

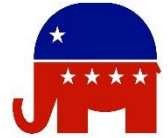
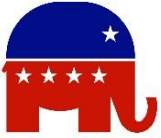
*From Our President*

**Here Comes Santa Claus!**

When looking back at the Trumpets of 2023, one theme clearly dominates, namely that I have the lowest possible opinion of the Democrat Party and the Presidency of Joe Biden! It is abundantly clear to me that they have one goal, i.e. to destroy this wonderful country that we know and love. Fighting their ignorance and deceit inspires and motivates me to be president of RWOF. Democrat reasoning is continually illogical. So much so that I do not think they truly believe it themselves! Surely they are not so stupid. Therefore, it seems to me they must have deceitful, immoral ulterior motives. It is always easy to point out the litany of failed policies promoted and implemented by Biden and his supporters. His latest failures have led to another war in the Middle East and a potential third downgrade of the nation's credit rating leading to an erosion of faith in the U.S. dollar as the world's strongest currency. Also, as each one of knows too well, inflation is destroying the buying power of America's families. Santa's budget will be very tight this year!

I could continue forever listing the detrimental effects of Biden's presidency, but I will not. **THE HOLIDAYS ARE HERE.** Let's end the year on a positive note. Let's be happy and thankful. With Republicans holding a majority in the House and having a chance to win control of the Senate and occupation of The White House in 2024, we have much to celebrate. In contrast to Democrats, our Party is filled with intelligent candidates and great ideas. **We will take the country in the right direction in 2024.** Based upon efforts of organizations such as ours, I am proud to point out that Florida is leading the way. Both U.S. Senators from Florida are Republican. Twenty (of the possible 28) of our members in the U.S. House of Representatives are Republican. Our governor is Republican and over 70% of our state legislature is Republican! I saw on the local news that the Democrats, led by Nikki Fried, are vowing to change that. As the next year unfolds, we must and will stand in their way. With 2023 coming to an end, we have great cause to be filled with joy and optimism. **Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I hope Santa brings you everything your heart desires.**

*Deborah Stone, President*  
**RWOF**



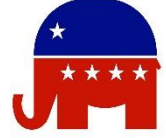
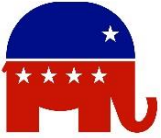
**HO! HO! HO!**

**IT'S TIME FOR RWOF's 2023  
ORNAMENT EXCHANGE**



**OH, NO!**

That's right ladies, it's that time of year again. For those wanting to participate, bring an ornament for exchange at our December 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting (price not to exceed \$20). Let's make this a very memorable experience for all our members who will delight in hanging their treasure on their Christmas Tree. A Keepsake that you will either make you laugh or cry as you remember that day! I've got my tree branch already picked out for mine. GLORY LAND will be joining us, too. Get ready to do some singing. Maddie



**KATHY FOSTER, HOSPITALITY**

**Our DECEMBER Menu:**

**House Salad w/Ranch Vinaigrette**

**Warm Rolls & Butter**

**Baked Tuscan Chicken Breast**

**Maple Glazed Ham**

**Honey Glazed Carrots**

**Garlic Mashed Potatoes**

**Miniature Key Lime Pies**

**Coffee, Decaf, Unsweetened Iced Tea, Water**

The cost is \$20 for members and \$22 for guests. Please respond with a Yay or Nay by **Friday, December 1st**, as reservations are required.

Contact Kathy Foster @ [fosterpk@gnt.net](mailto:fosterpk@gnt.net)



**2nd V.P. KATHY ALEXANDER**

**October Free Lunch Winner:**

**Lisa LeClere**

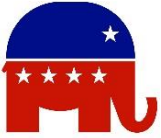
**Free Twisted Grape Certificate:**

**Kathy Alexander**

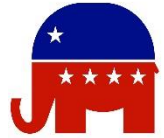
**50/50: Barbara Morris**

**Renewals/New Members to Date -29/8 - Donations \$700**

**Members – 117 & Associates - 22**



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<b>Melissa Ellenberg</b>	<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>Tess McLaughlin-Bass</b>	<b>Dec 18</b>
<b>Mary Morris</b>	<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>Brenda Watkins</b>	<b>Dec 23</b>
<b>Tammy Magee</b>	<b>Dec 2</b>	<b>Martha Gorecki</b>	<b>Dec 26</b>
<b>Erica Wildinger</b>	<b>Dec 3</b>	<b>Gayle Blumberg</b>	<b>Dec 29</b>
<b>Angela Myers</b>	<b>Dec 5</b>	<b>Anna Peele</b>	<b>Dec 30</b>
<b>Joanne Wallace</b>	<b>Dec 7</b>	<b>Kathy Berg</b>	<b>Dec 31</b>
<b>Jeanette Abbate</b>	<b>Dec 8</b>	<b>Lisa Panos</b>	<b>Dec 31</b>
<b>Marcia Burpee</b>	<b>Dec 10</b>	<b>ASSOCIATES:</b>	
<b>Ellen DeFrank</b>	<b>Dec 10</b>	<b>Diana Rowe</b>	<b>Dec 12</b>
<b>Shirley Napier</b>	<b>Dec 11</b>	<b>Christine Zelm</b>	<b>Dec 25</b>
<b>Jo Helmers</b>	<b>Dec 12</b>	<b>Eric Aden</b>	<b>Dec 29</b>
<b>Mary Anne Windes</b>	<b>Dec 16</b>		

### Membership for 2024!

The 2024 RWOF Membership Drive is in progress and renewals are due by **31 December 2023**.

Membership dues remain the same as shown below:

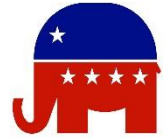
- Saint \$100 (Active member + \$60 donation + 3 chances for "free" RWOF lunch)
- Angel \$75 (Active member + \$35 donation + 2 chances for "free" RWOF lunch)
- Patron \$50 (Active member + \$10 donation + 1 chance for "free" RWOF lunch)
- Active \$40 (Active Membership)
- Associate Member \$15

**If you CANNOT attend the RWOF Meeting on 6 December, please mail your check before the due date.  
RWOF, P. O. Box 1202, Shalimar, FL 32579**

**If you are attending the meeting on December 6, you can renew when you check in.  
Or**

**Mail your check to the address above before the due date.**





## **MARTHA GORECKI, CHAPLAIN**

Our December message:

### **Rising to the Occasion**

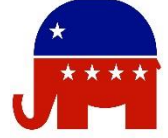
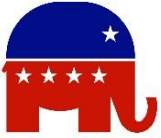
1. 1940 Nazi aggression – Axis Powers (Italy & Japan, too)
2. December 7<sup>th</sup> Pearl Harbor attacked by Japan
3. 100 million military personnel engaged in worldwide fighting
4. Over 60 million people killed
5. D-Day 12 million people were in uniform
6. December 6 1944 6.5 million women were in the workforce
7. Over 400,000 Americans gave their lives in World War II
8. Huge task of remaking the USA after the economic depression and the war years
9. Courageous generation rose to the needs of the country



Song will be “God Bless America” ... say the preface:

When the storm clouds gather far across the sea  
Let us all swear allegiance to the land that’s free  
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair  
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer





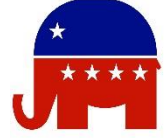
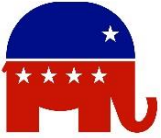
**ANNA PEELE  
COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

The USO volunteers who received our snack donations were thrilled to have them.

Lots of a variety of snacks were donated by our members and will be well enjoyed by the servicemen and women who visit the USO Center at the airport. Thank you to all for this donation.

Thank you!  
Anna, Ellen, Karen and Linda Gail



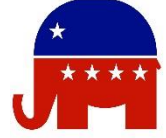


From the desk of Immediate Past President, *Maddie McNeal*



As we approach Christmas, let us all remember the true meaning and reason we celebrate it. We are truly blessed by living in the most wonderful country on earth. We have to protect our freedoms, or like in so many other countries, they will be lost. I am asking that we ask God, on a daily basis, to help us through the battle we are having with the devil. I am told that prayer works miracles and I believe it. We need a miracle and I pray for it to take place in November 2024, or earlier. I'd be okay with that. I don't mean to get maudlin about this, but we have been living in a bad dream these past few years at the hands of our own government. The elephant in the room question is: What are we going to do about it? As a party, we Republicans need to unite (for a change) and make sure we take back our country. I know a lot of Republicans do not care for Donald J. Trump, but more than likely he is going to be our candidate, so they need to get over it. Not voting for him or supporting him will result in our own demise, none of us want that. I know I don't and I certainly don't want to leave that legacy for future generations. I wholeheartedly believe the pendulum is swinging in our favor right now. Congressman Matt Gaetz made the wise decision (and a very unpopular one) of ridding us of another RINO; namely, Speaker McCarthy. I have had many conversations with family and friends as to why this was a brilliant move. Kevin did not live up to his part of the bargain, it's that simple...the one he made to finally become Speaker after fifteen rounds of voting. Most people, many Republicans, wanted Matt thrown out of Congress for his action against McCarthy. For me, the reason was plain as day...people do not like change and they don't want to deal with the truth, it makes them uncomfortable. We now have a great Speaker





Mike Johnson. He's a God-fearing man, a constitutional lawyer and a man who says what he means and means what he says. Mike has already kept a promise (one that McCarthy made but never kept) of releasing the January 6<sup>th</sup> videos that prove there never was an insurrection and it certainly wasn't at the command of Donald J. Trump. Another thing I applaud Mike for is that he strongly wants to do everything possible to curtail the endless spending. A trade off for money sent to Ukraine is to reduce the budget of the IRS in accordance with the amount being sent to Ukraine. It's brilliant! I think Biden is Zelensky's pimp (sorry if that offends you) but Joe can't seem to give enough of our taxpayer's money to him...to protect his border, to pay benefits to Ukrainians, build their infrastructure, you name it. There is something very wrong with this picture, we all know it.

Saul Alinsky's Rules for Radicals is something I'd like you all to take a look at. There are eight rules that guarantee to enslave free people. Obama set them in motion during his presidency and Biden is reinforcing it (well, I believe Obama is actually serving his third term).

1. **Healthcare:** Control healthcare and you control the people
2. **Poverty:** Increase the Poverty level as high as possible. Poor people are easier to control and will not fight back as long as you are providing everything they require to live.
3. **Debt:** Increase the debt to an unsustainable level. In this way, taxes must increase, and this will produce more poverty.
4. **Gun Control:** Remove the ability for citizens to defend themselves from Government. In that way you are able to create a police state.
5. **Welfare:** Take control of every aspect of their lives (Food, Housing, and Income).
6. **Education:** Take control of what children read and what they are taught in school.
7. **Religion:** Remove the belief in God from the Government and Schools.
8. **Class Warfare:** Divide the people into the wealthy and the poor. This will cause more discontent and it will be easier to tax the wealthy with the support of the poor.

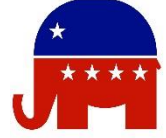
I'm glad I could be such a breath of fresh air in putting all this out there before the holidays. I am afraid for this country and I am doubly afraid for Donald J. Trump because the Dems will stop at nothing. You don't have to agree with me on any of this, if you do, please feel free to sit and have a conversation with me. I'd love to hear your opinions.







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### REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF OKALOOSA FEDERATED MISSION STATEMENT

To bring women together to educate about Local, State and National issues; to improve the quality of life in Okaloosa County through political activity and community involvement; to advance the participation of Republican women in all areas of our political system; and to encourage and support qualified Republican women to seek and win public office.

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