

# South Dakota Federation of Republican Women

## SDFRW President Travels to NFRW Meeting

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SDFRW President Penny Sattgast attended the National Federation of Republican Women's Board of Directors meeting in Alexandria, Virginia. Some of the amazing speakers motivating (a sea full of Republican women wearing red), included Hans von Spakovsky from the Heritage Foundation, US Representative Claudia Tenney (NY-22), Carrie Severino from the Judicial Crisis Network, and Virginia Lieutenant Governor Winsome Sears!



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## C O D I N G T O N   C O U N T Y   R E P U B L I C A N   W O M E N

The Codington County Republican Women have been working hard and because of their efforts, our membership has grown to 64 members. Great job everyone including our Membership Chairperson, Barbara Guenette.

We also participated in a Home Show, and were able to visit with many interested people who signed up to receive information about our meetings. We handed out a flyer about the differences between Republicans and Democrats, prepared by Anne Gabel, which was very well received. Thanks to all who volunteered their time that day.

Our February speaker was Steve Barnett, our Secretary of State, who talked to us about keeping our elections in South Dakota secure. He also spoke on the Voter Info Portal which allows voters to view registration status and see sample ballots.

In March, we heard from Byron Callies, a SD House candidate for District 5 and Stephanie Sauder a SD House candidate for District 4.

We listened to Stephanie Woodland, from the Beacon Center in Watertown, who spoke about helping victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We presented her with items, such as food and cleaning products, donated by our members. This was our March Caring for America project.

Our speaker was Bruce Whalen, a candidate for the US Senate, who is pro-life, pro family and spoke about securing our rights and keeping our republic.

Our April Caring for America Project was Care Packages for our Truckers. These items were donated by our members and bagged up and taken to Stones Truck Stop.

We heard from Colin Paulson, running for SD State Senate District 5. Monae Johnson, who is running for Secretary of State, also spoke. She is pro-life, pro-military and pro election integrity.

Steve Haugaard, who is running for Governor, spoke to us about the sanctity of human life, limited government and fiscal responsibility. He is currently serving in the SD House of Representatives.

We were pleasantly surprised to receive a visit from our Governor, Kristi Noem, and our Lieutenant Governor and his wife, Larry and Sandy Rhoden. We enjoyed hearing from each one of them. Governor Noem is a member of our group and we were honored to have her in attendance.



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## CODINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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Lincoln Day Dinners 2022



So far, this year, we have had some wonderful pictures sent in of the Ladies of SDFRW attending, taking part and supporting various counties in their county GOP Lincoln Day Dinners.

Brown County April 2022



Spink County April 2022

If there are other Lincoln Day Dinner photos of SDFRW, please send them into be featured also.

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## **F R O M   T H E   S D F R W   P R E S I D E N T ' S   D E S K**

Greetings SDFRW members,

Happy spring from beautiful Pierre, South Dakota!

What an amazing honor and privilege it is to serve as your President! In April, I had the opportunity to attend the National Federation of Republican Women's Spring Board of Directors Meeting and Legislative Day in Alexandria, Virginia. It was an energetic and action-packed few days, and I enjoyed collaborating and sharing best practices with my Republican sisters from across the country!

I am so thrilled to report that SDFRW has kept our "foot on the gas" since kicking off 2022, and we have no plans to slow down anytime soon! I am so proud of both our statewide efforts and our local clubs as we work to further our cause! Below are just some of the many highlights of 2022 thus far!

### **Legislative and Programs Committee:**

-We kicked off the year with our SDFRW Legislative Day and Board of Directors meeting in February! A big thanks to our Programs Committee Chair and Vice-Chair, (Trish Murphy and Sandy Rhoden) for their work on planning our Legislative Day activities!

-A big thanks to our SDFRW Legislative Committee Chairwoman, Terri Jorgenson, for providing our membership with informative updates throughout the South Dakota 2022 Legislative session!

### **Fundraising Committee:**

-We just completed our signature SDFRW Online Auction fundraiser! Thanks to all those who worked hard to procure items, and a special thanks to our Fundraising chair Lauri Davis and 1<sup>st</sup> VP Catherine Barranco for their extraordinary efforts!

-Our Website and Newsletter Ads have been a huge success under the direction of our Chairwoman Jeni Boerger! Thank you, Jeni!

### **Youth Engagement:**

- SDFRW reached out to Joshua Rydberg, the current South Dakota Teenage Republican President, and invited him to address our Board of Directors meeting about the organization and encouraged us to help him recruit new members and attend upcoming events!

-Cen-Kota President Claire Rydberg volunteered as a counselor at the South Dakota Teenage Republicans Mock Legislature event at the state Capitol in Pierre.

### **Caring for America**

-I am so proud of our local clubs and their extraordinary efforts in promoting Caring for America projects! Supporting our law enforcement, our teachers, our veterans, our community leaders, and those in need are just some of the many ways our members spread the message of generosity and positivity! Thank you to all of you for your hard work and dedication!

- We have an exciting statewide Caring for America Project that will be rolled out in June! Stay tuned!

### **Membership**

-I am excited to report that we added a new club in February! Congratulations to Aurora-Douglas Republican Women and their new President, Gracia Kuipers!

-Our local clubs are working hard month after month to recruit new members! Keep up the good work as we strive towards meeting our 2022 membership goals!

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## F R O M   T H E   S D F R W   P R E S I D E N T ' S   D E S K

### Campaign Committee

-SDFRW works hard to emphasize the importance of local elections! Because of this, a joint project involving the Campaign Committee, the Membership Committee, and the local Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican women's club created a "get out the vote" palm card to help promote Sioux Falls Republican mayoral candidates. Several other clubs are excited to roll out similar projects in the future!

-Our clubs across the state have been doing a fantastic job working hard and hosting candidate forums during this primary season!

-Expect lots of exciting updates and opportunities to help get our Republican candidates elected in November! More to come soon!

### Convention Planning

**-SAVE THE DATE:** Our SDFRW Biennial Convention will be taking place in Pierre starting Friday, September 30th – Sunday, October 2nd! A big thanks to our Cyberspace Club for hosting! Stay tuned for more exciting details!

***Please continue to pray for our country and our leaders!***

Kind Regards,

***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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## CENKOTA REPUBLICAN WOMAN

April Cen-Kota Update:

-Member and SDFRW President Penny Sattgast attended the NFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting in Alexandria, VA.

-Cen-Kota members worked to procure many items for the SDFRW Online Auction Fundraiser. Because of our efforts, we are happy to report that we brought in the highest dollar amount from all of the clubs!

-The executive committee has been busy planning a District 24 Legislative Forum this month. Stay Tuned!

*Kind Regards,  
Claire Rydberg Cen-Kota President*

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## MEADE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Meade County Republican Women have been finding ourselves very busy in this election cycle. Our speakers for the past few months of February, March, and April were Steve Barnett, Secretary of State, Marty Jackley, candidate for SD Attorney General, Monae Johnson, candidate for SD Secretary of State, and George Eccarius from AFP speaking on Amendment C.

We have seen the numbers for our meetings increase as well as our membership. May's meeting will include candidates running for both Meade County and SD offices.

In our community/county, we are seeing unbelievable growth. With the largest county in the state, we are very spread out and have a large number of newcomers as well as native South Dakotans in the Piedmont area, which is along the interstate close to Rapid City. One of our members proposed to have a Meet and Greet/ Candidate Forum in that area since our meetings are in Sturgis. We accepted the challenge. We had a great turnout and most of our county candidates for local and state offices attended and introduced themselves. Following those introductions, we had a candidate forum with our current

County Sheriff Ron Merwin, and candidate Pat West. Our own Teresa Thompson was the emcee assisted by Terri Jorgenson asking the questions. Sandy Rhoden worked behind the scenes with the organization and scheduling of events. Lorie Hausmann prepared the food that was served. Henrietta McNenny was in charge of the decorating and did most of it herself. All of these ladies spent many hours in preparation for the event as well as during the Meet and Greet. Thanks to these awesome ladies! It was a great turn out and was a very fun and successful event.

We are now preparing for our Lincoln Day Dinner which is coming up on Friday, May 13th. We plan to have a silent auction, live auction, dessert (silent) auction, and 50/50 for the MRCW portion. If you are in the area, we would love to have you attend!





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CONT. MEADE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN



## Meade County GOP Lincoln Day Dinner

STURGIS CITY  
AUDITORIUM  
ON MAIN STREET



MAY  
13<sup>th</sup>  
2022

Social 5:30 PM    Steak Tip Dinner 6:30 PM  
Adults: \$45    Students: \$20  
Table of 8: \$300

**Come and Meet the Candidates!**

Tickets available at the door

Info/reservations:

Linn Hendrickson - Meade County Chairman  
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## Calendar of Events

### 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
- 19th - Brown Co. Area Republican Woman  
11:30am CST, The Flame, Aberdeen, SD
- 19th - Pennington County Republican Women  
11:45pm MST, Alex Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, SD
- 20th - Codington County Republican Women  
11:30am CST, Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD
- 26th - Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican Women  
11:30am CST, SD Military Alliance, Inc.,  
Sioux Falls, SD

### June:

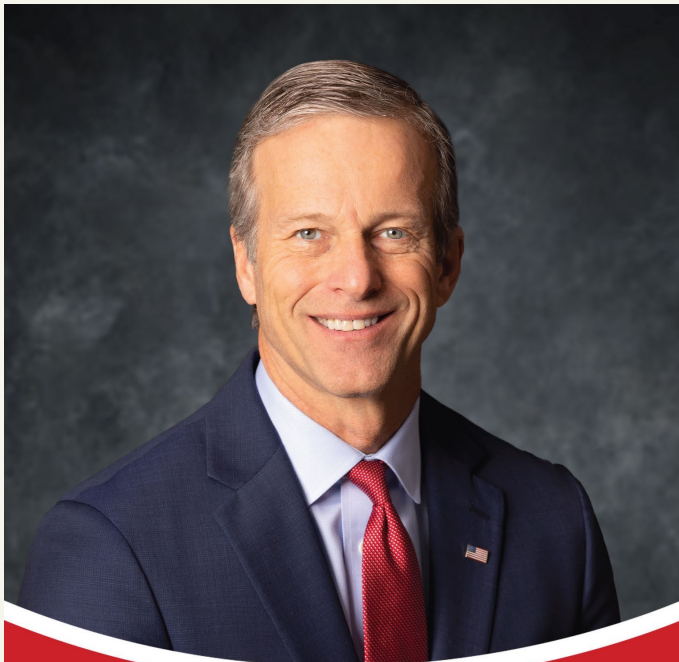
- 1st - Aurora-Douglas Republican Women  
7pm CST, Travel Plaza, Corsica, SD
- 3rd - Meade County Republican Women  
5:30pm MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 16th - Beadle County Republican Women  
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD
- 16th - Brown Co. Area Republican Woman  
11:30am CST, The Flame, Aberdeen, SD
- 16th - Pennington County Republican Women  
11:45pm MST, Alex Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, SD
- 17th - Codington County Republican Women  
11:30am CST, Pizza Ranch, Watertown, SD
- 23rd - Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican Women  
11:30am CST, SD Military Alliance, Inc.,  
Sioux Falls, SD

### July:

- 1st - Meade County Republican Women  
5:30pm MST, Pizza Ranch, Sturgis, SD
- 21st - Beadle County Republican Women  
12pm CST, Ryan's Hanger, Huron, SD



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### **MAY HISTORICAL TIDBITS**

*May 3* - in 1979, Margaret Thatcher of the Conservative Party was elected British prime minister, becoming the first woman in Europe to hold that post; she later became the longest continuously serving British premier since 1827.

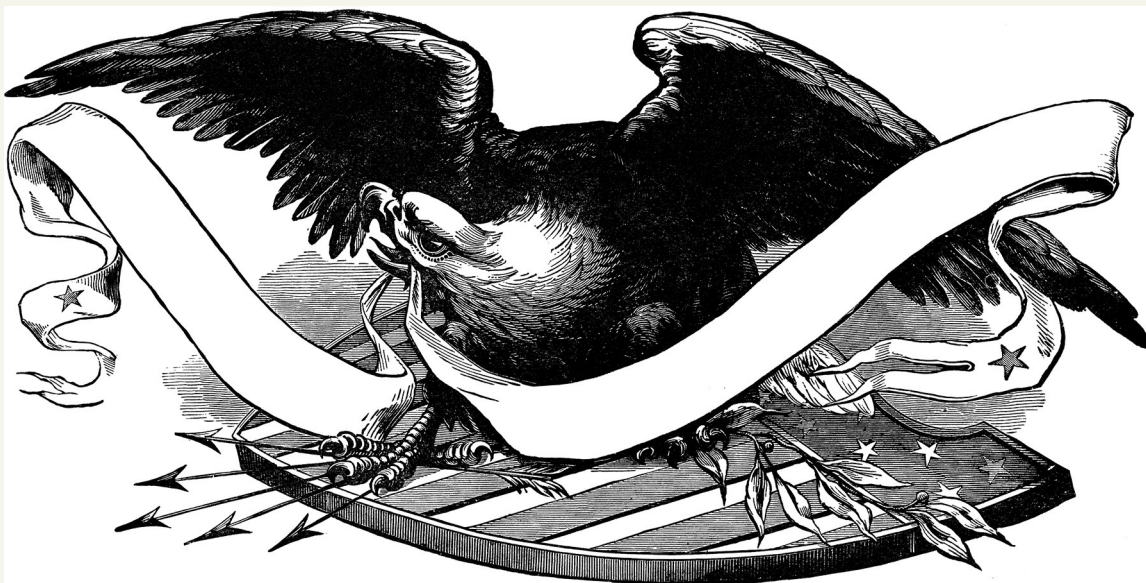
*May 3* - in 1937, American author Margaret Mitchell won a Pulitzer Prize for her enormously popular novel *Gone with the Wind*, which was made into an Academy Award-winning motion picture two years later.

*May 4* - Violence between police and labour protesters erupted in the Haymarket Riot in Chicago, dramatizing the labour movement's struggle for recognition in the United States.

*May 10* - American reformer Victoria Woodhull became the first woman to be nominated for president when the Equal Rights Party selected her as its candidate.

*May 12* - English nurse Florence Nightingale, who founded trained nursing as a profession for women, was born in Florence, Italy; International Nurses Day is celebrated on her birthday.

*May 14* - The first permanent British settlement in North America was founded at Jamestown, Virginia.



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## **SDFRW Member Spotlight**

### *Apolonia Davalos*

**Name:** Apolonia Davalos

**Hometown:** I'm a military angel. An offspring of a United States Air Force Commissioned Officer, my Mother. Home is where she is and currently, Sioux Falls, SD is home.

**Local SDFRW Club:** SDRW Cyberspace

**Where were you born?** Born in Fairbanks, AK.

**Education:** American Musical and Dramatic Academy Associate of Arts Degree, Stage, Film, and Television, University of Sioux Falls Bachelor of Arts, Media Studies (Fall 2022)

**Professional Career:** Filmmaker and Digital Storyteller! My vocation is to bring JOY to the world and uplift my fellow brothers and sisters-in-Christ.

#### **Why do you belong to SDFRW?**

I belong to SDFRW to meet and serve with fellow American women who are intelligent, disciplined, and motivated to educate, communicate, and protect our Judeo-Christian values and prosperous American way of life! We are prayer warriors for Christ. We are a supportive community that extends beyond each event and meeting. We are a sisterhood and our bond is authentic! I currently lead SDRW Cyberspace members and guests in prayer. It is truly an honor to pray with both men and women all over the country. Through humility and trust, together we share our experiences and concerns. As a result, we lift each other up and give each other strength.

Through SDFRW I have met amazing women like Catherine Barranco, Scyller Borglum, Madison Bollweg, Danica Michaels, and our very own Governor Kristi Noem. We live and thrive in one of the greatest and freest states in the Nation, South Dakota, America in its greatest glory!

#### **Who is your favorite Republican and why?**

My favorite Conservative Constitutionalist Republican is my Mother, Sandra Davalos. She is the epitome of the American Dream! As a patriot, she exceptionally embodies strength, grace, and beauty. As my guardian angel, her wisdom teaches how God's plan for our lives is greater than our imagination. An Air Force Veteran, she lives love for God and Country and elevates the value of service and servant-leadership. She continues to inspire the significance of voting and being involved. Women are the soul and spirit of America! As mothers and daughters, we have a shared responsibility to love, nurture, teach, and protect our present and future. Freedom is in our hands! We give birth to Life, raise Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness!



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**SDFRW Member Spotlight cont.**

*Apollonia Davalos*

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**Favorite quote or Bible verse:**

*Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart...*

Matthew 11: 28-29

*(This article is also listed on SDFRW Website)*



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

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