

Tusk Talk

To all the Fabulous Women of CFRW!



Perry Buck
CFRW President

In all my travels I am very proud and humble to be able to speak on behalf of the Colorado Federation of Republican Women. The talent and strength of women in this organization is incredible and I truly mean it. We had a very successful spring board conference with so many leaders taking the podium and sharing their role and providing tools for the federation. Everyone including me was taking notes and getting contact information. Thank you to the terrific standing committee chairs! Julia Lindahl and her host club went over the top in making everyone feel welcome and we all are very grateful. With the help of the wonderful silent auction during dinner and conference attendance we financially came out ahead. Joan Griep did a terrific job of hosting the centennial club and we were fortunate to add 12 new members – thank you Joan! CFRW is only as good as the participation and attendance.

The State GOP Centennial dinner went very well. Ryan Call, State GOP Chairman supported our efforts towards a successful silent auction where we made over \$2,400!! I am so grateful for all the women who contributed items as well as to Julia Lindahl, Amy Mitchell and Karla Dimond, Pat Nohavec and Marsha Haeflein who were instrumental in making the silent auction a success. There is a beautiful story about the famous traveling quilt, look for it in the Tusk Talk!

CFRW can be proud of their efforts in supporting Representative Libby Szabo's photo ID HB 1111!! Thank you for sending your signed photo ID resolutions to me. We were able to present Libby and Representative Ken Summers with a stack of resolutions and a big red bow in front of the Capitol

steps – what a day!!! The Day at the Capitol luncheon went very well with attendance of over 172! Thank you to Sharon Sollenbarger

our mistress of ceremonies. Thank you also goes to Julie Steinhauer and Andi Allott who presented a beautiful etched glass cowboy hat to Senator Nancy Spence for her service to the state of Colorado. Senator Hank Brown did a wonderful job as always. Thank you also to the Cherry Creek Republican women who helped with registration – it went very smooth.

As I write this I think of all the women to thank for making the last 7 months a blessing. Your support and leadership has not gone unnoticed. This report could go on for several pages. Hopefully your clubs are growing and strengthening in numbers. Please know I am forever grateful for your efforts! Look forward to hearing from you on our Monday conference calls.

Stay tune for fall CFRW convention – hopefully in August. The theme will be CFRW Campaign Headquarters! We will be working with the State GOP and Victory offices to learn the tools for helping candidates get elected and to help get Obama out of office! There is a new voter vault tool! We will offer our assistance to candidates for stuffing envelopes, addressing and stamping any material they need sent.

Sincerely yours, Perry Buck,
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CFRW First Vice-President:

This has been a busy spring with all the District Meetings. I have attended three as of this writing, with the one in Durango coming in another week. They have all been well attended, informative and fun....even a little line dancing. Other CFRW officers have been fanning out around the state for these meetings to assure our clubs and District Directors of our appreciation for all they do, and encouraging and supporting their remarkable efforts.

Perry and I are working on plans and program for the Fall Convention. Details will follow when a date is set. We are trying to have it in late August or September, to allow plenty of time for everyone to go home and go to work on our vital campaigns. The theme will be "Campaign Headquarters, 2012" and will be a working and learning time with tools to take back and make your efforts more effective.

After the primaries, it serves us well to pull together, support our nominees, and work diligently for their election. As women seem to be the target-of-the-moment for the Democrats, let's learn our facts and talk to our friends. Don't let Obama control the discussion. We are a 78,000-member force in this country, and we can silence the lies if we let our voices be heard. Remember, "WIN", Women in Numbers, and Win in November.

Thank you for all your incredible work. You are appreciated and applauded. Let any of your state officers know how we can help. Have a great summer.

Dulany D. Woodward - First Vice-President
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CFRW 4th Vice-President:

At our Spring Board meeting we had CFRW 101. Several of the Standing Committee Chairmen and the Special Committee Chairmen gave reports on what their committee did to educate the membership.

This was very informative and gave a good illustration how CFRW with its many members serves the State of Colorado. It is necessary that we educate each other to be a force to get our candidates elected to office

to guard our freedoms. We want to honor our military service men and women who have fought so hard for us to keep them. Remember Women in Numbers (WIN)!!
Dona Troyer - 4th VP



Perry Buck, president of the Colorado Federation of Republican Women, presents resolutions from CFRW chapters around the state to Rep. Libby Szabo, R-Arvida, urging the legislature adopt her voter photo ID bill.

Honor Flight of Southern Colorado - Takes First Flight

Lana Fore-Warkocz gave a presentation to our group about a new non-profit organization here in Colorado Springs, called "Honor Flight of SOCO".

Honor Flight of Southern Colorado will be taking our first flight on June 15th, 2012. This comes one year from the time we became a 501(C) 3 non-profit organization.

Congressman Doug Lamborn and MG J. Anderson joined us at our Pre-Flight Luncheon which was scheduled for June 14th at 12 noon, The Academy Hotel, 8110 N. Academy

Blvd., Colorado Springs.

Our Send-Off took place at 0515 on Friday morning, the 15th..and the WWII were so excited. It was critically important, as we want to show these heroes how much we appreciate their sacrifice and commitment to our Country. The return was just as emotional. So people joined in as they welcomed home our heroes.

We will take our first round of WWII veterans who have been waiting a lifetime for this flight.

Honor Flight of Southern Colorado

transports our WWII veterans to Washington D.C. so they can visit and reflect on their memorial. Top priority was given to those waiting the longest on our list, our most senior veterans and those who may be terminally ill.

Of all the wars in our current memory, it was WWII that truly threatened our very existence as a nation.

Please consider donating to our cause. Visit www.honorflightsoco.org for more information.

CFRW Treasurer:

Thank you to all Club Treasurers for the good work keeping your membership lists and dues current. Reminders:

- **May 31** is the deadline to report membership totals which will be used to determine the club delegate allocations for the Annual Convention.
- **Dues and membership** lists are mailed to:
Judith Jergensen, CFRW Treasurer, P.O. Box 1386, Monument, CO 80132-9998. Please use the complete club name.
- **E-mail membership** lists to Marilyn Harris at marilyn.harris44@aol.com

Questions? You may contact me by phone, 719-495-3736, or e-mail jejergens@aol.com

Judith Jergensen - CFRW Treasurer



Fundraising Report

Julia Lindahl, Member At Large - Fundraising

My profound THANKS to all clubs and members that donated items for the silent auctions that were held at the Spring Board of Director's Meeting and GOP Centennial Dinner. We netted \$1,197 at the BOD meeting & \$2,403 at the dinner. GREAT WORK & super items! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU for a great start to our fundraising goals!

Now for the next project....I'm sure we have many wonderful photographers in our membership. So get out your cameras and find me your best shots! At the fall convention we're going to have a photo contest. Here are the rules:

Submit an 8 x 10 photo, can be black & white or color, Mail unframed photo to me at: Julia Lindahl, PO Box 7604, Colorado

Springs, CO, 80933-7604, must be postmarked two weeks prior to convention start date. Each 8 x 10 photo will be accompanied by an entry form (will post on CFRW website soon) & \$5.00 entry fee. There is no limit to number of photos you may enter. Photos will be displayed during the convention. Voting for your favorite photo will be done by attendees - \$1.00 per vote. The photo with the most money raised will receive a gift card - amount of gift card will depend on number of entries. Winner will be announced Saturday evening of convention. There will also be a Silent Auction for each photo. Money raised will go to CFRW (minus the gift card award for the top vote taker), and...what are your thoughts of turning the photos into note cards to have for sale???

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Handbook Report

I am writing this article to give you the Handbook changes that I have. If there are more please send them to me or call me and I will get them in the Tusk Talk the next time.

There are some on the clubs that are listed in the wrong District because I was not aware of the change when I had the Handbook printed. The are as follows: Otero County Republican Women is under District III Southeast in the Handbook and they are in District IV N now. Elbert County Republican

Women is listed under District VI and they are now in District IV N. Mountain Republican Women's Club is listed under District VI and they are now in District II. These clubs will be put in the correct districts in the next Handbook. Because Judy Reyer is no longer in District III Southeast Peggy Foley is the new District Director. Her information is in the Handbook under Bel Nor Republican Women.

I put in the address of the Amy Mitchell that is in Douglas County RW,

CAP Alert Chairman is 4834 Camero Way, Colorado Springs, CO 80919-3162. Her phone numbers and email is correct. When I was looking up the addresses I put in the address of the Amy Mitchell that is in Douglas County Republican Women. Sorry for any inconvenience that this has caused.

The address of Karla Dimond should be kdimond@att.net. An a was added into her last name in the Handbook that does not belong there.

Margaret Gramm, Handbook Chairman

Scholarship Chairman Report

I have not received any applications as of May 6th. The committee consists Dulany Woodward, Francie Sinton and Millie Meardon.

District V Director Report-

The District V Spring meeting was held at the Clarion Hotel in Colorado Springs on April 28th hosted by Sunrise Republican Women. There were 36 Republican women and men in attendance.

Congressman Doug Lamborn, candidate Robert Blaha, and House Assistant Majority Leader Mark Waller each gave interesting and motivating talks to the group.

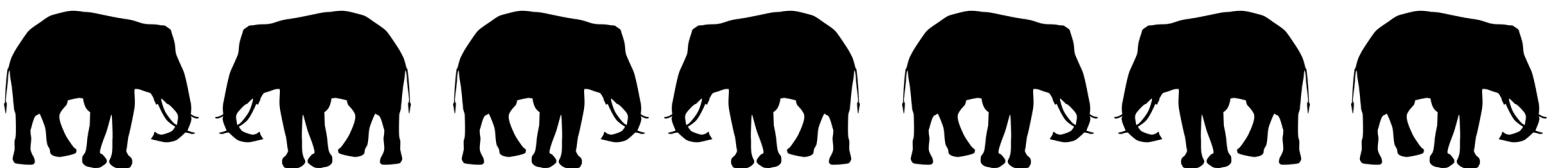
Four of the districts presidents, Julia Lindahl, Nancy Meadows, Sandra Bankes, and Millie Meardon attended the meeting. Sandra and the Sunrise Republican Women

hosted the meeting and shared their talents with songs, skits, and line dancing in keeping with their theme "Lassoing Colorado". The entertainment was enjoyed by all.

CFRW officers 1st Vice President Dulany Woodward, Treasurer Judith Jergensen, and immediate Past Present, Jan Cummings were also in attendance. Awards Chairman Nancy Meadows and Fundraising Chairman along with me, Scholarship Chairman, Millie Meardon are members of our district.

The day was informative and kicked off the political season with enthusiasm and gave us the energy needed to campaign for our various candidates.

District Director Millie Meardon



District 2

DISTRICT II HELD THEIR MEETING ON SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2012 AT THE OMNI HOTEL & RESORT IN BROOMFIELD. CLUB MEMBERS AND THEIR PRESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE WERE COAL CREEK RW, BOULDER RW, BROOMFIELD RW, LARIMER COUNTY RW AND MOUNTAIN REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB. CFRW ELECTED OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE INCLUDED PRESIDENT PERRY BUCK, 1ST VP DULANY WOODWARD, 3RD VP JUDY BASHLINE AND 4TH VP DONA TROYER. WE WERE ALSO HONORED TO HAVE CFRW DISTRICT VII DIRECTOR BEV MCADAM, CFRW PAST PRESIDENT MARTY NIELSON, FORMER STATE REP DIANE HOPPE, CFRW LEGISLATIVE LIAISON SHERYL FERNANDEZ AND CFRW CITIZENSHIP PROJECT CHAIR GERRY GIFFORD. BROOMFIELD GOP COUNTY CHAIRMAN ERICH FEIGEL AND HIS WIFE LINDA LENT THEIR SUPPORT TO THE EVENT AS WELL AS CANDIDATES VICKI MARBLE SD23 AND DAVID PIGOTT HD33.



From left to right: Coal Creek RW members and Broomfield RW members.

AFTER A GREAT LUNCH, DISTRICT II CLUB REPORTS WERE GIVEN BY THEIR PRESIDENTS. ALL CLUBS ARE VERY BUSY IN POLITICAL AND VOLUNTEER ENDEAVORS. BECAUSE THERE ARE TOO MANY TO MENTION HERE IT WOULD BE GREAT IF EACH CLUB IN DISTRICT II WOULD SHARE THEIR NEWSLETTERS WITH EACH OTHER. I'D BE HAPPY TO COORDINATE THIS WITH DISTRICT II PRESIDENTS. JUST LET ME KNOW.

OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR THIS EVENT WAS COLORADO CHIEF DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL CYNTHIA COFFMAN. SHE SPOKE ON A TOPIC THAT SHE IS MOST PASSIONATE ABOUT WHICH IS SCHOOL SAFETY AND THE "SAFE 2 TELL" PROGRAM. A PROGRAM IN WHICH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH AND ONE WHICH WAS VERY APPROPRIATE CONSIDERING THE THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COLUMBINE TRAGEDY HAD PASSED THE DAY BEFORE THE DISTRICT II MEETING. A VIDEO AND POWER POINT PRESENTATION WAS PROVIDED ALONG WITH HER SPEECH THAT GAVE US ALL INSIGHT INTO A VERY VALUABLE PROGRAM WHICH ENSURES EVERY COLORADO STUDENT, PARENT, TEACHER AND COMMUNITY MEMBER HAS ACCESS TO A SAFE AND ANONYMOUS WAY TO REPORT CONCERNS FOR THEIR OR ANOTHER PERSON'S SAFETY, WITH A FOCUS ON EARLY INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION. THE PROGRAM STRESSES THAT "ANONYMITY" IS KEY AND GUARANTEES THE ANONYMITY OF EVERY CALLER. DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL COFFMAN PROVIDED SOME GREAT HANDOUTS FOR THE AUDIENCE DETAILING JUST HOW POWERFUL AND SUCCESSFUL THIS PROGRAM HAS BECOME WHEN IMPLEMENTED IN SCHOOL COMMUNITIES.

FEEDBACK AFTER THE PRESENTATION AND FOR THE MEETING WAS VERY POSITIVE AND I THINK PEOPLE APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT WE FOCUSED ON TAKING THE TIME TO REMEMBER AND REFLECT ON COLUMBINE.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK THE TIME TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE AND TO THOSE LADIES WHO VOLUNTEERED DOOR PRIZES AND ASSISTED WITH OTHER DUTIES TO HELP MAKE THE DISTRICT II MEETING A SUCCESS. A SPECIAL THANK YOU GOES OUT TO PRESIDENT JOAN ZACH AND HER CLUB, BROOMFIELD REPUBLICAN WOMEN WHO WERE THE HOST CLUB FOR THE MEETING. THEIR TIME, ENERGY AND THOUGHTFULNESS FOR THE EVENT WILL ALWAYS BE APPRECIATED.

BEST REGARDS,

JOANIE GRIEP - CFRW DISTRICT II DIRECTOR

Guidelines for Tusk Talk Reports

- Put your club name & Tusk Talk Report in the Subject Line

Example: Colorado Springs Republican Women Tusk Talk Report

- Use New Times Roman Style & 12 Font
- Please limit your article to 450 words
- We will print one photo per club
- Please include your Club Name (Spell Out) or CFRW Office as the Report Title, along with your name & title - Jane Doe - President
- Please include your name, email & phone number in case we need to contact you.
- Email reports to both Lana Fore Warkocz (lanafore@aol.com) & Julia Lindahl (jalerp@aol.com)
- Deadline Submittal Dates are: September 10 & November 10



CLUB NEWS

ADAMS COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN/ TRUMPETEERS

There must be something wonderful in the water in Adams County. How else could we explain an almost 33% rate of growth in membership between February and April, 2012? The true explanation has to do with 2nd Vice President for Membership Nancy Thompson who encourages women everywhere she goes to join Adams County Republican Women/Trumpeteers. Way to go, Nancy! Of course, many of our other members have also brought friends, neighbors and acquaintances to our meetings.

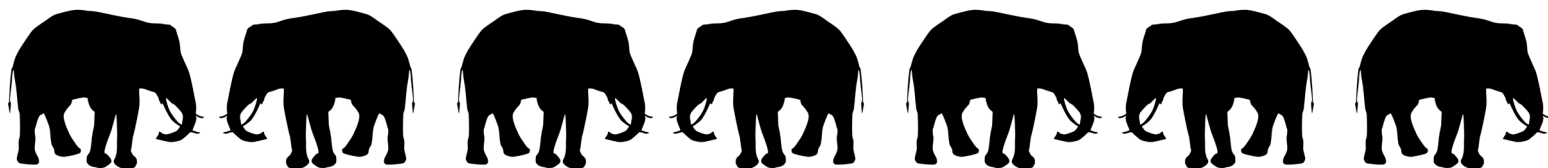
1st Vice President Mary Dambman put together some fabulous programs that make potential members want to join our group. In March, most of the Republican candidates for any offices Adams County voters will be sending to the state capitol, county commissioners' offices, and state

university system regents' offices had a chance to speak to a friendly audience. The meeting was very lively with Mary keeping strict time control using a kitchen egg timer. At the April meeting, Rob Witwer, well known author, unraveled the mysteries of how the Democrats won our state and promised that it does not have to happen that way again.

Getting back to the wonderful Adams County water: How else can we explain that we have 11 members and associate members who are candidates in the upcoming elections? Fran Bigelow for Colorado Senate District 21; Mary Dambman for Colorado University Regent from Congressional District 7; Donnia Howell for Adams County Commissioner from District 2; Beth Martinez-Humenik for Colorado House District 31; Jodina

Widhalm for Colorado State House District 34; Kaarl Hoopes for Adams County Commissioner from District 1; Gary Mikes for Adams County Commissioner from District 1; Kevin Priola for Colorado State House District 56; Paul "Boots" Reimer for Colorado House District 32; John Sampson for Colorado Senate District 25; and Brian Vande Krol for Colorado House District 35. Heidi Williams was elected Mayor of the City of Thornton in the last elections.

If you can come for a visit, you might like to make that happen on Tuesday, June 5. We are expecting Tyler Houlton, President of Compass Colorado. We meet at 11:30 for a chef's choice plated lunch at the Outback Steakhouse, 497 East 120th Ave., Thornton. You will need to make advance reservations with Nancy: Xbeacon80x@aol.com. The cost is \$10 per person.



COLLEGIATE PEAKS REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S FORUM

Buena Vista, CFRW District V

Charlotte Smith receiving the Nancy O'Connor award from Congressman Doug Lamborn at the Lincoln Dinner Day in February. It was given in recognition of her outstanding and long-standing work for the Republican Party in Chaffee County, and her years of service to CFRW.

Collegiate Peaks Republican Women's Forum has had a busy spring and looks forward to a productive summer. We have enjoyed and appreciated presentations from the wives of the two Republican Candidates for Congressional District V.

Hearing the women's perspective regarding their husbands' work and life was very enlightening. There was also a program from John Cogswell, presenting the process for a new Constitutional Convention, and bringing a lengthy list of items he feels should be covered at such a convention. We, like everyone, attended the caucus' and county assembly. Many of our members are Precinct Chairmen and active on our Central Committee.

In March three students from the high school government class gave a report on their participation in the We The People program. Each year the club hosts a Lasagna Dinner to help raise money for the class. We will be doing this again in September.

In April five members enjoyed our District V meeting in Colorado Springs. Our club president, Millie Meardon, is our District Director and we love supporting her in her work. At the high school awards assembly a \$750 scholarship was presented

to an outstanding Senior girl. The scholarship is funded by our participation in Apple Fest each September.

In June our summer picnic will be an opportunity for our local and county candidates to speak and visit with all our members. Many of the candidates have dropped by our meetings to introduce themselves and be available for questions.

July brings participation in the local parades, then in the Fall, attendance at the CFRW Convention, and we come back to work on campaigns. Our membership has grown this year, and we welcome many new ladies. Come visit us anytime.



BEL NOR REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Bel Nor Republican Women continue to have good attendance at their meetings. The meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at A.J.'s Restaurant in the Walking Stick golf house. We meet at 5:30 pm to socialize and order our food and we start the meeting at 6:30pm. To make reservations, contact Mary Ann Glach at: 719-561-1368 or glached@yahoo.com

The Bel Nor women sold breakfast items and coffee at the County Assembly – the homemade burritos are the best! We made almost \$500 on the event and that included the sales of our jewelry and other patriotic items.

President, Peggy Foley and second Vice President, Janet Corum attended the Spring Board meeting in Colorado Springs. The club received Honorable Mention and Third Place in the Small Club category for the Mary Lane and Ruth Parks awards. Three of our members attended the Day at the Legislature.

We continue to have our local candidates speak at our meetings. We do not meet in the summer but will host a summer picnic on June 23th. Scott Tipton will be our guest speaker. Contact Peggy Foley at peggyhfoley@comcast.net for more information regarding location and times.



Bell Nor and Steel City Republican Women will host the District 3 SE meeting on August 18th at the Holly Dot Golf Course in Colorado City.
Peggy H. Foley – President
Bel Nor Republican Women, Pueblo

ARCHULETA COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Archuleta County Republic Women (ACRW) has had a very active few months. Our membership continues to grow as more and more people become interested and involved in the upcoming elections.

We were honored in February to have Ryan Call, Chairman of CO GOP speak to our club. We were additionally honored to have Ken Buck speak at our April meeting.

In April, our Legislative Committee, chaired by Barbara Rawlings (District Director SW Dist III), sponsored a constitutional study as a service to our community. Dr. Earl Taylor of the National Center for Constitutional Studies led the “Making of American” seminar. We sold over 90 tickets and had adults as well as students attend. It was a great success and our community is still taking about it.

Our District Meeting is May 19, 2012 and will be hosted by the Southwest Republican Women in Durango. We are proud to have our 1st Vice President, Mary Ann

Smith, be one of the featured speakers for the meeting.

We have a new fundraising committee which Sally Ann Rothweiler and Carolyn Ullrich are Co-Chairman. Their first major project was our jewelry sales and it has been a great success with our club.

We will be selecting a recipient for our Scholarship Program that we award every year to a graduating Pagosa Springs High School Senior. Linda Bunney, Chairman, will make the announcement at the awards ceremony on May 22, 2012. Our Scholarship program is one of our projects we are most proud of. Linda and her committee work hard all year long organizing rummage sales, etc. to fund the program along with individual donations made.

We recently had elections for new board members for our Water and Sanitation Department in town and we were able to get the two republicans candidates elected to the board so congratulations to Mike Church (our Associate Member) and Burt Adams.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB OF MONTEZUMA COUNTY

Greetings, from Southwestern Colorado! For a small group of dedicated women we are very active. The caucuses and the assembly are completed. The RWCMC held their third “Gourmet Hot Dog Supper” for the assembly. It is a great opportunity to help the Central Committee. It is also a fundraiser. And we did well and feed a hundred people. We also had our jewelry, T-shirts and tote bags available. Several women had dual roles helping with the supper and responsibility's at the assemblies.

Moving on we await the opening of the central committee headquarters. We are receiving member commitments to arm the headquarters and we will use the facility for gatherings and having programs for the public.

We are pleased to announce that member Pat Degagne-Rule reached her goal to make the primary ballot. Pat is the only known Republican Woman to run for commissioner in Montezuma County. We all wish her well.

In 2011 we held our own Legislative Day in Montezuma County. This was our first event in the county. We will repeated this on April 9 and visit the Montezuma County Commissioners. We gave them a break with refreshments, this year including donuts, as some people think commissioners on sit around, drink coffee and eat donuts. That is far from the truth, as the commissioners effect our lives daily here in Montezuma County.

We are a red county and the coming elections have only two unaffiliated candidates for offices. The rest are all Republicans. This places a great burden on local Republicans. But we are up to the task!

DOUGLAS COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

DCRW has had a very successful 2012 so far and we are gearing up for the upcoming election in November in order to help our Republican candidates get elected on the local, state, and federal levels; many of our members are working hard on individual Republican campaigns and with our County Party in these efforts.

We've held successful candidate forums at our monthly luncheon meetings and we hear monthly from the individual candidates who join us so our members can talk to them one-on-one as they are determining who they will vote for in the Primary. Additionally, in April and May we had a very successful food drive for the Douglas/Elbert Task Force where we collected food and monetary donations for this worthwhile cause. We continue each month to collect donations for our Military Project where we send gift boxes to some of our military personnel overseas.

Even though our meetings are taking a hiatus over the summer, that doesn't mean that we are at all taking a break from all the "election/political" activities. We support the DCGOP at the three parades over the summer by marching in the parades and working the

booths at Parker Days (June 8-10), Highlands Ranch (July 4), and the DC Fair (Aug. 10-12); the DCGOP picnic; Lincoln Day Dinner; the CFRW Region VI Meeting (Aug. 25); and the many fundraisers that will be going on all summer long.

On August 15th, we will be holding an evening event at the PACE Center in Parker from 6-9 p.m. We will again be hearing from our candidates and then a presentation by Dr. Jill Vecchio on Obamacare. We'll have a delicious buffet and the event is open to everyone free of charge. We are trying to reach out to the community to introduce them to DCRW and our Republican candidates and give them an informative program in addition to giving our members who cannot come to the regular luncheons an opportunity to be an integral part of our Club.

Our September 19th meeting at the Lone Tree Golf and Hotel will be highlighted by a special guest speaker and then our annual Silent and Live Auction! Last year the Auction raised \$6,000 and the Club then contributed an additional \$2,000 so we were able to give \$4,000 each to the CO State and House Legislative Funds to help our Republican

candidates. All proceeds from the auction are given to these Funds and this year we hope to raise \$10,000! The Fundraising Committee is already hard at work collecting donations and we look forward to a wonderful and profitable event! If you would like to donate an item or are interested in attending, please contact me! Luncheon cost is \$20 if made by Sept. 15th or \$25 at the door. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. so everyone can start bidding early and the meeting starts promptly at 11:30 a.m.! There are many "extra" fun things planned for that day so we invite all of you to join us!

Reservations are required for both the August and September meetings. For additional information on any of the above, please go to our website at: www.dcrw.org or visit us on Facebook and "like" us at: Douglas County Republican Women (DCRW) or contact me at the options below. We wish all of you a safe and fun summer while we are all working hard to GOTV and take back the White House!! November IS coming!!

Marsha Haeflein, President

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BOULDER REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Boulder Republican Women are continuing to grow our membership. We currently have 136 full members and 31 associate members. It is a real plus that BRW's new website allows members to register on line. Several new members joined at the BCR Lincoln Dinner where our BRW membership display was also selling patriotic jewelry with "bling" which may have caught their eye.

Our BRW speaker February 21 was award winning Amy Oliver, news talk show host on KFKA radio. Amy has been investigating the PUC and Xcel Energy passing along the cost of renewable energy to ratepayers. Amy's energy and information were quite motivating.

March 20 Scott Gessler, Colorado Secretary of State, was a hit with our membership. He spoke about the integrity of elections. Scott is passionate and extremely well informed. He answered every question and there were many.

April 17 Tammy McMahan and Maureen Denig, candidate for Boulder County Commissioner spoke to BRW members. Tammy has become extremely well informed on the problems involving sustainable development and involvement with the United Nations Agenda 21 which is taking place in Boulder County. Maureen inspired an army of BRW members to help on her campaign.

BRW members are organizing our summer social and will be inviting all Republicans to come meet the candidates. You are welcome to join us June 19th. Please check our website www.boulderrepublicanwomen.org for more info.



JEFFERSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Jefferson County Republican Women had very interesting meetings so far this year. January was our regular business meeting. February we had President Perry Buck address us on the Voter ID bill. March we had a very interesting speaker from ACT (Joe Bio) speak to us on Islam and affect it has on women. April we had four candidates from Jefferson County

speak to us about their campaigns and got us energized for the elections.

At our Chili Dinner we will have Michelle Malkin as our keynote speaker. These are exciting times.

Our September meeting we will make the final plans for our annual Chili Supper which is the first Saturday (6th) in October. We

have a Republican Rally and fund raiser for our candidates and our scholarship which we award each year. This year it will be the 54th year that JCRW has been holding this event. Our club has been meeting regularly since 1926. We have been part of the process for a very long time and we want to continue our legacy.

Dona Troyer - JCRW President

DENVER REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The officers and members of Denver Republican Women have been working hard to “educate, inspire and advance Republican principles” like the tagline on our newsletter states!

We have a monthly breakfast meeting format and our topics and speakers have included:

Countdown to Caucus: The Party and the Process for Beginners and Pros, Assistant Senate Minority Leader Mark Scheffel with a legislative overview/ update, Heritage Foundation's excellent video “We Still Hold These Truths” with discussion, Robert's Rules of Order: Tips and To-Do's, Panel discussion on the timely topic of civil unions.

Our most ambitious and profitable project so far this year was taking on major components of the Denver County Assembly. We proposed a coordinated effort with the Denver GOP to handle the registration table set-up, an exhibitor area, delegate registration bags with informational inserts, a VIP/candidate staging room, lunch arrangements and student liaisons/pages.

Our talented and committed team invited GOP campaigns, GOP organizations, and issue-related groups to buy table space in the exhibitor area and/or place an informational insert in the delegate registration bags. We had an enthusiastic response (18 exhibitors/26 inserts) which included:

Newt 2012, Ron Paul 2012, Mitt Romney 2012, Lincoln Club of Colorado, CO Hispanic Republicans, CO Republican Business Coalition, R Block Party, Republican Liberty Caucus, Denver Republican Women, CO Tea Party Patriots, Heritage Foundation, Colorado Statesman newspaper, DC Threads Apparel, Tea Party Brewing, Regulate MJ Like Alcohol, GOP Choice, Federal Safety Net, Matt Arnold/CU Regent, Brian Davidson/CU Regent, John Kidd/HD1, Jim Wildt/HD1, Stroud for Congress.

Our cheery, red, plastic, handled, delegate registration bags were warmly received and gave delegates reading material for down-time in the assembly program. A floor plan for the venue and an eye-catching lunch menu from the food service trucks were included, as well as a feed-back form to gauge our efforts from the participant's point of view.

We contracted with the vibrant small business community of

gourmet food trucks in the Denver area, who provided coffee and breakfast items in the morning and lunch at mid-day. Fabulous Food Truck Row included:

The Crock Spot | slow-cooked gourmet cuisine, Manna from Heaven | Vietnamese-inspired cuisine with a vegetarian emphasis, Marco's Mexican Grill | Fast, fresh, affordable Mexican cuisine, Epicurean Catering | fresh sandwiches and light fare, The Denver Cupcake Truck | Life's Short, Eat Cupcakes!

The Assembly gave Denver Republican Women an opportunity to showcase our hospitality talents and contribute to the overall atmosphere of positive, welcoming, enthusiastic, political participation! Our tables were set up in the entryway of the lobby area so we could assist with directions and general information about the Assembly, manned by our gracious volunteer team.

Our eager student liaisons assisted at the registration tables and other duties throughout the day. We also enjoyed the “can-do” attitude and capable physical help of a group of Ron Paul supporters – new to the process, but willing to pitch in and help wherever needed. They were on-site at 6 a.m. and didn't leave until the last piece of trash was picked up in the late afternoon!

Our new “Denver Republican Women” banner provided great advertising and drew many visitors to our tables. Our new Denver Republican Women logo coffee mugs sold at a brisk pace and membership brochures made great take-aways for everyone visiting the tables.

Our efforts were rewarded with positive feed-back, actual results that exceeded our projections, and banking over \$1200 in profit!

Florence Sebern-Assembly Committee Chairman



SOUTHWEST REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The CFRW District III Southwest District meeting was held Saturday, May 19th, 2012 at the Double Tree Hotel in Durango, Colorado. We were much honored to have JUDY VARRA BASHLINE, CFRW 3RD VP as our keynote speaker. District III Southwest Director, Barbara Rawlings, introduced our District III Presidents. Those Presidents are Marilyn Harris of Archuleta County, Danielle Kirkpatrick of La Plata County and Judi Lichliter of Montezuma County.

Mary Ann Smith, Archuleta County RW, 1st VP, spoke on “2012 Colorado Republican Women Goals”. What a special event when members in District III can come together, share ideas, hear informational speakers and experience all that camaraderie.

This 2012 quarter of our monthly

meetings, our SWRW 1st VP, Carolyn Pleded arranged for our monthly programs. We are always curious about what motivates the media, so at our February meeting program given by Ward S. Holmes, Regional Manager of Four Corners Broadcasting, who spoke on “How the media affects our Society”. He could only speak for his own company that promises as best they can, their programs are fair and balanced. In March, Christi Zeller, Executive Director of the La Plata County Energy Council, gave us a timely program, “La Plata County Natural Gas E-F-G Economics, Fracking and Gas Production”. This is an important issue in South West Colorado.

Kelly Hotter, SWRW member and La Plata County Commissioner, and Associate SWRW member, Harry Baxstrom, County

Commissioner Candidate, District 3, were the speakers for our April program. They brought us up to date with “Vital issues facing La Plata County Commissioners - Affecting our Future”. Lot's of work to be done on the home front.

Many of our members continue to volunteer at our Durango Republican office, as the election nears, visitors are on the increase. Stop by if you are in Durango, 40c Town Plaza, at 1125 Camino Del Rio.

The La Plata Republican Party will hold our Lincoln Day Dinner on June 30, 2012 at the Sky Ute Casino in Ignacio, Colorado. A great evening is planned. If you would like to attend: for reservations and information, call Bob Marcus at (970)403-2440 or the Republican office at (970) 259- 5347.

MOUNTAIN REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Mountain Republican Women's Club

Tusk Talk - May, 2012

by Judy Merkel, President

The subject of our February meeting was "How Obamacare will Affect Doctors and Patients" by Frank Francone, Colorado Chair of the "DocSquad", a non-profit organization whose purpose is to educate the electorate so as to repeal Obamacare. Following Frank's informative powerpoint presentation, a distinguished panel of Evergreen-area physicians led us in a sombering Q&A session. Frank is available to speak to groups and can be contacted at frank@docsquads.org

Our March topic was "Hydraulic Fracturing: Moving Beyond Misinformation" presented by Keiven Cosgriff of the Colorado Association of Gas and Oil whose PowerPoint presentation dispelled the false myths put forth by opponents. This topic attracted

many guests to the meeting who work in the industry and along with our members who are also experts in the field, added even more pertinent facts in the Q&A that followed Keiven's presentation.

State Treasurer Walker Stapleton spoke in April about the impact of unfunded liabilities, primarily from PERA with an unfunded liability of \$21 Billion. Treasurer Stapleton is proposing legislation that will address this critical issue.

MRWC was pleased to donate a patriotic quilt for the CFRW auction at the 5th Annual Republican Centennial Dinner with special guest Karl Rove. Auctioneer Bo Cottrell kept a lively bidding going resulting in a final bid of \$1,300 and Mr. Rove agreed to autograph the quilt. We thank the kind bidder whose generosity helped fund the excellent work of CFRW.

All of the MRWC Board members were able to attend the CFRW Spring Board

Meeting in Colorado Springs. We found it to be exceptionally informative and enjoyed meeting members of other clubs. We extend our deep appreciation to Perry Buck and the rest of the CFRW Board for their expertise and hard work that resulted in such a substantive and well-organized weekend.

Looking ahead, MRWC is entering a patriotic float in the Evergreen Rodeo Parade on Father's Day weekend and will invite candidates to walk with us. Joe Coors, candidate for CD7, will be our quest speaker at our June meeting. We've scheduled new member events for June and July and are planning our annual "Barn Event" BBQ and potluck in August. MRWC members have committed to volunteer one day each week at Jefferson County GOP headquarters—all these efforts and more to elect Republicans and defeat Obama in November!

AURORA REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB



Several of our members at the "Blankets for Vets" tea holding the blankets we made for the VA hospital in Florence

Aurora Republican Women (ARW) has worked on two community activities during the past four months. In February the members made several fleece blankets at our "Blankets for Vets Tea" to be delivered to the Colorado Veterans Home in Florence, Colorado. Several of the members spent an afternoon, beginning with the tea and then making the blankets. The other Spring community project is "Women Helping Women". The Gateway Battered Women's Services is always in need of items like bus passes, gift cards, diapers, bedding, school supplies etc. ARW collects and delivers these items to the shelter.

We continue to meet the second Wednesday of each month with a social time from 11:30 to 12 pm, lunch at 12 pm and then a speaker who always brings a topic that is very relevant to our city and our state.

MONTROSE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Montrose County Republican Women did a luncheon for the Montrose County Assembly as a fundraiser this March. This has been done in the past but this year the ladies outdid themselves. We fixed complete lunches for 200 delegates and alternates. Everyone was fed on time and back to the Assembly in a reasonable amount of time. I also heard lots of comments about how good the food was.

As you can see by the pictures above, there was a lot left over. We had leftover sandwiches and salads that were taken to "Shepherd's Hands" a soup kitchen that feeds an average of 50 to 60 people

on a daily basis at the MADA building in Montrose.

As the President of this group, I am very proud of each and every one of them. We are not a large group but all the ladies answered the call and gave as much as they could. We are delighted all this food was left over and we were able to help other people as well as our delegates and alternates. It was also a lesson in humility for all of us to realize how many people are really out there that are in need.

Donna Rose, President
Montrose County Republican Women



Participants pictured from left to right are: Betty Cella, Barbara Coster, Nancy Smith, Sandy Longmore, Noemmy from Centennial Middle School and Kathy Deltondo.

Republican women lend a hand

Following the Republican Assembly on March 17, the Republican Women provided prepared food in the form of sandwiches and salads to those in need in the community. Gary Martinez of Shepherd's Hands feeds an average of 50 to 60 people daily at the MADA building, located at 17 North 6th St. in Montrose.

SUNRISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN

TWO BIG Colorado Republican Women events have kept SRW busy this quarter. Board members attended the CFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting here in Colorado Springs, March 31- April 1. The meeting spurred some great new ideas for our club to explore. We'll take those up at the upcoming board meeting with an eye to expanding our reach into the community. The CFRW District V was also held in Colorado Springs, hosted by SRW, April 28. The theme, Lassoing the Colorado Vote, was well attended by over 30 members from the various clubs. US Congressman Doug Lamborn, State Rep Mark Waller, and Congressional District 5 candidate Robert Blaha each made themselves available to speak and take questions. They were informative and graciously answered the many questions posed by members. Thank you to all for bringing our government to us, the voters.

SRW's annual "Fun Raiser", April 21, was truly a fun affair held at the Colorado Springs Country Club, a new venue for us. Pat Holte pulled together over 80 auction items to raise funds to support the club's Republican activities throughout the year. The 90+ attendees were very generous under the humorous, and good natured auctioneering of State Rep. Mark Waller, and his "helpful assistant" State Rep Janak Joshi. A friendly competition between another great SRW auctioneer, El Paso County Clerk and Recorder Wayne Williams and Rep Waller brought laughs and higher bids. The theme this year was "Getting in Gear". The keynote speaker, Ken Clark, talked about the seriousness of getting organized and keeping

on message to vote and vote Republican. A good time was had by all as you can tell by the cast of thousands (okay, dozens) on stage for the Spocketts performance. The large number of elected officials and candidates gave many an opportunity to visit and exchange ideas and thoughts about legislation and the campaigns.

The January meeting brought 16 candidates to the club for a candidates' forum and time to meet members. It was a new format for us and worked out well. The competing candidates were introduced individually; each had an allotted time to speak (and kept to the time limit!). After all candidates spoke each candidate moved to a different part of the room so our members could speak to the candidates of their choice. Printed information and contact information was available to help our members (and candidates)

February was our month to take a trip to Denver for our Day at the Legislature. The 15 brave souls who made it through the snow were rewarded with a warm reception from Senator Kent Lambert and lunch at the University Club with many of our legislators. We look forward to this time as it is always a new and different experience. This year many children were there with their salamanders to encourage legislators make the decision to select the salamander as the State Amphibian. Our club meeting date coincided with St Patrick's Day this year so we were festive with



Rep. Mark Waller-Auctioneer and Rep. Janak Joshi, helpful assistant.

many shades of green to greet El Paso County GOP Chief Operating Officer Bill Roy. His motivational and informative talk boosted our enthusiasm for working for our candidates. There are many opportunities to volunteer and our club members volunteer!

Our next meeting will be on Armed Forces Day. We have invited families from the Family Support Center and soldiers from the Wounded Warrior Transition Center at Fort Carson, both services our club supports.

We still have a few pink ABO (Anybody But Obama) tee shirts available. If you or someone in your club is interested in purchasing one of these shirts contact me and I'll get one to you. Cost: \$15.

Plans are in the making for our entry into the Monument 4th of July Parade and our annual July Picnic at Palmer Park July 28th. In addition to the Young Professional Republicans, the College Republicans at UCCS have accepted an invitation to participate with us this year. We hope to support this fledgling group to sustain them through the election.

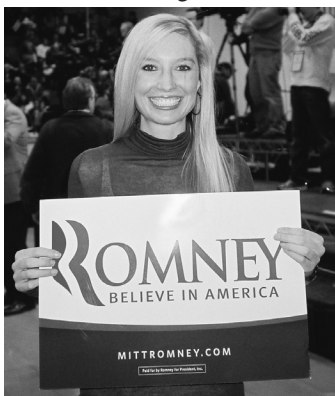
Please join us at any of our meetings or events. For information please call Sandra Banks at 719-574-7190 or Robyn Cafasso 719-266-8334.

CHERRY CREEK REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Due to the outstanding efforts of Cherry Creek Republican Women's 2nd Vice Presidents/Program Chairs Senator Nancy Spence and Mary Wenke, CCRW continues

to set attendance records at our monthly membership meetings. The "dynamic duo" of Nancy and Mary scheduled excellent speakers such as Jon Caldera, President of the Independence Institute; 18th Judicial District's DA Candidates' Forum; Curtis Hubbard Editorial Page Editor of The Denver Post; Congressman Cory Gardner; Joe Coors, candidate for Congress from Colorado's 7th Congressional District; and June's speaker will be Dick Wadhams, Colorado's witty political mastermind.

Cherry Creek members have participated and assisted with 2012 nominating assemblies at all levels. We are very proud of CCRW members Monica Owens who was elected as a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Florida and Francoise Bergan and Joy Hoffman who are alternate delegates from Colorado. On to Victory 2012!



Monica Owens, a member of Cherry Creek RW, is a delegate to the 2012 Republican National Convention



Cherry Creek members who attended the CFRW legislative luncheon included Joy Hoffman, Tracy Chapman, and Kathy Blattenberg. Joy was elected as an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL.

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_____ \$95.00 If postmarked BY August 24 - Includes meeting both days,
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