

MRW News

Monthly Newsletter of the Moore Republican Women

JUNE 2015

Bill ("Wild Bill for America") Finlay to Headline June Meeting



Bill ("Wild Bill for America") Finlay will be the featured speaker at Moore Republican Women's June 1st, 2015, meeting at the Pinehurst Country Club.

As "America's Leading Liberalologist," Bill Finlay pokes fun at the liberal left, exposes the evil that undermines freedom and faith throughout America, and provides common-sense solutions to bring the United States back into the path of honor as "one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all."

As a security specialist, Bill tackled Islamic violence and intimidation head on, recruiting and training security teams to protect missionaries serving around the world. Having studied Islam intensely and seen how it operates first hand, Bill is well qualified to speak out about the dangers this religion presents.

Bill grew up in the Colorado Rockies and had a successful career in law enforcement, serving as both a Deputy Sheriff and a Deputy U.S. Marshal. He is a graduate of the Colorado Law enforcement Academy, the Federal Law

Enforcement Academy, and the U.S. Marshal's Academy. Prior to law enforcement Bill served with the U.S. Marines as a Navy Corpsman. Bill addresses today's issues from a law enforcement perspective and continues his policy of speaking the truth boldly and encouraging others to do the same.

Menu for June: The menu is Mediterranean Cobb Salad with Hearts of Romaine, Roasted Turkey Breast, Roasted Garlic and Basil Tabouleh with Marinated Cherry Tomatoes, Slices Green Onions, Chopped Boiled Egg, Pita Croutons, and Roasted Red Pepper Vinaigrette. Dessert is Key Lime Pie.

The luncheon is at noon; registration begins at 11:30 a.m. Please reserve by May 27th. Cancellations are due by noon on Saturday, May 30th. Reserve by e-mail at mooregopwomen@gmail.com, or call luncheon chair, Linda Robson, at 910-235-0860. If you do not cancel by this date, you are responsible for the cost of the lunch. Cost is \$17 inclusive, payable to Pinehurst LLC. Valet parking is available.

Special meal requests should be made early and limited to allergies and dietary restrictions.

Volunteer Opportunities in Southern Pines Primary and Aberdeen Primary

Dr. Robin Moore, Volunteer Coordinator of Moore County School's "Community in Schools" program is coming to our June meeting to discuss tutoring reading to second graders in our local schools.

Mariann Benway Elected to State-Wide NCFRW Office

At the May NCFRW Convention, our own 1st Vice President, <u>Mariann Benway</u>, was elected the Assistant Secretary, a position she will hold for two years. Congratulations, Mariann!

President's Message Kay Wildt

June's meeting will be busy with two interesting speakers, "Wild Bill for America" Bill Finlay and Dr. Robin Moore of Moore County Schools. In addition, we must vote on approving our proposed updated bylaws, to bring our club into compliance with the National Federation of Republican Women. The proposed bylaws are posted on our website. Please look at them prior to the meeting, and call me at 910-235-4654 if you have any questions about the proposed changes, so we can limit discussion time at the meeting.

And we are faced with a huge decision, whether or not to change our luncheon venue. We expected that prices might rise this year; however, Pinehurst Country Club is raising its prices so high that to have a similar menu to what we usually have, our cost would be about \$25 per lunch. The same prices will be in effect at the Carolina Hotel, as well. We are exploring all options and will keep cost and ease of safe parking as our main concerns.

<u>Meg Lindenberger</u>, a board member of the Duke Cancer Institute, was instrumental in arranging to have Dr. Steve Patierno speak at our May meeting. He was inspirational and gave hope to many. Thank you, Meg!

Meg wrote a lovely thank you to all our members in which she included references for those wanting more information about the amazing work being done at Duke's Cancer Institute. One of Dr. Patierno's memorable comments was that it is Republican administrations that have provided the most generous funding, making so many breakthroughs possible in cancer and other medical research.

Thank You From Meg Lindenberger

I wanted to take a moment to thank the MRW members for attending the May 2015 Republican Women's Luncheon featuring Dr. Steve Patierno, Deputy Director of the Duke Cancer Institute.

I think everyone found the presentation enjoyable and informative. If you are interested in learning more, there are several outlets managed by Duke Cancer Institute:

- Follow them on Facebook (Duke Cancer Institute) and Twitter (@DukeCancer).
- For the latest Duke Cancer Institute news: <u>"sites.duke.edu/dukecancerinstitute/"</u> (Sign up on the right side under "Follow Us" to receive email updates).
- For the latest news from across Duke Medicine: "news.medicine.duke.edu."
- To support the Duke Cancer Institute, please visit "DukeCancerFund.org."

As Dr. Patierno mentioned in his presentation, on March 29, CBS's "60 Minutes" featured Duke Cancer Institute's team from the Preston Robert Tisch Brain Tumor Center and their patients participating in a clinical trial of a therapy that uses a re-engineered poliovirus to kill cancer cells. If you missed it, watch it online at: "http://www.cbsnews.com/search/topic/60-minutes/killing-cancer."

If you have any questions or want to learn more about the breakthrough work Duke Cancer Institute is doing, please feel free to contact Jennifer Sullivan in the Duke Cancer Institute Office of Development: (919) 385-0041 or jennifer.h.sullivan@duke.edu.

Thank you again for attending the event.

Lois Mitchell Honored at NCFRW Convention

<u>Lois Mitchell</u>, former President of MRW, was named 2015 Honorary Lifetime Member for MRW at the NCFRW Convention. Selected for her continuing service to the club and dedication to the party, Lois has consistently stepped forward to serve MRW and its board, and we are delighted to honor her.

Thank You

Thank you to vocalist, Laura Morgan, for closing our May meeting with her stirring "God Bless America."

Literacy Pam Venet

MRW is cooperating with Community In Schools (CIS) Reading Buddies, a program created to improve the reading skills for the second graders in Southern Pines Primary and Aberdeen Primary and to reinforce the literacy skills they learned through the approved curriculum.

If you are interested in volunteering to be a "Reading Buddy", please call <u>910-295-1072</u> or e-mail the Volunteer Coordinator, Dr. Robin Moore, at <u>robin@cismoore.org</u>. Members can learn more about the program and procure a volunteer application on the website (http://cismoore.org). Dr. Moore stated members do not need to complete the reference page; however, Dr. Moore said that a social security number must be on the application. Strict confidence will be assured. This is for the background check and time allowance for this would be 1-2 weeks.

I hope many MRW members and friends will sign up to volunteer in the Reading Buddies program this summer. After orientation, you will be ready to start to improve the reading and literacy skills for our children when school begins in August.

Legislative Update Peggy Smetana

CONGRESS IS ADAMANT ABOUT GIVING AWAY ITS POWERS

Congress again showed its inclinations to give away its power when the Senate confirmed Loretta Lynch as Attorney General. One senator said that the president should be able to have the cabinet officers that he wants. The Founding Fathers would dispute this, having included in the Constitution that the president "...shall nominate, and by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, shall appoint all other officers of the United States." The Constitution being very brief, every word is there for a purpose.

Other examples of willingly giving away power:

- the Senate voted 98-1 in favor of the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015, which sets up procedures for Congress to disapprove of any Iran nuclear deal, thereby requiring only 34 Senators to sustain the President's veto if Congress disapproves of the deal. The House passed it 400-25. I believe the Founding Fathers would insist that this deal be considered a treaty requiring 67 Senators to approve it.
- Congress is debating whether to give the president Trade Promotion Authority (TPA), which give "fast-trade" authority to the president to negotiate trade agreements. TPA was in effect from 1975 to 1994 (Trade Act of 1974) and from 2002 to 2007 (Trade Act of 2002).

Under TPA, any trade agreement the president negotiates receives an up-or-down vote in both houses. There is no opportunity to filibuster or make amendments. TPA is separate from actual trade agreements like the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

There is concern about granting TPA to President Obama, because he has routinely ignored the letter and spirit of the law (including immigration law and Obamacare). With TPA not being in effect from 1994 to 2001 and from 2007 to current date, granting a lawless president any additional power seems unreasonable, both regarding TPA and any other authority.

Senator Burr (202-224-3154) voted against TPA in committee. As of 5/13, Senator Tillis' (202-224-6342) office staff did not know if he was for or against TPA. Rep. Ellmers (202-225-4531) supports giving TPA to Obama. Her staff maintains that the president has authority to make trade agreements.

Additional Legislative Information:

A Congressional Research Service Report of 4/27/15 states that Article I, Section 8, gives Congress the power to "regulate commerce with foreign nations..." and to "... lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises..."

Article II gives the president power, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, to make treaties, provided two thirds of the senators present concur. For the first 150 years of the U.S., Congress exercised its authority over foreign trade by setting tariff rates on all imported products. Tariffs were the primary source of federal revenue.

With the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act of 1934, Congress, for the first time, expressly delegated to the president expanded trade agreement authority within congressionally predefined ranges. Some said that Congress aimed to lessen the political pressure from special interests it often faced. And thus we see an early illustration of Congress giving away its power and the reason it did so.

The Founding Fathers took a longer-range approach. In writing the Constitution, they set up a balance of power, chiefly to prevent rule by a tyrant.

NC LEGISLATION MAKING 'CROSSOVER' - WHAT'S THAT?

Several bills pertaining to illegal aliens made the crossover date (April 30th, day by which a bill, except for finance or appropriations bills, generally must pass one house of the General Assembly or it dies for current session).

H.318, which strengthens E-Verify, passed the House on 4/23. Rep. Jamie Boles and most Republicans voted for it. It was sent to the Senate. You can call Senator Tillman (919-73-5870) to give him your views on strengthening E-Verify.

H328 did not pass the House, but it is a finance bill and thus not subject to general crossover rule. It has good sections, like increasing penalties for false identification and not allowing matricular consular as identification documents. However, it allows illegal aliens to obtain drivers licenses. Drivers licenses for illegal aliens are magnets drawing illegal aliens to NC.

To talk about these and other bills affecting you, contact Rep. Jamie Boles at <u>919-733-5903</u>. To get more involved in contacting NC legislators, please call Peggy Smetana at <u>910-295-2576</u>.

Membership Meg Lindenberger

Moore Republican Women is growing! Our membership is now 182, 159 regular members and 23 associates. We have 22 new members who joined for 2015. Please continue to bring your friends to our luncheons and encourage them to join MRW. A registered Republican who wishes to join MRW may 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.

2015 Directories Are Ready. Meg Lindenberger

Members, please remember to pick yours up at the next meeting.

MMIA Golf Event for Disabled Veterans at Longleaf Country Club

MRW will again volunteer to help MMIA with its June 20th fundraiser at Longleaf CC. MMIA will hold a Golf Classic fundraiser to assist disabled veterans. Registration is 7:00-8:00 am; Shotgun Start at 8:30 am. Call 910-603-5999 for more information. Military Missions in Action, 625 S. Page St, Southern Pines, NC 28374.

Ways & Means......Andrea Moore

"Right-Wing Bling" earned \$871 at the 2nd District Convention and \$729 at the NCFRW Convention!

<u>August 3, NC Senator Jerry Tillman</u> - Senate Majority Whip and our District 29 Senator, Jerry Tillman, will brief us on legislation in NC.

NC Senator Buck Newton – Sen. Buck Newton is considering a run for NC State Attorney General, and he will join Sen. Jerry Tillman on August 3rd.

September 14, Col. Bill Cowan (USMC Ret.) - A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and retired Marine Corps officer, Lt. Col Cowan is an internationally acknowledged expert in the areas of terrorism, homeland security, intelligence and military special operations, as well as a frequent contributor to Fox News.

Calendar

June $5 - 7^{th}$: 2015 North Carolina Republican Party State Convention at the Raleigh Convention Center. Registration is online now at www.ncgop.org.

June 20th: MMIA Golf Event for disabled veterans at Longleaf CC – see article for details.

July 6 – 17 at noon – Filing period for Municipal Elections

August 3 – Luncheon with NC Senator Jerry Tillman.

September 14 – Luncheon with Lt. Col. Wm. "Bill" Cowan.

Volunteer Hours Due...........Diana Barton

Please report Club Volunteer Hours to <u>Diana Barton</u> (dianabarton@earthlink.net or 910-315-1650). Report monthly hours spent volunteering for MRW from January 1 through June 30 (please estimate to month's end).

Examples of projects that should be considered for reporting or other volunteer activities:

Helping out at food banks and soup kitchens.

Participating in fundraising events or community activities.

Cleaning beaches, highways, parks, etc.

Teaching English to new citizens or citizenship classes to future citizens.

Helping underprivileged children with food, homework, hygiene, and children leaving foster care at 18.

Teaching young mothers mothering skills.

Participating in counter drug programs.

Volunteering at women's shelters and homeless shelters.

Making blankets for newborns, children and the elderly in nursing homes.

Creating a thank-you program for first responders.

Assisting military organizations that need help beyond monetary donations.

Drive to Benefit Ft. Bragg Fisher House......Sandi Carl

If you wish to donate in cash or check to Fisher House, MRW will transmit for you.

Troopons and Toiletries for the Military............Deb Spelman

We continue collecting coupons for military overseas and toiletries for homeless vets.