



WCRWC Elephant Ears

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August 16 Speakers

GOP SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

GOP school board candidates Ron Margiotta (District 8) www.ronmargiotta.org and Sean O'Brien (District 6) www.electseanobrien.com will be our speakers for our August 16 meeting.

District 8 deserves to continue to be represented by a strong, independent leader that listens to the concerns of his constituents and will advocate for them as their representative on the Wake County Board of Education. Restore choice, communication and excellence into Wake County Public Schools. Keep integrity, loyalty and honesty in District 8. Be sure and vote for Ron Margiotta on October 9!

Sean O'Brien was the first person to file this year to run for the school board. His two major issues are ensuring accountability and providing parental choice. It's his first run at elected office. O'Brien is director of business and curriculum development at SAS Institute. He lives in an unincorporated area near the N.C. State farms. He has two children, including a daughter who will enter kindergarten at Reedy Creek Elementary School



Until Every One Comes Home.

Remember to bring your cookies to the meeting. RDU Center Phone - 840-0941



IMPORTANT DATES

- August 16 – WCRWC Summer Meeting
- August 22-26 - Marine Reunion – Raleigh USO
- September 20 – WCRWC Meeting
- September 27-30 – NFRW National Convention
Palm Springs, CA
- September 29 – USO Salute to Freedom Gala,
Raleigh
- October 18 – WCRWC Meeting (*this meeting will be held at a different location because of the State Fair*)

Please Remember . . .

Wearing and selling "elephant:" jewelry is one of our major fundraising activities. We will have beautiful handmade patriotic pocketbooks for sale at our June meeting.

August MEETING

August 16, 2007 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

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August brings the hottest weather and elections seem distant, but voting is mere days away - October 9 and November 6. Our GOP candidates across the county are counting on Republican women and men to do our job for 2007.

Our 2007 club membership numbers (86) have now passed 2006. Everyone deserves thanks for growing our club, especially 2nd Vice President Sidney Troidl and Treasurer Connie Johnson. Let's keep this momentum going, and shoot for 100+ members this year!

At our July meeting, USO-RDU Asst. Director Lola Lawson provided wonderful insight into the services provided to military personnel and their families at the airport. Lola's enthusiasm was inspiring. For more information, check out www.uso-nc.org.

Great and devastating news on the Jessica Lunsford Act! Our club took action this year - I thank you for all your efforts. By a 113-0 vote, an amended version of Reps. Tim Moore and Debbie Clary's NC bill passed in the final days of the NC House session. However, the NC Senate refused to deal with this legislation, leaving NC children still at risk. Democratic Senate leadership (Sens. Basnight and Rand) need to be held accountable about why they did not deal with this important legislation.

On August 2, our club members traveled to the Fisher House at Fort Bragg again. We delivered wish list items, toured the house facilities, and saw the new washer/dryer (purchased with some of our monetary donations). What our club delegation really saw up close is how personal and relaxing the Fisher House is for those staying there. Next we visited the Womack Army Medical Center and shared some time with patients. The smiles we received were amazing. It is indescribable to hear someone who was in Iraq or Afghanistan, who has returned to recover from their injuries, but who expresses their immediate desire to get back on the field with their units. We are blessed to have these folks fighting for us.

Remember the cookies - if you can bake around August 20th, the USO needs extra cookies from August 22-26 to welcome the 5th Marine Division Reunion being held in Raleigh.

The NFRW national convention will be held in Palm Springs, CA on September 26-30 where NC will support the candidacy of Theresa Esposito as the NFRW First Vice President. Congresswoman Mary Bono is the honorary chairman of this national meeting with many speakers, special events and Federation business.

I look forward to seeing you and your guest at our August 16 meeting. Our program will be feature the Wake County School Board - both Ron Margiotta (District 8 incumbent) and Sean O'Brien (District 6 challenger) will speak. Ron brings his current board experience, and Sean will introduce himself to our group. Is there someone that you know who has opinions about the school board and all of its issues? Bring them to our meeting on August 16!!

Zan Bunn
WCRWC President



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Board meetings will precede the monthly club meetings. The next board meeting: August 16, 2007 @ 10:30 AM

David Williams (Raleigh At-Large)
 Ernie McAlister (Cary Mayor) (incumbent)
 Don Frantz or Vickie Maxwell (Cary District B)
 Ray Martin or John Rigsbee (Cary District D)
 Tommy Byrd (Cary At-Large)

November 6 elections will be occurring in the rest of the municipalities around the county; watch for more information in the September newsletter. For a full list of candidates, you can see a list of all filed candidates at the Wake Board of Elections website. Go to www.wakegov.com/elections and click on Candidates Filed for November Elections.

Many municipal seats will be contested this fall. Notable incumbents who need our help in their reelections include Mayor of Apex Keith Weatherly, Apex Councilman Bryan Gossage and Garner Alderman Phil Matthews.

Next Meeting Date: September 20

Election 2007

Municipal elections in Wake County occur on two dates this fall: October 9 and November 6. Mark your calendars now so that you can volunteer some time for our Republican candidates.

Municipal elections are now set - GOP incumbents and challengers filed in many races. Republicans all over the county will need our help. WCRWC would like to have 100% participation by club members with local campaigns - every member volunteering for at least one campaign. Plan to volunteer or contribute to the following GOP candidates in the following contested races on October 9:

Sean O'Brien (School Board District 6)
 Tommy Craven (Raleigh District A) (incumbent)
 Angel Menendez (Raleigh District B)

Our Website

The August newsletter is 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.

If you have anything that you think should go on the website please send a note to webmaster@wakerepublicanwomen.org



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CAPITAL AREA REPUBLICAN CLUB

When: 4th Tuesday
 Where: Casa Carbone
 Oak Park Shop. Ctr, 6019 Glenwood.
 Time: Social 5:30 PM Dinner/Program 6:15 PM
 Contact: No Reservations needed
 For more information: www.carcgop.org

REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF CARY & SOUTHWESTERN WAKE

When: 1st Thursday
 Where: Prestonwood Country Club
 Time: Buffet Lunch 11:30 AM (\$13.00)
 Contact: RSVP to Jeanine Mennear 469-3658
www.republicanwomenofcaryandsouthwesternwake.org

WAKE COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS

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

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: Nantucket Grill
 5826 Fayetteville Road, Durham, NC
 (near Streets at Southpoint)
 Time: Coffee 8:45AM Buffet
 Breakfast 9:00 AM

For more Information: www.twgop.org

WESTERN WAKE REPUBLICAN CLUB

When: 4th Monday
 Where: Bentley's
 Walnut Street, Cary
 Time: Dinner 6:00 PM/Program 7:00 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