



**Standing Strong and Working Hard**

Thank you all for your hard work and diligence during the most arduous time in American History. I believe we have never seen a more divided citizenry. We are facing the daily persecution of Christians, American values and our freedoms. God, Country, Family! Pray that our leaders, those who deny God, will soon accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Pray for our leaders who work diligently to do the right thing, make the moral choices, that they may be given strength to fight and not succumb to the evil that surrounds them in their daily work.

Your work, your passion, your strength will change this country. I know it is difficult to balance. There are days when I just want to throw up my hands and say, "Why Bother?!" Let's just be reminded of **WHY WE BOTHER...**

We Bother for our Children, Husbands, Sisters, Brothers, Families

We Bother for our Soldiers

We Bother for our Grandchildren

We Bother for the memory of our fallen dead so that their sacrifice will not have been in vain

We Bother for our neighbors who should but do not Bother

We even Bother for those who would stand against us, for one day they may thank us

**Respectfully, Susan Johnston**

**Board Meeting News & Committee Updates**

**Program Committee-Marjorie Wolfe, 1st VP**

June Meeting guest Speaker will be Joseph Wood-Arkansas State Treasurer of the Republican Party

July Meeting guest Speaker will be Keri Wilkinson, Director of the Adult Wellness Center in Rogers.

**Membership/Public Relations- Tracy Sewell, 2nd VP**

Congratulations to Marjorie Wolfe, the winner of the April Door prize for bringing the most guests. Each month there will be a door prize awarded to the member bringing the most guests.

In April and May BCRW secured advertising on KURM radio to announce our regular meetings.

Press Releases were issued to both area Daily Newspapers and were picked up. Great Job!

**Financial Report-Betty Platt, Treasurer**

Attached to this email is a finalized budget to approve or revise during the May meeting and it will be our only order of business due to the number of guest speakers. It was decided that Susan Johnston will not be attending the NFRW Convention and the monies in the annual budget slated for those expenses will be put back into the general fund for purposes of advertising for our club's activities and fundraisers.

**Scholarship Committee, Ann Adams-Scholarship Chair**

The Committee met immediately preceding the Board Meeting and determined a Scholarship winner. The winner will be announced at the Senior Scholarship Awards Ceremony on May 19 at 6:00 p.m.

**Community Service, Cathleen Hoffman-CS Chair**

Cathleen Hoffman has a meeting with the teacher at Rogers Heritage High School to discuss the process of starting a Young Republican's Club. Rogers High School stated it must be originated by a student, student must obtain a Teacher/Sponsor.

**Technology Committee, Leigh Nogvy, TC Chair**

She has secured a domain name and is working on the final design now with assistance from the designer of the Benton County Committee web site. Thank you to both for making this exciting prospect possible. Our new web address will be... [www.bentoncountyrepublicanwomen.org](http://www.bentoncountyrepublicanwomen.org)

**Affiliate Club Outreach Committee, Ida Fineberg, Chair**

Ida has agreed to help with support and outreach to the newly formed Hispanic Republicans club (not the exact name). Ida has graciously agreed to help with this project when she is not traveling to Texas. I'm sure Ida would love some help with this project.

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Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 19  
12:00 p.m.

Samaritan  
Community Center  
1112 West Hudson Rd.  
Rogers, AR

\$5.00 donation for lunch  
benefits the Center  
Food Donations encouraged

**Guest Speakers:**

State Representative Donna Hutchinson

*Post Legislative Update*

Susan Keller-Kendall, Attorney

*EFCA Update*

Please bring a guest/potential new member to this meeting !

**April Thank You**

A very special thank you to Benton County Judge David Bisbee for presenting such an informative program in April.

**AFRW News Corner**

Susan Johnston is submitting the Club Awards Points form and the Campaign Volunteer Hours Form to AFRW on May 25th. Any additional volunteer hours submissions should be turned in to her by Tuesday, May 19th!

There will be an AFRW board meeting on July 19th at RPA Headquarters in Little Rock.

Tricia Greene, President  
North Pulaski County

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