



Montgomery County Republican Women

Clarksville, Tennessee

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

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Crissy Haslam First Lady, Tennessee

Raised in Memphis, Crissy married Bill Haslam and moved to Knoxville in 1981. She attended Emory University for college and UT-Knoxville for graduate school.

Since 2011, First Lady Crissy Haslam's priorities have focused on encouraging parent engagement in education and reading proficiency for children. She has delivered this message through various initiatives, including First Ladies for Healthy Babies and the First Lady's READ20 Book Club. She frequently trav-

els the state with the Governor's Books from Birth Foundation in support of Tennessee's Imagination Library, as well as lending her voice to the Tennessee Department of Education's Read to Be Ready literacy campaign.

Launched in 2014, First Lady Crissy Haslam created the READ20 Book Patrol, a partnership with police and sheriffs offices across the state to provide books to children in low income communities and to encourage reading and support for local law enforcement.

Crissy and Bill have 3 grown children and 6 grandchildren.

Make your reservation to hear our First Lady of Tennessee on June 6 by contacting Joan Niles at joanniles@gmail.com or call 616-450-2800.

EVERYONE BRING ONE!!!

Have you heard that the Democrats are gathering their recruits and getting ready to take over Republican seats in 2018? That makes it even more important that we **get our membership up** so we can all get involved in this upcoming battle. There is a saying that "there is power in numbers" and we need to get our number back up to increase that power for us.

We need for every member to bring one member back in or recruit a new member.

At one time, this club had over 120 members. We have slipped in the TFRW rolls as more clubs are increasing their membership.

Opal always sends out a membership list, but if you don't receive one, [email her](#)

and she will be glad to send it to you. Pam Johnson is working on contacting past members back to 2012 and she will be glad for you to work with her on this. Just [email her](#) or give her a call to get your names to contact.

Find someone who is not on our 2017 membership list and invite them back!

2016—2017 Officers

President -- Joy Huggins

1st Vice President, Programs --- Brenda Graham

2nd Vice President, Membership -- Opal Kennedy

Recording Secretary --- Barbara Corley

Corresponding Secretary --- Elaine Tucker

Treasurer --- Arlene Rouse

Assistant Treasurer --- Sue Dortch

Immediate Past President --- Marie Tillman

Committee Chairs

Americanism
Nancy Adkisson
 Armed Forces/ Homeland Security
Pam Johnson
 Budget & Finance
Cheryl Chapin
 By-Laws
Sue Dortch
 Campaign Hours
Joni Hargrove
 Caring for America
Nancy Adkisson
 Chaplain
Barbara Corley
 Club Achievement Awards
Pat Allen
 Communications
Joy Huggins
 Facebook & Website
Marie Tillman
 Fundraising
Cheryl Chapin
 Historian
Juanita Gholson
 Leadership
Niesha Wolfe
 Legislative
Hillary Pate
 Literacy/Education
Marilyn Batson
 Luncheon Reservations
Joan Niles
 Newsletter Editor
Marie Tillman
 Parliamentarian
Pat Allen
 Publicity
Arlene Rouse
 Voter Registration
Peggy Vaughn

Please Pay your Dues for 2017. 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. In order to be one of the clubs with the highest membership in the TNFRW, we need everyone to pay their dues and recruit new members. We now have **62 paid members and 18 paid associate members.**

A Message from Your President

What better way to remember those who gave all for our freedoms this Memorial Day, May 29, 2017, than to reaffirm our beliefs stated in the **AMERICAN'S CREED.**

"I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes."

"I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support the Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies."

The American's Creed was written by William Tyler Page in 1917 and accepted by the United States House of Representatives, April 3, 1918.



"Dear Lord, thank you for another day to do your will. Please bless this country with peace and unity. Please open the hearts of those who are angry. Show them your goodness. Help them to realize your plans for the United States of America. Please guide and protect President Trump and Vice President Pence and their families and all our lawmakers. Please lead us back to You - as a country and as individuals." - From the **Presidential Prayer Wall**



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 President

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A Bit of Humor!

The Fence Test

You can't get any more accurate than this! This is straight forward country thinking. by Jeff Foxworthy

Which side of the fence?

If you ever wondered which side of the fence you sit on, this is a great test!

If a Republican doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one.

If a Democrat doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.

If a Republican is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat.

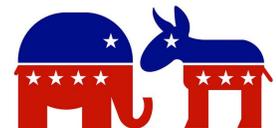
If a Democrat is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.

If a Republican is down-and-out, he thinks about how to better his situation.

If a Democrat is down-and-out he wonders who is going to take care of him.

If a Republican doesn't like a talk show host, he switches channels. A Democrat demands that those they don't like be shut down.

If a Republican is a non-believer, he doesn't go to church. A Democrat non-believer wants any mention of God and religion silenced.





WOMEN IN THE GOP

...CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

For more than 150 years, women have been an active and vital force in the Republican Party.

1960 – Conseulo Northrop Bailey of Vermont is the first woman to serve as chairman of one of the four convention committees when she chairs the Committee on Call.

The first campaign is launched featuring a presidential candidate's wife as a vote-getter in her own right. Clare B. Williams Shank, assistant chairman of the Republican National Committee, directs the "Pat (Nixon) for First Lady" campaign.

For the first time in the history of any political convention, a woman – Republican Josephine Good – serves as executive director of the Convention.

1964 – The first woman to have her name placed in nomination for the U.S. presidency by either of the two major parties is Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine (also the first woman elected to both the House and the Senate). She comes in second to Barry Goldwater at the Republican National Convention in San Francisco.

1965 – The first woman chairman of a state committee of any major political party is a Republican – Elly Peterson of Michigan.

1971 – The first woman in political history to be elected to the national co-chairmanship of either party is a Republican – Anne Armstrong of Texas.

1972 – The first woman to be the keynote speaker at a national convention of any major political party is a Republican – Anne Armstrong of Texas.

1974 – Mary Louise Smith of Iowa becomes the first woman chairman of the Republican National Committee.

1975 – The first woman to be appointed Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development is a Republican – Carla Hills – appointed by President Gerald Ford.

1978 – Republican Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas is the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate without first having been preceded by her husband in Congress or first being appointed to fill an unexpired term.

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen of Florida is the first Latina elected to Congress.

1981 – For the first time, two women members of the U.S. Senate – Sen. Nancy Kassebaum (R-KN) and Sen. Paula Hawkins (R-FL) – serve concurrently in their positions without first being appointed to fill an unexpired term.

The first female Supreme Court justice – Republican Sandra Day O'Connor – is appointed by President Ronald Reagan.

President Reagan appoints the first woman U.S. Representative to the United Nations, Jeane Kirkpatrick.

President Reagan also appoints the first female director of presidential personnel, Helene von Damm.



MAKING RESERVATIONS TO ATTEND MCRW MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

Luncheon Meetings are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the Clarksville Country Club. Cost is **\$19**.

Make check to MCRW.

(make a separate check for cookbooks or other items.)

Joan Niles will send out an email request for reservations prior to the luncheon. Please respond to her as to whether you will attend or not, by clicking "Reply" with a yes or a no. She requests that everyone please indicate their name when they reply by email.

You can also let Joan know by contacting her by email at joanniles@gmail.com or calling her at **616-450-2800**.

The deadline for making your reservation is by Wednesday evening before the date of the meeting on Tuesday. Deadline for canceling reservations is Sunday evening.

Remember that "a reservation made is a reservation paid."

If you know someone who does not have email they may telephone the reservation to Joan at the above number. Thank you.

Women in Elective Office 2017

In 2017, 104 women serve in the U.S. Congress. Twenty-one women serve in the Senate and 83 women in the House. The number of women in statewide elective executive posts is 74, and the proportion of women in state legislatures is 24.9 percent.

To see more statistics regarding women in office, go to <http://www.nfrw.org/women-statistics>

Club Brochures and Luncheon Invitations are available for download on our Website.



Montgomery County Republican Women Celebrate Bright Future

At our **March 7, 2017** meeting, some of the members donned their sun shades to join other Federated Women in celebrating a bright future that begins with Donald J. Trump as our new President.

This was an idea that was started by Liza Bradford of the Virginia Federation of Republican Women and has spread all over the Nation. Left to right is: Corinthia Elder, Pam Johnson, Brenda Graham, Nicole O'Connor, Marie Tillman, Willie Frank, Irene Smith, Linda

Fritz, Joy Huggins, Virginia Birdwell, Cheryl Chapin, Joan Niles, Barbara Corley, Bobbie Blevins, and Nancy Adkison.

Delfina Rutledge is so excited about our new President that she had her picture made "with him" at the Lincoln Reagan Dinner on March 19th!

Every time you enter the MCRP headquarters, President Trump will greet you!



"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone"

— Ronald Reagan



Caring for America Project



As a part of Caring for America, MCRW will be donating needed items for **SAFE**.

Soldiers And Families Embraced (SAFE) offers individual and group counseling services, as well as peer support groups for active duty, veterans and their families. These services are provided at no cost, and no insurance is required. SAFE is a non-profit organization funded through grants and private donations. The mission of SAFE is to serve as a resource for the community to ease the readjustment and reintegration of military mem-

bers returning from our current wars and their families, as well as veterans from previous eras.

Please bring one or more items from the list of needed items to the June meeting, or if you can't make it and want to donate, call 931-645-3928 and we can make arrangements for you to drop items at the GOP Headquarters.

General Items:

Hand Soap
Toilet Paper
Paper Towels
Kleenex
Plastic Silverware
Plates & Cups

Cleaning Supplies:

Windex
Clorox wipes
Multi-surface cleaner
Air freshener spray
Swiffer Dusters
All size Trash bags

Office Supplies:

Post-It Notes
Clip Boards
Pens
Highlighters
Legal Pads
Paperclips
Staples
Blue File Folders
Binders
Small White Boards

AA & AAA Batteries
Dry-Erase Markers
Forever Stamps.

Ink:

Epson 220 Black & Color
Epson 252 Black & Color
HP- 950 Black
HP- 951 Color

Kid Supplies:

Dollhouses &
Dollhouse People
Craft Supplies
Small Craft Table(s)
Children Books
Coloring Books
Crayons
Wooden blocks
Large size Legos

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 2016-2017.



We're on the Web:



montgomerycountypublicanwomen.org

CARING FOR OUR MEMBERS

If you know of a current or former member who has been or is ill, has suffered a loss or could just use a little cheer, please give **Elaine Tucker**, Corresponding Secretary, their names and addresses so she can send them a card.



Polly Nagy has been in and out of the hospital with what they thought was a stroke but that has now been ruled out. She is home .

Sammye and **Charlie Boehms** are both at home and have a full-time caregiver. Sammye has had knee surgery and is doing well with her rehab. Charlie is not doing very well, with many health issues.

Marita Beck has moved to Uffelman Estates with **Don** now and is settling in very well. She is much improved.

We have been blessed this year so far to have several **NEW** faces to **MCRWC**. We want to welcome to our club and the Federation Krista Keipke, Vivian Fivecoat, Linda Fritz, Anna Elarde, Janet Anderson, Nicole O'Connor, Syndi Carlson, Patricia Daly, Sharon Rowley, Helga Redd, Dianne Green, and Marty Matthews. We also welcome our new Associate members: Dawn Schmidt, Shani Simms, Phayne Freeman, George Hogg, and Wallace Redd.

We are pleased that these new additions have decided to join us as we work to make Republicans a great force locally, statewide and nationally.



Memories . . .

Can you identify the members of MCRWC in this picture?

Thanks to **Elfie Marshall** for sharing it.

Auxiliary Name	Date/Day	Type	Time/Place
Montgomery County Republican Women	June 6, 2017 1st Tuesday	Monthly Lunch Meeting	11:30 am Clarksville Country Club
Red River Republican Women	June 17, 2017 3rd Saturday	Monthly Brunch meeting	9:30 am The Looking Glass
Young Republicans	June 19, 2017 3rd Monday	Monthly Evening Meeting	7:00 pm Leap Center
Montgomery County Republican Party	June 27, 2017 4th Tuesday	Monthly Evening Meeting	7:00 pm GOP Headquarters

Put on Your Calendar

Tennessee Federation of Republican Women	Spring Board Meeting	June 3, 2017
National Federation of Republican Women	39th Biennial Convention	September 14-17, 2017
Montgomery County Republican Party Fall Event	Gubernatorial Candidate Roundup	September 28, 2017
Tennessee Federation of Republican Women	31st Biennial Convention	October 20-22, 2017

The **TFRW Spring Board meeting** will be held on **Saturday, June 3, 2017** at the Brentwood Library, 8109 Concord Road, Brentwood in meeting Room A. **All members are invited to attend** the Board of Directors meeting at 10:30 a.m. and the Luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Candidates running for Governor who did not speak at the last meeting will be on the program. Reservations should be made no later than Tuesday, May 30, 2017. Lunch will be catered and anyone needing a vegetarian lunch should make that known to Marie when making your reservation. Please make your check payable to the TFRW for \$35.00 and mail to Marie Tillman, 2nd Vice President, 4801 Albright Road, Clarksville, TN 37043. Several from MCRWC will be attending and we hope that you can make your plans to go also.

Conventions

Philadelphia
Where it all began.

**39th Biennial
NFRW Convention**

September 14-17, 2017

Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

Watch for details
www.nfrw.org/events



TFRW 31st BIENNIAL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 20 - 22, 2017

Memphis, Tennessee

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 20-22, 2017

Make your plans now to attend the upcoming 31st Biennial Convention of the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women. Every two years the TFRW holds a convention to celebrate its successes and elect new officers. **This year's Convention location:**

**Holiday Inn University of Memphis
3700 Central Avenue
Memphis, TN 38152-6481
901-678-5410**



"WEARING RED IN THE HOME OF THE BLUES"

More Information will be coming soon!