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*Educating and informing the women
of Lane County on the political process*

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President's Message

In October, RWCL club elected a new President, Executive Board and Trustees. Please familiarize yourself with your new 2012 Officers and note their contact information and look forward to shaking their hand at our next meeting January 23 at Valley River Inn. The following statement is from your new President, June Conard.

I will welcome you on January 23 to the first General Meeting of Republican Women Central Lane (RWCL), of 2012.

What happen to 2011? Funny, I was just getting use to writing 2011 on all my correspondence and now look. . . 2012.

In the military when they ask for volunteers, everyone just stands there like "deer in headlights" at attention. When no one steps forward, the officer in charge volunteers for you. Well, here I am for better or for worse.

2012 is an important year to each and everyone of us. WE MUST MAKE ADJUSTMENTS in our local and national governments to keep this country in a path towards recovery from the past four years of massive spending.

When you become a member of our organization, each and every one of you has a purpose and the purpose of Republican Women is assisting in the election of good candidates who will then become new law makers and help up uphold our laws and Consitution.

I will be asking each and every one of you to help with the process of making the changes to put our lives back on track. I will gladly entertain with my board any ideas or suggestions you may present. If there is a position on a committee that you are interested in please let us know. We need your help.

With your support and and backing, we can make 2012 a great year and one to remember proudly.

God bless you and God bless America!

June Conard, RWCL President



June Conard, at our 2011 Christmas Party with her prizes from the silent auction.

Next General Meeting, January 23.

Join June and your new board at Valley River Inn from 11:30 to 1:00 for lunch. June has planned to have round table discussions on issues that are important for the future of the club. Then, a spokesperson from the table will then present the ideas to the group. Some items suggested for the round table discussion are: preference for meeting location, volunteer opportunities, membership promotion and how to assist in campaigns for office as well as do we continue with the Book Club or go to a Book report. Call **Nina Rogers 541-485-4100** or email: **alnine17@comcast.net** for your reservations by January 20th.

MEETING DATES

Check this section for locations, speakers and meeting updates. Dates of the general meetings as they stand now:

January 23,

February 27,

March 26,

April 23 or Legislation Day,

May 28,

June 25

July, we participate in the July 4th Creswell Parade,

September 24,

October 22,

No November meeting and then Christmas party Dec. 7th or 8th.

Also look through this list of appointed chairs to find areas of interest:

Appointed Chairs

Annual Audit—Gladys Hasse

Book club

Caring for America,

Food for Lane County and Troop support—

Corresponding Secretary—
Lucy Barnett

Dictionary program—Doris McKee
Events Chair

Historian—Helene O'Rourke

Membership Chair—
Tina Sanders

Newsletter—Gerry Briggs
Program

Volunteer Chair and Jewelry—

Notice

Please send articles, ideas, photos to me, Gerry Briggs for inclusion in your newsletter:

gerrybriggs@gmail.com

NFRW National Convention, 2011



By Kaye Ridley

This October I attended our 36th Biennial National Republican Women's Convention in Kansas City, Missouri at the Marriot Downtown. Over 950 members were in attendance this year.

We certainly see how impressive our women can be in one area, and what effect we have at our National, State and local events. Being part of the convention; it is apparent RW are strong at promoting their message and supporting our candidates. A pleasure to be in their company to see all of our hard work is so worth our time.

While in Kansas City, famous for their barbecue sauce, we enjoyed the history of our nation, presidential museums and the World War I memorial which stood out for me. After seeing this history it puts into perspective the sacrifice of our soldiers. On the tour, we climbed to the top of the tower that overlooked a view of the city. The best view was across the way where a talented humorous artist had designed a large art piece using train box carts to display these words on one side said: IOU and on the other displayed USA. This huge art piece design was placed in the park area facing the Dept. of Finance with the words of IOU. We all got a big laugh out of that art for sure, and understand the department has been trying to tear it down. NO sense of humor???

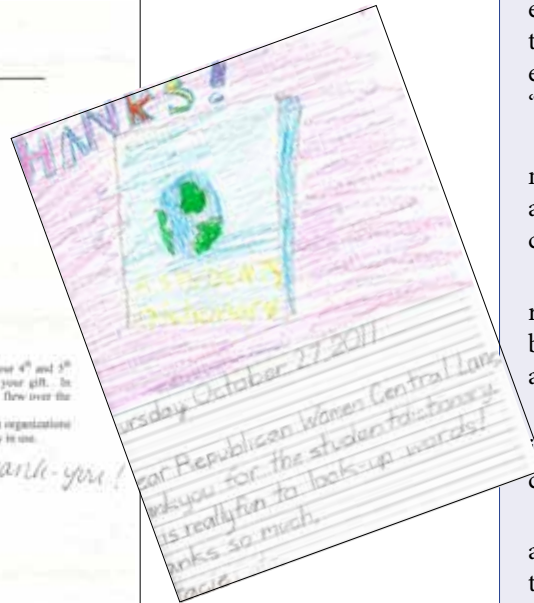
We recognized the 10th Anniversary of 9-11, supporting our troops along with a NFRW song and video of "*TAKING BACK AMERICA.*" We all made many new friendships, shared so much information and renewed our reasons we are Republican women.

Our days were filled with notable speakers: Honorable Jo Ann Emerson, Vicky Hartzler both Congresswomen from MO., along with another great lady having such enthusiasm was Jan Brewer, Arizona State Governor. Saturday was a big day where we heard so many wonderful speakers from NFRW, including the candidates for presidency. Herman Cain was the first speaker for the day and the room was buzzing with ecstatic women reacting on every word he spoke; he has the skills and the ability to promote energy and good will. These ladies lined up around the building to vote into our straw poll. This was before our second speaker, Rick Santorum. Cain signed books, and sold out before the line ended. At our luncheon Newt Gingrich spoke. Very impressive and he spoke from his knowledge and heart. Newt is real to say the least. He did say he was sorry the other candidates didn't think to attend, and this would be a mistake since he has been around long enough to realize the importance it is to be present at our National Convention. He understands RW have a strong effect on the elections.

The hospitality, hosting parties and love we received from our RW sisters around the U.S. who also attended has left me with wonderful memories. Remember Louisville, Kentucky is our next convention hosted by Kentucky RW, slated for 2013. I am blessed to be able to attend these conventions, and hope to continue. I really appreciate RW and their work also knowing the sacrifice women made to give women to right to vote.

*Thank you, Kaye Ridley
2nd VP OFRW*

Thanks from Coburg School



Thank you letters from the Coburg Charter school where Doris and Gerry presented dictionaries to two fourth grade classes. Mrs. Mondragon's class put a booklet together with a page from each student, thanking us for the dictionaries. It was full of fun drawings and praise for our program. Excuse the smallness of the documents. . . We just wanted you all to know that we are appreciated.

Reagan: A Time to Remember, Christmas 2011

You'll have to forgive your past president, Gerry Briggs, who also is your newsletter editor who has played favorites by posting a photo of her husband from the Christmas Party. Helene took a lot of photos and her camera was acting up and half didn't come out, so that is one excuse. The other is also there were quite a few good ones but I can't post them all and didn't want to show favorites so I kept it simple.



Left Gladys and Fred with the "Guest of Honor."

Below: Doris Mckee receiving the Shinning Star award from Kaye Ridley, who received it in 2010.



Above: David Smith sitting with his "loot" form the silent auction with Mr & Mrs. Scalf at the table;

Right: Loren Later really got into the spirit of "Ronnie" by wearing his 10-gallon stetson hat.



IMPORTANT!

It is important, when sending out emails, that you pay attention to the address part of the e-mail. In all e-mail accounts, you have a choice of "To," "cc" and "bcc."

When sending e-mail to our members you must place the e-mail address in the "bcc." That way no one can see our e-mail addresses.

Doris McKee's account was hacked recently and it could be it was hacked because of us sending out e-mail that are NOT done as "bcc."

Any e-mail can be forwarded and it is at those times our members privacy can be compromised.

Please be careful about mass e-mail and DO NOT FORWARD our e-mail to outside people unless the addresses are not visible. And actually club business should stay within club members.

Thank you for your attention.

Dues, Dues, Dues

We all know it is January 2012 which means it's time to send in your membership dues of \$30 for members and \$15.00 for associate members.

Send your checks, made out to RWCL to: RWCL, P.O. Box 7084, Eugene, OR 97475.

Also if you have changed your e-mail address or have moved, now is time to give us any new information.

Thanks

Travels

Our Historian is a world traveler and she has shared some of her photos and words. Here are some excerpts:



“On my last trip this year I traveled to Chile, Easter Island, Argentina, Patagonia, and Iguassu Falls!!!

Easter Island is like every photo you’ve ever seen of Easter Island.

There are moai all over the island: Tongariki and its 15 restored moai; TePito Kura with the largest moai ever erected; Ana Kena Beach and the 7 moai of Ahu Akivi. I was the first of Overseas Adventure to ride horses on Easter Island. Ma-ha-too (meaning heart) was my horse. I got to see beautiful back country that you can’t see from any road. I loved this quaint little town and the people were so friendly.”



From there we visited Los Glaciers National Park with the famous Perito Moreno glacier and it was magnificent. Then overland to Chile with a hike and tour at one of the most beautiful parks - Torres del Paine National Park.

Once at Cape Horn, we went ashore to see the monument then circumvented the cape. Everyone was amazed at the beautiful clear weather and that we could actually go around the cape



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