

Hello Ladies of the DCRW Club,

I pray that each of you are enjoying the summer and are living with good health. First, let me thank Delores Ely, for taking the lead of our June meeting. I so appreciate her stepping up and leading the meeting. Jeff and I were in the wonderful state of Kansas, visiting our son and family. We have a very special granddaughter who was celebrating her 5th birthday. Nothing is more important than family.

Our guest speaker was Judge Travis Fliehman. His lovely wife, Kelly, joined our meeting, as well. Judge Fliehman spoke at length about his office and his team. Judge Fliehman also addressed several questions from our group. He was able to discuss and clarify the difference between someone going to jail and someone going to prison. This was one of many issues he explained.

We look forward to our July 10th meeting where our guest speaker will be, John Gomez, District Director for Ohio Treasurer Robert Sprague. I look forward to seeing all of you then.

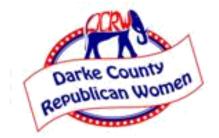
Robyn L. Whitaker President



September: Candidates for November 7 General Election October: State Representative Angie King

November: Judge Ron Lewis—Second District Court of Appeals December: Christmas Party

Public Invited - Bring a Friend!



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES -- MONDAY, June 12, 2023

Dinner was individually ordered at 6 p.m. Vice President, Delores Ely welcomed us to the meeting, led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and then gave a pray.

DCRW members and guests present: Sue Besecker, Lyn Bliss, Kathy Brewer, Kim Davis, Wavelene Denniston, Sharon Earles, Delores Ely, Kelly Fliehman, Judge Travis Fliehman, Pam Gretta, Betty Hill, Barbara Hittle, Barb Kimmel, Jaime LeVeck, Margie Manix, Dorothy Oda, Cindy Pike, Mary Shrader, Charlene Sinclair, Jim Ward, Sherry Ward and Roxanne Willman. A quorum of regular members is present.

The speaker, Judge Travis Fliehman, Darke County Court of Common Please, was introduced. Judge Fleihman opened by saying he will advocate for the law. His position as judge is not to advocate for the client but to use the rule of law to settle cases fairly. First thing he does every day after entering his office is to pray and ask the lord for guidance, knowing, courage, forgiveness, grace and discernment. He has a great staff, wonderful help from his wife and a chief and seven probation officers. Fleihman's wife Kelly handed out two flyers, which gave information on civil and criminal cases and number of cases that went to trial. Also, a comparison of disposition F4 and F5 (non-violent) offenders in counties around Darke County. The second flyer gave information on Common Pleas Court Judge Fleihman, Municipal Court Judge Julie Monnin and Common Pleas Court Judge Jason Aslinger. Judge Fleihman noted there is a difference between going to jail (local) and being sent to prison (sent away). The cost to taxpapers to house a person in prison is \$ 26,000 per year. The building located on Broadway across from Bach to Rock is now a court resource center, a law library, being used for meetings and a place for out of town judges use. Judge Fleihman answered questions and gave a very interesting talk. In closing, he said "when he was running for Judge of Common Pleas, his wife put sticky notes all over the house and even in the car that read, GOD HAS PUT YOU HERE FOR T(HIS) PURPOSE – I BELIEVE IN YOU!"

BUSINESS MEETING -- AGENDA: Kim Davis made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance of \$ 1,484.16, filed for review. A bill was presented to pay for new patriotic checks and a motion was made to pay the bill by Jaime LeVeck, seconded and approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion made by Cindy Pike to accept the May 8, 2023 report, seconded and approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS -- UPCOMING PROGRAMS: A correction in the June news letter. The November speaker is JUDGE RON LEWIS – Second District Court of Appeals.

MEMBERSHIP: Need more new young members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you note from Darke County Historical Society for donation in memory of Lila Pinney.

NEW BUSINESS: Need a fund raiser to add funds to our treasury so we can help out those Republicans running for office. Possible ideas are Quarter Auction, 127 Garage Sale and a patriotic item to sell.

OFRW: * Every two years nominations are taken for new officers. Anyone interested contact Lyn Bliss or Jaime LeVeck. *Summer contest to get new members, June 15 – Aug 15. *Summer conference will be at Deer Creek State Park. * Check out OFRW website.

No other business the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. Sherry Ward, secretary