

Women Republicans of Cleveland County

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Holidays/Significance of Months:

Black History Month, monthlong commemoration of African American history and achievement that takes place each February in the United States. It was begun in 1976.



New Year's Day: Monday, January 1

Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.: Monday, January 15

Valentine's Day: Wednesday, February 14

Presidents' Day: Monday, February 19

Past EVENTS

November 23, 2023 - WeROCC held a bake sale in conjunction with the Waco Volunteer Fire Department BBQ Butt sale. WeROCC raised \$900.00.



November 30, 2023- I wanted to share a special note about a very young lady who is fired up about the American Flag and led the Pledge of Allegiance during the CCGOP meeting. Her name is Isabella from Burke County.

December 2023- Multiple Republican candidates filed to run for local and state 2024 office at the CC Board of Elections.





December 8th, 2023- 14th District Annual Convention. Several members of WeROCC, GOP and Men's Club attended the convention. Officers for District 14 elected and our own Pam Keller is treasurer for District 14.

December 14th, 2023- WeROCC celebrated their 10th year anniversary with members of the CCGOP and the CC Men's Club at the Cleveland County Country Club. The first planning meeting to form the Women Republicans of Cleveland County (WeROCC) was held September 2012 by Kathy Allen. WeROCC received its charter July 2013 with a membership of 10 women. A PowerPoint covering 10 years of promoting Republican women and their mission was displayed. Additionally, new WeROCC officers were sworn in by Erica Vedeikis, NCFRW Foothills Vice President. Cindi Dashnaw presented the Ellie Award for service to Republican Women to Vallery McCoy. Candidates who attended the event were given time to speak. Great time was had by all.



January 13, 2024- Election Integrity Training held @ Oak Grove Baptist Church. Dave Warren from NCGOP presented along with President of WeROCC/Chairwoman for CCGOP. The new State BOE-session law 2023 (SB 747) went into effect 1/1/2024.

To participate in the North Carolina caucuses, individuals must be registered voters in North Carolina and at least 18 years old by Election Day, November 5th. To vote in an upcoming election you must submit voter registration at least 25 days before Election Day (Feb 9, 2024, for the primary election on March 5, 2024, and Oct. 11, 2024, for the general election on Nov. 5, 2024). If that deadline has passed, you can still use Same-Day Registration during Early Voting only to register and vote in that election. Participants also need to ensure that their party affiliation matches the caucus they intend to join. For Republicans, finding their local precinct is essential for participation. Republicans can find their caucus location on the state party website vt.ncsbe.gov.

January 26-27, 2024- President Sherry Yocum and Assistant Treasurer Susan Whetstine attended the 2024 Winter Board Meeting- NCFRW in Wrightsville, NC.



February 4, 2024- Voter Registration held Family Worship Center in KM. GOP Chair and Vice Chair manned the voter booth.



February 8, 2024- WeROCC attended the CDGW Pizza & Politics-An Open Forum-Questions answered for college students by leaders from the Republican and Democratic parties. This is a beginning to re-energize our young adults in politics. Thank you to Michael Terry, Secretary for Men's Club for being on the panel and as acting Young Republicans President and to Senator Ted Alexander for his knowledge and setting the facts straight.





Thank You

February 13, 2024- WeROCC hosted a Board of Education (School Board Forum) for candidates. Thank you to Dot Cherry, Gaston County School Board, for being moderator.

February 16, 2024- CCGOP held a fundraiser called **Voices of Justice**. WeROCC members not only assisted with this event but held their own Silent Auction fundraiser.



Save the Date Events:



This month is “Phoning February,” and NFRW encourages every club to make phone calls to members that have not renewed and invite them to renew or rejoin before the March 1st deadline. We have seen that the focus on relationship building that happens with a simple phone call increases the rate of return of our former members. This is not surprising given that our 2023 membership survey revealed that the relationships made are among the top reasons that women join an organization like NFRW. We are driven by politics, but we are grounded in relationships.

We hope you will take the time to call Republican women in your club to invite them to be a part of what will certainly be an exciting year for our party. Keep an eye out each month for the Membership Connection to see what you can do to grow your membership. If you have any creative ideas to share with the committee, please send them to the Membership Committee Chair, Ingrid Lake at nfrwmembership@gmail.com.

Happy Calling!

Ingrid Lake – NFRW Membership Committee Chair
Robbi Hull – NFRW Membership Committee Vice -
Chair

**Election Day is March 5, 2024
(Tuesday 07:30am-7:30pm) at
the different 21 precincts.**

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IMPORTANT DATES:

**March 9, 2024-CCGOP Convention, NC Cooperative Extension
2024 Legislative Day-**



May 15, 2024, 2024 NCFRW Legislative Day, Raleigh

**May 23-26, 2024, NCGOP Convention, Koury Convention
Center, Greensboro, NC**

July 15-18, 2024, RNC Convention, Milwaukee, WI

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