

The NMFRW Red Wave

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New Mexico Federated Republican Women

From the President

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Thank you everyone for your vote of confidence by re-electing me as your President. Serving as your President is truly a blessing in my life.

Living in a blue state is not easy. We feel like we are fighting for our families, our businesses, and our way of life at every turn. But no one is giving up. It just makes us stronger and more determined. It is through the FRW that we bond and learn so much to use toward our success. And success is coming.

Our Republican agenda is bigger than any one person or one issue. We have to make our position heard, that we are the party of reason, common sense and values. The far left had their 15 minutes. It is time for us to make some noise and let our voices be heard.

There is a saying: United we stand, divided we fall. There is a lot of truth in that statement. With that in mind, please take a vow to support the Republican whomever is the candidate. There are actually Republicans that have said they are not going to vote in the General Election unless their candidate is the winner of the Primary. I am going on record and saying that I am supporting the Republican candidate because no matter what, I want a person with my values and principles. What I do not want is another Democrat in an office we could have, should have, won.

Are you living in the past? Or, looking to the future? I am choosing to learn from the past, live in the present and look to the future. There have been numerous cases of voter fraud in the past and lessons have been learned. I can't change that. However, I can educate myself to make sure I am doing what I can to make sure it doesn't happen again. Today and every day I can work hard to support our Republican platform and I want all our clubs to be equipped to support all our Republican candidates. Lastly, I see a state, our state, that is conservative and is finally aware of all the craziness that has gone

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on in the legislature and governorship in the past few years. I see all our hard work paying off.

Enjoy the holiday season. Then in the new year clubs will start vetting candidates. There will be candidates for US Senate. Republican primary already has two candidates and Martin Heinrich already has a Democrat challenger in the primary which may help our position. Yvette Herrell will again be running in the redistricted CD2. With more effort, we can win this race. NM Senate and House races will take place in 2024. We will be busy. Together we can make a difference in our state.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Teresa Barncastle, President

The VP's Desks...

My responsibilities as NMFRW 1st Vice President are to perform the duties of the president in her absence or inability to serve, be responsible for scheduling informative Republican speakers, and performing other such duties as may be assigned to me by the President.

With the direction of our state President and keeping with each conference theme, I have been able to secure speakers and help make arrangements for them to attend.

I have also been able to attend a national board meeting as a proxy for our President.

Serving as NMFRW 1st Vice President has been an honor and a very valuable learning experience.

Thank you.

Terra Fullbright,
NMFRW 1st Vice President

The VP's Desks...

As 2nd VP for the NMFRW I am pleased to give my final membership report for 2022 & 2023. This information was provided by our NMFRW treasurer. I shall give the 2022 number first followed by 2023.

Region A	2022 - 2023
Enchanted North	14 16
Four Corners -	155 147
Los Alamos -	29 32
Santa Fe -	89 82
Taos -	17 21
Total A -	304 298

Region-B 2022 2023

Albuquerque -	51 30
Metro -	44 29
Rio Grande -	60 36
Rio Rancho -	25 31
San Bern -	57 46
Zia -	30 31
Total B -	267 203

Region-C 2022 2023

Chaves -	149 151
Dona Ana -	61 80
Grant -	23 0 (Inactive)
Lea -	53 16
Lincoln -	57 39
Otero-	10 14
Socorro-	28 27
Total C -	381 327

Total NMFRW Members;
2022 - 952 & in 2023 - 828

Congratulations to Chaves County as the largest membership in 2023. Congratulations to Otero County highest percentage increase of 40% & to Dona Ana with 31% increase. I might mention that membership is a full-time job, it takes time & lots of work. It has been my pleasure to serve on the NMFRW Board for several years.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Boue'

2nd VP - NMFRW - Membership

President's Report 2022-2023

Two years has flown by. I feel so blessed to have had this experience. Two years ago, I hit the ground running organizing our committees and getting them started on their projects. I identified all of our requirement deadlines from National and all of our clubs met some of them and most met all.

The NMFRW was excited to start two new clubs Otero and Enchanted North. Unfortunately, we had one club disband, Grant County FRW. We had great membership numbers in 2022 reaching a high of 952 only to lose that gain in 2023. We finished 2023 with a loss of 13.3% (124).

I had the privilege of attending all the Board of Directors' meeting both in person and on zoom with one exception where 1st VP Terra Fullbright carried my proxy. While there she met Ted Cruz and got her picture taken with him. I vowed not to miss another meeting.

I represented the NMFRW at all the Republican Party of New Mexico State Central Committee meetings. The Republican Party of New Mexico has solid plans for turning New Mexico to a Republican majority and the NMFRW ladies will be there to support those efforts.

I believe I submitted at least 10 stories and events to the NFRW for publishing. Almost all of the stories and all of the events were published. These included our Armed Services project, all of our board meetings and our convention. We will continue to make headlines.

Our two years culminated in receiving the status of Excellence in the Betty Heitman State Achievement Award program. This status was achieved by meeting the requirements such as publishing a newsletter at least four times a year, having all the clubs turn in their officer lists before January 1st of each year, and having 74% of our clubs participate in the Hours and Calls program.

We were able to receive the award at the National Federation of Republican Women Biennial Convention. I was so proud of all the ladies that were able to attend. Having 16 members represent New Mexico was probably a first.

My greatest joy of the past two years has been to get to know so many amazing women and to help so many clubs. I tried to keep all the club presidents apprised of everything by sending a few emails and I was able to visit 11 of our clubs. I want to again thank everyone for the outpouring of kindness during my mother's illness and
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subsequent loss of her and then my brother. 2022 and 2023 were amazing years thanks to the women of the FRW.

Respectfully submitted;

Teresa Barncastle, President
New Mexico Federation of Republican Women

What's Happening in the Regions

This year we decided to expand our regions from three regions to four. During our regional meetings at the Bi-annual convention elections were held for Regional Directors. The new directors and the regions are:

Region A—Sadie Boyer

Los Alamos, Santa Fe, Taos, Enchanted North

Region B—Cindi Runyon

Albuquerque, Four Corners, Metro, Rio Grande, Rio Rancho, San/Bern, Zia

Region C—Shona Neff

Dona Ana, Socorro

Region D—Jeanine Corn Best

Chaves, Lea, Lincoln, Otero

Region A Biennial Report to the NMFRW

You may recall that in 2022 we had a plan to collect real-time voter data from our voters to give to candidates so they could speak about the subjects on the minds of voters in CD3 and Region A. The Republican Party of New Mexico shied away from the project, but the NM FRW encouraged the project and voted to approve. Alas, the affected counties did not want to come up with the few hundred



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dollars needed from them. In hindsight we learned that voters cared a lot about the abortion decision and our candidates didn't successfully address the issue. Another issue was that voters in some Republican counties failed to show up. We lost the governorship by a few thousand votes.

I spent much of 2022 canvassing Region A in support of Alexis Martinez Johnson in her quest for CD3-NM.

I also supported Terra Fullbright to start a new club in northern New Mexico and she did. She used the national guidance forms and bylaws to get started. She hosted a wonderful kick-off meeting in the Spring of 2022 with guests Alexis Martinez Johnson and Rebecca Dow. Her club was approved soon after and Enchanted North was born! I also tried to work with Curry County's burgeoning Women's club, but they didn't return my calls.

It looks like Sharon Clahchischillage will be running for CD 3-NM in 2024 and she'll need all of our support. The next Region A Director will need to help her.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Statman

*Region D*

In late 2022 I was elected Region C Director. The Regions were later redistricted & I became Region D Director. During this time I visited Chaves County FRW, FRW of Lincoln County & Lea County FRW.

Joan Boue' joined me & she spoke about increasing & maintaining membership. My message was about Armed Services Committee & how the clubs could become involved in acknowledging our military with hand written notes to troops stationed in the US.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Corn Best
Region D Director

National Awards

Clubs from all over New Mexico earned special recognition through their activities. The awards were given to the NMFRW contingent at the NFRW Convention in Oklahoma City and presented to the Clubs at the NMFRW Biennial Convention in October.

Clubs presented Diamond Awards for 2022-2023:

- Chaves County FRW
- Dona Ana County FRW
- Four Corners FRW
- FRW of Lincoln County
- Los Alamos FRW
- Rio Grande FRW
- San-Bern FRW
- Santa Fe FRW
- Socorro County FRW
- Taos County FRW



Clubs presented Gold Awards for 2022-2023

- Zia FRW

Clubs presented Silver Awards for 2022-2023

- Albuquerque FRW
- Enchanted Circle FRW

Clubs presented Bronze Awards for 2022-2023

- Otero County FRW

New Mexico FRW brought home the Betty Heitman Award for state excellence

We also had two of our volunteers recognized at the National Convention for:

Top Volunteer hours—Anise Golden Morper

Top Volunteer phone calls—Anne Tegtmeyer

Congratulations to everyone for your hard work and dedication to your Clubs.



NFRW 42nd Biennial Convention—OKC

The 42nd Biennial Convention for the National FRW was held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, September 28th through October 1st.

I am excited to report 14 NMFRW delegates were able to attend. (A few of us even managed to encourage our husbands to attend as guests). As this was my first National Convention I was awed by the pageantry and amazed by the efficiency of the Executive Board.

Thursday night a reception was held for Regents and their guests at Park House, Myriad Gardens.

Friday a Leadership Training Seminar, presented by Toni Ann Dashiell was on the agenda. Toni Ann Dashiell is a nationally recognized, award-winning grassroots Republican leader. She tackled communication skills, dealing with conflict and an intro to team building. We walked away with her book "Leading Freedom" and an arsenal of tips in our playbook.

Friday night was a welcome reception where dignitaries from Oklahoma along with the NFRW President and the Oklahoma Federation President give opening remarks, welcoming the 900+ attendees to the convention.



Saturday's session began with the parade of States, a few housekeeping items and then on

to speakers before lunch.

Tulsi Gabbard—Former Congresswoman and 2020 Presidential Candidate and Gordon G Chang—Author and Leading Expert on China as well as Susan Hutchinson, wife of Asa Hutchinson—2024 Republican Presidential Candidate were the featured speakers for the morning session.

As the plan was to vote electronically for the NFRW 2024-2025 Officers, Parliamentary CJ Calvin was available to explain the voting process and answer questions as

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they arose. The Credentials Committee gave reports, Candidate remarks were made, the nominating committee gave their report and nominations were taken from the floor.

The Saturday luncheon keynote speaker was the Honorable James Lankford, US Senator, Oklahoma, Betty Heitman state rewards and the Ronald Reagan leadership Award winners were announced.

Saturday afternoon five workshops were offered with the awards ceremony following, after which we grabbed our husbands and headed out to dinner. We spent a few hours getting to know our fellow NMFRW Members and their family members that were able to attend.

Sunday morning a prayer breakfast was held before we went into the General Session. The final Credentials report was made with 692 Delegates, 134 Alternates and 93 Guests.

Riley Gaines—12-time All-American Swimmer was the guest speaker. What an impactful speaker, it is amazing what we don't hear about what goes on behind the scenes. Such as she tied with Lia Thomas but the trophy and accolades when to him because of the way it looked...what is this world coming to?

Nick Adams, Founder of FLAG and Drew McKissick Co-Chairman of the Republican National Committee rounded out the speaker list for the morning.



In 2020-2022 over 8 million political volunteer hours were logged, in 2022-2023 over 14 million hours and 5.7 million calls were logged. This is equal to approximately \$435 million of savings by political campaigns.

The election of officers and by-law changes were contentious at times and Roberts Rules were effective in keeping order while voices heard and concerns were expressed.

Welcome to the new officers and to a healthy Election season.



Upcoming Events

January 2024

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

January 2024

January 1, 2024



January 19, 2024 9:00 AM—11:30 AM

- New Mexico Federation of Republican Women Ladies in Red**

Join us on the East Main Entrance steps of the New Mexico Capital for a quick picture. Then we will visit legislators before being introduced on the House floor. All Members will be seated together in the gallery. All Federation members are invited and encouraged to attend.

January 19-20, 2024

- NMFRW Winter Meeting—Double Tree by Hilton, Cerrillos Rd in Santa Fe— Registration begins 12:00 Friday the 19th.**



NMFRW Winter Meeting
Ready to Win

January 19-20, 2024

Double Tree by Hilton
Santa Fe, NM

Registration begins
12PM Jan 19, 2023

February 2024

February 5, 2024

- Deadline for states to send updated list of all 2024 Clubs & their Presidents to NFRW

February 14, 2024



Happy Valentines Day!

March 2024

March 1, 2024

- Deadline for National Members dues to be received at NFRW
- 2024 NFRW Board of Directors must be Federation members in good standing by this date to participate in the NFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		



NFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting
March 14-16, 2024
Westin Alexandria Old Town Alexandria, Virginia



NFRW 43rd Biennial Convention
Sept 25-28, 2025
Rosen Shingle Creek
Orlando, FL





Thank you so much for the beautiful Nambe' tray. It has taken up a prominent place on my sofa table. More so, thank you for all the kind words both said and written in the card. All of you mean so much to me and I want nothing more than this organization to be an outstanding success.

*Sincerely;
Teresa*

State Awards

Along with National Awards, our Clubs around the state also competed to win state awards...Silver Elephants were given to all winners with Chaves County walking away with the most awards at the state level.

Political and Campaign Hours Award

- ⇒ Total Hours for 2022 –2023
- ⇒ 3,077,370
- ⇒ Equal to 92+ million dollars in savings to political campaigns

- Smallest club with the most hours—Taos FRW
- Small Club with the most hours—Los Alamos FRW
- Medium Club with the most hours—San-Bern FRW
- Medium Large Club with the most hours—Rio Grande FRW
- Large Club with the most hours—Chaves County FRW

Caring for America Award

- Small Club—Socorro FRW
- Medium Club—Dona Ana FRW
- Large Club—Chaves County FRW

Armed Services Award

- Medium Club—Dona Ana FRW
- Large Club—Four Corners FRW

Membership Awards

- Greatest % increase—Otero County FRW
- Greatest number increase—Dona Ana FRW
- Largest Club—Chaves County FRW

Scrapbook

- First place—Chaves County FRW
- Second place—Santa Fe FRW

Newsletter

- First place—Zia FRW
- Second place—Santa Fe FRW
- Third place—Four Corners FRW

Committee Reports

Committee Chairs

Achievement Awards

Gwen Poe

Americanism

Anise Golden-Moper

Armed Services/Homeland Security

Jeanine Corn Best

Bylaws

Jeanine Bingham-Kelly

Campaign/Political Education

Nancy Brenna

Caring for America/ Community Relations

Margaret Kennard

Legislation Committee

Christina A Arnold

Literacy/MELP

Dianne M. Coane

Newsletter

Nancy Brenna

Chaplain

Shona Neff

Achievement Awards

National initiated a new Hours and Calls Award program with 50% of our clubs participating the first year and 75% participating the second year. NMFRW reporting clubs volunteered the equivalent of over 4 million dollars.

14 out of our 17 clubs submitted their National FRW Achievement Award forms. This resulted in 10 of our clubs achieving the highest level of Diamond, one club reached Gold, two received Silver and our newest club Otero reached Bronze. Many of our clubs were represented at the National Biennial Convention to receive their award on stage.

The NMFRW submitted the Betty Heitman Achievement Program for State Federation forms and received the

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Achievement Awards (continued)

highest level of Excellence. President Barncastle accepted the award on behalf of the NMFRW at the National Biennial Convention.

Numerous clubs submitted their Caring for American and Armed Services Award forms to our state president. Winners in each category were submitted to National along with the NMFRW Armed Services project forms. While none were recognized at the National level, all the projects were thoughtful and caring.

Respectfully submitted;
Gwen Poe, Awards Chair

Armed Services / Homeland Security

In 2022 I assembled the "Missing Man Table" at our Winter Meeting & at the Legislative Reception in Santa Fe, this table is a reminder of the fallen, missing & imprisoned soldiers who fought to keep us free. There was also a table & photo's of the thirteen soldiers killed in Afghanistan. Hand written notes were sent to the families of these fallen hero's.

In 2023 various clubs sent 250 hand written patriotic cards to an Air Force Base at Eglin Air Force Base, now we are sending 500 Christmas cards with hand written notes to an Army Base at Ft. Benning, Georgia. We thank them for their service & our freedom.

Special thanks to Zia FRW & Chaves County FRW for doing the lion's share of these cards.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Corn Best
Armed Service Chair, NMFRW

By Laws

Clubs have been encouraged to update to the NFRW Club Bylaws template and a majority of the clubs do use the template. Updates of the bylaws were presented to the NMFRW Board of Directors at the June NMFRW meeting and they will be voted on at the Biennial Convention in October.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine B Kelly
Bylaws Committee Chair

Campaign/Political Education

It all started with a Gubernatorial Forum in February of 2022. With many of our clubs planning and carrying out Forums with unique and fun formats, we all pushed forward to help our candidates get their names out to the public.

The NFRW held a Candidate School the last couple of years. This year the school was free to FRW Members. This 10-week school covers all aspects of the Candidates path from declaration to the election.

NFRW is a wealth of information leading us through many current issues such as the Keep 9 Campaign from earlier this year

I have held many Poll Challenger and Watcher classes at home and around the state for FRW and RP groups alike and recently went to Las Cruces to present GOP Data Center training.

I have shared how important local meetings are. When looking to fill open positions, look around for people that are active in the community as potential Candidates. Good officials in local positions are a great resource for state and national Candidates.

And then Referendums! FRW's around the state have been extremely active collecting signatures, we are nearing or surpassing our 10% mark around the state.

New laws in NM have created concerns about election Integrity which has taken a front row seat in everyone's mind. I am working with EIN-NM and groups around the country as we look at how elections are handled, what works and what doesn't. We talk about different agencies such as CISA (Cybersecurity Infrastructure Security Agency) – President Obama's administration designated our country's election infrastructure as "critical", a move that brought added federal protections to voting systems. On its own this is not a bad thing, unfortunately we have seen added laws restricting the public's access to information based on "Cybersecurity". This has reduced and will continue to reduce transparency in elections.

There are groups in NM (as well as other states) that are registering *targeted* voters. The RNC is supporting a push for absentee/mail-in ballots. In this state, absentee ballot requests can be harvested, (hence the push to get specific groups of people registered to vote absentee) remember "**ballot**" harvesting is still illegal in New Mexico. With permanent absentee ballot registrations as a

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Campaign/Political Education

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part of the new laws, clean voter rolls are imperative. There are people around the state working hard finding discrepancies that can be shared with local County Clerks to help with this endeavor.

As we come into this election season, we continue to support our candidates and watch the election process. Around every corner there is something new to learn. Just when I think I have something figured out something new pops up and we start again!

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Brenna
NMFRW Campaign/Political
Education Chair

Newsletter

The first edition of the Red Wave came out in 2022 and since that time we have been rolling strong.

Each issue begins with a note from the President and ends with Club Reports. We will complete our 4th issue of 2023 after our biennial convention. Our final issue for the year will come out in December as we get ready for the New Year and the election to follow.

Beginning in 2024 I am hoping to work on the formatting to make it mobile friendly. I am looking for anyone that would like to join the committee and help collect information or help with production.

Thank you all for participating and getting your information

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Newsletter (Continued)

to me in a timely manner. With special thanks to Shona and Teresa for being proofreaders and to everyone else that found those oh so small but important mistakes!

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Brenna
NMFRW Newsletter Chair

President's Letter

Welcome to the 42nd New Mexico Federation of Republican Women's Star-Spangled Biennial Convention of 2023. The theme is meant to inspire us to stand proud for the flag and our national heritage. It also invokes the frontier cowgirl or gunslinger in the slogan Cowgirl Up! Take the time to enjoy being with like-minded women. I am so proud of all of our NMFRW women for the difference they are making in their communities and in people's lives.



Teresa Barncastle

In the last two years we have accomplished a lot to be proud of. We added two clubs and got close to our goal of 1000 members. I was able to visit almost all of our clubs where everyone was so gracious. Looking back, I cherish most those of you I have gotten to know. You are the most amazing women dedicating your time and energy into saving our communities, our state and our children. We also had a great Armed Services project with supporting the Fisher House Foundation, the 13-man table display with the missing man table, and writing cards to our troops. We donated books in honor of our members. We supported the Keep 9 project with a Resolution that was sent to all of our national elected officials. 14 out of our 17 clubs submitted their Achievement Award form to NFRW. 10 of those clubs achieved the highest rating of Diamond. This shows how involved our clubs are in their communities and in getting Republicans elected. Additionally, 75% of our clubs turned in their Calls and Hours report. All of this has cumulated in New Mexico Federation of Republican Women receiving the NMFRW Betty Heitman Award for State Excellence, the highest award.

I want to recognize the Convention Committee for organizing this convention. The theme, Star-Spangled Cowgirls is carried throughout our two days together starting with a great show Friday evening entitled the Amazing Women of the Wild West. The meeting culminates with our new officers being inaugurated in star-spangled sashes in celebration of their achievements. It is because of the committee's organizational skills, devotion, and attention to details that this is going to be an enjoyable event. Please take the time to get to know all the other women in our state that share your ideals and enjoy the fruits of the committee's hard work. Thank you for all you do. Thank you for supporting the Republican Party. And, thank you for being such amazing women.

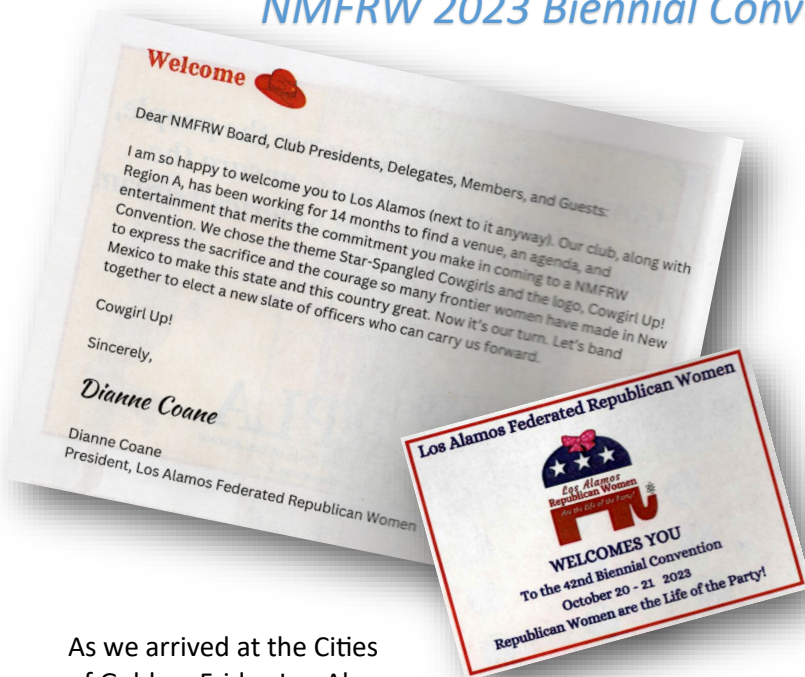
Sincerely,

Teresa Barncastle

Teresa Barncastle, President
New Mexico Federation of Republican Women



NMFRW 2023 Biennial Convention—October 20 & 21



As we arrived at the Cities of Gold on Friday Los Alamos FRW along with the rest of Region A greeted us with a Cowgirl welcome. The first order of business—Regional meetings and electing new Regional Directors. We elected to divide into four regions so our Directors do not have to travel as far to visit the Clubs in their region.

New Directors:
 Region A—Anita Statman
 Region B—Cindi Runyon
 Region C—Shona Neff
 Region D—Jeanine Corn Best

Congratulations to all new and returning Directors.

Training kicked off the meeting with Nancy Brenna (RGFRW) presenting “Every Scar Tells a Story”, Shona Neff (Dona Ana FRW) presenting “Fostering Political Unity” and Teresa Barncastle (NMFRW President) following up with Parliamentary Training.

We had a surprise visit from President Donald Trump & Melania, played by Shona Neff and Terra Fullbright.

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After dinner Van Ann Moore presented a dramatic Performance of “Amazing Women of the Wild West”. What an amazing woman and an amazing performance!



Van Ann Moore



Saturday morning started with breakfast, an invocation by Shona Neff our NMFRW Chaplain. The American Heritage Girls and Trail Life Troop #144 from Los Alamos presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Aspen Jaramillo from Los Alamos High School gave us a beautiful rendition of the Star Spangled Banner, followed by Anita Statman welcoming all attendees.

Gretchen Koether read the minutes of the 2021 Convention and the Nominating Committee presented the Slate of Officers. Officer, Committee and Club reports were presented before lunch.

Our luncheon speaker was Janice Arnold –Jones. Her presentation on “Election Integrity in New Mexico: A Surprisingly Good System Threatened by Bad Laws”

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was very informative and covered election integrity though the years. It was interesting to hear how in 1942 the First Navajo Code Talkers that were recruited were denied voting rights since they were not taxed.

She is actively working on cleaning up the voter rolls with others around the state and in Bernalillo County in 2021 7883 Voters were removed from the voter rolls and in 2023 Bernalillo removed 31,998 Voters from the voter rolls.

Joan Boue presented an In Memoriam . When the General Session reconvened after lunch Elections were held for officers and we started work on ByLaws presented by Jeanine Kelly, NMFRW ByLaws Chair.



During dinner awards were given followed by our final speaker of the convention—Michelle Buckwalter-Schurman who also installed our new officers.

It was a fun filled, informative two days . Thanks to everyone who helped to put this together, what an amazing job!



Installation of Officers

Teresa Barncastle—President (Chaves County FRW)
 Terra Fullbright—1st VP (Enchanted North FRW)
 Shona Neff—2nd VP (Dona Ana FRW)
 Anita Statman—3rd VP (Santa Fe FRW)
 Nancy Brenna—Secretary (Rio Grande FRW)
 Heather Curtis—Treasurer (Four Corners FRW)
 Jeanine Bingham-Kelly—Member-at-Large (Four Corners FRW)
 Rosie Tripp—Member-at-Large (Socorro FRW)

Club Reports

Albuquerque FRW Report



We started 2022 with speaker candidates Greg Zanetti and Anthony Thornton and continued each month with candidates for National and State offices. Our Newsletters included all Republican candidates and the bios for those who responded to our requests for their information. The election results were beyond disappointing. Our speaker in December was Michelle Garcia-Holmes. She revealed that National Campaign Headquarters had threatened to withdraw funding if she addressed the abortion issue. My personal belief is that had our candidates been able to state their positions on the abortion issue, we could have won some of these races. It seems to me that the national level does not understand New Mexico demographics. We need to make that known to them and fight for our positions.

Our focus in early 2023 was on the January/ February Legislative Session. Our January speaker, Paul Gessing gave “heads up” of what to expect during the Session. Our February and March speakers , Yvette Harrell and Bill Rehm reviewed the Congressional and State legislative outcomes. We utilized BTNM to inform our members of the status of proposed legislation and to make our voices heard by the lawmakers. We were grateful to the hard work BTNM was doing for us and through us. The rest of the year our speakers addressed the issues- education, homelessness, crime and introducing candidates for City Council and the Albuquerque School Board. We had representatives of the Referendum Project present at our meetings to educate members and assist in the signing of the petitions. In June we joined Metro FRW for their meeting when our venue became unavailable. Thank you, Metro. Zia FRW has graciously allowed us to join in their Armed Services Project, utilizing their chairwoman to coordinate our donations. Our members are grateful to ZiaFRW for their help in this important endeavor.

We look forward to the coming year and the 2024 elections.

Respectfully submitted,
 Reta King AFRW

Club Reports

Chaves County FRW



I am Joan Boue' & I'm serving my 3rd term as CCFRW President. Over the last 2 years we have increased membership, our luncheon attendance is between 85-90 people. We are on talk radio once a month, we are published in the RDR local paper 1-2 each

month and send out a monthly newsletter.

This has been a busy exciting & successful time!!

Some key speakers over the last 2 years are: Last year our Republican Gubernatorial candidate statewide candidates & Legislative candidates spoke at our luncheon. This year we had our Republican City Council Municipal Judge & School Board Candidates speak at our luncheon. Our City Manager & County Manager with updates. Five Republican Legislators give us yearly Legislative Reviews. Program on crime with State police Sheriff Dept & Roswell Police. Republican State Chairman (Steve Pearce) County Chair (Eric Coll) Plans for 2024 election.

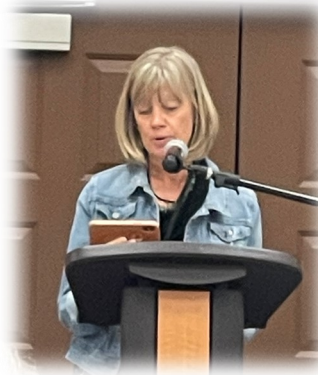
Some other activities: 3 awards to 8th graders on our Patriotism Contest, 6 Scholarships to worthy Republican seniors in Chaves County. Gifts to Assurance Home- 20 Residents (abused & abandon youth) at Christmas Valentines Day St. Patrick's Day & 4th of July. Handwritten notes & hand written Christmas cards to our military, Honor our Veterans with lunch & a gift each November. Deliver dictionaries to each 3rd grader in Dexter, Hagerman & Lake Arthur. Worked with our County Party, manned our Fair Booth, registered Republicans to vote & did 3 (400 each) mailers for the party.

The icing on our cake was our 6th Biennial Cowboy Prom (dinner/dance) in September sold 258 tickets & made \$15,000.00.

We look forward to 2024 in March our club will be 50 years old!!

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Boue'
President CCFRW

Dona Ana County FRW



DACFRW has made great strides over the past two years. Between the solid leadership team that has developed and the strong membership support, our club is blossoming.

Membership is up and we are thankful to the ladies who constantly provide a steady stream of guests, many of who

become members and invite others!! Our Fundraising efforts are paying off thanks to the diligent efforts of our Fund-Raising Chair and ladies who sell our jewelry. We are able to pay our monthly venue rent, support our activities, and have fun along the way. Our successful ventures include selling t-shirts and tumblers, and a fun evening Paint Party.

We have added new activities and are striving for others that fall under the scope of our FRW mission. Conservative Night Out is our effort to reach disengaged conservative voters. This has been a challenge, but we have had great speakers, few new faces, and taken in lots of inspiring and informative material. Our Americanism Chair is revamping our essay contest and working to have some of our members who have lived under and/or had personal brushes with tyranny get into our local private schools to educate students with some real-life stories.

Several of our members and associates are already on the forefront of upcoming elections.... Both in the 2023 local elections and those coming up in 2024. We have a few candidates among our membership while others are walking, organizing meet and greets, and offering other varied ways to support our candidates. We are aiming to have an even larger army of DACFRW women as the 2024 general election looms large!

DACFRW was recently awarded a Diamond Achievement Award from our national organization. It was such a great accomplishment, but it also illuminated where our club is weak.... we need to be more engaged with community involvement.

So, looking forward to 2024, we will continue with the areas in which we are doing well, improve in areas where we

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weak, and most all...we will work to get RED in leadership positions in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the USA.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shona Neff, President DACFRW

Enchanted North FRW



Enchanted North Federated Republican Women President Report 2023

The past year and a half as president of the Enchanted North Federated Republican Women has had its challenges and

rewards. With the help of our state President Teresa Barncastle, Regional Director Anita Statman, and with the guidance of several other NMFRW members we were able to establish a new club in Angel Fire, New Mexico--a town with a population of 1,200. We currently have a membership of 16 ladies. Although we are a new and small club, we live in a red community and that is very encouraging.

We have had the pleasure to offer our community Meet & Greets with local and state republican candidates, guest speakers discussing various topics affecting our state, and have helped out at several local events.

We have had several successful fundraisers. Our most successful fundraiser is our online yard sale. We are able to keep this going all throughout the year.

We look forward to fighting to keep our county red and helping to turn New Mexico red!

Respectfully,
Terra Fullbright ENFRW President



Four Corners FRW



FCFRW ended 2021 & 2022 with a Veteran's Appreciation program and then our annual Christmas program where we supported 3 local National Guard families in 2021 and 3 local families through Grace Place a pro-life pregnancy center.

In 2022 and 2023 we started off the year with a legislative preview from State Senator Steve Neville entitled "The Big Bang Theory" in 2022 and "May the Fourth be with You" in 2023. We awarded a \$750 scholarship to Courtney McCall, who attends San Juan College in 2022. We informed our members of various action items throughout the legislative session in 2022 and 2023 and then had our recap of the legislative session with our 2 state senators and 3 state representatives in 2022 and 2023.

Our programs then focused on Republican primary and then statewide candidates in 2022 and local candidates in 2023. We had a booth at our county fair in both years.

We held several informative programs including Carla Sonntag with the NM Business Coalition presented a program entitled "Out of the Abyss to Kick Some Progressive A\$\$ and Paul Gessing with the Rio Grande Foundation.

Several other programs held were the Farmington City Manager, Rob Mayes, on the state of the city and the City of Farmington Utility Director, Hank Adair who talked about the state of our electric utility. We also had a program on parental rights with Sarah Jane Allen and Ramona Goolsby on the Referendum Project.

We held a Round Up fundraiser dinner, dance and drawing which was very successful and we raised about \$12,000.

In 2022 we ended membership with 155 members and 44 associates and in 2023 we ended with 146 members and 37 associates.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Bingham-Kelly, President
Four Corners FRW

Club Reports

Los Alamos FRW

Los Alamos FRW has been working tirelessly to educate ourselves and the citizens of our town about the importance of electing Republican candidates with traditional values to local, state, and federal offices. We support Republican candidates by inviting them to speak at our meetings and by attending other meetings and candidate forums in which they are participating. We organize work parties for candidates, phonebank for them, canvass neighborhoods... we help in any way we can. For the 2023 election we are working to get a second Republican elected to our five member local school board.

Calls to Action

-We respond to every Call to Action that we receive from NFRW, NMFRW, and BTNM, and we are collecting signatures on petitions for the NM Referendum Project.

Youth Outreach - We reach out to the youth of our community with our Constitution Day Essay Contest, Young Republican Woman Award (estab. in 2023), annual donation of books to local schools (public, private, and home-schools), and any time we have a booth in public or an opportunity to listen to and speak to young people. Our essay contest is open to every student (grades 4-12) who attends school in Los Alamos, including home schools. This year we had 66 entries. Winners are invited to read their essays at the annual RPLA Constitution Day Dinner. We award cash prizes and the winning essays are published in the papers, along with many nice photos of the Constitution Day Dinner. Our Young Republican Woman Award is open to graduating seniors (public, private, homeschool). Our members nominate young women for this cash award. A nominee must be a registered Republican (if she's old enough to vote) or the daughter of a registered Republican. This year we donated copies of the book We the People-The Constitution of the United States to homeschool groups in town. That book is a classic and is on the MELP list. During the summers, we meet young people when we help with the RPLA table at the summer concerts, and participate in Independence Day activities and the Rodeo

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Parade and County Fair with the RPLA.

Service-LAFRW supports HOPE Pregnancy Center with baby showers and financial contributions from our members. National Police Appreciation Week is the week of May 15, and at our May meetings we collect snack foods (that the police have requested) for our local police department. We put the snacks in big gift bags and make an appointment to present them to the LAPD. We always have a nice photo and article in the papers. In December, we sponsor an Adopt-A-Family. One of the teachers at our middle school who has attended some LAFRW meetings emailed LAFRW and asked if we could help with Pi Day at the middle school, so one of our members volunteered to help her.

Veterans-In November, we ask local Republican veterans to speak at our meetings, and then we attend our Community Veterans Day Observance together.

Socials-Our Spring Tea features an inspirational and educational speaker, plus a silent auction fundraiser. It is a time for us to enjoy being together and plan future activities. Our annual Christmas Luncheon is also a membership drive. Last year our speaker was NMFRW 1st VP Terra Fullbright, who talked to us about the history of NFRW and NMFRW. We also participate in the "Adopt a Family" ministry through a local church.

Fundraisers & Publicity-We sponsor fundraisers to help candidates with campaign expenses and to fund our other activities. We try to get as much positive publicity as possible (e.g. newspaper photos and articles) for activities like our Spring Tea, Constitution Day Essay Contest, presentation of books to schools, National Police Appreciation Week, and HOPE Pregnancy Center.

We work with NMFRW Caring for America projects - LAFRW participated in the Albuquerque Fisher House fundraiser, cards for the families of the "Afghan 13" and we held a garage sale in June 2022, and donated the \$456 proceeds to the Jemez Valley Fire Auxiliary.

Los Alamos FRW members attend NMFRW state meetings and two members attended the NFRW Bienial in Oklahoma. Four LAFRW members are on the planning committee for the 42nd NM Biennial Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne Coane
President, Los Alamos FRW

Club Reports

Rio Grande FRW



Greetings from the Rio Grande Federated Republican Women

I am Cindi Runyon, President of the RGFRW.

These last two years were a whirlwind of elections and community investment for us. We started

out with high hopes in 2021 with the hard work of building our team through the dregs of COVID.

Surprisingly, we found members – old and new – willing to get involved to make a difference. A shakeup in our county party, gave us the opportunity to step in and get the work done ourselves. I'm happy to report that Nancy Brenna's husband, John, has since stepped in as Chair and things are going swimmingly.

After many trainings and inspirational speakers we used a club night for a Candidate-Discovery Workshop that produced a list of people willing to run for the municipal elections. We called potential candidates and talked the good ones into running, trained them, put together literature for them, walked for them, and generally pushed through that season to elect 9 of the 11 candidates we put forward.

One municipal judge won by a single vote! With only one county position held by a Democrat, the Assessor, we used the same format of conversations and hard work to see – in Valencia County – all county positions and most municipal positions (we have 5 municipalities) filled by a Republican.

We discovered at that time, that our registered voter ratio Dem to Rep was 3 to 1. And this made us pause. What was happening? As it happens, most people in New Mexico share our values: faith, family, and freedom. But their grandparents, perhaps wisely at the time, voted Democrat. But that time has long passed, and we need to talk to them – tell them how things have changed and how their party has been coopted by those who seek to turn your boy to a girl to satisfy their own perversion. But perhaps that's overstated.

With the statewide elections looming, we hosted a Gubernatorial Candidate Forum in January 2022. It was well attended with over 500 in the room and thousands more online. In Valencia County, all our races were won. But

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not so throughout the state.

With that discouragement, we continued our work in the community. The 2nd Baby Box in the state has its ribbon cutting this next week, queueing us to begin marketing plans to let young mamas know that life is valuable – and there is a path forward.

Knowing how crucial it is to reach out to young women, our team has developed a new campaign, called the Red Lip Movement led by our twenty-something 3rd VP, to bring both Americana and an appreciation of womanly strength to our club.

Our first event, directed by our 2nd VP Stephanie Guerrero, will be on Veterans' Day when we hold an Americana Dance with live music and lots of red lipstick.

We started counting points this year, and Nancy Brenna received the Diamond Award at NFRW Convention in September.

As to fundraising to support our overflowing ideas, we've partnered with our county party to host the first and second annual RGFRW Freedom Tournaments at local golf clubs. We even had Democrats at the last golf tournament – and they cheered with the rest of us when they heard from our amazing Yvette Herrel, who came to speak.

Finally, among many other speakers, we brought in our 3rd VP Cherith Runyon, to speak about Israel and the ties we, and New Mexico, have to her. We stand with Israel.

Whether we are busy raising money, encouraging young women to be strong and beautiful, finding and promoting Republican candidates for elected office, or just educating our members about how our amazing system of government works...

Everything we do is for the good of our community, for the glory of God, and for the love of being strong women who hold people together, train up the next generation, and organize and beautify everything they get their hands on.

We are the Rio Grande Federated Republican Women. These last two years were difficult and found us blazing trails, working our fingers off, and smiling at the future whether we felt like it or not. And so we will continue.

Written in Liberty and Respectfully Submitted,
Cindi Runyon, President

Santa Fe FRW



The Santa Fe club currently has 82 members and 17 associates, 20 members down from last year. We attribute this loss to two factors: 1. that in off election year, there is less interest in our speakers; 2. that Republicans in general are worn down by the political scene. We saw this at our

first ever ZIP Code social, for which we called 271 Republican women who live in the Eldorado neighborhood. Of those, 20 RSVP'd, and 10 attended. Those who came spoke intensely about their experiences simply being Republicans in Santa Fe. Three ladies had grown up in communist regimes. No surprise they were the most articulate about our world situation. Although only one joined, the group bonded and hopes to meet again under the watch of our membership chair. Our second ZIP Code social should happen in January.

Otherwise, the SFFRW has enjoyed a productive two years. In 2022, we hosted the Turquoise and Tequila Fiesta at La Posada, entertaining 150 people with a tequila tasting, live and silent auctions, and flamenco dancing. This year we threw our biennial picnic at Las Campanas for 90 people, with country music and a live auction. Both events featured candidates as speakers. Together the two events raised about \$25,000 for candidates.

The Judith Nowers scholarship for college bound high school seniors is now in its third year and has risen to \$2000 thanks to a matching grant from an associate member.

In the election year, SFFRW luncheons became Candidates Are Us, with every possible candidate from our own Alexis Martinez Johnson, who ran for Congress in CD3, to the exciting debate amongst the five republican candidates in the primary governor race.

Since then, speakers we've enjoyed having included, Trump attorney John Eastman, Paul Gessing from the Rio Grande Foundation, Rebecca Dow and Carla Sonntag, Ben Luna on the Referendum, Elizabeth C'de Baca Eastman on the history of New Mexico's K-12 education, the DAR's Katina Lusby on women's suffrage in New Mexico, minority leader Ryan Lane on the legislature, Santa Fe school board candidate and SFFRW member Patricia Stockton and New Mexico Alive founder Sarah Jane Allen

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on the importance of school board elections. Interestingly, we had protesters for the school board event, and Democrat supporters sign our Referendum sheets.

We produce quarterly newsletters of an increasingly high standard. We are overhauling our website. We are examining our communications to see what methods best reach our list. We've accomplished an extensive update of our bylaws. We've collected food for the hungry and toys for poor children, signed cards for armed service, knocked doors and made calls for candidates, and sent members to the state and national convention.

No surprise that diamonds are our new best friend.

Anne Doherty
President

Santa Fe Federated Republican Women

Taos FRW

We begin each meeting with prayer and the Pledge to the US Flag and the New Mexico Flag. Our Membership for 2022 was 17 members and for 2023 is 21 members.

The Women have worked to accomplish the goals and objectives outlined in our Bylaws. Each member received a Membership Binder that includes a multitude of information. This Membership Binder has been an asset to our club members.

Thanks to members, Teri Merrell, Rose Bauhs, Cindy Medina, Lisa Cordova, Sadie Boyer & Linda Rael for assisting Taos GOP in organizing and managing the Taos Pre-Primary Convention.

Three TCFRW members, Lisa Cordova, Sadie Boyer & Linda Rael. were delegates to the NM Pre-Primary Convention, February 26, 2022 in Ruidoso, NM.

In March we moved into our newly acquired Republican Headquarters. Our club donated funds for expenses and also donated and continue to donate money, food, snacks water and office supplies for the headquarters. We work with the Taos County Republican Party in this endeavor.

Projects included: Notecards to local military, gathering new email address to increase communication with potential new members, identifying Republicans interested in becoming precinct chairs as part of our grassroots work, provided a list of all candidates along with their

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position and bios including signing their petitions. We invited all Primary Election Candidates to Taos and were successful in hosting Meet & Greets in private homes, local businesses, Church properties and Republican Headquarters. These were all advertised through emails, our TCFRW Facebook page, text messages, the Taos County GOP Facebook page and our website.

We hosted, attended and conducted Poll Challenger training, GOTV (Get Out the Vote) training with Steve Pearce and Amy Barela, Election Integrity and Campaign Sidekick trainings and were able to accomplish our "Call to Action" goals.

Several of our members attended Voter Registration training and became Voter Registrars. They were all successful in registering many new Republican voters and several Democrats re-registering as Republicans raising our Registered Republican list in Taos County.

For the General Election, one of our communication goals was to place ads in the Taos News, our Facebook page, the Taos County Facebook page and website highlighting what the differences between the Democrat and Republican Parties. We asked voters to vote for our Republican candidates. We ran it for two weeks in our local paper.

For the Primary and General Elections I served on the Absentee Ballot Board. Several of our members served as poll challengers.

We partnered with Better Together New Mexico to try to save our state. Members were asked to fill out the questionnaire initiated by BTNM. We answered the "Calls to Action" during the Legislative session. We remain available!

Several members attended Zoom meetings with NM Grassroots Republicans, Chairman Steve Pearce and the RPNM Team and Amy Barela for trainings and receiving updated information.

At our November 19, 2022 meeting the Election of Officers was conducted. Congratulations to the following officers: President: Sadie Boyer, Vice-President: Geraldine Sanchez, Secretary: Linda Rael and Treasurer: Cindy Medina. Terra Fullbright, NMFRW 1st VP installed our officers at our Valentine's Party/Installation Event on Saturday, February 11th at our Headquarters.

Several of our members who also serve on the State Central Committee participated in the Republican Party

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of New Mexico Biennial Organizational Meeting held at the NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum in Las Cruces.

Several of our members helped organize the Taos County Biennial Organizational Convention, which was held Friday, January 13, 2023. Several members were elected as officers and county central committee members.

We helped organize an Open Mic event in Questa, NM, gaining new members and helping with petition signing for the Referendum Project..

Gayle Martinez gave an update on the Republican Legislative dinner.

The "Meeting of Conservative Minds" event on Saturday, March 25th was a success. We had great speakers!

On August 19th we organized a Core Campaign Training for School Board candidates at the Headquarters. It was a success.

Partnering with Taos GOP we held our 1st Annual "Patriotic Picnic" on September 16th at the Torres Ranch in Costilla, NM. We had speakers, food, music, a dessert auction and a silent auction. We registered voters and continued gathering signatures on our Referendum project petitions. All went well!

Delegates attending the NFRW Convention in Oklahoma City, September, 28th-October 2nd were Sadie Boyer, Nickie McCarty & Gayle Martinez. It was great to meet with so many Republican women working to keep this great Republic, we call home! Campaign Volunteer hours were submitted to NFRW totaling 1,868 hours. We submitted our Club Achievement Award form by the due date and we are happy to report we earned a Diamond Award! I have included a picture!



Our Silent Auction donation for NMFRW Convention is a Santo Domingo Turquoise necklace and our Live Auction item is JoAnn Obara's Cowgirl themed skirt. We also secured 3 ads for the NMFRW Convention program.

Delegates to the NMFRW Convention at Cities of Gold on October 20-21 are Linda Rael, alternate for President, Sadie F. Boyer, JoAnn Obara and Gayle Martinez. We look forward to a great report at our final meeting for the year on November 18, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sadie F. Boyer

Taos FRW President

Club Reports

ZIA FRW



The last two years we held 24 meetings and had candidates running for CD1, CD2, NM House Districts. Candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, various oth-

er positions came to speak.

Other speakers presented topics on City Council, 2nd Amendment, Legislation, Elections, Schools, Finance and CYFD.

In 2023, a new slate of officers was elected and inducted by President, Teresa Barncastle.

Membership was increased by 3 percent (adding 4 new members).

We achieved Gold Status for our achievement awards.

Zia also supported Better Together New Mexico to send out Call to Action and the Referendum Project.

Anise Golden Morper presented a donation of \$1,200 from various FRW Chapters to the Albuquerque Fisher house. The Fisher House supports families with loved ones in the VA Hospital.

Donations were given to NM Dream Center in memory of Donna Fox. The Dream Center is a place for homeless teens to have a safe place to eat, bathe, pick up hygiene products and clothing.

Armed Services project we have worked on:

- 250 Christmas cards signed for NM Armed Services Committee
- Food Drive for Kirtland Air Force Base Food Pantry - 100 lbs. to date
- Provide Commissary Gift Cards
- Vietnam Veteran Pins distributed
- Committed to Supply 50 cases of water bottles for the Albuquerque Veterans Day Event

We have reached out to other chapters in Albuquerque (Region B) to participate in providing bottled water for the Veterans Day event. We are now coordinating the food pantry project with the Albuquerque FRW.

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Our officers have participated in all the State meetings and a representative was sent to the National Convention.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Foor, Zia FRW President

Final Report...

How do Republicans win?

We keep the fires burning, keep the push going.

Be the elephant **and** the mouse in the room. Remember every scar has a story and every story is important. We may not always look at things the same way but our basic principals don't change. Greg Baca said it well...Republicans believe in Faith, Family and Freedom.....in that order!

As the Elephant make things happen...

- Find a Candidate you can get behind
- Knock doors
- Make phone calls
- Have meet & greets

As the Mouse watch what is happening around you and react.

- Go to local school board meetings
- Go to City Council meetings
- Go to County meetings
- Sit in on Legislative meetings
- Spread the word about what is going on, get others involved

Remember you can be King of the Road

- Pay attention to what **you** are doing first
- Stay in your lane!

We all have a worth and a role. We all have a lane! And while our paths might be different, in the end we are all working for a common cause.

Have a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

Nancy