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February 2011



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The Monthly Newsletter of the
West Metro Republican Women's Club

Next Meeting ... February 21, 2011

Betty Poe, President
S.C. Federation of Republican Women

Monday, February 21, 2011

Note Date Change!

6 p.m. Registration/Social Time
6:30 Meeting Begins

New Location:

The Cotton Grill (Lexington's Old Mill)
711 E. Main Street, Lexington

**Please RSVP to: Kim Wellman (803) 622-8789
or e-mail: westmetrorepublicanwomen@yahoo.com**

Due to the cancellation of our January meeting, we have rescheduled Betty Poe, president of the South Carolina Federation of Republican Women to come install our officers and give us a brief report on SCFRW activities.

Betty is past president of the Greenville County Republican Women's Club. In 2007, she was named SCFRW "Republican Women of the Year." She has served as Vice President of the National Federation of Republican Women and on its fundraising committee. In 2010, she was elected First Vice President of the Greenville County GOP. In 2006, Betty chaired the Victory 2006 Campaign for Greenville county, the year S.C. Republican candidates for state constitutional offices won every office except one.

Our meeting will be held in the private Charleston room at the Cotton Grill. The restaurant is offering a special menu for our group with several affordable options. Please help us show our appreciation to the Cotton Grill for providing us with meeting space by ordering something to eat.

Message From The President

Well, our new club year is off to an unusual, somewhat delayed start, thanks partially to the snow storm that cancelled our January meeting, and then Valentine's Day which caused us to move our February meeting from the 14th to the 21st. In any case, I do look forward to seeing you all on February 21. You'll note that we are trying a new format for our meeting. First, we'll start at 6 p.m. with "registration and social time" which gives everyone a chance to make it through our infamous Lexington traffic, get to the restaurant and order your meal. Then, we'll start the business meeting promptly at 6:30 p.m.

We are about to embark on some very busy weeks and months as Republicans. In March, precinct reorganization takes place. The date for Lexington county is Tuesday, March 15. As was done last year, there will be six different meeting locations, by district. Exact locations will be announced soon, but go ahead and mark your calendars now. If you cannot make the March 15th meeting, there will be a general make-up meeting on Thursday, March 24. Again, the location will be announced a bit later. The Lexington County Republican Party will then hold its convention on Saturday, April 16. Remember, to be able to vote as a delegate at the county convention, you must register during precinct reorganization (or make-up).

May is also a big month for the SCGOP; there will be a Republican presidential debate in Greenville on Thursday, May 5, with the Silver Elephant Banquet in Columbia on Friday, May 6 and the state GOP convention on Saturday, May 7. Stay tuned for more details on all of these events!!

--Kim Wellman

SCFRW Quarterly Board Meeting & Luncheon with Congresswoman Michele Bachmann

The winter board meeting of the South Carolina Federation of Republican Women will be held **THIS COMING SATURDAY**, February 19 at the Radisson Hotel (I-20 @ Bush River Road).

The board meeting is open to all Federation members (if you are a regular member of West Metro, then you are a Federation member). Registration for the board meeting begins at 9 a.m., with the board meeting beginning at 9:45 a.m. Cost to attend is \$30, which includes sweet rolls and coffee plus lunch (read about that below!).

If you plan on attending the SCFRW board meeting and luncheon, please RSVP to SCFRW treasurer Linda Garner at ted.linda@charter.net (or call her at 864-244-4205 or 864-420-0280). **Reservations must be made by noon on February 17; cancellations must also be made by then to avoid being billed \$30.**



Immediately following the board meeting, SCFRW will host a luncheon with Congresswoman Michele Bachmann as our guest speaker. Congresswoman Bachmann is from Minnesota, and is the chairperson of the Tea Party Caucus in Congress. This is a great opportunity to

come meet and listen to a rising star in the Republican party.

The luncheon is open to the general public at a cost of \$30 per person. **However, you must RSVP by Wednesday, February 16 to Grace Rentiers and prepay.** You can call her at (803) 407-0644 or (803) 260-2832. Or, e-mail her at: grentiers@aol.com.

"A Time for Choosing" – SC GOP Chairman Candidates Debate and Reagan Centennial Celebration

Though plans are still being finalized, please mark your calendar for Thursday, April 14 for a very special event. WMRW is partnering with Capital City Republican Women to hold a debate between the candidates for the state chairman of the South Carolina Republican Party. The event will be at the S.C. Department of Archives on Parklane Rd in Columbia.

Former WIS anchor Susan Aude Fischer will moderate the debate. The debate will then be followed by a dessert and coffee reception commemorating the Reagan Centennial.

Again, as we finalize details, you will receive more info ... just save the date for now!

Important Dates to Remember

Monday, March 7: LCRP Executive Committee meeting, 7 pm, Lexington Country Administration building.

Monday, March 14: WMRW regular meeting

Tuesday, March 15: LCRP Precinct Reorganization

Thursday, March 24: LCRP Precinct Reorganization MAKE UP meeting

Thursday, April 14: SC GOP Chairman Candidates Debate at the S.C. Department of Archives; 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 16: LCRP County Convention

Thursday, May 5, 2011: Presidential Primary Debate at the Greenville Peace Center

Friday, May 6, 2011: SC GOP Silver Elephant Dinner at the Columbia Convention Center

Saturday, May 7, 2011: State GOP Convention at the Columbia Convention Center

The Reagan Centennial

February 6, 2011 would have been President Ronald Reagan's 100th birthday, and the country is commemorating it with a year-long celebration, The Reagan Centennial. On February 4, Sue Lynch, President of the National Federation of Republican Women, issued this statement:

“The NFRW and its members are honoring the Centennial of President Ronald Reagan, who most Americans revere as one of our nation's greatest and most enduring leaders. President Reagan was a loyal friend to the NFRW during his time in elected office, and the NFRW continues to be a staunch supporter of our 40th president. During this time of remembrance, we are proud to recognize President Reagan's rich legacy as a beacon of freedom to the entire world, and we will continue to embrace his core belief, that for America, ‘there will always be a bright dawn ahead.’ Happy Birthday, Mr. President!”

How much do you know about Ronald Reagan, his life and his legacy??? You may want to check out some of these books below for some more insight on this remarkable man:

- An American Life: The Autobiography by Ronald Reagan.
- The Reagan Diaries by Ronald Reagan.
- The Reagan Diaries Unabridged: Volume 1: January 1981-October 1985; Volume 2: November 1985-January 1989 by Ronald Reagan.
- Ronald Reagan: 100 Years: Official Centennial Edition from the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation
- The Wit & Wisdom of Ronald Reagan by James C. Humes.
- Ronald Reagan: How an Ordinary Man Became an Extraordinary Leader by Dinesh D'Souza.
- Reagan, In His Own Hand: The Writings of Ronald Reagan that Reveal His Revolutionary Vision for America by Kiron K. Skinner, Annelise Anderson, Martin Anderson, and George P. Shultz.
- When Character Was King: A Story of Ronald Reagan by Peggy Noonan.
- Rendezvous with Destiny: Ronald Reagan and the Campaign That Changed America by Craig Shirley.
- The New Reagan Revolution: How Ronald Reagan's Principles Can Restore America's Greatness by Michael Reagan, Jim Denney, and Newt Gingrich.
- I Love You, Ronnie: The Letters of Ronald Reagan to Nancy Reagan by Nancy Reagan.
- The Age of Reagan: The Conservative Counterrevolution: 1980-1989 by Steven F. Hayward.
- The Age of Reagan: The Fall of the Old Liberal Order: 1964-1980 by Steven F. Hayward.
- Greatness: Reagan, Churchill and the Making of Extraordinary Leaders by Steven F. Hayward.
- Ronald Reagan: A Life in Photographs by David Elliot Cohen, Peter Robinson, Newt Gingrich, and Callista Gingrich.
- Reagan: A Life In Letters by Kiron K. Skinner, Annelise Anderson, Martin Anderson, and George P. Shultz.
- Stories in His Own Hand: The Everyday Wisdom of Ronald Reagan by Kiron K. Skinner, Annelise Anderson, Martin Anderson, and George P. Shultz.
- Speaking My Mind: Selected Speeches by Ronald Reagan.
- Reagan In His Own Voice by Kiron K. Skinner, Annelise Anderson, Martin Anderson.
- Ronald Reagan: The Power of Conviction and the Success of His Presidency by Peter J. Wallison.
- How Ronald Reagan Changed My Life by Peter Robinson.
- Ronald Reagan and Margaret Thatcher: A Political Marriage by Nicholas Wapshott.
- A Different Drummer: My Thirty Years with Ronald Reagan by Michael K. Deaver.

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Don't forget to mail your 2011 renewal dues in
today if you've not already done so!!

Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to this club member who
celebrates a February birthday:

Lisa Manini Sox (2/22)