



# WCRWC Elephant Ears

## Wake County Republican Women's Club

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### Our Upcoming Speakers ...

#### Judge Ann Marie Calabria and Judge Donna Stroud

Our April program will be "Focus on the GOP Judges" presented by our members, Judge Calabria and Judge Stroud.

Judge Calabria is currently a North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge and is running for the North Carolina Supreme Court in the upcoming election. She graduated from Campbell University School of Law in 1983. For almost ten years she has been protecting the rights of North Carolinians as a District Court Judge and as a Judge on the North Carolina Court of Appeals. She has been married for 36 years to Colonel Robert D. Calabria, a Vietnam Veteran. They have three children: two daughters, one son, a son-in-law, and two granddaughters. Her web site is: <http://www.calabria4judge.com>

Judge Stroud currently serves as a Wake County District Court judge. As a District Court Judge, she has presided over thousands of cases, including criminal cases, civil cases, and family law cases including divorce, child custody, child support, domestic violence and other matters. She graduated from the Campbell University School of Law in 1988, with a Juris Doctor degree, *magna cum laude*. She has been married to J. Wilson Stroud since 1986. Wilson is a civil engineer employed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. Donna and Wilson have two sons, Aaron and Isaac and they enjoy living in Zebulon. Her webs site is: <http://www.judgetroud.com>

#### April Meeting

April 20, 2006 at the NCSU University Club  
 4200 Hillsborough Street  
 Raleigh, NC  
 Social 11:15 AM  
 Lunch & Program 11:45 AM  
 Cost: \$13.00  
 For Reservations visit our website or call Connie Johnson at 571-2191



### IMPORTANT DATES

- April 7 - Registration deadline to vote in May 2 Primary
- April 13 - Early voting begins for May 2 Primary
- April 18 - 2<sup>nd</sup> District Convention
- April 20 - WCRW April Meeting
- April 22 - 4<sup>th</sup> District Convention
- April 29 - 13<sup>th</sup> District Convention
- April 28-29 NCFRW Tribute to Women, Charlotte
- May 2 - Primary Election
- May 18 - NCFRW Capital Regional Meeting
- June 2-4 - NC GOP State Convention, New Bern



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### April President's Message ...

Hello ladies,

I hope everyone is enjoying the early spring. Before we know it, we'll be in the May primary season and our Republican candidates will need our assistance and support. In case I have not told you lately, thank you for all you do for our club. We have been working on your new membership directory and hope to distribute it at our next meeting. Thank you Mary Sidney Troidl, Connie Johnson, Terri Poulsen, and Mary Tatum for working so hard on this project. It has taken longer than we had hoped but we all believe it's better to have an up-to-date directory even if it takes a bit longer than we planned.

I am very excited about our May 18<sup>th</sup> NCFRW Regional meeting, which will be held at the Faculty Club. The cost will be \$20.00 per person to attend this meeting, which will be exciting and informative. Please plan to attend and bring a friend as well! We are going to publicize the event to attract as many participants as possible. I expect that we'll have quite a few candidates so it will be a great time to meet and greet them. We plan on having an hour before the luncheon to socialize and then our program will begin.

Our First Vice President, Zan Bunn, has done an outstanding job lining up speakers and I know we will have an interesting guest for the regional meeting. As soon as the speaker is announced, I will notify our club members. I would also like to thank Commissioner Berry for speaking at our March meeting. There were many questions and she was kind to stay until all of them were answered.

We have an exciting program for April, which I know, will be a well attended event. Judge Donna Stroud and Judge Ann Marie Calabria will give us a Power Point presentation on Judicial Elections 101. This should help all of us better understand the judicial races. I hope to see you on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

*Laura Riddick*  
*President WCRWC*



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### Capital Region Area Representative

Becky Matthews is the representative to the Capital Region Republican Women and represents our club as well as the Republican Women of Cary and the Johnson County Republican Women's Club.

### Please Remember:

To wear your "Elephant" and buy some jewelry.

### Renew your membership.

The March minutes and the April treasurer's report will be distributed by e-mail in April.

If you make a lunch reservation, you must pay for it even you do not attend the meeting, because we guarantee the meal.

The April newsletter is now available on our website at [www.wakerepublicanwomen.org](http://www.wakerepublicanwomen.org). If you do not have web access or are not receiving any e-mails regarding the Wake County Republican Women's Club ....please sign up to receive future hardcopy newsletters in the mail.

### WCRWC 2006 Officers

President	
Laura Riddick	781-8144
First Vice President	
Zan Bunn	414-0473
Second Vice President	
Sidney Troidl	395-2732
Corresponding Secretary	
Mary E. Tatum	786-5040
Recording Secretary	
Carol Wakely	761-8275
Treasurer	
Connie Johnson	571-2191
Assistant Treasurer	
Rosemary Queenan	556-9135

Board meetings will precede the monthly club meetings. The next board meeting: April 16, 2006 @ 10:30 AM



*Until Every One Comes Home.®*

**Next Meeting Date: May 18**

Remember to bring your cookies to the April meeting. Dot Schafer will be taking these to the Raleigh USO location at the airport. RDU Center - 840-0941



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**CAPITAL AREA REPUBLICAN CLUB**

When: 4th Tuesday  
 Where: Southend Brewery at 505 Jones St.  
 Time: Social 5:30 PM Dinner/Program 6 PM  
 Contact: No Reservations needed

**THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB OF CARY**

When: 1st Thursday  
 Where: Prestonwood Country Club  
 Time: Buffet Lunch 11:30 AM (\$12.00)  
 Contact: RSVP three days prior to luncheon  
[www.RTPnet.org/rwofcary](http://www.RTPnet.org/rwofcary)

**WAKE COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS**

When: 2nd Monday  
 Where: Moonlight Pizza  
 Time: Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:00 PM  
 For Information: [www.wakeyr.org](http://www.wakeyr.org)

**WAKE COUNTY REPUBLICAN MEN**

When: 1st Tuesday  
 Where: Clarion Hotel  
 Time: 7:30 AM  
 For Information: Heydt Philbeck 782-1374  
 Or [www.wakegopmen.org](http://www.wakegopmen.org)

**TRIANGLE WEST REPUBLICAN CLUB**

When: 3rd Saturday morning  
 Where: Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel  
 Europa Drive & Hwy. 15-501  
 Time: Coffee 8:45AM Buffet  
 Breakfast 9:00 AM  
 For more Information: [www.twgop.org](http://www.twgop.org)

**WESTERN WAKE**

When: 4th Monday  
 Where: Delightful Inspirations Cafe and Catering  
 5511 Avent Ferry Road, Raleigh  
 Time: Buffet Dinner (optional) 6:00 PM  
 For Information: [www.westernwakegop.org](http://www.westernwakegop.org)

**NORTHERN WAKE**

When: 1st Thursday  
 Where: Forks Cafeteria  
 399 Brooks Street, Wake Forest  
 No Reservations Needed  
 Time: 6:30 PM

**WAKE COUNTY GOP**

Executive Committee Meeting - GOP  
 Headquarters 6 PM  
 For Dates go to: [www.wakegop.org](http://www.wakegop.org)