

# The Party Line

Newsletter of the Republican Women of Coffee County

### Upcoming Events:

November 11: Coffee County Republican Club meeting, 6 pm, Po Folks Restaurant. Guest speaker will be candidate for Place 2, Court of Civil Appeals Matt Fridy.

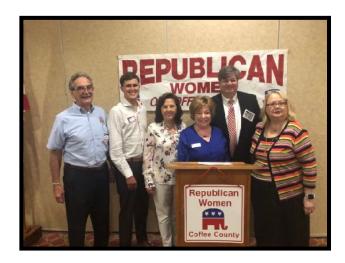
November 20: RWCC's last meeting of 2019, 11 am, Enterprise Country Club. Guest Speaker will be candidate for Place 2, Court of Civil Appeals Richard Anderson. Please read the President's Message on page 2 for more details.

**December 3:** Enterprise Christmas Parade. More info as it becomes available.

#### December 4 and 17:

RWCC days to Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army. See page 5 for more info.

<u>December 7</u>: RWCC will have a booth at the Whoville Downtown Festival. See page 5 for more info.



We had three candidates at our October meeting. CW4 (Ret) Bob Cooper also spoke about the Vietnam Veterans Honor Pavers Program. See page 3 for more photos. Pictured above, left to rt: Bob Cooper, Will Dismukes, RWCC 1st VP Robin Foy, RWCC President Johnna Roberts, Bill Thompson, and Beth Kellum.

RWCC Meeting—November 20
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: <a href="mailto:rwccreservations@gmail.com">rwccreservations@gmail.com</a>

Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid.

### **President's Message....**

It's hard to believe, but November is here and it has a lot in store for the Republican Women of Coffee County. We are planning to cheer on our beloved veterans at the Enterprise Veterans Day Parade on November 7 at 6 pm. We will meet on Main Street in front of All About Art between 5:30-5:45 pm to wave flags and our banner as the vets make their way down Main Street. I hope you can make it. If it rains, the parade will not be rescheduled. I hope not, since it was cancelled last year because of rain.

We also have volunteer opportunities this month in helping Coffee County Family Services with signing up families for Toys for Tots and making blankets for the children they serve. I sent out an email with the details, but if you missed it, give me a call.

We have a lot going on at our November 20 RWCC meeting. We will have candidate for Alabama Court of Civil Appeals Richard Anderson as our guest speaker. Richard will be running against Matt Fridy in the March 3 Republican primary.

As we did last year, we will be helping the Enterprise First United Methodist Church in a program started by Chuck Colson, who founded Prison Fellowship. The project provides Christmas gifts for the children of prisoners. However, the church can't cover all the children who are eligible, so we will be asking our members to take a child off their angel tree and buy gifts for them. Only two gifts are allowed for each child, and you will receive wish list. A representative from FUMC will be there to explain the details.

The election of our 2020-2022 RWCC officers will be held. The slate of officers is:

President—Virginia Howard

1st VP for Programs—Carol Boylston

2nd VP for Hospitality—Jan White

3d VP for Campaigns—Robin Foy

Recording Secretary—Lisa Beebe

Corresponding Secretary—Johnna Roberts

Treasurer/Membership—Kimmie Stafford

Our officers will be sworn in by District Judge Josh Wilson. And.....we will be announcing the winner of the 2019 Sue Cobb Volunteer of the Year.

This will be our last meeting of the year, so please make plans to attend. Jan White will be sending out her request for RSVPs next week.

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### **RWCC October Meeting**

Our October meeting was an informative one. We had three candidates running in the March 3 Primary election: Judge Bill Thompson, candidate for Court of Civil Appeals, Place 1 (unopposed); Judge Beth Kellum, candidate for Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 (running against Jill Ganus); and Congressional District 2 Will Dismukes (update: Will has dropped out of the race). They all spoke about their qualifications and the reason they are running. Also on hand was CW4 (Ret) Bob Cooper, who spoke about the Vietnam Veterans Honor Paver program. The pavers will be placed in front of the Vietnam Veterans Monument which has the names of those from Coffee, Houston, and Dale Counties who were killed in Vietnam. The monument is located on 167 North on the Houston/Dale County border.



Pictured above, top row, left to right: (a) Will Dismukes; (b) Bill Thompson; (c) Beth Kellum. Bottom row, left to right: (a) Tim Allen, Laura Rowell, Hilda Allen, Kathy Wilson, Nell Sims; (b) CW4 (Ret) Bob Cooper; (c) Linda Overton, candidate for Congressional District 2 Delegate to the RNC Convention and John and Rita Whitfield.



RWCC welcomes our new members

Phyl Grich and Brandi Carr.

Thank you for joining our organization!



## ALABAMA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN BIENNIAL CONVENTION POINT CLEAR, AL

We had a good showing at the AFRW Biennial Convention last month. RWCC members attending were President Johnna Roberts, 1st VP Robin Foy, 2d VP Jan White, Chaplain Virginia Howard, Caring for America Chair Lisa Beebe, Jacque Hawkins, Hilda Allen, and Laura Rowell. We heard from great speakers, to include Paul Reynolds, Alabama RNC Committeeman, Vicki Drummond, Alabama RNC Committeewoman, and K. Karl Smith. We also heard from Senate candidates John Merrill and Bradley Byrne and listened to a debate on the pros and cons of the AL Education Constitutional Amendment. RWCC was the winner of the AFRW Publicity Award and received a certificate of appreciation for outstanding participation in Caring for America.

AFRW officers were elected. Britney Garner, from the Greater Birmingham Republican Women's Club, was elected President (pictured below, 5th from left.

Top left: AFRW Officers for 2020-2022; top right: Johnna Roberts receives the AFRW Publicity Award; bottom left: RWCC members Jacque Hawkins, Robin Foy, Johnna Roberts, Jan White, Hilda Allen, Laura Rowell, Virginia Howard and Lisa Beebe.









Caring for American Chairperson Lisa Beebe has arranged for RWCC volunteers to ring the bell for the Salvation Army this Christmas season. We will have December 4 from 10-5 in front of JC Penney and also December 17 at Hobby Lobby, 10-5. Volunteers are needed for one-hour shifts and you may sign up at our November RWCC meeting or by calling/messaging Lisa at (315) 408-0476/ email: <a href="mailto:beebeuh60@yahoo.com">beebeuh60@yahoo.com</a>. If you would like to help, but these days are not convenient for you, let Lisa know when you would be available.

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RWCC will have a booth at the Downtown Enterprise Whoville Holiday Celebration, December 7, 10-4. We will need volunteers to help set up, work the booth

and tear down afterwards. We will be conducting voter registration, membership recruitment, and more. Robin Foy will have a sign-up sheet at our November meeting.

SAVE THE DATE
AFRW LEGISLATIVE DAYS
February 17-19
Montgomery, AL
More details to come

### WE ARE NOW TAKING RWCC MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2020

Dues are \$40 for members and \$20 for associates. The \$10 dues increase is a result of the National Federation of Republican Women having to raise their dues.

For your convenience, we are now able to take credit/debit cards or Venmo. Of course, cash or checks are still welcomed. A membership form is attached for your convenience.

The coming year will be an exciting one, but also a crucial one in what is to come for not only us, but our children and grandchildren. Please renew your membership to help us in our efforts to ensure that President Trump is re-elected.









### RWCC WOMEN HONORED BY WOMEN WHO CARE

Women Who Care, a local service organization created by Harolyn Benjamin to assist women in bettering their lives, held its first "Fall Into Fashion" event on October 17 in the ESCC Multi-Purpose Room. This was a fun-filled night with a catered meal by Magnolia Farms, music, and a fashion show with clothes from April's Boutique located inside of Women Who Care. The models, who were selected for their contributions to our community, included RWCC President Johnna Roberts. Two other RWCC members were key to making this event a reality—Sue Neuwien and Elaine Ridenour. After the fashion show, Harolyn recognized seven Enterprise women for their work in the community by awarding them with a "Women Who Reach for the Stars" award. Johnna Roberts was among the seven who received the award. Harolyn then recognized Sue by establishing the Sue Neuwien Humanitarian Award for all the volunteer work she has done for Women Who Care. Then, she awarded the first Sue Neuwien Humanitarian Award to Elaine Ridenour, who has also been a hardworking volunteer for the organization.



Top Photo: Award Recipients; bottom left: Johnna; right: Elaine and Sue

#### ALABAMA 2020 MARCH 3 PRIMARY ELECTION

### OFFICES ON THE COFFEE COUNTY BALLOT & THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES\*

President and Vice-President—Candidates: Donald Trump and Mike Pence

<u>US Senate</u>—Candidates: Stanley Adair, Bradley Byrne, John Merrill, Arnold Mooney, Roy Moore, Tommy Tuberville

<u>US House of Representatives District 2</u>—Candidates: Thomas Brown, Jr., Jeff Coleman, Troy King, Barry Moore, Bob Rogers, Jessica Taylor

Place 1, Supreme Court—Candidates: Greg Shaw (incumbent), Cam Ward

Place 2, Supreme Court—Candidate: Brad Mendheim

<u>Place 1, Court of Criminal Appeals</u>—Candidates: Mary Windom (incumbent)

Place 2, Court of Criminal Appeals—Candidates: Jill Ganus, Beth Kellum (incumbent)

<u>Place 1, Court of Civil Appeals</u>—Candidates: Bill Thompson (incumbent) <u>Place 2, Court of Civil Appeals</u>—Candidates: Richard Anderson, Matt Fridy

<u>Public Service Commission President</u>—Candidates: Twinkle Andress Cavanaugh

Coffee County District Judge—Candidates: Josh Wilson

The following local offices will also appear on the ballot:

Revenue Commissioner: Ronnie Burns

<u>All Coffee County Commissioners by District</u>: Dean Smith--1, Kim Ellis--2, Josh Carnley--3, Al Britt--4, Jim Thompson--6, and Tom Grimsley—7. District 5 is currently held by Democrat Jimmy Jones.

<u>District 1 Coffee County School Board Member</u>: Brian McLeod <u>District 7 Coffee County School Board Member</u>: Sherry Eddins

Candidates for Delegates to the Republican National Convention will also appear on the ballot. Two of our members will be on the ballot: Ed Foy is running for Congressional District 2, Place 2 delegate. Robin Foy is running for At-Large, Place 22 delegate.

To see all Alabama qualified candidates, go to algop.org, then click on Elections, then Qualified Candidates.



The **Republican Women of Coffee County** are members of the **Alabama Federation of Republican Women** and the **National Federation of Republican Women**, which was founded in 1938.

### BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF COFFEE COUNTY

- •Promotes an informed public through political education, candidate forums, and activity
- •Increases the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through political participation
- •Fosters loyalty to the Republican Party and promotes its philosophy
- •Presents the opportunity for active assistance to work for ballot security during elections

Republican Women of Coffee County meet on the third Wednesday of each month at the

•Gives one the opportunity to work for the election of Republican candidates

2020 Membership Application  Enclosed is my check payable to "Republican Women of Coffee County".  Calendar Year: January 1st through December 31st  Regular Membership (\$40): New, or Renewal  Associate Member (Spouse) (\$20): New, or Renewal						
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Please mail this form and dues to Republican Women of Coffee County, c/o Kimmie Stafford, 302 Arrowhead Drive, Enterprise, 36330. For more information, call Kimmie at (334)389-1016.