



June 2019 Newsletter

Next meeting:

**6 p.m. — June 10
Chestnut Village Center
Brethren Retirement Community**

**Dinner reservations due:
June 6**

Dear Members ~

I hope you all had a great holiday weekend and you are looking forward to the next summer activities on your calendar. We could use a little less rain and more sunshine.

The club is doing very well, several new members and willing members working to "Make the DCRW's Club Great Again". Where did I hear that before? The new Membership Book is about to be printed. Please try to come to our next meeting to make sure the information we have on you is correct before it gets printed. You can also give me a call to verify the info over the phone (937-548-6609) or if we have your information from the last book and there has been a change in your info make sure we know about it.

We have some good programs and projects coming up. I hope you will be a part of it.

Another note: Mary (Gray) Kinnison is catering our dinner for the June meeting, I am sure it will be a good one. Join us.

Respectfully,

Betty Hill, President



The next meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. on June 10th at the Chestnut Village Center of the Brethren Retirement Community, Greenville, Ohio. **Featured Speaker is Kenny Henning** (Southwest Regional Liaison for Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose). Henning will be speaking about the responsibilities of the Ohio Secretary of State, some of the special programs the Secretary of State's office has undertaken, and the specific plans that Secretary of State LaRose has for moving the office forward.

Henning grew up in Clayton and graduated from Northmont Schools. He graduated from the University of Dayton and also received his Master of Professional Accounting (MPAc) from that university. He began working for Northmont City Schools in 2012, where he remained until May of 2017 when Judge Erik Blaine appointed him to serve as his judicial assistant. Henning continued in that position until he began serving with Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose's administration this year. **There is no charge to attend the meeting, however, if you wish to have dinner the charge is \$10.00 per person - and requires a reservation to be made prior to noon on June 6th.**

**Reservations may be made by calling Wavelene Denniston at: (937) 547-6477
or email her at:**

dcrwreservations@darkegov.org



How about bringing a friend ?!

Updated Program Schedule

June 10 – Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose's District Representative Kenny Henning

June 23 – OFRW's "Tribute to Women" - Columbus

July 8 – Justices Judith French and Sharon Kennedy – meeting with Darke County Republican Men's Club

August – **No Meeting** – help with Darke County Republican Party Tent at The Great Darke County Fair (Aug. 16-24)

September 9 – Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost's District Representative Kyle Lentz

September 13-14 – OFRW Annual Meeting (details to follow)

September 26-29 – NFRW Biannual Convention in Indianapolis (details to follow)

October 14 – Republican Candidates

November 11 – TBD - Women's health or human trafficking

December 9 – Christmas Party – possibly Wreaths Across America Representative

DARKE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, May 13, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the DCRW's Club was held on May 13, 2019 at The Chestnut Village at 6:15 p.m.. Our after dinner speaker, Josh Tovey, Liaison for Ohio Lt. Governor Jon Husted's office was recognized. New members were recognized and birthdays for April and May were acknowledged. Barbara Fee gave the blessing and the pledge of allegiance was given.

Lyn Bliss introduced our guest speaker, Josh Tovey, Liaison for Ohio Lt. Governor John Husted's office. The business meeting came to order at 6:45 p.m.

Roll call: members and guests present: Lyn Bliss; Delores Eley; Barbara Fee; Waveleen Denniston; Carol Ginn; Marilyn Graeff; Katie Grow; Betty Hill; Sharon Hopper; Anna May James; Mary Beth Kemmer; Mary Kinnison; Jamie LaVeck; Cindy Pike; Pat Showalter; Tracy Tryon; Sherry Ward; Robin Whittaker; Roxanne Willman; Pepper Wright and guest speaker Josh Tovey.

Cindy Pike made a motion to approve the March minutes. There were no April minutes due to the special "Round Table" on addiction meeting. Financial statement was given, approved and bills presented and approved to pay.

A motion was made by Cindy Pike to donate \$ 200.00 to BRC for the use of Chestnut Village for our meetings in 2018. Cindy also made a motion to donate \$ 25.00 to GPAC for making a video of the candidates forum meeting held March 23rd. Lyn Bliss made a motion to accept and pay these donations Motion approved

OLD BUSINESS:

Carol Ginn made a motion to accept the revision of the By-Laws and seconded. Motion passed. Delores Eley made a motion to approve the nomination of Barbara Fee for Women of the Year", seconded and motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was noted the board members discussed the purchase of books to be distributed to County Libraries again. The Charles Kruthammer book was suggested. Sharon Hopper will check into this. The board discussed making a donation to County judicial Fund/Supreme Court Candidates, Justices Kennedy and French. Tabled until September Mary Beth Kemmer suggested a good idea to donate to the Cardinal Fund, which helps support OFRW. Lyn Bliss made motion to donate \$ 100.00 seconded. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Awards: Jaime LaVeck will give explanation of awards program at the June meeting.
Campaign Chairman: Cindy Pike accepted position, with much help from membership
Membership Book: Changes need to be to Carol Ginn by June 14
Program: July 8 meeting program is Justices Kennedy and French.

June meeting meal will be prepared by Mary Kinnison.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Sherry Ward, Secretary

Supreme Court of Ohio



**Justice
Judith French**



**Justice
Sharon Kennedy**

**6 p.m.
July 8**

**Brick Room
Brethren Retirement
Community**

Tribute to **Women**



The Ohio Federation of Republican Women
honors a few great women with its

Tribute to Women

11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on June 23

Worthington Hills Country club

920 Clubview Drive South, Columbus

Make plans to attend as Barbara Ann Fee will be DCRWC's honoree!

Reservations due by June 10



2019
Tribute to Women
Darke County Republican Women's Club
Honoree

Barbara Fee

Along with her husband, Barbara Ann Fee has pastored the Lighthouse Christian Center in Greenville, Ohio for 38 years. She has chaired the Community Christmas dinner for 36 years. An event that provides not only a free meal to over 300 attendees each year, but also a gift for each attendee and bicycles for 20-30 children each Christmas.

Barbara has been president of the Darke County Republican Women's Club and Chaplain to the club for many years. She is currently Chaplain for the Ohio Federation of Republican Women—a position in which she has served for the past six years. She has been a National Federation of Republican Women Regent and attended the 2016 Republican Convention in Cleveland.

She was elected Treasurer for the City of Greenville in 2005 and served in that office for 11 years, until her retirement.

Barbara served on the Darke County Republican Executive Committee for more than 11 years. She has co-chaired the Darke County Republican Party's Hog Roast for 10 years, an event which draws 200-300 attendees annually. She volunteers regularly to help at the Darke County Republican Fair Tent and is a regular attendee at the Darke County Republican Lincoln Day Dinner. Over the years, Barbara has volunteered untold hours working at the Darke County Republican Headquarters and on candidate's campaigns at all government levels — most recently as Darke County co-chairman for Governor Mike DeWine.

The Darke County Board of Elections has enjoyed Barbara's dedication as a poll worker for 17 years.

She has served on the Darke County Metropolitan Housing Authority Board and has been a member of the Board of the Miami Valley Community Action Partnership, where she is currently serving as treasurer. Barbara is the President of the Darke County Community Action Partnership where she has served as a member of its board for 10 years. She is a member of the Board of the Cancer Association of Darke County where she is currently past president.

Barbara has been married to her high school sweetheart, Hershel, for 56 years. They have three sons, seven grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.