



South Dakota Federation of Republican Women

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2022 SDFRW Biennial Conference held in Pierre

September 30 through October 2 was the SDFRW Biennial Conference which was held in Pierre SD at the Ramkota Hotel & Convention Center. The weekend was filled with activities from boat rides on the river, a Gubernatorial debate watch party, a band for Saturday nights entertainment after the banquet and information from many speakers throughout the weekend. Also the election of the 2023-2024 Executive Officers was held.

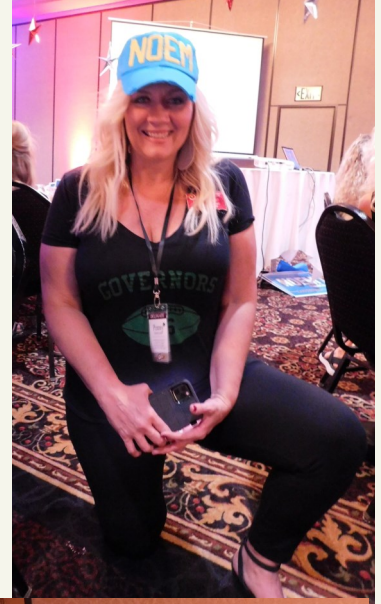
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September's SDFRW Member Spotlight

Penny Nelson

Penny Nelson grew up in Mound City, SD and now lives in Pierre with her husband Chris.

She is a member of CenKota Republican Women and appreciates their commitment, support, and participation in electing Republican candidates at all levels of government.

Penny worked in State Government for many years in the Secretary of State office under Alice Kundert and Joyce Hazeltine. Following that she served as Office Administrator at a local church.

Her favorite Republican would be Alice Kundert who was a family friend, boss, and mentor. She was a woman of true integrity and lived a life dedicated to public service and promoting Republican values.

Now, Penny is retired and helping Chris on his campaign seeking re-election to the Public Utilities Commission. She also volunteers as a greeter at the Avera Helmsley Center and enjoys spending as much time as possible with their two granddaughters in Sioux Falls.

One of her favorite Bible verses is Romans 8:28. *“And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.”*



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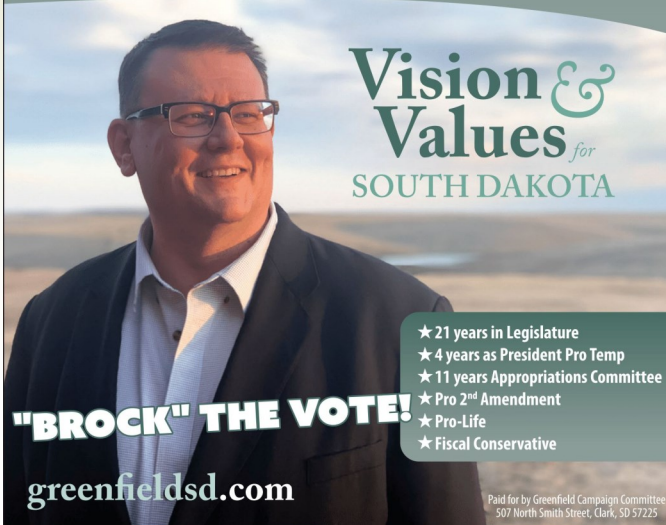


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Experience Matters...

Brock Greenfield

for
Commissioner of School & Public Lands



Calendar of Events

November:

- 4 - Meade County Republican Women
2pm Pizza Ranch Sturgis, SD
- 17 - Brown County Area Republican Women
11:30am The Flame Aberdeen, SD
- 17 - Beadle County Republican Women
12pm Ryan's Hanger Huron, SD
- 17 - Pennington County Republican Women
12:45pm Alex Johnson Hotel Rapid City, SD
- 17 - Minnehaha-Lincoln Republican Women
11:30am SD Military Heritage Alliance
Sioux Falls, SD
- 18 - Codington County Republican Women
11:30am Pizza Ranch Watertown, SD

December:

- 2 - Meade County Republican Women
2pm Pizza Ranch Sturgis, SD
- 10 - **SDFRW BOD Meeting**
(TBA) Capitol Visitor Center Pierre, SD
- 15 - Brown County Area Republican Women
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October's SDFRW Member Spotlight

Barbara Guenette

Hometown: Watertown, South Dakota

Local SDFRW Club: Codington County
Republican Women

Where was I born: Watertown, South Dakota, but my family moved to Southern California when I was 4 years old.

Education: I attended California State University Fullerton for my B.A., and California State University for my teaching credential

Professional Career: I was a public elementary school teacher in Garden Grove, California for 20 years. I taught first, third and fourth grades. I loved being a teacher. Each grade level was a true pleasure to teach. I loved watching the students grow academically and socially in their own way. My husband Bill and I have three adult children and five grandchildren. Bill and I lived and worked in California but we would take the kids to the family farm in South Dakota for summer vacations when they were young. We decided that once he and I retired, we would relocate to my hometown. We first lived on the family farm during the summer months and returned to San Diego for the winter months. Three years ago, we decided to live in Watertown year round and we purchased a home there.



Why do you belong to SDFRW: I was involved in politics in California by putting up signs and door knocking to get out the vote. I tried my best to get more Republicans in the area interested in voting and making a difference. Very challenging in a blue state. But once we moved to Watertown, I joined the local Codington County Republican Women's club. I enjoy being around so many like minded people. The enthusiasm here is much more to my liking. I am currently the first vice president of our local club and help out where ever else I am needed. The SDFRW meetings are always informative and interesting. I love being a member of such a dynamic group.

My favorite Republican is Donald Trump. He may be controversial, but he gave the Republican party the backbone we so desperately needed. I think he has reshaped our party in a uniquely positive direction.

My favorite Bible verse: Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it. Matthew 7:13-14

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Christmas at the Capitol
&
Quarterly Board Meeting



DECEMBER 10, 2022

PIERRE, SD

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CODINGTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Codington County Republican Women met at the Noem Campaign Headquarters on July 15th. Kassidy Noem Peters, Director of Development, shared how the Call to Freedom organization works to stop sex trafficking and free victims. Lee Schoenbeck spoke about his time as a SD Senator and how he got started in politics. Kathy Busch gave us info on the Teenage Republicans and all the great activities they have been involved in, including TARS camp.

We heard from our TARS camp representatives on August 19th. They had an outstanding and informative time at camp and received the "Outstanding Club Award!" Great job, future leaders! Those students attending were: Jill Busch, (outgoing V, Pres), Grace Martenson, Kayla Randall, Kaelyn Melville, Lauren Mahnke, Olivia Giovannettone, Aiden Melville, Bailey Dorneman.

Byron Callies, who is running for District 5 House of Representatives, spoke to us about many important issues including voting procedures. Codington County Sheriff, Brad Howell, informed us on the dangerous drugs that are invading our communities, such as: Meth, Fentanyl, Heroin, and Marijuana. He talked about the signs of drug abuse and how devastating and addictive these drugs are.



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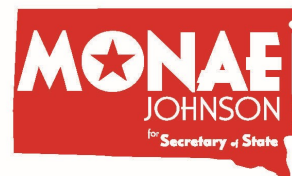
Newsletter Monthly Club Report Schedule

The reports are due
the 27th of the month

For newsletters to come out the 1st
week of the month.

Send reports to:
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