



Ohio Federation of Republican Women

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The OFRW VOICE



From the desk of the OFRW President Jean Turner

The past year has been an outstanding year, with the Republicans of Ohio winning all state offices, the OFRW membership increasing, the new Republican On-line Club, the new Belmont County Club and other new traditional clubs that will soon be ready to join the OFRW. Each of our OFRW committees has done outstanding work. My goal for 2010-2011 was to increase our membership. With the help from all of you, the mission has been accomplished.

Our land mail to every member has decreased because of the postage cost. So, like all other organizations, we are depending more and more on email. As we send out this mailing, let me PLEASE encourage you to visit our wonderful website www.ohfrw.com often. When you do, click on the top of the page and see all the different things you can find, everything from club news, photos, political education, OFRW Caring for America Project USO, and much more. Did you know that your club can have a free page on the website? Check the "Club News" section to see the clubs that are already there, and how your club can join them.

The Ohio Federation of Republican Women is so honored and proud to have our National Federation of Republican Women's President Sue Lynch attend, and be our featured speaker on April 30th, for our Spring Conference at the Embassy Suites in Dublin. Please plan on attending. Registration materials are enclosed. I have talked many of you on the phone and can't wait to meet you in person. I look forward to seeing all of you throughout the year.

Best Regards, *Jean Turner*, President



Mark Your Calendar – 2011 Events

- April 29th - OFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting, Embassy Suites, Dublin, OH (see enclosed materials)
- April 30th - OFRW Spring Conference, Embassy Suites, Dublin, OH (see enclosed materials)
- June 26th – OFRW Tribute to Women, Worthington Hills Country Club, Columbus from 11:00-3pm.
- Sept.29 - Oct.2nd - NFRW Biennial Convention, Kansas City, Missouri
- Oct. 21st – 22nd - OFRW Fall Board Meeting & Conference, Embassy Suites, Dublin, OH
- Cardinal Event to be announced
- Legislative Day Event to be announced



The Ohio Republican Women's Online Club (ORWO)

The first statewide operational Republican Women's Online Club in the USA became a reality in Ohio in January 2011. The Ohio Republican Women's Online (ORWO) was officially approved by the National Federation of Republican Women's Club (NFRW) and the Ohio Federation of Republican Women (OFRW). Its 39 members include women from across the State of Ohio plus Louisiana and from Bogota, Colombia.

The newly elected officers are as follows:

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| Kristie Davis – President- Hamilton County | Tina Sanborn – Secretary- Clermont County |
| Monique Cox-Moore – Vice President- Stark County | Marcie Longenecker – Treasurer, Hamilton County |
| JoAnn Beamer – Financial Review Officer, Clermont Ct | Erin Ineman – IT Chair, Franklin County |
| Vivian Cosio – Parliamentarian, Hamilton County | |
| Stephanie Morgan – International Chair, Bogota, Colombia | |

Advisors: Lyn Bliss – Darke County & Mary Anne Christie, Hamilton County

ORWO Website can be reached by going to <http://www.ohfrw.com> and clicking online club. ORWO can also be reached at its blog, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. New Charter Members are welcome to join for the 2011 year: Regular member \$25 (you will have membership in the OFRW & NFRW), Associate member \$10 you have federated membership in another, Rep. Women's club, Young /Student member \$5, Men associate member \$30. Your dues can be paid by PayPal or snail mail to Marcie Longenecker, 7708 Chumani Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45243.



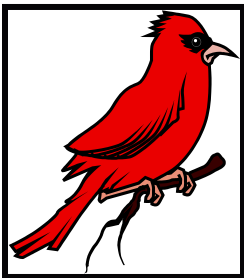
Caring For America
Project USO Care Package Program

Donise and I would like to begin by saying THANK YOU for your participation in the OFRW Caring for America Project USO. I think we have been very successful and we look forward to another year of working for the Care Package Program. It has been an honor and privilege to help with the USO Care Package Project. What wonderful men and women serve us all over the world! The number of Americans that serve in the US Military make up only 1% of our population. That means they are protecting the other 99% of the population. We are so very fortunate to have men and women make that sacrifice. So this is such wonderful work to be doing for them. Republican Women's clubs all over Ohio have been so very generous with their time, talents and money. To date, the following clubs donated to Caring for America Project (listed in alphabetical order):

Beavercreek RWC	250	(Club and Individual Donations)
Blanchester WRC	100	(Club)
Darke County RWF	90	(Club)
Licking County RW	165	(Club and Individual Donations)
North Columbus RW	50	(Individual)
Northeast RWC (Hamilton County)	425	(Club and Individual Donations)
OFRW Fall Conference 2010	170.68	(Individual)
Richland County RW	75	(Individual)
Richland County RW	1750	(275 helmet liners & misc. care pkg. items)
Western Reserve RWC	100	(Club)
Westark RWC	575	(Individual)
Vernon Adams RW	100	(Club)

(Cash donations of: \$2, 605.68, 275 helmet liners and \$1,750.00 of assorted care package items).
For a grand total of: \$4,310.68! What an incredible job- thank you to the women of OFRW!

Linda Burke, Chair and **Donise Pick**, Co-chair, Caring for America



The OFRW Cardinal Fund

Dear OFRW members,

Recently you received a letter explaining that as a grassroots organization, the OFRW needs your support in order to carry out our objectives: to provide political and legislative education, increase the number of registered Republicans, recruit and support women for political office, give exposure to and work for Republican candidates and assist our clubs throughout the state.

In order to accomplish these objectives, we have additional operating expenses, so please consider a donation to the **OFRW Cardinal Fund**. Those donating \$50.00 or more will be listed in all OFRW programs. In addition, those donating \$100.00 or more will be invited to a **special event** to be held later this year. You can use the donation form enclosed with your letter or alternatively, we accept payments through PayPal at www.ohfrw.com under Cardinal Fund or go to PayPal directly, sign into your account and send payment to Karenmctague@ohfrw.com. through the "send money" tab.

Please feel free to call me with any questions. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

With sincere appreciation,

Joanne Arndt

Joanne Arndt, OFRW Cardinal Fund Chairman Phone: (419) 626-4395



OFRW WOMEN ON THE MOVE

“WIN” (Women in Numbers) – Congratulations to:

State Senator Shannon Jones (R-Springfield) has been named to serve as vice-chair of the powerful Senate Finance Committee. As a member of the Finance Committee, Shannon will work with other members to develop the state’s 2 year operating budget as well as other proposals that will impact the state spending. In addition, she was appointed to the Energy & Public Utilities Committee, the Health, Human Services and Aging Committee and the Insurance, Commerce and Labor Committee. She will also serve on the very important State Controlling Board that reviews certain state contracts and appropriation levels as well as disbursements of state and federal funds. Shannon is a member of the Warren and Hamilton County Republican Women Clubs.

Janet Weir Creighton was elected as Stark County Commissioner after many years of public service as the Stark County Recorder, Stark County Auditor and Mayor of the City of Canton. In 2009 Janet was asked to join the White House as Director of Intergovernmental Affairs and Deputy Assistant to the President, George W. Bush. She is the former President of the County Auditors Association of Ohio and has been assigned to the Metropolitan & Regional Affairs Committee of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio. Commissioner Creighton is a member of the Westark Republican Women’s Club of Massillon, Ohio.

Warren County Prosecutor Rachel Hutzel was sworn in as a Judge of the Twelfth District Court of Appeals. Rachel has over 16 years of experience in the Prosecutor’s office. She is one of 13 children and has a long history of community involvement. She is past president of the Big Brother and Sisters; Chairman, Community Corrections Board; Co-chair of the Domestic Violence Board and past president, Warren County Republican Women’s Club.

Debe Terhar was elected to serve on the State Board of Education, District 4 for a four year term. Debe is from Cincinnati, Ohio. She is currently a board Member on the Women of Excellence Council of the President’s Advisory Council of Xavier University and president of the Hamilton County Republican Women’s Club. She was a former member of the Cincinnati Montessori Society Board of Directors and on the Parent’s Advisory Council of the Kelly O’Leary Center for Autism at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital.



News from the OFRW District Vice Presidents

Northwest District VP, Donna Thatcher

I am thrilled to report that a new Club is starting in Findlay known as the Republican Women of Hancock County. The women there are eager to begin and have a tremendous year of activities already planned including attending the OFRW Spring Conference! If you know a Republican woman living in Hancock County, please suggest that she contact President Susan Hite at 419 422 3549 or Vice President Wanda Cusac at 419 424 5893 for further information.

Northeast District VP, Edwina Wolcott

In November 2010, women from clubs in the NE district met to discuss what their clubs were doing and to share ideas. Lynda Bowers (Medina RWC) organized the event assisted by OFRW board member and Geauga County Recorder, Sharon Gingerich. The women hope to schedule another district meeting in the future and thanked Lynda for the pink elephant pins she gave to the attendees.

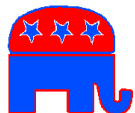
Southwest District VP, Lyn Bliss

SW District Presidents – I would like to talk at one of your club meetings. To schedule, please contact me at (937) 423-2299 or email lynbliss@ohfrw.com.



CLUB AWARDS

Awards Co-Chairs Helen Balcolm and Rise Roach would like to thank all the clubs who submitted awards packets this year. We are eager to see what everyone has been up to! Be sure to attend the Spring Conference for the awards presentation!



Ohio Republican Party (ORP)

The Republican State Central & Executive Committee is made up of one man & one woman from each of Ohio's 33 State Senate districts. The committee serves as the governing body of the Ohio Republican Party. The members were sworn in and officially organized into several standing committee following the primary election in 2011. The election of officers is not held until January of the following year.

At the January State Central Committee meeting the following members were elected to serve as officers for the 2011 – 2013 terms:

Kevin DeWine, Chairman	Paul Hoag, Treasurer
Kay Ayres, Vice Chair	Terry Morgan, Assistant Treasurer
Marilyn Ashcraft, Secretary	

Bob Bennett and Jo Ann Davidson were elected to serve on the RNC Board with State Chair Kevin DeWine. The 3 J's are leaving the ORP. Executive Director Jason Mauk; Political Director, Jonathan Gormley and Communications Director John McClelland will be leaving the ORP for new career opportunities. These three staff members have a dedicated combined service of 24 years and have contributed much to the success of the Republican Party.



Website: All forms are available online, as are all manuals. <http://www.ohfrw.com>

To email any of the 2011 board members listed below, go to the Website and click on "Officers".

2011 OFRW Officers

President	Jean Turner
Vice Pres.	Carol Salmon
Secretary	Peg Rettig
Treasurer	Karen McTague

District Vice Presidents

Northeast	Edwina Wolcott
Northwest	Donna Thatcher
Central	Kathy Wise
East	Jewette Toney
South	Shawn Priest
Southwest	Lyn Bliss

OFRW Standing Committees

Bylaws/Parliamentarian	Ann Brown	Political Education*	Sharon Gingerich
Finance*	Lois Allen	Program*	Anne Patram
Membership*	Marianne Christie	Past President*	Karen Skillings

Committees continued...

Awards	Helen Balcom & Rise Roach	Fundraising	Marilyn Clark
Budget	Lois Allen	Newsletter	Carol Salmon
Cardinal Club	Joanne Arndt	Photographer	Betty Martin
Chaplain	Anna Caldwell	Tribute to Women	Marilyn Clark
Facebook	Sharon Gingerich	Website	Lyn Bliss
Leadership Development	Jayne Neal	Women in Business	Sereana Dresbach
Caring for America	Linda Burke & Donise Pick		

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