



GCRW Elephant's Ear

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Greenville County Republican Women



invite you to hear



Lt. Col. Jason Ross

*Director, Corporate Development, NORTH GREENVILLE UNIVERSITY
EdD, Higher Educational Leadership
MBA, Emphasis in Finance
Commander, 2nd Battalion/1st Civil Support Brigade, SC State Guard*

Thursday June 22 11:45-1pm

Poinsett Club 807 E. Washington St.

\$20 for members \$23 for Non Members

*Members may register using Constant Contact link and pay at the door.
Please make them early. Standing Reservations must be canceled by
Monday, June 19 2 pm.*

*It is requested that Non Members use EventBrite. Search GCRWC.
FINAL CLOSE Tuesday, June 20th 2pm.*

A reservation made is a reservation paid.

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07ejsuti506d398c82&llr=n4kvrufbb>



GCRW 2023 Luncheon Dates

June 22 Lt. Col. JASON ROSS

July 27 JOHN WARREN

Service Dogs for Vets

Aug 24 NICK ADAMS

* Sep 26 TUESDAY!

Same week, different day!

* Nov 2 NEW DATE!

Replaces Oct 26

Dec 7 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

*Poinsett Club has requested date changes for September and October. Make a note in your calendar.

**GCRW are Effective
Women Working To
Keep The Republic**

UPCOMING MEETING INFO TO SHARE!

June 22 Our Americanism meeting

Lt. Col. Jason Ross is a man of many talents and interests. Business degrees, military experience, and a deep love and knowledge of American history will provide us with great information and conversation as we approach the celebrations of our nation's independence.

July 27

John Warren is a decorated Marine, an astute and gifted business man, and the son of one of our dear members, Geri Warren, whom we sadly lost last summer. John has shown he is willing to put it all on the line in military service and also in the political arena as he challenged Henry McMaster in his 2018 race for Governor.

John has lived much life in his 40 something years. He served his country in the Marine Corps, then came home and started, grew and then sold his company called Lima One Capital. He did this while experiencing losses which would send most of us to despair- his dad to cancer, his brother to a car accident and most recently his mom to complications of surgery.

He founded South Carolina's Conservative Future to recruit and train conservative candidates for office. It will be great to hear from him.

Service Dogs for Vets is the charity we supported last year.

They will bring some vets and their canine partners to show us how they are using the dollars they received.

August 24

Nick Adams is a sought after speaker because of his unbridled enthusiasm for our country. An Australian by birth, he became an American citizen and is one of our country's best cheerleaders. He served in the Trump Administration, is a best-selling author, motivational speaker, television commentator, business innovator, and Stage IV cancer survivor. He has inspired and reminded tens of thousands of K-12 students and citizens about the greatness of American opportunity.

Prepare to be inspired! You will LOVE HIM!

Check out his web site and video for a sneak peek!

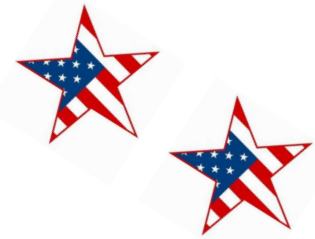
<https://www.nickadamsusa.com/about>

It's going to be a great and encouraging summer! Bring friends, students, kids and grandkids if they are teens!

Dianne



President's Corner



Tired of playing Whack –a- Mole?

County Tax increases, Stolen Rainbows, Digital Currency, Debt Ceiling Woes, State Budget Earmarks, Party Bickering, Sexually Inappropriate Books, Weaponization of Federal Government Agencies to harass and indict anyone who opposes them, WHO treaty, Parental Rights, Safe Spaces, Pronouns, ESGs, Election Integrity, Government Overreach, Media Bias, Another Republican in race for President- really??!!
STOP! NO MORE!

Admittedly, there are times I just want to put my head in the sand. Digging into Greenville County finances was one of them. Why can't I be one of those people who goes out and plays pickle ball, then has a cold drink on the porch and doesn't feel anguish over the fundamental changes in America? I'm certainly not woke, but I am "awake" to the battle for America and sometimes I need a good nap. Keeping the Republic can be completely exhausting But what choice do we have? And how do we keep life balance while we battle?

Those of us that are "awake" have been chosen for this battle at this time. Just as the Patriots were over 250 years ago, and the Greatest Generation was over 80 years ago, we understand the risks and the consequences of failure and we must toughen up and carry on. Freedom and being a citizen instead of a subject was never supposed to be easy.

This is why I'm so excited about our summer speakers. Please read about them on page 2. They are studied, battle tested, and inspirational at a time when we need information, motivation and encouragement. Plan your summer vacation so you won't miss them. Bring friends, family and students to these meetings. I pray these meetings will be what we need to keep us motivated and encouraged in the battle.

As to how we keep life balance while in the fight..... if you have some insights on that, I'd love to hear them.

Blessings,

Dianne

SOUND OF FREEDOM AN IMPORTANT MOVIE COMING TO GREENVILLE IN JULY

Submitted by Leila Dudley

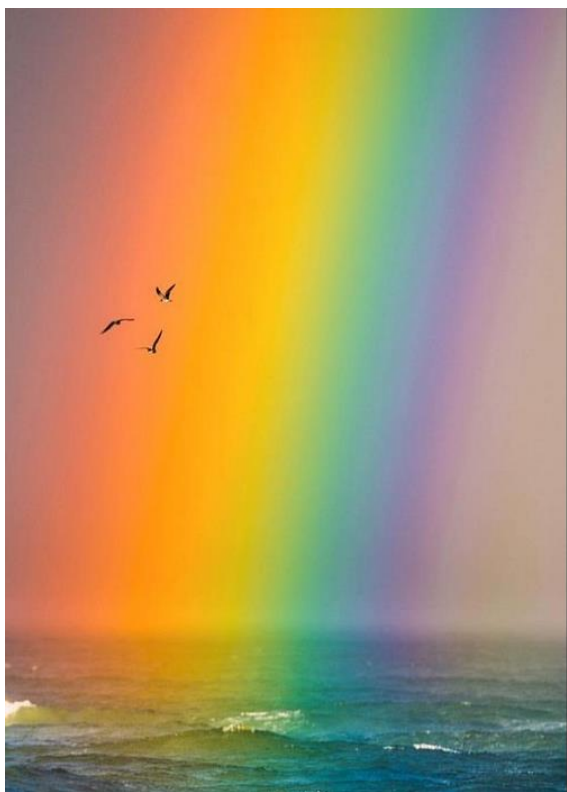
GCRW member and volunteer at Switch, an Greenville organization dedicated to rescuing those involved in sex trafficking (and yes, it occurs here in Greenville)

Jim Caviezel, the actor who played Jesus in Mel Gibson's "Passion of the Christ", has partnered with Angel Studios (who produces "The Chosen") to produce "Sound of Freedom". It tells the story of Tim Ballard, a man who has taken great risk to rescue sex trafficked children all over the world.

Watch the SOUND OF FREEDOM MOVIE TRAILER here.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hyyyKcfJRGQ>

We'd love to get a group to go when the schedule is announced. Let Dianne know if you are interested.



The rainbow belongs to God.

He hangs it in the sky as a reminder of His sovereignty, His promise and His holiness.

Genesis 6:5

The LORD observed the extent of human wickedness on the earth, and he saw that everything they thought or imagined was consistently and totally evil.

God's rainbow has 7 colors. Seven is a Biblical symbol of perfect completeness.

The perverted use of this precious and beautiful symbol given to us by God should open our eyes and we should NOT BE SILENT. I encourage you to NOT SUPPORT businesses who cater to the crowd who has perverted this symbol to their ungodly purposes.

NO to Disney, Target, Bud Light, etc. It is already working, these displays are coming down even at Starbucks!

Dianne

Jill Hancock, Treasurer and Reservationist



In case you missed it in the last newsletter, please review the process and expectations for registration and check in. We wouldn't mention it if it weren't a concern.

REGISTRATION PROCESS:

1. Use the constant contact link or click the red box which says "Register" in the reminder email.
2. The registration page comes up with the meeting invitation. Click on the "Register now" red button.
3. Type in your name and email address, food allergies, if any, and member status.
4. The promo code refers to student rate. Members bringing students, please email gcrwrez@gmail.com for promo code. Reminder, there is a \$10 summer special for members who have middle and high school students who they would like to bring to meetings.
5. When all info is typed in, Click on "Register" red box.

***You should receive an email confirmation after several minutes.
If you do not, YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED. Please try again.***

A review for speedy check in process:

1. Please make check out AHEAD OF TIME and to GCRWC
2. If paying cash, correct change is always appreciated, especially \$1 bills.

STANDING RESERVATIONS:

1. If you have a standing reservation there is no need to register every month.
 2. If you cannot attend that month, you must cancel by Monday morning the week of the meeting by emailing gcrwrez@gmail.com and/or gcrwreply@gmail.com
- **FOR ALL RESERVATION, A RESERVATION MADE IS A RESERVATION PAID, UNLESS CANCELLED BY MONDAY MORNING THE WEEK OF THE MEETING.**

UPDATE GREENVILLE COUNTY TAXES

The info I sent you before the last CC meeting has been updated and it is attached. The County reduced the millage from 11 to 7. The 3rd reading of the budget is Tuesday, June 20th 6pm.

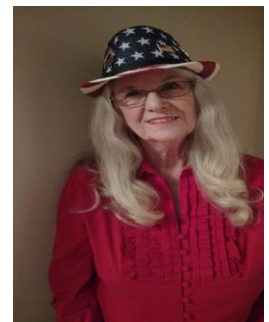
Dianne



CARING FOR AMERICA GLORIA LANDRY

Caring for America is partnering with Blue Star Mothers of the Upstate SC4

We will be collecting donated items at the August-November meetings. A list of acceptable items will be furnished at our July meeting. Please be mindful that expiration date needs to be good to at least end of December. The care packages ship out the week before Thanksgiving to our deployed soldiers. Shipping cost for each box is \$40, so if you have any loose change, that too, would be appreciated. Americanism is close to my heart.



We would also like GCRWC to help show appreciation to Greenville County Sheriffs Deputies. WE will be collecting \$10 gift cards for local restaurants and fast food establishments at the June and July Meeting. *See the Caring for America table with your gift cards.*

We will begin collecting Tattered American Flags starting June-November meeting. We will see that they are disposed of properly . *See the Caring for America table with your flags.*

MEMBERSHIP – Robin Duffie

Hi everyone!.

I hope your summer has gotten off to a great start. Please join me in welcoming our new associate member: Elizabeth Fant.

It is not too late to renew for 2023 and I will be happy to send you a membership form. You may email me at robinduffie@msn.com

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting.



FUNDRAISING- Beth Wadsworth

Hello Members

Let's have some fun MAKING money for our club!

We will have a variety of prizes to win this month. Pretty purses, kids pillows, political books, a medium tapestry to hang on your wall and more. Pls bring checks, it moves the line faster. Tickets are 3 for \$5, no limit. Try your luck and bring something nice to take home. Please call me if you have any items to donate, 864-363-7650.



CHAPLAIN – Idell Koury

Dear Lord,

As we approach Independence Day, let us recall your call to Americans looking for freedom to worship as they please. Let us remember the Mayflower Compact. It was signed for the Glory of God, to advance the Christian faith, and pass just and equal laws.

Let us recall the four times you are re-referenced in our Declaration of Independence as "Nature's God,," "Creator," "Supreme Judge," & "Divine Providence." We were compelled to separation because Britain needed money after 150 years of neglect.

Let us always remember your admonition in 1 Timothy 6:10 that the love of money is the root of all evil.

Amen!



Dear GCRWC Members,

The Nominating committee is happy to announce that we are now taking resumes for the following Elected GCRWC Officers positions:

President

Recording Secretary

First Vice President

Corresponding Secretary

Second Vice President

Treasurer

Prerequisite: Candidates for office must have served at least one year as an Executive Board Member, Standing Committee Chairman, or Appointed Committee Chairman to be eligible.

1. What office you wish to be considered for
2. Please list any office, committee, or standing chairs you have been on within GCRWC.
3. Please explain what kind of professional work/career you have had, as well as any volunteer work.
4. Please express what your current pressing concerns are within our state of South Carolina, and if you have any concerns or changes you would like to see implemented within our club.
5. Please list any other information, thoughts or ideas that you would like to share with the Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee sincerely encourages the club members to consider running for office and submitting a resume/application. We look forward to receiving your resumes. Please note that the cut off date for submitted resume is **Friday, July 14, 2023**.

If you wish to be considered for a leadership position within the club, email your resume to

Bethjbare@gmail.com no later than July 14, 2023.

Beth Bare-Chairman
Patty Stoner-secretary
Karen Eachus, Linda Slaton. and Beth Wadsworth



NOT TOO LATE TO GET YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS IN!

This last 6 month period will be important for our NFRW awards, so tally up your hours and bring them to the June 22 meeting. There will be clip boards on the tables to record them. Travel to and from meetings, events, campaign work counts as well as time spent in those activities.

MAY MINUTES

Be sure to look at the May minutes that Tracy Phillpott prepared. She put all the links in the minutes for the videos and the anti ESGs web sites listed on last month's agenda.

Great job, Tracy!