

Keeping in Touch



Hancock County Republican Women's Club

Calendar

- > Tues, Nov. 3 Special Election
- > Thurs, Nov. 5 Regular Meeting
- > Thurs, day, Dec. 3 Christmas Luncheon
- > Thurs, Jan. 7 Regular Meeting
- > Thurs, Feb. 4 Regular Meeting
- > Thursday, March 4, Regular Meeting
- > Thurs, April 1 Regular Meeting
- > Apr. 8-11 SLRC

NFRW 35th Biennial Convention Highlights

Orlando was a special place to be for the HCRWC delegation! We were joined by clubs from 45 other states.

Our president, Elise Hilbert was the voting delegate from our club, Virginia Langen was an MFRW voting delegate, Nell Frisbie was an NFRW Sergeant At Arms (that means she got to tell us where we were to sit on the floor and helped ladies at the microphones in the aisle, etc.) Deanna Harrison, Lynne Cheramie, Judith Redshaw, and Pat Terry were seated on the floor as non-voting alternates.

HCRWC Recipient of NFRW Silver Award

The time our club members spend on voter registration, manning campaign headquarters and so many other projects we take on all add up. NFRW has 4 award categories: Diamond, Gold, Silver and Bronze. 2 years ago we earned Bronze—so we have moved up!

The board voted to have our President, Elise Hilbert wear the award (it is a silver pin with the NFRW logo) to our meetings. We are pleased and proud of participation by our members.

Mississippi Hospitality Suite

Mississippi was one of only 2 states to have Hospitality Suites (Florida was the other). Our reception was a grand success!

Virginia Langen and Deanna Harrison were members of Donna Russell's Reception Committee. They were "charged" with making chocolate candies—many in the shape of the State and others were lollypop's with embossed elephants. They commandeered the rest of the delegation to make candy in Deanne's room on Thursday night. Candy was handed out to our visitors as they left (with a cherry comment of "Y'all come back, ya hear". Both MFRW President, Rita Wray and her charming husband Terry took turns with us and stood at the door with the candy.

Everyone was rockin' to the tunes of the 50's. The Chairman of the Florida Republican Party graced us with his excellent rendition of an Elvis tune. He, Terry Wray and several other gentlemen danced with the ladies.

Of course the food was excellent and we received many compliments. Tradition holds that Mississippi Republicans always have the best parties and MFRW kept the tradition alive and well.

Upcoming Conventions & Conferences

Southern Republican Leadership Conference (SRLC)

New Orleans, LA—April 8-11, 2010

Mississippi Federation of Republican Women (MFRW)

Jackson, MS—2011—exact date to be announced

National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW)

Kansas City, MO—Sept. 29-Oct 2, 2011

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Voter ID & Voter Registration



The October deadline could not be met but the extension makes it more than possible to get the required number of signatures.

This is such an important issue. Almost daily another story makes the news of voter fraud. Unfortunately, Mississippi is not immune from this problem!

The Board voted to combine getting Voter ID signatures with Voter Registration.

Volunteers Needed

We will be setting up tables at various locations and are asking for volunteers to work a 3-hour shift on at least one occasion.

4 ladies are needed for each shift: two to do Voter ID and two to do Voter Registration.

Offer to help and contact:
Lynn Cheramie 586-2298
Virginia Langen 255-5827
Deanne Harrison 222-3115

Support Our Troops—Brownie Project

The recent experience of sending cookie and brownies to Deanna's son while he was serving in Afghanistan has inspired further participation. The recipients liked the cookies—BUT—it was the brownies they really went for.

Volunteers are needed to bake brownies. These will be shipped in November and Decem-

ber — in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The cost is nominal. Brownie mixes can be purchased at a low cost. There is a special military rate, through the post office for shipping.

Deanne used magazines as packing material (the UPS special

shipping does not go by weight, rather by the size of the box). So, save any magazines you think our guys and gals would enjoy receiving and make it a 2-for-1 gift.



Nursing Home ——— Christmas Project



Every Christmas we have the opportunity to reach out to folks living in nursing homes.

Our gifts have been well received because they are specific to the needs and requests.

Unlike a regular Christmas stocking — our "stockings" are organza bags that can be reused throughout the year. They are

an ideal size to hold our gifts and are conveniently sized and easy to use long after the holidays have passed.

We fill and deliver

60 stockings

Items we collect throughout the year are: White Cotton Anklets, combs.; travel size containers of

Vaseline, powder and toiletries (such as shampoo, soap, and lotion).

Toiletries can be pass along that are picked up at hotel stays or purchased at drug stores, Wal Mart, Kmart, etc. Bring your donations to the meeting or feel free to make a cash contribution. Lori Lamberton is Chairman—586-6342.

"One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." Plato (428-348 B.C.)

The Pantry

The economy has definitely not helped with the recovery from Katrina. The needs of folks who are doing the best they can to care for and feed their families is great.

The Pantry has provided us with a suggested list. If you prefer, you may make a monetary donation and mail it to Hancock County Food Pantry, Inc, P. O. Box 4313, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521. Let Lori Lambertson know if you have made a monetary contribution because the contribution (not

the amount) is included with our Caring For America outreach.

Items needed include:

Rice	Jelly	Flour
Dried Beans (2lb)	Grits	Dry Cereal
Canned Fruit	Corn	Oatmeal
Green Beans	Sweet Peas	Ramen
Mixed Vegetables	Canned Soup	Peanut Butter
Evaporated Milk	Cooking Oil	Bar Soap
Laundry Soap	Bar Powder	Tomato Sauce
Macaroni & Cheese	Instant Mashed Potatoes	
Spaghetti w/meat	Toilet Paper (4-pack)	



Special Election—Tuesday, November 3rd Board of Supervisors—District 5

A special election will be held to fill the unexpired term of Jay Quevas. The rules for a special election like this one is that the candidates run non-partisan

Please note: new polling place for District 5 is at the Community Church..

Two of the candidates, Phillip Moran and Joe Pettigrew have spoken at our meetings.

**Plans are continuing
for the non-
fundraiser
fundraiser. Stayed
tuned for further
announcements.**

Perspective



"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free."

It seems to me that conservatives stopped fighting after Reagan left office. It is almost as if we thought we had arrived, we had won the war, when Reagan was elected. But that was only a battle. The war goes on, and our children and grandchildren will suffer if we don't reclaim our country. There have been blips of resurgence from conservatives here and there, such as the Contract with America, but too many people counted on the Republican Party to fight the conservative fight. That did not happen, and we cannot expect it to happen in the future.

If those of us who believe in liberty don't speak out now to the adults in our society,

and if we don't teach our children and grandchildren about the America for which the Founders pledged their "lives, fortunes, and sacred honor," then freedom in America may indeed end with this generation. (excerpt from a column in the American Spectator.)

One cannot help but be alarmed by many of the proposed changes to the American way of life — and alarmed by the changes that have already occurred. As more and more calls go out for more and more government programs that direct our lives, we can well wonder what has happened to self-reliance. What sort of country will our children and grandchildren inherit?

For those who want to be involved or have their voices heard—there are many opportunities. Who we elect to our city governments, county board of supervisors, state legislatures and federal offices are the people that make the laws we have to live under. We need to pay close attention to those we elect (hire) to represent us — and to be as certain as possible that they are representing us and not their own interest or those of certain special interests.

If you want to know what regular tax paying citizens are doing and thinking, you might go on the web to sites such as Silent-NoLonger.com or 912ers.com.

Southern Republican Leadership Conference (SRLC) New Orleans—April 8-11, 2010

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Republican Women's Club

At least a half dozen of our members will be attending The Southern Republican Leadership Conference. Regional conferences are held in other parts of the country—but none can compare to SRLC!

As the largest GOP gathering prior to the 2012 Republican National Convention, you can expect to see the top Republican leaders in the country. The brightest minds and the freshest ideas will be in attendance.

Networking.

Meet with GOP leaders from across the country. You will be encouraged to meet new people and build relationships to encourage the growth of conservative ideas

and build friendships.

Choose whether you want to focus on meeting attendees from your state or from that best fit their interests and financial circumstances.

One size does not fit all.

Attendees will be able to choose from tracks and registration options that best fit their interests and financial circumstances. Registration rates will range from “conference only” to full attendance at dinners and receptions and even the opportunity to attend a number of special VIP events.

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Hotel & Registration	In-
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Hotel & Conference	
Hilton Riverside	\$179.
	per night
Registration:	
*Full Conference	\$259.
*VIP Conference	\$699.
(*Contact Virginia Langen—	
255-5827 before Oct. 15th	
and get reduced rate of \$159	
or \$499)	
VIP includes VIP-only events,	
receptions and VIP lounge	

***2010 dues of \$30.00 are due before December 1st.
Pay at the meeting or mail check to
HGRWC, P. O. Box 6382, Diamondhead, MS 39525***

Membership

Club membership is 71

Welcome New Members:

Mary Armstrong, Diamondhead (returning member)

Channon Lytton, Diamondhead

**We're on the
Web -gc-
republican-
women.org**

MFRW—Mississippi Federation of Republican Women

The MFRW Biennial convention will be held in Jackson in 2010.

Donna Russell, who so ably chaired the Hospitality Suite and the NFRW Convention) is the MFRW Convention Chairman. She has already tapped Virginia Langen and Deanna Harrison to serve on her committee.

Updates will be available from Nell Frisbie (MFRW 1st Vice President) or committee members as they are released. Please plan to attend as it is a great opportunity to interact with women from all parts of our state.