Montgomery County Republican Women

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

Shawn Harding

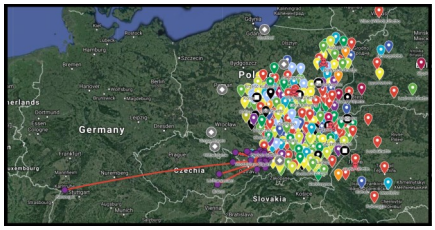
"The Holocaust Blueprint"

Shawn is a Masters student at Austin Peay State University in the Strategic Leadership field. He graduated with a Bachelors in Political Science with a minor in International Relations from APSU.

Shawn has studied Nazi psychology and Nazi propaganda and politics in his undergraduate degree. About a year and a half ago he made a project called, "The Holocaust Blueprint," which works to document the Holocaust through interactive technology. The project is an educational tool that is free to use by anyone across the world. It is currently only Shawn and his editor, Delaney Atkins, who are working on the project in any capacity.

Shawn recently traveled to Poland where he documented and saw the impact of the Holocaust. He visited four death camps, several massacre sites, and many Jewish ghettos. He currently works as the Tutor Coordinator at the Academic Support Center for Austin Peay State University.

Since 2016 "The Holocaust Blueprint" (http://www.theholocaustblueprint.org/) has been working to improve public knowledge and awareness of the Holocaust and the persecution of various European peoples during the Second World War. Shawn Harding began this project as an undergraduate student at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN. Inspired by his Jewish heritage he has continued to incorporate his work in his graduate studies where the majority of his free time is spent cataloguing and documenting information that can be added to his interactive maps.



Luncheon Meetings are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the Clarksville Country Club. Cost is **$19. Make check payable to MCRW** (separate checks for all other items.)

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. You can made your reservation by email **joanniles@gmail.com** or phone **616-450-2800.**

Deadline for making reservations is Wednesday evening **before** the date of the meeting on Tuesday. Deadline for canceling reservations is Sunday evening. 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.

Payments made via PayPal

A Message from Your President

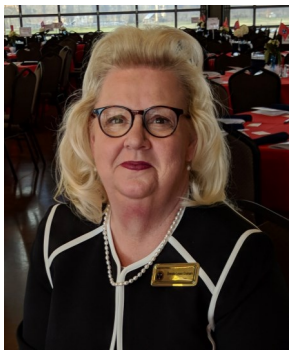
It's that time again!

After months of ads and polls and commercials and speeches, Election Day is here. It's time to cast our ballot for the future of our beloved state. We've had the blessing of meeting so many of our statewide candidates, hearing from them, and choosing from among outstanding public servants.

You might have heard recently that Tennessee is 50th in voter participation. Dead last! Ladies, we can do better for our state! I would like to encourage you to encourage your friends, bunco buddies, Sunday School classmates, and family members to get out and vote. Early voting ends July 28th and Election Day is August 2nd. Make calls, send emails, offer rides to the polls – we can help turn this number around!

Recent polling shows the governor's race is still anyone's ballgame. So, don't forget to research your candidates and vote! Isn't this time of year so much fun?

Democracy is certainly a participation sport, and I'm glad to be on the team with you. Let's keep working hard and celebrate the next Governor of the great state of Tennessee together on August 2nd.



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The 110th General Assembly *Ashley Elizabeth Graham*
Legislative Committee Chair

Our wonderful Tennessee Federation of Republican Women President says it best: Republicans who stay home elect Democrats!

With state primary elections right around the corner, you might not think there's a reason for you to vote. The person who wins each primary has a good chance of winning the General, so why bother? You're probably right that the Primary winner is well-poised to win in November, but we still need your vote!

As national organizations complete their funding maps for the 2018 November elections, they will look to primary elections in each state to see where voters turned out, where participation increased, and which party voted in larger numbers. To stop the flow of national Democratic dollars into the state, we have to turn out in August!

Congressman Marsha Blackburn often says that the big blue wave is going to hit a large red brick wall in Tennessee in November. Let's make sure we prove her right and get out and vote in August!

Montgomery GOP Headquarters

Monday, Tuesday and Friday
10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday
10:00 am to 2 pm

2018 – 2019 Club Officers

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Brenda Lewis Graham

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Pamela Johnson

2nd Vice President — Membership
Opal Kennedy

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Elaine Tucker

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Please Pay your Dues for 2018. Just **$25** per year! Men may join as Associate Members for **$10** per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to: **Opal Kennedy, 1151 Needmore Road, Clarksville, TN 37040.** You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting.

In order to be one of the clubs with the highest membership in the TNFRW, we need everyone to pay their dues and recruit new members. We have **77 paid members and 9 paid associate members.** Click here to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or fill in an online form.

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 **Elaine Tucker**, Corresponding Secretary, their names and addresses so she can send them a card. Please share your good news with us, too. We heard that Virginia Birdwell had back surgery. Prayers that she is doing well.

We very glad to have these members back: Laurie Hadley, Rose Marie Dickson, Joyce Hawkins, Marsha Johnson, and Barbara Keen. We welcome new members Loretta Bryant and Anita Brothers.

Since our 49th Governor will be leaving office soon, we thought it appropriate to include a recipe donated by his wife, first lady Crissy Haslam.

It's a lovely dessert and we served it as our entry in a chili cook-off in October 2013.

From our Cookbook . . .

First Lady's French Silk Pie

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1 stick real butter
3/4 cup sugar
2 squares melted chocolate plus 1 tablespoon shavings
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
Baked pie shell
1/2 pint whipping cream
2 tablespoons sugar

Cream butter and sugar. Add vanilla to melted chocolate. Add chocolate and vanilla to creamed butter and sugar. Beat. Add one egg and beat for 5 minutes. Add the other egg and beat for 5 more minutes. Pour into baked pie shell. Top with 1/2 pint whipping cream whipped with 2 tablespoons sugar. Shave chocolate on top. Chill until served.

Regular Monthly Club Meetings

MCRWC — 1st Tuesday — 11:30 am
August 7, 2018
September 4 2018
Clarksville Country Club

RRRW—3rd Saturday — 9:30 am
August 18
The Looking Glass

Montgomery County GOP
4th Tuesday — 7:00 pm
August 27 2018
GOP Headquarters

Committee Chairs

Americanism
Willi Frank
Armed Forces/ Homeland Security
Willi Frank
Budget & Finance
Cheryl Chapin
By-Laws
Teresa Tuttle
Campaign Hours
Nicole O'Connor
Caring for America
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Pat Allen
Communications
Joy Huggins
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Marie Tillman
Fundraising
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Leadership
Niesha Wolfe
Legislative
Ashley Elizabeth Graham
Literacy/Education
Ellen Twombley
Luncheon Reservations
Joan Niles
Newsletter Editor
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Parliamentarian
Pat Allen
Publicity
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Voter Registration
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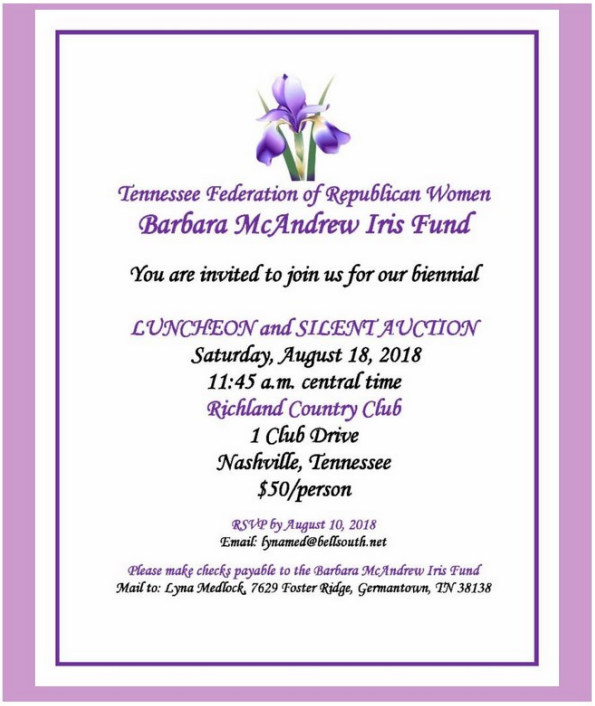
TFRW Official Call to Summer Meetings — Saturday, August 18, 2018



This Call to Summer Meeting includes the Iris Fund Luncheon. Your $50.00 luncheon fee should **not be sent** to the TFRW Treasurer but to Lyna Medlock, Iris Fund Treasurer, 7629 Foster Ridge, Germantown, TN 38138

Richland Country Club
1 Club Drive
Nashville, TN 37215
CENTRAL time: Executive Committee Meeting

Elected officers, Immediate Past President, and Area Vice Presidents will meet at 9 a.m.

Board of Directors Meeting will be at 10:15 a.m. This includes the Executive Committee, Standing Committee Chairs, Special Committee Chairs, President's Appointees, and Club Presidents and club members are invited and encouraged to attend.

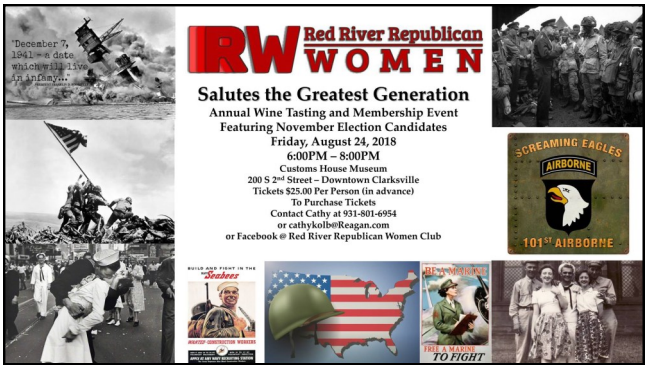
To find out about the Barbara McAndrew Iris fund, click here.

Tickets can also be purchased online at our website: montgomerycountytngop.org

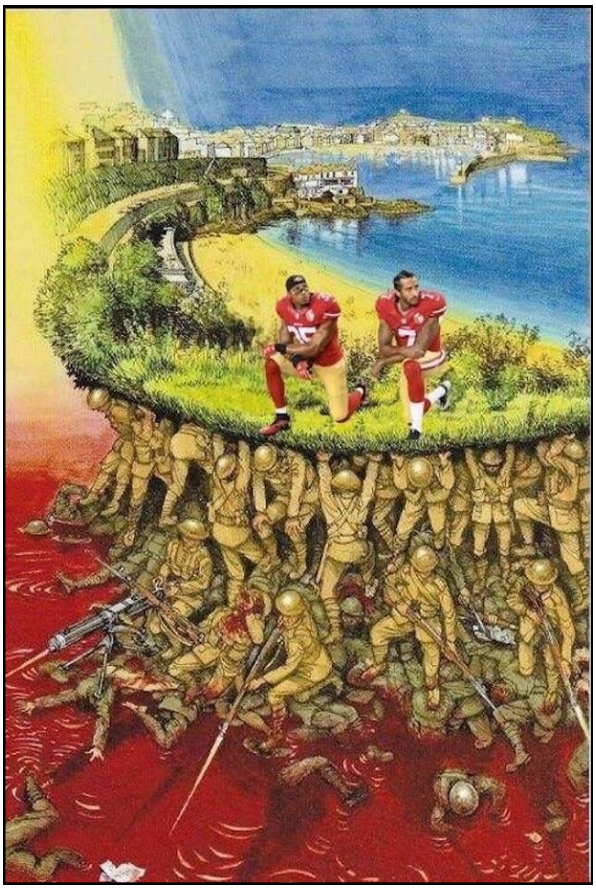
Come join us at headquarters as we watch the results come in! It will be an exciting night and we hope you will join us!

Headquarters will open at 6:45 p.m. Bring a finger-food and come enjoy the company as we **CELEBRATE!**

Click picture for event details on August 24, 2018.



"Take a Knee"



"Take a Knee" was quickly shared more than 155,000 times after it appeared at Ted Nugent's Facebook page on September 24, 2017. The bottom of the commentary clearly states, "by Stanislaus Drew," but Nugent was misidentified as the author by Penn Live and countless social media users.

The Christian Index republished the commentary in September 2017 with a footnote explaining that Drew originally wrote it as a guest columnist in 2016 after former 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick started the National Anthem demonstrations.

The commentary encourages NFL players to visit Valley Forge, the beach in Normandy, the jungles of Vietnam and the sands of Fallujah and to"take a knee" while visiting the sites of famous battles:

There are a lot of places to take a knee where Americans have given their lives all over the world. When you use the banner under which they fought as a source for your displeasure, you dishonor the memories of those who bled for the very freedoms you have. That's what the red stripes mean. It represents the blood of those who spilled a sea of it defending your liberty.

Read this and experience the emotions!

Take a little trip to Valley Forge in January. Hold a musket ball in your fingers and imagine it piercing your flesh and breaking a bone or two. There won't be a doctor or trainer to assist you until after the battle, so just wait your turn. Take your cleats and socks off to get a real experience.

Then **take a knee**.

Then, **take a knee** on the beach in Normandy where man after American man stormed the beach, even as the one in front of him was shot to pieces … the very sea stained with American blood. The only blockers most had were the dead bodies in front of them, riddled with bullets from enemy fire.

Take a knee in the sweat soaked jungles of Vietnam. From Khe San to Saigon … anywhere will do. Americans died in all those jungles. There was no playbook that told them what was next, but they knew what flag they represented. When they came home, they were protested as well, and spit on for reasons only cowards know.

Take another knee in the blood drenched sands of Fallujah in 110 degree heat .. Wear your Kevlar helmet and battle dress. Your number won't be printed on it unless your number is up! You'll need to stay hydrated but there won't be anyone to squirt Gatorade into your mouth. You're on your own.

There are a lot of places to **take a knee** where Americans have given their lives all over the world.. When you use the banner under which they fought as a source for your displeasure, you dishonor the memories of those who bled for the very freedoms you have. That's what the red stripes mean. It represents the blood of those who spilled a sea of it defending your liberty.

While you're on your knee, pray for those that came before you, not on a manicured lawn striped and printed with numbers to announce every inch of ground taken … but on nameless hills and bloodied beaches and sweltering forests and bitter cold mountains .. every inch marked by an American life lost serving that flag you protest.

No cheerleaders, no announcers, no coaches, no fans … just American

"Take a Knee" continued . . .

men and women … delivering the real fight against those who chose to harm us … blazing a path so you would have the right to **"take a knee."** You haven't any inkling of what it took to get you where you are … but your "protest" is duly noted. Not only is it disgraceful to a nation of real heroes, it serves the purpose of pointing to your ingratitude for those who chose to defend you under that banner that will still wave long after your jersey is retired.

If you really feel the need to **take a knee**, come with me to church on Sunday and we'll both kneel before Almighty God. We'll thank Him for preserving this country for as long as He has. We'll beg forgiveness for our ingratitude for all He has provided us. We'll appeal to Him for understanding and wisdom. We'll pray for liberty and justice for all…because He is the one who provides those things. But there will be no protest. There will only be gratitude for His provision and a plea for His continued grace and mercy on the land of the free and the home of the brave. It goes like this … **GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!!!**

Montgomery County Republican Women in County Elections

As we all know, this May was the first primary election that the Montgomery County Republican Party elected to hold and we are very pleased that we decided to do this, although there was much opposition to it by members of the community.

Montgomery County Republican Women is very pleased that we have had several women in our County to run for public office. Two of our members on that ballot are **Loretta Bryant**, running for County Commissioner in district 16 and a long-time member of our Montgomery County Republican Women, **Corinthia Elder,** who emerged as the victor in the only contested primary race for County Trustee, winning against a male opponent.

We are proud that Corinthia is representing the Republican Party in the August 2, 2018, election in the County Trustee race. The Montgomery County Republican Women have worked diligently in several ways to assist Corinthia in her bid for the County Trustee position. The County Party and members of the Republican Women Club have helped with providing assistance to Corinthia by supplying and organizing voter lists to make phone calls and door knock; by canvassing the county neighborhoods placing signs and talking to voters; making telephone calls; and donating substantial funds to her campaign.