

# JCRW NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2010

## Installation of New Officers

- The Johnston County Republican Women will meet on **Thursday, January 21**, 2010, at **McCall's** Seafood and BBQ Restaurant on Hwy 70 in Clayton at **6:00pm**.
- **Zan Bunn**, Capital Region VP of NCFRW, will be present to install the JCRW 2010 officers
  
- Joy Paul – President
- Teresa Grant – Vice President
- Denise Rentz – Secretary
- Dr. Pat Harris – Treasurer

## Volunteer Hours Count, So Count Yours

**Do you promote the Republican Party, Republican candidates and/or the Federation by;**

- volunteering at home via emails, phone calls, letter writing, letters to the Editor
- volunteering at special events; festivals, campaign rallies, fundraisers, meetings
- traveling to and attending NCFRW or NFRW events
- serving as a delegate at Republican Party conventions and/or meetings
- serving as a Republican Party committee member
- volunteering at the JCGOP or NCGOP headquarters
- volunteering at candidates' campaign headquarters
- volunteering to put out yard signs
- working on election day as a non-paid poll watcher
- volunteering on election day outside the polls

**If so, then YOU are a volunteer for the JCRW and we need your hours. Did you know that the Campaign Awards Program of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) awards local clubs for the time its members spend volunteering for the Republican Party?**

**Please record your volunteer hours on the attendance sheets at your monthly meetings. Hours are needed for July 2009 through June 2011.**



○ **A Visit to Kay Hagan by JCRW member Denise Rentz**

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- “I believe there are more instances of the abridgement of the freedom of the people by gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations.” –James Madison
- Now is the time to stop the abridgements of our freedom. We can no longer sit idle and hope our representatives will represent us. We must speak. We must take the future of our liberty into our own hands.
- Visiting Kay Hagan’s office can be an easy and rewarding experience.
- Directions: from I-40, exit 299 Hammond Rd. towards S. Person Street. Keep right onto S. Person Street. Turn right onto New Bern Ave. The Federal Building is on the right, the Post office on the left.
- Where to park- You can park for free at the post office across the street.
- Federal Building rules:
- Need photo ID
- No cameras or cell phones
- Front desk will issue you a visitor’s pass. You will be asked to walk through a metal detector and your purse will go through a scan just like the airport but you can keep your shoes on here. After you pass through the screening, you will follow the hall to your left. Her office is at the end of the hall.
- What to bring- Bring a letter. Be brief and clear about your position. Your letter will be scanned and sent to Hagan’s DC office.
- Can children visit? Yes. Hagan’s office is a friendly environment. I have taken my 3 year old daughter with me several times.
- The office staffers are friendly even when they hear you are a conservative. They will be happy to meet with you, hear your concerns and take your letters. When you’re done, grab some warm Krispie Kremes (549 N. Person St. around the corner) on your way back to Johnston County!
- “All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.” -- Edmund Burke
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**Take Action  
and Call your  
elected  
officials!**

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The Code Red Rally was another opportunity to stand up and voice our concerns about the Obama healthcare bill. Between five and seven thousand people were there, with about five hundred from North Carolina. Thankfully, we do have friends in the Senate (Richard Burr, Michelle Bachman, Jim Dement, and Tom Coborn, to name a few.) Each spoke at the rally. The message was clear, “don’t be discouraged – keep up the good work and we will win this fight”. After the rally, we took thousands of signed petitions in opposition to the healthcare bill to Kay Hagan’s office. Two to three hundred North Carolinians lined the halls of the senate building. Each person presented their petitions and had the opportunity to voice their opinions to her aides. Believe me, by the time we reached her office, her aides were weary of hearing the same story as we were near the end of the line. Senator Hagan can’t say she doesn’t know what the people of N.C want because thousands upon thousands of signed petitions were delivered and she was told to vote NO on this healthcare bill.

Ladies I can’t tell you how great it makes you feel to be a part of a group of people who love this country and want what is best and right for all of us and - are willing to STAND UP and get involved with what is going on. We need more people everywhere involved. Let me encourage each of you to take part in these rallies and tea parties. The people at these events are patriots, just like you and me. They are patriots who love their country dearly and are exercising their freedom to stand up and voice their opposition to what Congress is trying to do with this healthcare bill. I would love to have each of you travel with me to these events. I will keep you informed on upcoming events and look forward to getting to know you better as we represent the Johnston County Republican Women. If you have any questions about future events, you can reach me at [egbatten@live.com](mailto:egbatten@live.com); home- 919-989-6276 or cell- 919-422-9502

*Ellen Batten*



# COMING SOON

## NCFRW Winter Board of Directors Meeting

**February 12-13, 2010**

**Pinehurst Resort – Pinehurst, NC**

○ **Guest Speakers:**

*Sheriff BJ Barnes*

*Georgia GOP Chair Sue Everhart*

*Rep. Julia Howard*

*Rep. Pearl Burris-Floyd*

*Senator Richard Burr*

*Former Mayor of Charlotte, Pat McCrory*

## Preliminary Schedule of Events

○ **Friday, Feb 12, 2010**

- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting
- 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:00 p.m. Event at Gina Brown's Horse Training Facility (Casual Dinner with drinks – Dress "barn" casual)
- 8:30 p.m. til ? Hospitality Room – Villa Parlor

○ **Saturday, Feb 13, 2010**

- 7:30 - 9:15 a.m. Registration
- 8:30 – 9:15 a.m. President's Meeting
- 9:30 - 12:00 p.m. Board of Director's meeting
- 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. Luncheon
- 1:45 – 2:45 p.m. Winning Campaigns Workshop
- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Breakout Workshops



# WHAT'S UP

## Meetings

- The Johnston County GOP meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM at the White Swan Restaurant Annex on S Bright Leaf Blvd in Smithfield. All registered Republicans are welcome. The next meeting will be February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010.



- The next JCRW monthly meeting will be Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Dinner will be at 6pm at McCall's Restaurant in Clayton, our meeting will start at 6:30 p.m.

## Who's Who

**The Johnston County Republican Women would like to announce the organization of three standing committees for 2010 - the Campaign Committee, Volunteerism Committee and the Activism Committee.**

- ❖ Teresa Grant, JCRW Vice President, has agreed to chair the Campaign Committee in 2010. Teresa will make herself available for all Republican candidates and their campaigns in 2010, to share information from campaigns to all members of the Johnston County Republican Women.
- ❖ Maggie Dennison has agreed to chair the Volunteerism Committee. Maggie will be working a few hours a week out of the JCGOP Headquarters starting March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ Ellen Batten has agreed to chair the Activism Committee. Ellen will inform our members about rallies, marches and other events and organize our involvement. She has a lot of experience in attending said events, which will be very beneficial in moving our conservative efforts forward.

**If you are interested in serving on one other these committees, please contact one of these ladies. Also be on the lookout for other committees and opportunities to serve.**

