



# Republican Women's Club of St. Louis

To Educate, Empower and Engage Republican Women  
So They Can Make a Difference in Their Communities

February 4/2011

Although the month started with a tremendous snow and ice storm, we are fortunate to have missed more than was predicted. I hope you find a warm, cozy spot (and perhaps a cup of tea) to read the interesting articles in this issue.

Thanks to Sue Smart for sponsoring this issue. The RWC of STL appreciates your support, Sue!

Sincerely,  
Deborah Fisher  
Newsletter Editor

## FROM THE RWC OF STL PRESIDENT

### **Happy New Year!!**

*by Sharon Barnes*

I love the song "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", but whoever heard of "I'm Dreaming of a White Valentine's"? That seems to be what we might be in for!! With no one venturing out and plenty of time to spend inside, why not catch up with friends and neighbors? Make that long overdue telephone call and invite them to our February RWC of St. Louis meeting? You will be helping to make our club grow and helping to make it stronger. We are always looking for new members that can provide some new talents, insights, opinions, etc. We appreciate our long-time members - including you - who continue to give us their time, energies, involvement, etc.

Even though this is an off election year, there is still lots that we as grassroots activists can be doing. There is a US Senate race to be won - pick your favorite candidate and get on board early to help where and when you can - and be sure to track those volunteer hours and turn them in! There is a lot happening in our own State legislature this session. Contact your Rep or Senator and find out what is on the calendar and get behind a piece of legislation to get it passed or work to get a bad piece killed. The upcoming Legislative Day would be a perfect opportunity for you to take the time to meet with your legislatures personally and let them know where you stand.

I trust all of you will stay indoors, safe and warm. If you do have to venture out, please be careful - the snow is beautiful but can be dangerous on the roads.

As always, I am here to serve the members of RWC of St. Louis. Please feel free to contact me or any of your Executive Officers with suggestions, ideas, etc. After all, this Club belongs to YOU - our Republican women members.

## FEBRUARY MEETING UPDATE

**February Speaker**  
*by Eileen Tyrrell*

**2011 Programs Announces**  
**MoFRW State President, KATHY DRAKE**  
**February Speaker**

We are honored to host the State President of the Missouri Federation of Republican Women, Kathy Drake at our February 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

Kansas City will be the hot spot this year for federated republican women as it is the meeting place for our 2011 NFRW National Convention from September 30<sup>th</sup> - October 2<sup>nd</sup> along with our own MoFRW State Convention June 10<sup>th</sup> to June 12<sup>th</sup>.

This is a very exciting time to be a federated republican woman in the great state of Missouri, and Kathy will fill us in on all the details and how we can support and participate. Wait until you see the gorgeous elephant necklaces the National Convention Committee is selling; you are going to want to add this to your collection. Kathy will have the necklaces on hand along with lots of other important information regarding both conventions.

Kathy is in the second year of her two-year term and is setting mileage records traveling to club, district and state meetings throughout Missouri; getting to know a large number of federated women in our great state. In addition to her duties as our state president, she holds down a full-time job as Secretary/Office Manager for Polk County University Extension and continues to be a leader in her community as Secretary/Treasurer Bolivar Chapter of MO Agri-Leaders, Secretary Nu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, an active member in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, American Heart Association and Muscular Dystrophy Association. Yet with all these admirable accomplishments; on her resume she lists her proudest to be, the mother of son Trent, and daughters - Sheila and Jennifer, along with mother-in-law to Justin and Grandmother to Makenna and Beckham.

Those of us who have gotten to know Kathy throughout her term as state president truly enjoy her; we especially admire and respect her dedication not only to our federation but her community, state and nation. We are pleased to have her as our guest in February and are looking forward to introducing her to all of you. Hope to see you in February.

You can follow the MoFRW on their website [www.mofrw.org](http://www.mofrw.org) or visit them on their facebook page by typing in Missouri Federation of Republican Women.

## RWC of St. Louis Dues

*by Sharon Barnes, President*

It is that time of year when once again our yearly dues must be paid. RWC of St. Louis has not raised the dues for 2011 - it is still only \$22 to get membership in this Club, the 2nd District Republican Women, the Missouri Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. That is only \$5.50 to join each of these Organizations!! Wow!! That is really a great bargain.

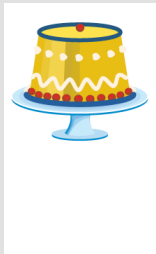
Please submit your check for \$22 (\$30 if you would like to add your husband, significant other, daughter, son, or etc. as an Associate Member) made payable to RWC of St. Louis to Jeanne Gosen at 2765 Kehrs Mill Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017-3500.

Our delegate count for the MoFRW Annual Convention in Kansas City will be based on the number of PAID members our Club has as of April 1. PLEASE get your dues in as soon as possible so we do not miss out on full representation at this important event!!!!

Your prompt payment of your dues will insure that you do not miss any of our monthly notices, monthly newsletters, the NFRW magazines, and other information provided by us, MoFRW and NFRW.

Thank you for your continued support of this wonderful organization.

## February Birthdays



Carol Icet	February 2	Lawrence Tyrrell	February 14
Carol Shaffer	February 2	Sally Owens	February 15
Holly Litner	February 3	Donna Roesch	February 15
Suzanne Francis	February 5	Louise Belt	February 26
Peggy Siegfried	February 5	Linda Mueller	February 28
Haley Tyrrell	February 5		

Happy Birthday to these wonderful ladies and members of RWC of StL!

## Calendar of Events

### Mark Your Calendar with these Important Dates

February 22	RWC of STL Monthly Meeting - Featured Speaker, Kathy Drake, President, MoFRW
February 25-27	MO State Lincoln Days, Springfield, MO
March 1	MoFRW Legislative Day, Jefferson City
March 5	MoFRW Membership/New Club Fair- Helpers Bakery, Florissant
March 21	RWC of Stl Evening Event- "Who is Tomorrow's Leaders"?
April 26	RWC of Stl April Meeting - Joan Langenberg, 1st Vice President

## MARCH EVENING EVENT

*by Eileen Tyrrell, 2nd VP and Program Chair*

To accommodate our members whose schedules prevent them from attending our monthly luncheon meeting, we will be hosting an evening event on ***Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:15p to 7pm in the Garden Room @ Spazios.***

This event will be a forum featuring several panelists discussing "Who are tomorrow's Leaders?". Reception begins at 5:15 followed by the program at 5:45.

This is an open event and a perfect opportunity for our membership to bring those friends or family members who have always wondered what Republican Women's Club of St. Louis is all about.

Final details to be announced at our February 22nd meeting and via email. You can also keep up to date on this event and all our club's activities on our Facebook page; type in ***Republican Women's Club of St. Louis.***

## Membership Drive/New Club Event in North County St. Louis

Ladies, if you know republican women residing in the North County and the City of St. Louis areas who are interested in joining a club or forming a new club, please pass this information on to them. This information fair is being held for their benefit; please encourage them to stop by and see us.

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FEDERATION  
OF  
REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

**Wondering what to do with all the passion and enthusiasm you felt during the 2010 campaign? Meet MoFRW women for coffee**

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**Helpers Bakery in Old Town Florissant  
380 St. Ferdinand  
Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>  
9am to 11am**

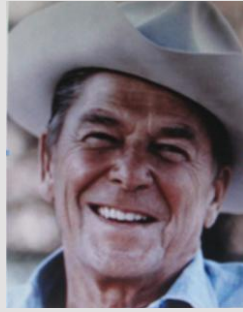
**Come learn the values and benefits of becoming a  
*Federated Republican Woman of Missouri***

For more information and to register your RSVP  
Please contact:

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## Happy Birthday, Mr. President

*by Sharon Barnes*



### The Reagan Centennial Honoring President Reagan in 2011

"Above all, we must realize that no arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is so formidable as the will and moral courage of free men and women. It is a weapon our adversaries in today's world do not have." *President Ronald Reagan*

I trust that all of you will take some time this month to remember President Ronald Reagan on the 100th anniversary of his birth. He made such an important contribution to our Country and was a powerful influence around the world.

## Thought for the Month

*by Sharon Barnes*

"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. I will not refuse to do the something I can do."  
- Helen Keller

## In closing...

Thank you for reading this newsletter. We would like to include YOUR article, so please contact me at [debfisher324@hotmail.com](mailto:debfisher324@hotmail.com) to submit an article.

In order to continue providing the newsletter, we need a sponsor for the March issue. The cost to sponsor an issue is \$15.00. Please send an e-mail or call me at 314-753-5805 to support the RWC of STL e-newsletter.

Sincerely,  
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