

GGRWC Times

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Issue 3

March 2010

General Meetings
11:00 A.M. Fourth
Tuesday of the month
Starmount Forest CC

March 23, 2010

General Meeting
Speakers:

Judge Ann Marie
Calabria,
Judge Barbara Jackson,
Judge Rick Elmore and
Judge Sanford Steelman.

Guilford County Republican Party

County Convention
March 18, 2010

Board Meeting
Second Monday
7:00 P.M.
713 Main St.
Jamestown, NC

Forum

Every third Wednesday
Noon, @ the Painted
Plate

RNC Chairman, Michael Steele Visits Greensboro to Launch New GOP Ad

Chairman Steele held a press conference in Greensboro Monday, March 8 to roll out a new RNC ad. The ad which will run in only five cities across the country will air in Greensboro. "This is an effort for us to communicate directly to the people of this community ... to take out the filter of the national media and the noise that comes with that," Steele told about 100 Republicans at a news conference.



Steele's Magnolias!
L-R Tom Fetzer, Chairman NCRP;
Lynn Connelly; Michael Steele, Chairman RNC;
Dena Barnes, President, NCFRW; Nancy Bishop,
Nancy J. R. Wells & Betsey Gravitte

In the ad, Steele tells viewers, "I hear the same thing from people over and over again, 'They're not listening to me. They don't care.'"

Speaker Nancy Pelosi "are experimenting with America. Massive government expansion, government takeovers, redistribution of wealth and staggering debt to countries like China and the Middle East." Steele says, "Make them listen. Join us."



On the Member's Balcony L-R Ruth Garrison,
Lynn Connelly, Ann Inman, Rep. Foxx, Carla
Harper, Maggie Harper, & Jean Barrow

GGRWC President, Carla Harper won a Capitol Hill Dome Tour courtesy of Rep. Virginia Foxx. Carla shared the trip with GGRWC members who were fortunate enough to be able to go on this fantastic journey. It truly was an experience of a lifetime.

First, a staffer took us up to the Capitol Dome. After 365 Steps up, our little group was exhilarated AND exhausted. "Jelly legs" was an appropriate term for a number of us after climbing back down the 365 steps. To be able to examine the craftsmanship and art was an experience we will always remember. Rep. Foxx spent a great deal of time with us even though she had to juggle speaking and voting on the floor of the House. To experience the Members Balcony, the female Members Powder Room, and the Member's Chapel was a wonderful encounter for all of us.



The President's Corner



We Think People Should Have More Control Than Government

The most poignant comment during the televised “bi-partisan” health care discussion came from Congressman Paul Ryan (R-WI), ranking member of the budget committee when in summary he said, “We don’t think government should be in control; we want people in control.” If a simple line is drawn regarding public opinion on ninety percent of the administration’s agenda, it comes down to this basic philosophy: either a belief that government is the answer or that free individual citizens are the answer.

This dichotomy of belief has been at the heart of the American experiment since the 1700s. On the eve of the American Revolution, the colonists were exposed to a flurry of opposing analysis, much like today. The Whigs warned of coming tyranny while the Tories scoffed. Think Glen Beck versus Bill Maher. Despite a belief by the Tories that the people were too docile and dumb to grasp the complexities of politics and act on the information, they did eventually act and the rest is history.

The conditions necessary to wake-up a docile people may be different depending on the century, but surely some of the ingredients are now present. For example, the enormous debt our country is racking up, a laissez faire attitude toward terrorism, flagrant corruption and graft within our Congress, disdain for the free market leading to more government intervention in major sectors of the economy such as health care, auto, banking.

By the time John Adams said that England was “sunk in corruption,” and “tottering on the brink of destruction” he was echoing enlightened knowledge of the eighteenth century, not Whig radicalism. The man who ruled the people of the colonies, England’s King George III, had upset the delicate balance of the three branches of government by circumventing the slow process of turning public opinion into law making through pressure and influence on the electoral process and representatives of Parliament. The results: corruption and “tearing up the constitution by the roots, under the form of law,” writes historian Gordon Wood of the Whig argument.

Many American newspapers of the day ran stories of the fall of Rome: “The gap between rich and poor widened and the society was torn by extortion and violence. It was no longer virtue that raised men up to the first employments of the state, but the chance of birth, and the caprice of fortune. The empire tottered on its foundation, and the mighty fabric sunk beneath its own weight (VA Gazette June 1775, PA Packet May 1775).”

English philosopher David Hume and his contemporaries believed that the generally docile and obedient nature of people made them disposed “to be submissive and passive and tame under government as they ought to be.” According to historian Gordon Wood, “power of custom and habitual deference served to protect people against wanton civil disturbance and to prevent rebellion for light and transient causes.” The Tories of the day charged that all the talk of Rome and corruption would cause the people to revolt and fall into anarchy.



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John Adams countered that popular leaders have never been able “to persuade a large people, for any length of time together, to think themselves wronged, injured, or oppressed, unless they really were, and saw and felt it to be so.” Perhaps the best advice came from John Dickinson in 1768 when he urged the people “to watch, to observe facts, to search into causes for what was happening ... [around them].”

The National Precinct Alliance is organizing around the principles our local county party officials have talked about repeatedly – the power lies in the precincts. The website includes the Precinct Strategy as follows:

The Precinct Strategy is the only peaceful and constitutional way to take back our nation. It's been around for almost 200 years – but it's been “obscured”... hidden through ignorance and the lack of diligent citizenry for many years. Now that we know, it is time to move this silent majority GIANT into action to locate and elect individuals into the office of “Precinct Executive”... individuals that will adhere to the constitutional principles of limited government, free markets, and individual freedoms.

Rule # 1:

People Are Policy. What that means is this... if you want to change the law, if you want to change policy; you have to change the people that make the policy. The Precinct Executive is where policy will start.

Rule # 2:

If Your Name is not On the Ballot, You're Not Going to Win. For our Senator or Representative to win the November General Election and begin to reverse policy we have to get their names on the ballot. We must ensure they win the Party Primary election. If we want to change the people who change the policy, it becomes our job to make sure that our Senator or Representative wins the primary.

Rule # 3:

Only Candidates Endorsed By The Party Win The Primary. Republicans and democrats alike trust their Party Leaders to make the correct decision in endorsing their candidate. If we are going to change the people who make policy, we must ensure that our Senator or Representative is endorsed by the Party so their name will appear on the ballot.

Rule # 4

He who holds the office of Precinct Executive is he who holds the Power of the People...Therefore it is vital that freedom loving people run for the elected office of "Precinct Executive"... THE MOST POWERFUL OFFICE IN THE LAND.

<http://www.nationalprecinctalliance.org/>



Visit the Greater Greensboro Republican Women's Club @ www.ggrwc.com



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From NCFRW President Dena Barnes

Dear Club Members,

I have just returned from the NCFRW Spring Board Meeting in Oklahoma City where our national officers were installed after elections to fill the office of 1st VP vacant due to illness of Joyce Smith who was elected in Orlando. Rae Lynne Chornenky, Arizona was elected to fill that position on Friday and Patt Parker, Maryland was elected Saturday to fill her position of 2nd VP then Jo Mitchell, New Mexico was elected as Member-at-Large to fill Patt's position. At lunch on Saturday all officers were installed. We had a diverse group of speakers to include Congresswoman Mary Fallin (OK), Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner Dana Murphy, former Congressman J.C. Watts, Susan Tully, Field Director of (FAIR) Federation for American Immigration Reform. We also heard from Angela Sailor, RNC Coalitions and AFP representative from Oklahoma.

Our national committees met and we voted on their plans of action – you will be hearing more about them during the next month. Opportunities for support of Campaign Management Schools, Regents and Capitol Regents, Legacy Club, Internships and Scholarships, Publications and Headquarter Funding. I was sorry to miss the Regents event since I arrived on Thursday but am looking forward to attending in Charleston, SC at the Fall Board Meeting September 8-11, 2010 and the 2011 Convention which will be in Kansas City, Missouri September 29-October 2, 2011. 200 dedicated women passed resolutions in support of our Armed Forces, Veterans and First Responders



GGRWC March Newsletter-Legislative Report

Health Care Update

President Obama has set March 18 as the deadline for the House to vote on the Senate's Health Care bill. The discussion is whether or not the House has the required 216 votes to pass the Senate bill. *The Wall Street Journal* has reported dissention and mistrust among Democrats in the House and the Senate. One of the sticking points is government funded abortion included in the Senate's version. Others include insurance subsidies that liberals want larger, and labor unions do not want their "Cadillac" plans taxed heavily. Then there are the bribes for certain states such as Louisiana and Nebraska. The option that Democrats may choose is for the House to pass the Senate bill which bypasses filibuster rules and the bill would go directly to President Obama for signature. However, Speaker Pelosi has said she does not have the required 216 votes to pass the bill. The Health Care bill will destroy our health care system, quash freedom, end innovations in medicine, raise taxes and insurance premiums, and promote health care rationing.

On Nov 7, 2009 all North Carolina Republican Representatives voted against the Health Care bill. NC House Democrats Voted as follows:

For the Bill:

G.K. Butterfield (1st Dist) 202 225-3101
 Bob Etheridge(2nd Dist) 202 225- 4531
 Brad Miller (13th Dist) 202 225-3032
 David Price (4th Dist) 202 225-1784
 Melvin Watt (12th Dist) 202 225-1510

Against:

Larry Kissell (8th Dist) 202 225-3715
 Mike McIntyre (7th Dist) 202 225-2731
 Heath Shuler (11th Dist) 202 225-6401

According to Real Clear Politics, Larry Kissell and Heath Shuler will probably vote no on March 18th. Can we really count on them? Call all Democrats to say "NO."

Immigration

In the next several months, look for immigration legislation. *The Wall Street Journal* has reported that identification (ID) cards will be a focal point on immigration plans. The Senate is working on policies which would require all legal U.S. workers, including citizens and immigrants to "be issued an ID card with embedded information, such as fingerprints, to tie the card to the worker." The bill will be sponsored by Senators Schumer (D-NY) and Graham (R-SC). Graham is the "only Republican to voice interest publicly," according to the *Wall Street Journal*. Also, Senators Schumer and Graham want illegals, estimated at 10.8 million to be "offered a path to citizenship . . ."

Prepared by Brenda T Formo on Mar 9, 2010

Sources: *Financial Times*, "Democrats hunt for healthcare reform votes," by Anna Fifield and Edward Luce, Mar 7, 2010; Real Clear Politics, "Counting the Heads of House Democrats" Mar 7, 2010 and "The Health Care Jam," by Mark Penn, Mar 8, 2010; RedState.com, "The House Vote on the Senate Healthcare Bill Is the Final Vote; Obama Will Sign It Into Law," by SusanAnne Hiller, Mar 5, 2010; *Investor's Business Daily*, "ObamaCare Side Effect: Regime Change," by Larry Kudlow, Mar 5, 2010; *The Wall Street Journal*, "Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, ObamaCare," Mar 7, 2010 and "ID Card for Workers Is At Center of Immigration Plan," by Laura Meckler, Mar 9, 2010.



Campaign Committee's Candidate Workshop

Joanne Wittenborn

**The Candidate Workshop begins at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, March 20 at
Guilford County GOP Headquarters
713 Main Street, Jamestown, NC.**

The following individuals are on the panel:

Bill Wright (Guilford County GOP Chair)

Rep. John Blust (State House of Rep. District 62)

Linda Shaw (Guilford County Commissioner)

B.J. Barnes (Sheriff of Guilford County)

Danny Thompson (Greensboro City Councilman at large)

The following individuals are presenters:

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| 11:00 - 11:15 AM | Kim Pyle - Sales and Marketing Manager for Clear Channel Radio |
| 11:15 - 11:30 AM | Jeff Tillman - Washington Political Group (polling, surveys, ID calling etc;) |
| 11:30 - 11:45 AM | William Hammer - Editor of the Rhino Times |
| 11:45 - Noon | Brett Riddleberger - Professional Speaker |
| Noon - 12:15 | Dr. Tim Daughtry - CCG Inc. The Psychology of the Liberal Mind |
| 12:15 - 12:30 PM | Marilyn Ozan - The Mailing Service |
| 12:30 - 12:45 PM | Rick Calabro - Que Pasa Radio |
| 12:45 - 1:00 PM | Ted Brown - Strategies |

Lunch will be catered by Pablano's Mexican Restaurant.



Announcements and Calendar of Events

March 17 Fundraiser for John Blust. 5:30 P.M. — 8:00 P.M. at the home of Theresa Yon, 5509-B West Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC. Call Maria Blust @ 336-430-7206 for details.

March 18 Guilford GOP Convention. GGRWC Bake Sale. The Guilford County GOP convention will be held at Guilford County GOP headquarters in Jamestown on Thursday, March 18. The GGRWC will hold a bake sale to raise a few dollars. Please sign up to either help attend the table and/or contribute goodies for sale. Contact Nancy Bishop aobnbb@yahoo.com or 272-4440.

March 20 Candidates Workshop. The Campaign Committee in coordination with Guilford County GOP will host a candidates workshop at headquarters on Saturday, March 20. Contact Joanne Wittenborn jwittenborn@yahoo.com

March 23 GGRWC General Meeting. Speakers Judge Ann Marie Calabria, Judge Barbara Jackson, Judge Rick Elmore and Judge Sanford Steelman.

April 12 Guilford County Republican Party Board Meeting

April 27 GGRWC General Meeting

August 29 GGRWC Wine & Cheese. Send names and addresses of folks you would like added to the invitation list to Kathy McClellan: KMMcClellan3@gmail.com

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and Health Care (Resolved to direct our federal legislators to halt this legislation and instead promote cure to problems by relying on deregulation, support of tort reform, free enterprise, individual responsibility and market-oriented solutions.) “We left energized and enthusiastic about taking back America ready to mobilize at the grassroots level to help elect Republican candidates who will reverse the dangerous course Washington Democrats have put us on the past few years” Sue Lynch, NFRW President.

I have ordered some Women In Numbers pins for some of the smaller clubs but if your club want to order some to sell, you might consider that as a fund raiser. It is a conversation starter.

Hope to see you at the NCFRW Spring Board Meeting in Charlotte at the Hilton University Place off Harris Blvd. on April 30-May 2 with the Tribute to Women – Women Making History on May 1.

Dena Barnes, NCFRW President



NFRW officers: President Sue Lynch, Wisconsin; 1st VP Rae Lynne Chornenky, Arizona; 2nd VP Patt Parker, Maryland; 3rd VP Martha Jenkins, North Carolina; 4th VP Jessie Morton, Louisiana; Secretary Jane Lane, New Hampshire; Treasurer Brenda Smith, Kansas; Member-at-Large; Kathy Brugger, California; Carrie Almond, Missouri; Jo Mitchell, New Mexico



**Remember — the Greater Greensboro Republican Women's Club (GGRWC)
General meeting Tuesday, March 23, 2010 @ 11:00 A.M.
Starmount Forest CC, One Sam Snead Dr.
Greensboro, NC**

**Speakers: Judge Ann Marie Calabria, Judge Barbara Jackson,
Judge Rick Elmore and Judge Sanford Steelman**



BJ Barnes and family at his campaign kick-off

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