



★ *Be Informed!* ★ *Be Involved!* ★ *Be United!* ★

President's Message



Summer is upon us. The weather in May has been so crazy. It'll be interesting to see what the summer brings. Maybe cooler than usual? We can only hope!

Be Informed: May's luncheon was put together by our County Attorney, Brock Belnap. Attorney Belnap brought six wonderful women to speak to us about women in the community who are instrumental in the justice system. We learned so much about what's happening in our community to protect women and children and families. Thanks Brock! We loved it!

June's luncheon on the 6th will feature Mandy Grant and the Better Days program. We will be learning about the 19th amendment and the 100 year celebration coming up in 2019. We are also excited to hear from UFRW President LaRene Cox. It's going to be a fantastic meeting.

Be Involved: It's time to renew your yearly membership with WCRW. You can do that online or at the luncheon. Remember our goal of Each One Bring One! Let's see if we can double

our numbers in 2019! Please renew your membership right away and join as a Gem Member if you can.

We also need help manning the booth at the Washington County Fair. Please sign up for a two hour time slot. You'll love it!

Be United: The Utah GOP State Convention was held on May 4th. State Delegates elected Derek Brown as the Chair, Aaron Starks as Vice Chair, Kendra Seeley as Secretary, and Mike Bird as Treasurer. The delegates sent a clear message that they want our state party united. I hope we all can be supportive of the new leadership and help grow our party. We are in serious need of donations. Please donate to the state party if you can. Thanks!

God Bless each of you and God Bless America!

Lesla :)
Be Cheery!

FRIENDLY REMINDER: a reservation made is a reservation paid. When RSVPing please remember that if you've reserved a plate, we need you to pay for that plate. Remember that you can prepay online at www.washingtoncountyrepublicanwomen.com.

Visit our Website

Membership Renewals

As we continue our annual Membership Drive, we invite you to renew/join Washington County Republican Women. In 2018, we saw a 131.8% increase in membership, with a total of 87 members joining + 26 associates! Incredible. Our largest increase in 10 years. NFRW is sponsoring a Membership Campaign for 2019: **Each One Bring One**. We are inviting Each One of our members to Bring One new member to our group. We can do that, right? We already have 22 new members, only 65 to go! So let's invite all of our friends to join. Let's see if we can increase our number to 174 this year! We can do it!

Memberships:

Regular Member - \$25
Silver Member - \$50
Gold Member - \$100
Diamond Member - \$500



**EACH
ONE
BRING
ONE**



2019 Membership Report 5/20/2019
89 total members for 2019
102.3% of last year's numbers
23 new members
65 2018 members renewed (75.58%)
22 have not renewed from 2018
28 total associates
5 new associates
55 Gem Members (16 of which are Associates)



Summer Birthdays

June 1 Kimberly Hancock
June 3 Ellie Lockett
June 4 Yvonne Wall
June 6 Valerie Hogan
June 12 Yvette del Prado
June 18 Kay Hodson
June 22 Christa Hinton
June 29 Chantonelle Belnap

July 3 Caroline Peirce
July 13 Lisa Thorpe
July 14 Effie Latschowski
July 14 Karol Remington
July 15 Kristen Clarke
July 23 Winnie Cain
July 30 Judy Fisher

August 3 Haylee Caplin
August 6 Ronnijean Nichols
August 10 Judy Bozeman
August 10 Meri Crandall
August 12 Cherrie Fablinger
August 23 Wendy Cox
August 23 Sherry Peck
August 28 Linda Pettit

Associates:

June 2 Bill Hickman



Calendar

June 6th Luncheon (Annual Bring a Friend meeting)
June 2-7th Municipal Filing Deadline
June 14th Flag Day
June 16th Father's Day
June 21st WCRW Board Meeting

Summer Break

July 4th Independence Day
July 24th Pioneer Day

August 2nd WCRW Board Meeting
August 24th UFRW Summer Social
August 7-11th Washington County Fair
August 12th Public School starts
August 13th Municipal Elections (odd years)
August 24th Enterprise Corn Fest

June 4 Greg Aldred
June 8 Glyn Jones
June 10 Cory Pulsipher
June 22 Friday Fablinger

July 12 Jerald Sandberg

August 8 Dean Cox
August 11 Ron Pettit
August 21 Lowry Snow

August 30th to Sept 2nd
Hurricane Peach Days
September 2nd Labor Day
September 5th Evening Social
September 5-7th Mins Heritage
Days

Join us for our June Luncheon!

**Washington County Republican Women
Present:**



A celebration and lesson on women's suffrage by
special guest Jen Christensen from the
Better Days 2020 Organization



Thursday, June 6th

11:30 am to 1pm @ Abbey Inn

1129 South Bluff, St. George

Bring your daughters to this special presentation and luncheon.
Wear white as suffragettes in the early 1900's did!

Early bird pricing: Members \$15, Guests \$18

Prices go up at the door! Reserve your seat today at
washingtoncountyrepublicanwomen.com or call 435-656-4361

VolUNTEER



We offer prayers of support for the women in law enforcement in Washington County, and the women leaders who manage vital programs therein:

Madonna Melton, Camden Caifa, Choli Ence, Cindy Flowers, Sharmane Gull and Kristy Pike.

Also prayers for Valerie Hogan who had knee replacement surgery.

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Philippians 4:13

Volunteers Needed for
Washington County Fair -
please call Lesa to sign up
for your spot to work the
booth 435-229-1672



Washington County Election Department
197 E Tabernacle
St George UT 84770
435.986.3399

Seeking Election Volunteers (with pay!!)
for the upcoming 2020 election year.
June/Nov

Please contact us for more information.



UFRW



**UTAH FEDERATION OF
REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

Save the Date!



SUMMER SOCIAL

Fun * Food * Special Guests *
Saturday, August 24
mid- day in Utah County
(all the exciting details to
be announced soon!)

ORGANIZING CONVENTION

Saturday, October 26

Time: TBD

The Abbey Inn

1129 S. Bluff Street, St. George, UT

** We will be getting a block of tickets for
Tuachan's "The Little Mermaid" Friday, Oct 25,
that will be available for members to purchase.
Please call 435-229-4268 and leave a message
with your contact info to hold your seat**



**THE LITTLE
MERMAID**

*Add these events to your calendar
and watch for more details soon!*

Celebrations!

Congratulations to Lesa Sandberg! She won a gold medal at the Mountain Region Pickleball tournament - way to go!

We'd love to celebrate you, too! Please send any celebration news to our email address at the button below:

WCRW mail



**Legislative Report
by Charlotte Devlin**

You can read more about new laws that went into effect in May in this month's legislative report here:

[Legislative Report](#)

Americanism By Carol Bracken

The flag is an important symbol of our republic and our liberty. In a book published in 1977 by the House of Representatives it says, "The star is a symbol of the heavens and the divine goal to which man has aspired from time immemorial..." George Washington our first president also explained, "We take the star from the Heaven, the red from our mother country, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her, and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty."

Countdown!

- 3 days until the municipal election filing period ends (6/7/2019)
- 70 days to the 2019 Utah primary elections (8/13/2019)
- 154 days to the 2019 municipal elections (11/5/2019)
- 237 days to the first day of the 2020 Utah Legislature (1/27/2020)
- 245 days to the 2020 Iowa Caucuses (2/3/2020)
- 273 days to the 2020 Utah presidential primary (3/3/2020)
- 514 days until the 2020 presidential election (11/3/2020)

Important Websites

Utah Public Notice website: [Click here!](#)

Utah State Legislature: [Click here!](#)

Utah Legislature Bill Tracking: [Click here!](#)

United States House of Representatives: [Click here!](#)

U.S. Senate: [Click here!](#)

National Federation of Republican Women: [Click here!](#)

Utah Federation of Republican women: [Click here!](#)



3/5/2019

Dear Washington County Republican Women:

I would like to thank you once again for your generosity in funding the *Embracing Our Heroes* Scholarship. I am very honored to be the recipient of this award.

I am a sophomore planning on majoring in Education. I am going to receive my

associate's degree in Early Childhood Education at the end of this semester. I plan on taking the praxis exam this summer and applying for the Elementary Education program next Spring. My goal is to complete my degree in Elementary Education and then teach 6th grade math.

I am married with no children, and I have loved being in school before my husband and I decide to have a child. Receiving an associate's degree has always been a personal goal of mine, and as I have gone through these past 2 years of schooling, I realized how much I love learning and I hope to help children in the community gain that love of learning as well.

Receiving this scholarship has helped assist me in completing my education. This has been my heaviest semester and knowing the support I get not only from my friends and family, but from the Washington County Republican Women has been a huge blessing for me. Thank you for your confidence and willingness to help me achieve my goals.

Sincerely,

Jesselyn D Hafen

New Online Member Directory

Please access our digital directory by going to www.instantchurchdirectory.com. You will be prompted to sign up with the email that you've given WCRW. You will create a password and then go to your email to activate the username and password. Then return to www.instantchurchdirectory.com for the digital directory. This is also available for android and iPhones through the app stores. You'll use the same sign in information. If you'd like a printed directory that is still available. Just message us and we will send you the link to print it out.

WCRW May Events

WCRW May Luncheon - Washington County Women Justice Panel May 2

May 2019 Luncheon Review –
Washington County Women Justice
Panel - Haylee Caplin

Our May luncheon was jam packed with helpful information on resources for women and victims in our local communities. Washington County Attorney Brock Belnap gathered a panel of amazing women who work in various capacities serving women and children and gave them a kind introduction. The panel included *Cindy Flowers* who is the 911 Dispatch Director for St. George and manages 42 employees and over over 210,000 calls each year; *Kristy Pike*, who is the Director of the Children's Justice Center and works to provide interviews and mental health support for child victims; *Camden Caifa*, serves as an expert sexual assault nurse and leads the Southwest SANE and SART teams to provide sexual assault victims care; *Madonna Melton*, Dove Center Shelter Director, oversees counseling, education, protective orders, working with police and advocates to help victims; *Choli Ence*, serves as St. George Police Investigations Sergeant and Army Colonel and works to fight gangs, human trafficking, and assault victims; *Sharmaine Gull*, serves as Manager of Court Support Services in which she has decreased the repeat drug offenders 50% over 18 months and helps to increase mental health support.



The Washington County Republican Women luncheon attendees were able to ask questions to the panel members. Questions were asked about what kind of resources are available to help inmates

after they have served their sentence. Sharmane Gull explained they work through a transition plan and are working on funding for a halfway house. Madonna Melton explained the many resources that the Dove Center includes for women, children, and men. Additionally, a question was asked about the statistics for children being abused in which Kristy Pike explained and encouraged educating our kids on being safe and not being a perpetrator. To build on the abuse question Cami Caifa explained that sexual assault victims don't have the same response and everyone is different. She touched on the science of the brain and the research they are seeing to help them work with victims. Additionally, Sergeant Choli Ence recommended that victims report to the police always to get the process started so the police can work with these local agencies to get the individual help and protection.

Lastly, what can we do to help these ladies and local facilities? It was recommended to spread the word and let friends, family, neighbors know that these resources are available. There is a suicide prevention line (1-800-273-8255) as well as the emergency numbers. If you were unable to attend be sure to visit our Facebook page to watch the live feed. Check out the links below for information on these amazing programs:

Dove Center: <https://www.dovecenter.org/>

St. George Children's Justice Center <https://cjcwc.com/>

St. George Police: <https://www.sgcity.org/publicsafety/policedepartment> (435-627-4300 non emergency line)

National SART team: <https://www.nsvrc.org/sarts>

Washington County Court Support Services: <https://www.washco.utah.gov/departments/court-support-services/>



May Spotlight:
WCRW Spotlight:
Sharmane Gull

Sharmane Gull has been a member of WCRW for a little over a year -- she just renewed her membership last month! Three words to describe her would be dedicated, honest, and kind. One (or two!) things Sharmane cannot live without are 1) My children 2) Caffeine. When she has 30 minutes of free time, she spends it reading the news. If Sharmane could have a superpower, she'd choose to grow (right now heels are her only option)! If she could learn to do anything she would learn to speak the beautiful French language. The chore Sharmane hates doing most of all is laundry. In the last week, Sharmane learned that Washington County is being presented this year at the National Conference of State Legislatures for Criminal

Justice. Sharmane loves the United States of America because we have the liberty of choice which allows to better ourselves and our families.



New Utah State GOP Party Officers



Derek Brown, Chairman



Aaron T. Starks, Vice Chair



Kendra Seeley, Secretary



Mike Bird, Treasurer

NFRW Slate of Officers for 2020-2021

WEEK OF MAY 13, 2019

Nominating Committee Report

Presenting the NFRW Slate of Officers for 2020-2021

The 2019 Nominating Committee is pleased to submit the following slate of officers who were unanimously nominated to serve the National Federation of Republican Women for the term 2020-2021:

- President - **Ann Schockett** (NY)
- 1st Vice President - **Eileen Sobjack** (WA)
- 2nd Vice President - **Julie Harris** (AR)
- 3rd Vice President - **Frances Taylor** (AL)
- 4th Vice President - **Martha Jenkins** (NC)
- Secretary - **Vanessa LaFranco** (NJ)
- Treasurer - **Michelle Buckwalter-Schurman** (IL)



Ann Schockett



Eileen Sobjack



Julie Harris



Frances Taylor



Martha Jenkins



Vanessa LaFranco



Michelle Buckwalter-Schurman

Special thanks to Nominating Committee Chair **Vivian Dailey** and committee members **Jan DeWeese**, **Dee Drewry**, **Suzanne Heinzmann**, **Beverly Owensby**, **Daryl Reynolds** and **Pat Smith** and to alternates **Karen Smith** and **Georgia Davis**. The 2020-21 officers will be elected at the 40th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis in September.

