

Celebrating 63 Years 1960-2023

August 2023

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Luncheon Note*

Reservation is required if you are staying for lunch. The deadline for reservations is Wednesday of the week prior to the meeting. If you make a reservation and are unable to attend, payment will be expected. Please remit by check or pay online at <u>scrwc.org</u>. Call or text Kathy Reagan at 901-415-5787 for additional information. Email: katreagan@att.net

Shelby County Republican Women's Club



There will be no SCRWC General Meeting in August. Please be reminded of our **Republican Philosophy** and share with others.

We believe that:

- The right of the individual to achieve the best that is within him, as long as he respects the rights of others, is the source of our Nation's strength.
- Government exists to protect the freedom of opportunity in which each individual's creative ability can flourish.
- Government activities should be limited to those things that people cannot do at all, or cannot do so well for themselves.
- The most effective government is government close to the people.
- That both government and society should assist those who cannot provide for themselves, but that every effort should be made to help them become self-supporting, productive citizens with pride in their independence.
- Equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity belong to all, regardless of race, creed, age, sex, and national origin.
- The preservation of our Nation and the security of our citizens depend upon the Constitution, the laws and the courts, and that respect for them is the responsibility of every individual.
- Government is accountable for maintaining sound money and a responsible economy. Individual rights, liberties, and properties are continually eroded when citizens are oppressed by excessive taxation, inflation, government waste and over regulation.
- Government is responsible for national defense and that only a strong America can remain a free America.
- It is absolutely essential to maintain a strong national defense posture in order that we may, at all times, negotiate from a position of strength, not weakness, in our continuing efforts toward world peace and friendship.

These concepts are the foundation of our national strength and that the Republican Party, which is committed to their preservation, is the party of today and the party for the future.

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SAVE THE DATE – FUND RAISER SCRWC & Cordova Republican Club



Thursday, October 12, 2023

Fun Game Night with Trivia

5:30pm - 8:00pm

Lightman Bridge Center – 8180 Sedgwick Way, 38125 Proceeds will fund local Republican candidates. Watch for a separate email with more details.



John Deberry , July Speaker & Senior Advisor to Governor Bill lee

Books for September...

August is book shopping month. September is book donating month. SCRWC will donate books to Grades K-3 in Believe Memphis Academy at our September 12th luncheon, honoring Literacy Month. Grades K-3 are the very important "Learning to Read" grade level years.

Ladies, enjoy your shopping, filling your bags with grade level books to donate in September.

Lyn Windsor Literacy Chair



New Members Thanks to Barbara Hvasta for the great decorations with Chris Wilson helping



Janine Carney, Barbara Hvasta, Chris Wilson, Sharon Webb





Peggy McDonald and Kathy Green







Dr. Sharon Webb and John Deberry



August Birthdays...

MEMBERS

05 Rachelle D'Eri 07 Mary Weatherwax 10 Joan Hawkins 11 Soheila Kail 18 Jane Jones 19 Tiffany Hymon 19 Dr. Sharon Webb 22 Suzie Cowan 23 Tiffany Kelso 27 Chris Wilson 29 Judy Pearson 30 Rhea Clift ASSOCIATE MEMBERS 09 Sherrie Hicks

14 Cliff Kelso 20 Hon. Tom Leatherwood 22 Steve Almond 24 Barbara Trautman



Volunteer Hours...

SCRWC reported 2,252 hours for the period of January-June 2023. Shirley Henderson reported the most hours - 422. Venita Osborne reported the second highest number of hours - 420. A close race!! Thanks to everyone for your participation. Our next reporting period is July-December 2023. Continue to keep your count or close estimate. There are a lot of Republican volunteer opportunities ahead including all meetings.

> Thank you, Jane Jones Campaign/Volunteer Chair Text 901-351-6357 or email jarmurray@yahoo.com.

President's Corner...



Greetings, Shelby County Republican Women's Club Family,

We had an inspirational July Meeting with our informative guest speaker, John DeBerry, as club Advisor to Governor Bill Lee. He inspired us to stand up for our conservative Republican values against the tsunami of unacceptable changes that are taking place in the mindset

of society. I too encourage each of us to rethink the value of our conservative lifestyles. Why are we **Republicans**?

A big thank you to Janine Carney, Chair of the Decorating Committee, and Barbara Hvasta for the beautiful patriotic table décor.

According to our SCRWC Bylaws, we do not have an August luncheon meeting in a non-election year, which means let's have a large, huge, big attendance at our September Literacy Month luncheon.

Remember to invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join SCRWC. Power is the result of numbers.

Carrie Schween

Legislative Chair

See you in September,

Your President Dr. SharonA. Webb

Caring for America October Donations...

In October SCRWC will be collecting \$5-\$20 gift cards for the Memphis Hospitality Hub that provides many services for our local homeless. This project will be our October collection; more information will follow.

Karen Dunavant & Carole Pruett



Leglislative News...

Recent Supreme Court Rulings Showcase Conservative Majority On Key National Issues

The Supreme Court ended its term with a bang last month, delivering a flurry of momentous decisions that underscored the growing influence of its six conservative justices, three of them appointed by former President Donald Trump.

In a 6-3 decision, the court struck down affirmative action in college admissions, saying race cannot be a factor, bringing an end to affirmative action in higher education in a decision that will reverberate across campuses nationwide.

In a second 6-3 decision, the Biden administration's plan to wipe out billions in student debt without Congressional authorization was ruled unconstitutional and will not move forward. This ruling leaves the President scrambling and promising to seek other avenues to support this favored constituency.

In the third 6-3 vote, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of a Colorado graphic artist who declined to design wedding websites for same-sex couples, finding the First Amendment prohibits the state from forcing the designer to express messages contrary to her religious beliefs.

The conservative majority has found its voice and flexed its muscle with these historic decisions that not only lean right, but also enjoy the broad support of most voters. Cheers!

REMINDER: Be sure to pick up your copy of the new 2023-2024 SCRWC Directory at the September Luncheon. Several members have not picked up their new Directory yet.

I'd like to thank Barbara Hvasta, who donated her table decorations from the July luncheon to Membership. I will be using the adorable GOP-SCRWC candy and mint containers in our New Member Welcome Goody Bag!!

New Members! - We currently have 94 total members now! (And 39 associate members.) So, great job to everyone who helped get new members on board. We are so excited and privileged to have everyone on our team, working for Republicans in Shelby County, the state of Tennessee, and the United States!

A warm welcome to our newest members Chris Wilson Kelli McLain

And our new associate members: Pam Proctor Kathryn Morelli

Remember to invite friends and family to join. If you have not done so already, please renew your SCRWC membership for 2023. Full Membership dues are \$40, and Associate Membership dues are \$30. Additionally, you can pay via PayPal by going to our website - SCRWC.org. Also, you can renew at our next luncheon in September, where you can pay by check or by credit card.

Thank you, and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our next luncheon in September.



Jennifer Allen 2nd VP / Membership

Membership...





SCRWC MEMBERS, LET'S ALL JOIN IN SUPPORTING THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF SHELBY COUNTY! 2023 RPSC Membership dues start at \$35. RPSC HQ Phone: 901-310-4570 | shelbygop.org

Upcoming Events

Monday, August 28 - SCRWC Board Meeting Germantown Library - 10:00am Tuesday, September 12 - SCRWC Literacy Month General Meeting Bring Books for K-3 Children Thursday, October 12 - SCRWC Fundraiser Friday, October 20-21 - TFRW Biennial Convention Pickwick, TN

Newsletter News

You can help SCRWC save money on newsletter production and mailing costs if you opt to receive your newsletter via email instead of postal mailing. Please be sure to note this on your 2023 membership renewal form, or you can let us know via email at <u>scrwc1960@gmail.com</u>. Please let us know if you would be interested in sponsoring a newsletter for \$100. Many thanks to Dee Cole and his staff at Imec, 5120 Elmore Road in Bartlett, TN for printing our newsletters!

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