



Moore Republican Women NEWS

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President's message by Pauline Bruno



An Open Letter To Our Wonderful President: Donald J. Trump

Dear Sir:

I was checking out at the grocery store today, and out of the corner of my eye, I saw *Time Magazine*. Joe Biden's picture was featured on the cover and underneath it were the words "President of the United States."

Pain – actual, real, nauseating pain – tore through me from my head to my toes and settled in my heart. Because I am, and have always been, a good citizen, I just kept on about my business when I really wanted to pull every magazine out, throw them on the floor, and stomp on them until they shredded. It is just unforgivable what has been done to you and to us.

Mr. President, you are the man I will follow. You have led us to greatness, success and integrity. You have the backbone and the strength to continue this fight. Please, never stop being Donald Trump. Please never stop fighting for us and for America.

These people want to change America. Well, maybe they are going to get what they deserve. Our country will dissolve right out from under us. I know my father and his fellow Marines and WW II Veterans are rolling in their graves. They fought against Communism, Socialism and Fascism and now this is what America will be. How sad and heartbreaking. May the Lord in Heaven watch over us.

On behalf of my sisters and Associates in Moore Republican Women, we love you and support you with every beat of our hearts.

You are our President – the best in our lifetimes.

Pauline

Wanted: Volunteers for Strike Force Georgia



The National Federation of Republican Women invites you to join the hundreds of NFRW members from across the country who have already signed up to be part of the NFRW Georgia Strike Force and keep the Senate in Republican hands.

The NFRW will be Boots on the Ground in Georgia from December 11 through the January 5 runoff election, complemented by an aggressive phone-from-home operation for those who are unable to travel. Sign up [here](#).

Last chance to attend December brunch

Deadline for reservations: TODAY! Friday, November 27

**Moore Republican Women's Brunch
Wednesday, December 2**



10:30 a.m.
Country Club of North Carolina
1600 Morganton Road
Pinehurst, NC
Special holiday entertainment!

[Reserve now](#)

Remember: We're collecting toys, snacks for troops, and items for nursing home residents. And bring your wallet/checkbook to renew your membership, purchase wreaths for veterans, and participate in our fundraising sales, including Christmas ornaments!

Note: Because there are no outside speakers at this brunch, there will be no virtual attendance option.

MRW to participate in Robbins parade

Unlike our politicians in Pinehurst and Southern Pines, the little town of Robbins has decided to sponsor a Christmas Parade!

When: Thursday, December 3

What time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: South of town near the First Wesleyan Church

MRW is working on developing a float, and everyone is invited to decorate their cars and join in the parade! Hope to see you there!

More new members!

Welcome

Our membership is now at an all-time high! We welcome these new members with open arms:

Joan Lloyd
Barbara Raugh

Congratulations to Peggy Smetana



At an NCFRW Executive Board meeting last month, Sarah Wetherby, NCFRW Treasurer, named Peggy Smetana as a Gold Star Treasurer, one of only a few in NC, for keeping our club in good standing with the NC Board of Elections for so many years.

Peggy, you do an outstanding job and we thank you and congratulate you!

Time to renew your MRW membership



If you haven't already renewed your membership to MRW, you can do it two ways:

* **Pay your \$40 dues at the December 2 brunch** (bring cash or your check book!)

* **Mail in your \$40 check** (made payable to MRW) to:
Moore Republican Women, PO Box 3654, Pinehurst, NC 28374.

Our volunteers would be so grateful if you would renew before the deadline - it saves many hours of work contacting people and sending out more emails. Thank you!

*NOTE: If you became a new member after September 1, 2020, you do not need to "renew" - the dues you paid upon joining will be good for 2021.

Final call for Wreaths Across America



So far, MRW members have sponsored 165 wreaths for Wreaths Across America. It's not too late - you can order yours [here](#), or you can order them at the December brunch (bring cash, check or credit card). Thank you for honoring the veterans at who lie in rest at Sandhills Veterans State Cemetery in Ft. Bragg.

Help us lay the wreaths

On **Saturday, December 19, 2020** at 12:00 noon (arrive earlier - parking is difficult), please join members of MRW at the Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery, Spring Lake (Ft. Bragg), NC, and help us lay the wreaths on veterans' graves.

If you have questions or need assistance, please call Mariann Benway at (910) 949-3856.

Please log your volunteer hours!



Every year, MRW reports to the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) what kind of impact our members have on the community. We're asking you to do two things:

1. Please let us know how many hours you spent volunteering from July 1 and through December 31, 2019. You can turn in your hours at our December brunch so we can compile the results. We know that, during this election year, the hours will be sky-high!

To make it easy we've developed this [volunteer policy](#) that gives examples of eligible volunteer activities, and here is a [volunteer hours sheet](#) to help you keep track. Estimate separate hours spent volunteering for election/political activities and for charities in our community.

If you can't attend the brunch, please mail your report to: **Mariann Benway c/o MRW, PO Box 3654, Pinehurst, NC 28374.**

2. Report your political volunteer hours to the NFRW directly, using their online tool, which you can find [here](#). It's easy to do and the directions are easy to follow.

Our experience is that most members do not give themselves enough credit for all the good works they do, because being generous with our time comes second nature to us.

Thank you for all the wonderful activities you do to strengthen our community and our GOP.

Veterans Day commemoration



As we do every year, MRW donated a beautiful wreath and participated in the Veterans Day ceremony in Carthage on November 7. Thank you to all who drove in caravan from Sandhills Community College to the Carthage Veterans Memorial and to those who attended the ceremony. Also special thanks to law enforcement in Southern Pines, Aberdeen, the Sheriff's Office and Carthage. [Photo: Margaret Temme and Pauline Bruno]

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!



Memories of Christmas
By Emily Matthews

Candles and ribbons,
A welcoming wreath,
The tree decorated
With presents beneath,
A kitchen that's warm,
Filled with holiday smells,
A manger scene loved
For the story it tells.
And all of these things
Play a beautiful part
In memories of Christmas
So dear to the heart.

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