



July 2024

**Next meeting:
6 p.m. — July 8th
Double M Diner**

**Featuring
Ohio State Representative
Angie King**

Hello ladies!

Our warmer weather has arrived and I hope each of you are enjoying the many activities it brings. We want to thank Pat Longfellow for speaking at our June meeting. Pat Longfellow is the Director of the local Greenville LifeWise Academy.

Our meeting in July will welcome Ohio State Representative Angie King. Angie is working hard every day in Columbus for Darke County. She will bring information on what she is working on presently and what to expect from Columbus in the future. I would encourage you to bring any questions and comments for her. I am looking forward to seeing you July 8th.

Robyn L. Whitaker, President



Meeting Location

Double M Diner

537 South Broadway Street - Suite # 104
(enter from East 5th Street)
Greenville, Ohio

Dinner from the menu @ 6: p.m.
Speaker at 6:30

Featured Speaker



Representative Angie King

Rep. King will provide an update on experiences since assuming office, activities of the Ohio House and future plans/goals she has for her office.



Upcoming Programs —

August — No Meeting
September 9 — Candidates for November election

October 14 — Mark Pohl, (The Pohl Group - unconfirmed)
November 11 — Paul Schlechty (Elections—unconfirmed)
December 9 — Christmas Celebration

Public Invited - Bring a Friend!



DARKE COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES -- Monday, June 10, 2024

At 6 p.m. dinner orders were taken. President Robyn Whitaker welcomed us to the meeting. After dinner Betty Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance and Robyn Whitaker led us in prayer.

Our evening speaker, Pat Longfellow, director of LifeWise Academy was introduced by President Robyn Whitaker. LifeWise is a bible based character education program. "Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education", quote of Martin Luther King, Jr. LifeWise Academy in Greenville opened in 2022. Independent research has documented that students participating in RTRI programs do better academically and have fewer behavioral problems than those students who do not participate. Schools see improved academic performance, mental health and classroom behavior. Communities, families, businesses and civic organizations all benefit from the long term investment in creating a generation of citizens with stronger morals and character. The Greenville location is 1400 E. Main St. behind the Trinity Wesleyan Church so it is just off the actual school property. There is a sidewalk from this location to the school and the children have a volunteer escort to and from the buildings. For the school year 2024 there were 157 students participating in Greenville. The projected figure for school year 2024 – 2025 is 200. Classes are open to grades K thru 8. All schools in Darke County, in their own town, are participating in LifeWise Academy except Tri Village and National Trails. The mission is "to positively impact students, schools and communities by providing a Bible-based character-focused Released Time Religious Instruction (RTRI) program". RTRI is a legal program by which religious instruction is accessible to public school students during the school day, allowing them to leave school (with parental permission) to attend off-site classes, provided by the community, which are both academic and religious in nature. LifeWise Academy is free for all students because of the generous support of people like you.

DCRW members and guests present: Lyn Bliss, Joy Bowers, Wavelene Denniston, Donna Gasper, Betty Hill, Anna May James, Barb Kimmel, Pat Longfellow, Cindy Pike, Margaret Manix, Charlene Sinclair, Sherry Ward, Jeff and Robyn Whitaker, and Greg White. Quorum of regular members is present.

BUSINESS MEETING -- 6:50 p.m.

AGENDA: Cindy Pike made a motion to approve this evening's agenda, seconded and approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Donna Gasper made a motion to accept minutes of the May 13, 2024 minutes, seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance of checking \$ 1,529.84, savings \$ 983.37, memorial fund \$ 115.80. Filed for audit.


COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **PROGRAMS:** July is Angi King (State Representative, 84th district); No meeting in August; September is candidates night; October Mark Pohl, (The Pohl Group), a security business and November is Paul Schlecty with recap of election.
- **MEMBERSHIP:** Last month we had 2 new members join.
- **SOCIAL:** Outing to Versailles Winery July 11. Wine presentation starting at 10:30 a.m. with lunch to follow. There will be 10 wine tastings and lunch will be salad, bread stick and pizza for a cost of \$16.00 per person. Bring a guest. If you wish to sign up, notify Donna Gasper by July 1st. Phone: 1-934-417-1708 or e-mail: dgasper001@woh.rr.com

No unfinished business and no new business to present.

Motion to adjourned was made at 7:00 p.m.

Sherry Ward, Secretary



Versailles Winery Social Event

10:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 11th

Versailles Winery

11:00 Lunch & Wine Tasting

(pizza, salad and breadsticks)

\$16.09 per person

Program includes information about the winery — how, when and why it was started in Darke County.



**Bring a friend
- or friends -
with you**