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# Please join

# The RepublicanWomen of Purpose

for our October Meeting

We welcome our special guest speaker

# Dolgor Tasagaan\*

Wednesday, October 2, 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, September 27. RSVP to rwoplunch@gmail.com or to Betsy Landers at 901-604-9520.

or email woplunch@gmail.com.

Reservations must be guaranteed. If you do not attend you will be billed. To be removed or added to the standing reservation list, contact Betsy.



Dolgor Tasagaan and family with Eric Trump at St.

# \*About Our Speaker:

When her son was diagnosed with a brain tumor as a baby, native Mongolian and mother of two Dolgor Tasagaan traveled with her family to Memphis to get him treated at St. Jude. A Christian and one of the translators of the bible from English to Mongolian, Dolgor will share the trials her family has faced with cancer, faith and the struggle to stay in Memphis so her son can continue treatment at St. Jude.



## President's Message

by Sharon Ohsfeldt





Our engaging September speaker, Dr. Mary McDonald, former Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Memphis, said there are many aspects that go into literacy including reading that is based on social, emotional, economic, cultural, and historical components. Literacy is comprehension to make people better. It all starts with reading. We listened with rapt attention and were challenged by the adverse circumstances many inner-city children face daily and how this impacts their learning and testing results. Thirty-seven percent of students in the inner city are reading at the third grade level. We were encouraged to volunteer at a school.

Binghamton Christian Academy and Germantown Elementary School were presented with dictionaries for each fourth grader. Representative Mark White presented the schools with blue books and Tennessee flags which had flown over the capitol.

The Republican Party of Shelby County Lincoln Day Gala was a great event with approximately 600 attending. Congratulations to the following RWOP members who received awards: Connie McCarter – Peggy Hemperly Grassroots Volunteer, Republicanism – Jim and Julie Ethridge, and RWOP Club Member of the Year – Lyna Medlock.

Please plan to attend our October luncheon meeting; we will elect officers for 2020. Please clear your calendar, we need you to be present.



(above) In the center, TFRW President Barbara Trautman poses with representatives from Binghampton Christian Academy and Germantown Elementary. (right) October speaker Dr. Mary McDonald





RWOP President Sharon Ohsfeldt (fourth from left) enjoys the Lincoln Day Dinner with other RWOP officers and friends

#### **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
3rd VP/Fundraising
Treasurer
Asst. Treasurer
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary

Mary Anne Gibson
Gayle Bennett
Betsy Landers
Linda Fisher
Peggy Haguewood
Lisa Haguewood

#### **New Member Brunch**

Each year, it is the privilege of the RWOP Board of Directors to welcome new members to Republican Women of Purpose. This lovely and always delicious event will be held at the home of GaNelle Ballard, 3178 Kenny Drive in Germantown on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. The brunch will begin at 10:30 a.m. and we hope to see all our new members there.

## **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.

### 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.



# RWOP Member Honored Award of Excellence

Kristina Garner, RWOP member and our IT Liaison, was honored at a special presentation at the Germantown Great Hall on Monday,

September 16 for her establishment of and her relief efforts with Germantown Helps.

Germantown Helps is an all-volunteer organization of Germantown citizens, businesses and community leaders to alleviate the disaster caused by the June 7<sup>th</sup> flood.

Senator Brian Kelsey proposed the resolution to the Tennessee State Senate honoring Kristina.

# Germantown Festival: A Resounding Success!

By Cynthia Crosby, Voter Registration Chair

Hillary Clinton was right about only one thing...sometimes "it takes a village"! I am so appreciative to all who took the time out of your busy schedules to help with the Germantown Festival Voter Registration booth. We processed 35 people; either new voters or address/name change forms, and gave out many blank forms. We signed up 11 new members to the Republican Party of Shelby County, and we made a great impression! It was wonderful to have Victoria and Audrey there from Rhodes College; they had a lovely display at the booth and were able to raise some money in donations for their organization. It was wonderful to see so many Republican groups working together to make this a huge success!

Geoff Diaz had a brilliant idea that we implemented on Day 2, and it was a big success because it brought people to our booth who normally may not have stopped. It was a Pet Water Station with dog treats and they (dogs and their owners) were very appreciative.

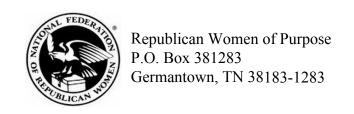
Also, many thanks to Lee Mills for loaning us President Trump. This life size cardboard cutout was a popular addition for photo ops!

Many thanks again for all your hard work! I had volunteers working from set up on Friday (thank you Cheryl Parker and Terry Crosby) till take down on Sunday night (thank you Naser, Patti Possel, Terry Crosby, etc.).









First-Class Mail



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 <a href="https://www.rwop.org/membership">www.rwop.org/membership</a>

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			
Oct. 2	10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting	RWOP Luncheon	TPC Southwind
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	7 p.m. RPSC	Executive Meeting	
Oct. 15	11:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Collierville First Responders Luncheon	
			277 College Street
Oct. 16	10:00 a.m.	RWOP Board Meeting	TPC Southwind
Oct. 18-19		TFRW Convention	Johnson City,TN
Oct. 28	10:30 a.m.	RWOP New Member Brunch	3178 Kenny Dr.

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 32<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention to be held October 18-19, 2019 in Johnson City, TN: