

Elephant Talk

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THE PRESIDENT'S TRUNK Deb Davis



Ladies of the Oklahoma Federation of Republican Women,

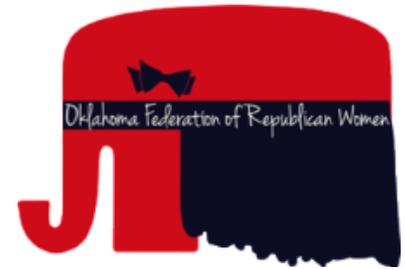
Where has the time gone? So much has happened to “us” in the last two years. We began our term as a mighty force with a bright future ahead of us. We truly believed we were unstoppable. Then our Sylvia Gilmour was diagnosed with cancer. She worked so hard to continue her duties and did so until the very end. Sylvia continues to be greatly missed by all of us. My husband, David, was injured in a freak accident in December and we spent 21 days at OU Medical in ICU. I could not have made it without your home, your food, your warm blankets, visits, comfort, support and most of all the many prayers that went up on our behalf. Sylvia Morales’ husband, Kent, has been bedridden with medical issues and Sylvia also fell ill and had to have surgery. Several of our members have lost loved ones, some have had to care for aging and ill parents, many have had illnesses and surgeries of their own. There are so many who stepped up to help us get through all of these “life” situations. Our Past Presidents have been invaluable to me as I sought advice and guidance. Thank you Pam, Sue, Sara Jo, Jeannine and Nancy. I couldn’t have survived without you. Tiffany Haworth kept our social media going but the most important part was she stepped out of her comfort zone and published our newsletter. Charlotte Harer, actually held four positions; Corresponding Secretary, “acting” Recording Secretary in Anita’s absence, 1st Vice President and finally Treasurer. I’m not sure but I believe this is probably a record. Carolyn McLarty, one of the best Parliamentarians a President could ask for never fails me. She has always been there to research and answer any question that I have had. Words of encouragement came nearly every day from so many of you and they all came at just the right time. God always provides and He is ALWAYS on time.

4th V.P. Melinda Daugherty and her Membership Team, Brenda Tiemann, Membership Chairman, and our District Directors Jessica Caswell, Gloria Reeves, Mary Bowerman, Pat Tautfest and Karen Moseley have worked extremely hard. They drove many miles and spent many hours on the phone to re-activate Green Country RW in Bartlesville and our newest club Frederick Douglass RW in Oklahoma City was chartered in record time. Their endeavors continue to show promise as they work with six possible new clubs. A huge thank you to all of these ladies.



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Our District Directors, PALS and Membership Team's hard work paid off. Twenty of our 25 clubs turned in their Achievement Awards. I do not have the count or results of the Woman of the Year and Rising Star Awards but I do know there are many well deserved recipients. Volunteer hours are being counted and our Membership Incentive Program proved to be a success. We will all have to wait until our Awards Luncheon to get all of the good news and the results of everyone's hard work.

We have had a difficult year with all the changes of the NFRW Data Base and we continue to struggle as we learn the new system. Elayne Dennis and Polly Hawkes deserve a big pat on the back from all of us as they spent many hours working to get our clubs' information into the system. There are still some bugs we need worked out and sometimes our patience wears thin as we wait for assistance but I truly believe we are going to like what has been done.

I have travelled many miles to visit your clubs and to speak at some. I love the fellowship with all of you. We have fussed and discussed and pushed through some differences of opinion but most of the time we end on a good note and closer than we were before. The relationships that we have with one another is far and above more important than how something is done or how something was worded or expressed. If I were to die tomorrow I would have no regrets. I would die knowing that I have loved and cared for the most amazing women in the world. I thank our Heavenly Father for blessing me with each and every one of you.

May God's blessings continue in our lives and this great organization,

Deb



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2017 National NFRW Convention in Philadelphia, PA



Report of the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee met on July 8, 2017 to consider all eligible candidates for the 2018- 2019 term of office. On behalf of the Nominating Committee, we present the following slate of officers for the federation's consideration:

President -

Deb Davis, Southwest Oklahoma RW, CD-#3

1st VP –

Melinda Daugherty, Helen Cole RW, CD-#4

2nd VP –

Lorie Legere, Garfield County RW, CD-#3

3rd VP –

Pat Tautfest, Cleveland County RW, CD-#4

4th VP –

Karen Mosely, Heartland RW, CD-#5

Recording Secretary –

Gaylene Stupic, Frederick Douglass RW, CD-#5

Treasurer –

Charlotte Harer, Republican Women of Tulsa Co, CD-#1

2017 OkFRW Nominating Committee:

Chairman: Louise Main

Debbie Parks, Brenda Tiemann, Cleta Malone, Pam Pollard,
Christine Wacker

Alternates: Mary Swafford, Mayri Hebert

The report of the nominating committee will be entered into the minutes of the Federation with signatures of the voting members.





POINTS OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE OKFRW STATE CONVENTION:

- The OkFRW convention is held in odd numbered years
- The date of the Convention was voted on and approved by the Board of Directors at the October 2016 meeting.
 - The 2017 Biennial Convention will be held on Aug 11,12 in Midwest City.
- The purpose of the convention is:
 - Election of officers, i.e.: State President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer
 - Vote on changes to OkFRW By-Laws
 - Meet together as Congressional to elect District Director and Asst. Dist. Director
 - Consider any other business as may come before the Convention
- There shall be a meeting of the State Executive Committee and Board Directors within twenty- four (24) hours prior to and again within twenty-four (24) hours following the Convention
- Each club President must submit the names and contact information of all PAID members of their club to the **OkFRW** President:
 - At least ninety (90) days prior to an **NFRW Convention (September 14-17, 2017)**
 - At least forty-five (45) days prior to an **OFRW Convention (August 12, 2017)**
- Each club is awarded delegates to the State Convention based on the number of paid members of their club as of forty-five (45) days prior to the Convention.
- Club delegates and alternates shall be elected at least thirty (30) days prior to the Convention, in a manner prescribed by their club.
- Delegate totals are computed as follows and will be certified by the State Credentials Chairman:
 - One delegate for the first ten (10) members;
 - One additional delegate for every twenty (20) additional members or major fraction thereof
 - An equal number of alternate delegates.
- Club Presidents and members of the OkFRW STATE Board of Directors are ex-officio delegates and are not counted as a club delegate.
- All OkFRW Past Presidents in good standing are ex-officio delegates and are not counted as a club delegate.
- Ex-officio delegates are not authorized to have alternates. No proxies are allowed at the convention.

DELEGATES TO THE 2015 NFRW CONVENTION:

At the June Board Meeting we will be electing 7 at-large delegates to the NFRW Convention to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 14-17. We will elect one person from each Congressional District and 2 statewide at-large delegates. The expense of the convention is the responsibility of each delegate but you may solicit sponsors to help defray expenses.

Your Club Delegates to OkFRW Convention by Sara Jo Odom

In determining who and how many delegates your club has to the OkFRW Convention:

- 1. All Club Presidents and members of the OkFRW Board of Directors are ex-officio delegates to the convention**
- 2. Club delegates are computed as follows:
Take the total number of paid members and subtract 10 = 1 delegate**

Divide the remaining number of members by 20
Each club gets 1 additional delegate for each 20 members or majority fraction thereof:

EXAMPLE:

77 = Total No. of paid members
-10 = 1 delegate
67
divided
by
20
= 3.35 means 3 Additional delegates,
since
.35 is less than .5
Total - 4 delegates and alternates
Total - 4 delegates and alternates

EXAMPLE:

43 = Total No. of paid members
10
-33 = 1 delegate
divided by 20
1.65 = 2 additional delegates
Total - 3 delegates and alternates

I hope this simplifies calculations for you! Your club president and any other ex-officio delegates, such as committee chairmen DO NOT COUNT in your number of club delegates.

Rock Around the CLOCK

A Fabulous Fifties Sock Hop -- Dancing to Music from the Fifties

* Friday, August 11th

* 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm

\$25 per person

* Tickets payable at OFRW Convention Registration or at the Door

Music performed by **The Talk of The Town**

Refreshments will be served

1950s Best Costume Contest

Dance Contests (you don't have to dance to have a good time)

Silent Auction



Sheraton Midwest City Hotel
Reed Conference Center
5750 Will Rogers Blvd
Midwest City, OK

Official Call

DATE MAILED July10,2017
E-MAILED July 10, 2017

TO: OFRW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE and
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS

FROM: DEB DAVIS, OFRW PRESIDENT

This is the **Official Call for the PRE-CONVENTION and POST-CONVENTION Meeting** of the OFRW Executive Committee and Board of Directors' Meetings to be held at the **Reed Center, 5800 Will Rogers Road, Midwest City, OK 73110**

Pre-Convention Meetings Friday, August 11, 2017

- 12:00 PM Registration Opens
- 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM Convention Registration
- 1:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting
- 2:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting
- 3:00 PM Workshop: A Focus on Us: Color of Our Personalities – Deb Davis and Gaylene Stupic and Healthy Living – Rose Millspaugh

Post-Convention Meetings Saturday, August 12, 2017

- Executive Committee Meeting:
15 MINUTES AFTER THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE CONVENTION
- Board of Directors Meeting:
15 MINUTES AFTER THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

OFFICIAL PROXY ~ OFRW CLUB PRESIDENT

This certifies the following person is a member in good standing of my local club and is my official proxy for the PRE ___ POST ___ CONVENTION Board of Directors Meeting of the Oklahoma Federation of Republican Women to be held August 11& 12, 2017 in Midwest City OK.

Print name of Club President _____

Name of local Club _____

OFFICIAL PROXY -- OFRW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

This certifies the following person is my official proxy for the PRE ___ POST ___ CONVENTION Executive Committee Meeting of the OK Federation of Republican Women to be held August 11&12 2017 in Midwest City, OK.

Print name of Executive Member _____

Signature of Exec Member _____

Print name of Proxy Holder _____

Official Call

DATE MAILED July 10, 2017
E-MAILED July 10, 2017

TO: DELEGATES TO THE 2017 STATE CONVENTION OF THE OKLAHOMA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

FROM: DEB DAVIS, OFRW PRESIDENT

This is the **Official Call for the STATE CONVENTION OF THE OKLAHOMA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN** to be held at the **Reed Center, 5800 Will Rogers Road, Midwest City, OK 73110**

HOTEL ROOMS: \$109.00 + tax mention OFRW
Sheraton Midwest City 405.455.1800
Deadline for hotel reservation AUG 3, 2017

OKFRW 2017 BIENNIAL CONVENTIONS REGISTRATION:

- _____ Enclosed is my \$65 Convention Registration (included is Saturday breakfast and Banquet Luncheon)
- _____ Enclosed is my \$60 Convention Registration (includes Banquet Luncheon only)
- _____ I will attend the Banquet Luncheon only - \$30/ person
 - _____ London Broil
 - _____ Grilled Salmon
 - _____ Roasted Vegetable Medley
- _____ I will attend the Fabulous Fifties Sock Hop - \$25/person

Convention Schedule:

Friday, August 11, 2015

- 12:00 PM – 6 P.M. Convention Registration
- 1:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting
- 2:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting
- 3:00 PM Workshop: A Focus on Us: Color of Our Personalities – Deb Davis and Gaylene Stupic and Healthy Living – Rose Millspaugh
- 12:00-5:00 PM Boutique sales
- 12:00-5:00 PM Candidate Tables

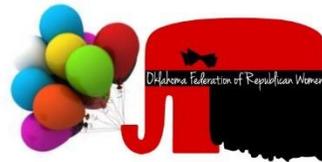
Friday Night

OFRW Fabulous Fifties Sock Hop

7:00 P.M – 9:30 P.M.

Silent Auction 5:00 – 9:30

Reed Center Midwest City



Saturday, August 12, 2017

- Silent Auction: 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- 7:00-9:00 AM Come and Go Buffet Breakfast
- 8:00 AM Convention Registration Opens
- 9:00 AM Convention Convenes
- 12:00 PM Awards Luncheon Banquet
- 1:30 PM Convention Reconvenes
- 4:00 PM Adjournment
- 4:15 PM Executive Committee (approx. time) (Officers-Elect are non-voting members)
- 4:45 PM Board of Directors Meeting
- 5:15 PM NFRW Convention Delegate/Alternate Meeting
- 12:00 – 5:00 Boutique Tables
- 12:00- 5:00 Candidate Tables

OkFRW Board Meeting, June 2017

Esther Reports from the Stafford Museum:





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