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#### **UPCOMING DATES**

#### DECEMBER 2021

- 1 Jewelry Order Deadline National Chairman Kay Leslie
- 10 National Per Capita Deadline National Treasurer Michele Williams
- 15 Revisions Deadline National Chairman Kay Leslie
- 31 Capsule Deadline
  National Publication Chairman
  Nancy Von Dolteren

Now that fall has arrived, we in the South are winding down (hopefully) from the Hurricane season. I pray that everyone stayed safe and well during this busy tropical summer. Here in Florida the weather is still warm but there is a hint of coolness heading our way. Before we know it, the holidays will be here, and with this being such a difficult year, I am looking forward to celebrating 2021.

At our upcoming 2021 convention, we will elect three national officers: Second Vice President, Vice President, and Secretary. Nominations are to Cynthia Chandler by February 1st. To be eligible the Vice President and have spent at least one you must have been a chapter member for at least one you must have been and you must have been a chapter member for at least one you must have been a chapter member for at least one you must have been a chapter member for at least one you mu

The National Board met via Zoom, July 11th for our Summer Board Meeting. This was a unique experience for us but with this great team of ladies, we made it work and had fun while doing it. We took a short break for lunch, and then I surprised the ladies with a guest speaker. Sandy Hall, Past National President, spoke with the board and revived our NARBW Sisters by reminding us to look ahead at what we can accomplish and think of different ways we can continue to grow NARBW. The Plans of Work are on our website and the link to the forms was emailed out to the Chapter Presidents. They are also located on our website under Documents, Members Forms, Plans of Work. Make sure to review them and if you have any questions, let us know. Our National Calendar is listed under the Publications Plan of Work, keep this handy as it has the important NARBW due dates for reports as well as our quarterly events.

Our first quarter social was a coffee or happy hour session with members filling out an on-line questionnaire. Look for details of this later in the capsule. Our second quarter social events are underway, September - November. Fun activities are planned for the "Fall Festival" season. A Zoom Craft event with the creation of a scarecrow was held by our 1st Vice President (Kansas City Chapter) and it was a fun time. Make sure to check out the pictures on Facebook. We will also have a NAR-BOO "Mask"-uerade event in October so look for more information on this! Our third social will be the chapter celebration of our Founder's Day and National Fundraiser. Philadelphia won last year, let's see who can win this year! Keep an eye on our Website and Facebook page for more information on these events. These social events help sustain our bond with our sisters through-out the year. We have ladies from many different states, some that do not belong to chapters, and this is a great way to stay connected. Join the events and let's have some fun!

Since we missed out on this year's convention, I am looking forward (twice as much) to our next National Convention, do not forget to save the dates! The 2021 convention will be held in Jacksonville, FL Friday, May 21 and Saturday, May 22. The theme is Follow the River to Sun, Sand, and Sisters. The Convention Registration form, Pre-Convention Tour, Travel Options, and Summary are located on our Website under Events. Dana Robles, National Convention Chair, and her committee have been busy preparing for a spectacular event. I look forward to seeing you there.

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How many members are friends with our National Facebook page? How many of you are friends with our sister chapters Facebook pages? This is one of the best ways to keep in touch with each other and see the fundraising events, welfare activities, and fun times that the different chapters or national is doing. PLEASE make the time to go out to Facebook and find and Like these pages. I want to say a special thank you to our Chicago and Southern California chapters as they have held NARBW Social events and invited all our members. These have been informative and fun! Great job ladies!!

If you have any Chapter Welfare events, send photos and updates to Vanessa Estell at <a href="welfare@narbw.org">welfare@narbw.org</a>, and she will make sure these are posted to our National Website under the Welfare Warrior section. Send any other NARBW events, stories, articles, or photos to our National Publications Chair, Nancy Von Dolteren, at <a href="mailto:publications@narbw.org">publications@narbw.org</a>. We love seeing what our NARBW sisters are doing in their communities as it inspires us all.

This will be the last Capsule before the holidays, so I would like to take the opportunity to wish you a safe and joyous holiday season. This year has been difficult but has also inspired us to think of others which is what NARBW is about.

Sincerely, Melanie McKim National President

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National President

# NATIONAL BOARD NEWS



## National Association of Railway Business Women

#### RESUME OF SUMMER BOARD MEETING - JULY 11, 2020

On Saturday, July 11, 2020, the Summer Board meeting was called to order by President Melanie McKim via a Zoom conference call. The continuing travel restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, made this a unique business meeting, but all business was discussed and approved for the year.

National Treasurer Michele Williams presented the fiscal year 2020 Annual Reports and additional financial reports for Board discussion. All National Officers and Committee Chairmen presented their Plans of Work and forms, which were discussed and approved. They will be distributed in accordance with the By-Laws.

Convention Chairman Dana Robles of the Jacksonville Chapter reported that plans for the 77th Annual Convention are underway. It will be held May 21-22, 2021, at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront. The theme is "Follow the River to Sun, Sands and Sisters." A pre-Convention tour is being planned for Thursday, May 20th; the tour will take us to Fernandina Beach for a boat cruise on the Amelia River, with lunch afterward. A sample of the convention charm design was presented to the board. The Fun Night theme is, 'We Bring the Beach to You Luau''.

Melanie McKim National President Renee Noble
National 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

## **National Board News - Nominations**



### National Association of Railway Business Women

And so, my lady NARBW's: ASK NOT WHAT YOUR ORGANIZATION CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION. Sound like a familiar speech? Should be to some. These are trying times in our country today. It was back then in 1961 when our country was experiencing trying times that JFK made a similar historical speech which got the attention of Americans. Today together as a board we can keep our organization going strong. So, as your National Nominating Chairman I am soliciting qualified candidates to run for office this next year.

Following are the positions and eligibility requirements we will be seeking:

Secretary - Shall have been a member of a chapter at least one (1) year

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President** – Shall have served as a Chapter President and been on the National Board for at least one (1) year

**3rd Vice President** – Shall have served as a Chapter President and been on the National Board for at least one (1) year

Refer to ARTICLE V. OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES, Section 3 and Section 4 of the National Constitution and By-Laws for their duties.

Deadline to submit the Nomination Form is February 1, 2021. You may get the form from <a href="https://www.narbw.org">www.narbw.org</a> website.

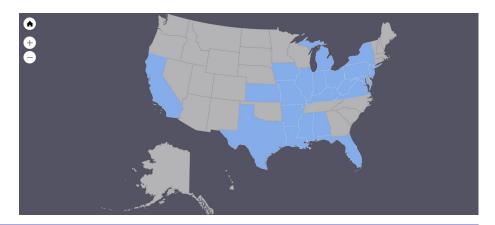
I am available to visit with you about the various positions up for election should you have questions. My contact information is <a href="mailto:nominations@narbw.org">nominations@narbw.org</a> or call me at 402-677-0768. I am here to assist you in making a rewarding decision to run for a NARBW National office.

Standing by for Candidates and looking forward to visiting with you soon......

Cynthia Chandler
Past National President
National Nominating Chairman

# Virtual Happy Hour - All About Us





70 members replied, representing **13 chapters** (Atlanta, Central Florida, Chicago, Houston, Indy Charter, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Omaha, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Roanoke, Southern California) and Members-at-Large).

Respondents born in **21 states**, **4 countries** (Dominican Republic, Germany, Phillipines and Venezuela)

Length of time as a member ranges from less than a year (*Hello to our newest members*) to 45 years (*Mary Ann Pettit*). Average length of membership is 10.6 years.

Did not submit a survey? Send a note to nancyvon@bellsouth.net and she will send you the link.

#### REASONS FOR JOINING NARBW (summary of answers)

Family member, friend, co-worker or a NARBIE invited me

Looked like a great organization

Love of the railroad

Fellowship and socializing, camaraderie, sisterhood

Networking and professional support in the rail industry

Service and volunteer opportunities

Connect with like-minded individuals with a common bond

#### Specific answer

Was invited to attend a meeting. Enjoyed it so much I joined and thence began my NARBW journey to ultimately become national president. It's been my privilege to have met and worked with so many fine ladies from all walks of life.

#### BEST THING TO COME OUT OF SHELTER -IN-PLACE (summary of answers)

Closer relationships with friends and family, reconnecting

Slow down and enjoy the little things in life; Don't sweat the small stuff

Appreciation for what we have that we had taken for granted

Self reflection, reinvent myself, spirituality

Getting projects done: cleaning, organizing, going through pictures, overdue projects

Learn something new: technical, gardening, cooking, knitting

Reading

#### Specific answer

'Together Alone' How the pandemic is bringing out the love/concern we have for each other'

# Virtual Happy Hour - All About Us

#### What I miss most about shelter in place

Family, friends, co-workers

NARBW sisters

Interacting face-to-face

Social activities, church, seeing different people every day, volunteering

Travel

Movies, shows, concerts, civic events, eating in restaurants, having a drink with friends

Going out and about without a mask

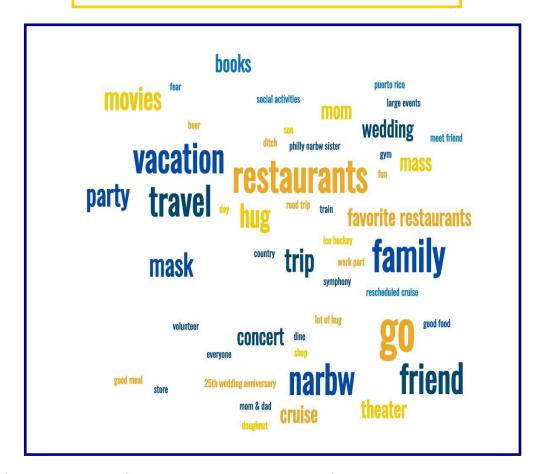
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Specific answer: Not thinking about what I am going to do before I do it

The first thing I will do when the pandemic is under control...

Our responses are summed up in this word cloud.



Specific answer: 'Thank God and hope the vaccine works for everyone soon'

#### THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY BUSINESS WOMEN

## **NATIONAL SOCIAL EVENTS**



Fun activities are planned for the 'Fall Festival' season! A ZOOM Craft gathering was held in September, and NAR-BOO in October. November will be another month of celebration, so remember to keep checking your e-mails and the NARBW Facebook page.



Thank you Kansas City Chapter for this fun craft event!



#### **ALBANY CHAPTER**

Nothing to report

#### ATLANTA CHAPTER

Nothing to report

#### CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER





Mel held a Tastefully Simple Fundraiser for Central Florida Chapter. She invited a bunch of retired neighbors and everyone showed up (you can tell its been six months since everyone got together for a fun time). She took temperatures and spread the chairs as far as she could but with 13 guests, it was a tight squeeze. Tastefully Simple is food, lots of dips, breads, cakes etc. so it was a yummy time. Part of the fundraiser is free product, the Central Florida chapter will be raffling off a basket of TS products in the near future.

#### CHICAGO CHAPTER



Chicago hosted a special ZOOM presentation "Unprecedented Times: How to Cope and Find Meaning". The Ladies were taught various coping mechanisms to use during these times of uncertainty. The presenter, an Amtrak EAP Counselor, Beatriz Rodriguez, became a NARBW member after this presentation.

Welcome Beatriz!

#### August:

NARBW – Chicago has put the wheels in motion. We held our first 2022 National Convention Committee meeting. A lot of great ideas were brought to the table and we can't wait to host our NARBW Sisters in 2022.



We hosted "The Basics of Parliamentary Procedure", presented by Deborah Underwood, a Registered Parliamentarian. The presentation was informative and the Members were engaged. So much so that all the Chicago **Board Members have** ordered the latest editions of Roberts Rules of Order and Roberts Rules of Order - In Brief in anticipation of becoming registered members of NAP -National Association of Parliamentarians.

#### CHICAGO continued

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NARBW – Chicago hosted our 1st NARBW Family and Friends Virtual Bingo Fundraiser. With 57 contributors and 40 of them virtually participating we had an awesome time. Thanks to Sharon Slaton the ZOOM hostess, Jasmine Manley, the Bingo Caller, Jackie Watkins,

Chicago's own Vannah White, Cle Shaw, Chicago's Mixologist, and Yolanda Barbosa, Wheel of Names hostess, for putting together an event full of laughter, joy, drinks, and NARBW love!!! Thanks to all that took part or donated, without you it would not have been a success!!!

Last but not least, the Chicago Chapter would like to congratulate Romayne C. Brown. Romayne was elected as Metra's new chair making history as the first African-American Woman to lead Metra's Board. Once settled in her new role, an invitation to join NARBW will be extended...meanwhile, Ladies are making tracks in this Industry!!! Running the Rails!!!

To our NARBW Sisters...Happy Fall...Be well...stay safe!!!

#### **INDY CIRCLE CITY CHAPTER**

Nothing to report.

#### KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

The Kansas City Chapter is currently working on getting donations together to donate to the local SPCA shelter for our September event. We haven't been able to all get together but look forward to it in the near future.

Savanna Hubbard recently graduated from TCU with a degree in Strategic Communication.

Although with the sign of the times, she wasn't able to participate in a graduation ceremony and the school mailed out everyone's graduation certificates. We wish lots of luck to Savanna in her future endeavors and wish her well!

Chrystal Tonkin is working on a School Clothing Drive for the Clay County Clothes Closet as her Sr. project for her Capstone Class. She is collecting thru Facebook, as well as taking any other donations of clothing such as sweatpants, new and gently worn clothing. She is set to graduation in December. She recently purchased a new vehicle...an Audi A7 Quattro.

#### INDIANAPOLIS CHARTER CHAPTER

Unfortunately our Indianapolis Charter Chapter remains inactive during Covid restrictions. Please stay safe and well.

#### **HOUSTON CHAPTER**

Angie Whitlock named Vice President of Houston Chapter. Angie works as a Corridor Manager and a Train Dispatcher in the Spring Dispatching Center for Union Pacific Railroad. Angie has been recognized as an outstanding employee and LEAD member at Union Pacific for her above and beyond mindset. She has initiated numerous volunteer



projects in the workplace. We are excited that she has stepped up to fill this role!



Baby Item drive for the Star of Hope Delivered on August 28<sup>th</sup> diapers, wipes and food were all delivered.

Pictured: Angie Whitlock, Peggy Cuellar, Ginger Stanbery, Cookie Grant and Bridget Hammons.



Jeremy and Jennifer Walden, married on 8/8/2020. Jeremy is the son of member Debbye Converse.

Houston Chapter Woman of the Year Bridget Hammons was celebrated at our August meeting









Houston Chapter August Planning meeting two new members were pinned. Pictured, *Patrice Domingue, Debbie Converse Cookie Grant and Jeri Rose* 

Houston Chapter August Planning Meeting. Pictured; Ginger Stanbery, Dixie Estep, Cheryl Chambers, Patrice Domingue, Debbye Converse, Jeri Rose, Peggy Cuellar, Angie Whitlock and Bridget Hammons



#### JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER

Jacksonville Chapter held virtual meetings all summer using Microsoft Teams. While it is good to see our ladies even in the 'Brady Bunch' format that a video conference provides, we all look forward to the day we can meet again in person, following social distancing guidelines of course!

In **July** meeting we learned some interesting facts as we reviewed our Happy Hour Responses.

- Time as a NARBW member ranged from 6 months to 40 years with an average of 8.2 years
- We represent two countries USA (nine states) and the Philippines
- \* To travel to all the states we represent would be a 5500mile road trip and if you add 7400 miles you could add a stop in Manilla.
- \* What do we look forward to?
  - Seeing family and friends
  - Resuming travel
  - Going to concerts, movies, gym, theater, eating in restaurants, attending a wedding
  - Resuming in-person social activities be around people again!

In **August** we heard about Canine Companions for Independence (CCI) from CSX employee CJ Smith and his wife Vickie. CCI, founded in 1975, provides highly trained assistance dogs to people with disabilities.

CJ and Vickie have been puppy raisers since 2010. When a dog finishes training with them, they move on to additional training before being placed with an individual who is in need. <a href="https://www.cci.org/news/chapter-leadership/">https://www.cci.org/news/chapter-leadership/</a>

Our **September** meeting featured Kim Bowling, Director of Advanced Engineering at CSX Transportation. Kim has a degree in Mechanical and Materials Engineering from Vanderbilt University and an MBA from University of Florida. Kim presented CSX's first Train Inspection Portal (TIP). The TIP uses ultra-high definition cameras and high-powered lighting to produce 360-degree scans of railcars passing through the portal at track speed. Advanced machine vision technology and software algorithms identify defects and automatically flag cars for repair. TIP is one more way CSX is improving safety, increasing efficiency, and creating the best-run railroad in North America.



This quarter we made no-sew blankets for Project Linus (<a href="www.projectlinus.org">www.projectlinus.org</a>) and held a school supply drive for Daniel Kids (<a href="www.danielkids.org">www.danielkids.org</a>). A few of our ladies helped build new furniture and pack school supply bags at the PACE school in time for the students to come back September 14<sup>th</sup>.

We will be volunteering at Feeding Northeast Florida in October, the region's largest non-profit food bank and hunger relief network.

Our much-loved long-time Welfare Chair **Mary Warner** has decided to take it a little easy and has been mentoring member KrishnaPriya Nippani as our new Welfare Chair.

Mary will still be an active member of our chapter and will continue to coordinate activities for her army of volunteers for PACE Center for Girls Jacksonville. Thank You Mary for all that you do – and *Happy 85th Birthday* next month!



#### **Operation Lifesaver**

Every year more than 2,100 Americans are killed or seriously injured because of unsafe behavior around tracks and trains. Operation Lifesaver (OLI), with programs in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico, works to prevent these incidents. OLI partners with the U.S. Department of Transportation and other organizations to observe Rail Safety Week. Our goal is to raise awareness of the need for rail safety education. Presentations are geared towards empowering the public to remain safe near highway-rail grade crossings and railroad right-of-way. We observed Rail Safety Week, September 21st through September 27th

**Convention Committee** is planning a wonderful convention in May 21 – 22, 2021 in Jacksonville Florida

The registration form is online at narbw.org and is available in this edition of the capsule.

Since we missed Chicago Convention and Marketplace, our Chapter fundraiser will be conducted online.

We are raffling a Two-night stay at the convention hotel which can be used during convention.

Tickets are 10 dollars or three for 25 dollars. Winner will be drawn in a ZOOM meeting February 20th Watch for details on Facebook and in your email!

#### **OMAHA CHAPTER**

The Omaha Chapter has had a busy and we hope rewarding summer. We met in June around our Presidents pool at her new home. It was great to see everyone, socially distant across the patio.

Ruth Zahner has successfully relocated from Poplar Bluff MO to the Omaha area and it will be great to see more of her. Kayde Leslie had foot surgery and is recovering nicely. Julie Nelson had successful cataract surgery. Jay Nelsen was awarded the "Newcomer Award" by the Durham Museum for her volunteer work there. Amy Schapp's husband donated her NARBW pins and we will use her President's pin as our Chapter President traveling pin.

We gathered at the home of VP Kathy DuVall for our September meeting. Before the meeting, we filled purses for our semi-annual Pass The Purse project to benefit victims of domestic abuse. With this donation of 100 purses we have donated more than 1400 purses.

We are now in the middle of our garage sale fundraiser. It is the weekend of October 1, 2, 3. So wish us great weather and a sell out of all the items donated by our members.

Janet Anderson, Casey Zahner and Diane Ballinger busy sorting and pricing items for the garage sale



Kathy DuVall & Julie Nelson inspecting items for the garage sale Jay Nelsen, Connie Prokupek, Julie Nelson, Diane Ballinger, Kayde Leslie, Anne Menichetti, Molly Frazier. Not pictured but present and helping: Casey Zahner and Ruth Zahner.



#### PITTSBURGH CHAPTER

Betty Halligan, Chapter President, is happy to report that all nine members of the Pittsburgh Chapter are 'still kicking'. Even though COVID prevents them from meeting in person, they are keeping up with their individual volunteer activities. What an awesome group of ladies!

#### PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

The women of the Philadelphia Chapter of NARBW are happy to report we are all STILL doing well in this time of COVID. We kept our annual tradition of a summer break from meetings in July, most of us made the best of our "staycation" spending time with family and close friends, enjoying the great summer weather in the Mid-Atlantic region.

We were invited by member Kay Bolich to her home for our August meeting – bring your own chair and lunch - it was a great reunion! In our area most, if not all of our meeting spaces are still closed and so many members just did not want another conference call meeting.





Our first in person since February! We enjoyed air hugs and seeing each other's beautiful faces from at least 6 feet away. Plans were made for future meetings and gatherings through next May – a sure sign that we are all learning how to navigate the world safely and responsibly. We have many members who do not have the technology to attend "virtual" meetings so there are still challenges but we are a great group of women and we will continue to support each other and the causes near and dear to our hearts.



While sitting in a circle under a beautiful shade tree at Kay's, we noticed a hornet's nest in the tree ten feet over our heads. What a hornet's nest! A "bald faced hornet" nest to be exact. Fortunately, we did not know it was there until after meeting and lunch. We did not bother them, and they did not bother us! We all took it as an opportunity to marvel at nature – the nest was beautiful to see and if we looked hard enough, we saw the hornets at work on their impressive hive.



September we met at Helena Funk's home. We celebrated having won the NARBW Founder's Day award (see picture) as well as conducting our usual business. We incorporated a fund raiser at the meeting by selling homemade Pierogies made by Helena and a few helpful ladies using her Nana's recipe. Helena served a few dozen to the ladies at the meeting – quite a few had never had one before and everyone was delighted. Thanks to Ellie for donating the lunch pierogies! We sold 30 dozen, pre-ordered, to mostly our members:

it was a very successful fund raiser! We are all looking forward to our next meeting, hoping for temperate weather, as we will be sitting outside in an actual "biergarten" at a popular German restaurant. Wishing every one of our NARBW sisters a lovely fall season and a happy "OKTOBERFEST"!







#### **ROANOKE CHAPTER**

Roanoke has not been able to meet due to COVID. We all hope the situation improves soon. Carol Gentilini is the new President of our chapter.

#### From our Sunshine Committee

On June 26, 2020, Elaine Parks saw her endocrinologist and he prescribed 50,000 units of Vitamin D once a week as her D was extremely low which accounts for aching, tiredness, and the instability on her feet. This is the fastest way to bring it back up. Hopefully, Elaine will be feeling better soon.

Pat Prillaman had an ablation on Wednesday, July 15th, to help with A-fib. She was able to come home on Friday, July 17th. A gift card was sent to Pat and the group received a "thank you" card.

Brenda Hale had neck surgery on Friday, July 17th. The carotid artery did not have any blockage of any kind but there was a kink that no one knows how long it's been there but, the threat of a stroke was imminent. The cardiovascular surgeons severed the artery, removed the kink and put it back together again. Brenda's recovery has been painful, but is getting better. A card was sent to her and she wishes to thank everyone for their care and concern.

Joyce Mills is moving from Editor of Roanoke's newsletter The Thoroughbred Express to 1st VP.

#### From Jovce:

When I was given the "task" of becoming your newsletter editor a few years ago, it became a labor of love ... once I got over the fear of this awesome responsibility. I feel I have gotten to know each of you on a more personal level and have truly loved every minute I have spent creating and putting together, hopefully, a knowledgeable and entertaining newsletter. Your input has been invaluable.

#### SAINT LOUIS CHAPTER

Nothing to report

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER



August 1st we had a virtual baby shower was held for Mom-to-be Amber Peters. Thanks to the Chicago members who joined us for this fun event. Luna (is pictured on the right. She was born on September 10, 2020



We had fun at our September meeting. Members of course, kept safety in mind! Masks were worn and temperatures checked upon arrival. (One member thought it was a hold up)
Thanks to Trischelle for the beautiful setting, Shamonda for the delicious drinks, and to the members who participated in our mask contest!

#### **TOPEKA CHAPTER**

Nothing to report

## 2021 NARBW CONVENTION - MAY 21-22, 2021

#### Follow the River to Sun, Sand and Sisters May 21 – 22, 2021

The NARBW Jacksonville Chapter is proud to host the 77<sup>th</sup> National Convention in Jacksonville Florida.

#### https://www.visitjacksonville.com/narbw2021/

#### Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront

Reservations by phone (available 24 hours a day) call 1-800-222-8733 Group rates are available until April 19, 2021.

Ask for "NARBW National Assoc Railway Business Women" or Group Code NAR
Standard double room with king bed or two doubles \$125 / \$141.25 with tax
Standard riverfront room with king bed or two doubles \$145 / \$163.85 with tax
Riverfront Junior suite with king bed \$165 / \$186.45 with tax

The parking daily rate is \$5.00 plus tax self-parking or \$20.00 plus tax valet parking, No in-out privileges.

#### Travel

Jacksonville International Airport (Approximately 16 miles from the hotel) Delta, United, American, Southwest, Air Canada, Jet Blue, Allegiant, Silver 2400 Yankee Clipper Dr, Jacksonville, FL 32218

Amtrak Station (Approximately 8 miles from the hotel) 3570 Clifford Lane Jacksonville, FL 32209-2123

Amtrak Auto Train Station — Sanford, FL 130 miles from hotel

#### **Convention Schedule**

- May 19 National pre-convention Board Meeting
- May 20 Pre-Convention Tour: Fernandina Beach with boat tour and lunch Hospitality Reception
- May 21 Business Meetings and President's brunch Candidate's Reception

Fun Night (We Bring the Beach to You Luau)

May 22 – Business Meetings, Membership Luncheon, Election Post-convention Board Meeting Banquet (Dinner with DJ for dancing)

May 23 - Check Out

#### **NARBW Convention Registration Form**

77th Annual Convention in Jacksonville, FL May 21 - 22, 2021 DoubleTree Downtown of Jacksonville - 1201 Riverplace Blvd. Jacksonville, Fl 32207, (904) 396-8844 All registrations must be postmarked by April 1st. No refunds after May 5<sup>th</sup>.



Use a separate form for each attendee. There are three sections to this form, please be sure to complete them all. This Registration Form may be photocopied or

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Payments now accepted through Zelle and PayPal by using email address: Treasurer@narbw.org

Complete Sections 1-3. Keep a copy of this form for your record. Your payment amount should match the registration total in Section 2.

Available at www.narbw.org

#### 2021 NARBW CONVENTION - MAY 21-22, 2021 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA



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