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Please feel free to copy or share your newsletter. We welcome new members and volunteers.

## October Meeting

The Douglas County Republican Women met Monday, October 10 at Monical's Pizza in Villa Grove. Fifteen members and guests were in attendance. Vice President Bibby Appleby called the meeting to order, due to the illness of President, Linda Brown. Laura Henry gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Julie Mills read the minutes from the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Treasurer, Caryl Knox, reported a balance of \$1,396.10 in the club treasury. She passed around a thank you card from the Arcola Food Pantry.

One of the topics discussed is The Spring Luncheon, scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> and will be held at the Kaskaskia Country Club in rural Arcola.

Bibby announced the IFRW Conference will be held in Bloomington on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. State Comptroller Judy Barr-Topinka and State Treasurer Dan Rutherford are scheduled to speak.

\$101.00 was collected in the Caring and Sharing collection. Becky Wax said this month's collection will go to the Arthur United Methodist Church food pantry.

The scheduled speakers for the October meeting were unable to attend. Bibby introduced Peter Buckley, Chief Deputy for the Douglas County Sheriff's Department. He spoke about his coming up through the ranks of the FBI. Deputy Buckley also gave his impression of the Douglas County Sheriff's Department and how his past experiences affect his position now.

The evening concluded with an additional speaker, Robert Roman, Republican candidate for State Representative.





## Officer Spotlight:

### Julie Mills: DCRW Secretary

Julie Mills was born and raised in Douglas County. She is the fourth of five children of Charles and Juanita Rairden. Having attended Tuscola schools until the middle of sixth grade, the family then moved to Arcola. Julie graduated top in her class from Arcola High School in 1975. In 1979 she graduated from Illinois State University, with a degree in social sciences, with a secondary education teaching certificate. While a student at ISU, Julie was a member of College Republicans. Upon her graduation

from ISU, Julie returned to Arcola and managed the Dutch Kitchen restaurant for four years. During that time, she met John Mills and they married in 1983. They had a son, Bryson, in August of 1986. Bryson lives in Champaign and married Casey Johnson this past June 11th. Julie also has two stepsons, Jason and Kyle. Jason and his wife, Holly, live in Tuscola. Kyle and his wife, Melissa live in St. Joseph. Julie has four grandchildren, Cody, Sydney, Emily and Logan, ranging from ages 15 to 5.

John retired from Cabot Corporation at the end of 2009, after working there over 36 years. Julie was given the opportunity to go to work in the Douglas County Courthouse in 1985, when hired by Circuit Clerk Helen Fortney. She also worked two terms for Peggy Beetle before being elected Circuit Clerk in 1996. Currently, Julie is circulating petitions to run for her fifth term as Circuit Clerk. She loves working with the public and with the court system. Julie is a member of

the Arcola United Methodist Church, where she serves as secretary of the Nurture Committee and the First Sunday Circle women's organization. At 7:15 Thursday mornings, you will find her at the Arcola Sunrise Rotary meeting at the Dutch Kitchen. Julie has served as secretary of the Douglas County Republican Women for several terms. John and Julie enjoy camping during the summer. Julie also enjoys working out at Curves, reading and playing games on the computer. Most days will find her visiting her father, who just turned 89, at the Arthur Home.



*Happy November Birthday  
To  
Debbie McGrew  
November 9*

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## Website in the Works

Work continues on the website for Douglas County Republican Women and the Central Committee. The administrators of the website are Linda Brown and Laura Henry. If you have any information or any ideas for the

website please contact them.



## Republican Christmas Party

A combined Christmas party with the Republican Central Committee will be held December 1<sup>st</sup> at Kaskaskia Country Club in rural Arcola.

A quartet from Coles County Barbershop Chorus will provide entertainment. Quartet, Keyless Entry, members are Brad Smith-

Tenor, Bob Jones-Lead, Steve Blucker-Baritone, and Ron Hawkins – Bass. Douglas County Republican Women are asked to donate items for a silent auction, with the proceeds being split between the DCRW and the Central Committee. Tickets for the event will be

available for purchase and to sell soon. Price of the ticket includes a buffet dinner and the entertainment.



### Colossians 3:15-17

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

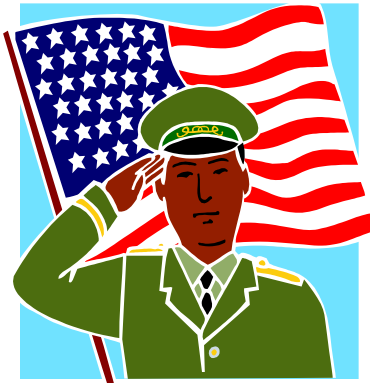
# November Meeting

The November meeting of the Douglas County Republican Women will be held November 14 at 6:00 p.m. in Tuscola at the

Senior Center which is located on Sale Street, down town. We will be served a complimentary soup and sandwich dinner by some of the ladies of the club. The Guest Speaker will be Jim Ingram, the Douglas County Clerk and Recorder. Members are encouraged to invite a guest.



## Veterans Day November 11



Excerpt taken from the website of United States Department of Veteran Affairs

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

President Dwight D. Eisenhower issued the [first "Veterans Day Proclamation"](#) which stated: "In order to insure proper and widespread observance of this anniversary, all veterans, all veterans' organizations, and the entire citizenry will wish to join hands in the common purpose. Toward this end, I am designating the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs as Chairman of a Veterans Day National Committee, which shall include such other persons as the Chairman may select, and which will coordinate at the national level necessary planning for the observance. I am also requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch of the Government to assist the National Committee in every way possible."

## Calendar Dinner

February 19, 2012, the Douglas County Republican Women will be hosting a Calendar Supper. The money raised from this dinner will be awarded to a student in the form of a Scholarship.

The club is asking for volunteers for this dinner. There is a kitchen committee who will be organizing the entrees and side dishes and seeing to the service the night

of the dinner. Also needed are women willing to host a table. You may work with a friend or sponsor a table alone. There will be one table for each month of the year, seating eight people. Each sponsor will be responsible to set the table in a theme for their month, serve a salad and a dessert and sell tickets for their table. An example might be decorating a table with a patriotic theme for July, or snowflakes for January. This

could be a way to display a collection you may have or promote a festival in your town.

Not only is this dinner raising money to help a young person defray the high cost of college, but it could be a great way to build our organization.

If you are interested in helping with this dinner please contact Sharon Corum at (217)474-7738