

South Dakota Federation of Republican Women

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Dear SDFRW members,

Happy New Year!

What an amazing honor and privilege it is has been to serve as your President this past year! Although we accomplished great things together and had fun along the way, we have even more to do during this important 2022 election year!

I am excited to keep our ‘boots on the ground’ efforts moving across all statewide committees, including our youth engagement efforts, as our youth are the future of the Republican party and will be the ones left to protect and defend our freedoms.

The year 2022 has just begun, but we are already off and running, as I draw you’re attention to the following:

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Our annual SDFRW Legislative Day is scheduled for Monday February 28th in Pierre. More details to follow soon!
- Keep looking for informative updates in your inbox from our Legislative Committee throughout the South Dakota Legislative Session.
- Expect lots of exciting updates and opportunities to help get our Republican candidates elected in November!
- Back by popular demand, we will be conducting our SDFRW online auction in April. Stay tuned for more details!
- Don’t forget to renew your membership if you haven’t done so already and help us recruit others to join a local club!

Please continue to pray for our country and our leaders!

Penny Sattgast-SDFRW President

"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free". -Ronald Reagan

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PENNINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Report from Pennington County Republican Women Oct. - Dec. 2021

The monthly membership meeting of the Pennington County Republican Women in October was an exclusive Q&A event only for Pennington County Republicans with a retired intelligence professional on the topic of *Is the US Any Safer Twenty Years After 9/11 and the Afghanistan Withdrawal?* Due to our speaker's role in national security, we purposefully can't share too much info on this one, other than to say it was a rare opportunity that no one wanted to miss.

Our November and December meetings were structured as round-tables of updates on legislative priorities from Rapid City area state senators and representatives.



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MEADE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Beginning with November 2021, our guest speaker was Meade County's School Board President, Joe Urbanik. He gave us information on what the school board's responsibilities are and answered questions from the audience. It was very informative, and we appreciate the work he does.

Meade County Republican Women ended the year 2021, putting politics aside, with a fun Christmas party in December with games, prizes, good food, singing, and fellowship. While the weather wasn't the best, we were happy for those who traveled many miles to be with us including Lt. Gov. Larry Rhoden, District 29 House Rep. Dean Wink, and all the way from Watertown, Chris Hupke. A good time was had by all!

We kicked the new year off by inviting our 3 legislators from District 29 to come and speak to our club about their thoughts on the upcoming legislative session. Each one gave us their ideas on bills they see as most prominent and what they hope to see this year. Most agreed that transparency was important among other things. They took questions from the audience. Legislators were Senator Gary Cammack, Rep. Dean Wiink, and Rep. Kirk Chaffee. We had a nice turnout and good information.



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CENKOTA REPUBLICAN WOMEN

December:

- 1-Had a Christmas Party/Membership Promotion Meeting and invited Hughes County GOP to join us.
- 2- Cen-Kota President and SDFRW President Penny Sattgast led the SDFRW Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting in Pierre.

January:

- 1-Cen-Kota Executive Committee members worked on Q1 and Q2 meeting planning and membership promotion.
- 2- President Penny Sattgast and associate member and current South Dakota State Auditor Rich Sattgast traveled to Aberdeen, where they both spoke at the Brown County Area Republican Women's meeting. Penny spoke about SDFRW's upcoming goals and strategy for 2022, while Rich spoke about his lifetime of military experiences



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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT WEEK 3

Legislative Update

January 27, 2022

South Dakota has a 38-day legislative session, which will conclude March 28. All bills need to be introduced by Feb. 3 and must pass out of both houses by March 7.

Any bill deferred to the 41st Legislative day means it was killed since there are only 38 legislative days.

If you see the words “declare an emergency” on a bill, it means it would require 2/3rds of both chambers to pass.

Click on the link to see the House and Senate Leaders for the 2022 Session

[LegislativeLeadership \(sdlegislature.gov\)](https://sdlegislature.gov)

This is a great resource for tracking bills. It will show you the most monitored and tracked bills.

[South Dakota Legislature | 2022 | Regular Session | LegiScan](#)

- HB 1015 Require a moment of silence in schools to begin the school day. Failed in House committee.
- SD 46 Protect fairness in women's sports. Passed in Senate and House Committee. Needs House floor vote to pass.
- HB 1012 Protect students from critical race theory. Pending in House Education Committee
- HJR 5001 and HJR1 To apply for a convention of states under Article V of the Constitution of the United States, to impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, to limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and to limit the terms of office for federal officials and members of Congress. Failed in Senate Committee HJR1 and Passed in House Committee HJR 5001. Goes to the House for a floor vote.
- SB 20 Revise the medical purpose defense related to the medical use of cannabis. Pending in Senate Health and Human Services Committee
- HB 1058 Revise the available forms of medical cannabis products. It would ban dispensaries from selling Cannabis-infused edibles such as candies, cookies and brownies. Passed House State Affairs Committee.
- HB 1113 prohibit threats made with the intent to coerce an abortion and to provide a penalty therefor. Referred to House State Affairs.

We should see more pro-life bills, such as a heartbeat bill, drop soon.

Medical Cannabis is a hot topic in the legislature. Legislators are working diligently to ensure a safe and effective program. To get more information on what our state government is doing goto:

[Medical Cannabis in South Dakota \(sd.gov\)](#)

It looks like the Custer Campground Expansion HB 1048 is dead.

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C A M P A I G N C O M M I T T E E R E P O R T

It is another election year. Although the elections seem far away, remember that the first Tuesday in November will come soon and the primaries on June 7 are even sooner.

So what can we do in February? If a candidate from your district needs to have petitions signed please consider helping them with that. There are rules about petitions so make sure you read them before you start the process.

Your club may want to form a campaign committee in the next couple of months.

Republican candidates need help! They need support, encouragement and someone to help with leg work.

Being organized for campaigns certainly helps the Republican cause.

Have you considered being a precinct committeewomen? Your county auditor and Republican Central Committee will help if you don't know the process.

Have you asked if teens, new neighbors and recently married women are registered to vote?

It is an easy process and forms are available at the Secretary of State's website.

Let's get fired up and work for our party and its candidates.

Campaign Committee Lois Van Dusseldorp and Trish Murphy




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Calendar of Events

February:

- 4th - Meade County Republican Women
11:30am MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 17th - Beadle County Republican Women
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD
- 17th - Brown County Are Republican Women
11:30am CST, The Flame, Aberdeen, SD
- 17th - Pennington County Republican Women
11:45pm MST, Alex Johnson, Rapid City, SD
- 18th - Codington County Republican Women
11:30am CST, Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD
- 24th - Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican Women
11:30am CST, SD Military Alliance, Inc.,
Sioux Falls, SD
- 28th - SDFRW Legislative Day
TBA CST, Capitol Lake Visitors Center, Pierre, SD

March:

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April:

- 1st - Meade County Republican Women
11:30am MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 15th Codington County Republican Women
11:30am CST, Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD

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Dear SDFRW sisters,

We were incredibly proud this year to set an SDFRW membership record! Still, if we are to bring home victory in the midterm elections mere months from now, it's more important than ever that we continue to grow our membership. Yes, it's fun when more people get involved -- as the saying goes, the more the merrier! But a strong membership is so much more than that: it's a larger pool of talent and energy from people who are determined to save our country. In short, it's the unbreakable team that **will** bring home victory in November!!



According to the Federation's bylaws, to remain a member in good standing, **NFRW must receive your dues no later than March 1st**. It takes time for your dues to go from you to your club Treasurer, who then sends a portion of your dues to our SDFRW Treasurer, who then sends a portion to NFRW. So, to add a little encouragement, SDFRW is holding our **3rd annual SDFRW Membership Competition!** The competition will end on **Tuesday, February 15th**; club membership increases will be measured relative to the membership levels at the end of the 2021 Membership Competition. This year's competition will include 4 categories:

- Largest Active Membership Increase
- Largest % Active Membership Increase
- Largest Associate Membership Increase
- Largest % Associate Membership Increase

If you have questions or would like to share ideas for how to drive membership, please share them with us – you may just be featured in one of our future emails or newsletter articles!

Catherine Barranco
SDFRW Membership Chair

Kirsten Bradsky
SDFRW Membership Vice-Chair

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Membership Report cont.



Are you or someone you know a **realtor** who's passionate about the Republican cause or a **Republican who recently moved to South Dakota**? If so, please Send an email to cob@CatherineBarranco.com – we're working on a special Membership initiative and need your help!

History Tid Bits on President's

- ◆ Theodore Roosevelt was the first president to call his residence in Washington, D.C. the "White House." Prior to his term, it had been called the Executive Mansion or the President's House.
- ◆ When Millard Fillmore moved into the White House, it didn't have a Bible. He and his wife, Abigail, installed the first library.
- ◆ Franklin Pierce was the first president to have a Christmas tree in the White House.
- ◆ John F. Kennedy was the first president to hold a press conference on television.
- ◆ The Presidential Election of 1800 between John Adams and Thomas Jefferson was one of only two elections that resulted in the House of Representatives deciding who would be President of the United States. It was also the only time where there was a tie for President in the Electoral College. Although it wasn't a tie, the House of Representatives also had to decide the President in the election of 1824, between Adams son John Quincy Adams, and Andrew Jackson, when no candidate reached the required majority of electoral votes.
- ◆ The term "O.K." is credited to Martin Van Buren who was raised in Kinderhook, New York. After he went into politics, Van Buren became known as "Old Kinderhook." Soon people were using the term O.K. referring to Van Buren and the word "okay" was derived.
- ◆ William Henry Harrison served the shortest presidency, dying just 32 days after he was elected.
- ◆ Ulysses S. Grant established Yellowstone as the nation's first national park on March 1, 1872.
- ◆ George Washington was the only president who did not represent a political party.
- ◆ Harry S. Truman's mother, a Confederate sympathizer, refused to sleep in Lincoln's bed during a White House visit.
- ◆ Thomas Jefferson was the first president to shake hands with guests. Previously people bowed to Presidents. Jefferson's library of 6,000 books was purchased for \$ 23,950 and formed the basis of the Library of Congress.
- ◆ Ulysses S. Grant was the first president to run against a woman candidate, Virginia Woodhull the nominee of the "Equal Rights Party" in 1872.
- ◆ Gerald Ford once worked as a fashion model for Cosmopolitan and Look magazines in the 1940's. He was on this Cosmopolitan cover with Phyllis Brown in April 1942. Illustrator Bradshaw Crandall.

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By-Laws Committee Report

In preparation for an exciting 2022 election year, I wanted to send out a friendly reminder about our SDFRW Endorsement Policy. Please refer below to the copy and pasted sections from our SDFRW By-Laws (September 2020). Thanks for all you do, as we work together to get Republicans elected up and down the ticket in November!

Kind Regards,
Sara Frankenstein (SDFRW By-Laws Committee Chair)

Section 11. Candidacy for Public Office

A. Guidelines

1. It is a State Federation policy that SDFRW as an organization shall not take sides in a Republican contest for public office, whether the position is at the local, county, legislative, state or federal level, prior to the Primary Election or State Republican Convention.

2. Should a member in a leadership position, whether in a local club or SDFRW, choose to run for office at a local, county, legislative, state or federal level, said member shall be relieved of her duties as an officer of SDFRW or the local club until the Primary Election or State Republican Convention has been completed.

a. The purpose is to maintain a position of objectivity and non-bias.

b. The member may return to her position of leadership at the completion of the Primary Election or the State Republican Convention.

3. Should a member in leadership position, whether in a local club or SDFRW, choose to run for office as an independent or a candidate of another party at the local, county, legislative, state or federal level, said member shall step down from her position. This applies to the Primary Election, State Republican Convention and General Election.

Section 12. Endorsement Policy

A. Guidelines

1. The President and Campaign Chair shall not publicly endorse any candidate for public office in any primary, runoff, special or non-partisan race where two or more known Republicans are in the race.

2. No endorsement or evidence of support by any member shall be issued using the SDFRW affiliation, logo, or stationary

3. An officer of the organization who is a candidate or whose spouse or family member is a candidate shall be exempt from this rule, however, they may not do so in the name of the organization by utilizing the logo or stationary of the state federation or local club.

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SDFRW Spotlight Member ~ January

Faith VanZee

Charles Mix County Republican Women



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SDFRW Spotlight ~ January

Ms. Faith VanZee of Platte, South Dakota is a lifelong Republican who was instrumental with starting the Charles Mix Republican Women club. She likes being a part of South Dakota Federation of Republican Women as it is comprised of highly motivated women who are committed to staying current with the issues important to South Dakota and the country. Faith and her husband Gene campaign for their favorite candidates each election year by participating in parades, distributing candidate collateral, and placing signage.

Faith helped the Caring for America human trafficking project by placing posters in the Charles Mix County hot spots and storing the supplies for other members.

Today, she and husband are retired following thirty years of owning and operating a furniture store, Platte Furniture Mart Inc on main street Platte. They have two grown children, Rick lives in Los Angeles and is Director of Operations for the Pacific Harbor Railroad at the Port of Long Beach. Tanya lives in Platte. She works as a flower decorating specialist at Platte Floral. She and husband Rick have given Faith four grandsons and three great grandchildren.

Flower gardening is a passion for Faith and is evident in her impeccable yard. She is a reader, a baker and especially enjoys making and decorating Christmas cookies.

You may not know, but Faith rode a Harley motorcycle for many years. She and Gene attended the Sturgis Motorcycle rally for 25 years doing volunteer ministry work. They also work together in prison ministry.

Governor Kristi Noem is her favorite Republican because Noem is a strong defender of the Constitution. She also stands for conservative values and is willing to take the "flack" from the mainstream media in their attempt to strip South Dakotans of their individual rights. Faith stated, "She fights for us, and I am so thankful for that."

Faith is strong in her faith and loves this verse from John 14:6 "Jesus said, I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

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SDFRW Spotlight Member ~ February

Rhonda Kopplin Westman

Meade County Republican Women



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SDFRW Spotlight ~ February

Rhonda Kopplin Westman. I was born in Huron, South Dakota. After graduating from Miller High School, I went to Northern State College (then). I entered the field of music education. While in my first year I met and then married the drum major from the band. Who would have thought I would marry someone from Chicago? I finished my music degree at the University of Arizona. My degree is Bachelor of Music, Theory and Composition. I worked in the music field for thirty years, and went on to elementary school education due to a lack of music positions in CA. I taught for another twelve years. After my retirement we moved to Piedmont, SD, where we spend a lot of time watching our ponderosa pine trees grow.

I belong to SDFRW because I belong to the Meade County Rep. Women. When we moved it was a presidential election year, and we knew the U.S. candidates, many of the state candidates, and none of the local. We tried to gauge the candidates by looking at the yard signs. We swore this would never happen again. One unique thing about MCRW is that we have active associates. I think it brings a certain depth to our club.

I also sing with the "guys". The Barbershop Harmony Society allowed women to sing with them, so both Bob and I have joined. We have suffered with the recent shutdowns, but we all truly enjoy singing in harmony.

I also play with the New Horizons Band. This is a group of "gray hairs" who enjoy digging out the old instruments and playing together.

One thing about me that people know all too well is that I am not afraid of the microphone. The only thing worse is if I have the spotlight as well. (Thank you, Sandy Kayde). I will not share what I don't want you to know!

I was president of MCRW for two years, and felt I gave good value to the club. We continue to have strong officers and work well with the Republican Committee in Meade County.

My favorite Republican is probably Condelezza Rice. I feel she is one person who sees the big picture and puts it eloquently when she sees things that seem to be awry.

My favorite quote is from Scott Craig who said, "The people who try to stop you are only putting you on the path that God wants you to follow."

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Newsletter Monthly Club Report Schedule

The reports are due the 27th of the month
For newsletters to come out the 1st week of the month.

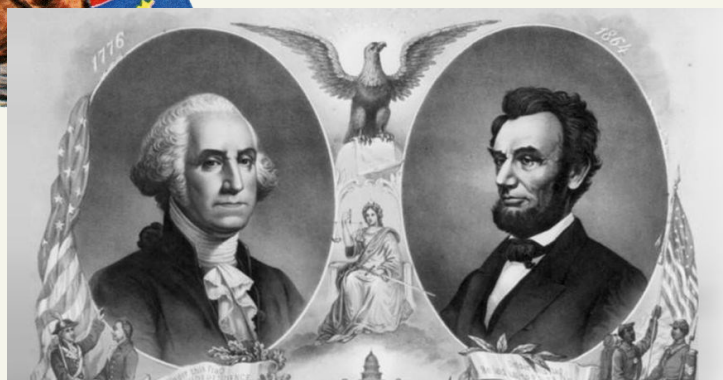
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Happy Valentine's Day!

Happy President's Day!



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