Mt Hood Republican Women



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Next Meeting – Wednesday December 13, 2017

At

Elmer's Restaurant (Gresham) 1590 NE Burnside Rd, Gresham, OR 97030 (503) 665-5144

Business Meeting 11:30 pm

Christmas Annual Auction 12:15 pm

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Elections are not won on Election Day - but through the work in the months leading up to it.

December has arrived and the forecast predicts "No Harsh Winter Weather"!!! We can hold our Annual Christmas Auction!!! Everyone is welcome to share our fun event in raising monies to support our local Community Service Organizations. Books for young and old, gift items for those special friends, beautiful table top Christmas trees, pictures, calendars, stuffed toys, handicraft treasures, Poinsettias, baked goods and fudge, lots and lots of 'calorie free' fudge. A short business meeting is planned to include the swearing in of our 2018 – 19 Officers along with the latest committee reports and political news. Remember, the more money we raise, the more we can give away to those in need.

All will take place at our new meeting location, Elmer's Restaurant in Gresham, 1590 N.E. Burnside Road, Gresham, 503-665-5144. Arrive early to visit, sign the guest book, look over all the available auction items and choose lunch from the delicious Elmer's full service menu. We always have time for questions and political discussion. Lots of free parking and no reservations are required. Both Men and Woman are encouraged to attend.

Our goal is to communicate, educate and continue to promote a Conservative Government.

If you are unable to attend our Auction Fund Raiser, please consider sending a monetary contribution to our Treasurer, Billie Goodwin, at 13030 N.E. Couch Street, Portland, Oregon 97230 Any amount would be appreciated.

"Children must be taught how to think, not what to think." Margaret Mead

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Bírthdays

Send a card, bake a cake, take them to lunch, give them a call and wish them well on their special day



Happy Birthday

Please let Clarice know when your Special Day will occur, so it can be noted in our 2018 Membership Booklet which will be available at our February meeting.



Executive Club December 7th 7pm Airport Shilo Inn 11707 Northeast Airport Way

Executive Club December 7, 2017, all are welcome - Bring your friends and neighbors and be informed. This month's speakers are Greg Clapper and Jeff Kropf who will give an insider's look at the issues and break down campaign strategy through the use of effective polling. You do not want to miss this meeting. Always the latest political information from cities, counties, Oregon, Washington and the Nation. Remember we are all members of the Jeffersonian Society of active citizens working to support our Constitution. Long live the spirit of the late Don McIntire. \$20 Buffet available

Transparency Update from Secretary of State Dennis Richardson regarding the Oregon Health Authority recent Audit. Click here to read the report <u>https://oregonsos.com/blog/2017/11/29/oh</u> a-audit-reportagency-of-wasteful-spending

"May this Christmas season bring you many blessings from above, And may the coming year be filled with peace and joy and love".

Helen Steiner Rice

Tuesday, December 5th, Boring Community Planning Organization (CPO) Meeting. Doors open at 6 PM with meeting at 7 PM. Boring Fire Station on Highway 212, just West of U.S. 26. Contact Mike Fitz at 503-502-5837 for additional information.

Proof of Citizenship Ballot Initiative #5

This is a proposed Constitutional Amendment that requires proof of citizenship when registering to vote. Signatures are being collected through July of 2018 to hopefully be on the November ballot. Please contact James Buchal for more information A big THANK YOU to Member Sharon Petri for her donation of \$100 to the Salvation Army's Food Program in Mt. Hood's name. Are additional members willing to join her? A truly worthwhile need.



"I hope I shall always possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man".

George Washington

County Party Contacts For more information

Clackamas – <u>http://www.clackamasrepublicans.org/</u> Marion - <u>http://www.marioncountygop.org/</u> Multnomah - <u>http://www.multnomahgop.org/</u> Washington - <u>http://washcogop.org/</u> Oregon Republican Party - <u>http://oregon.gop/</u>

"The 2017 Legislature, led by Governor Brown, jacked up 530 existing fees. The Legislature also created 56 brand new fees. Only nine fees were eliminated, but they were not collecting any revenue. These 586 fee Increases totaling \$374 Million." Information courtesy of the Taxpayer Association of Oregon.

Vietnam Memorial in Boring

Donations are growing for the proposed Vietnam Memorial at the Boring Station Trailhead Park. The purpose is to 'Memorialize casualties of war and remember the service of Military Veterans'. A worthwhile Patriotic Project by the citizens of Boring. Let our Veterans know we won't ever forget what they've done for us.

Recently we received a report from Steve Bates, regarding the progress on building the Vietnam Memorial in Boring. The \$15,000. Funding for Phase 1 has been reached. Thanks to all who contributed in this effort. Plans are now in place to raise \$ 10,000 for Phase 2, 3, and 4 which will include illuminating the memorial, donor recognition, signage and creating a memorial maintenance fund. We will continue to keep all informed on the site and memorial stone preparation. It's not too late to make a 2017 donation to; Boring, Oregon Vietnam Memorial Project Fund, Boring, Oregon Foundation, PO Box 1448, Boring, Oregon 97009 Please call Steve Bates at 503-663-6271 for more information.

Can't attend a Republican meeting during the day? Southwest Corridor Republicans meet the 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 PM. King City Clubhouse. Location 15245 S. W. 16th St., in King City. Please contact Billie Reynolds for more information and scheduled speakers. <u>azreynolds@juno.com</u>

Jeff Helfrich Appointed as New State Representative for House District 52

Commissioners from Clackamas, Multnomah and Hood River held a House District Appointment Meeting at Sandy High School on November 29th. The Commissioners interview three finalists selected by the PCPs of Hood River, Clackamas and Multnomah Counties. The Commissioners voted to appoint Mr. Helfrich to the seat that was vacated by former State Representative Mark Johnson who took a job at the President and CEO of the Oregon Business Industry earlier last month. Mr. Helfrich will serve out the remainder of Johnson's term.



SAVE THE DATE

Clackamas County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner Saturday February 10th More information to Come Don't forget to ask businesses for your Senior Discounts. We might as well celebrate coming of a mature age, while saving money.

Multnomah County Republicans Want Greater GOP Input on Federal Judicial Selection Process. Read the story about James Buchal sending a letter to President Trump by clicking here http://www.wweek.com/news/2017/11/ 27/multnomah-county-republicanswant-greater-gop-input-on-federaljudicial-selection-process/

Health Care Tax Repeal Update

There will be a special election on January 23rd to Repeal 1.5% Health Care taxes imposed by the Legislature via House Bill 2391. The Clackamas County Central Committee voted to endorse a repeal of this tax. For more information about how you can be involved in this effort please visit

http://stophealthcaretaxe s.com/

We can help raise money to support the Janus Youth Organization. A Gresham Bridal Shop sells new and gently used wedding gowns, formals, dressy attire, petticoats, veils and accessories with all proceeds going to promote awareness and prevention of sex trafficking and assist the victims. Last year several shops in the non-profit group raised \$137,000 for the cause. Please visit "Adorned in Grace", 818 N.E. Division St., Gresham, Oregon. 503-489-7087 Open Thurs. & Fri. 1-5 pm and Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm. The staff is all volunteer and all items have been donated as have the space and other expenses. Spread the word to your Granddaughters and their friends, Shop first at Adorned in Grace.

We should be reminded of Good information from past issues. The American Red Cross, March of Dimes, The United Way UNICEF and Goodwill only donate less than 10% of their monies to the needy. The list of organizations who give all of their donations to those designated, include The Salvation Army, The American Legion, Make a Wish, St. Jude Research Hospital, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Ronald McDonald Houses and Lions Club International. Donate wisely!

Please take every opportunity to shake the hand and thank all of our men in uniform – Our Military -Our Police - Our Firemen. Let them know how much we appreciate them all and the jobs they are called upon to do.



Mt. Hood Republican Women have made these contributions through 2017 to our Community Service Agencies. To the Salvation Army, \$400 which included school supplies, Christmas needs, Hurricane Harvey Aid, books and over 400 candy filled Easter Eggs. To the Pregnancy Resource Centers, \$50. Small stuffed animals and children's books. To The Children's Scholarship Education Fund through Kathryn Hitchcock and the Cascade Policy Institute \$100. Your participation in our Annual Christmas Auction will enable MHRW to continue these contributions and more throughout 2018.

Save the Date Dorchester Conference will be March 2 & 3, 2018, at the Salem Conference Center. Always good speakers and up to date information.

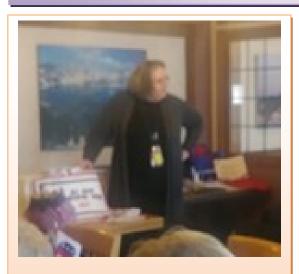
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2018 Dues can now be paid. Regular Membership at \$25. Associate Membership, a family member or a member of another club, remains at \$15. Please join us and be a part of the largest and most influential Republican women's group in the nation. We are making a difference! Oregon Counties to receive timber payments from the Federal Government. Read more about it by clicking here

http://www.bendbulletin.com/local state/5800620-151/18-timbercounties-will-get-14m-in-aid For Information you would like to include in future Newsletters please contact President Clarice Moss at 503-658-5227 or <u>claricemoss@yahoo.com</u>

November Meeting Recap

Captain Diane Madson from the Gresham Salvation Army addressing the club members.



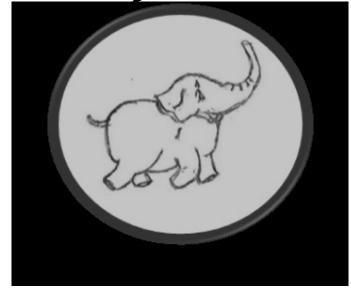
Carolyn Bateson giving club members an update on the Veteran's Homeless Program. Members ask wide ranging questions on outreach to veterans and what additional resources are needed. We were honored to have our newly elected Oregon Federation of Republican Women President, Linda Neace attending. Tootie Smith and Margie Hughes also were present. Ginnie Brewster was elected as our new District II Director for the Oregon Federation of Republican Women. Past Director, Gail Holmes was presented with a plant and many thanks for her many years of service for our Mt. Hood Club and the East Clackamas County Club.

Captain Diane Madson of Gresham's Salvation Army thanked our club for its many contributions over the years and elaborated on the many services the Gresham Unit provides. Sports activities, music lessons, food pantry for families, after school educational opportunities and aid to veterans through the Home Front Relief program and their Drug and Alcohol Adult Rehabilitation Center, plus serving thousands of meals throughout the year.

Carolyn Bateson, Kate's dear friend and a director of the huge Vancouver based veteran's Homeless program, then spoke of their work in assisting veterans at risk and the programs available throughout all of Oregon and Southern Washington. She directs over 90 people in this endeavor. The need is dire and widespread as evident in our daily news publications. Many ideas and much information were shared by all attending.

With President Trump leading, we are finally working on complete tax reform for the American people. With the Senate passage of tax reform the bill will now head to the House and Senate conference to produce a single bill that will alter our tax code in an effort to help the middle class and continue to bolster our economy.

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Thank You and May God Bless America



Merry Christmas to you all and your families. Merry Christmas to all of our Serviceman and Woman working every day to protect our American Freedoms.