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Please join
Republican Women of Purpose

on March 1st for

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

An inspirational and memorable meeting
with guest speaker



Ephie Johnson

Director of Neighborhood Christian Center

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

10:30 am Social/11:00 am Meeting and Luncheon

Tournament Players Club at Southwind

3325 Club at Southwind

Memphis, Tennessee

Reservations are required - \$25 per person

Please make checks payable to Republican Women of Purpose

Reservation deadline is Friday, February 24th.

RSVP to **Stephanie Hube** at 901-854-6674 or email rwoplunch@gmail.com

Reservations must be guaranteed. If you do not attend, you will be billed \$25.

*To be removed or added to the standing reservations list, contact **Stephanie**.

Meet Ephie Johnson

Ephie is a motivational speaker who also served as host for seven years on WHBQ'S Faith Forum and is currently hosting TBN WBUY's Joy In Our Town.

This dynamic speaker serves on several boards and is also the choir director at Hope Presbyterian Church. She will begin her message by blessing us with America the Beautiful.

This day will be filled with fun, food, fellowship, faith, and inspiration.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

President's Message

by Kay Kelsey



I hope all of you had a happy Valentine's Day! We certainly celebrated in style at our February general meeting. Our speaker, Dr. Andrew Watson, provided a very informative presentation on maintaining a healthy heart for women and gave us information on how to interpret our lab reports, which have always been a challenge for me. Also, at the suggestion of the NFRW, we took a photograph in sunglasses to symbolize the sun shining on us with the election of a Republican president and House and Senate majorities. No Deplorables at our meeting---only adorable, fun-loving, hardworking, and enthusiastic Republican Women of Purpose in Valentine sunglasses! We topped the day off with Valentine's treats and a bevy of door prizes.

We were very pleased to add five new members to our roster, which makes a total of 13 new members since the new year. Remember our goal is 200 in 2017, so please be sure to renew your membership and invite others to join.

I would like to encourage all of you to please consider attending the Lincoln Day Republican fundraiser on Saturday, February 25, 2017. The profits are used to help us elect Republican candidates in a heavily populated Democratic county. Please send your checks to Sharon Ohsfeldt at 2464 Cedar Dale, Germantown, TN 38139. She is in charge of reservations and can seat us together.

Ignoring the groundhog's February 2 prediction of a longer winter, I am predicting that spring is just around the corner. What a perfect time to clean your closets, attics, and storerooms. Our Rummage Sale is fast approaching, and we can certainly use your "gently" worn or used items. You can save them for the week of April 17, or they can be delivered to our Collierville storage unit.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our March meeting. Ephie Johnson is our speaker and the director of the Neighborhood Christian Center. She is also the choir director of Hope Presbyterian Church. I cannot wait for you to hear her story and her song, "America the Beautiful!" Social time begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by the program at 11 a.m.



Precinct Caucuses

*Thursday, March 2, 2017 Houston High School
Doors Lock at 6:00 pm*

Election of Precinct Chairman and delegates to County Convention



Republican Party of Shelby County Convention

*Sunday, March 19, 2017 Houston High School
Check in before 2 pm*

Election of Party Chairman and County Officers




RWOP Name Tags

Available for \$9.50
Contact Betty Rome at 833-9190 or
Email bettyrome@bellsouth.net.

Lincoln Day Gala

Have you bought your Lincoln Day tickets? They are \$165 for VIP and \$85 for Dinner tickets. VIP tickets include the Honorable Alberto Gonzales book which he will sign during the reception. The date is Sat. Feb 25. You may purchase tickets online at shelbygop.org or through Sharon Ohsfeldt at 2464 Cedar Dale, Germantown, TN 38139.

Last year RWOP had five tables. Don't let your  be EMPTY!

Silent auction items are desperately needed, and gift certificates are popular bid items. If you frequent a restaurant, gift shop, or apparel store, please consider asking for a gift certificate. Restaurant gift certificates are especially favored and encouraged. I hope you will contribute to making this year's Lincoln Day Dinner a success!

Lincoln Day Silent Auction



**Make a basket, donate a gift card,
your donation is needed!**

**Contact Amber Mills, amber@shelbygop.org
or Sharon Ohsfeldt**



RUMMAGE SALE

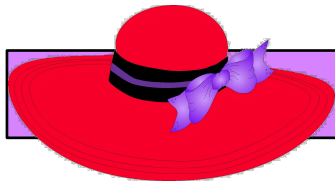
by Lyna Medlock, Finance Chair

Our storage site has been cleaned out and reorganized. It's only about half full, so we really need more stuff!!! We are asking that you take a critical tour of your home and if: you have read all your books twice, haven't used an item in quite some time, haven't worn an item of clothing in a year, have redecorated and are saving furniture and décor for your children who probably won't ever want it, we have a spot for it all at the RWOP rummage sale.

We really need more furniture, so if you know of someone that may be moving, downsizing, or settling an estate, let us know and we can make arrangements to pick it up if needed.

If possible, bring all clothing on hangers and packed in boxes. We have limited hanging clothes space in storage. Pack breakables in boxes so they will make it to the sale in one piece.

We will be available after the luncheon to take your items if you wish to bring them this month. If you have any questions about donations, volunteering, etc., please call Lyna Medlock 268-6726 or Terri Boatwright 487-4639. Thanks for your support.



Ladies Day on the Hill

by Julie Ethridge

**Reminder--SAVE THE DATE
April 3, 2017**

For reservations, please call the DoubleTree Hotel in Nashville at 615-244-8200. Make sure to let them know you are part of the TFRW group.

Membership

by Gayle Bennett, Second Vice-President

Welcome New Members

We are pleased to welcome our new members and would like to recognize and thank each of you for joining us. Angela Thompson, Gina Cunningham, Dorrie Simms, Annette Krc, Stacey Watson.

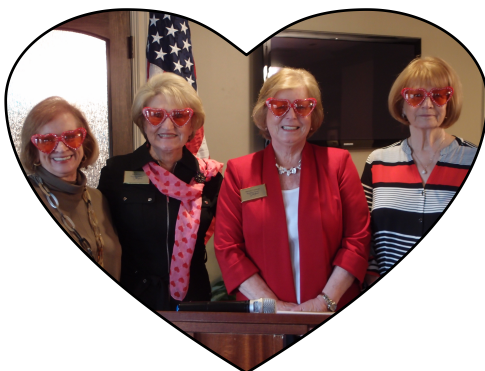
2017 Membership Drive

Thank you to our renewing members. Your continued commitment will allow us to press on with our mission to increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government. We are striving for a membership goal of 200 regular members for 2017, and we are halfway there!! ***Deadline for 2017 RWOP Members Directory is March 31st. If you have not renewed by March 31st, you will be dropped as an active member and will not appear in the 2017 directory.***

Not sure if you have renewed Your Membership?

Just send an email to rwop@republicanwomenofpurpose.com with your name and address. We will let you know if you are current or need to renew for this year.

February Lunch



We had over 70 members at our February luncheon who participated in the National Federation of Republican Women's, Spirit Project. Our members joined in by wearing heart sunglasses because "The future is so bright, we gotta wear shades."



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First-Class Mail

Membership

Join Republican Women of Purpose
\$35-Regular member and *\$25-Associate member

*Associate Membership is available to men or women who are regular members of another NFRW club.

Please send dues to Gayle Bennett at 4562 Whisperwood Dr.,
 Collierville, TN 38017.

Download a Membership application at
www.rwop.org/membership

Would you like to sponsor our
 newsletter one month?

\$100

Contact Kay Kelsey at
901.683.3695

NOTICE

As a service to its members, **The Republican Voice** will gladly print notices of candidates' fundraising events for members of RWOP

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 1	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	March Meeting/Luncheon	TPC Southwind
March 15	10:30 a.m.	March Board Meeting	TPC Southwind
April 3		Ladies Day on the Hill	Nashville, TN
April 5	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	April Meeting/Luncheon	TPC Southwind
April 19	10:30 a.m.	April Board Meeting	TPC Southwind

Every year on March 17, the Irish and the Irish-at-heart across the world observe and celebrate St. Patrick's Day. What began as a religious feast day for the patron saint of Ireland has become an international celebration of Irish culture with parades, parties, dancing, music, and green beer!

Happy St. Patrick's Day and may you find your luck and good fortune.

