

"There's a Place for you at our Table"



July 2, 2019



Speaker — Pat Allen

Many people are uncertain as to how all of the GOP organizations are connected and how a member may fit into the design of the Republican Party. It is very obvious from Pat's biography, that she is most certainly qualified to explain all of that to us.

Pat's affiliation with the Republican Party has been a long-standing one.

She served on the **Montgomery Co. Republican Party Executive Committee** in 1978 and continues to serve in that capacity. She was elected as the **Chairman of the Montgomery County Republican Party** 2006-2010 and again 2012-2014. She has been a **volunteer at Montgomery County Republican Party Headquarters** every month from 2018 to present.

In 1979, Pat organized the **Montgomery County Republican Women's Club**, and worked to build it and establish it as a part of the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) organization in the TFRW Area 5A district. She served as the **President of the Republican women's club** from 1979-1989 and again in 2002-2006 and was elected to serve as the **TFRW Area 5A Vice-President** from 2005 - 2009. Pat became the **Activities Chairman of the Montgomery Co. Republican Women's Club** in 2007 and still performs those duties for the club.

She was appointed as the **TFRW Resolutions Chairman** in 2013 and became a member of the **TFRW By-Laws Committee** and serves as the **SEC (State Executive**

Committee) Liaison Representative in the TFRW (2018 - present).

At the **State-wide level**, Pat was elected to the position of the **Republican State Executive Committeewoman**, District 22 in 1997 and served until 2019. She became the **Republican State Party Secretary** in 2017 and is presently serving in that position. Pat was honored to be one of the **State Party Electors for Donald Trump** for President in 2016.

Pat is involved with the Hilldale UM Church, having served for 14 years as the President of the UMWomen, has been a SS Class Teacher for 25 years, Administrative Board Secretary for 20 years, and District UMW

Nominations Chairman for 10 years.

She was a Girl Scout Troop Leader & Service Unit Chairman from 1976-1986 and is currently involved with the Historical Society, Civil War Round Table and D.A.R..

Her hometown is South Bend, Indiana and she is a Graduate of Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. She worked as a Censor for ABC-TV in Chicago for 3 years but became a regular substitute teacher at Clarksville High School and worked there for 19 years. Pat is married to Tom Allen who is originally from West Kentucky.



Luncheon Meetings are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the **Tanglewood House** at 1601 Madison Street in Clarksville. Cost is **\$20. Make check payable to MCRW.**

When you receive your reservation request email from **Joan Niles**, please respond as to whether you will attend or not, by clicking "Reply" with a yes or a no and include your name. You can make your reservation by email joanniles@gmail.com or phone **616-450-2800**.

You must have made a reservation at least **three days in advance of our meeting** to be able to eat or have coffee: **before 10:00 am the Friday before our 11:30 am meeting the following Tuesday.** Remember that "a reservation made is a reservation paid." If you know someone who does not have email, let her know to contact Joan by phone. [Click here](#) to do online payments.

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We are now taking dues for 2019.

Just **\$25** per year! Men may join as Associate Members for **\$10** per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to: **Opal Kennedy, 1151 Needmore Road, Clarksville, TN 37040.** You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting.



Correction from May. We have reported 78 members to TFRW and want to continue to GROW! [Click here](#) to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or [fill in and pay by online form.](#)

A Message from Your President

"I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shows, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more." Founding Father, and later Vice President and President, John Adams in a letter to Abigail

In Philadelphia 243 years ago, determined and resolved by the brave men who gathered that summer, and supported by the women who kept the conversations and fires burning at home, Freedom was on the move.

A light for all to see, America's very first moments were a declaration to the world. Men could bind themselves together and choose for themselves

the course their consciences would demand. It would be a century or more before those freedoms were guaranteed to all of her citizens, but we rightly celebrate these days with much Pomp and Parade.

We're lucky here to be able to celebrate this grand day with the men and women in our community who still make certain freedom is on the move around the world. What a gift to be among our brave men and women on Independence Day!

I hope you all enjoy a day with fireworks, family, and friends. If you have a moment, celebrate the day by reading our grand Declaration of Independence. It's a wonderful country whose beginnings we celebrate and it's always an honor to share that celebration with each of you. Happy Independence Day!




Montgomery County
Republican Women

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Our Club Objectives

- To promote and inform public through political education and activity.
- To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government.
- To facilitate cooperation among the National and State Federation.
- To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its principles and candidates in all elections, including non-partisan elections.
- To support the objectives and policies of the Republican National and Tennessee Executive Committees and to work for the election of Republican Party nominees.
- To attain Diamond Award in 2018-2019.



The 111th General Assembly
Ashley Elizabeth Graham Johnson

July 1st comes around each year and with it all the new laws passed the session before! Here are just a few of the changes taking place:

- no more hand-held phone usage while driving
- you can be charged with a DUI while using an electric foot scooter
- online ministers cannot solemnize weddings
- every student in Tennessee public schools must pass a civics exam

So if we were planning a night out on the town in Nashville, we can't drink and drive scooters! 😊

In upcoming legislative news, as Speaker Casada has said he will resign, it looks like early August before a special session of the General Assembly will be called. Wonderful for all of us, our very own Representative Curtis Johnson is back in the running for Speaker. As we know, Representative Johnson is a man of high moral character and is one of the best in Nashville. We'll be cheering him on and encouraging the other members of our delegations to do the same in word and vote.

Ashley Elizabeth Graham Johnson

Joy Huggins Awarded Statesman Award for District 7

Saturday, June 18, was a memorable night, especially for those of us in Montgomery County and especially the Montgomery County Republican Women’s club because our dear friend and late member, Joy Huggins was honored with this award at the annual TN GOP Statesman’s Dinner.

Congressman Mark Green nominated Joy and made the presentation to her husband, Jim Huggins, that evening in front of 1,200+ attendees.

On his FACEBOOK post, Congressman Green shared the presentation picture and his comments:

Dr. Mark Green

June 15 at 8:35 PM

Honored to present the [Tennessee Republican Party](#)’s Statesman of the Year award for the 7th district to Jim Huggins on behalf of his late beloved wife Joy Huggins tonight. Thank you, Joy, for all you did for our Party, and our country! We miss you so much but will see you again. May God bless your family, and everyone you’ve impacted over the years.



Rep. Curtis Johnson announces bid for Tennessee House Speaker, pledges to 'restore credibility, trustworthiness'



As we read from our Legislative Chairman, Speaker Casada will be leaving the Speaker of the House position. In addition to our own Curtis Johnson, those who have joined in the running as Casada’s replacement are Deputy Speaker Matthew Hill, House Republican Caucus Chairman Cameron Sexton, Rep. Mike Carter and Rep. Robin Smith.

This editor wanted to share with those new members Curtis’ credentials. His political involvement includes being elected as the Representative, Tennessee State House District 68 in 2005 to the present. He was a former member of the Clarksville County Council from 1994 to 2002, served as Speaker Pro Tempore, Tennessee State House of Representatives from 2015-2018, and was the Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Clarksville from 1996-1997.

We know Curtis and are confident that he is an honest and reputable man who has served us well over the past several years. We all need to **let our Republican Caucus know** that Curtis needs to be elected to the Speaker of the House. His wife, Marsha, is a member of the Montgomery County Republican Women. Go to the [Tennessee Republican Caucus website](#) to find the information you need to contact each one of these members.



“Our Founding Fathers, here in this country, brought about the only true revolution that has ever taken place in man’s history. Every other revolution simply exchanged one set of rulers for another set of rulers. But only here did that little band of men so advanced beyond their time that the world has never seen their like since, evolve the idea that you and I have within ourselves the God-given right and the ability to determine our own destiny. But freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn’t pass it on to our children in the bloodstream. The only way they can inherit the freedom we have known is if we fight for it, protect it, defend it and then hand it to them with the well thought lessons of how they in their lifetime must do the same. And if you and I don’t do this, then you and I may well spend our sunset years telling our children and our children’s children what it once was like in America when men were free.” **President Ronald Reagan**

Upcoming Events

Regular Monthly Meeting

- * **When:** July 2, 2019
- * **Where:** Tanglewood House, 1601 Madison Street, Clarksville, TN
- * **Time:** 11:30 a.m.
- * **Speaker:** Pat Allen, SEC Secretary

Area 5A Biennial Convention

- * **When:** July 13, 2019
- * **Where:** Charley's Restaurant, 3535 Tom Austin Highway, Springfield, TN
- * **Time:** 11:00 a.m.
- * **No registration fee — just purchase lunch**

NFRW 40th Biennial Convention

- * **When:** September 26-29, 2019
- * **Where:** JW Marriott, Indianapolis, IN

TFRW 32nd Biennial Convention

- * **When:** October 18-19, 2019
- * **Where:** Carnegie Hotel, Johnson City, TN

More information will be coming about Registration but if you are planning on attending, you need to get your **room reservation ASAP** in order to receive the special room rate. You can get that information by going to our [website](#).

Regular Monthly Club Meetings

MCRWC — 1st Tuesday — 11:30 am
 July 2, 2019
 Tanglewood House

RRRW—3rd Saturday — 9:30 am
 July 20, 2019, The Looking Glass

Montgomery County GOP
 4th Tuesday — 7:00 pm
 June 24, 2019, July 23, 2019



BARBARA TRAUTMAN
PRESIDENT

TFRW 32st BIENNIAL CONVENTION
OCTOBER 18 -19, 2019
Johnson City, Tennessee

SHARON BOREING
CONVENTION CHAIR

It's time to start planning your Convention trip!

Make your room reservation today:



CARNEGIE HOTEL

1216 West State of Franklin Road
 Johnson City, Tennessee 37604
 423-979-6400

Convention room rate\$99 plus tax

*Then schedule your optional spa package
 by calling 423-979-6403 and referencing TFRW Convention
 (book now due to limited availability)*

<p>Option 1: \$150 Standard/ \$170 Peak 30 min Massage Sugar glow body scrub Spa Facial</p>	<p>Option 2: \$190 Standard/ \$220 Peak 60 min Massage Spa Facial Spa Pedicure</p>	<p>Most popular services:</p> <p>Himalayan Salt Therapy: \$125 Standard/ \$135 Peak 60 min Salt Stone Massage Himalayan Salt Whirlpool Bath</p> <p>Head to Toe Massage: \$140 Standard/ \$150 Peak 60 min Massage Aromatherapy Scalp Massage Ultimate Foot Massage</p>
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Standard pricing Monday-Thursday
 Peak pricing is Friday-Sunday

“Join the RED stampede to JC, TN”

From our Cookbook...

From-Scratch Banana Pudding Senator Marsha Blackburn Page 167

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/3 cup cornstarch • 1/2 teaspoon salt • 3/4 cup sugar • 4 cups milk, divided • 1 teaspoon vanilla | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/4 cup butter • 1 (12-ounce) box vanilla wafers • 6 bananas • Whipped cream, for topping |
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Combine cornstarch, salt, sugar and 1 cup of milk. Scald remaining milk; add to cornstarch mixture. Stir over medium heat until thickened. Reduce heat; simmer for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat, add butter and vanilla. Stir gently until blended. Cool. In a glass trifle bowl, line the bottom with wafers, top with bananas and cover with pudding mixture. Alternate layers until bowl is completely filled. Chill. Top with whipped cream. Serve. Yield: 8 servings.

There will be a reading of The Declaration of Independence at the Courthouse Steps on Thursday, July 4, 2019, at 9:00 am on the Courthouse steps, 1 Millennium Plaza, Clarksville, Tennessee. Several from our club will be participating.