



The Elephant's Ear

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DR. TOM KENDALL, SR. , PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE AAPS



Dr. Tom Kendall, Sr. has practiced family medicine in Greenville since 1979. He graduated from Georgia State University in 1972, with a BS in Biology, with Honor and Distinction. He graduated from Medical College of Georgia in 1976, and completed a Family Practice residency at the Greenville Hospital System in 1979. He is President-Elect of the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS), a national organization of physicians opposing socialized healthcare. Visit www.aapsonline.org. He is married to Jan Harrelson of Marietta, Georgia, and has seven children and eleven grandchildren.

Who is standing up for the independent doctors' practices? How will the medical profession respond to Obama Healthcare? "Right now doctors are under attack from many different fronts. Our freedoms and liberties are being whittled away and restrictions are being put upon doctors from those outside of medicine as we struggle to care for our patients. Now is the time to put control of medicine back in the hands of patients and their physicians.

These outside entities not only influence your medical decision making, they attempt to justify their behavior with false moralities under names like: Patient Privacy, Practice Improvement Module, Meaningful Use, Quality Improvement Initiative, Best Practice, Peer Review, Maintenance of Certification and Maintenance of License. AAPS is the only organization that calls out oppression and abuse and stands by doctors on important issues like these." A Message from AAPS President, Juliette Madrigal-Dersch, MD on Feb 17, 2013. For more information, go to <https://www.aapsonline.org>.

By Patricia Arceneaux

PRESENTATION BY LAURIE LEE

The Greenville County Republican Party will hold Precinct Reorganization on March 25, 2013 at 7:00pm. Laurie Lee, Third Vice Chairman for the Greenville County Republican Party, will discuss the importance of this bi-annual event. She will also give information about what to expect and how to come prepared to the precinct meeting.

Notes of Interest from the President—Debbie Spaugh

The following are just a few facts about ObamaCare presented by physicians at the AAPS website. The IRS has projected premiums of \$20,000 per year for a family of four. This is a \$3,000 to \$5,000 increase instead of the promised \$2,500 savings per year—a miscalculation of \$5,500 to \$7,500 for a family of four. For all of those liberal groups who voted for Obama, “the chickens are coming home to roost”. For college students who used to pay health insurance premiums of \$100-\$600 per year, premiums are rising to \$1,700 to \$2,000 per year. College faculty hours are being cut back to less than 29 hours a week to avoid the costly ObamaCare premiums. For employers, paying for all the Obama Care mandates in employer-provided health insurance adds \$1.79 to the hourly rate to hire an employee. That is why many are not hiring. After the election, seniors are learning that all the promises of “no cutbacks” in their medical care were false. Preventive services and cancer screenings for the older patients, such as prostate and breast cancer checks, are being cut to pay for “free” birth control pills. As of 2012, hospitals are paid more to provide fewer surgeries.

According to The Tenth Amendment Center, <http://tracking.tenthamendmentcenter.com/>, there are four steps states can take to protect their citizens from ObamaCare: 1. Reject Exchanges, 2. No Medicaid Expansion, 3. Healthcare Freedom Act, and 4. Nullification Act. Handouts with this information, including actions we can take, will be available at our February 28th luncheon.

Volunteer Hours—by Linda Slaton

If you have not turned in your volunteer hours for 2012, please be prepared to record them at the Feb. 28th meeting. Please also record your January 2013 hours. Hours count if you attended any political meetings, made phone calls for the Republican Party/candidates, volunteered for any Republican candidates, attended the GCRP Executive Committeeman meetings, or worked for our club before or after the luncheon time. If you have any questions, please call Linda Slaton at 288-0560.

Auction—Fundraiser—by Kathy Snyder-Garrett

Our Fundraising Auction has tentatively been set in October, and we are currently forming committee members. Our first meeting will be on a weekday around the middle of March. Our main focus will be brainstorming on securing a variety of fabulous auction items and ways to ensure maximum attendance. We welcome anyone who would like to contribute ideas to join us for these planning sessions! Please call my cell 864-787-8550. Thanks,
Kathy Snyder-Garrett

WHY WON'T THEY LISTEN TO US!? If you are anything like me, I often wonder why the people we elect never do what the people ask. We must put great pressure on them to get what we think is Republican legislation, that which supports conservative principles, limited government and fiscal responsibility. So how do we make them listen?

I'm glad you asked. Coming up on March 25th (in Greenville and Spartanburg) at 7pm, you can take part in what the Republican Party calls "reorganization." You will meet in the location where you vote and you will organize by voting on a President, Executive Committeeman and other officers. This reorganization happens every two years and is how the party grows. You can even attend the county and state conventions for a nominal fee. So, let's show up, and bring our neighbors. What is the point?

Well, the President and Executive Committeeman will attend the bi-monthly meeting of the Greenville County Executive Committee. And that is where your voice is heard. This group will discuss what is going on in the party and vote on what direction Greenville County will go. So, as a member of the Greenville Republican Party, I want conservatives voting on my behalf. So I plan on bringing as many people as I can find, to vote for the conservative officers, and then make sure that our county party is going in the right direction.

If you've never been to a reorganization before, this is the perfect year to start. Feel free to contact me or any of the club leadership with any questions. Let's make the Greenville Republican Party the BEST it can be, and let's make sure our voices are heard!

Welcome to our New Members for December and January

Kay Ashe, Carol Bennett, Shan Fridale, Betty Hinkle, Nancy Pennell, Karri Westmoreland, and Michelle Wiles-Ploski

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Women's Club
Debbie Spaugh - President
108 Four Lakes Drive
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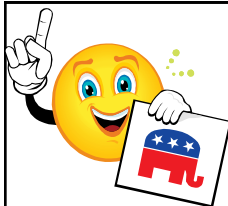
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GCRWC Luncheon Dates

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Thursday	February 28
Thursday	March 28
Thursday	April 25
Thursday	May 23
Thursday	June 27
Thursday	July 25
Thursday	August 22
Thursday	September 26
Thursday	October 24
Thursday	December 5



**February Luncheon 12:00 - 1:00
THE POINSETT CLUB**

Please make reservations to gcrwreply@yahoo.com or by calling Cheryl Cuthrell at 864-335-8094 by 8:00 PM Monday, February 25. Cancellations must be made by 8:00 PM on Monday, February 25 to avoid the \$16.00 luncheon fee.

If you have a standing reservation contract for the 2013 year and not able to attend, please email Cheryl by 8:00 PM on Monday, February 25.