

NORTH DEKALB REPUBLICAN WOMEN
NEWSLETTER



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John Oxendine was the Speaker at the March 8th meeting of the North DeKalb Republican Women. The Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner spoke to our group regarding many areas of politics. He wants everyone to know that his office is there to serve the people and that is why the office is open until 7:00 p.m. If you have need of his services, you can reach him at johnox@earthlink.net or 404-656-2115. He also wants everyone to know that a person will answer the phone and that there is no need to push "1" for English!!

Judge Linda Warren of the DeKalb Superior Court and her opponent, Attorney Tom Stubbs will be the speakers at the April 12th meeting.

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The North DeKalb Republican Women will be providing refreshments at the County Convention on March 15th at the Tucker Recreation Center, 4895 LaVista Road, Tucker, GA.

The doors open at 9:00 a.m. and close promptly at 10:00 a.m.

RED COAT DAY AT THE CAPITOL

The Georgia Federation of Republican Women Campaign Activities Committee has arranged for women to attend a **Red Coat Day** at the Capitol on Wednesday, March 19th beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will meet at the Legislative Office Building in Room 514. You must make a reservation with Wyolene Richardson at 770-491-8708 in order to attend with the NDRW Group and have your picture made with the Legislators.

YOU MUST HAVE A PICTURE ID WITH YOU TO BE ADMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING AND THE CAPITOL.

Boxed lunch provided by Amy & Tammy's at **\$10 per lunch. RSVP by Monday, March 17th** to Babe Atkins-Byrne at babeatkinsbyrne@yahoo.com

or Holly Comer at hcomer@ywcanwga.com or 770-712-1600 (Cell Phone)

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If you have news or information you would like to share with other members, please contact Bobbie Frantz at 770-493-8779 or bdfrantz@bellsouth.net.

**CHAMBLISS FOR SENATE -
ANNOUNCEMENT TOUR**

ATLANTA PRESS CONFERENCE

Wednesday March 19, 2008

3:15 - 4:00 PM

Georgia State Capitol - Rotunda

Atlanta, GA 30334

If you have any questions, please contact

Louis M. Oliverio at

oliverio-louis@msn.com

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The North DeKalb Republican Women will again be participating in the AT&T Golf Classic at Sugarloaf Golf Course in May. This is a great fund raiser for the NDRW and raises money for the Children's HealthCare as well.

If you would like to participate in this worthwhile cause, please contact

R. Ann Lewis at
770-935-5478

More information will be provided as we receive it.

Other DeKalb County Meetings:

Senator Jim Tysinger Breakfast Meeting:

8:00 a.m. every Saturday at DeKalb GOP headquarters. This is a non-partisan forum open to all Elected officials and community leaders to discuss current issues.

There is no charge, but a small donation is requested.

Republican Senior Network:

2:00 p.m. third Monday at DeKalb GOP headquarters

Meetings are open to all.

Monthly speakers and special events.

DeKalb Young Republicans:

Tuesday, March 18, 2008 at 7:30 PM

The DeKalb Young Republicans will have a lecturer from the University of Georgia to speak on "Entrepreneurship" on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 at 7:30 PM at **Houlihan's Restaurant, 4505 Ashford Dunwoody Rd, NE, Atlanta, GA 30346, 770-394-8921.**

If you are interested in joining the DeKalb Young Republicans, please contact Brian DiNapoli at (404) 433-7490 or via e-mail at dinapoli5186@yahoo.com.

**NDRW MINUTES OF MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2008**

President Wyolene Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM on February 9, 2008 at the Republican Headquarters at Embury Hills Shopping Center, 3583 G Chamblee-Tucker Rd.

Nancy Klotz gave the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Richardson provided the members with a packet of information provided by the USO. She then gave a verbal report of her visit to the USO. The report included services provided by the USO to the servicemen and women as they pass through the airport on their way to or from Iraq, the duties we would be expected to perform as volunteers for the USO, etc. Afterwards, Gene Wise played a DVD provided by the USO. NDRW members have been asked to volunteer on June 7th (not June 1st) and at least 8 persons will be needed. A list was passed around for those wishing to volunteer to sign up.

Our Speaker for the day, Representative Mike Jacobs, called in to cancel as there was illness in the family.

Minutes prepared by Secretary Jennifer Schumm and were approved with no corrections.

Treasurer's Report prepared by Treasurer R. Ann Lewis reflected a balance of \$3,908.15 after receiving payment of dues, paying the 4 scholarship fund payments to NFRW, paying for the Christmas Luncheon, paying NFRW service charges, and making a donation in

memory of William Walasek. A motion was made to accept the report as presented. The motion carried.

Membership Report: current membership 31 members and 5 associates members.

Committee Reports: Zeola Bart-Addison was appointed as Parliamentarian; we are still in need of a Legislative Chairman. The following are Committee Chairmen:

Americanism - Dorothy Polock
Campaign - Willi Richardson
By-Laws - Bessie Burton
Achievement Award - Bobbie Frantz
Legislative - Open
Membership - Judy Creech
Fund Raiser - R. Ann Lewis
Program - Bea Affleck
Caring for America - Dolcie Williams-Fromm
Communication - Bobbie Frantz
Literacy - Virginia Hinton
Newsletter - Bobbie Frantz
Parliamentarian - Zeola Bart-Addison

Unfinished Business: Discussion regarding volunteering for USO and for the Golf Tournament.

New Business: Campaign Chairman Willi Richardson announced that NDRW had been asked to assist with Voter Registration Drives and that she would work with DeKalb GOP Chairman Jamie Sibold in this regard. Volunteers will be needed.

A fund raiser for NDRW was discussed. A motion was made by Bobbie Frantz and seconded by Virginia Hinton to sell hot dogs, drinks, etc. at the County Convention on March 15th at the Tucker Recreation Center. The motion carried.

Another fund raiser was suggested by R. Ann Lewis. The fund raiser was selling Republican jewelry. A motion was made by Willi Richardson and seconded by Nancy Klotz to sell Republican jewelry. The motion carried.

A "split the pot" ticket sale was suggested by Wyolene Richardson for the upcoming Lincoln Day Dinner at Petite Auberge sponsored by the Senator Jim Tysinger Breakfast Forum.

Announcements:

Breakfast Forum Lincoln Day Dinner will be tonight at Petite Auberge beginning at 6:00 pm. for drinks and dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$50.00 per person.

Caucus meetings will be February 16th by District.

County Convention will be March 15th at the Tucker Recreation Center. NDRW to provide refreshments.

District Conventions will be April 19th at various locations and State Convention on May 16th & 17th in Columbus, GA at the Columbus Civic Center.

Insurance Commissioner John Oxendine will be the speaker for the March meeting of NDRW.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45AM

Bobbie Frantz, Acting Secretary

The Mayonnaise Jar and Coffee

*When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the coffee. A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was. The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "yes". The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. "Now", said the professor, as the laughter subsided, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things - your God, family, your children, your health, your friends, and your favorite passion - things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house, and your car. The sand is everything else - the small stuff. "If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your partner out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal." "Take care of the golf balls first, the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand." One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. "I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend." **Thanks to Patti McDaniel for this article.***