

## **Dear FCRP Members and Fellow Republicans,**

On behalf of the Fayette County Republican Party, I hope you had a Merry Christmas with family and friends and will enjoy a wonderful 2024!

FCRP leadership took a short Christmas break but remains busy gearing up for 2024. We continue to have weekly roundtables with key Fayette County party members planning for the 2024 Convention Cycle, strategizing on the critical need to find good candidates for the upcoming 2024 County, State, and Federal Elections, and beating the bushes for the many volunteers and financial support needed to assure our candidates get elected.

### **Candidate Search**

We are searching for strong candidates like our recently elected candidates in PTC and Tyrone, candidates who put their constituents needs and desires above ego and personal gain, who question the narrative and listen to the voters, and who keep the FCRP informed about and seek input from our members regarding issues in Fayette County. There are many Republicans on current boards, but only 3 regularly attend our monthly breakfast meetings. If any of the others showed up, I would have to ask who they were. We must do better. We need you to beat the bushes for great candidates! If you know anyone passionate about Fayette County Board of Education or County Commission issues, we would like to meet them!

### **Board of Education:**

With schools that don't have discipline, safety, and good curriculum, our students won't learn, and good teachers will flee to other counties or other professions. With poorly performing, woke schools our property values will take a hit. So far, we have only one committed new candidate for the Board of Education. She was the only observer at the last BOE meeting. Important decisions were made at that meeting with just one citizen observer. We must do better.

### **Fayette County Commission**

Three of the five members of the County Commission are up for election in 2024. We have 2 possible candidates, but we need more. Please look for candidates or consider running yourself.

### **Fayetteville City Council**

All of Fayette County is affected by what happens in Fayetteville. We share both its benefits and its problems. Are you pleased with the Fayetteville City Council's plans for building and traffic control? Do you know that they are planning to put 300 rental homes (600 to 1000 sq ft) on 22 acres off of Gingercake Road and Hwy 54? What will that do to traffic in our beautiful Fayette County? Would you want to live close to those 300 rental homes? Do you know that a number of liquor stores have been approved for Fayette County, some of them near homes? Do you believe that was the will of the majority of voters?

The FCRP ran a great candidate for the Fayetteville City Council in the 2023 election who unfortunately did not win her race. In a predominantly democrat municipality, it is hard for a Republican candidate to win and therefore doubly hard to find good people willing to run. You will have the chance to vote for new City Councilmen in 2025. We need to begin looking for more good candidates now.

### **Volunteers**

We need more volunteers to support our candidates and make sure Republican voters show up at the polls. We have both sedentary and active jobs. Please consider one or more of the following important tasks:

- **Staff the FCRP office** to assist citizens who need information or want to volunteer, distribute campaign literature and signs, help with small office tasks.
- **Work as a poll watcher** to observe at the polls for our upcoming elections.
- **Work on election day** at one of the many polling places in Fayette County
- **Assist with door knocking**, as a driver or to knock on doors. Door knocking is the most powerful and effective way to inform people about our great candidates and get them elected.

Chances are if you are reading this newsletter, you are retired. We know that Fayette County senior citizens are talented and active in wonderful activities ranging from bridge, to gardening, to golf, to church, and many more. Please also consider offering your talents to the FCRP and help to save our endangered country.

### **Get Involved - Stay Informed**

The Fayette County Republican Party pledges to give you the truth. We will let you know via email when important county and city meetings and votes are coming up, so you can get involved.

- Attend our meetings: Saturday Breakfast, Women's Club, Men's Club – all are enjoyable & informative.
- Attend Board and Commission Meetings. Choose one board or commission and attend their meetings. Let others know what you learn there.
- Also, if you are not already doing so, you may want to read the Fayette Citizen online. It is a great online paper that gives you the scoop on everything going on in our county.

### **Financial Support**

We are a self-supporting organization. We receive no funds from the State or National Republican Party. We need financial support. **Renew your membership or join the Fayette County Republican Party. Become a dues-paying member (QR code links below).** If you don't want to join but want to contribute, we welcome your donations. With your financial support we:

- Maintain a brick-and-mortar office and meeting room in Fayetteville and so must pay utilities and maintain that space.
- Provide meeting space for Men's, Women's, and Young Republican meetings, as well as other meetings on important issues such as Election Integrity and exciting events such as our upcoming book signing with Marjorie Taylor Green. See January 20 on the calendar below.
- Work to spread the Republican Platform and Message
- Distribute campaign materials

Please respond to this newsletter. We want to hear what you think is important. Are we doing something right or wrong? Let us know.

I look forward to meeting you at one or all of the meetings listed below. Each one will provide valuable insight into what is happening politically in Fayette County and Georgia. Political Actions lead to Physical Consequences in our environment and Policy Changes in our governance. Join us and be part of the solution!

As always, thank you for all you do!

Sincerely, Elaine Kilgore

Chairman, Fayette County Republican Party

## January Meetings

All events listed take place at the Fayette Event Center, 174 North Glynn Street, Fayetteville

Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> .....10:30-11:30 am

First Tuesday Prayer Meeting

Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> .....8:30-10:30 am

FCRP Saturday Breakfast Meeting - Featuring Sherrif Barry Babb and Michael Murphy, Ga Black Republican Council

Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> .....6:00- 8:30 pm

Greater Fayette Republican Women's Club

Denim and Diamonds Dinner (catered) -

Visit the link below to RSVP and pay for your dinner

<https://myfayettegop.org/republican-women>

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> .....Morning event/time TBD

Marjorie Taylor Green book signing – limited seating

Dues paying members will be given preference in attending the event

Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> .....6:30- 8:30 pm

Republican Men's Club

Come hear Fayette County's newest candidates for the 2024 elections

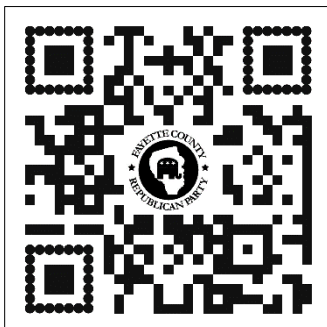
Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> .....8:30-10:30 am

Introduction of our new State & County Candidates for 2024 Fayette County

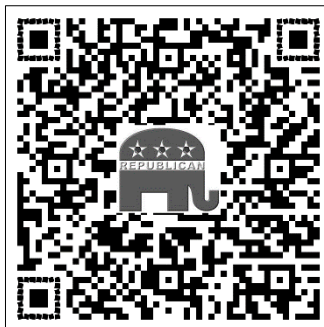
Magistrate Court Judge Kathy Valencia

James Dutton, Spalding County Commissioner, and possible 3<sup>rd</sup> District Candidate for Drew Ferguson's seat

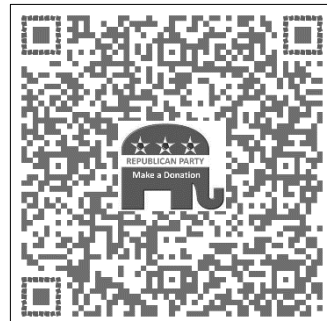
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