

*Next Meeting – Wednesday* April 10, 2019

At

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

**Business Meeting** 11:30 pm

> **Celestia Bue** 12:15 pm

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Editor Clarice Moss

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

Finally the sun is shining and Spring has arrived. The time has come for our April 10, 2019 meeting of the Mt. Hood Republican Women. One of our favorite members, and world traveler, Celestia Bue, will relate her recent tour of Vietnam and Cambodia. She will be able to describe how beautiful it has become since the Vietnam War and all the destruction we remember. She always shares many pictures and her interactions with the people. All are welcome to attend, participate in our discussions and to share the latest escapades (tax measures) of our Democrat led legislature. All will take place at Gresham's Elmer's Restaurant, 1590 N.E. Burnside Road, 503-665-5144, Business meeting at 11:30 am with speaker to follow. Please arrive early to visit and place your order from their delicious menu. Reservations are not necessary and there is plenty of free parking.

Our goal is to communicate, educate and promote a more **Conservative Government** 

Our club inquired as to having a presentation by the Guide Dogs for the Blind, but was told they could not facilitate a presentation at our location. We were invited for a tour of their training facilities in Boring or to attend a Graduation which is held every other Saturday in Boring at 1:30 pm. Please call them if you are interested at 503-668-2100 or https://www.guidedogs.com/meet-gdb/campus-toursgraduations

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.

Congratulations to Bev Clarno on her appointment to succeed the late Dennis Richardson as our next Secretary of State. We extend our best wishes for her to fulfill Dennis's vision of a transparent Oregon for the people.

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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



OFRW Scheduled Spring Board Meeting and the Legislative Day were canceled due to the cold weather. President Linda Neace has rescheduled them for May 30 – 31. In Salem. More information will be shared later.



Extra prayers are still needed for our members and their families facing very serious illnesses and surgeries. Love and prayers are needed for them all.

### Executive Club April 3rd 7pm Airport Shilo Inn 11707 Northeast Airport Way

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 Executive Club Meeting, 7 pm Airport Shilo Inn, 11707 N.E Airport Way, \$20 Dinner available and plenty of parking. Aaron Withe, Director of the Freedom Foundation, will be the main speaker. His topic, Union Strategy to nullify the success of the Janus Decision to remove the influence of government unions. Everyone is welcome to attend and share the latest information regarding the TriMet proposals, tolling and the proposed Columbia River Bridge. Bring a friend or two and enjoy the comradery of like-minded citizens always in the spirit of the late Don McIntire.

House Bill 3063 Update Keep your eyes on HB 3063, the measles measure. Should it be a statewide law of inoculation requirement, or be left up to the individual parent. Many heartfelt

opinions on both sides of this measure. With the current measles outbreak in our area, what measures can

we take to increase the safety of our children and still maintain the individual rights of all parents to make the best choice for their own

child? Let your State Representative know how you feel.

#### Wise words shared by Celestia Bue

You cannot legislate the poor into prosperity by legislating the wealthy out of prosperity What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving. The government cannot give to anybody anything that the government does not first take from somebody else

You cannot multiply wealth by dividing it When people get the idea that they do not have to work because the other half is going to take care of them, and when the other half gets the idea that it does no good to work because somebody else is going to get what they work for, that is the beginning of the end of any nation.

Keep an eye on Sen. Kim Thatcher's Senate Bill 320 – to require a vote by the people to keep Daylight Savings time year-round. The bill is in the Senate General Government Committee. Your opinion can be e-mailed to <a href="mailto:sbgg.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov">sbgg.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov</a>

Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.



#### OHA Medicaid Follow-up Report Shows Heartening Progress in Implementing Audit Recommendations

Acting Secretary of State Leslie Cummings sent an update on direct savings to the State of Oregon through audit recommendations implemented by late Secretary of State Dennis Richardson and his team. To read more about this savings please click on the below link.

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/ORSOS/bulletins/2399e41

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#### 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>

Oregon Republican Party Exceptional Evening with LT. COL. OLIVER NORTH (Ret.)

Saturday Evening April 6<sup>th</sup> Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum 500 NE Captain Michael King Smith Way McMinnville, OR 97128

For more information and tickets please click the below link.

https://oregon.gop/AimHigh2019

You do not want to miss this event!!!

How to Get Involved in Multnomah County For volunteer options in Multnomah County please visit <u>https://multco.us/oci</u> for more information about available opportunities

The Oregon Citizens Lobby is back up and running in Salem to keep all informed on what is going on at and in the Capitol.

Please view the website for status on upcoming pieces of legislation that may impact you and your family or your business.

On the website you can also find out more information about how to become engage and involved on the issues both in Salem and from your home.

Here is their mission from their webpage.

"We seek to empower citizens so that they can be more involved in their government. We seek to hold politicians accountable for their actions and make their records public. We strive to improve transparency in governments so that citizens can be more aware of what their government is doing". https://oregoncitizenslobby.org/ 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 SW 16th St., in King City. Please contact Billie Reynolds for more information and scheduled speakers. azreynolds@juno.com

#### March Meeting Recap

March 13 meeting recap. Les Poole described the arduous process of producing an initiative in the State of Oregon and the steps we must take for placing it on the ballot. The tolling measure should be available for signatures to be gathered early in April for a hoped for vote by the people in 2020. Another proposal for ending the recently taxed Clackamas County vehicle licenses was discussed. The importance of everyone working together was stressed. Individual signature gathering is a time consuming job that usually leads to new neighbors and friends joining you. We should have the latest petitions available at our meetings.

A positive sign for public involvement. 126 candidates have filed for the 82 school board positions in the metro area for the upcoming May 2019 election. This is good but it can be improved upon in future years. Some races still will be uncontested. This is usually a first step in joining the legislative process. Serving your local community by voicing your opinion and participating in the budget process. Make your voice be heard.

#### How to Get Involved in Clackamas County

Looking to gain experience and serve in a volunteer capacity. Please think about applying to serve on one of the many advisory boards and commissions that communicate directly with the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners. These groups are vital to providing insight and perspective to your local elected officials. This is great experience that will help guide our County. Visit this link for more information on how to apply.

https://web3.clackamas.us/abc/abc.jsp

Please, remember to save your small toiletries (soaps, lotions, shampoo) from your Summer Travels for our Community Service Project with Pregnancy Resource Centers. These can be brought to any of our meetings and will be delivered to their Sandy office for distribution.

#### **Educational Choices**

Cascade Policy Institute recently published a piece on educational choices for families in Oregon. Miranda Bonifield highlights opportunities that can be introduced to help giving families better options when it comes to getting the best education for their children. Please read her piece at the following link. https://www.cascadepolicy.org/uncategorized/cultivating-educational-choice-with-education-savings-accounts/

#### Dorchester 2019 April 12-13

Head to the hills for the political party of the year! Join us for golf, music, debate & discussion.
Action, Engagement, Fun: With Oregon's Citizenry and Political Leadership.
Featured Speakers: Congressman Greg Walden, Alek Skarlatos, and Sandy Mayor Stan Pulliam. Keynote speaker to be announced next week.
Tickets are going fast and you will not want to miss this event. For more information and tickets please click the below link.

https://www.dorchester.org/

#### Southern Boarder Update from Senator Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee

The Senator highlighted the need for security on the boarder and the support she has for the President. You can watch her remarks on Fox News at the below link. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ee2p3 2lbf4 Keep your eyes on Senate Bills 319 and 764 regarding the Oregon Death Tax? Both Senators Kim Thatcher and Brian Boquist require that the tax will only be imposed on estates of decedents dying on or before December 31, 2018

If you enjoy good conversation with the latest political information, this club's for you! As part of both the State and National Organization of Republican Women, our goals are to increase the involvement of citizens for good government through education and activities that promote the principles and ideals of the Republican Party. Meetings are open to both men and women at Gresham's Elmer's Restaurant, 1590 N.E. Burnside Road in Gresham, on the second Wednesday of months, February through May and September through December. Business meeting at 11:30 am with speakers to follow. Call 503-658-5227 for more information.



#### March Updates from State Representative Christine Drazan (District 39)

Representative Drazan has been working hard on our behalf in Salem. She is sharing our voice on the matters that are important to us. "This week we hit the first major deadline of the session, which begins to limit the legislation that remains under consideration. I am supporting legislation for schools, veterans, seniors and roads, while at the same time working against legislation that may harm families and businesses in our district". Representative Drazan. Her March newsletter is full of bills to watch for as well as highlights what she has been working on. We encourage all to subscribe to her newsletter to stay informed on the many issues that our State is facing. For more information about this newsletter and how to subscribe to future newsletters please click on the below link. https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/ORLEG/ bulletins/230a4bd

#### Multnomah County Republicans taking Action

This month Multnomah County Republican Chair James Buchal filed a lawsuit on behalf of Portland Public School parents regarding freedom of speech. Please click the below link to read more on the lawsuit.

https://www.multnomahgop.org/pps lawsuit filed

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Legislation End-Around regarding the Janus Supreme Court Case. Representative Greg Barreto (District 58) gave a floor speech on House Bill 2016 regarding giving unions more power at the taxpayers' expense. You can view Rep. Barreto's speech by clicking on the below link.

https://oregon.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?clip\_id=26354&sta rttime=6156&stoptime=6720&embed=1&autostart=1

#### Legislation Alert on 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Rights

The first of main piece of proposed legislation that will have an effect on your 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights has been introduced in Salem. Senate Bill 978 and its amendments aim to prevent gun violence but will have the opposite effect. Below is the link to the Oregon Firearms Federation's press release on this legislation. Please read it and contact your legislator with your thoughts on this bill.

http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render? m=1115189453164&ca=77f2f13f-c72c-4408-88fce507a9ef192f

#### Republican Solutions to help Oregonians

A number of Republican State Representatives and Senators have introduced bills aimed to help middle class Oregonians through tax cuts and credits. A full list of proposed bills and their sponsors is available by clicking the below link.

https://www.ktvz.com/news/oregon-gop-lawmakers-proposetax-cuts-credits-

deductions/1063658670?fbclid=lwAR1ZJ8AMHw5WPa1AND -mh2gpBgMJDGvGfPn3ide61c5H9BQhy-ce5Sw0bTE

One of our favorite speakers and former candidate for the Oregon House District # 49, Justin Hwang, is opening another new restaurant in Gresham on Friday, April 5. "Joy Poke" located in Gresham Station, 649 N. W. 12th St., will feature a tasty Hawaiian main dish with choice of toppings and sauce. We all know how delicious his Joy Terriyaki food is, and are anticipating another successful business for us to enjoy. We are planning to have another "Baby Shower" at our May 8, 2019 meeting. Everyone had so much fun last year; we decided to do so again. I will have a list of any particular needs in our May Newsletter. Diapers are always welcomed. 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>

#### **Presidents Thoughts**

It has been just over a week since we received the summary from the Attorney General regarding the Mueller Report. To members of congress the news was not good and they have not accepted it because they still can't accept that the American people elected Donald Trump to be the President. Meanwhile the stock market is up, people have more money in their pockets and the economy is growing at a rate we haven't seen in years. Why doesn't the news focus on the positives in our nation? We have a long ways still to go. We need to fix our immigration system. We need to fix our education system. We need to tell our leaders in Salem and Washington DC that we want you to focus on issues and problems that impact our daily lives, the need for infrastructure improvements, giving educational choices to parents and help to inspire our future inventors.

> Clarice Moss, President of the Mt. Hood Republican Women

The Boring, Oregon Foundation, in partnership with Clackamas County Parks and the Park Committee of the Boring-Damascus Grange, has met their goal of \$7500. To purchase and erect a second flagpole at Boring Station Trailhead Park. The cost includes light fixtures and supplies needed to keep the flags illuminated from dusk to dawn. Electrical installation will be donated by some volunteers from Christensen Electric. Chairman Steve Bates stated this will allow both the Oregon State flag and the Boring Community flag to be displayed continually. Additional donations can still be sent to Boring. Oregon Foundation, and P.O. Box 1448, Boring, Oregon 97009 and will be used to purchase new

flags.

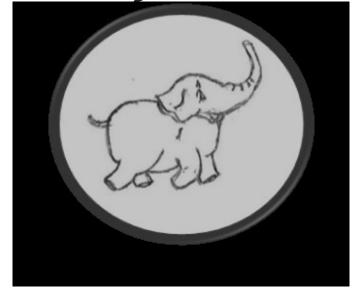
VOTE NO on HB 2015 Do you remember November 2014 when the majority of citizens in Oregon defeated Measure 88, to not allow drivers licenses to illegals? Clackamas County voted 71% in favor to 29% opposed. It was big news throughout the United States that Oregon said NO. The Democrats in Salem want to overturn this decision by our citizens, by trying to pass HB 2015. Call your representatives in Salem to voice your disapproval.

Additional Tax measures to be aware of, HB 2146 will raise Oregon's S Corporations (small businesses) filing fees nearly 600% to \$1000 annually. A statewide consumption tax on business sales, a carbon reduction regulation program (a \$600 million scheme), and a payroll tax on every employer to fund a new Paid Family Leave Program. Thank you, Chris Barreto, ORP Finance Chair

#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

To all our members who brought plastic eggs and bags of candy to our March meeting. Eight of our members met at Elmer's March 27, and stuffed 539 eggs with candy this year for the children at Gresham's Salvation Army Center, at 194th and S. E. Stark Street. All will be delivered next week in time for the Easter Celebrations on April 21.

# Mt. Hood Republican Women



Thank You and May God Bless America



Happy Easter to all of you