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Please send dues to Dorothy Wieters, 7820 Walking Horse Circle, #345 Germantown, TN 38138.

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#### 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			
January 24		District 32 Republican Primary	
February 1	Noon	TFRW Winter Luncheon	Brentwood C.C.
February 6	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	February Meeting/Luncheon	TPC Southwind
February10	2 p.m.	Precinct Caucuses	Arlington H.S.
February 20	10:00 a.m.	February Board Meeting	TPC Southwind
February 24	2 p.m.	Republican Convention	Arlington H.S.
March 12		District 32 General Election	
April 1	9:00 a.m.	LDOH	Nashville



# HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

.... Sharon Ohsfeldt



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## Please join

Republican Women of Purpose for our February meeting We welcome our guest speaker, former Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell \* who will present information on The Opioid Crisis



Wednesday, February 6, 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, February 1st.

RSVP to Betsy Landers at 901-604-9520 or email <a href="mailto:rwoplunch@gmail.com">rwoplunch@gmail.com</a>. 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 Betsy.

\*Mayor, Shelby County, 2010-2016 Shelby County Sheriff, 2002-2010 Member of the Memphis-Shelby Crime Commission

**Important Note to Membership**: Your volunteer hours in support of Republican candidates are important not only to the candidates but to RWOP. Please tally those highly appreciated hours and email them to Julie Ethridge at <u>ivethridge507@yahoo.com</u> or bring them to the February meeting.



## President's Message

by Sharon Ohsfeldt





If you attended our January 2 RWOP luncheon, then you know POLITICS is a TEAM sport and all about MATH! Representatives Mark White, Kevin Vaughan, and Tom Leatherwood explained the math of election turnout and that no one passes a bill by themselves. We learned the tremendous progress our state has made in education as well as future legislative plans. We are extremely grateful these men made the time to come speak to us and are very proud they are from Shelby County. A special thank you to Barbara Capozella, Peggy Larkin, Lyna Medlock, and Rieta Selberg for being Legislator Hostesses. Thanks also to InteriorScapes of Memphis for providing the flowers for our tables

Our February 6 Luncheon program will be about the scourge of Opioid addiction. Mayor Mark Luttrell will be speaking. If you haven't been impacted in some way, you are likely to be. Don't Miss it! Make your reservation today! In addition to supporting the West TN Veterans Home and Alpha Omega, RWOP will be supporting our First Responders with a Cop Stop Luncheon March 26. Save this date and be ready to volunteer.

Last year we stretched and had 210 members. This year we have a goal of 220 and will need to STR.E..T... C....H again. Renewals are due now. We need everyone to renew and bring a friend. TOGETHER the RWOP team can do it!

What's in YOUR closet or garage that you don't need or use? Our Rummage Sale is April 25-27. Please DONATE and then DONATE again!





## **Caring for America**

The members of RWOP have been faithful and generous supporters of Caring for America. Our Club has supported the West Tennessee Veterans Home, Alpha Omega and The Salvation Army Senior Angels. In 2019, our club members will honor First Responders by hosting a COP STOP in addition to continuing to support the worthy projects we have supported in the past.

To show our appreciation for the law enforcement officers and firemen who serve Germantown, our club will host a Cop Stop luncheon on Tuesday, March 26. A second Cop Stop is being planned for Collierville First Responders. Officers, firemen and their staff members may drop in, enjoy a home cooked meal and visit with our members. If their schedule does not allow them time to visit, they can take a meal with them back to their post. Each attendee will be given a treat to take with them when they leave. This is a project that the national Caring for America program encourages.

Club volunteers for COP STOP are needed to prepare dishes on the pre-determined menu, serve as greeters and helpers on the day of the event and prepare "goodie" bags. To volunteer, contact Linda Miller at miller lk@bellsouth.net or 901-482-0070.

#### Membership

by Dot Wieters, Membership Chair

It is the beginning of a new year for Republican Women of Purpose, and this means it is time to renew your membership. If you have not already paid your dues for 2019, please bring a check to the February meeting or mail it to Dot Wieters, 8720 Walking Horse Circle #345, Germantown, 38138. Regular dues are \$35.00. Associate dues (for men and women who are members of another federated club) are \$25.00. My hope is to get all our current members paid on or before the March meeting so that we can work harder on bringing new members into our club. A commitment to a Republican organization makes that voter more likely to vote and to encourage other voters to vote. In Shelby County, we must make our voice heard. Increasing our membership is one way YOU can help.

Please welcome our new members this year: Lizzy Cook, Jessica Darby, Amanda Joy, Debbie Meyers, Leslie Parker, Krystal Shaw, Hilary Tutor, and Mary Beth Ueleke.



# Ladies Day on the Hill

by Kay Kelsey

Ladies Day on the Hill has been scheduled for Monday, April 1. Hotel rooms have been reserved at special rates at the Doubletree downtown Nashville for Sunday, March 31 and Monday, April 1. The deadline for the special rates is March 1. You will need to make your own reservations. Registration will begin Monday at 9 AM on the second floor of the Capitol building. The program starts at 10 AM in the House Chamber followed by pictures on the historic steps of the Capitol at 11 AM. Lunch will begin at 11:45 at the Doubletree Hotel. The cost is \$40 and checks should be made payable to Republican Women of Purpose. A reception has been planned for Monday evening at the Cumberland at 7 PM for RWOP members, Shelby County legislators, and other designated Republicans working on the Hill. The Cumberland is within walking distance of the Capitol and the hotel.

Contact Kay Kelsey by email at kaykkelsey@gmail.com or phone at 901-683-3695 for more information and reservations.

#### RWOP ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE APRIL 25-27, 2019

by Kelly Ellington, Third Vice-President

Hopefully everyone remembered our Rummage Sale coming in April and boxed up some of your holiday decor and that 'Ugly Christmas Sweater' you no longer treasure but someone else might! Do keep in mind that we accept a variety of clothing and accessories for men, women and children. I ask that clothing domations be on hangers and boxed up as our hanging space in storage is full. We also need kitchen items, linens, bedding, toys, outdoor and indoor tools, electronics and FURNITURE. FYI, we are NOT accepting books this year. Your generous donation will be much appreciated for our biggest fundraiser of the year!

Please remember to box rather than bag your items. Boxes are easier to store and save room. Don't forget to wrap breakable items and place them in boxes too. That being said, feel free to contact me if you need some boxes and I will happily get them to you.

The storage unit is located off Highway 72, 698 Commerce Pkwy in Collierville. I am happy to come pick up your items and have a few volunteers who are also ready to help in that capacity. If you prefer to take your items to storage, you may pick up a key from Beth Webb. The unit number and code is attached to the key.

As of this writing, we do not have a location for the Rummage Sale, but we still hope to be in Collierville. Set-up will begin April 19th and 20th, before Easter, and on Monday the 22nd. Besides the sale, we need help with clean-up on Sunday the 28th. To pick your best time to volunteer, please look for the Rummage Sale sign-up sheets at the February 6th luncheon. If you have any questions, contact me at (317) 698-9679 or by email at kbsellington@gmail.com.

# **RWOP Name Tags**

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

#### Nomination:

The Nominating Committee has recommended Mary Anne Gibson for 2nd VP Membership. The nomination was approved by the RWOP Board and will be voted on at the Wednesday, February 6th General Meeting.