



MRW News

Monthly Newsletter of the Moore Republican Women

JULY 2015

THERE IS NO JULY MEETING.

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON AUGUST 3RD.

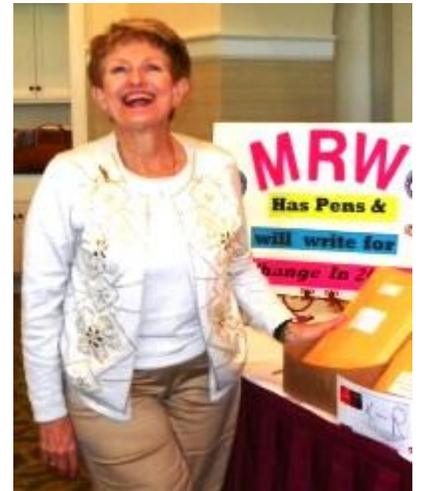
Good News! We Continue Meeting at Pinehurst Country Club Kay Wildt

After a very productive meeting with Sue Whitley, PCC Private Event Manager, we are very pleased to assure our members that MRW will continue our luncheons at PCC. The cost of our luncheon will increase by \$1.50 per person for a new total of \$18.50, and payment will still be made directly to PCC by check or in cash.

MRW Board Member Killed In Chatham County Plane Crash

Barbara Harris Para, board member and long-time MRW member, died June 2nd of injuries she suffered in the crash of the single-engine airplane piloted by her husband, Frederick C. Para. Fred is now in Moore Regional Hospital Rehab, and is expected to be there for several weeks. The tragic accident occurred at the Siler City Municipal Airport in Chatham County. We are devastated because we were together the day before at our June luncheon, and Barbara told us how she was planning for the flight the next day to take their airplane to Siler City.

Barbara served on the current board of Moore Republican Women as our Campaign Chair and Parliamentarian. Anytime there was work to be done, Barbara only asked, when she should arrive. We relied on Barbara's expertise as our Parliamentarian, and her knowledge of that field was extensive. As Campaign Chair, Barbara was tireless, and her efforts brought so much success to our party.



We remember Barbara for her generous spirit and heartfelt kindness to friends and strangers alike. Barbara will be greatly missed. When Fred is recovered enough to plan a memorial service, we will share that information.

By-Law Revision Kay Wildt

At the June 1 meeting, the proposed revisions to our Bylaws were approved with no changes, and they are published on our website.

"Wild Bill for America" Bill Finlay Video about MRW

Our June 1st speaker, Bill Finlay, "Wild Bill for America," recorded a very nice video about MRW. Go to YouTube for the video entitled, "Wild Bill for America: Team Left vs Team Right."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m9pdC7QkaVI>

President's Message Kay Wildt

The NC GOP Convention in Raleigh was very exciting with candidates, potential candidates, and fascinating Republicans from all around the state vying for votes and for attention. Voting for the new Chair of the North Carolina Republican Party was quite a cliff hanger, as was the vote for the Vice-Chair. Hasan Harnett and his lovely wife and children entered the convention floor preceded by a high school marching drumline, and the room exploded in excitement. Harnett won the vote and is our new NC GOP Chair, and Michelle Nix is our Vice Chair. We wish them every success.

Also at the convention, the Moore County delegation was eager to thank NC Representative Jamie Boles for his principled leadership in trying to resolve the firing of Moore County School Superintendent Bob Grimesey. Thankfully, Jamie's strong actions were crucial in the speedy reinstatement of Superintendent Grimesey.

Our own MRW Associate member, Jim Duncan, District 2 candidate for the US House of Representatives, previewed a campaign video at a reception at the convention.

Carol Wheeldon and Dee Park generously distributed the orange ribbons they make to commemorate the Christians being slaughtered by barbarians in the Middle East.

Report on the Ted Cruz NCFRW Reception

Senator Ted Cruz invited members of the North Carolina Federation of Republican Women to a Meet and Greet Drop-In on Friday, June 5th, at the Raleigh Convention Center. This meet and greet was specifically requested by Senator Cruz to honor the dedication and hard work of the North Carolina Federation of Republican Women. The Senator told us that he owed his successful Senate campaign to grassroots Republican women in Texas, without whose help, he would not be where he is today. Senator Cruz outlined his vision for our nation and his plans to steer our course away from the rancor and divisiveness we see coming out of Washington. Audience members likened his speaking to that of our generation's George Washington.

Members of the NCFRW were invited to have their photos taken with Senator Cruz, and he graciously stayed at the reception until every guest who wished was photographed with him.

Membership Meg Lindenberger

We are sad to learn that members, Barbara Para and Fran Hurley have passed away.

Please welcome our newest member, Nancy Simonette, of Southern Pines, a retired teacher.

Pud (Emily) Kent has moved away; her new address is: 9916 Devonshire Drive, Huntersville, NC 28078. We wish Pud every happiness in her new home and thank her for her years of devotion to MRW and to conservative causes.

All 2015 MRW Member Directories have been distributed. Please call or text Meg Lindenberger, [910-603-5505](tel:910-603-5505), if you do not have your 2015 MRW Directory.

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.

Ways & Means Andrea Moore

We earned \$112 from sales at the June lunch. Many thanks to those who patronized the Ways & Means table, where we raise money for MRW. Grace Snelgrove won \$47 in the split-the-pot raffle.

Thank you, Nancy Fiorillo, Mayor of Pinehurst, and our Split-the-Pot chair for your faithful service.

Report on the 2015 NC State GOP ConventionJohn Rowerdink Chairman, Moore County Republican Party

On June 5-7, 2015, 29 Republicans from Moore County proudly represented the Moore County GOP at the North Carolina Republican Party State Convention. Even though 2015 is an off-election year, convention registrations were an all-time record of approximately 2,000 delegates, alternates, and guests. In the Saturday afternoon session, more than 1,300 delegates were there to conduct the convention's business. The enthusiasm level was high and many commented that it was the best planned and organized GOP convention they ever had attended.

Friday's General Session included reports from the Young Professional Republicans, College Republicans, Teenage Republicans, District and County Chairman's Association, North Carolina Federation of Republican Women, and Republican National Hispanic Assembly of North Carolina. All reports displayed a commendable level of enthusiasm and hope for Republican victories in 2016. We also saw a taped presentation from Senator Richard Burr. During this session and also the Saturday session, the convention approved convention rules, the 2015 report of the Platform Committee, and changes to the NCGOP Plan of Organization. The speaker at dinner Friday evening was Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker, who by all accounts, made an excellent impression.

Saturday's General Sessions included consideration of Resolutions. Resolutions on Family and The Economy passed, the remaining Resolutions were referred to the state Executive Committee.

The speaker at the Saturday lunch was Senator Ted Cruz, who was introduced by our own Senator Thom Tillis. As expected, Senator Cruz gave a stirring speech on the serious issues our country faces.

On Saturday afternoon, the Convention heard rousing speeches from Senator Thom Tillis and Governor Pat McCrory. Governor McCrory also premiered a video entitled the "Carolina Comeback", which shows the dramatic revival of North Carolina's economy under Republican leadership. The video may be found by doing an Internet search of "McCrory Carolina Comeback."

Elections for Chair and Vice-Chair of the North Carolina Republican Party wrapped up the Saturday afternoon General Session. Hasan Harnett was elected Chair in a close election, and Michelle Nix was elected Vice-Chair. Since Hasan Harnett is African-American and Michelle Nix is a woman, so much for the old criticism that the GOP is the party of "old, white men."

The speaker at dinner Saturday evening was Donald Trump.

The final event was a Prayer Breakfast on Sunday morning, with guest speaker Dr. Ben Carson. Dr. Carson spoke movingly about his "American Dream" story and invoked God, faith, and courage as the fixed points of his moral compass. The Prayer Breakfast was attended by 600 Republicans. Speaking of his own humble beginnings, Dr. Carson said: *"It doesn't matter where you start from, it matters where you finish."*

The last event on the Convention calendar was a NCGOP Executive Committee meeting, attended by 200 Executive Committee members, including four from Moore County. During this session, the Committee approved Moore County's resolution honoring Senator Harris Blake.

Overall, it was an excellent convention, with record attendance. The convention was well-organized (we're Republicans – that's what we do!) and it kicks off the 2016 election season on a strong, positive note.

Thank You MRW Volunteers for Helping at the MMIA Golf Fundraiser

Volunteers Andrea Moore, Diane Ingold, Mariann Benway, Sandi Carl, and Kay Wildt stuffed goodie bags for the Military Missions in Action fundraiser golf outing at Longleaf CC. Thank you so much, ladies.

Literacy Pam Venet

Volunteer Opportunities in Southern Pines and Aberdeen

The importance of volunteering in the public schools is limitless.

Research indicated that volunteer involvement positively affects the structure and operation of the classroom. In addition, when volunteers assisted in reading with student, it found that they did better in school, have more positive attitude and behavior, better social adjustment, and better grades.

Volunteering allows that teachers to individualize with students in their class and create better effectiveness in the classroom.

This is why MRW is asking you to assist us with this challenge. To complete the application.

If you are interested in volunteering to be a “Reading Buddy”, please call [910-295-1072](tel:910-295-1072) or email the Volunteer Coordinator, Dr. Robin Moore, at robin@cismoore.org. 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. Time allowance for this would be 1-2 weeks. I am hoping many MRW members and friends will sign up to volunteer in the Reading Buddies program this summer to improve the reading and literacy skills for our children. Then you will be ready to start when school begins in August.

Legislative Update Peggy Smetana

PETITIONS SIGNED AT JUNE 1ST LUNCHEON

The petitions opposing restricted drivers permits for illegal aliens, signed by 69 members, were scanned and sent via email attachment to 42 members of the NC House Finance Committee on June 2nd.

The petitions on the Export-Import Bank were mailed to Senator Burr, Senator Tillis, and Congresswoman Ellmers on June 2nd.

U.S. Senators and Representatives do not give out email addresses, preferring that people use the legislator's website to send comments. Most websites ask for your full zip code to weed out non-constituents.

CONTORTIONS OF CONGRESS

TPA, TAA, TPP - confusing? TPA is Trade Promotion Authority. It gives the president fast-track authority for trade agreements. When the Executive Branch agrees on a trade deal with a foreign country(ies), Congress can approve or disapprove it, but not amend it. In the past, whenever fast-track trade authority has been in effect, Congress has never voted down subsequent trade agreements.

TAA is Trade Adjustment Assistance.

TPP is Trans Pacific Partnership, an actual trade agreement being drafted behind closed doors. Legislators are allowed to see it and take limited notes, but not to have copies of it.

TPA and TAA are both contained in House Bill 1314, now titled Trade Act of 2015. You can find this bill at [https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/1314/all-actions-with-amendments?q={%22search%22%3A\[%22%22hr1314%22%22\]}](https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/1314/all-actions-with-amendments?q={%22search%22%3A[%22%22hr1314%22%22]})

H.1314 was originally an act to provide tax-exempt organizations the right to appeal. The House passed it by voice vote on April 15th and sent it to the Senate.

The Senate decided it would be a wonderful vehicle for TPA. The Senate amended H.1314 by stripping out the House wording and inserting TPA wording from Senate Bill 995. The Senate also added a section on TAA. The Senate passed H.1314 on 5/22 and sent it back to the House.

The House passed (217 for, 212 against) a rule that they would vote first on the TAA portion of the bill and then on the TPA portion. The TAA portion failed 126-302, with 158 Republicans and 144 Dems voting no. The TPA section passed 219-211, with 54 Republicans voting no. Since both sections did not pass, H1314 remains in the House.

You may think this bill is dead. Rumors are the House leadership may sweeten the deal. Or the leadership may bring it up for a vote whenever they think they have the votes to pass TAA.

For some, H.1314 is a free trade issue. For others it's whether to give trade adjustment assistance to those out of jobs due to foreign trade competition.

For others, the question is whether Congress should give **this** president more authority. The president's record includes mass amnesty, health care overreach, Bergdahl swap, IRS targeting of conservative and religious groups, Benghazi, and Fast & Furious.

Now you know more than 95% of Americans know.

Future Speakers.Mariann Benway

AUGUST 3, 2015 – ELECTION ACTION 2016 Meeting.



NC Senator Jerry Tillman - Senate Majority Whip and our District 29 Senator, Jerry Tillman, will give us an update on the work of the Republicans in the General Assembly this past year.



Senator NC Buck Newton – Sen. Buck Newton is the Republican candidate for Attorney General and will advise us about his campaign.



Zan Bunn, President, NCFRW - **Zan Bunn**, President of the North Carolina Federation of Republican Women, will speak to us about the history of NCFRW and its support of local clubs.



September 14, Lt. Col. Bill Cowan (USMC Ret.) - Bill Cowan is a retired Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonel, highly decorated combat veteran and a Fox News Channel military contributor. He spent most of his professional life engaged in special operations and activities in support of sensitive U.S. Government programs abroad. He lives with his wife, Velvet, in North Carolina.

Calendar

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

August 3 – Luncheon with NC Senators Jerry Tillman and “Buck” Newton, and Zan Bunn, President, NCFRW.

September 14 – Luncheon with Lt. Col. Wm. “Bill” Cowan.

Military Outreach.Sandi Carl

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

At each meeting, we continue to collect hotel toiletries for MMIA to distribute to homeless veterans in our area.

Troopons for the Military.Deb Spelman

We continue collecting manufacturers’ coupons for military families overseas. Volunteers at Penick Village kindly clip them for us to send to the troops.

SAVE THE DATE!

Dr. Mike Adams to Speak in Moore County on September 3!



Life Care Pregnancy Center is hosting Dr. Mike Adams, UNC-Wilmington Professor of Sociology and Criminology, on Thursday, September 3, 2015, from 6:30-9:00 pm at Owens Auditorium on the campus of Sandhills Community College.

Dr. Adams, a multiple winner of the Faculty Member of the Year award at UNC-W, will speak about the rights of the unborn, his transformation from atheism to faith, free speech in the university setting, and the current state of religious liberty in the United States. Dr. Adams has published three books and has appeared on television shows like Hannity and Colmes, the O’Reilly Factor, and Glenn Beck. He also writes a regular column for TownHall.com.

Dr. Adams will start speaking at 6:30 pm, and an offering in support of Life Care Pregnancy Center will be taken shortly thereafter. All donations will go directly to Life Care Pregnancy Center. Following the offering, Dr. Adams will answer questions submitted in advance from the audience. At 8:00 pm, Dr. Adams will have a “Meet the Author” reception, where he will be signing his books, which will be available for purchase. Light refreshments will be served. There is no admission charge for this event.

Disclaimer: The views and opinions expressed at this event are solely those of the presenter. These views and opinions do not necessarily represent those of Life Care Pregnancy Center or Sandhills Community College.

Do You Care for a Service Member or Veteran?

If you are a spouse, friend, family member or loved one who assists a wounded, ill or injured Service member in any activity of daily living you are a **military caregiver**...

Join us in a conversation with your peers at The **Military Caregiver PEER Forum** (Personalized Experiences, Engagement and Resources):

- » **Connect** with other military caregivers;
- » **Learn** more about issues impacting your day-to-day life; and
- » **Share** stories and resources in a safe environment facilitated by Military Family Life Counselors.

DATE: Wednesday, July 8th

TIME: 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Family Readiness Group Center (FRGC), – Bldg. 236, Interceptor Street (Corner of Reilly Rd.), Pope Army Airfield. (Call 910-432-3742 if you need directions.)

PLEASE CONTACT: Mary Jane Kerr – (910) 489-5528, or Michael Hewett – (910) 488-8246 or Max Dolan – (910) 709-2142, or email CMFLC12.ftbragg@gmail.com to let us know you are coming.

We look forward to your participation.



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