

September 2019

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Please join

The Republican Women of Purpose

for our September Meeting

We Welcome our special guest speaker

Dr. Mary McDonald

Entrepreneur and former Superintendent of Schools

for the Diocese of Memphis

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

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, August 30th.

*RSVP to rwoplunch@gmail.com or Mindy Fischer
901-277-3949 or mindy@mindyfischer.com*

October Officer Elections

The Nominating Committee has met and now presents its recommended nominees for our 2020

Officers. The membership will vote on the following slate of officers at our October meeting.

President	Mindy Fischer
President Elect	Linda Robertson
1st VP/Programs	Kathy White, Pat Scroggs, Rieta Selberg, and Barbara Trautman
2nd VP/Membership	Mary Anne Gibson
3rd VP/Fundraising	Gayle Bennett
Treasurer	Betsy Landers
Asst. Treasurer	Linda Fisher
Recording Secretary	Peggy Haguewood
Corresponding Secretary	Lisa Haguewood



President's Message

by Sharon Ohsfeldt



Are you an organ donor? A big Thank You to Mindy Fischer for sharing her son Will's heart-warming story at our August luncheon! Randa Lipman, Mid-South Transplant Foundation Community Outreach Manager, spoke to us about organ and tissue donations and the services provided for donors and recipients. We were challenged to save lives by becoming donors. You can register to be a donor by checking a box when you renew your Driver's License or at the Mid-South Transplant Foundation website <https://midsouthtransplant.org/register/>. Hopefully, none of us will need a transplant, but we can help someone else.

Dr. Mary McDonald, former Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Memphis, will be speaking at our September luncheon meeting. You don't want to miss this meeting! Dr. McDonald is one of the foremost educators in the Memphis area.

Hopefully you were able to attend the Republican Party of Shelby County Lincoln Day dinner Aug 23 and hear Governor Bill Lee speak. RWOP members filled five tables.

The Tennessee Federation of Republican Women biennial convention is October 18 and 19 in Johnson City. If you can attend please let me know; you are needed as a delegate.

Be sure to read the Membership article; we have great news!

We are in short supply of volunteers to help at the Germantown Festival with voter registration. Three-hour shifts are available on Saturday, Sept. 7th, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m., 12 p.m.-3 p.m. and 3 p.m.-6 p.m. Shifts are open on Sunday, Sept. 8th, from 12 p.m.-3 p.m. and 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Please contact Cynthia Crosby via email cynter927@aol.com

Home 901-755-9327

32nd Biennial TFRW Convention

You are Needed!

Can You? Will You? Attend?

Friday and Saturday October 18 and 19

Carnegie Hotel Johnson City, TN

Registration \$125

Rooms available at overflow hotel, The Courtyard by Marriott at 4025 Hamilton Place, for \$99.00 plus tax and no parking fees. **We are allocated 21 delegates and only have 12. Registration with fee required by Sep 13. If you can attend, please contact** Sharon Ohsfeldt, spbridge1232@gmail.com or 901-590-7946 or Mindy Fischer, mindy@mindyfischer.com or 901-277-3949.

The 2019 Nominating Committee for the Tennessee Federation of Republican Women has submitted the following nominees for the 2020–2022 official slate of officers for election at the 32nd Biennial Convention to be held October 18-19, 2019 in Johnson City, TN:

President:	Barbara Trautman
1 st Vice President	Alice Marie Tillman
2 nd Vice President	Judy Cooley
Recording Secretary	Sharon Boreing
Corresponding Secretary	Sharon Ohsfeldt
Treasurer	Bonnie Siler

About Our September Speaker and Literacy Month



Dr. Mary C. McDonald is the Founder and President of MCD Partners, a national consulting firm that provides a broad range of services for education and small business consulting, executive searches, strategic planning, and leadership mentoring. She has been a professional educator for forty years as a teacher, principal, and most recently, as Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Memphis for fourteen years.

Each year, the National Federation of Republican Women designates September as Literacy Month. Germantown Elementary and Binghampton Christian Academy have been chosen as this year's recipients of our dictionaries. State Representative Mark White (District 83) will present each school a U.S. flag and a Tennessee State flag which have flown over the State Capitol, as well as Tennessee Blue books for the schools' libraries.

The Speakers and Attendees at the August 2019 Meeting

(Immediate right) Featured speakers during the August meeting Randa Lipman, Manager of Community Outreach for Mid-South Transplant Foundation, and Mindy Fischer, RWOP Treasurer and President Elect, pose with RWOP President Sharon Ohsfeldt.



(Far right) Welcoming a prospective new member to the August meeting.



*Join or Renew RWOP
Membership
Online*

MEMBERSHIP

By Dot Wieters
Membership Chairman

We have met and exceeded our membership goal! Currently, we have 216 regular members and 39 associate members. Obtaining our goal is particularly significant in an off-election year. Once again, the Republican Women of Purpose is the largest Republican women's group in Tennessee which enables us to have a strong voice in both our regional and state conventions.

THANK YOU to the many members who reached out to their friends and relatives.

We recognize that it is more important than ever for the Republican Party to have a competitive advantage in today's world. Membership in party associations accomplishes this by uniting and informing members to work toward a common goal of electing Republicans to local, state and national offices.

RWOP ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

by Kelly Ellington, Third Vice-President

We are grateful for the donations that continue to come in to our two storage units! Seems that just when you think you have nothing else to let go of, something is found that can be parted with or someone you know finds the same and remembers us and the many causes we can support through our Rummage Sale.

That being said, I would like to remind you, dear members, that we are about to enter a change of season. As you adjust your wardrobe and update decor, replace old garden tools and perhaps complete summer/fall decluttering, please remember that we accept donations throughout the year. We are available to pick up your generous contributions or you may take them to storage yourself. Remember that Beth Webb has keys and directions at her house.

Feel free to contact me for questions or assistance.

Kelly Ellington
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Caring for America

Fall First Responders Luncheon

RWOP members are excited and looking forward to following up the highly successful First Responders Luncheon held in Germantown in the Spring with a luncheon in Collierville. On Tuesday, October 15, our club will host a luncheon for Collierville fire fighters, police officers, emergency personnel and their staffs. The event will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the home of Beth Webb, 277 College Street. RWOP members are needed to prepare the food (recipes will be provided), greet, serve and clean up on the day of the luncheon. Each guest will receive a "goodie" bag when they leave. To volunteer, contact Linda Miller at miller_lk@bellsouth.net or 901-482-0070.



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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 Mary Anne Gibson, 8688 Pepper Bush Lane,
 Germantown, TN 38139

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

**Would you like to sponsor our
 newsletter one month?
 \$100
 Contact Sharon Ohsfeldt at
 901-590-7946**

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			
Sept. 4	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	RWOP Luncheon	TPC Southwind
Sept. 5	7 p.m. RPSC	Executive Meeting	GPAC Great Hall
Sept. 7-8	Three hour shifts	Voter Registration	Germantown Festival
Sept. 18	10:00 a.m.	RWOP Board Meeting	TPC Southwind
Oct. 2	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	RWOP Luncheon	TP Southwind
Oct. 15	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Collierville First Responders Luncheon	277 College Street
Oct. 18-19		TFRW Convention	Johnson City, TN

RWOP Name Tags

Need to order a name tag or replace an old tag?
 Contact Betty Rome at phone number 833-9190 or email
bettyrome@bellsouth.net. The cost is \$10.