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The Party Line

Newsletter of the Republican Women of Coffee County

Upcoming Events:

September 9: Coffee County Republican Club meeting, 6 pm, Po Folks Restaurant. Guest speakers will be candidate for Congress Will Dismukes and District Court Judge Josh Wilson. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, call Ed Foy, 334-494-4663.

September 18: RWCC Meeting, 11 am, Enterprise Country Club. Guest speakers will be Tammy Doerer, Enterprise Tourism and Downtown Director, and Will Dismukes, candidate for Congress. More about this meeting on page 5.

October 14: Coffee County Republican Club meeting, 6 pm, Po Folks Restaurant. Guest speaker will be candidate for US Senate Tommy Tuberville.

October 16: Downtown Fall Festival. See page 5 for more info.



Candidate for Congress Barry Moore was one of our August RWCC meeting guest speakers. Also speaking was Betty Peters, who discussed the AL Constitutional Education Amendment, and Barbara Moore, who briefed us on the AL In God We Trust Act. Pictured above, left to rt.: Betty Peters, Barry Moore, RWCC President Johnna Roberts, RWCC 1st VP Robin Foy, and Barbara Moore.

RWCC Meeting—September 18 Social Time: 11:00 am Optional \$12 Buffet: 11:30 Business Portion of Meeting: 11:45 Program: 12 Noon All are welcome, but reservations are necessary to ensure there is adequate food/seating. RSVP to Jan White at 334-494-3763, email: rwccreservations@gmail.com

Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid.



President's Message

Hope everyone had a nice Labor Day weekend. I was pretty much watching the weather for most of it. Dorian was a monster and the devastation it left in its wake is unimaginable. It sure brought back memories of Hurricane Michael, and the survivors from that hurricane are still working to get back to normal—almost a year later. I think

it's going to take the Bahamas even longer. So many of those people were unable to evacuate, so it is no surprise that hundreds of people are missing. Many of them didn't have a lot to begin with, but what they had is gone.

Those who are already there to provide needed assistance are true heroes. The Bahamas have been good to the cruise line business, so it was good to learn that Norwegian and Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines are sending ships filled with food, supplies, and volunteers. Both cruise lines have pledged \$1 million each to help the islands. Royal Caribbean is matching staff and employee donations. Disney is donating more than \$1 million in cash and in-kind support as is Bacardi's. There are other good relief agencies on the ground there—Samaritan's Purse and the Salvation Army, to name a couple.

As I reported in my recent email, Hurricane Michael survivors in Port St. Joe are gathering supplies for the Bahamas. No one knows better than they do what is needed immediately after a storm of that magnitude. Even though a lot of those people are still living with tarps on their roofs or in campers, they want to help the people of the Bahamas. Matt Larson, of Annie's Outreach, also collected supplies this week to take down to Port St. Joe. These people have such good hearts—God bless them all.

Our country has always been, and continues to be the best there is—we can always be counted on to help others in need.

Hope to see you at our September 18 meeting.

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Check Out Our Social Media Sites

Gail Evelyn, our webmaster, has been doing a wonderful job keeping our website updated. The website contains our bylaws, our list of officers, upcoming events, and photos from our events.

Our web address is: <u>www.rwcc-al.com</u>

We also have a Facebook page: Republican Women of Coffee County. It is also a place to go for information on upcoming events and photos from past events. RWCC UPDATE



We are always looking for new RWCC members. Starting with our October meeting, we will begin to take renewals as well as new memberships. Membership has its privileges. You get access to our awardingwinning newsletter and emails to let you know of upcoming events and the latest on what the Republican Party is doing in our county, state and country. Dues are still \$30, which includes

membership in the Alabama Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. A membership form is attached for your

convenience.

News You Can Use



As of August 31, we have 77 members and 37 associates. If you know of someone who would enjoy becoming a member of our group, please bring them with you to our next meeting.

We track our volunteer hours on a biennial time frame. For July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019, RWCC members reported 6746 volunteer hours. Please keep track of your volunteer hours for anything you do for the good of the club, not to include attending our meetings (unless you are working). Travel to and from the event you are working also counts. Submit your hours to Sue Cobb at sueecobb@gmail.com



RWCC August Meeting

Barry Moore, candidate for US House of Representatives, addressed the August 21st meeting of the Republican Women of Coffee County. Barry discussed his conservative record in the Alabama House of Representatives and how he will take his conservative values to Washington. Barry, a small business owner and job creator who served in the military, said his votes on bills will be based on how it will affect "faith, families, finances, and freedom." He has signed a term limits pledge, and he promises to continue to fight for our military, veterans, agriculture, and small business. Former State School Board Member Betty Peters gave us her take on the controversial Alabama Education Constitutional Amendment that will be on the March Primary ballot. Barbara Moore, Chaplain for the Houston County Republican Women, discussed the National Motto "In God We Trust" Act that was signed by Governor Ivy on July 18, 2018. The Act permits the display of "In God We Trust" National Motto posters in government offices, public schools and on vehicles.



Pictured above left to right: (1) Othan and Dee Gilbert, Dave Madden, and Sue Cobb; (2) Barry Moore; (3) Lynda Waller, Ron and Tami Awe, Jacque Hawkins, and Lyn Rogers. Bottom row, left to rt: (1) Betty Peters; (2). Robert and Barbara Wynkoop; Christa Tinlin, and Rita and John Whitfield; (3) Barbara Moore.

RWCC September Program

Our guest speakers for September will be Enterprise Tourism Director Tammy Doerer and candidate for Congress, Will Dismukes.



Tammy Doerer began working as the City of Enterprise's tourism and downtown director in March 2018. Doerer, who is originally from Jacksonville, Florida, has lived in Germany, California, Texas, Virginia and Georgia, but she and her family have lived in Enterprise since 2014. Tammy has more than 30 years in event planning, non-profit development and public-outreach campaigns. In an article in the <u>Enterprise Ledger</u>, she stated, "I mean, when you've lived as many places as I've lived, you search for the uniqueness in a place. Many people aren't adept at doing that, so I think my job will be to point out the uniquenesses (of Enterprise) and get them attracted to it.

Will Dismukes, from Prattville, was elected to representative District 88 in the Alabama House in 2018. He attended Enterprise Junior College and went on to graduate from Faulkner University with a Bachelor's in Social Science. Dismukes operates his family's flooring business and is an ordained minister and the pastor of his Southern Baptist Church.



Hope to see you there.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY COMING UP

RWCC, along with the Coffee County Republican Club, will have a booth at the Boll Weevil Fall Festival on October 19. Festival hours are 11 am-4 pm. We will need volunteers to help set up (9:30 am), work the booth, and then tear down the booth afterwards. We will be conducting voter registration and our candidates will be able to work out of our booth. We will ask for volunteers at our September meeting.