

Douglas County Republican Women January 2015

February Meeting

The February DCRW meeting will be Monday, February 23 at 6 pm. at the Smith House at 400 South Main Street in Tuscola. RSVP is required only if attending at 276-3504 or at douglascountyilrepublicans@gmail.com.

The guest speaker will be John Dust of Land of Lincoln Honor Flight.

Their Mission Statement reads: "Our mission is to provide round trip transportation from Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport in Springfield, Illinois, for Veterans in order of their service, (WWII, Korean Era & Vietnam Era) who wish to visit their memorials in Washington, DC. This day trip is provided completely free of charge to the Veteran in honor of his/her service to our country." Their slogan is "One More Tour With Honor". More information is available on their website at www.LandofLincolnHonorFlight.org



2014 Year in Review

I thought a recap of 2014 would be nice to remind us of what our club has done.

February – The Douglas County Republican's held their annual Lincoln Day Dinner and Republican Primary Candidates participated in a forum.

March – A forum was held at the Ag Building for Republican Primary Candidates.

April – We welcomed past DCRW President, Linda Brown back to update us on her political adventures and her involvement with the Illinois Federation of Republican Women

May- We had our Spring Luncheon at Yoder's and listened to the Scholarship Recipient's essays, heard about the importance of feeding Monarch Butterflies and were treated with a visit from Illinois Senator Chapin Rose.

September – Dave Shafer, an instructor at Shooter School Weapons Training spoke about Concealed Carry.

Nominations were made for new officers.

October – Sheriff elect, Fred Galey spoke to us at Carriage Crossing in Arcola

Members donated cookies for a "Meet the Candidate" event at the Republican Headquarters in Tuscola.

November – The weather kept our numbers down so our guest speaker was rescheduled. Instead, President, Laura Henry gave a quiz on Illinois and a good meal was shared at Yoder's.

December – A Christmas Breakfast was enjoyed at The Smith House. The new slate of officers were installed by past President, Linda Brown. They are as follows:

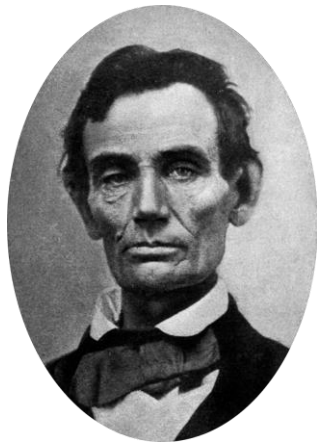
President – Laura Henry
1st Vice President – Judi Pollock
2nd Vice President – Nancy Broch
3rd Vice President – Debbie McGrew
4th Vice President – Bibby Appleby
Secretary – Julie Mills
Treasurer – Caryl Knox
Special guests in attendance were Camille Rose, wife of Illinois Senator, Chapin Rose and Stephanie Brown, wife of Illinois Representative, Adam Brown.

Shimkus to Speak at Lincoln Day Dinner

The annual Lincoln Day Dinner will be held at Yoder's in Arthur on Monday, February 16. Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. and a buffet dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20/person and may be purchased through a Central Committeeman or reserved by calling Neal Wood at 232-9665 or emailing douglascountylrepublicans@gmail.com.

U.S. Congressman, John Shimkus will be our guest speaker.

Jason Watson Photography will be in attendance taking professional photographs.



Senior Scholarship

Douglas County Republican Women and the Republican Central Committee are each offering a \$500 scholarship to two High School Seniors this year.

Donations are appreciated as there will be no other fundraisers for the scholarships.

Nancy Broch is the chairperson for the scholarship committee.

No information is available at this time concerning the theme or due dates.

Winning essays will be read at the Spring Luncheon in May.

Information for the newsletter needs to be submitted to Laura Henry at:

douglascountylrepublicans@gmail.com or 276-3504
Please feel free to copy or share your newsletter.

We welcome new members and volunteers.
If you have not paid your 2015 dues, please mail \$20 to:

Caryl Knox
100 Hicklory Lane
Villa Grove, IL 61956

Meeting Notice

It has been decided to have most of our meetings in 2015 at the Smith House in Tuscola on the last Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Exceptions are the months of January, June and July when we do not typically meet. RSVP is required but only if you will be attending. We may have our Spring Luncheon at Yoder's if it can be arranged. More information will follow at a later date.

Proverbs 14:15

A simple man believes anything,
But a prudent man gives thought to his steps.

Sir, my concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right.
~Abraham Lincoln

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