



Republican Women's Club of St. Louis

To Educate, Empower and Engage Republican Women

So They Can Make a Difference in Their Communities

August 11/2011

Please join me at the August 23rd RWC of STL meeting. I hope you can make it. The program will be one you don't want to miss. Please see the information below.

Last month, I included an invitation to attend the August meeting and shared my thoughts about the need for Republican women to gather together to promote the conservative view. I invited you to join me for lunch to give us the opportunity to get to know each other a little better and to engage in lively discussions.

I am once again extending the invitation. Please let me know if you are interested in having lunch after the meeting. My telephone number is 314.753.5805 and my e-mail address is debfisher324@hotmail.com. Ellen Elmore and I will be thrilled to have you join us! (If you don't want to call or e-mail, just let us know at the meeting.)

Thank you, **Susan Unger**, for sponsoring this month's newsletter. Susan is a loyal RWC of STL supporter who is making sure our newsletter is sent to the members.

Sincerely,

Deborah Fisher
Newsletter Editor

FROM THE PRESIDENT

This heat is really beginning to get to everyone! It is so hard to go out and do all the necessary things we do to keep our Country on track. I hope that all of you are staying cool and still managing to get some work done.

Even though 2012 is still a few months away, there are several political races that are heating up faster than the temperatures outside. It is so important that we choose our candidates wisely and then work as hard for them as we can - doing all we can in the giving of money, time and other resources. We may never get another chance to correct the mistakes of 2008. To leave the current person in the White House will spell disaster for all of us!

PLEASE take the time to talk to your neighbors, your friends and family and educate them on what is happening. We cannot rely on the mainstream media to tell the truth - we have to do that! If we all give 100% in 2012, we may still be able to save this great Nation. Please pray to God that we can do it and ask for His guidance and help.

Sharon Barnes, President

AUGUST MEETING FEATURES YOUNG SPEAKER

by Sharon Barnes

PLEASE be sure to mark your calendars for our Republican Women's Club meeting on August 23. Our guest speaker will be our very own member, Elise Kostial. She is the co-founder and creator of Concerned Young Women for America and is on the Board of Directors for Tea Party Youth. Elise drafted and got passed her first piece of legislation at age 13. Elise will be sharing with us her experiences as a young person within the Republican Party as well as ideas on ways we can attract more of these young people to join us in our fight to take back our Country!



LITERACY and MELP PROGRAMS

Book Donations

by Sharon Barnes

September is NFRW Literacy Month. That means that it is once again time to collect books for donation to a local library. The Club will vote on an amount of money to spend to buy some books, but we are also asking those of you that may want to, to donate a book as well to increase the size of our donation.

Below is a list of some of the recommended books from the NFRW. You can view a full list at www.nfrw.org. It is also permissible to donate any age-appropriate book. Thank you for your participation. Please bring any donations to our August 23 meeting.

Ronald Reagan, by Michael Burgan

Ronald W. Reagan (Profiles of the Presidents), by Jean Kinney Williams

Ronald Reagan, Our 40th President (Presidents of the United States of America), by Cynthia Amoroso

Which Way to the Wild West? Everything Your Schoolbooks Didn't Tell You About Westward Expansion, by Steve Sheinkin and Tim Robinson



NEW MEMBER

by Sharon Barnes

As our Club continues to grow, I would like to recognize those women who have made the decision to fight with us to "Take Our Country Back"! Below is the new member for July, 2011:

NO NEW MEMBERS! Let's work on this area!!!!

It is not too late to get even more ladies involved! Ask everyone you know - our voice gets louder and you could win a free membership for yourself!

Calendar of Events

Mark Your Calendar with these Important Dates

August 18	MoFRW Day to man the GOP tent at MO State Fair
August 23	RWC Meeting - Elise Kostial - Young People & Rep. Party
August 27	Woman of Tribute luncheon, Columbia, MO
September 8	First Responders Luncheon, O'Fallon, MO
September 20	Panel Forum, Deer Creek Inn
Sept. 29 - Oct. 2	NFRW Convention, Kansas City
October 12	1st, 2nd and 3rd District Meeting, Greenbriar CC
October 25	RWC Meeting - Election of Officers
November 15	Annual full Board Meeting - Committee Reports
December 6	Annual Charity and Christmas Party - Officers installed

FIRST RESPONDERS LUNCHEON

Help say, "Thank You"

by Sharon Barnes



The 2nd Annual First Responders Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, at the O'Fallon Police Department. Their address is 100 North Main Street, O'Fallon, MO. Once again it will take lots of donations and volunteer time from YOU - the members - to make this a successful event. Jerri Doss and Sue Newsom have again agreed to chair this event. This is a great opportunity to say "Thank You" to those men and women who are out there protecting us every day.

Jerri and Sue are looking for donations of food, drinks, plates, cups, napkins, desserts, etc. as well as volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up on the day. If you can donate any item(s) or amount of time, please contact these ladies. Jerri can be reached at jldoss5@yahoo.com or 636-938-1113. Sue can be reached at surone@sbcglobal.net or 314/849-1482. There will also be a volunteer signup sheet at the August 23 meeting.

Mark your calendars! Don't be left behind or in the dark!

Members, we have another interesting and thought-provoking forum slated for our September meeting.

September 20, 2011 (note date change)

"Do Conservative Values Resonate With Voters For Local School Board Elections?"

Featuring:

**Melanie Abrajano, Exec. Dir., Missouri Club for Growth
Mike Geller, Political Consultant
Stacy Washington, Board Member, Ladue School District**

Moderator: Deborah Fisher, Exec. Dir., MO Alliance for Arts Education and Federated Republican Woman

**Deer Creek Club
9861 Deer Creek HI
St. Louis, MO**

ALL ARE WELCOME! \$10 PER PERSON

**5:00PM - Hors D'Oeuvres Reception
5:30PM - 7:00PM - Forum**

RSVP: Jeanne Gosen, 636-391-1292 or rwcofstl@yahoo.com

Questions? Eileen Tyrrell, 636-549-3259 or eileenmtyrrell@gmail.com

MILITARY BOXES

We need donations

by Sharon Barnes



Ladies, we have become lazy with our donations for the military personnel stationed overseas. Please try to bring something to our next meeting that we can put in the boxes. These men and women are putting their lives on the line everyday to protect us from the evil that exists in this world. Be generous and thank you for your support.



FLAG ETIQUETTE

by Sally Owens



When the U.S. Flag is displayed indoors on the floor or on a platform, it is given the place of honor, always positioned behind the speaker and to the speaker's right, with other flags, if any, at the speaker's left.

The "right" as the position of honor was established from the time when the right hand was the "weapon hand". The right hand raised without a weapon was a sign of peace. The right hand, to any observer, is to the observer's left. This is also why it is proper protocol to have your right hand empty, i.e. do not be holding anything, when pledging allegiance to our Flag.

BETTY RENDEL SCHOLARSHIP

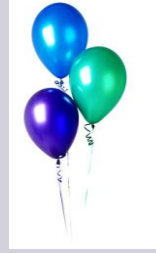
Missouri Girl Wins

by Sharon Barnes

The National Federation of Republican Women established the Betty Rendel Scholarship Fund in September 1995 in honor of NFRW Past President Betty Rendel's extraordinary leadership skills and dedication to the Republican Party in her home state of Indiana, as well as at the national level. The three annual scholarships of \$1,000 are awarded to female undergraduates who are majoring in political science, government or economics and have successfully completed at least two years of college coursework. The recipients are chosen from applicants from across the nation. Scholarship winners may not reapply.

The 2011 winners have been announced, and Missouri has a winner!!! Miss Emily Moore from Old Monroe, MO attends Westminster College. Congratulations to Emily!!!

August Birthdays



August 11 Janice Manaugh
August 12 Hon. Sharon Barnes
August 12 Jacky Klein
August 12 Barb Woodham
August 14 Ruth Ahlemeier

August 16 Hon. Marilyn Leistner
August 16 Erin Maurer
August 19 Suzanne Stein
August 20 Sharon Friedman
August 20 Marcia Natoli

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

JUST FOR FUN

by Sharon Barnes

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it in your wallet!!!

SALUTE TO RONALD REAGAN

by Sharon Barnes

There will be a quote from our former President each month during 2011 to celebrate the life of Ronald Reagan.



The Reagan Centennial
Honoring President Ronald Reagan in 2011

WITHOUT GOD
By RONALD REAGAN

In August 1984, Ronald Regan spoke to an ecumenical prayer breakfast in Dallas, Texas, and stated:

"We establish no religion in this country, nor will we ever. We command no worship. We mandate no belief. But we poison our society when we remove its theological underpinnings. We court corruption when we leave it bereft of belief. All are free to believe or not believe; all are free to practice a faith or not. But those who believe must be free to speak of and act on their belief, to apply moral teaching to public questions.

I submit to you that the tolerant society is open to and encouraging of all religions. And this does not weaken us; it strengthens us...Without God, there is no virtue, because there's no prompting of conscience. Without God, we're mired in the material, that flat world that tells us only what the senses perceive. Without God, there is a coarsening of the society. And without God democracy will not and cannot long endure. If we ever forget that we're One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

Prayer

by Sharon Barnes



As we work so hard to Take Back our Country, we must all take time out of our busy schedules to give thanks to our Creator and ask for his many blessings.

I will try to share a new prayer with you each month in this newsletter. If any of you have prayers of your own that you would like to share with other members, please submit them to either Deborah Fisher or myself. We will make sure they get into the newsletter.

"Heavenly Father, You have given us much responsibility. We are wives, mothers, daughters, sisters and friends. May You guide us in all we do with wisdom, compassion and strengthen of conviction.

As Republican Women, may we lead with dignity, humility and a servant's heart. There is much to do in our great state where many are in need, race continues to divide us and politicians many times rule by what is in it for them and not by what is best for the citizens of our state.

May we be the voices to focus our leaders on family values, educating our children, providing for our brave men and women in the military and limiting the power of government in our daily lives.

Father, bless and protect us. May we never forgot You are the Maker of each of us and in Whom we trust.

Amen"

From NFRW Prayer Book, Georgia

Thought For The Month

by Sharon Barnes

" It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes, a principle, which if acted on, would save one-half the wars of the world."

-----Thomas Jefferson

Contest

Win a Prize!!

by Sharon Barnes

Each month, we will have a contest in our newsletter. All you have to do is answer the question correctly!! Write down your answer on a slip of paper provided at the next month's meeting to be entered into a drawing for a free prize!! It is that simple!

This month's question:

What piece of legislation caused the Republican Party to be formed in 1854?

Deborah Fisher
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