



MRW News

Monthly Newsletter of the Moore Republican Women

SPECIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY EDITION, 2014

MARY ANN MANNING, EDITOR

Special August Meeting Planned

Mark your calendars for Sunday, Aug. 10, from 2 to 4 p.m., and attend MRW's special summer meeting to kick off the 2014 election campaign. Location is the Pinehurst Village Hall Assembly Room.

On the agenda: a Conservative Women's Grassroots Workshop which will focus on new member outreach and ways we can mount a Get Out the Vote campaign for the November mid-term election.

This meeting is being held on a Sunday in order to encourage those women who normally could not attend a regularly scheduled meeting to join us. If you know a working woman or young mother who is a Republican and who would like to learn more about MRW, please invite them to attend.

Topics will include grassroots campaign strategies to promote our Republican candidates in November and to increase our voter numbers. Attendees will learn how they can help with this effort by reaching out to others in their communities, talking about the issues and candidates, and offering factual information about Conservative Republican principles and values.

MRW Club President Kay Wildt said "Yard signs and phone calls no longer work as the sole way to get candidates elected. If we are to continue to win Republican seats at all levels of government, we must all be involved in the process in our own communities. The August meeting will equip us with the tools we need to win in the November election."

Topics of discussion will include:

- How to share your Conservative values with others;
- What works and doesn't work in campaigns;
- How to engage your friends and neighbors in the election process;
- How to conduct a neighborhood campaign;
- How to utilize social media, campaign lists, phone banks and other campaign tools to best advantage.

Guests will be invited to complete a short survey asking their preferences for time, days and activities that they would participate in.

The meeting is free and will include light refreshments. No lunch will be served. Watch the MRW website and your email for more updates.

Join us on the Fourth of July!

Be part of the strong GOP contingent in the July 4th Parade in the Village of Pinehurst! ALL ARE WELCOME TO MARCH. Red, white and blue are the order of the day. Marchers should gather at 9:30 a.m. behind the Pinehurst Village Hall for line up.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY KAY WILDT

What Happened to “A More Perfect Union?” The brilliance of the U.S. Constitution is in the balance that our Founding Fathers created among the three branches of government, Executive, Legislative, and Judicial. Over time, people of greater or lesser influence and skill have shifted or unbalanced that equilibrium with dismaying results. In Washington, D.C. today, the constitutional balance is so skewed toward the Executive as to place our future and our freedoms in jeopardy.

In his 1941 State of the Union speech, liberal-progressive President F.D. Roosevelt delineated his *Four Freedoms* for the world, as he urged the U.S. to engage in World War II. The first two “freedoms” were part of our Constitutional rights. The second two were FDR’s push toward socialism and the UN. Since that time, succeeding administrations have gone even further than FDR, and our rights under our Constitution are more and more threatened.

“The first is freedom of speech and expression—everywhere in the world.” Now U.S. citizens fear that the NSA listens to and records our speech and e-mails. The IRS has become a tool of oppression to bludgeon us from making comments our government might find offensive. In May, Congress found that the Department of Justice and the IRS were complicit in trying to criminalize the free speech of conservatives. For the most part, the media is leftist and allows no voice for any differing viewpoint. As a result, problems or issues of governmental overreach and corruption that Americans find illegal or offensive are either ignored or covered up by the media. Elsewhere in the world, repressive governments suppress freedom of speech and expression by intimidation, imprisonment or at gunpoint.

“The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way—everywhere in the world.” While we still have our Constitutional right to freely worship in America, it is alarming when we see attempts, under the guise of religious freedom, to institute Sharia laws that would circumvent those rights guaranteed to every American citizen. In parts of the world, Christians are slaughtered, and in Europe, Sharia law is permitted in some courts of law.

“The third is freedom from want—which, translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants—everywhere in the world.” Liberalism and progressivism combine to tax American workers into shared poverty, and the federal agencies dominate our states with costly federal mandates that stifle jobs, fail our economy, and imperil our way of life and our standard of living. Far from freedom from want, this powerful administration and its allies seem bent on downgrading our country into a second-tier nation status. Our diminished economy affects those of other nations, causes reduced trade and a loss of jobs overseas.

“The fourth is freedom from fear—which, translated into world terms, means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor—anywhere in the world.” As the U.S. military continues to be weakened, there will be a point when we can no longer defend ourselves on more than one front, or the U.S. would be unable to assist an ally overseas. The U.S. has been demonized as a nuclear giant, but proliferation of similar weaponry is now in the hands of many unstable nations. Trusting restraint from avowed enemies seems foolish. Over the last few administrations, our highest levels of power are now occupied by members of the Muslim Brotherhood and those sympathetic to it. Whom does one trust with great power – North Korea, Iran or the U.S.?

Reflecting on how far our government and the world have changed from 1941 until now, brings to mind the Benjamin Franklin quote on what sort of government the Constitutional Convention gave us, *“A Republic, if you can keep it.”* I pray to God that we can.

MRW responds to Gov. McCrory's support of Common Core

On June 13, Moore Republican Women mailed the following letter to Governor Pat McCrory urging him to oppose Common Core.



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The Honorable Pat McCrory
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Dear Governor McCrory:

Moore Republican Women, the largest Republican women's club in North Carolina, is concerned about the intrusion of the Federal government in our State through Common Core. The balance of powers, as clearly stated by our Founding Fathers, between the Federal government and the State is becoming skewed. The Federal government, once again, is assuming powers not granted to it by our U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Education is reserved for and is the responsibility of each State. It is dangerous to permit the erosion of this or any power by the Federal government due to the abdication of the State's responsibility either from intimidation or from using our own tax dollars to buy the outcome they seek.

Many members of Moore Republican Women are mothers, and we were our children's first teachers. A child's education is so important to us and to society, that is why we have taken time to study carefully how Common Core was planned, where its funding originated, who stands to profit enormously from its implementation, and how it will negatively affect our children. From our comprehensive review, it is clear that this Federal overreach not only will developmentally stifle our children, but also will embolden its proponents should they seek to further interfere in North Carolina's schools. Furthermore, we are alarmed that your education advisor has been so closely tied to big money and outside interests that will benefit from Common Core. For these reasons, Moore Republican Women opposes Common Core.

There are numerous other concerns that our members have with Common Core; however, guarding the checks and balances between our State and the Federal government is one of the most basic. We firmly believe that education standards and decisions which originate in North Carolina are best for our children. The members of Moore Republican Women strongly urge you to oppose Common Core and all attempts by the Federal government to exceed its authority and encroach on those powers reserved to our State.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kay Wildt, President
Moore Republican Women

Legislative Update Peggy Smetana

INDEPENDENCE DAY is a day to cherish our freedoms. Freedom doesn't just happen. You have to work to keep it.

STOP THE SURGE ACROSS OUR SOUTHERN BORDER - The federal government has encouraged illegal immigration by not enforcing the laws and by tossing around the idea of amnesty for illegal aliens. Now Obama has encouraged illegal immigration by instituting DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) by executive order and illegals, many of them criminals, or infected with diseases, lice and scabies, are surging across our southern border.

THE EPA -- AFFECTING OUR INDEPENDENCE: The EPA is not an elected body, yet it seeks to virtually block the liberty of coal miners to work and coal companies to produce through proposed regulations regarding coal-fired power plants. Such action will drive up energy prices which will in turn, reduce manufacturing jobs. That affects the pursuit of happiness for all of us.

EPA is also cutting water to farmers, denying them their liberty to continue their livelihood, to save the supposedly endangered delta smelt.

THE IRS SCANDAL – AFFECTING OUR FREEDOM OF SPEECH. The IRS and the Administration were purposely holding up the granting of 501(c)(4) status to Conservative groups to stifle their speech. The House Oversight Committee called then IRS Commissioner Lois Lerner to testify, who took the Fifth Amendment and refused to answer questions. The Committee requested all emails from Lois Lerner. Now we learn that the hard drives of Lois Lerner and other key IRS people crashed, destroying emails for the time period for which the Committee requested information.

Please contact Senators Burr (202-224-3154) and Hagan (202-224-6342) and Representative Ellmers (202-225-4531) and voice your concerns about these infringements on our freedom. Obama's phone number at the White House is 202-456-1111 for comments. You could also go to <http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact> to submit comments on-line.

IN NORTH CAROLINA – COMMON CORE GETS MORE COMPLICATED --Common Core violates the freedom to education our children. It is big government telling us we can only educate our children THEIR way.

Senator Jerry Tillman managed to get a bill through the joint Common Core study committee which would disconnect North Carolina from Common Core. This became Senate Bill 812 and House Bill 1061.

The Senate and House versions were each amended. On June 19, the House substituted their House Bill for the Senate bill and sent it back to the Senate. Both bills repeal Common Core and require General Assembly approval before the Department of Public Instruction can spend money on new assessment standards and tools.

However, the original study group bill appropriated \$250,000 for the work of the Academic Standards Review Commission, an independent body. S.B. 812 and H.B. 1061 do not appropriate any money. Instead, they say "to the extent funds are available." Under H.B. 1061 the establishment of the Academic Standards Review Board is only done if funds are appropriated by the "Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2014." If funds are not appropriated, the Department of Public Instruction, headed by Superintendent of Schools Dr. June Atkinson, who supports Common Core, will write the standards.

Urge Senator Tillman (919-733-5870) and Representatives Jamie Boles (919-733-5903) and Allen McNeill (919-715-4946) to pass a bill that will derail Common Core and have the Academic Standards Review Board write the standards, not the DPI. While you're at it, ask them to explain what's really going on here.

Common Core Call-to-Action to Air in July

On July 22 at 8 p.m., select movie theaters will present a special Call to Action Event on Common Core featuring David Barton, Michelle Malkin, Glenn Beck and Freedom Works. Encore Presentation July 29, 7:30 p.m.

For further information: <http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2014/05/29/we-will-not-conform-glenn-beck-announces-call-to-action-to-take-on-common-core-this-summer/>

<http://wewillnotconform.com/>

To see theatre locations, including Raleigh, Cary, Greensboro, Winston-Salem

<http://www.fathomevents.com/event/we-will-not-conform-live/more-info/theater-locations>

Americanism Nancy Fiorillo

My 2016 Dream

While the 2014 mid-term elections are currently on our minds, I am dreaming of 2016. Yes, although 2014 is vital to the conservative cause, 2016 is vital to our future and the futures of our children.

There are many "good" candidates; Jindall, Bush, Rubio, Carson and others. What if all these potential Presidential candidates convened, put their personal egos aside and selected, among themselves, ONE candidate to be supported by all other candidates. This would avoid the lengthy primary season where Republicans destroy other Republicans as they claw their way to the nomination.

I know this "dream" is counterintuitive to the nature of politicians. And it certainly is a wild idea. However, the alternative is HILARY CLINTON and four or eight more years of liberal destruction of our country and our economy.

Take all the strengths of potential candidates and find an important spot for them in the Republican administration, e.g. Ben Carson for Health Care Czar, Marco Rubio to deal with illegal immigration, Paul Ryan for his budget expertise...you get the picture.

Could this ever happen? Probably not, but I can dream, can't I?

Ways and Means Andrea Moore

Thank you to Sheriff Neil Godfrey for his very generous donation to MRW.

At the June luncheon, we earned \$138 on jewelry and soap sales. Thank you to all who support this fundraising effort.

Additionally, we collected \$175 to be given to Fisher House. Thank you to all the members who donated to this worthwhile cause.

CAIR Pressures NFRW for “Anti-Islamic” Programs

The National Federation of Republican Women is under pressure from CAIR (Council on American-Islamic Relations) to stop hosting “anti-Islam” programs such as the one Clare M. Lopez presented at our June meeting. The following article outlines the gist of their complaint: <http://clashdaily.com/2014/06/love-free-speech-islamic-cair-will-shut/>

MRW will not be inhibited by anyone from expressing our First Amendment rights. In fact, now that Republican Women are targets of CAIR, we are inspired to action. MRW President Kay Wildt addressed the following to Kathy Brugger, president of the National Federation of Republican Women.

Dear Kathy,

What a surprise to see today's Clash Daily with Audrey Russo's story on CAIR's attempts to quash free speech in the NFRW. Congratulations! NFRW is on CAIR's radar. That means that Republican women are doing the right things.

Stay strong because I am certain that you will be subjected to incredible pressure from those enemies, both foreign and domestic, who want to stifle free speech.

Moore Republican Women featured Clare M. Lopez, a nationally recognized expert on terrorism at our June 2nd meeting. A link is near the end of my message to you, so you may review her presentation if you wish. Ms. Lopez, a retired CIA undercover operative, gave us facts from original documents, and she "connected the dots" on the history of the last 60+ years and the plans of those who would impose an anti-Constitutional way of life on America.

Moore Republican Women will NOT be silenced by CAIR, neither will we stand for injustice, nor will we let a falsehood go unchallenged. We are not anti- any group, save those which would attempt to subvert our Constitution and the freedoms under God that it bestows upon us. We are pro-God, pro-Constitution, pro-Truth, pro-America, pro-Freedom, and pro-Women.

Personals

Condolences to the family of The Honorable Harris Durham Blake who died on June 9, 2014. Several members of MRW attended the funeral service of Senator Harris Blake at the Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church followed by his burial with military honors; six black horses pulled the caisson carrying his flag-draped coffin to the cemetery. Governor Pat McCrory, Senator Phil Berger, Secretary John Skvarla and other state dignitaries were in attendance.

Clare M. Lopez' speech at our June meeting drew an overwhelming response, and thanks to Bill Cochrane for videotaping. The speech is posted on our website's Home Page and can be accessed by anyone. Thank you again to Ken and Mariann Benway for securing Ms. Lopez as our June speaker.

On June 3, Pam Venet and Kay Wildt attended the promotion ceremony for the fifth graders at Robbins Elementary School. The teachers presented us with a certificate of appreciation, and the students thanked MRW members for your generous donations of books and the ice cream party.

About 20 people hiked three miles on May 23 to raise funds for the Military Child Access Assistance Program which assists active duty service members and veterans who have children with special needs who require handicap accessibility in their homes. MRW was listed on the tee shirts as a sponsor of the hike, and members distributed energy bars and bottles of water. The hike this year was held on a very pleasant day - and featured a lovely stroll through the wooded area at Rassie Wicker Park that runs behind the Village of Pinehurst Administration Building.

Clare M. Lopez, Book List

Below are the titles and authors of the books Clare Lopez recommended at the June meeting. All of the books are available online through Amazon. Please note, the publication "*Benghazi: The Definitive Report*" is available in downloadable e-book (Kindle) and audiobook formats only.

By Andrew G. Bostom:

- "*The Legacy of Jihad: Islamic Holy War and the Fate of Non-Muslims*;"
- "*Iran's Final Solution for Israel: The Legacy of Jihad and Shi'ite Islamic Jew-Hatred in Iran*;"
- "*Sharia Versus Freedom: The Legacy of Islamic Totalitarianism*;"
- "*The Legacy of Islamic Antisemitism: From Sacred Texts to Solemn History*."

"*Infidel*" and "*Nomad*" by Ayan Hirsi Ali:

"*Sharia: The Threat to America*" by Clare M. Lopez

"*Milestones*" by Sayyid Qutb

"*Benghazi: The Definitive Report*" by Jack Murphy and Brandon Webb (e-book only)

"*The Honor Diaries*," a movie by The Clarion Project

"*Reliance of the Traveller: A Classic Manual of Islamic Law*" by Nuh Ha Mim Keller

"*An Explanatory Memorandum: From the Archives of the Muslim Brotherhood in America*" (from the archives of the Center for Security Policy) by Muhamed Akram, David Reaboi and Frank J. Gaffney, Jr.

Clare Lopez's presentation at the MRW June meeting is available online at the Moore Republican Women's Club website. Please share with others so they may learn more about this very real danger to our freedom.

For more information about Clare Lopez and the work she does, please visit the Center for Security Policy website at www.securefreedom.org.

Renee Ellmers to address Men's Club

Congresswoman Renee Ellmers will be guest speaker at the Moore County Republican Men's Club luncheon on Monday, July 7, at Pinewild Country Club. Registration begins at noon with lunch at 12:30 p.m.

While this lunch follows the MCRMC golf tournament, non-golfers are invited to attend. To make a reservation, please contact Bill Scholtes, (910) 400-5042, by 6 pm on Wednesday, July 2 to make a reservation. Cost for the luncheon is \$25, payable by cash or personal check made out to MCRMC.

All are welcome; bring a guest with you to hear our Republican Congresswoman from NC's 2nd District.



Happy Independence Day to all!

**Please take time to celebrate our freedom this
July 4.**