

February 2009 Now News



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A Word From Our President

We are done with one election and now we are onto the next! I would like to remind everyone of a very important Primary Race. Wisconsin's primary will be held on **2/17/2009** and there is a largely contested election that is going on. It is for the **State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction (DPI)**. Five individuals are vying for the race. Though this is a non-partisan position, we would like to see those with conservative views get elected. There are two individuals with conservative views that are running in the primary. They are Rose Fernandes and Van Mobley. Rose's website is www.changedpi.com and Van's website is www.vanmobley.com

Please go onto each of their websites and look at what they are proposing. Don't forget to vote on 2/17/2009!!

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Thanks ladies - we have most of our **2009 "Breakfast" calendar** filled!! I still need someone to host September, November and December. If you are interested, please contact Diane at 262/306-7535 or email me at www.dka30@earthlink.net

February's breakfast will be hosted by Diane Pedersen on February 14th. Diane's address is 1869 Field Cliffe Drive, Richfield, WI 53076. Her phone number is 262/628-1827. Take Highway 41 to Highway 167 (Holy Hill Road). Go west on Hwy 167 for about 2.5 miles to White Pine Trail and turn right onto White Pine Trail. Shortly, the very next road to the right is Field Cliffe Drive. Continue about .5 mile to first ranch home on the left. It is a light brown home.

March's breakfast will be hosted by Grace Grinwald on March 14th. Grace's address is 1118 Stillwater Lane, Hartford, WI 53027. Her phone number is 262/673-5435. From the East--Coming into Hartford on Hwy 60 (Sumner St.) turn left on Hwy K at the stoplights at the intersection of Hwy K and Sumner St. Go about 1/4 mile. Turn right (West) on Schauer Drive. At stop sign turn left (South) and follow around to 1118 Stillwater Lane. From the West-- Coming in to Hartford on Hwy 60 (Sumner St.) go to the stoplights at the intersection of Wilson Ave. and Sumner St. Turn right (South) on Wilson Ave. Go 1/2 block--turn left (East) on Bell Ave. Go 1/2 block--turn right (South) on Northview Trail. Where Northview Trail turns south, keep going straight East where Northview Trail turns into Stillwater Lane. Follow around to 1118 Stillwater Lane.

Achievement Award

The National Federation of Republican Women has guidelines we follow to fulfill the Achievement Award Program. The kinds of things covered are: 1) Club functions (newsletters, attending meetings, community service projects), 2) Membership development/recruitment, 3) Programs (speakers, education on issues, rules, phone calls on issues) 4) Campaign, 5) Community Relations (Support the Troops, donate library books, donations to scholarship funds, etc.).

One item we need to capture is... **donations by our club members** to organizations in Washington County that would be considered "Community Service Organizations". Two such organizations would be "American Red Cross - West Bend" and "Friends of Abused Families". If you personally donate to one of these or something like these, would you please contact Kathy Kiernan (262) 628-3500 and relay the information. These generally are "tax deductible" contributions, so we prefer you just send your own donations and let us know.

The Red Cross address in West Bend is 19 Schoenhaar Dr., West Bend, 53090.

Friends of Abused Families does not advertise its address, but their phone number is 334-5598. We have donated checks from individuals before, and just had Rebecca Romano deliver them.

Thanks everyone.

-Kathy Kiernan & Carolyn Turner - Achievement Award
Co-Chairman

Winter Social-New Date-Thursday, April 16

It was unfortunate to cancel one of everyone's favorite evenings. The extreme cold was to the point of being dangerous. The Winter Social will now be a Spring Social. It will be at the home of Crystal and Jim Berg ... all details remain the same. Please **RSVP** to Crystal at (262) 673-7352 or Kathy at (262) 628-3500.

My Favorite Teacher Award

The NFRW is again looking for nominations for My Favorite Teacher Award. NFRW "My Favorite Teacher" Award began during the 2001 National Federation/No Child Left Behind State Summit Program. The purpose of the award is to acknowledge those outstanding

teachers across America who have encouraged students to dream big.

The "My Favorite Teacher" Award recognizes excellence in teaching and the impact that one good teacher can have on every individual. Each of us can name a teacher who has made a difference in our lives. As Republicans, we are often positioned as the enemy of teachers because of the politics of the NEA and the American Federation of Teachers. The "My Favorite Teacher" Award gives us the opportunity to share good news about the positive impact a teacher can have.

If you have a Favorite Teacher that you know is a Republican, a woman and from our own Washington County (they of course do not need to be a member of WCRW) please let me know immediately. We will need to complete an application, and then forward that onto our state federation (WFRW). The deadline for nomination forms due to the WFRW is April, 2009.

January Meeting in a Nutshell

At our January meeting Mary Beine reported that we made a \$1,416.10 profit on the John McCain campaign buttons and that we made a \$152.50 profit on the t-shirts.

Jennie Frederick reported that we have 86 members. The Washington County GOP Lincoln Day Caucus is February 8th at the Cedar Lake Inn. The annual combined County GOP and WCRW party is planned for June 27th and the committee is currently in the planning stages. The NFRW National Convention is September 10-13 in Orlando. Wisconsin's own Sue Lynch is running for President. The Young Republicans have meetings on the 4th Tuesday of every month. As you all know we cancelled our winter social at Crystal Berg's house on January 15th due to the severely cold temperatures. After discussing it, we decided that we will change this to a summer event to switch between a pool party at Kathy's and a pond party at Crystal's. This social will remain an adult-only event. Stay tuned for further information on this and other news.

Membership

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please take a few minutes aside and send in your membership form and check for \$15.00. If you have misplaced the Membership form, feel free to go on our website www.wifrw.org and click on County Clubs -Washington. You can print out that page and send it in.

Caring For America

Thank you to all of you who have donated money and/or items to send packages to our troops. By December we had the names of eight military members and were able to send each of them two packages before Christmas. Did you see the story and picture of us putting the boxes together in the West Bend Daily News? What a fun night. Because we were able to send so many boxes, the warehouse look of my basement has been reduced, and as Easter comes along I would appreciate more donations and money for postage. If you have any questions please call me at 262-334-3658 or drop off donations at the office in West Bend or at my home, 619 N 18th Ave., West Bend. I know that these packages mean a lot to our *Washington County Heroes*.

-Carolyn Turner

Web Site Information

National Federation of Republican Women

www.nfrw.org user name: federation password: 1938nfrw

Wisconsin Federation of Republican Women

www.wifrw.org Click on counties...click Washington County to see our group's spot

Republican National Committee (RNC)

www.rnc.org To find Party Rules & Platform – click on "About the GOP"

Republican Party of Wisconsin (RPW)

www.wisgop.org To find information about state officials and legislators

Washington County Republican Women...Remember, We Are Not Politics As Usual

February 12	President Lincoln's Birthday
February 14...9 AM to 10:30 AM	Breakfast at the home of Diane Pedersen
February 17	Primary Elections-Don't forget to vote
February 26...6:30 PM	WCRW Business Meeting-watch for possible program

FREEDOM! Or GOVERNMENT CONTROL!! It is YOUR Choice!

Republicans believe...
a Republican if ...

Democrats believe...

You might be

In a more efficient, less intrusive government.	Government involvement is the answer to all problems	You think that government should work hard for the well being of its citizens, not the other way around.
In individual liberty and respect for achievement.	In regulating fairness by limiting individual freedom.	You think that government involvement discourages personal accomplishment by stifling freedom.
In the traditional role (and rights) of faith and family.	In the role of government social programs over traditional values.	You think that faith and family values are the cure to America's problems, not the cause of America's problems.
That when wealth is created, it belongs to the individual who created it.	That all wealth belongs to the society, so government can take your money at any time for any reason.	You think that when someone robs Peter to pay Paul, it is to get Paul's vote.
In educational decisions being made closer to home.	In Federal and State control of all Education.	You think that the education system should be more customer friendly, and less like the Motor Vehicle Department!
That free enterprise is the key to individual and national prosperity.	In taxing and regulating business to support government programs.	You think that higher welfare rolls are not a sign of government success, but rather a sign of failure.
In lowering taxes to encourage individual control.	In raising taxes to increase government control.	You think that lowering taxes allows businesses to grow, which creates jobs and lessens the need for social programs.
In a strong military presence under US control in order to preserve the peace.	In reducing the military and placing it under the United Nations control in hopes of creating goodwill from our enemies.	You think that it is more important to be respected by our enemies than it is to be liked by them.
That American is a force for good in the world.	That America is responsible for most of the world's problems.	