



MRW News

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Department of Commerce Secretary to speak at February meeting



John Skvarla, North Carolina's Secretary of the Department of Commerce, will speak to members at the February 2 meeting at the Pinehurst Members Club. Skvarla, who for the past two years served as Governor McCrory's Secretary for the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources, was appointed to his new position in December, 2014.

Prior to his government service, Skvarla enjoyed a successful business career, most recently serving as chief executive officer for Restoration Systems, an environmental mitigation firm based in Raleigh that helps improve and restore wetlands and waterways.

He also led Wilkinson Hi-Rise, a manufacturer of waste management and automated recycling systems and previously served as chief operating officer for Proactive Therapy, one of the largest physical therapy providers in the Southeastern United States. He also was chief operating officer of The Aviation Group, Inc., a company that emerged as the world's largest all-cargo airline during his tenure.

The meeting begins at noon; registration is at 11:30. Cost is \$17, payable at the door. Checks are payable to Pinehurst, LLC. Reservations are required no later than Wednesday, Jan 28, and may be made by email at mooregopwomen@gmail.com or by calling Luncheon Chair Linda Robson at 910-235-0860. Cancellation deadline is Saturday, Jan. 31 at noon.

This month's menu is pan-seared chicken picatta over angel hair pasta with ratatouille, haricot vert with lemon caper butter sauce and warm Granny Smith apple strudel with cinnamon anglaise.

Ways and Means Andrea Moore



Be sure to stop by the Ways and Means Table at the February meeting to purchase a raffle ticket for the beautiful elephant pictured here. Tickets are two for \$5.

Also available will be the beautiful, soft elephant print scarves which sold out quickly at the Christmas Brunch. At only \$21 each, they are the perfect accessory for Republican Women! Valentine's Day is coming, and we have beautiful patriotic gifts for your Valentine or any occasion.

Thanks to everyone who helped us raise over \$450 at the Christmas Brunch. Remember, we now take credit cards!

The Last Time I Saw Paris Kay Wildt, President

In 1940, the Nazis marched in and occupied Paris without a shot fired in resistance and with total surrender. While France accepted defeat along with foreign occupation, Parisians were stunned. On the surface, a sense of normalcy settled over Paris, as occupiers and occupied struggled to coexist for four years until Paris was liberated in 1944.

A few months after the 1940 invasion, Jerome Kern reminisced about Paris and composed, *The Last Time I Saw Paris*, with Oscar Hammerstein II as lyricist. The last lines are poignant:

*The last time I saw Paris, her heart was warm and gay,
No matter how they change her, I'll remember her that way.*

Again France is occupied without a shot fired in resistance and with total surrender. And France seemed to accept this defeat, as did Paris, until it was stunned by the violence of January 7th and 9th. Initial news reports reflected what most felt: that even without full information, the murders were shocking and warranted gross condemnation, but some reactions to the horror were also unexpected. Since then, apologists and supporters of that violence have unleashed their views in media here in America and in Europe.

A recent YouTube video shows a British Muslim exhorting his followers, "...our eyes are on Paris....We will not stop, as Muslims, until the whole world is governed by Islam. So French government, let that be a warning, or a piece of advice, to you. Take it the way you want, because you will never stop the army of the Muslims. You will never stop Muslims, because this nation is far too large to be stopped. This [Muslim] nation is like a tidal wave. When it starts, it doesn't stop. It will conquer the east of the East and the west of the West, because that is the prophecy of our Prophet Mohammed." Last week French President Francois Hollande said Muslims are the primary victims of intolerance and must be protected. Even Pope Francis just commented that there should be limitations on excessive free speech.

The culture and sensibilities of France have changed over the years with the unchecked influx of Muslims into France where they now represent 10 to 15% of the population. In 1997, Brigitte Bardot, film star of the 1950s and 60s, was found guilty of making anti-Muslim comments in *Le Figaro*. In 2001, she lamented: "...my country, France, my homeland, my land is again invaded by an overpopulation of foreigners, especially Muslims." In 2003, she warned of the "Islamicisation (sic) of France," and said of Muslim immigration: "Over the last twenty years, we have given in to a subterranean, dangerous, and uncontrolled infiltration, which not only resists adjusting to our laws and customs but which will, as the years pass, attempt to impose its own." For all the talk of *Liberte Egalite Fraternite* in France, free speech is not encouraged.

President Obama himself went on to declare, "The future must not belong to those who slander the prophet of Islam." Is that a thinly veiled death threat made by our President to quash any comments about Mohammed? Slander is defined as telling an untruth that damages one's reputation. What we have learned about Mohammed comes directly from the Quran and from Muslim religious writings. These original sources and documents of Islam purportedly are accurate and contain no untruths, nor any attempts to damage Mohammed's reputation. Rather it is from our judging by our own cultural norms that we would conclude a Westerner to be depraved and abhorrent if they held those beliefs. Obviously, we do not share cultural mores.

Now, our nation is being invaded by those with whom we do not share common values. In fact; we are polar opposites. We had a republic; we had a constitution; we offered freedom. They have a book which guides their lives. Once their numbers reach sufficient strength, they offer: slavery and bondage, sexual exploitation of young children, mutilation of girls, stoning wives and daughters to death, beheading enemies, and subjugation of those of other faiths.

Let what is happening in France be a warning for the rest of the world. Appreciating the beauty of another culture is interesting and enriching. However, allowing a predator to flourish unchecked in one's country is national suicide. It is akin to not judging Nazis harshly and trying to understand them, rather than condemning and thwarting their plans. There may not be a way back for France from her immigration policies...so we have our memories...Paris was lovely. "*No matter how they change her, I'll remember her that way.*"

Legislative Update Peggy Smetana

The House passed the DHS appropriations bill, HR 240, on Jan. 14. All five amendments to defund illegal Executive Amnesty passed and were included in the bill. The bill is being sent to the Senate. The bill needs 60 votes in the Senate before it can be brought to the floor. According to a representative in Senator Burr's office, it is unclear at this point if it has the required number of votes.

Thank you to those of our members who read and responded to our Jan. 13 MRW Urgent Call to contact Rep. Ellmers and vote for the amendments and the bill. She did not vote for the bill.

Now is the time for us to contact Senators Burr and Tillis and tell them to pass HR240 with the strongest possible wording for defunding illegal Executive Amnesty.

- We are a nation of laws. Illegal immigrants are not following our laws and should not be rewarded.
- Obama is usurping the role of Congress. Congress must pass this bill to retain their rights.
- Thousands of our NC and U.S. citizens and legal immigrants will lose their jobs to illegal aliens.
- The flood of illegal immigrants will increase.
- Republicans won at the polls in November because of their stance against illegal immigration. The majority of Americans are against illegal immigration and executive amnesty. **They will vote against Republicans in 2016 if Republicans do not keep their promises.**

To contact your Senator:

Senator Richard Burr

Phone 202-224-3154 (DC), 800-685-8916 Winston-Salem, 877-852-9462 Greensboro

Website contact form: <http://www.burr.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Contact.ContactForm>

Twitter: @senatorburr

Send postcards to: 200 West First St, Ste 508, Winston-Salem, NC 27104

Senator Thom Tillis

Phone 202-224-6342 (DC); 704-334-2448 Charlotte; 919-856-4630 Raleigh

Twitter: @SenThomTillis

Send postcards to: 310 New Bern Ave., Ste. 122, Raleigh, NC 27602

Urge them to encourage Majority Leader McConnell to bring up HR 240 NOW and avoid last minute frenzy, because we are not Democrats.

Membership Meg Lindenberger

Starting in January, the Membership Committee began assembling the 2015 membership directory. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible to ensure that your name appears in the directory.

To renew, send a check for \$30, payable to MRW, P.O. Box 3654, Pinehurst, NC 28374. If you have any questions, email Meg Lindenberger, at meglindenberger@icloud.com or call/text her cell phone 910-603-5505.

Volunteer Hours Diana Barton

In 2014, members logged 13,414 volunteer hours devoted to the community and the election. From January to June, 4447 hours were reported; from July to December, there were an additional 8967 hours for a total 13,414.

We applaud you for your hard work and dedication and thank those who responded and turned in their hours. We were fortunate to have so many members running for office themselves or working on candidates' races.

MRW Executive Board Kay Wildt, President

At the January 21st meeting per our bylaws, the MRW Executive Committee elected Debbie Spelman to fill the Recording Secretary vacancy. Thank you, Debbie, for agreeing to take on those responsibilities. We want to again express appreciation for the excellent work that Joan Ward did during her year as Recording Secretary.

The members of the Executive Committee, who are elected to lead MRW, are: Kay Wildt, President; Mariann Benway, 1st Vice President (Programs); Meg Lindenberger, 2nd Vice President (Membership); Dorinda McNamara, Treasurer; Debbie Spelman, Recording Secretary. The Membership Assistant is Donna Bartrip, and the Treasurer Assistant is Carole Alfieri.

In addition, the heads of the Standing Committees were confirmed for 2015. MRW is blessed to have so many hard-working members willing to take on the duties of their committees, attend our monthly board meetings, and implement our Plan of Action. The MRW Committee Heads are as follows:

Nancy Fiorillo	Americanism;
Diana Barton	Awards and Volunteer Hours;
Diane Ingold	Caring for America
Lydia Boesch	Chaplain
Mariann Benway	Community Engagement and Fundraising
Pud Kent	Corresponding Secretary
Cathy Jackson	Historian
Ellie Ray	Hospitality
Peggy Smetana	Legislation
Pam Venet	Literacy
Linda Robson	Luncheon
Sandi Carl	Military
Debbie Spelman	Military and Troopons
Mary Ann Manning	Newsletter and Publicity
Barbara Para	Parliamentarian and Campaign
Lane Bergstrom	Past President
Norma Sullins	Telephone
Andrea Moore	Ways and Means

Moore County NC Republican Party

The Moore County GOP is revamping the way precincts hold annual meetings. This year the GOP will combine precincts into four area groups for meetings in late February. The four new area groups are: Pinehurst, Southern Pines/Aberdeen, North Moore County and Mid Moore County. We will give information about the combined meetings as the new locations, dates, and times are available.

A Nominating Committee was named for the Moore County GOP to select officers for the coming year. Nominating Committee Members were Bob Tweed, Chair, John Rowerdink, Tom Beddow, Brad McNeill, Neil Oakley, and Kay Wildt. The Nominating Committee proposed a slate to be presented and voted on at the county convention. The proposed slate is: Chair: John Rowerdink, Vice Chair: Neil Oakley, Treasurer: Lydia Boesch, Secretary: Bill Scholtes. Proposed At-Large Members are: Hal Mendelson, Linda Jarrett, Dee Park, Dick Kuehl, and Felice Schillaci. The date of the Moore County Convention will be announced when available.

Congratulations Judge Steve Bibey

Steve Bibey was sworn in as Judge for District 19B on Friday, January 2nd. Congratulations to Steve, Mia (Myong), and the entire Bibey family, especially campaign manager and sister, Diane Dupree.

Caring for America Diane Ingold

Once again Moore Republican Women will hold a food drive to benefit the Sandhills Branch of the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina. Last September for Community Action Day, MRW members visited the food bank and donated non-perishable items and canned goods to help the needy in our county. We learned that peanut butter is the food bank's most needed item, so this year, we will collect only peanut butter.

Members who wish to donate peanut butter to the drive for the food bank may bring unopened jars to the February, March or April meetings. Please note: the food bank only accepts peanut butter in plastic jars.

We will deliver all the peanut butter to the food bank in April.

Members who are unable to carry their peanut butter to the meetings may contact Kay Wildt to arrange for someone to pick up their donations. You may reach Kay at mkgw824@gmail.com or 235-4654.



Help Moore Republican Women Spread the Love

To help fight hunger in our community the **Caring for America Committee** will be collecting jars of peanut butter which will be donated to the Sandhills Food Bank. Peanut butter is an excellent source of protein and a favorite of young, old and everyone in-between.

Please consider donating:

- Any size or brand peanut butter in a plastic jar
- Collected at the February, March and April MRW luncheons
- Cash donations are welcome and will be used to purchase jars of peanut butter
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With the continued generous spirit of MRW we will *spread* "Moore" love to many needy families.

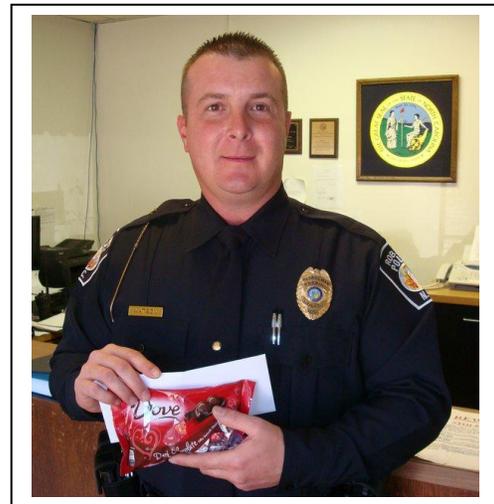
MRW Honors Local Police Officers

On January 9, 2015, MRW delivered personalized letters of appreciation and heart-shaped chocolates to the Sheriff of Moore County and to Chiefs of Police in the following law enforcement offices: Robbins, Pinebluff, Taylortown, Foxfire, Carthage, Whispering Pines, Southern Pines, Aberdeen and Pinehurst.

Following is an example of the text of the letter:

“Moore Republican Women join Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc. (C.O.P.S.) and partnering organizations to support law enforcement officers nationwide on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day (L.E.A.D.), Friday, January 09, 2015. Our members honor the Robbins Police Department for its devotion to duty, and we appreciate and respect your officers, as well as all members of law enforcement in Moore County.

Thank you for your service and for putting our safety before your own. You are our guardians, and we are grateful for the sacrifices that you and your loved ones make to ensure that all our families can live in safe and protected communities.”



Kay Wildt, MRW President, is pictured with Aberdeen Police Chief Tim Wenzel, left, on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Robbins Police Officer Jeremy Watson was on hand to receive MRW’s letter of thanks and gift of chocolate hearts as part of the day’s celebration.

Troopons and Toiletries for the Military

Please continue bringing in Manufacturer’s Coupons that go to PX’s overseas for military families. Even recently expired coupons are fine. No need to clip them, although that is appreciated, just drop them off at our next luncheon on Monday, February 2nd. Debbie Spelman will process them. If you know anyone willing to help with the Troopon clipping, please see Debbie Spelman or Kay Wildt at the next luncheon.

As part of our ongoing assistance to MMIA (Military Missions in Action), we continue to collect hotel-size toiletries for homeless veterans in our area.



Drive to Benefit Ft. Bragg Fisher House

The Ft. Bragg Fisher House is one of 64 existing Fisher Houses which provide comfortable, temporary lodging for families with loved ones in a major military hospital. Last year Ft. Bragg's Fisher House served 283 families giving them 1,955 nights of free lodging.

Charitable contributions are an important source of funding for Army Fisher Houses. Many items are needed to help provide comfort for the families staying there. All donations are tax deductible and a Tax ID number will be provided upon request.

The following wish list outlines the most-needed items. Donations may be made to the address below or may be brought to any MRW meeting and given to Sandi Carl or Debbie Spelman, our military outreach coordinators.

Homemade Meals: Call the office to arrange – (910) 432-1486

Gift Cards: Commissary, Target, PX, Local Grocery Stores, Lowe's, Visa

Food Items: Bottled water, drinks, breakfast items, Cereal – single- serving size boxes. K-Cups (coffee, decaf, tea, hot chocolate), creamer, sugar, frozen meals, lunch meat, cheese, bread, snacks (ex: crackers, peanuts, cookies, popcorn). Eggs, milk (1/2 gallon size).

Office Supplies: Forever stamps, envelopes, copy paper.

Paper/Kitchen Products: 12 oz. coffee cups, Kleenex hand towels, Ziploc bags, foil and plastic wrap.

Cleaning Products: HE Laundry detergent pods, air freshener, bleach, fabric softener, Windex, furniture polish, dishwashing detergent, vinegar.

Bed & Bath Items: Toiletries, White cloth shower curtain liners.

Monetary Donations: Checks made payable to the Ft. Bragg Fisher House, 12 Bassett St., Ft Bragg, NC 28307

What Islam Isn't Dr. Peter Hammond

The following are excerpts from an article by Dr. Peter Hammond that appeared on the website, FrontPageMagazine.com, on Monday, April 21, 2008. Entitled "What Islam Isn't." It is taken from his book: Slavery, Terrorism and Islam: The Historical Roots and Contemporary Threat. In light of this month's terror attacks and killings in Paris and the terror threats in Belgium, the facts presented are especially appropriate and timely. Please note that the population figures in this article are from seven years ago and so are much greater now.

Islam is not a religion nor is it a cult. It is a complete system. Islam has religious, legal, political, economic and military components. The religious component is a beard for all the other components. Islamization occurs when there are sufficient Muslims in a country to agitate for their so-called 'religious rights.'

When politically correct and culturally diverse societies agree to 'the reasonable' Muslim demands for their 'religious rights,' they also get the other components under the table. Here's how it works (percentages source CIA: The World Fact Book [2007]).

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As long as the Muslim population remains around 1% of any given country, they will be regarded as a peace-loving minority and not as a threat to anyone. In fact, they may be featured in articles and films, stereotyped for their colorful uniqueness: United States, Australia, Canada, China, Italy, and Norway.

At 2% and 3% they begin to proselytize from other ethnic minorities and disaffected groups with major recruiting from the jails and among street gangs: Denmark, Germany, United Kingdom, Spain, and Thailand.

From 5% on they exercise an inordinate influence in proportion to their percentage of the population. They will push for the introduction of halal (clean by Islamic standards) food, thereby securing food preparation jobs for Muslims. They will increase pressure on supermarket chains (United States) to feature it on their shelves -- along with threats for failure to comply. France, Philippines, Sweden, Switzerland, the Netherlands, and Trinidad & Tobago.

At this point, they will work to get the ruling government to allow them to rule themselves under Sharia, the Islamic Law. The ultimate goal of Islam is not to convert the world but to establish Sharia law over the entire world.

When Muslims reach 10% of the population, they will increase lawlessness as a means of complaint about their conditions (Paris -- car-burnings). Any non-Muslim action that offends Islam will result in uprisings and threats (Paris and Amsterdam - Mohammed cartoons). Guyana, India, Israel, Kenya, and Russia.

After reaching 20% expect hair-trigger rioting, jihad militia formations, sporadic killings and church and synagogue burning: Ethiopia.

At 40% you will find widespread massacres, chronic terror attacks and ongoing militia warfare: Bosnia, Chad, and Lebanon.

From 60% to 80%, expect unfettered persecution of non-believers and other religions, sporadic ethnic cleansing (genocide), use of Sharia Law as a weapon and Jizya, the tax placed on infidels: Albania, Malaysia, Qatar, and Sudan.

After 80% expect State-run ethnic cleansing and genocide: Bangladesh, Egypt, Gaza, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Morocco, Pakistan, Palestine, Syria, Tajikistan, Turkey, and United Arab Emirates.

100% will usher in the peace of 'Dar-es-Salaam' -- the Islamic House of Peace -- there's supposed to be peace because everybody is a Muslim, (*or a slave or dead*): Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, and Yemen.

Of course, that's not the case. To satisfy their blood lust, Muslims then start killing each other for a variety of reasons, Shia against Sunni, ISIS against changing enemies.

In many countries, such as France, the Muslim populations are centered around communities based on their ethnicity. Since Muslims do not integrate into the community at large, they exercise more power than their national average would indicate.

From Leon Uris', *The Haj*, 'Before I was nine I had learned the basic canon of Arab life. It was me against my brother; me and my brother against our father; my family against my cousins and the clan; the clan against the tribe; and the tribe against the world, and all of us against the infidel.