



# Newsletter

*"There's a Place for you at our Table"*

# Montgomery County Republican Women

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## Our Meeting This Month...

Our new **President, Teresa Tuttle**, will be sharing with us her vision for the Montgomery County Republican Club and the upcoming year! She has some exciting ideas and plans for us as we enter into a new leadership term.

Teresa was born and raised in Florida and has been married to Michael Tuttle for 51 years; they have 2 sons, a granddaughter and a grandson. All of Teresa's children have been in the Army her granddaughter presently serves as a Veterinarian for the Army.

Teresa and her husband purchased a farm in Ashland City where they presently reside.

Professionally, Teresa earned an Associate Degree in nursing with a RN, is Certified in Mental Health and specialized in geriatric Psychology, with a BA in Psychology. Before retiring she volunteered for Senior Support Services in Nashville as a peer counselor for shut-ins.

Teresa became interested in politics circa 2007 and states that she has become



"painfully aware of how much I didn't know and needed to learn but I'm still learning."

She has served as the club Chaplain and also chaired the Bylaws Committee and served as the TFRW Chaplain from 2017-2019.

**Katy Olita**, Republican Candidate for Circuit Court Judge, Part V is also scheduled to speak to us at our January meeting. She is running unopposed in the March 3, 2020 primary. Katy is presently and has been a member of our Club.



Katy grew up in Clarksville, Tennessee. After graduating from the University of Tennessee and the University of Memphis School of Law, she practiced law in Memphis for three years. In 2006, she had the opportunity to move home to Clarksville to join Batson Nolan law firm. In January 2013, she became a Member/Owner of the firm. While at Batson Nolan, her law practice was primarily in defense of civil suits, with an emphasis in governmental liability, employment law, and business litigation. Her clients

included governmental officials and employees, law enforcement officers, businesses, and the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System.

In 2018, Katy was selected by Governor Bill Haslam to serve as Circuit Court Judge for the 19th Judicial District, which is comprised of Robertson and Montgomery Counties.

Outside of her professional life, Katy is very active in the community and her church. She and her husband Aaron have two great kids

**Erinne Hester**, Republican Candidate for Assessor of Property is also scheduled to speak to us at our January meeting. She is running unopposed in the March 3, 2020 primary for another term.

Erinne was appointed to the position of Assessor in December 2013, and won the general elections in 2014 and 2016. As Assessor, Erinne and her team have the constitutional

## LUNCH RESERVATIONS



**Luncheon Meetings** are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the **Tanglewood House** at 1601 Madison Street in Clarksville. Cost is \$20. **Make check payable to MCRW.**

When you receive your reservation request email from **Joan Niles**, please respond as to whether you will attend or not, by clicking "Reply" with a yes or a no and include your name. Make your reservation by email to [joanniles@gmail.com](mailto:joanniles@gmail.com) or phone her at **616-450-2800**.

Reservations must be made before **10:00 am the Friday prior to our 11:30 am meeting the following Tuesday**. Remember that "a reservation made is a reservation paid." If you know someone who does not have email, let her know to contact Joan by phone. [Click here](#) to do online payments.

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mandate to list, classify, and value all real and personal property in Montgomery County.

Erinne began her employment with Montgomery County Government in 2005 and was appointed to Director of Accounts and Budgets in 2008. She also served as the Director of EMS Billing from 2009-2010. Erinne is also a member of the Montgomery County Republican Women Club.



## 2020 –2021 Committee Chairs

Americanism — **Willi Frank**  
 Armed Forces/ Homeland Security —  
**Kyong Dawson**  
 Budget & Finance  
**Cheryl Chapin**  
 By-Laws  
 Campaign Hours  
 Caring for America  
 Chaplain  
 Club Achievement Awards  
**Pat Allen**  
 Communications  
 Decorations  
**Kyong Dawson**  
 Facebook/Website  
**Cheryl Hood/Marie Tillman**  
 Fundraising  
 Historian  
**Juanita Golson**  
 Leadership  
 Legislative  
 Literacy/Education  
**Ellen Twombly**  
 Luncheon Reservations  
**Joan Niles**  
 Newsletter Editor  
**Marie Tillman**  
 Parliamentarian  
 Publicity  
 Volunteer Hours  
 Voter Registration  
**Peggy Vaughn**

## 2020-2021 Officers

**President**  
 Teresa Tuttle  
**1st VP --Programs**  
 Cheryl Hood  
**2nd VP—Membership**  
 Kyong Dawson  
**Corresponding Secretary**  
 Willi Frank  
**Recording Secretary**  
 Nancy Adkison  
**Treasurer**  
 Juanita Golson  
**Assistant Treasurer**  
 Syndi Carlson  
**Immediate Past President**  
 Brenda Lewis Graham

## Committee Chairs and Committees

Please notice on the list of the 2020-2021 Committee Chairs the positions that need to be filled. Teresa would like to get all of these committees chaired so that they can begin working on a plan of action for our Club.

If you are not yet on a committee, you can contact the chair listed for an area that you would enjoy working on and let that chairman know. She will be glad to put you on her TEAM!

If you have not indicated on a Membership Form ([on page 6](#)) your interests, please complete and give to Kyong so that she may pass this information on to Teresa.

There is much to do beginning this month for 2020 and is something that everyone can do. When we all work together, we can get much accomplished.

Pastor Rick Warren, in his March 29, 2016 [Daily Hope message](#) put it really simply: *"Picture this: Each of us is like a snowflake. On our own, we can't make a big difference. However, when one fragile snowflake sticks with a lot of other snowflakes, they can stop traffic. Like snowflakes, we can make a big difference if we work together, each one of us doing only our small part."*



Let's be a lot of fragile snowflakes and stick with each other to "stop traffic"!



We need more volunteers to keep our headquarters open on Wednesday and Saturday of each week. That requires only 4 hours on each day, i.e. 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. There is a television, computer, refrigerator, microwave, coffee pot, and many other amenities for our volunteers who work. We need to have someone who can greet the visitors who come in to purchase merchandise or just talk politics.

Unfortunately, we have had telephone calls from prospective visitors who have made the trip in but find that there was no volunteer there to open the headquarters—we cannot continue with that situation!

Please make it part of your service to your Party this coming year to give at least 1 day a month (4 hours) to help with this service. If we could have several do that, we could keep our headquarters open and not one person would have to do it all.

Contact **Marie Tillman** (931-801-3564), **Willi Frank** (931-551-5733) or go on the **website** and sign up: <https://www.montgomerycountytngop.org/volunteer-schedule>

If you cannot work your day, please let us know either by telephone call early enough to fill the day or by using the website.

## Our Club Objectives

- To promote and inform public through political education and activity.
- To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government.
- To facilitate cooperation among the National and State Federation.
- To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its principles and candidates in all elections, including non-partisan elections.
- To support the objectives and policies of the Republican National and Tennessee Executive Committees and to work for the election of Republican Party nominees.
- To attain Diamond Award in 2020-2021

## CARING FOR OUR MEMBERS

If you know of a current or former member who has been or is ill, has suffered a loss or could just use a little cheer, please give **Willi Frank**, Corresponding Secretary, their names and addresses so she can send them a card.



## PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE AND COUNTY PRIMARY (REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020** Taken from the [Montgomery County Election Commission website](http://www.montgomerycountyelectioncommission.com)

The following offices will be on the ballot. Offices with districts indicated are elected by voters living in those specific districts.

In order to vote in this election, you must choose which Party Primary (Republican or Democratic) you wish to vote in. The State of Tennessee is an open primary state, meaning a registered voter must declare their political party preference in order to vote in a primary.

### PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

- Presidential Candidates (Republican and Democratic) TERM 4 yrs
- Delegate Candidates (Republican only)

### COUNTY PRIMARY

- Circuit Court Judge Part V (to fill unexpired term) TERM 8 yrs
- Assessor of Property TERM 4 yrs
- Highway Supervisor TERM 4 yrs



### Early Voting—February 12 – 25, 2020

All registered voters are eligible to vote early. No reason is required to vote early. Early voting is held at the Election Commission office. Early voting begins the twentieth day and ends the fifth

day before Election Day. This includes Saturdays and extended weekday hours.

Feb 12, Wed	8:00 – 7:00
13, Thur	8:00 – 5:00
14, Fri	8:00 – 5:00
15, Sat	8:00 – NOON

Feb 17, Mon	Closed for Holiday
18, Tue	8:00 – 5:00
19, Wed	8:00 – 5:00
20, Thur	8:00 – 5:00
21, Fri	8:00 – 5:00
22, Sat	8:00 – 4:00

Feb 24, Mon	8:00 – 7:00
25, Tue	8:00 – 7:00

### QUALIFIED CANDIDATES

There are 4 Republicans who have qualified for the March 3 Primary:

Circuit Court Judge - Part V - **Katy Olita** and Assessor of Property - **Erinne J. Hester** are both members of our Club.

Highway Supervisor - Jeff H. Bryant, Jr. and Kevin Griffy

### Voter Registration Deadline— February 3, 2020

This is the registration deadline for the March 3, 2020 election. Persons not currently registered to vote in Montgomery County must do so by this date.

There are several places to register to vote:



#### In Person

- Election Commission office Montgomery County Veterans Plaza, 350 Pageant Lane, Suite 404 Office hours Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- State agencies: Department of Safety, Department of Human Services, Health Department, WIC office, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, and Dept. of Mental Health & Retardation

#### By-Mail (forms are available at the following locations)

- Local Post Offices
- Public Library
- County Clerk
- Register of Deeds
- Online printable form through the Tennessee State website, <https://sos-tn.gov-files.s3.amazonaws.com/forms/ss-3010.pdf>. Print application on white paper using black ink only.
- Register to vote online—anyone with a Driver's License or ID issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security ID. To register, visit <https://ovr.govvote.tn.gov/> By-mail applicants must vote in-person the first time.

Note: All by-mail applications must be postmarked no later than 30 days before an election.

- You are not a registered voter until you receive your voter card.
- All persons who have moved their residence are required to change their registration records with this office or they will be purged/removed from the records.
- Voters are encouraged to make any changes or corrections to their voter registration record by the deadline. To change your name you are required to file a new registration form to update your signature.
- Note: If you are currently registered in another Tennessee county or in another state you must complete an application for voter registration for Montgomery County, Tennessee. Voter registration does not transfer between counties or states.



## Save the Dates

**Winter Board Meeting. February 8, 2020.** Brentwood Country Club. We would like to have several from Montgomery County Republican Women attend. We could meet and carpool. See Pat or Marie for more information. Also, **watch your IRIS MESSENGER** for the details and make your reservation ASAP.



**Ladies Day on the Hill. March 30, 2020.** Tennessee's House of Representatives Chamber with a luncheon to follow at the DoubleTree Hotel.

**Please pay your dues for 2020.** Our dues are now **\$35.00** per year!

Men may join as Associate Members for **\$20.00** per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to: **Kyong Dawson, 1262 Carnation Court; Clarksville, TN 37042; 931-249-9443-- email: [ksdawson.mcrw@gmail.com](mailto:ksdawson.mcrw@gmail.com)**

You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting.

[Click here](#) to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or [fill in and pay by online form](#).

## New Officers Installed

At our December meeting, we were honored to have TFRW President Barbara Trautman make the trip to Clarksville to install our new officers. From right to left is **Barbara Trautman**, **Teresa Tuttle** (President), **Cheryl Hood** (1st VP, Programs), **Kyong Dawson** (2nd VP, Membership), **Nancy Adkison** (Recording Secretary), **Willi Frank** (Corresponding Secretary) and **Syndi Carlson** (Assistant Treasurer). Not present was **Juanita Golson**, who was elected for her second term as Treasurer.

Thank you, ladies, for your willingness to serve the Montgomery County Republican Women. Also, thank you to President Trautman for coming to install these new officers for 2020-2021.

Outgoing President, **Brenda Graham**, was presented with a gift by **Opal Kennedy** on behalf of our club. Thank you for your service, Brenda. Also thanks goes to outgoing 2nd VP, **Opal Kennedy** and Corresponding Secretary, **Elaine Tucker**.



## Montgomery County Republican Party

*Save the Date!*



*"The Value of FREEDOM"*

Wilma Rudolph Event Center

Tickets will be available February 1, 2020

*To date, we have confirmed*

- Dr. Ming Wang, "The Value of Freedom"
- United States Senatorial Candidates Dr. Manny Sethi and Ambassador Bill Hagerty
- U.S. District 7 Congressman Mark Green

## Regular Monthly Club Meetings

**MCRWC** — 1st Tuesday — 11:30 am  
January 7, 2020  
February 4, 2020  
Tanglewood House

**RRRW** — 3rd Saturday — 9:30 am  
January 18, 2020  
The Looking Glass

**Montgomery County GOP**  
4th Tuesday — 7:00 pm  
January 21, 2020  
GOP Headquarters

# MCRW MEMBERSHIP Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday -- Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

(This is our preferred means of communication.) I do not have email \_\_\_\_\_

Application Type: New \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_ Annual Dues Member (\$35) \_\_\_\_ \*Associate (\$20) \_\_\_\_

(If registering as an Associate, please list the Name of your Home Club) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Women with active membership in another Federated RW club and Republican men*

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

***I am a registered REPUBLICAN and I will support Republican ideals and encourage loyalty to the Republican Party.***

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find us? Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMITTEES/INTERESTS: Please indicate the area(s) in which you have an interest!**

\_\_\_\_ Literacy      \_\_\_\_ Campaign Activities      \_\_\_\_ Community Outreach/ Service  
\_\_\_\_ Fundraising      \_\_\_\_ Legislative      \_\_\_\_ Hospitality      \_\_\_\_ Membership  
\_\_\_\_ Publicity/Media      \_\_\_\_ Caring for America (Support Troops)

\_\_\_\_ **I can help where needed.**

Special talents (graphics design, website, database, editing, writing, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Issues that concern you \_\_\_\_\_

----- ***Cut off and keep-*** -----

***Monthly Luncheons are:*** 1st Tuesday each month at 11:30 a.m. At The Tanglewood House, 1601 Madison Street. Contact Joan Niles for your reservation at (616) 450-2800 or by email to [joanniles@gmail.com](mailto:joanniles@gmail.com) Lunch is \$20.00 paid at the door. "*A reservation made is a reservation paid.*"

***For More Information*** contact: President Teresa Tuttle, 1861 Neptune Road, Ashland City, TN 37015 [tuttles1@hotmail.com](mailto:tuttles1@hotmail.com) phone: 615-307-4498

Club Website: <http://www.montgomerycountyrepublicanwomentn.org>

**Facebook page: Montgomery County Republican Women/TN**

Please complete this form and return with your check made to "MCRWC". **Mail to:**

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