



Moore Republican Women NEWS

November 2017

Stan Bradshaw To Speak on ZOE HELPS PROJECT

Stan Bradshaw, a leader in the business world and our local community, will speak at our November meeting about a global initiative called The ZOE HELPS PROJECT, where he serves on the Board of Directors.



Stan Bradshaw

The ZOE HELPS PROJECT serves in seven countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America and targets areas of extreme poverty with high concentrations of vulnerable children.

Building on a foundation of indigenous staff, community leaders, and local resources, ZOE empowers orphans and vulnerable children to become socially, economically, and spiritually strong, transforming entire communities in the process.

Because they are provided access to quality health care and disease prevention resources, these vulnerable children are less likely to contract HIV/AIDS, experience teen pregnancy or be forced into child marriage.



Access to housing and supportive relationships combined with life skills training has resulted in a dramatic reduction in abuse, sexual violence, trafficking, and exploitation of these vulnerable children.

The ZOE HELPS PROJECT believes when children are empowered without long-term reliance on foreign aid, they are much more likely to continue their education.

ZOE graduates have gone on to complete college, covering the cost of their own tuition.



1 PARTNER
Together, we partner with orphans and vulnerable children.



2 EMPOWER
Young people are empowered socially, economically and spiritually.



3 MULTIPLY
Your investment multiplies as entire communities move beyond charity.

Luncheon Info 6

Monday, Nov. 6

11:30 a.m. Registration - 12:00 Luncheon
Two View Room, Pinehurst Country Club,
1 Carolina Vista Drive, Pinehurst.

Valet Parking available.

Cost is \$18.50 inclusive, payable to Pinehurst LLC.

Menu

Breast of Turkey

Mashed Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables.

Tarheel Pie

Reservations required; we cannot accommodate walk-ins.

Reserve by noon Thursday, Nov. 2

cancel by noon Saturday, Nov. 4

If not cancelled by this date, you will be charged for lunch.

Reserve via **Website:** www.mrwnc.org
you will receive an immediate confirmation.

Email: mooregopwomen@gmail.com.

Phone: Linda Robson, Acting Luncheon Chair,
910-235-0860.

President's Message

Local Elections Share Spotlight With Veterans Day in November

Every November we give thanks to Almighty God for having created our amazing world and especially for our beautiful and blessed land, America, which became home to Pilgrims seeking freedom. Throughout the centuries we have had to fight to retain those freedoms, and we continue to today.

Recent administrations have eroded more and more of our freedoms by controlling our lives with laws and regulations intent on forwarding a leftist, corrupt agenda and dismissing our Constitutional rights. Any hint of religion is forbidden in our schools, unless we are accommodating demands for prayer rooms or teaching the greatness of Islam.

Constitution-loving, God-fearing voters, distrustful of the elite political class, were distressed at the inevitable disaster that another leftist administration would bring. The common man spoke, and for that I am grateful. President Trump is trying mightily to keep his promises to our nation – safety from our enemies, reinvigorating our economy, stopping the waste and destruction of America by corrupt officials. Continue to pray for his success.

Nov. 11 is the day on which our nation honors our veterans for the sacrifices made on our behalf. In conjunction with ceremonies on Veterans Day, there are a number of other patriotic events set for that week. Plan to attend or join those activities where true heroes are remembered.

Local Elections

While MRW is not endorsing any candidate, members have asked for information about Republicans running in local municipal elections.

The following are the names of registered Republicans running for office in each local community. Anyone not listed is either a Democrat or Unaffiliated. NC voter registration is public information, and one may look up any registration at this site: <https://vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup/>

Aberdeen: No candidates are Republicans.

Town of Cameron:

James Cheek, Catherine (Cathy) Richardson, Peter K. Zubay and David Seiberling

Town of Carthage:

Jimmy Chalflinch

Foxfire Village:

Leslie Frusco and Ed Howze

Town of Pinebluff:

Gene Crabtree, Cecilia D. McLamb, George (Skip) Ruedeman and Dianne Brown Wilder

Village of Pinehurst:

Bart Boudreaux, Judy Davis, Kevin Drum, Myles Larsen and Birche F. Meese

Town of Robbins: All candidates are Republicans.

Town of Southern Pines:

Mitch Lancaster

Town of Taylortown:

No candidates are Republicans.

Town of Vass:

Angela Vacek -Disqualified by Moore County Board of Elections
Kris Kosem

Village of Whispering Pines:

Michelle Lexo and Bob Zschoche

Kay Wildt

Veterans Support Fundraiser Set Fund

The Kruger Brothers, will bring their entertaining live show to the Robert E. Lee Auditorium at Pinecrest High School in Southern Pines on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.

The trio will perform as part of Moore County's Veterans Festival. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Veterans Support Fund.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$30 for reserved seating. <http://sandhillsmoaa.org/vet-support-concert/>
Reserved seating tickets are only available online through Eventbrite. **General admission tickets can also be purchased at our Nov. 6 MRW luncheon.**

Legislative Update

Fulfilling Campaign Promises

By Peggy Smetana

Call, email, write, and tweet President Trump, Senators Burr and Tillis, Congressman Hudson, NC Senator Tillman, and NC Representative Boles. Tweet officials from outside your district or state. They don't know where you live.

Tell them you want them to fulfill their campaign promises. They keep promises to donors, lobbyists, and party leaders, why not to us? We need to show them that we are as passionate about the issues now as we were when they were campaigning.

Campaign promises such as repeal Obamacare and Build the Border Wall should be kept. President Trump seems to vacillate. One day he sounds like he will allow health care subsidies and the next day not. Is this merely his strategy?

We need to push our Republican platform fully. If we start from a compromised position I believe our strategy should be to turn a spare moment or two into calling Washington. Put officials on your cell phone contact list. The best defense of our freedom is a good offense.

White House comment line:

202-456-1111, @realDonaldTrump

Burr – 202-224-3154, @SenatorBurr

Tillis – 202-224-6342, @SenThomTillis

Hudson – 202-225-3715, @RepRichHudson

Tillman – 919-733-5870, email - jerry.tillman@ncleg.net

Boles – 919-733-5903, email – Jamie.boles@ncleg.net

Wreaths Across America

At our recent board meeting the board voted to donate ten Christmas wreaths again this year to the Wreaths Across America Program at the Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery.

Volunteers are needed to place the wreaths on Dec. 16. Please advise if you can join us. Time and details will follow when available.



Poll Workers Needed

Have you ever worked an election from the inside of the polling place? Why not now?



Here is an opportunity to learn about the process and the professionalism of the Moore County Board of Elections under the supervision of Executive Director, **Glenda Clendenin**.

More poll workers are needed for the Municipal Election on Nov. 7. If you are interested in working at the polls call Glenda Clendenin at 910-947-3868.

Membership News

By Meg Lindenberger

Please welcome two new members **Ginger Rolfe** and **Sally Covington** from Pinehurst and one new associate member **Robbi Kimsey** from Wyoming and Pinehurst.

MRW is now accepting 2018 membership renewal dues of \$30. Renewals may be made in one of 2 ways: Bring your \$30 check, payable to MRW, to the next luncheon meeting or Mail your \$30 check, payable to MRW, to MRW Membership, P.O. Box 3654, Pinehurst, NC 28374.

If you have any questions, please email Membership Chair, Meg Lindenberger, at meglindenberger@icloud.com or call/text her cell phone 910-603-5505.

Also, it is VERY important to let Meg Lindenberger know if your address, phone number or e-mail has changed, so that our membership spreadsheet is kept current.

Continue to bring your friends to our luncheons and encourage them to join MRW. With your help, our membership has grown to 206 members with 42 new members. It is the largest membership ever! A huge THANK YOU to everyone!

MRW Slate of Officers: Meet Miriam Chu and Peggy Smetana

(Editor's Note: The MRW slate of officers for 2018-19 presented by the Nominating Committee is: Pauline Bruno - President; Miriam Chu - 1st Vice President (Programs); Carolyn Loeser - 2nd Vice President (Membership); Carolyn Fitzpatrick - Recording Secretary and Peggy Smetana - Treasurer. Here is info on two of those officers. The others will be featured in December's newsletter.)

Miriam Chu - 1st Vice President, Programs

"My destiny in life always was to be an artist. It was unavoidable. However while in college, I was disturbed by the life philosophy embraced by most of the art community and decided my sanity demanded a different path."



Miriam Chu

Miriam spent 21 years in the brick industry starting as an engineering assistant and eventually being promoted to technical service manager of one of the world's largest brick companies. During this period she was recognized as one of only 29 Brick Institute of America referenced brick sculptors.

She started her own business in 2008 which made her aware of how "intrusive and costly the government is for small businesses."

After marrying Dr. Willy Chu in 2011, she moved to Moore County where she began to rediscover her artistic talents, and became involved with grassroots politics.

She has served as Chair and Vice Chair for Moore TEA Citizens. In 2016 she ran for NC Republican National Committee Woman against Ada Fisher, losing by 3 votes.

She is currently a member of the FreedomWorks National Activists Advisory Council, serves as a Moore County GOP precinct chair and as an at large member of the NCGOP Executive Committee for the 8th District.

Peggy Smetana - Treasurer

Born and raised a Democrat, Peggy says she is a "late bloomer in politics, having been awakened by the tea party movement in 2008."



Peggy joined Moore Republican Women in October 2009. For the past four years, she served as MRW Legislation Committee Chair, writing the Legislative Update **Peggy Smetana** for the MRW Newsletter.

She also writes alerts asking members to contact elected officials to voice their views on legislative issues. She wrote petitions to elected officials and presented them at the monthly meetings for members to sign. Petitions morphed into postcards, at first preprinted and later left to the discretion of the members as to whom and what to write.

Peggy, a CPA in her professional life, says she does not believe in the perfectibility of man - "we are the creatures, not the Creator" - but does espouse the precision of numbers - "remembering of course, that figures don't lie, but liars figure."

She enjoys babysitting her grandchildren because "they are always striving to learn and achieve." Peggy and her late husband Dick, lived in Louisville, KY, Ridgewood NJ and Naperville, IL prior to moving to Pinehurst in 2002. They are the parents of two daughters.

Ways & Means Report By Mariann Benway

The club earned \$425 between nuts and jewelry sales. Thanks to all who participated in these purchases. The Split the Pot raffle was won by Deb Spelman. She won \$40 and the Club earned \$41.

Veterans Day Activities



Saturday, Nov 4 @ 10am

Moore County Veterans Day Observance
Moore County Veterans Memorial, Carthage

Sunday, Nov. 5 @ 2pm (Opening Ceremony)

thru Nov 11 "Field of Honor" Flag Dedication
First Bank, Seven Lakes

Monday, Nov 6 @ 10am (Opening Ceremony)

First Gulf War Traveling Exhibit
Welcome Center/Theater Building, Pinehurst

Thursday, Nov 9 @ 2-5pm

Agent Orange and PTSD Seminar
Veterans Records Review
Ag Center, Carthage

Friday, Nov 10 @ 7pm

SCC Jazz Band Veterans Concert
Owens Auditorium, SCC, Pinehurst

Saturday, Nov 11 @ 10am

Southern Pines Veterans Parade
Downtown Southern Pines

Saturday, Nov 11, 8am - 2pm

Military Organizations & Local Vendors Expo
Downtown Park, Southern Pines

Saturday, Nov 11, 12 noon - 2pm

Sandhills Salute to our Heroes Concert (FREE)
Becca Rae & Jonathan Robinson
First Bank Stage @ Sunrise Theater, Southern Pines

Saturday, Nov 11 @ 2:30pm

Military Film (Title TBA) (FREE)
Sunrise Theater, Southern Pines

Sunday, Nov 12 -10am - 2pm

SF Association 5K & Chili Cook-Off



December Brunch Raffle

Patt Boatman donated two beautiful leather-covered elephant statues to MRW to raise funds for the work we do in our community.

Raffle tickets for \$10 to win an elephant will be sold at our Nov. 6 and Dec. 4 meetings. Two winning tickets will be drawn at our Christmas Brunch on Dec. 4.

The first ticket drawn will win the larger elephant, and the second ticket drawn will win the smaller one. Thank you, Patt, for your generous donation.



In memory of **Carol Collins**, who was a longtime member of MRW.

Carol will be remembered at a memorial service at Trinity Christian Fellowship Church, 425 Magnolia Rd, Pinehurst, on Saturday, Nov. 4 at 1:00 p.m.

We will miss Carol's loving presence and vibrant personality and extend our condolences to her husband, Ralph, and her family.

November Newsletter Correction: Frank Rodriguez, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Moore County, won Split-the-Pot at our September meeting, and he donated his winnings to the Life Care Pregnancy Center and to Linden Lodge.

MRW To Honor Veterans

MRW is participating in events to honor veterans in two ways: MRW donated five flags, one to honor each branch of the military services, to the 2017 Field of Honor for Veteran's Remembrance in West End.

A ceremony will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 2 p.m. when donated flags will be displayed in an inspiring array on the grounds of First Bank in Seven Lakes and will remain there through Nov. 11;2.)

MRW is a Bronze-level sponsor of the Sandhills Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 11 in Southern Pines.

Member Updates

Diana Barton, who held various positions MRW's board for many years, is moving to Florida. For the past several years, Diana kept the records, tracked our club's thousands of volunteer hours, and reported them to the NFRW. Diana was a faithful volunteer whenever MRW or anyone needed help, and her work fostering puppies is legendary. We wish Diana and Vince all the best in their new home.

While **Lisa Sheridan** is recuperating, **Linda Robson** has graciously agreed to manage her duties as Luncheon Chair. We pray for Lisa's speedy recovery and we thank you, Linda.

Call for Volunteers

The Southern Pines Veterans Parade needs veterans from every era to march and/or ride in the parade on Nov. 11. Additionally they need smart, mature, and decisive volunteers to help honor our veterans. If you are interested, please email: spdistinguishedveterans@gmail.com - ATTN: Volunteer.

We need Operational Volunteers for:

- Veterans Ambassadors
- Security team
- Set-up and breakdown team
- Golf cart drivers
- Staging area coordinators
- Starting point controllers
- Radio operator/monitor leader
- Command and Control assistant

Volunteer Show time is 0700 at the Masonic Lodge at 230 NW Broad, across from the Southern Pines train station and near the Sunrise Theater.

Thanksgiving Basket Project Set

As we have done for several years, MRW remembers needy veterans at Thanksgiving. **Deb Spelman** of our Armed Services Committee will collect canned goods and other items to make Thanksgiving food baskets for needy Moore County veterans.

If you wish to participate in this project, please bring non-perishable food to our Nov. 6 meeting. Cash donations will be used to purchase grocery store cards or additional food for the baskets.

Deb's husband, Chuck, will deliver the Thanksgiving baskets for us because some recipients live in rural areas on unpaved roads. Thank you Chuck.

Box Tops for Education

By Kimberly Lindenberger

Please continue to support The Academy of Moore County by cutting out and donating Box Tops for Education. This is a joint project between Moore Republican Women and the Moore County Republican Men's Club.

Box Tops for Education 10 cent coupons are located on the exterior packaging of the following products: Betty Crocker items, Finish dishwasher pods, General Mills cereal, Hefty trash bags, Kleenex tissues, Land O Lakes butter, Lysol household cleaners, Motts apple sauce, Nature Valley granola bars, Progresso soup, Reynolds parchment paper, and Ziploc storage bags.



When you sign in at the monthly luncheon, please look for a poster and jar at the Membership table. You can put your Box Tops in there. Thank you.

BREAKING NEWS

The Chicago Police Department has replaced all sirens with the National Anthem to force subjects to stop running and take the knee.