

Northern Hills 3rd & 4th Quarter Report- Aug 2024 to Dec 2024

The Boots On The Ground team has been very busy in the last half of 2024 leading up to the SUCCESSFUL election! We then had a chance to recharge with some fun and rewarding events.

In **August** we gathered for a fun potluck dinner at Brinkmeyer home appreciating the team and guests with food and conversation.

During our General Meeting we selected delegates to attend the SDFRW biennial convention in Rapid City and reported on NHRW nominating committee & discussed Ballot Measures

September brought more fine dining as we learned some tasty recipes taught by our favorite caterer Dave Brueckner of Cheyenne Crossing. Several members attended the SDFRW Biennial Convention in Rapid City followed by a breakfast at Mount Rushmore.



During our **October** General meeting we had several guest speakers addressing ballot measures and other legislative strategies. The club approved \$500 donations to two measures supported by the RNC: No on H & G.

Our Annual Reagan Day Celebration on Oct 12th was a patriotic and fun event. We showed a moving video from March when we presented Ann Thie the Nancy Reagan Award, heard from legislators regarding the upcoming election, had a lively auction and a presentation on Republican Values was presented by our supporter and caterer, Dave Brueckner. And the Rifle Raffle winner announced!



November was exciting and moving. The election results locally and nationally were very favorable. During our November meeting we continued our coat drive then focused on honoring & appreciating our local Veterans with a complimentary meal for them and their guests. We had nearly 75 in attendance and witnessed a moving keynote address by retired Army Captain Brittany Ray.



December was a month to wind down and celebrate our members and encourage renewals. We had a fun White elephant gift exchange while eating and socializing. We also collected over 63 pounds of nonperishable food for our local Food Pantry. A tradition carried on in honor of our "member-in-heaven" Ann Thie.



Members attended the SDFRW Quarterly meeting and enjoyed Christmas at the Capitol tree display.



We also supported the Spearfish Optimist Club's Winter Wonderland Lights display. Our Theme was "Merry Christmas is back!"



We look forward to a productive 2025 "upholding our State and National Republican values by putting Boots On The Ground to preserve our God-given rights." Happy New Year!