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RWOP Fundraiser!! Garage Sale
April 29,30, 2011
1360 Kirby Rd., Memphis
We need everyone's help!!!

**Republican Women of Purpose
General Meeting and Luncheon**

**Wednesday, May 4, 2011
11:00 a.m.
Ridgeway Country Club**

**Guest Speaker
Susan Danielik, wife of Col James Danielik
Presentation of
Col James Daneilik's *Bringing Peace to a Troubled Land***

**Please make reservation by April 28, 2011 to
Pat Melvin – 755-5699 or patriciamelvin@att.net
Reservations must be guaranteed. If you make a reservation and
do not attend, you will be billed \$25.00 for lunch. Thank you.**



This event will have a Cinco de Mayo theme, which of course means a Mexican Buffet. Also, if you do not wish to enjoy the buffet, you may request a chicken salad plate. This must be designated with your reservation. Look forward to seeing all of you there.

Col James Danielik served 30 years in the United States Air Force with 17 years spent in Special Operations and retired in 2000. He is the author of the book, *The Raven and the Hawk*. His home of record is in Allenby Westfair in Germantown, however, he recently accepted a position in Kandahar, Afghanistan where he is contracted to remain for one year. In December he returned from a year tour in Baghdad, Iraq working for Dyn-Corps International. He served on the Multi-National Transition Security Command-Iraq as the Strategic Planner for the Iraq Train and Advise Mission responsible for the training of 500,000 Iraqi police.

He was originally scheduled to give the presentation, but was called out with short notice on a Classified mission to Afghanistan.

His wife, Susan, has agreed to give the presentation on his behalf. *Susan Danielik* has a political science degree from George Washington University and has lived and worked in
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many parts of the world. From 1996-2005 she owned and operated a factory located in the Philippines manufacturing high-end boxes such as humidors, gun, wine and chocolate boxes. This endeavor kept her traveling in many parts of Asia and Europe throughout her 10 years overseas. Currently she is a Fine Arts Model for the Michelangelo project and a Head Concierge at FedEx Forum. She is also mother of three grown children and step mother to three more.

She is here today to give Col. Danielik's presentation: ***Bringing Peace to a Troubled Land.***

Bringing Peace to a Troubled Land, by Col. (Ret) James Danielik is a mixed media Power Point presentation utilizing photos, videos and narration. This presentation is a "ground truth" account of US efforts in Iraq over the past year from the point of view of a recently returned defense contractor, James Danielik. During his year in Baghdad, Col. Danielik coordinated the training of a half million Iraqi and Kurd federal police forces. His drafting of a Trilateral Agreement between the US, Iraq and Kurd defense teams, led to the joint efforts of all parties to form a 12,000 member Federal Police Force. The point of this Force along with the 500,000 Iraqi police is to stabilize the region, securing the borders and the people of Iraq in time for the US withdrawal of troops at the end of this year.



From the President, Carole Pruett

Here it is May, the month we honor mothers, grandmothers, and women who have made a difference in our lives. HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

A group of very enthusiastic RWOP members recently returned from Ladies Day on the Hill, it was such a pleasure to see so many of our members there. Thank you Gina Johnson for the wonderful reception you planned for the Shelby County Republican legislators. I know everyone had a great time, we still had folks mingling when it was time to "shut the door".

Time is quickly approaching to turn in our volunteer hours. Betty Kimbrough has the forms. Remember, you can count your hours to and from an event - Ladies Day on the Hill counts. Please turn in your hours at the May or June luncheon. We want RWOP to shine when we attend both the National and State Conventions of Federated Republican Women. Sandra Beibers is now the Caring for America Chairman. She will have a container for items to send our troops at all our luncheons. Appropriate items are gum, hard candy, phone cards, cross-word puzzles, search-a-word, playing cards, stationery, note cards, pencils, pens, really quite a variety, and many of these can be found at the Dollar Store. Please help Sandra fill a box.

I hope to see you all at the May luncheon, come and bring a friend who might be interested in joining RWOP.

From Bylaws Chairman, Mary Jane Anderson

Revised Bylaws were approved by the Board at the April 20 Board meeting and will be emailed to all members for their review before the May 4, 2011, General Meeting. If you do not have an email please contact Mary Jane Anderson at 901-753-7712 to receive a printed copy.

Call to Area 9 Convention

The Area 9 Convention will be held on **June 11, 2011 at 1:00pm** at the Cordova Branch Library, 8457 Trinity Rd, Memphis, TN 38018, 754-8443, "for the purpose of electing an Area Vice President and to take up any other business the Convention delegates deem appropriate."

According to the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women Bylaws, "A club shall be entitled to one delegate for every ten (10) memberships paid to the State Federation within thirty (30) days after the Call to the Area Convention." "Delegates and alternate delegates must have been members at least sixty (60) days before their election."

Our club needs to elect 16 Delegates and 16 Alternates to this convention at our May 4 Membership Meeting. If you would like to be a Delegate or Alternate, please contact me at 901-755-7500 or email me at plarkin177@aol.com as soon as possible.

At this Convention we will be electing the Area 9 Vice President who will represent us on the TNFRW Board of Directors for 2012-2013. Barbara Trautman is presently our Area 9 Vice President and has done an outstanding job in her leadership! Please say yes to either being a Delegate or Alternate and let's get her RE-ELECTED!!!! This is very important!!!!

From Peggy Larkin, Nominating Committee Chair

April 6, 2011, Ladies Day on the Hill by Sandy Drewry and Gina Johnson,

It is with great excitement that we tell you of our Ladies Day on the Hill Legislative Day! First our Ladies Day on the Hill event started at the Capital honoring our Republican Women Legislators. We were honored to have Governor Bill Haslam speak with us. After pictures were taken on the Capital steps, we adjourned to the historic Hermitage Hotel for a light lunch. After lunch, we boarded buses to the Governor's Mansion for dessert and coffee, where each one of us was greeted by First Lady Crissy Haslam.

On Tuesday night, April 5, we held a reception, catered by Crave Catering of Nashville, at the Cumberland Apartments for our "Super Seven" legislators, Senators Mark Norris and Brian Kelsey, Representatives Mark White, Curry Todd, Jim Coley, Ron Lollar and Steve McManus. Many attended, including Connie Cromwell, who was formerly with RWOP, but now lives in Nashville. It was a fun evening and a great kick off for our Ladies Day on the Hill activities on Wednesday!

Start making your plans to join us next year for Ladies Day on the Hill!!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS! Regular Members—

June Boswell, Diane Ondra, Fran Rodgers, Pat Stanley, Melina Selberg, Robin Selberg, Tina Selberg

This brings our TOTAL (Regular) Members to 138

A Very Special Thank You To

Chris Norris, Yearbook Chairman

For our wonderful 2011 DIRECTORY!

Address, e-mail or phone changes: Mary Kay Ball - Membership Chair mkdball@comcast.net

For RWOP Name Badges, Contact Betty Rome - 755-3726 bettyrome@bellsouth.net

Notice...Need a Notary? Peggy Larkin is a licensed and bonded Notary Public. Also, please send any information for the TRUNKLINE news to Peggy Larkin, plarkin177@aol.com or call 901-755-7500

Republican Women of Purpose
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Thinking of You... In Sympathy to *Ellie Fugett* for the loss of her uncle Roman who raised her, *Ruth Kizziar*, sister of Rieta Selberg for the loss of her dear husband Don, and to *Reita Selberg* for the loss of her brother-in-law. **Get Well** to *Wanda Barzizza* who has had hand surgery. **Congratulations** to *Shirley Henry* for receiving the SALLIE AWARD from the Salvation Army on April 18, 2011. RWOP is quite proud of your accomplishments.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 29-30		RWOP Garage Sale	Anne Truett's home
May 4	11:00 a.m.	RWOP Luncheon Mtg.	Ridgeway Country Club
May 18	10:00 a.m.	RWOP Board Mtg.	Ridgeway Country Club
May 20-21		TFRW Board Mtg.	Nashville, TN
June 1	11:00 a.m.	RWOP Luncheon Mtg.	Ridgeway Country Club
June 11	1:00 p.m.	Area 9 Convention	Cordova Branch Library
June 15	10:00 a.m.	RWOP Board Mtg.	Ridgeway Country Club
No July Meeting			

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James Kelsey