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NvFRW Reporter

News from the Silver State

February 2017

New Year! New President!

Republican women flooded Washington, DC, to welcome President Trump

NvFRW was well represented in Washington, DC, in January as many of our club members attended the inauguration of President Trump. In addition, many were thrilled to receive an invitation to one of the three balls held in his honor. This is your ticket to view their photos and recollections on page 4.



Legislative Day

Join us in Carson City on April 6 as we meet with our State Senators and Assemblymen and women to advocate against human trafficking!



More inside!

From Election to Legislation

The election is over, the president has been inaugurated, and it's time to turn our attention to the 79th session of the Nevada Legislature. Convened on February 6 and closing on June 5, we have 120 days to make our voices heard.

Make your plans now to travel to Carson City for NvFRW's Legislative Day on April 6. In the morning, we will be meeting with many of our Republican Assembly men and women and Senators as a group, and after lunch, we will use the time to spread out and meet one-on-one with our own representatives, Republican *and* Democrat.

If you attended either of the Leadership Day events, you learned how to use the NELIS database to follow bills through hearings and committee meetings and how to appear on behalf of (or against) a particular bill. Legislative Day is your time to follow up with your Nevada representative and let them know you are watching them!

NvFRW is advocating for AB73, a bill supported by Attorney General Adam Laxalt that would increase sentencing for propositioning a minor for sex. In addition, we are hoping clubs will support AB56, a bill that would allow the justice courts and municipal courts to establish programs for the treatment of certain offenders who are veterans or members of the military. Of course, you may have a bill close to your heart — make your voice heard!



Leadership Days

On January 21 and January 28, members of southern and northern Republican Women's Clubs, respectively, met for annual training. Each day, however, provided more than just training for new officers. Mendy Elliott, past 2nd VP of NvFRW and managing partner at Capitol Partners (a lobbying firm), and Karen Gray, a long-time citizen advocate who now works at Nevada Policy Research Institute, provided hands-on training in advocacy. Members learned how to use the NELIS database for tracking bills, sign up to track various bills, researched BDRs (Bill Draft Resolutions) and more. Secretary of State Barbara Cegavske spoke to both groups about AB45, part of which will require training and certification for those who register voters.



New Year, New Focus

In December, I attended a lobbying seminar aimed at enthusing my coworkers to advocate during this year's legislative session. Some of you know where I work, so you also know that my coworkers don't always share my political views. Very quickly I felt ostracized and sidelined, even though the facilitator had cautioned the attendees that this would be a "safe space."

But you know, I've decided there's no reason to hide behind safe spaces. We have a president who isn't afraid to speak his mind. I will follow his lead and not be afraid to speak out.

Join me. Be bold!

— Lori Piotrowski, NvFRW President

Financial Corner

by Priscilla Campbell
NvFRW Treasurer



Membership dues that are paid from October 1st to December 31st pay for the following year's membership for the calendar year January to December

NvFRW Report Deadlines for the 2017

2017 is a convention year; consequently, two extra club treasurer reports will be due on dates that differ from last year, March 1st and June 1st. This is due to voting eligibility and delegate calculations that need to be made by the NFRW for the convention. The treasurer's reports will be due to the State Treasurer on the following dates:

March 1st – Convention deadline for new members

April 10th – Second quarter January-March, less new members reported on March 1st

June 1st – Convention deadline. The State Treasurer must submit payment postmarked by June 17th, “no later than ninety days prior to the Convention.”

July 10th – Third quarter April-June less members reported on June 1st

October 10th – Fourth quarter July-September

Reminders

A woman may be a FULL member in only one of our NvFRW clubs.

A woman may be an ASSOCIATE member in as many clubs as they chose, but only if she is a FULL member of one NvFRW club.

We're looking for your club news!

Send news about your club meetings, activities, fund raisers! Share what you are doing to educate women about Republican values. Let us know how you are Caring for America and our veterans. Send your information to loripiotrowski@cox.net.

Together we are strong!

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*RWR President
Victoria Crockett
and NvFRW 2nd
Vice President
Caroline Smith at
one of the balls.*

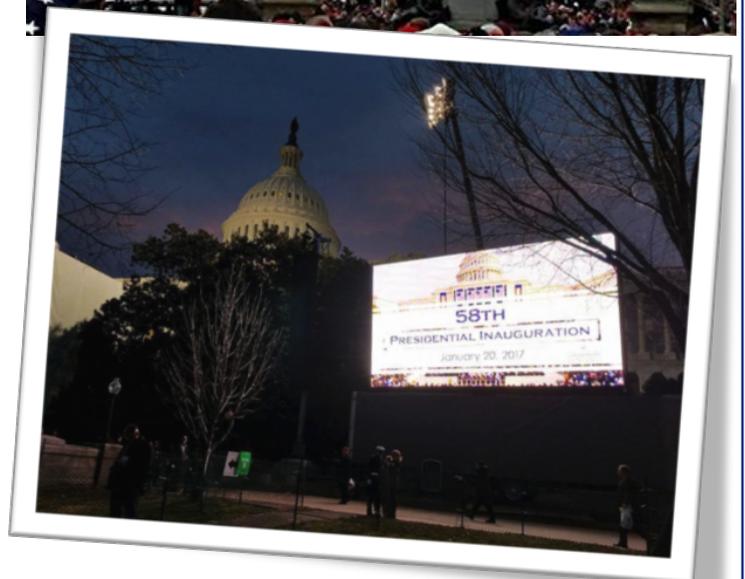
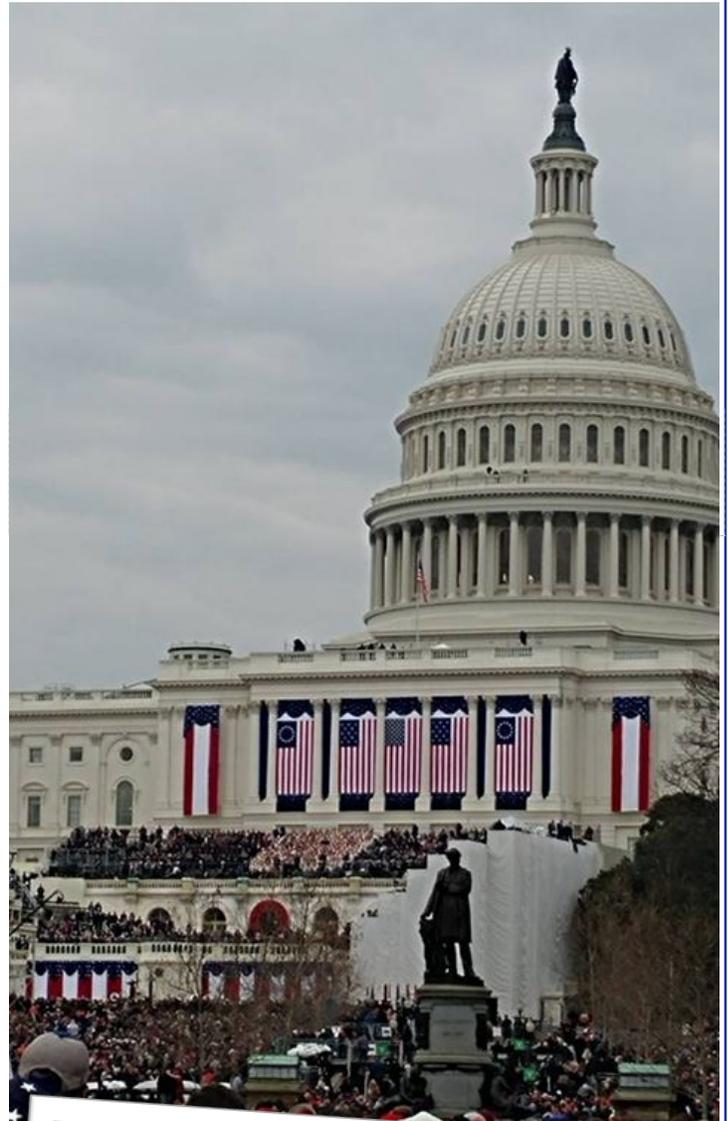
*Photo of the Capitol
courtesy of
Greg Bailor.*



**Caroline Smith
NvFRW 2nd Vice President**

It was an incredible week in Washington. I had great seats to watch President Trump being sworn in, but I also was able to watch him arrive at Blair House where the nuclear codes were to be given to him. Right after that, I went to the humongous rally in front of the Lincoln Memorial, where the President again spoke. Later, I sat for hours in the Senate gallery to witness the debate over the vote for our new CIA Director. I also visited the offices of our Representative Amodei and Senator Heller. I couldn't help but do some sightseeing at the Supreme Court, National Archives, National Gallery of Art, and the Library of Congress — truly outstanding.

I continue to be amazed at our country's ability to have a peaceful transfer of power from one party to another. The framers of our Constitution were geniuses.



Southern Hills Republican Women Take on New Projects

by Lynn Armanino, President

Southern Hills RW has selected Hope Link of Southern Nevada as their 2017 Caring for American year-long project. Hope Link provides services to the poor and underserved. Back-to-school clothing, help with parenting or computer skills, shelter, emergency housing, a food pantry, senior service programs, financial assistance and nutritional education are all part of the services provided to help people escape the confines of poverty and become self-sufficient. We will have other Caring for America projects throughout the year as well.

NvFRW Leadership Conferences were successfully held in the north and south. We are all now supporting and advocating for **AB 73**. SHRW is also advocating for **AB 56**, Veterans Alternative Sentencing (On Behalf of the Attorney General) that “authorizes justice courts and municipal courts to establish programs for the treatment of certain offenders who are veterans or members of the military (BDR 14-388). At SHRW’s January meeting, the membership voted to use the proceeds of our military basket for **Judge Stevens’** Veterans Treatment Court. The VTC takes a team approach to rehabilitate veterans with PTSD or traumatic brain injury who have been charged with a misdemeanor crime. Now that NFRW has pushed the state Federations to have a veteran’s committee (I’m proud to say SHRW adopted Veterans Affairs as a committee 3 years ago), this should be a priority of us all. **AB 56** should be a statewide initiative as it will rehabilitate veterans and help to get them back on their feet. We hope all the Nevada Federation clubs will join us as we advocate for these two bills. After all, we are women and we’re good at multi-tasking!

Our Christmas party was a smashing hit. Sure enough, Mr. and Mrs. Claus joined us to hand out gifts to our members.



RWR to Celebrate Trump's Victory with Trump Impersonator Jeffrey Anderson!

Join Republican Women of Reno to celebrate an amazing and historic victory! We are excited to have Trump Impersonator and Comedian, Jeffrey Anderson. This will be a REAL celebration! We will also hear from RWR president, Tory Crockett, who will present some tales from the inauguration and balls with associate member, Caroline Smith. The meeting is **March 9th**, doors open at 11:00 and lunch is served at 11:30 at Atlantis. Reserve online by the 6th at rwreno.org or call **1-866-806-5501**. \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members with reservation and \$30 for walk-ins.



Carson City Republican Women Welcome 2017!

by Christine Brandon, Co-President

The Carson City RW started the year hearing from the Carson City District Attorney, Jason Woodbury who discussed how the 17th Amendment changed how the US Senators were chosen, by the State Legislatures originally to “directly elected by the people.” Mr. Woodbury deduced that this change has caused the federal government and its spending to increase dramatically over the last 100 years as the Senators' focus now lies with federal interests and not their states.



In December, our Club installed its new officers with their first Co-Presidents, Angela LoGiurato and Christine Brandon who are finding the dual role challenging but rewarding, always ensuring there is one CCRW voice. Other new officers include: 1st VP Lynn Sheeketski, 2nd VP Elaine Bergstrom, Treasurer Linda Haynes, Secretary Suzie Weissman, Immediate Past President Kim Fiegehen, Past President Sandy Markoe, and Parliamentarian Mary Burgoon. Thank you, ladies, for your energy and enthusiasm to make CCRW the best it can be.

February 6th Legislature begins and as the Capital City club, we will be very involved with AB73, the human trafficking Bill. Our Legislative Chair, Lori Bagwell, also a Carson City Supervisor, will be there most days talking with legislators, fighting for our conservative causes. If you are in need of support or information on a Bill, please contact Lori at loribagwell@charter.net. If you come to Carson City in the next several months to work on legislation, please contact us and we will help you in any way we can.

Our luncheon in February is on the 21st and our speakers will be Niki Gladys and Emily Hogarth from Western Nevada College, who will be speaking on retooling education for the new job markets opening in Nevada. If you are in the area, please join us.

**Sierra Nevada Republican Women's
20th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner
& Fund Raiser!!!**



**Sunday March 12, 2017
St. Gall Catholic Church
1343 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville, NV 89410**

Doors Open—4:45 p.m.

No Host Bar—5:00 p.m.

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner—6:00 p.m.

**Good Food & Good Times
Raffles & Prizes**

\$35 per person

Please make reservations in advance by March 6, 2017. This is our only fundraiser for the year, so please support our club by attending. If you are unable to come, a donation would be welcome. Our club is a PAC and our money goes to the candidates to put more Republicans in office. Advance reservations are encouraged, but last-minute meals may be purchased at the door. Make checks payable to SNRW and mailed to:

SNRW
P. O. Box 2504
Minden, NV 89523

RSVP to Treasurer Jacie Peters at JACIEPETERS@GMAIL.COM or 775/901-1898
For more info: Nancy Jarvis 775/267-6937 or Sharon Calvert 775/901-2291

Important Dates for 2017

NFRW Spring Board Meeting
March 16-18, 2017
Peabody Hotel Memphis, TN

NvFRW Legislative Day
April 6, 2017
Carson City, NV

NvFRW Spring Board and General Membership Meeting
April 8, 2017
Carson Nugget
Carson City, NV

NFRW 39th Biennial Convention
September 14-17, 2017
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
Philadelphia, PA

NvFRW Biennial Convention
October 13-14, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

Win This Trump Hat and Scarf!

Bid on this patriotic red, white, and blue straw cowboy hat and hand-knit scarf. The hat has been bedazzled and features a sparkling Trump logo on the front and a big bow on the back. The ruffled scarf is a stand-alone item you can wear with anything and at any time!

These two items may be yours by placing a bid on NvFRW.org in a silent auction to raise funds for NvFRW. Keep visiting the web site to see when you need to bid again. Pick up your new accessories at the Spring Board and General Membership Meeting on April 8.

Donated by Secretary of State
Barbara Cegavske.



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For additional information about the board members, club meeting dates and times, please visit [NvFRW.org](#).



Lego White House courtesy of Austin Larsen, son of Carrie Isaac Larsen, 2nd VP, Laughlin RW.

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