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Don't forget to bring
your items for the
Mid-South Food Bank!



Our Speaker for April Joseph Fox

My name is Joseph Fox, I am married to my beautiful wife Leland of 10 ½ years and we have a beautiful daughter Sara who is 6 months old. I grew up as an Army brat and traveled all over the world. Our family settled in Memphis in the early 90's where I grew up in Collierville. I am a Sergeant with the Shelby County Sheriff's Office, where I have been a commissioned Deputy Sheriff for approximately 15 ½ years, and I am a Petty Officer 2nd Class in the United States Coast Guard Reserves.



In early 2003 I moved to country wood, in Cordova, just after the annexation by Memphis. In my 3 ½ to 4 years while living there, I watched as the area went from this beautiful safe county neighborhood, to one that had high taxes and an even growing crime problem. I attempted to fight the annexation by running for the Memphis charter commission, in hopes to change the charter and allow for deannexation, but was unsuccessful. After marrying, I moved out of Memphis and Cordova but never gave up nor quit trying to help my former neighbors. In 2013 after the annexation of South Cordova I co-founded Cordova's Voice. A citizen's grass roots group formed to help the people of south Cordova and the rest of Cordova. Our group along with other groups across Nashville fought for the rights of all Tennesseans to have a voice by changing the law that allowed cities to annex by force. With Representative Mike Carter and Senator Bo Watson leading the charge, we passed the strictest annexation law in the country. Which now requires all cities in Tennessee to put annexation to a vote before they can annex. After passing our annexation law we have set our sights once again on deannexation. And this year we are hopeful that we will finally give the people of Cordova their voice that was taken away so many years ago.



Bring friends and family members to our interesting and informative meetings. This is a great group of Republican women, and like-minded people are always welcomed!

Luncheon Note*

Because we are billed, if you make a reservation and are unable to attend, you will be asked to pay for your lunch. Please contact Artie Brown (754-6209) for a reservation. Cutoff for reservations is the Wednesday of each month before our meeting. Cost for buffet is \$20.

You are Cordially Invited to Our
SCRWC April General Meeting
TUESDAY April 12, 2016, 11:00 AM

Germantown Country Club

1780 Kimbrough Road | Germantown, TN
For Lunch Reservations, please call Artie Brown (901) 754-6209
Reservation Deadline is Wednesday, April 6, 2016
Cost for Luncheon \$20



President's Corner

Spring has sprung! April is here! We have made it through primaries, debates, daylight savings time, and April Fools' Day. Now onto April with energy and focus. Members, we must stay united as Republicans. We all have our favorites; however, we must stand united as Republicans. Politically, 2016 is a momentous year in terms of the party and philosophy that for four years will run our exceptional country: the United States of America. We will be voting not only for the President but also for future members of the Supreme Court. The Founding Fathers were aware of the need of an "enlightened citizenry"; therefore, we must determine to be an informed, enlightened, educated, energetic Republican voter. Voter is the operative word. We must vote.



Prior to our general meeting April 12, I will have attended my very first Ladies' Day on the Hill in Nashville on Monday, April 4. I look forward to being in the Tennessee Capitol Building and hearing our elected Republicans speaking to us. The luncheon speaker is Carrie Almond, the president of the National Federal of Republican Women. Obviously, I will have many ideas and comments to share with you.

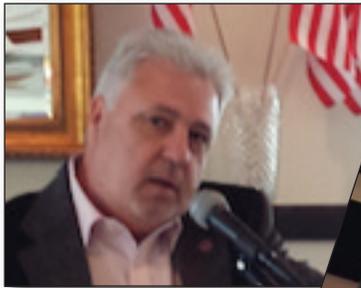
Heidi Shafer has scheduled Joe Fox to speak to us at our luncheon concerning deannexation and the legal ramifications of it all. Do not miss Joe Fox's speech.

50 is the number to keep Bonnie and Kathy smiling. Be sure to bring food items for the Mid-South Food Bank.

Walking into the dining room and seeing the creative tabletop decorations each month is exciting. Do lend us your talents by seeing Sharon Webb to select "your" month.

Remember: Anybody But A Democrat (ABAD).

See you the 12th,



Terry Roland and Mike Wright were impressive representatives for Donald Trump and Ted Cruz during our March meeting.



Rest in Peace, First Lady Nancy Reagan
July 6, 1921 – March 6, 2016

New Members Welcome!

Kathy Holmes
Menzie Montgomery
Bill Bleau (Assoc.)



April Birthdays

Mayor Joyce Avery (April 15)
Sue Woodall (April 17)

Caring for America News

Thanks to everyone who donated pantry items for the Mid-South Food Bank at the March SCRWC meeting. We collected and delivered 35 items. For the upcoming general meeting on April 12th, our goal remains at **50 or more** items so please help us reach our goal. The most needed list of non-perishable food items includes: canned meats (including tuna, chicken, Spam, chicken and dumplings, stews, chili, and soup), peanut butter, canned fruit, canned vegetables, and canned fruit juice.



During August and September, we are planning to collect school supplies and donate them to a needy class at one of the local schools. We will provide additional details on that worthy cause no later than the July general meeting.

We are also planning another collection of new or gently used professional clothing and accessory items for donation to Dress for Success later this year. We do not have the date for that worked out yet, but it will likely be in conjunction with another event. We will provide more details on this as soon as plans are finalized.

Thanks again to all of you for your continued support and generosity for making Caring for America a success for our club.
Bonnie Siler and Kathy Reagan

REMEMBER

We all need to keep track of our volunteer hours. These are the hours you spend phoning for campaigns, working for fund raisers for campaigns or for the Republican Party, knocking on doors for campaigns, working to promote the Republican Party, etc. You even get campaign hours when you campaign for yourself. Also, if you are a member and a spouse or relative is an associate member, SCRWC can report his or her hours. I am sure that we each have our favorite candidate that we would like to win the Primary and later the ELECTION! We are very active this year. Please send to Janet Armour at armour1944@yahoo.com or call Janet at (901) 854-5579.

LADIES: DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR TICKETS TO WIN THE ELEPHANT!!

Okay it's not a real elephant, but a lovely 14 karat gold elephant bracelet.
Tickets are \$25.00 for the length of a body (short or tall)
\$10.00 for the length of an arm

This chance to win will kick off our fundraising season - which will be busy! It's election year; let's have fun while we raise money!

See **Marydeb Bleau** at the April meeting to purchase your tickets! The drawing will be at the end of the regular meeting and before lunch.



Dee's Desk...

Remember to update your voter registration information when your address changes. You can print a form from shelbyVote.com and mail to 980 Nixon Dr. 38134

During Early voting you can vote at any site, but on Election Day you must vote in your precinct.

Support the Shelby County Republican Party! 2016 Dues are \$25.
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Upcoming Events

Monday, April 4 - Ladies Day on the Hill
Wednesday, April 6 - Reservations Deadline for April General Meeting
Tuesday, April 12 - SCRWC General Meeting - 11:00 AM
Monday, April 25 - SCRWC Board Meeting - 10:00 AM

Newsletter News

You can help SCRWC save money on newsletter production and mailing costs if you opt to receive your newsletter via email instead of postal mailing.

Please be sure to note this on your 2016 membership renewal form, or you can let us know via email at scrwc1960@gmail.com.

Please let us know if you would be interested in sponsoring a newsletter for \$100.

Many thanks to Dee Cole and his staff at Imec, 5120 Elmore Road in Bartlett, TN for printing our newsletters!

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