

MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOP

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We meet the 4th Tuesday of each month at MCRP headquarters, 1817-A, Suite 1 Madison Street. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Bring a sack lunch at 6:00 p.m. if you wish to visit with others.

Caucus and Convention

The Montgomery County Republican Party held its Caucus on January 24, 2015, to elect delegates to the Convention on January 27. We successfully elected our officers for 2015-2017. They are: Chairman, Sharon Grimes; Men's Co-Chairman, Tommy Vallejos; Women's Co-Chairman, Marie Tillman; Recording Secretary, Rita Wilson; Corresponding Secretary, Cindy Summers; Treasurer, Helga Redd; & Vice-Treasurer, Keith Svadba.

The new members on the Executive Committee are: Tom Allen, Bill Summers, Art Carpenter, Charlie Martin, Marita Beck, Deanna McLaughlin, Joy Huggins, Cathy Kolb, Ron Sokol, Claudia Erb, Linda Martin, Lee Elder, & Kip McNeill. Members by virtue of their office are: Don Beck, Charlie Boehms (Election Commission), Pat Allen & Wayne Oldham (State Executive Committee), Jacob Winters (Young Republicans), APSU College Republicans President (TBA), Karel Lea Biggs (Red River Republican Women), Sen, Mark Green, Rep. Jay Reedy, & Rep. Curtis Johnson.



Important Dates

March 9 - Ladies' Day On The Hill presented by Montgomery County Republican Women. Tickets will cost \$36. Contact Marie Tillman at (931) 801-3564 or tillmanlm@charter.net.

March 28 - Lincoln Day Dinner at Wilma Rudolph Pavilion at 6 PM. Tickets cost \$60. Phone Deanna McLaughlin at (931) 645-0315 or Dmclau9499@bellsouth.net

March 30 - Marsha Blackburn Clarksville Breakfast from 7:30 - 8:30 AM at the Clarksville Country Club. Tickets cost \$100 per couple or \$50 single. Reservations are required by phoning (615) 944-4961 or dawn@votemarsha.com. Payment can be made at the door. Dress is business attire.

REPUBLICAN PARTY DATES

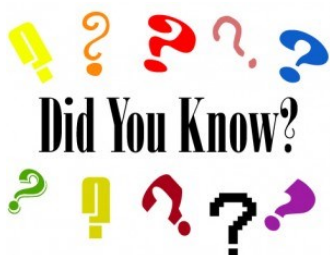
FEBRUARY 3 - Montgomery County Republican Women will meet at the Clarksville Country Club at 11:30 AM. The program is on Leadership with Trustee Brenda Radford. Reservations are required for the \$19.00 buffet luncheon. Annual dues of \$25 are now being taken. For a required reservation, phone (616) 450-2800 or e-mail joanniles@gmail.com.



FEBRUARY 21 – Red River Republican Women will meet on February 21 at 10 AM. Guest speaker for this meeting will be Representative Jay Reedy. Brunch for \$12.50 is served at 9:30 AM. Please phone (931) 801-6954 or email CathyKolb@reagan.com for required reservation. Membership dues of \$25 are now owed.

FEBRUARY 16 – Young Republicans will meet on Monday, February 16 at 6 PM at O'Charley's Restaurant on Riverside Dr. Contact winterstn@gmail.com for more information.

FEBRUARY 24 – The Montgomery County Republican Party will meet on Tuesday, February 24 at 7 PM at Republican Headquarters, 1817-A, Suite 1, Madison St. Bring a sack lunch to eat at 6 PM, if desired. All area Republicans are welcome to attend.



In order to graduate from high school, Tennessee is considering requiring students to pass the same test that immigrants to the U.S. take for U.S. Citizenship. Arizona already has passed such a law. They require that their students answer 60 of 100 questions correctly to receive a diploma. In addition to Tennessee, states such as North Dakota, Indiana, Massachusetts, Utah, Virginia, & 7 other states have introduced similar legislation.

More Tennesseans were arrested for DUI in 2014 than in 2013. 29,544 were arrested – 639 more arrest than in 2013. Chattanooga Police & Tennessee Highway Patrol also arrested more DUI Offenders in 2014. The increase was accredited to a change in techniques – ramping up the focus on bar owners to encourage them to prevent intoxicated customers from driving & to help heavy drinkers get home safely.

Nearly 90% of Tennessee Seniors have applied for the Tennessee Promise Program which offers eligible high school students the opportunity to go to a community college or technical college tuition-free. This amounts to about 58,000 students. Some campuses may have to schedule night or weekend classes to accommodate so many new students.



FEBRUARY 16 – President's Day never falls on the actual birthday of any American president. Four chief executives—George Washington, William Henry Harrison, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan were born in February, but their birthdays all come either too early or late to coincide with Presidents' Day, which is always celebrated on the third Monday of the month.

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