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Welcome Our VERY Special Guests:



Dr. Penny Schwinn **Tennessee Education Commissioner** 



**Tennessee State Representative** Mark White

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, Setember 2, 2020

10:30 a.m.-Social 11:00 a.m. Meeting and Luncheon

Tournament Players Club at Southwind

Reservations are required: \$25/person

Please make checks payable to: Republican Women of Purpose Reservation DEADLINE is Friday, August 28th

RSVP to Linda Fisher at 901-335-5152 or

email: rwoplunch@gmail.com

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

#### Please Note:

Social Distancing and COVID Restrictions will be in effect according to CDC policies and those of Tournament Players Club at Southwind. Please wear a mask into the building and when exiting. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available.

Under current COVID restrictions we are limited to 50 attendees! THERE ARE NO STANDING RESERVATIONS FOR THIS MEETING!



## President's Message

by Mindy Fischer





It was wonderful to see so many of you in person last month!!! We had wonderful speakers to welcome us back. US Congressman Kustoff updated us on the importance of this election. Tennessee First Lady Maria Lee shared information about her TNServes project. We were thrilled to be able to send Mrs. Lee to her next stop, Agape Children and Family Services, with a box full of new books.

This month we are excited to welcome Dr. Penny Schwinn, Tennessee Education Commissioner and Tennessee State Representative Mark White as our speakers. We will also be presenting two schools with dictionaries.



Finally, the November election will be here before we know it. There is a place for every member to plug in and support our candidates! Remember that our club is staffing the Republican Headquarters on Tuesday until the election. Let me know if you would like to join the fun. Be sure to keep track of your campaign volunteer hours to turn in to Julie Ethridge.

Stay healthy and help get out the vote! Mindy

## 2021 RWOP Officer Slate

**President Elect** – Will be filled later

1st VP Programs – Susie Field Committee - Pat Lamar, Pam Proctor, and Barbara Trautman

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Membership – Mindy Fischer

3<sup>rd</sup> VP Fund Raising – Lyna Medlock

**Treasurer** – Betsy Landers

**Assistant Treasurer** – Linda Fisher



## Membership

When you join Republican Women of Purpose, you gain an array of programs and benefits.

- Support grassroots efforts in electing Republicans.
- Stay informed on legislative and election news and other key issues through our email and social networks, digital publications, and member web site.
- Engage with dynamic elected officials, party representatives, political experts, and leaders.
- Participate in community service programs that promote Americanism, Armed Services, literacy, volunteerism and more.
- Make your voice heard on issues important to women and support Republican principles and initiatives.

Membership is \$45; Associate Membership is \$30. Please send a check to Mary Anne Gibson, 8688 Pepperbush Lane, Germantown, 38139, or pay online at www.RWOP.org.

## Caring for America

Kelly Ellington

Thank you to the many volunteers who offered to write cards to a deployed military unit in celebration of Veterans Day in November. I gave out 190 cards at our August luncheon! The generosity and graciousness of our members cannot be underestimated!

Our final project this year will be to help with the Salvation Army Angel Tree at Christmas time. More info to come soon with details of what will be needed and how we can bring joy to some special individuals.

To reiterate, considering circumstances affecting everyone due to the pandemic, our card writing endeavor has been a wonderful way for our club to care for America in 2020. Unfortunately due to social distancing and other mandated precautions, as many of you know, our other projects were cancelled. However, our hope is that we can again do more in 2021 in 'Caring for America.'

## Renew Your RWOP Membership Now

Membership is \$45. Associate Membership \$30

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.



by Gayle Bennett V.P., Fundraísíng

The garage sale committee met on July 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss the feasibility of the upcoming garage sale. A review of what would be required by the City of Collierville and the Health Department was reviewed and the following information was critical in our thought process:

• It was clearly stated in the Health Department that, festivals, fairs, parades, large scale sporting

- events, and large-scale community events are not permitted.
- If we were able to get clearance to hold the sale, the safety measures required to hold the sale would be enormous and we feel we would not be able to effectively provide the kind of environment required to protect both our customers and our workers as well.
- The vendors to pick-up remaining goods will not commit at this time.

Due to these constraints, along with many others, we voted unanimously to cancel the sale for this year. This was a difficult decision to make, but we feel this was the only feasible one at this time. We look forward to holding this sale in the spring of 2021 and will plan accordingly. At this time our storage units are full and we ask that everyone keep any further donations, if possible, in your attic, garage, wherever you may have some room. To this end, the key on Beth Webb's back porch has been removed.

I thank each and every one of you for your time and effort for this year's sale. We must redouble our efforts and all pitch in to make next year's sale one of our best ever. Thank you for your service!

## Together Again! Wednesday, August 5th, 2020 Meeting



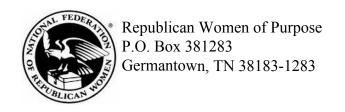
(Above) Tennessee First Lady Maria Lee; RWOP President Mindy Fischer and Rieta Selberg hold the gift basket in honor of First Lady Maria Lee. The basket of books was donated to Agape Children and Family Services.







(Center) US. CongressIman David Kustoff with Mindy Fischer. (Above) Tennessee First Lady Maria Lee at the podium. (Left) Beth Ueleke making sure everyone follows the safety guidelines.



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Memberships

Join Republican Women of Purpose \$45-Regular member and \*\$30-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

Nov. 18

10:00 a.m.

Would you like to sponsor our newsletter one month?
\$100

Contact Mindy Fischer at 901-277-3949

TPC Clubhouse

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC Sept. 2 10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting **RWOP Luncheon** TPC Clubhouse Sept. 16 10:00 a.m. **Board Meeting** TPC Clubhouse Oct. 7 10:30 a.m.Social/11:00 Meeting **RWOP Luncheon** TPC Clubhouse Oct. 14-29 Early voting in Tennessee Oct. 21 10 a.m. TPC Clubhouse **Board Meeting** Nov.3 Election Nov. 4 10:30 a.m. Social/11:00 Meeting **RWOP Luncheon** TPC Clubhouse



**Board Meeting**