

Cumberland County Republican Women's Club



Members of the North Carolina Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women



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CCRWC Meetings

We meet the 2nd Tuesday monthly at 6:15 p.m. at the Highland Country Club for dinner. The business meeting begins at 7 p.m. Cost is \$16 per person for a sumptuous buffet; \$3 for seating only. **RSVP for Feb. 9 meeting by Feb. 8.** Call 425-4353 for reservations.

President's Notes ...

Massachusetts Senator-elect Scott Brown proved to the world that every vote in the United States counts. President Obama sounded as though he's going to push ahead with his healthcare reform package, but he now knows he'll have to acknowledge, debate and discuss openly solutions which have been or will be suggested by Republicans on this and every other issue — no more back door bribery deals. For this country can be thankful to all of you and the multitude of other Americans who e-mailed, called, faxed and showed up at public events protesting Obamacare and closed-door politics as usual.

It appears that the trial of terrorist Khalid Shaikh Mohammad won't take place in Manhattan, and the undies bomber may yet be tried as the terrorist he is. This is another example of how Americans standing tall and demanding government by and for the people functions. We have a perfectly good venue to try these terrorists — Guantanamo Bay, Cuba — where these terrorist won't be using taxpayer dollars to embarrass America.

Many thanks to all of you who've agreed to donate desserts for the Reagan event Feb. 9. and who will be helping or attending. This is what our club is about: helping to elect Republicans.

And thanks to those who've agreed to serve as committee chairs this year. The Board and I thank you for your commitment and dedication.

Suzanne

2010 Calendar

February 6	Ronald Reagan Republican Roundup
February 9	CCRWC Mtg.
February 11	FRWC Meeting
February 12-13,	NCFRW Board Mtg.
February 18	CCRWC Board Mtg.
February 16	CCRMC Meeting
February 14	Valentine's Day
February 15	President's Day
March 6	County GOP Convention
March 9	CCRWC Monthly Mtg.
March 16	CCRWC Board Mtg.
May 4, 2010	NC Primary Election

Important web sites to visit

Visit our Web site to review our year in pictures and learn more about the CCRWC:

<http://www.cumberlandcountyrepublicanwomensclub.org/>

The National Federation of Republican Women:

<http://www.nfrw.org/index.html>

To enter the member page: the User name is *Federation*, and the Password is nfrw1938.

The North Carolina Federation of Republican Women:

<http://www.ncfederationofrepublicanwomen.org/>

No user name is required. The password is 1953ncfrw.

Reminder: Womack Pediatric Project



We're delivering stuffed animals to the Womack AH Chaplains for the Pediatric Ward in February after our Feb. 9 meeting.

For health reasons, the toys must be new. Bring them to our Feb. 9 meeting if you want to contribute.



And, yes we did!

Keep making your calls and sending faxes and e-mails to remind those who sit in the halls of Congress that they work for we the people!

Senator Hagan: 919-856-4630

Rep. Kissell: 910-920-2070

Rep. McIntyre: 910-323-0260

Rep. Etheridge: 910-814-0335

The Fisher House



We're planning a trip to the Fisher House and Womack AH this spring to introduce our newer members to the facility. We continue to support those

who care for America through service in the military — our men and women in uniform and their families — through our tax deductible donations given directly to the Fisher House.

In March, we'll again be collecting donations. The only Fisher House in North Carolina is located at Fort Bragg. The families of our soldiers appreciate your generosity.

RONALD REAGAN REPUBLICAN ROUNDUP



February 6, 2010 Noon to 2:30 p.m.
Paradise Acres in Hope Mills

Guest speakers: Senator Richard Burr, Mayor Pat McCrory and 2nd, 7th and 8th congressional district candidates

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and include a 50/50 ticket, meal, live entertainment and special invited guests. Plan to attend, wearing your best western style attire! Make your reservations today by calling 425-4353 or going online to www.cumberlandgop.com. **If you're donating desserts, please bring them to Suzanne's house between 4-6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5.**

Cumberland County Gun & Knife Shows & 4th Fridays

Our membership will be participating in the Cumberland County Gun and Knife Shows & Fayetteville's 4th Fridays. These are fun events with great potential for registering Republican voters, talking politics and meeting new friends. If you're interested in helping with these fun events, please call Suzanne for more information. February 4th Friday date is Feb. 26th.



April 17

We'll sell anything of value: furniture, kitchen goods, toys, home decoration items, tools, clothing (washed/cleaned and

neatly folded or hung), home accessories, lawn and garden items, working electronics, etc. We'll be announcing drop off dates at our Feb. 9 meeting, so, as you clean out your closets, cabinets and garages, don't throw it away these items that could contribute to raising dollars we can give our Republican candidates to get elected. Call or e-mail Sylvia for details, (910) 635-2784 (c), or sylviam.smith@yahoo.com.



Our Annual Dues are Due!!

The Annual Dues for this year are now due. Regular membership is still \$28.00 a year (even though the NCFRW raised their dues by \$2) and the associate dues are \$15.00. If you joined our club after

September, no 2010 dues are due. Please make your check out to CCRWC, and bring it with you to the February 9th meeting or send your check payable to the CCRWC to our treasurer, Sylvia Smith. Thank you!

FEBRUARY GUEST SPEAKER



Renee Ellmers

N.C. 2nd Congressional District Candidate

Renee Ellmers was born in Ironwood in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. When she was a child, her family moved to Madison Heights, near Detroit, where her father took a job in the auto industry. He worked with General Motors until he retired.

After graduating from Madison High School and needing to work her way through college, Renee trained as a Medical Assistant. For the next eight years, working full and part-time

jobs, she attended Oakland University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing.

A year later, working as a Surgical Intensive Care Nurse at Beaumont Hospital she met her husband, Brent, a graduate of the University Of Indiana School Of Medicine.

After their son was born and while visiting family in Cary, Renee and her husband decided to move to North Carolina. Today she works with her husband as Clinical Director of the Trinity Wound Care Center in Dunn.

Renee is active in community affairs, having served as Vice President of Community Development for the Chamber of Commerce and as President Elect of the Chamber for the coming year. She has also served on the Dunn Planning Board, the board of the Betsy Johnson Hospital Foundation and the Harnett County Nursing Home Committee.

She volunteers at Cape Fear Christian Academy where her son, Ben, is a student, and teaches Sunday school at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Last summer she and her husband attended a Town Hall meeting to hear Congressman Bob Etheridge speak on behalf of President Obama's health care plan. Later, as a volunteer, she became an outspoken critic of government-run health care. She is now a candidate for Congress – opposing Congressman Bob Etheridge – in North Carolina's 2nd District.

Massachusetts' new senator

By Michael Zak



As the new senator from Massachusetts, Senator-elect Scott Brown, said, "It's not the Ted Kennedy

seat. It's not the Democrat seat. It's the people's seat."

Instead of Ted, let's remember an honorable and courageous Republican senator who once filled the seat to which Scott Brown was elected. During the GOP's 1860 election campaign, Senator Sumner gave a speech that speaks to us today:

"If ever there was a moment when every faculty should be bent to the service, and all invigorated by an inspiring zeal, it is now, while the battle between Civilization and Barbarism is still undecided.

Happily, a political party is at hand whose purpose is to combine and direct all generous energies for the salvation of the country. The work must be done, and there is no other organization by which it can be done. A party with such an origin and such a necessity cannot be for a day, or for this election only.

If bad men conspire for slavery, good men must combine for freedom. And when this triumph is won, securing the immediate object of our organization, the Republican Party will not die, but, purified by long contest with slavery, and filled with higher life, it will be lifted to yet other efforts for the good of man.

Others may dwell on the past as secure; but to my mind, under the laws of a beneficent God, the future also is secure, on the single condition that we press forward in the work with heart and soul, forgetting self, turning from all temptations of the hour, and, intent only on the cause."

Senator Charles Sumner (R-MA) was one of the founders of the Republican Party. Angered by Sumner's denunciations of slavery, a Democrat congressman beat him nearly to death on the floor of the U.S. Senate. Sumner responded with a classic denunciation of the Democratic Party for promoting [The Barbarism of Slavery](#).

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The day he died, Charles Sumner urged Republicans to stay true to the principles of our Grand Old Party: "My bill, the civil rights bill - don't let it fail." The Republican-controlled 43rd Congress honored his memory by passing the [1875 Civil Rights Act](#).

Have a Heart



By Michele Movius,
CCRWC Chaplain

February, shortest month of the year, is noteworthy for numerous holidays and other days of observance.

Valentine's Day tops the list with visions of hearts, roses, chocolates, love and friendship! Card companies say Valentine cards comprise 25 percent of those sent yearly. It's nice having one more opportunity to reflect on those we care about. We Republicans can take this opportunity to "spread some love around," choosing to be friendlier to members and potential members.

Presidents Day, an evolved title, is celebrated on the third Monday of February. This is a federal holiday for Washington's Birthday. Historically, we celebrated Washington's Birthday on 2/16 and Lincoln's birthday on 2/22, but Lincoln's birthday was never a federal holiday. In 1968, Congress created more uniform federal holidays by moving several to Mondays to create three-day weekends and Washington's Birthday was moved. This new date fell between the two presidential birthdays and the notion of celebrating both on this holiday became popular. Eventually, all presidents were included by some.

40 Days for Life, a growing pro-life movement, occurs from 2/17 through 3/28 this year.

National Director David Bereit states, "While many see a time of darkness -- as the U.S. marks the 37th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court ruling that imposed abortion on America, and as the U.S. Congress deliberates legislation that could lead to dramatic increases in taxpayer funding for abortion, I see a time of great hope ... especially because pro-life advocates are willing to step out in faith and pray and fast for an end to abortion during this year's 40 Days for Life campaign."

Month-long observations include: American Heart Month, American History Month and Black History Month. Special days include: Groundhog Day, Ash Wednesday, Lent and Leap Day (2/29 only occurs once every four years, known as Leap Year). Of course, we chocolate lovers must include National Chocolate Cake Day on 2/27 and National Chocolate Day on 2/10.

January 2010 Meeting Photos



Paulette Munson introduces her guest



Vice President Tuesday Bogan introduces guest speaker Lou Huddleston



Kitty Davis introduces her guests



Guest speaker 8th congressional district candidate Lou Huddleston

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Here is a list of organizations, which have been highly rated by [the American Institute of Philanthropy](#) through which you can aid those in need in [Haiti](#):

- [Action Against Hunger](#)
- [American Jewish World Service](#)
- [American Red Cross](#)
- [American Refugee Committee](#)
- Bush-Clinton Fund
- [CARE](#)
- [Catholic Relief Services](#)
- [Church World Service](#)
- [Doctors Without Borders – USA](#)
- [International Medical Corps](#)
- [Medical Teams International](#)
- [Mercy Corps](#)
- [Operation USA](#)
- [Oxfam-America](#)
- [Salvation Army](#)
- [UMCOR \(United Methodist Committee on Relief\)](#)
- [World Vision](#)