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**Greenville County
Republican
Women's Club**



*February 18 Luncheon Meeting
12:00 Noon, Poinsett Club*

\$20.00 Members

\$25.00 Non Members

(Fundraiser this month)

Over the years the GCRWC has been fortunate to host many Republican presidential nominees such as Governor Mike Huckabee, Speaker Newt Gingrich, Senator Rick Santorum, Carly Fiorina, and Dr. Ben Carson. We will host yet another candidate on Thursday, February 18, 2016. Senator Ted Cruz, an American conservative politician, grew up in Houston, Texas, earned his bachelor's degree from Princeton and his law degree from Harvard Law School. He later served as an adviser on the 2000 presidential campaign of George W. Bush. In 2012 he rose to prominence by winning a U.S. Senate seat. Then, in 2015, he was the first Republican to announce that he was running for the 2016 Republican presidential nomination. Remember to make your reservation early!

Racine Cooper, 2nd Vice President



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Mary Beth Green, President

GCRWC works diligently to attract Republican candidates running for federal, state and local office to speak to our members and guests. We make certain that candidates and their representatives are treated fairly. Until a single Republican candidate is nominated for office, GCRWC does not make any endorsements.

We also emphasize the issues and pending legislation priorities of our members. Too often our legislators make decisions that defy logic. For example, decreasing tax rates actually means citizens have more money to spend. More spending means more jobs. More jobs equals more taxpayers. More taxpayers piles up more tax receipts. What logical conclusion can we draw from proposed tax hikes: does Columbia not understand economics, or do they desire more control of our lives? Is it possible they wish us to be more dependent on government by having fewer available jobs?

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In October of 2015, the membership signed a resolution to stop the Muslim Resettlement Program. If we had a stronger coalition for state sovereignty, would we be fighting this battle? As a member-expressed priority, we will be following the resettlement issue. Diane Hardy, our Homeland Security Chair, provided "PAUSE" cards in our notebooks last month. {a website of related interest: www.NumbersUSA.com – is a non-profit, non-partisan, public policy organization that opposes efforts to use federal immigration policies to force mass U.S. population growth and to depress wages of vulnerable workers. NumbersUSA is pro-environment, pro-worker, pro-liberty and pro-immigrant.}

To give you a quick way to contact your state legislators regarding any issue, Debbie Spaugh, our Legislative Chair, has compiled a current spreadsheet of our area legislators, their district and their contact information. This will be available at our meeting. I am ready to compile your experiences with your legislators for future sharing. Also, never forget the power of "Letters to the Editor." Please share your letters and the submission contact information with me.

**** We cannot all do the same things, but we can all do something ****

IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD REGARDING A PARTICULAR TOPIC, OR HAVE IDEAS, CONTACT MARY BETH GREEN AT presgcrwc@yahoo.com

Reservation Alert: The Poinsett Club has requested that since we expect a larger than normal Membership Meeting crowd, we **turn in reservations by Thursday, FEBRUARY 11**. We will consider reservation date when assigning seats.



****GO-GREEN RESERVATIONS****

Registration to all GCRWC luncheons is now available at www.go-greenevents.com. Go-Green Events is a secure events registration and payment web site which allows you to pay by credit card before the event. Just click the link and find Greenville County Women's Club luncheon in the list. This is a convenient and secure way to pay ahead and will cut down the wait time when entering the luncheon. Go-Green charges a small fee for this service but it will definitely streamline the seating process.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Debbie Spaugh, Legislative Chair

SCORECARDS ON PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES, CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS AND S.C. STATE LEGISLATORS

Conservative Review – www.conservativereview.com

Presidential Election – Provides a Presidential Candidate Comparison Chart. The candidates are rated on eleven issues such as Budget, Spending, and Debt; Education; Foreign Policy and Defense; Health Care and Entitlements; and Immigration. A detailed analysis is provided of each candidate's stated position/past actions; gubernatorial positions/actions; or legislative positions/votes.

Congressmen and Senators – Conservative Review Scorecard - Verify your Congressmen's and Senators' voting records. Includes a Biography, Legislation and Initiatives, and a Liberty Score.

Club for Growth – www.clubforgrowth.org

Presidential Election – The Presidential White Paper Series - Provides economic policy positions of the Presidential candidates.

Congressmen and Senators – Congressional Scorecards published yearly. Tracks how members of Congress vote on economic legislation. Rates how they vote on key issues.

Club for Growth – SC – www.scclubforgrowth.org

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SC Legislators – Legislative Scorecards on reducing spending, conservative reforms, and other pro-growth issues.

Heritage Action for America – www.heritageaction.com

Congressmen and Senators – The Heritage Action Scorecard measures votes, co-sponsorships, and other legislative activity to show how conservative members of Congress are. The Scorecard provides a score and an analysis of the Congressman's or Senator's votes on key issues.

The American Conservative Union – www.conservative.org

Congressmen and Senators – They are scored on votes on key conservative issues (taxes, budgets, religious freedom, 2nd Amendment, government regulations, life and education).

SC Legislators – They are scored on selected bills that focus on 1) fiscal and economic issues, 2) social and cultural issues, and 3) government integrity.

CAMPAIGN NOTES

Janice McPhee, Campaign Chairman

Please remember to send me your volunteer hours spent working for GOP Candidates. My new email address is jatmwgm@charter.net. Many thanks to Julie Hershey for continuing to take volunteer hours while my computer was down!



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!!

Dianne Mitchell, Membership Chair

Haven't paid your dues yet? Please get it done before our February 18th special luncheon with Sen. Cruz. We are expecting a large crowd and we know you don't want to pay the price increase for non-members! The lines will flow more smoothly if we do not have to process membership renewals and lunch reservations at the same time. You can find the Membership Form online at our website, www.GCRWC.org. Mail your form and **check for \$20, made out to GCRWC**, to our treasurer:

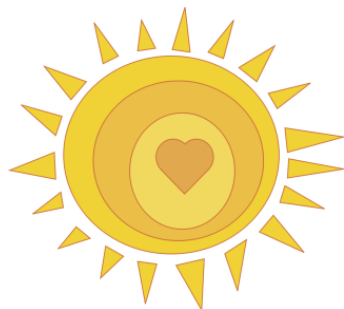
Evelyn Hargett, PO Box 218, Conestee, SC 29636-0218

If you must do both at the meeting, PLEASE BRING SEPARATE CHECKS, ONE FOR MEMBERSHIP AND ONE FOR THE LUNCHEON. And please come to the membership table first in order to get the member price for the luncheon.

Welcome new members in January!

*Paulette (Frankie) George * Linda Martin * Jennie Miler*

*Gloria Quesada * Judy Senkiewicz*



SUNSHINE NEWS

- * Diane Hardy is recovering from knee surgery.
- * Glenda Drinkham is recovering from a hospitalization.
- * Michelle Higdon's father, Travis Seawright, passed away in January. Services were held in Florida.
- * Cheryl Garrison is recovering from surgery, and then had a fall on the ice.

Gayle Stanley, Chair - email your Sunshine news to t-gstanley@att.net

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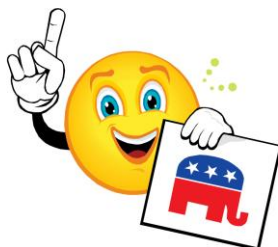
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The Elephant's Ear

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12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

The Poinsett Club

\$20 Members / \$25 Non Members

(Fundraiser Cost)

NOTE: It was announced that going forward the cost of the luncheons will be \$18 for Members and \$20 for Non Members. However, a vote was taken and passed at the January meeting to make the February Luncheon a Special Fundraiser. **Make reservations** at gcrwreply@yahoo.com, or call **Tracy Phillpott at 864-420-6259 by Thursday, February 11** this month. **Note earlier date!** You can also go online to www.go-greenevents.com, click the GCRWC link, and pay ahead of time by credit card.

Any lunches not cancelled before noon on Monday, February 15 will be billed by the club. Please be aware that once the number of reservations has been turned in, the club must honor our commitment to pay for that number of lunches.

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