

SUNRISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN NEWSLETTER

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President Linda Shannon

Words from Linda: "Sunrise Republican Women has grown to over 80 members! We have experienced an influx of enthusiastic new members who are recruiting others to join. We have gone to TEA party rallies and found many people who want to help turn our country around and get rid of the present administration in Washington DC. We are always looking for ways we can broaden our influence in the community, reach people of all ages and backgrounds, and invite them to join in helping us return our state and country to those who believe in the Constitution and in our Republican philosophy of governing and living. We support liberty, a strong national defense, national sovereignty, lower taxes and regulations, and individual responsibility.

At our regular meeting, Saturday, June 18th, Tom Doyle discussed the Middle East. Having just returned from a trip, he gave us a most interesting up-to-date perspective. He brought with him a mystery guest, an Afghan woman dressed in a burka, who described her difficult life married to an older man with four wives. Her narrative was captivating as she described her complete lack of freedom.

SRW participated in the Monument Fourth of July Parade with a float that won two first-place ribbons: "Most Visual Appeal" and "Most Original Depiction of the Theme," (Liberty and Justice for All). Characters riding the float portrayed women's rights suffragettes, civil rights activists, and Lady Justice holding the Scales of Justice and a sword. A doggie riding in the truck pulling the float wore a sign that read: "Liberty and Justice for Dogs!"

Our July 16th Picnic, "United We Win," was co-hosted by Pikes Peak Young Professional Republicans. We enjoyed good food, skits, door prizes, and a talk by new El Paso County Republican Party Chief Operating Officer Bill Roy.

No regular meeting is scheduled in August, but the Board and interested members met for lunch and a goal-setting "retreat" at the Club at Flying Horse on August 16th. Lots of great ideas were discussed such as spotlighting a current member's business at our meetings for recognition of exemplary ethics and conservative values. Another idea was to have voter registration drives at various locations, like retirement communities. Many who attended expressed interest in helping at our county headquarters on an as-needed basis. Lots of us would like to get up to speed on how to "Twitter". We are working on a Fort Carson community outreach project and...can anyone think of a catchy phrase to describe SRW and what we stand for? Thank you, thank you to all of you who do so much!"

Linda

NEW MEMBERS

We warmly welcome our newest members: Julie Edmunds, Arlene Pinna, Jean Everett, Elaine Marcotte, Laura Cox, and returning member, Marjory Inman!

CALENDAR

Saturday, September 17th 9-11:00 a.m. – Joe Baghdadjian from ACT for America will speak on Radical Islam. Since it is also Constitution Day, we will have a short talk on the Constitution.

October 7-9 – CFRW Convention (Colorado Federation of Republican Women) in Grand Junction. We have openings for alternates to attend. Please let Linda Shannon know if you would like to go! And, if you would like to place an ad for your business in the CFRW program, it is very reasonable.

Saturday, October 15th – Representative Amy Stephens, Majority Leader of the State House will present a legislative update on the new session.

Saturday, November 19th – Tentatively, Mayor Steve Bach or State Republican Party Chairman Ryan Call will speak.

Saturday, December 10th – Annual Christmas Sharing Party at Wendy Habert's home from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. We always have fun with a potluck, skits, and a white elephant gift exchange.

WHAT ELSE DO SRW MEMBERS DO?

They are volunteering and working all over the GOP. We have regular and associate members serving as elected officials on city council, as county commissioners, State Representatives and Senators, as U.S. Congressman and as District Attorney. Members volunteer at GOP Headquarters, serve on the Precinct Leader Contact Team, meet with Congressional office staff, talk on the radio, conduct a Constitutional Champions Day Camp for children in grades 1-5, send care packages to soldiers, support Life Network, attend TEA Parties and Patriot Group meetings like 912 Groups and The Black Tea Party Group, teach NRA firearms courses. WOW! And there is so much more. Thank you!

KEEP IN TOUCH

Sunrise Republican Women Elected Officers

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To receive a current SRW membership list via email you may contact Holly Williams at hollyjwilliams@comcast.net

Monthly meeting refreshments: Please call or sign up to help our new coordinators, Anjou Joshi, 330-3102 and Elaine Marcotte, 433-0293. You can bring the coffee, juice, an egg casserole, pastries, muffins, or fruit.

Monthly board meetings are open to all members. The next meeting will be held on September 6th at 1 p.m. at Republican Headquarters.

SRWWebsite: www.coloradosrw.com Webmaster: Kay Rendleman

Monument Fourth of July SRW Float

