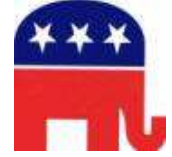


Cumberland County Republican Women's Club



Members of the North Carolina Federation of Republican
Women and the National Federation of Republican Women
August 2008



President's notes ...

As I'm writing this note, Governor Easley in Gastonia, home of Jessica Lunsford, is signing Jessica's Law for North Carolina into law. This is truly a glorious day for our children, their families, and caregivers and law enforcement officials who too often have had to deal with the aftermath of the heinous acts committed by the predators of children. To all of you who wrote letters, called legislators and sent e-mails, thank you for caring enough to act and being a part of this three-year effort. And, yes, it was Republicans — Representatives Tim Moore and Julia Howard — who led the way in the General Assembly and who remained resolute throughout the process and NCFRW's Immediate Past President, Martha Jenkins, who heard the call to act in her heart long before the NFRW adopted Jessica's Law as a national project. Martha's willingness to initiate a statewide effort by the NCFRW and her tireless dedication are something we can all be proud of.

Whenever traveling, I like to read local newspapers. Last week two Boston Globe pieces caught my eye. Jeff Jacoby's "Missing from that speech" was an unexpected opinion piece detailing the things Senator Obama's Berlin speech failed to mention about the Berlin airlift and about President Harry Truman's determination to keep the Russians out of East Berlin. I remember standing on both sides of the Brandenburg Gate within a few hours and thinking the Berlin Wall would be there forever. Be sure to click on the link below and read Jacoby's observations and their relevance to the global war on terrorism today.

The second considerably longer article may appear at first to be about corruption in the Boston Fire Department. It is about much more. "The image that emerges is of a particular community - a country, an institution, an office, a group of friends - developing a taste for corruption that depends on a set of assumptions not only about what is right and wrong, but about what one's neighbors and colleagues are doing, of what one deserves from and owes to the community. It takes a village, in other words, to breed corruption." Reading this article will be well worth your time.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you next week at our meeting August 6th and meeting your friends and our guests. I know it is going to be a scrumptious happening. Please remember to bring a stuffed animal — all sizes and offerings will be greatly appreciated, most especially elephants — and used or new paperback books for the guest houses at Fort Bragg. And thank you in advance for your generosity.

Suzanne Rucker, Vice President

P.S. Thank you Amy, Sue, Jerry and David for another terrific 4th Friday! I hear that our table had a massive number of people stopping by to pick up candidate information and volunteering to work in the upcoming elections. Good for us!

Suzanne Rucker, Vice President



2008 CCRWC Officers and Board Members

President	Barbara Olcott
Vice President	Suzanne Rucker
Secretary	Mary Anne Peeples
Treasurer	Heidi Steding
Asst. Treasurer	Sue Dennis

Standing Committees

Legislative Program	Suzanne Rucker
Parliamentarian	Mary Anne Peeples
Campaign	Barbara Hines Linda Semmes
Fundraising	Amy Bryan

Public Relations	Paulette Munson
Newsletter	Paulette Munson
Web site	Paulette Munson
Membership	Suzanne Rucker

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Historian	Lutte Erwin

CCRWC Monthly Meetings

The CCRWC meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Highland Country Club on Raeford Road at 11:15 a.m. Lunch is \$13 per person, \$3.00 for non-eating, and reservations are required. Call 484-7957 or e-mail drtimes4@aol.com to reserve a seat.

KEY 2008 ELECTION DATES

June 9-July 7	Filing period for Soil & Water Conservation
July 4-Aug. 1	Filing period for Board of Education
Oct. 10	Deadline to register to vote on Nov. 4 th
Nov. 4th	General Election

CCRWC Meeting Schedule

Aug. 6th	Luncheon Meeting
Sept. 10th	Luncheon Meeting
Oct. 1st	Luncheon Meeting,
Nov. 5th	Luncheon Meeting

Election of 2009 CCRWC Officers

Dec. 6th* Christmas Brunch

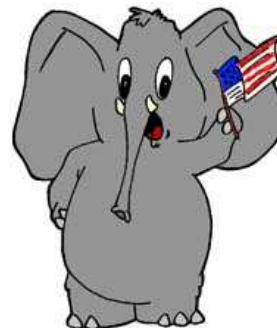
Installation of CCRWC 2009 Officers

Jan. 14th* Monthly Luncheon

***Note Dec. and Jan. dates changes**

Remember to bring a friend August 6th!

This is our annual membership recruitment meeting when we conduct very little club business and take the opportunity to get to know one another while also welcoming guest who might be interested in joining the CCRWC. All registered Republican women are welcomed to join as full members and all registered men are welcomed to join as associate members. Republican women may join only one club as full members, but may join as many clubs as they wish as associate members.



Christmas Basket Reminder



It's time to start collecting items for our annual Christmas Basket Raffle.

This raffle is one of our main fundraisers for the year, so let's make it bigger and better by getting an early start. You can start bringing items to meetings now.



FISHER HOUSE

Instead of bringing items to this month's meeting for the Fisher House, we're asking members to bring items for two other military related projects.

Pediatric Ward at Womack Army Hospital



We've been asked to donate stuffed animals for the chaplains at Womack to be given to pediatric patients there. The stuffed animals must be newly purchased. All sizes and varieties are welcome — most especially elephants!

Fort Bragg Guest Houses Literacy Project

Last spring, the Cape Fear TARS collected paperback books to be donated to our military personnel. We thought they'd be useable at Womack Army Hospital, however, the Red Cross tells us that they have more books than they have room for. The guesthouses, which serve as homes-away-from-home for military personnel on temporary duty or families transitioning from one installation to another, are in need of books. We're suggesting this be a public service project our TARS groups this fall and we're asking our members to join us in this effort too. Please bring used paperback books to our meetings and we'll get them out to Fort Bragg.



North Carolina Victory 2008 Office

If you're interested in volunteering for the regional N.C. Victory 2008 office located here, please call Suzanne immediately. In 2002, 2004, and 2006 the regional Get-Out-the-Vote office was located Fayetteville. In 2006, the Fayetteville office was credited with the GOTV efforts that reelected Congressman Robin Hayes. This year's efforts will include the presidential campaign for Senator John McCain, reelection efforts for Senator Elizabeth Dole and Congressman Hayes, and the gubernatorial election of Mayor Pat McCrory.

Please volunteer today! And ask your friends to be part of our team! Charlotte, Sue, Heidi and many of us "seasoned" veterans can tell you all about it. It's fun and a great way to meet new people while doing the thing we most want to do:

**Elect Republicans from
the school house to the
White House!**

A BIG thank you ...

From the Lou Huddleston N.C. State House District 44 campaign for all the desserts donated for his recent family BBQ. They were delicious!

July 2nd Lunch Photos



Guest speaker Will Breazeale, congressional District 7 candidate, introduces a friend. The photo says it all: McIntyre still refuses to debate.



Local Fair Tax group leader, Jim Underwood, explains the pros and cons of fair tax proposals.

June 4th Friday



North Carolina District 44 candidate and CCRWC associate member Lou Huddlestone helps with setup preparations.



After setting up, Amy, David, Suzanne, Paulette and Breazeale staffer Tyrell Ferris were too busy to take pictures!

From the pages of *The Boston Globe*

Missing from that speech

The following appeared on Boston.com:
Headline: Missing from that Berlin speech
Date: Jul 28, 2008



"BARACK OBAMA had ample reason to recall the Berlin Airlift of 1948 during his dramatic speech in the German capital last week. The airlift was an early and critical success for the West in the Cold War, with clear relevance to our own time, the war in Iraq, and the free world's conflict with radical Islam. But having reached back..."

http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/editorial_opinion/oped/articles/2008/07/27/missing_from_the_berlin_speech?s_campaign=8315

The culture of corruption

...legitimate, and accusations of widespread **corruption** are still unproven. Critics inside...But a growing body of research on **corruption** suggests that there may be alternatives...to tease out the factors that allow **corruption** to arise and persist, experts are increasingly... (Page K1, 1876 words)

Source: Boston Globe|Date: Jul 27, 2008|By: Drake Bennett

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FOR GREAT EATS
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