

South Dakota Federation of Republican Women

NFRW Prays for Ukraine

**SPECIAL
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Father God, We will not fear, for you are our refuge and our strength, a very present help in times of trouble. Psalms 46: 1-2

Today, we pray for peace in Ukraine. We pray that you guard and protect the innocent lives who will stay, those who will stand for liberty and those who will flee. Give them all courage and peace during these trying times. Father, we pray that Russia and her allies will cease all military hostilities and turn to you and your ways of righteousness and peace. We pray that you will open the eyes of world leaders. Give them wisdom and fortitude to do your will.

Thank you, Father God, that even in this difficult moment of world history, we know you are watching over us all. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

-- From the NFRW Faith Coalition Committee

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CODINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Codington County Republican Women have been very busy. Two of our members, Barbara Guenette and MaryLee Plut were able to attend the 41st Biennial Convention in Orlando. The trip was an amazing experience with many inspirational speakers and wonderful friendships made! Our club was honored to receive our Gold Club Achievement Award!

Congratulations to Carol Johnson who was selected as the SDFRW Spotlight Member in December. Carol has been an integral member of our group and has helped keep our group going strong!

In October, we heard from Chris Nelson, one of our Public Utilities Commissioners who spoke on the pros and cons of energy sources for our state. We also heard from Ulan from Central Asia who gave a brief history of his life in the Soviet Union in the 1990s.

Martha Wiseman, Barbara Guenette, Donna Luden's and MaryLee Plut attended the Aberdeen Area Republican Women's meeting featuring Peter Vodenka, who escaped Communist Czechoslovakia. It was a fantastic meeting!

In November, we heard from Fred Deutsch, the District 4 House of Representative. He has been busy with many legislative issues including the Vaccine Protection Act and the Women's Sports Bill. Our Caring For America project was delivering fruit baskets to the Veterans Administration Clinic. One of our members, Roger Papka, shared his personal story for the "Thank a Veteran" program.

Our December speaker was Taffy Howard, our state Representative from Rapid City who is running for the US Congress in the House of Representatives. She's a military vet and a businesswomen and wants to fix elections and strengthen our border.

We provided canned goods for the Salvation Army, and fruit baskets for the Codington County Jail Staff and also to the Watertown Public Library Staff for our Caring for America Project.

In January, our speaker was Dale Bartscher, the Executive Director of SD Right to Life. He talked to us about bringing an end to abortions through good legislation and education. We will be delivering a set of the patriotic "Tuttle Twins" books to the Watertown Public Library for our Caring for America project.



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BROWN COUNTY AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Brown County Area Republican Women have honored 5 members with the 2nd annual Donna Fischer Award. Years ago, Donna Fischer spoke to Heidi Engelhart about starting a Republican Women's group in Aberdeen. At the time Heidi was raising small children and was unable to help but years later was able to get a club going when those children were grown. Donna is now in a nursing home in Aberdeen, but was able to attend the BCARW meetings the first year that BCARW was a club. When Donna went into the nursing home her husband Wayne, who still attends the meetings and is an associate member, gave the club Donna's Republican pins. Those pins were used our first year as awards for those who have stepped up and help the club move forward. We thank Donna and Wayne for all their support that they give to Brown County Area Republican Women.

BCARW had the opportunity to present the Tuttle Twins books to several different school this fall. In December we had the privilege of having Jeff Clark who is the Tulare-Hitchcock School District Superintendent attend our club meeting and presented him with a set of books.

In January we had Rich and Penny Sattgast at our meeting. Rich was our speaker and he spoke on his time serving our country in the military along with his father and grandfather's service time. Rich has a wonderful family history with his grandfather serving in WWII and being part of the Monument Men, his father right after WWII, and Rich serving during the Gulf War and his time in Berlin. We are thankful to Rich for his service to our country and being so willing to share with us what he saw with serving so close to a communist country. The United States of America has so much to be thankful for with so many men and women willing to serve our county. Penny gave a update on SDFRW and future event, plans and goals.

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT WEEK 7

February 23rd is Crossover Day – Over 500 legislative proposals must be acted on by this date in the chamber of origin or it is considered dead

March 10th is Last Legislative Day

March 28th is Veto Day

Note: House Bills referred to Senate have passed the House

Impeachment hearing for Attorney General Jason Ravnsborg is on-going waiting for recommendation from House Select Committee on Impeachment.

HB 1012 - An Act to protect students and employees at institutions of higher education from critical race theory training and orientation. This bill doesn't interfere with academic freedom & has been endorsed by the SD Board of Regents. **Referred to Senate Education**

HB 1039 - provide for the assessment of certain agricultural land as non-cropland **Referred to Senate Taxation**

HB 1041 - Legislative oversight of settlement agreements by state officials/agencies. **Referred to Senate State Affairs**

HB 1052 - place limitations on the enforcement of federal laws and directive related to firearms and ammunition **Passed House Judiciary**

HB 1096 - to revise provisions regarding livestock identification. **Passed House Agriculture and Natural Resources**

HB 1113 This is an Act to prohibit threats made with the intent to coerce an abortion and to provide a penalty therefor. **Passed House**

HB 1129 This is an Act to prohibit forms of discrimination in access to organ transplantation. **Referred to Senate Health and Human Services**

HB 1133 This is an Act to provide that the cost of a home study required for an adoption is the responsibility of the Department of Social Services **Passed House**

HB 1246 - Establish the Fundamental Right of a Parent in Education **Referred to Senate Judiciary (Amended)**

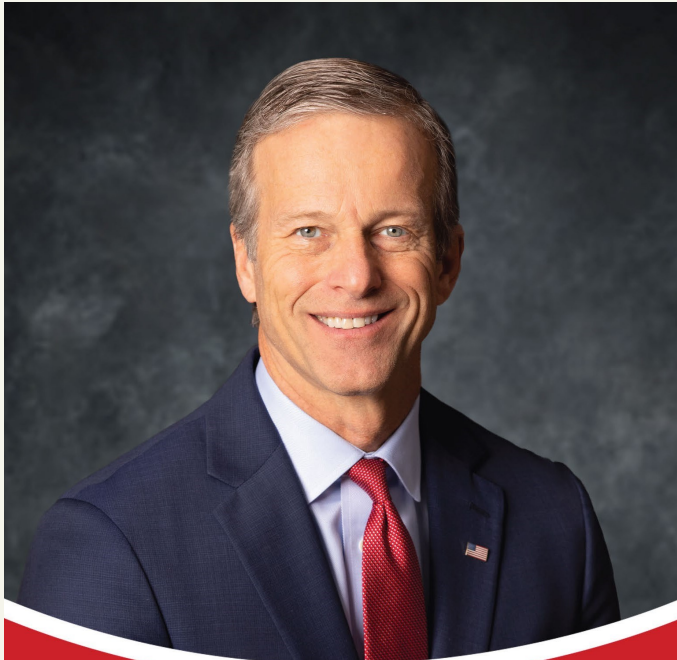
HB 1258 - prohibit obtaining an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status without the consent of the individual **Passed House State Affairs (Amended)**

HB 1267 (Important note: Doctors can already dispense ivermectin to individuals with a prescription. The problem is that many pharmacies won't fill) - Allow certain medical professionals to dispense ivermectin to persons with or without a prescription **Referred to Senate Health and Human Services**

HB 1318 An Act to prohibit medical abortion by telemedicine, to increase the penalty for the unlicensed practice of medicine when performing a medical abortion, and to declare an emergency. **Referred to House Health and Human Services (Amended)**

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March

History Tidbits

- 1, 1872 - Yellowstone National Park was established by the U.S. as the country's and world's first national park
- 2, 1867 - Over U.S. President Andrew Johnson's veto, Radical Republicans in Congress passed the Tenure of Office Act, for bidding the president to remove civil officers without senatorial consent.
- 3, 1812 - *The Star-Spangled Banner*, written by Francis Scott Key during the War of 1812, was officially adopted as the national anthem of the United States by act of Congress.
- 4, 1933 - On this day in 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt was inaugurated as the 32nd U.S. president.
 - Government official Frances Perkins was sworn in as US secretary of labor in the administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt; making her the first woman appointed to a cabinet position.
- 6, 2016 - American first lady and actress Nancy Reagan—who was first lady during the 1981–89 administration of her husband, President Ronald Reagan, and was noted as his most trusted adviser and a fierce protector of his reputation—died.
- 7, 1965 - State troopers used nightsticks & teargas attacking American civil rights activists when they crossed a bridge in Selma, Alabama, while attempting to march to the state capitol in Montgomery.
- 11, 2020-Covid-19 outbreak was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization.
- 11, 1918-A devastating pandemic in history reached the US as the first cases of Spanish flu were reported.

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**WOMEN'S
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MONTH**

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Check out neat/new information
during this month's and year's
happenings.

Calendar of Events

March:

- 4th - Meade County Republican Women
5:30pm MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 14th - Aurora/Douglas Republican Women
12pm CST, the Travel Plaza
- 17th - Beadle County Republican Women
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD
- 17th - Brown County Area Republican Women
11:30am CST, The Flame, Aberdeen, SD
- 17th - Pennington County Republican Women
11:45pm MST, Alex Johnson Hotel, 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

April:

- 1st - Meade County Republican Women
5:30pm MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 15th Codington County Republican Women
11:30am CST, Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD
- 21st - Beadle County Republican Women
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD
- 21st - Brown Co. Area Republican Woman
11:30am CST, The Flame, Aberdeen, SD
- 21st - Pennington County Republican Women
11:45pm MST, Alex Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, SD
- 28th - Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican Women
11:30am CST, SD Military Alliance, Inc.,
Sioux Falls, SD

May:

- 6th - Meade County Republican Women
5:30pm MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 19th - Beadle County Republican Women
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD

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SDFRW Member Spotlight



Where were you born? In rural Buffalo County, youngest child of twelve, attended school in Gann Valley (now closed)

What is your occupation: Am retired - worked at VA for 37 years as paralegal.

Why do you belong to SDFRW: - King James Version (KJV) - But while **men slept**, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. I have always been involved in politics and the direction of righteous laws in SD and America.

Share any special activities and/or committees you have been involved with: I have always been involved in Bible studies; leading them and leading pre-service prayer as well as teaching on the principles of prayer. I lead prayer walks in the summer and have visited all 66 counties and prayed at every courthouse. We buried the corn/wine and oil and took communion dedicating these memorials to God.

Hobbies and other volunteer organizations: I volunteer at Alpha Center, cleaning their facility once a week and praying for the ministry. I teach Toddlers at Church and have taught children for over 25 years.

What is one thing about yourself that most people don't know. That while I love people - being alone is not lonely.

Who is your favorite Republican and why? President Trump. I don't look at the delivery - I look at the message. He loves America. We have a lot of politicians - but very few statesmen. He has courage and not afraid to stand for what is right and what is best for America. He can't be bought. He reminds me of the history of our Founding Fathers who weren't afraid to speak the truth and worry about offense later. Truth is truth.

Favorite quote or Bible verse: Philippians 4:13 - KJV - I can do ALL things through Christ WHICH strengthens me. Christ means the anointed one - and it is the anointing which strengthens me.

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HB 1325 - Revise classification of ag land by soil type (companion to **HB 1039** rangeland tax fairness) **Passed House**

HB 1337 - An Act to protect elementary and secondary students from political indoctrination **Referred to Senate Education**

SB 137 - An Act to establish gestational surrogacy arrangements and agreements. **Dead**

SB 175 - make an appropriation to the Department of Game, Fish and Parks for building a shooting range in western South Dakota and to declare an emergency. **Passed Senate Committee on Appropriations**

HCR 6006 -To urge the United States Congress and the President of the United States to take no action to employ military forces of the United States in active-duty combat unless the United States Congress has passed an official declaration of war and to bring troops home who are engaged in unconstitutional foreign conflicts. **Passed House Military and Veteran Affairs Committee**



Newsletter Monthly Club Report Schedule

The reports are due
the 27th of the month

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week of the month.

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