



WCRWC Elephant Ears

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Our Upcoming Speaker

Kevin Miller, WPTF Morning Host

Whenever Kevin Miller is on the air, he brings a front page perspective to the news of the day. He teamed with Raleigh Mayor Charles Meeker to declare a Clay Aiken Day in honor of the American Idol. Since moving to the Triangle, Miller has also covered the expansion of the ACC, by holding a petition drive to allow both sides to air their opinions and write down their thoughts.

Prior to joining WPTF, Miller was the morning show host and program director of the top rated newstalk station in Birmingham Alabama. Miller spent four years in Birmingham covering local and national stories.

Miller has appeared on NBC's *The Today Show*, *The Leeza Show*, *CNN*, and *MSNBC*. His work has been featured in *The Washington Post*, *The Baltimore Sun* and several Alabama Media Outlets. Miller was flown to Baltimore to debate Kweisi Mfume, the head of the NAACP, on the use of the "N-word" on Mume's television show *The Bottom Line* on WBAL TV.

Miller has taken the road less traveled in pursuing his radio career. He was bitten by the radio bug while studying to become a high school social studies teacher in Akron Ohio. In 1993, he graduated from the University of Akron with a Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education. Miller taught briefly in the Akron Ohio public school system. The former Army Reserve journalist could not shake his dream of a career in radio. Inspired by MSNBC's Pat Buchanan's 1992 presidential campaign, he moved to New Hampshire determined to cover the first in the nation presidential primary. Within several months, he landed his first gig in the city of Nashua where he hosted a daily talk show.

February Meeting

February 16, 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

- February 7 – Wake County Precinct Meetings
- February 13-28 – Candidate Filing Open
- February 17 – President's Day Dinner
- April 28-29 NCFRW Tribute to Women - Charlotte
- March 28 – Wake County GOP Convention
- May 2 – Primary Election
- May 18 – NCFRW Capital Regional Meeting



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February President's Message ...

Greetings Wake County Republican Women! Thank you for the great turnout for our January meeting. As I mentioned then it is an honor to serve as president and I thank you for your patience as I become acclimated to this new role. Our past President, Becky Matthews, has been of great assistance and I am fortunate to have such a committed Executive Board. Thank you also to those of you serving as committee members and for your willingness to serve again. Our club will continue to grow with your support.

February will be an exciting month for us. Please mark your calendar for our annual President's Day dinner on February 17th. This is an important date because it is the annual fundraising effort for the county party. We need to make certain the county party has the necessary funding to help support our candidates in 2006. Filing for all offices opens on February 13th. This will present our group with many great opportunities to help our Republican elected officials remain in office in addition to supporting Republican candidates.

We were very fortunate to have our State Auditor, Les Merritt, as our first speaker. It was interesting and encouraging to hear Les describe the impact that he and other Republicans are having on the Council of State. It is also good to know that the Auditors' Office will be monitoring the lottery and tracking whether the proceeds truly supplement school funding. Les mentioned at our meeting that he tries not to grandstand but there is no reason why we shouldn't praise him for his excellent work. Thank you Les!

Our speaker in February will be WPTF morning host Kevin Miller. Please come and show your support and consider bringing a friend too. Thank you for all you do for the Wake County Republican Party and I look forward to seeing you on February 16th.

Laura Riddick
President WCRWC



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Elephants & Jewelry

How about our jewelry display? So many ladies came up to me and have sent me messages regarding our jewelry display, and how great it is and how much they enjoy having it. Thank you Robin for all your hard work and planning!!!

Please Remember:

To wear your "Elephant" and buy some jewelry.

Renew your membership.

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

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

The February newsletter is now available on our website at www.wakerepublicanwomen.org. If you do not have web access or are not receiving any e-mails regarding the Wake County Republican Women's Clubplease sign up to receive future hardcopy newsletters in the mail.

WCRWC 2005 Officers

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



Until Every One Comes Home.®

Next Meeting Date: March 16

Speaker: Cherie Berry

NC Commissioner of Labor

Remember to bring your cookies to the February 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

WAKE COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS

When: 2nd Monday
 Where: Moonlight Pizza
 Time: Dinner 6:30 PM Meeting 7:00 PM
 For Information: 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

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

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

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