

MARION COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN OCTOBER 2011 NEWSLETTER



Donna Rackley, President

President's News

The candidate 'quilt' is completed. It is not as large as we expected it to be but it does have some memorable squares of local and state candidates. Tickets will be available for members and associates to take and sell to family and friends. Tickets will be \$1 each. Each member is asked to sell or purchase \$10 each. The picture to the right is showing the local candidates that donated their t-shirt. Thanks again to those that made contributions with their shirts. The drawing will be at our Christmas party/meeting.

Now is the time to get the word out about our Republican candidates. Call family and friends to remind them to GET THE VOTE OUT! We are looking for a Republican landslide with both local and state offices.

Bring finger food to October Meeting

October Monthly Meeting

The October monthly meeting will be held at the Columbia Country Club, October 25th at 6:00 p.m. Our guest speaker for the meeting will be Doug Ervin with Mississippi Farm Bureau. Mr. Ervin is land program coordinator for Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation. He will be talking about the Eminent Domain issue that will be on the November ballot. More information about Eminent Domain is on page 4 of this newsletter. **Everyone is asked to bring finger food.**

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WEAR RED TO OCTOBER MEETING OR PAY \$.50.



Doug Ervin, Mississippi Farm Bureau

September Recap

Thanks to everyone who helped with the set-up, preparation of the food and the clean-up for the September meeting. Stacy Pickering was our guest speaker. Stacy currently serves as our State Auditor. Stacey was elected the 41st State Auditor of Mississippi in 2007. Stacey's topic for the evening was about YES on 26/Personhood.



The language that will appear on the ballot is as follows: Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Mississippi: SECTION 1. Article III of the constitution of the state of Mississippi is hereby amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION TO READ: Section 33. Person defined. As used in this Article III of the state constitution, "The term 'person' or 'persons' shall include every human being from the moment of fertilization, cloning or the functional equivalent thereof." This initiative shall not require any additional revenue for implementation.

For more information, please go to the following website - <http://yeson26.net>

News From NFRW 2011 Convention

What an awesome experience it was to attend the 2011 NFRW Biennial Convention in Kansas City, Missouri and represent Marion County. Marion County Republican Women received 4 awards at this year's Biennial Convention. We received the Diamond Award for our Achievements; Kay Patterson received the Volunteer Campaign Award for Mississippi; we were 1 of 12 clubs that received the Winning Website; and we received the Membership Award for membership increase for Medium Size Club. Thanks to all members who help to earn each of these awards. The awards will be presented at the Mini-Convention that will be held in Jackson on October 22. Guest speakers at the Convention were Governor Jan Brewer, Herman

Cain, Rick Santorum and Newt Gingrich. Nearly 1,200 registrants from 47 states plus Puerto Rico attended the NFRW's 36th Biennial Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, on Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 2011. Each Republican woman registrant was invited to vote in the NFRW Presidential Straw Poll, which featured nine Republican presidential candidates. Herman Cain won a near-majority with 48.9 percent of 505 total votes cast. Rick Perry placed a distant second, and Mitt Romney came in third. The straw poll was conducted Oct. 1 by Palladian View of Spartanburg, S.C.. Pictures are on website.

*"Within the covers of the Bible are
all the answers for all the problems
men face."*

Ronald Reagan



Donna Rackley & Kay Patterson

In Memory

The MCRW have recently lost two of our members. Mrs. Verna Dunaway and Mrs. Elaine Turnage. Please continue to remember their family and friends in their loss. A donation has been made to the Palmer Home for Children in their memory.



Also keep Donna McDaniel in your prayers at the loss of her mother, Mrs. Katherine Nelson.



Voter ID – Vote YES

Why is it important to vote YES? You can visit the following website to get more information on VoterID – www.ms4voterid.com. Go online and read the letter that Senator Joey Fillingane wrote thanking those who were instrumental in helping get 130,000 signatures (only 90,000 were needed) to put this important issue on the November 8 ballot. The following is the mission statement for Mississippians for Voter ID: Our goal is to make elections in Mississippi more fair, open, honest and the election results more trustworthy. A voter identification requirement would help us eliminate the voter fraud that currently exists in our election system. We ultimately want the citizens of Mississippi to have trust that their election system is accurate and void of voter fraud and cheating on election day. If you are on facebook link onto

Mississippians for Voter ID and read the many articles telling of voter fraud in Mississippi. Tallahatchie county had 203 dead people vote in the democrat primary on August 2, 2011. Of course this was down from the 1159 dead people who voted in the 2000 presidential election. The voter rolls were purged after the 2008 election. Does anyone complain about showing proper ID to purchase beer, liquor or a box of rifle cartridges?

The Ballot will read as follows:

Initiative #27

Should the Mississippi Constitution be amended to require a person to submit government issued photo identification in order to vote? Yes or No

Eminent Domain – Initiative 31

Amendment # 31-Mississippi Eminent Domain Amendment will be on the November 8, 2011 general election ballot in the state of Mississippi as an indirect initiated constitutional amendment. This amendment prohibits state and local government from taking private property by eminent domain and then conveying it to other persons/businesses for a period of ten years. The measure does however allow for an exemption for levee facilities, roads, bridges, ports, airports, common carriers, drainage facilities and utilities. The proposed amendment would not apply to public nuisances, structures unfit for human habitation or abandoned property. There were 119,251 supporters who signed and submitted a petition to get the ball rolling-all that was needed was 89,285. Delbert Hosemann, Mississippi Secretary of State certified the measure for the 2011 ballot on October 25, 2010. Farm Bureau circulated petitions statewide to obtain signatures of 90,000 registered voters to help put the eminent domain issue on the November 8 ballot. We will be hearing more about Amendment/Initiative #31 at the October meeting. Be present and prepared to ask questions concerning the taking of private property by state and local governments. Find out what you will be voting on if you vote - YES!

IDEAS for 2012

2011 has been a jam packed year with the elections for local and state officers. Thanks to all the candidates who helped to fill the agenda for each month. 2012 is going to be just as busy. There are some new projects that we will be involved in this next year. If you know of a good speaker, program or project that you feel the MCRW could benefit from please let Janice Loftin, 1st Vice-

President, or myself know. Our club has received numerous awards the past several years for the work we have done and are doing. Let's keep that flame going. There will be an afternoon planning day for those interested in helping with the 2012 calendar of events. We will meet at Fred Buhrer Real Estate on October 24 at 4:00 p.m. There will be drinks and light snacks. Bring some ideas with you.

*Mississippi Federation of Republican Women
members at the NFRW 36th Biennial Convention in
Kansas City, MO*

*You and I have a rendezvous
with destiny. We will
preserve for our children
this, the last best hope of
man on earth, or we will
sentence them to take the
first step into a thousand
years of darkness. If we fail,
at least let our children and
our children's children say
of us we justified our brief
moment here. We did all that
could be done.*

Ronald Reagan



Speakers at Convention



Herman Cain



Newt Gingrich



Rick Santorum



Remember to Vote November 8th. For those that would like to see the action as it is happening - Go to the courthouse and cheer on our MCRW members and associates that are on the ballot. Janette Nolan, Tanya Holland, Berkley Hall, Hal Kittrell, Randy Dyess, Angela Burks Hill, Joey Fillingane, Ken Morgan, Bill Pigott, Terry Broome, Paul Barber and Richard Lokey.

2012 Membership Dues

Membership dues for 2012 are due now. Members and Associates dues are still \$20 per person. Due can be dropped off at Fred Buhrer Real Estate office or mailed to:

Kay Patterson
201 Mayson Avenue
Columbia, MS 39429

Dues have to be sent in to the state MFRW office no later than December 1st. Please help in getting your dues paid on time. Remember the club only keeps \$3.00 for those who are Members. All of the money paid

by Associates is kept in the MCRW local club. Sign your spouse, son or daughter up. Your membership into MCRW also pays for membership in MFRW and NFRW. Three for the price of one!



**Don't Forget Membership Dues
\$20.00**

*"Always vote for principle, though you may vote alone, and you may cherish the sweetest reflection that your vote is never lost."
-John Quincy Adams, 6th President*

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Dates to Remember

October 21-22	MFRW Mini-Conference
October 25 th	Monthly Meeting
November 8	GO VOTE!
November 24	Happy Thanksgiving!
December	TBA at a later date

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