

Douglas County Republican Women Winter 2013

Happy New Year

I hope the new year is finding you all safe and healthy.

As I put the newsletter together I find that we sure did have a busy fall. The weather has been pretty decent this winter so far and we've had a nice break but now it's time to get back to work.

We don't have any county wide elections this spring but the DCRW board has put together some great ideas for upcoming meetings and before you know it we will again be in the heat of another election. It's like at Christmas, we start preparing earlier and earlier each year.

Please note some changes to our meeting days as some of them do not fall on the second Monday of the month. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Laura

November Meeting

The Douglas County Republican Women met Monday, November 12, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. at the Smith House in Tuscola. There were 22 members

and guests in attendance. President Laura Henry called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Veterans stood and were recognized for their service to our country. Laura led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation. A wonderful meal, catered by Nancy Smith, was enjoyed by all present.

The minutes from the October 9th meeting were approved as read by secretary Julie Mills. Treasurer Caryl Knox reported a balance of \$1,605.76. Her report was approved.

The Douglas County Republican Party Christmas party will be held at Yoder's in Arthur on December 6th at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 each. There will be entertainment.

County officials will be installed on Friday, November 30th at 2:00 p.m. at the courthouse.

State Senator Dale Righter was introduced. He has represented parts of Douglas County since 1997. He discussed the challenges Republicans face in the future and answered questions. Laura presented him with a plaque, thanking for his many years of service to Douglas County.

\$101.00 was donated in the caring and sharing collection. The money will go to the Atwood Food Pantry at the Baptist Church.

~Julie Mills, DCRW Secretary

Republican Christmas Party

The Douglas County Republicans held their annual Christmas party December 6, 2012 at Yoder's Country Kitchen in Arthur. There were approximately 72 people in attendance.

Lonnie and the Bee Bops, a 1950's style singing group, was the entertainment. They sang classics as well as a few Christmas tunes.

The Silent Auction was hosted by the Douglas County Republican Women and brought in \$280.

Thank you to all who donated items for the auction.

Happy Birthday!

Doris Bragg – Dec. 6
Gail Heinz – Dec. 7
Marlene Lincoln – Dec. 8
Alison Henry – Dec. 13
Becky Lucas – Dec. 16
Holly Henry – Dec. 24
Becky Wax – Dec. 25
Laura Henry – Dec. 27
Laurena Cain – Jan. 3
Lenore Nau – Jan. 6
Bibby Appleby – Jan. 6
Wilma Allen – Jan. 14
Sandra Bragg – Jan. 18
Nellie Gilpin – Jan. 31
Edith Bozarth – Feb. 7
Caryl Knox – Feb. 7
Morgan Henry – Feb. 25

Happy Anniversary!

Simone Jackson – Dec. 21
Wilma Allen – Jan. 14
Nellie Gilpin – Feb. 28

County Officials Installed

Newly elected county officials were sworn into office by Judge Michael G. Carroll on Friday, November 30, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. The installation was held in the large courtroom in the Douglas County Courthouse. Sworn into office were Kevin Nolan, State's Attorney; Joe Victor, Coroner and Julie Mills, Circuit Clerk. Also sworn in were county board members Chuck Knox, Bibby Appleby, Randy Bergeson, Tom Glenn, Don Munson, Ernie Bartholomew and Thomas Hettinger. Jason Pantier was welcomed as the newly appointed chief probation officer, replacing Paul Wisovaty, who retired at the end of 2012. A reception was held following the installations. County Board members met for a brief meeting at 3:00 p.m. where Chuck Knox was re-elected chairman, with Don Munson being elected the vice chairman.

County Clerk and Recorder Jim Ingram retired at the end of the year. Judi Pollock was appointed by the County Board to replace Jim as County Clerk. Judi was sworn into office by outgoing Clerk Ingram. She will be able to run for the office in two years.

Richard L. Broch was sworn in as an Associate Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 by Chief Justice Rita Garman. Rick will be hearing cases in the four smaller counties in the Sixth Judicial Circuit. The Circuit is made up of Douglas, Moultrie, Piatt, DeWitt, Macon and Champaign counties.

~Julie Mills



2013 Spring IFRW Conference

The 2013 Spring Illinois Federation of Republican Women Conference is set for 5:00 P.M. Friday, April 19th – 2:00 P.M. Saturday, April 20th. The event will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn & Conference Center in Champaign, Illinois.

Information about the Conference will be available at a later date including ticket prices and Conference events.

Lincoln Day Dinner

The 2013 Lincoln Day Dinner will be held February 12 at 6:00 P.M. at Yoder's Country Kitchen in Arthur.

The guest speaker is Illinois Treasurer, Dan Rutherford. Tickets are \$20 each.

February DCRW Meeting

The next monthly meeting for Douglas County Republican Women will be held February 18, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at the Tuscola Senior Center. Supper will be provided by several members of DCRW. Gluten Free foods will be available.

The guest speaker will be Cheryl Towne, Coordinator of the Illinois Federation of Republican Women Spring 2013

Conference. Cheryl is also the treasurer of the IFRW and President of the Vermilion County Republican Women's Club.

Plans for the remainder of the Spring meetings includes Dinners at Monical's in Villa Grove, Yoder's in Arthur and the Spring Luncheon at Smith's House in Tuscola. Many interesting speakers are slated as well as local entertainment. More information to follow soon.

Senior Scholarship

Douglas County Republican Women would like to offer a scholarship to another Senior Student this year.

We are taking donations for this. There will be no need for a fundraiser for the scholarship if enough donations are received.

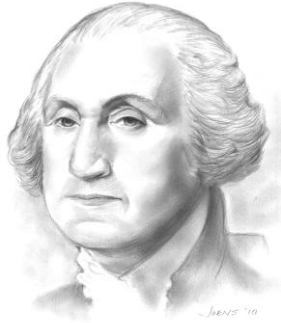
More information on the scholarship will be available at a later date.

President's Day

Monday, February 18th

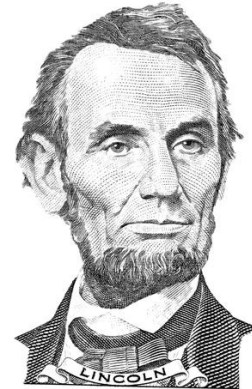
"The very atmosphere of firearms anywhere and everywhere restrains evil interference – they deserve a place of honor with all that's good."

~ George Washington



"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."

~ Abraham Lincoln



Information for the newsletter needs to be submitted to Laura Henry. Thank you

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We welcome new members and volunteers.

If you have not paid your 2013 Dues, please be sure to mail

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Popcorn was voted as the official Illinois Snackfood in 2003. The bill was sponsored by State Senator Larry Walsh.

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