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President's message by Pauline Bruno



An Open Letter to Our Amazing Police Officers:

Police officers are rarely thanked or told that they have done a great job. Therefore, I'm writing an open letter to all law enforcement to thank you for going beyond the call of duty to prevent crime of all kinds occurring in our community and for all the good deeds you do. Despite how difficult and dangerous your work is, you always stand firm in your fight against wrongdoing and malfeasance.

You are part of both our community and the leadership protecting our community. You are our friends, our neighbors, and our colleagues - but also have the authority over us to promote safety for the public at large. What kind of society can be successful without you to enforce the rule of law?

For me, it's personal. How about the time my mother woke in the middle of the night totally unable to breathe? A police officer was there within four minutes giving her much-needed oxygen. Or the time I was on I-95 in Connecticut and my tire went flat? Cars whizzed by in the oncoming dusk as I stood there in bewilderment in pre-cellphone days. Who stopped? Who helped me? The police, of course. Or the time my doorbell was being rung around midnight on a regular basis, terrifying me? Who else would I call? No one but you, our police. I'm sure every one of us has similar stories to tell.

You work tirelessly to help serve and protect us. You are shining examples of humanity, commitment and service.

In these days when the Left, Black Lives Matter, sports, Democrat politicians, Hollywood celebrities and others promote hatred and distrust of the police, I pray that God places His hands on each and every one of you and that He sends a band of angels to protect you. America cannot sustain itself without you.

With gratefulness, thanksgiving and honor,

Pauline Bruno and the Sisterhood of Moore Republican Women

Check out our ad supporting local law enforcement officers



With all the hubbub about "defunding the police" and the riots and protests being promulgated by the left, MRW felt we just had to do something to show our support for our area's law enforcement officers.

So we created the ad "Thankful for Our Blue" and, in conjunction with the Republican Men and the Moore County GOP, will be running it in *The Pilot* (printed and online versions) and *Pinestraw Magazine*. Watch for it in *The Pilot* on Sundays through October 4, and in the September issue of *Pinestraw*.

This will also be a very prominent billboard on Route 15/501 in September-October!

What can I do to help save America?



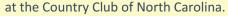
Are you spending sleepless nights worrying about what's happening in our country? Feel powerless to stop the liberal madness? Wonder what you can do besides vote (Election Day is less than 100 days away!) to ensure the Left doesn't take over our beloved America?

Here are some suggestions of things YOU can do NOW to make a difference:

- **Donate to our candidates.** Use some of that money you saved by eating at home for 5 months The Moore County GOP has their bios and websites where you can donate go here.
- **Volunteer for a two-hour shift at the GOP headquarters** answering the phone, greeting visitors, etc. Contact Charli Thyne (910-690-6620).
- **Purchase political signs** at our GOP headquarters and display them in your yard as the election approaches.
- Buy stamps for mailings and drop them off at the HQ.
- Help friends and neighbors register to vote Republican. Just direct them to our GOP
 at the Moore County GOP headquarters. And don't forget military families the
 spouse who is not active duty is eligible to register in Moore County.
- Support the <u>Frederick Douglass Foundation of North Carolina</u>, which is reaching out to black voters in North Carolina.

Save the date for next MRW meeting

Our next MRW BRUNCH will be held on Monday, August 17 at 10:00 a.m.



Stay tuned for your invite, coming soon!



Highlights from July luncheon at CCNC

On July 29, MRW was finally able to have a real luncheon meeting! We quickly reached our limit of 70 people at the Country Club of North Carolina, and a number of people tuned in to hear our prestigious speakers via online technology.

Many thanks to CCNC's Chef Adam and Shenika Smith-Gibson, Catering Manager, for the event. Speakers, Tamara Barringer, candidate for the NC Supreme Court, E.C. Sykes, candidate for Secretary of State, and Catherine Truitt, candidate for Superintendent of Schools were equally impressive and compelling with reasons why we must elect them in November.

It was a fun and exciting meeting designed to get our Members and Associates revved up for the battle ahead - less than 100 days until November 3!



Catherine Pruitt, candidate for NC Supervisor of Public Instruction



E. C. Sykes, candidate for NC Secretary of State



Tamara Barringer, candidate for NC Supreme Court



Everyone was glad to get together again - and Trump gear was everywhere!

Membership report by Mariann Benway



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If you know of someone who's interested in learning more about MRW, encourage them visit to <u>our website</u>. We have a page that tells them <u>what we do</u> and what <u>benefits</u> they receive by joining. And don't be shy about forwarding this newsletter to interested parties!

Ways and Means



During our luncheon in July, we were able to re-start our fundraising efforts, which are especially important during this election year. Funds go to support Republican candidates and other politically important activities.

- Split the Pot \$92.00 (thank you, Sandi Carl)
- Ways and Means \$73 (thank you, Sandy Fowler)
- Basket Raffle \$110 (thank you, Diane Authement)

Log your volunteer hours!



Please log the hours you have spent volunteering for political causes in the first 6 months of 2020. We report this number to the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) to show how involved we are.

This year, NFRW has developed a new online to tool to make it easier to keep track of your hard work. **Just click on the button below,** which will take you to the website. it's easy to do and the

directions are easy to follow.

In reporting political activities for the first six months of 2020, count time spent on political campaigns, volunteering at the GOP HQ and other places, in tele-conferences and tele-town halls, researching and sharing information with your friends by email, Facebook, Twitter and other social media contacts. Whether in phone calls, computer work or posting online, all those hours of effort count. All non-paid activities benefiting our Republican Party, candidates, and/or the National Federation count.

Log your volunteer hours

P.S. If you need help because you don't feel comfortable using technology, please contact contact <u>Mariann Benway</u>.

Special fundraising focus on Attorney General and Judicial Candidates...by Kay Wildt

One of the problems of our isolation due to the Chinese Communist Party Virus is that we

have not been able to do fundraising. While MRW has contributed to a number of state-wide candidates, we could not give to all. So we are asking all of you to help us raise funds for some very important races.

Because the NC Attorney General is a Democrat and will not file a lawsuit to uphold it, the Voter ID Law cannot go into effect. We must elect **Jim O'Neill** as our next Attorney General.

Right now, we are getting killed in the courts. This election will fill three Supreme Court seats, where we are outnumbered 7 to 1, and five Appellate Court seats. Each of those judges will have an 8-year term, and we cannot afford to have liberals in those seats.

Members present at the luncheon were very generous in donating to help us fund the campaigns of Judicial Candidates and Attorney General candidate, Jim O'Neill. We thank you, thank you, thank you for answering our plea to fund candidates whose success will shape North Carolina policy for years to come. We appreciate you and love that you always respond when we ask for help.

So, going forward, we encourage all of you to donate as generously as you canto help us fund these critical campaigns. You may mail your check made out to MRW to P.O. Box 3654, Pinehurst, NC 28374. Thank you!

Upcoming events

MRW Brunch, August 17, CCNC. Invitations and information coming soon.

MRW Luncheon, September 17 - more information TBD.

Moore Republican Women for Trump; September 20, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., place TBD

GOP voter registration, Sept. 21 - 24 on the campus of Sandhills Community College

Trump Country 2020 + 4
Moore GOP Fundraiser
Register online now
Speakers/Auction/Live music

Moore Republican Women is a proud member of the <u>NC Federation of</u> Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women.

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