Board of Directors' Meeting on May 5 &amp; 6, 2017, at Icicle Village Resort.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0	\$60	\$60
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**FRIDAY**

6:00-8:30 p.m.	Winners' Circle Presents Cinco de Mayo – Brought to you by Chelan-Douglas Women and Fredi Simpson. In lieu of dinner, there will be a nacho/taco buffet, margaritas, etc. Ola' Guest speakers will be Wenatchee City Councilwoman Ruth Esparza and Wenatchee Police Sgt. Jim West. Councilwoman Esparza will be talking about being a strong Hispanic Republican in a diverse, agricultural county. Sgt. West will discuss how the police handle diversity problems and sanctuary cities. (WC Members Only)	0	0	N/C	
	I would like to <u>join the WFRW Winners' Circle</u> (Levels: Red Rose \$100, White Rose \$250, Blue Rose \$500)				\$

**SATURDAY**

7:00-9:30 a.m.	Complimentary Buffet Breakfast	0	0	N/C	
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Presidents' Workshop – Gail Pappacostas	0	0	N/C	
8:45-9:15 a.m.	District Directors' Workshop – Cristi Lysne	0	0	N/C	
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Board of Directors' Meeting				
12:30 -	Lunch with Guest Speaker: 25 <sup>th</sup> District Rep. Melanie Stambaugh. Rep. Stambaugh will be discussing Ethics & Free Speech	0	0	\$25	\$
<b>Total Amount Enclosed (must accompany registration) Registration plus lunch = \$85</b>					\$

**Meal and registration fees must be prepaid.**

**Refunds will not be issued after meals are guaranteed on April 28, 2017 to the hotel caterer.**

Please submit your registration form and payment (payable to WFRW), **to be received no later than April 25, 2017**, to: Wanda Grone, 2876 Doc Savage Dr, Langley, WA 98260

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