



The Elephant's Ear

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Thursday, April 23, 2015

GCRWC Luncheon Dates

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Dec 3, 2015*

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Event for May:
Allen Wilson

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April Meeting:

Ashley Landess, President of the SC Policy Council

Ashley Landess, a native of South Carolina, graduated from the University of North Texas with a journalism degree. Her twenty-year career in communications includes a public policy background as well as consulting work for private businesses and charitable organizations. She is president of the South Carolina Policy Council, a non-partisan public policy research organization located in Columbia. She has been at the Council since 1998, and previously served as its Vice President for Public Affairs.



Landess served on the SC Lottery Commission, the Governor's Health Care Task Force and was appointed to chair the School District Consolidation in 2005 by Governor Sanford.

Landess writes opinion columns on issues such as education reform, tax policy and government transparency, and those columns are published in dailies and weeklies across the state. Landess has appeared on statewide television and radio and has delivered expert testimony on several issues.



Notes of Interest from Our President, Mrs. Linda Slaton: PRESIDENT'S NOTES:

April 18th is the Greenville County Convention at the TD Center at 9:00. On this Saturday morning, you will have the opportunity to hear from presidential candidates; Mike Huckabee, Rick Santorum, and John Kasich, Gov. of Ohio. If you did not attend your precinct meeting, you are still able to attend the GOP County Convention as a guest and the cost will be \$10. Delegates for the state convention, May 2 in Columbia, will be elected.

At the March meeting Racine Cooper, Bylaw Chairman, presented in writing to the membership a proposed Bylaw change which would add 2 alternates to the existing 5 member nominating committee. The membership will vote to accept or reject this change at the April 23rd meeting. Also at the April meeting, we will nominate the nominating committee by taking nominations from the floor. If you know of someone who would be a good candidate for this committee be prepared to nominate them at the April meeting, but please check with that person beforehand to make sure that person would be willing to serve. If you would like to serve, please ask someone to nominate you. The nominating committee is responsible for proposing the slate of officers for the 2016-2017 years, to be voted on at the October meeting.

Each of you received an email or a call letting you know your SC Senator and SC House of Representatives member (with the exception of those who listed a PO Box as your address) If you did not receive this email or were not sure of how to interpret the message, call me at 288-0560 or google SC Legislative and go to "Find your Representative". Please review this email before the April 23rd meeting as there will be a "Pop Quiz" with a fun prize.

Legislative Notes -- Karen McManaway

Party By Registration

There are currently two bills in state Congress requiring voters to register by party before being allowed to vote in partisan primary elections. Senator Lee Bright filed senate bill S.351 which has been assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee chaired by Senator Larry Martin. Rep. Chip Limehouse filed bill H.3087 which has been assigned to the House Judiciary Committee. The person selected as a candidate has a very important role since that is the person that will represent you, your party, and its platform in the next election. We currently have open primaries, which means that any party can run in our primaries.

There have been similar bills in the past that were defeated even though Republicans were the majority and were chairing the committees that killed those bills. Our own party has defeated many "Registration by Party" bills. Shocking!

Senator Bright and Rep. Limehouse are directing another effort to require party by registration. They need our support or these bills will quietly die. Senator Larry Martin, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, where Senator Bright's bill is currently assigned, posted on Facebook that he does not support closed primaries or party registration in order to vote in a primary and is convinced that none of his constituents care either. Let us prove that we do care. I encourage you to call your senators and representatives and let them know you support both bills and want a political candidate that stand for the same values you yourself have with no interference with interlopers!

GCRWC FUNDRAISER

These are some of the pieces that will be available for purchase at our luncheon.



- Bracelets \$11.00
- Necklace \$11.00
- Pins \$9.00
- Poppers \$5.00

There are many new beautiful pieces Available on line gcrwc.yourselfexpression.com I will have new jewelry to show that will be available to pre-pay and order or available online. Fill free to call with questions.

Kathy Snyder-Garrett: (864) 787-8550

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS
Anna Evans, Christine Stahl and Diana Wilson

Membership Committee Notes

SCFRW SPRING MEMBERSHIP CONTEST January 1, 2015 to May 1, 2015

Reminder it is not too late to enter the contest. The object of the contest is to bring new members into the club. There will be a total of four individual winners which includes the Wild Card Winner. The Wild Card winner will be determined by each member who recruits at least one new member. Her name will be entered into a drawing.

Prizes will include three gift packages of patriotic jewelry for the top three new member recruiters.

If you have any questions please check with Janice McPhee Membership Chairman who is keeping a record of the members who have recruited new members and how many they have recruited by contest end. Email her at airborne82@charter.net or telephone her at (864) 967-9618.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Our condolences to Pat McManaway and family for the loss of her sister and to Marlene Dowd and family for the loss her mother who passed away recently.

Prayers for Cheryl Cuthrell's brother who is undergoing chemo treatments.

Congratulations to Julie Hershey upon the arrival of her granddaughter, Lucy Rae Douglas, finally!

Beatrice Martin has been dealing with knee problems and contemplates surgery. Get well soon, Bea

If anyone knows of any illness with a club member or their family, please notify Linda Slaton at 288.0560 or presGCRWC@yahoo.com. Linda Slaton will be filling in for Pat McManaway, Sunshine Committee Chair, until Pat is well.

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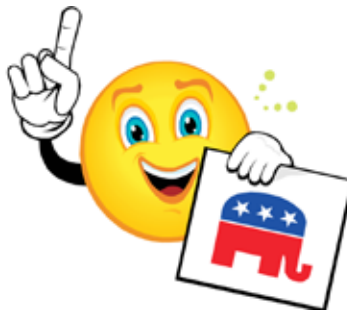
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April Luncheon 12:00 - 1:00
THE POINSETT CLUB

Please make reservations to gcrwreply@yahoo.com or by calling Evelyn Hargett at 864-630-2315 by Sunday, April 19th . Cancellations must be made by 8:00 PM on Sunday, April 19th to avoid the \$17.00 luncheon fee. If you have a standing reservation contract for the 2015 year and not able to attend, please email Evelyn by 8:00 PM on Sunday, April 19th.