



October  
2023



### MT HOOD REPUBLICAN WOMEN PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope this message finds you enjoying the incredible beauty all around us, as summer becomes fall here in Oregon. As I watch these changes, I realize we are entering a season of growth and change not only in our weather, but for our club. In the coming weeks, you can expect a flurry of communications designed to encourage participation, education, and dialogue as it pertains to the future programs of MHRW. I urge each member to become involved in these activities and to encourage friends and family to do the same. We can only make a difference when *we work together* to help shape the future of our club and our community. Here are a few upcoming programs that we could use some help with: our fashion show, club elections, installation, new budget, financial audit, membership due collections, and the senior living center outreach.

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MHRW President

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## November Fashion Show!



Our Fashion Show is right around the corner! It has been a pleasure to watch this event come together - it all really feels heaven sent! In addition to our keynote speaker, Adrienne Livingston, who is the Director of Anti-Sex Trafficking Initiatives (Global) with WorldVenture, we will enjoy fashions contributed by Adorned in Grace, a local boutique based in Portland. Adorned in Grace is a non-profit organization that has been bringing human trafficking into the spotlight since 2010! We are also excited to have Amanda Bishop helping us. Amanda has volunteered with the Human Trafficking program with the Rotary of East Portland since she was nine years old and she has generously volunteered to be our Fashion Show commentator! She was honored to be 2019 National American Miss Teen Oregon and is currently the captain of the cheer team at Southern Oregon University, where she is completing her senior year as a Political Science major. After graduation, Amanda plans to pursue a law degree and continue the fight against human trafficking. Amanda will be joined by four SOU cheerleaders in the styling and choreography of the show.

We are also so pleased to welcome the granddaughter and great-granddaughters of two of our members, Becky Bunting and Sharon Petri! Their lovely granddaughters will be walking in the show, modeling next to other Sandy High School students. The models will meet Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 6 PM – 8 PM at the Sandy Senior Center. They will get a chance to go over styling, walking patterns, hair and makeup, and of course, choreography! It should be great fun! If you have a high school age family member or friend who would like to participate, please let us know.



The Fashion Show will take place on Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, from 12-2 pm, at the Sandy Senior Center, 38348 Pioneer Blvd, in Sandy, Oregon. Our program will include the fashion show, guest speakers, a light snack, a silent auction, and raffle. If you would like to donate an item to the silent auction or raffle, it would be gratefully accepted!



The event tickets are \$20 a person, if purchased in advance, and \$25 at the door. The tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at a member meeting or through our website at [https://www.mthrw.org/store/p2/Fashion\\_Show.html](https://www.mthrw.org/store/p2/Fashion_Show.html).

THE NFRW PROGRAM COMMITTEE PRESENTS



Bite Size Training is a monthly thirty-minute, free training program, available to all NFRW members on the last Tuesday of each month at 10 AM. Do not worry if you miss a training that you are interested in because all the training videos are saved in the NFRW archives for you to access at your convenience. September's training topic was "The Annual Budget: A Financial How-To for Non-CPAs," hosted by Kristi Antonick with her guest, Vanessa LaFranco, a past NFRW 1<sup>st</sup> VP. This is a timely

training topic, as we begin planning for our upcoming year! None of that planning can happen without a detailed budget. I know our treasurer, Joanna Harbour, is actively looking for a few members to serve with her on the budget committee to deliver our club the best budget for 2024! To access the last training class, click the following link: <https://www.nfrw.org/calendar/ArtMID/12559/ArticleID/7844/Bite-Size-Tools-You-Can-Use-Training>



## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!**

- 10/13 Odette Kermorvant
- 10/20 Joan Wedemeyer
- 10/24 Becky Bunting
- 10/30 Terri Ely

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

### **October 11<sup>th</sup>**

MHRW  
Member Meeting  
**Heidi's Restaurant**  
1230 NE Cleveland Ave  
Gresham, OR 97030  
(503) 667-4200

**Our Guest Speaker is:**  
**Oregon**  
**Republican Party**  
**Vice Chair,**  
**Angela Plowhead**  
Topic:  
Ballot Collecting

### **October 25<sup>th</sup>**

MHRW Executive  
Board Meeting  
**Elmer's Restaurant**  
1590 NE Burnside Rd.  
Gresham, OR

### **November 8<sup>th</sup>**

MHRW  
Member Meeting  
**Bumper's Bar & Grill**  
21935 NE Halsey St  
#100, Fairview, OR  
97024



# FUN PASTA FUNDRAISER



We are excited to be partnering with FUN PASTA FUNDRAISING! Shop now and order some creative, delicious pasta goodies. It's simple, and you'll love the selection. This is a fun and affordable gift giving idea just in time for the holidays. You can view the entire catalog and purchase your order by clicking the FUN PASTA button.

- Purchase select pasta products at member meetings and executive board meetings.
- *Online Orders:* please note that ONLINE ORDERS must be at least \$20. Also, there is a shipping cost of \$8.95 with all orders under \$65. Our club will receive a 35% profit on orders under \$65 and 40% for orders over \$65.

<https://funpastafundraising.com/.../mt-hood-republican-women>

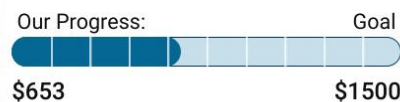
- *In-person orders:* If you prefer to order IN-PERSON, please give your completed order form (with all checks made payable to MHRW) to Wendy Young at one of our meetings or mail it to PO Box (MHRW, attn: Wendy Young, P.O. Box 2245, Gresham, OR 97030.) Orders will be bundled to avoid shipping costs and to get the 40% profit!

In just one month since the launch of this fundraiser, we have already purchased \$653 worth of pasta and are just \$847 from reaching our goal of \$1,500. Thank you for all your support!



## **Mt. Hood Republican Women**

Happy Valley, OR



## **New National Federation of Republican Women Leadership**

- President - Julie Harris - the Floor Nomination
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Martha Jenkins - From the Floor Nom
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Karen Newton - From the Floor Nom
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President - Michelle Buckwalter - NFRW Slate
- 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President - Keri Abernathy - NFRW Slate
- Secretary - Heidi Martin - Four from the Floor Nomination
- Treasurer - Cindy Causus - NFRW Slate

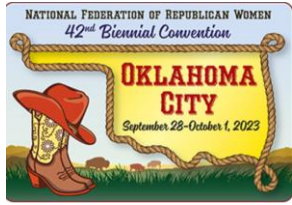


The Oregon Federation of Republican Women is currently working on our very own 2023 Biennial Convention. The dates are October 13-15 in Ashland, Oregon at the Ashland Hills Hotel & Suites. Visit the OFRW website for updates as the planning is ongoing.

<https://www.myofrw.org/>

It's easy to join our Facebook page! Scan the QR code with your Smart/Android phone or find us at MT Hood Republican Women on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/groups/641671717224559/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/641671717224559/)





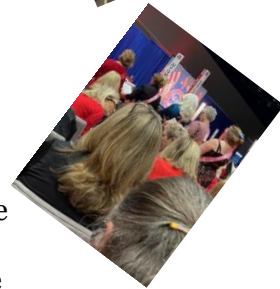
# National Federation of Republican Women 42<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention



I recently had the privilege of attending the National Federation of Republican Women's 42<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention in Oklahoma City! The convention started with a sit-down dinner featuring Oklahoma leadership as the welcoming speakers. We had a lovely dinner that included the state pin exchange which is a highly productive mixer event that fosters networking. Day two was filled with educational and motivational speakers and classes.



The heart of the convention was the 4 From the Floor Movement. The organizers included our very own OFRW President, Christine Morgan. The movement began for Oregon in the spring of 2023 when Amber Dawson, President of Yamhill County Federation of Republican Women, under Christine's leadership, drafted a resolution to present to the NFRW. The resolution was to ensure that the integrity of the Federation being a women's club would be protected through a change in the bylaws that would define a biological woman as having two X chromosomes. After many hours of revision by multiple lawyers, the resolution was sent to the NFRW for consideration. In August, when Christine and other leaders across the country realized that the proposed president on the election slate was from a club that allowed transgenders as primary members, they took action. The Four from the Floor leadership organized like-minded members, put together a new slate of strong leaders that reflected the Four from the Floor values, held training sessions to ensure there were members in place to take the new slate and resolutions to the floor, and educated all members involved on the parliamentary process needed to achieve the goal. The Four from the Floor team was inspiring! Christine Morgan, in her role, and all the leaders that stood beside her, made me so proud to be a member of the OFRW! In the end, the Four from the Floor movement was able to achieve all their goals; all the members nominated from the floor were elected by the members, a feat never accomplished before in NFRW history, and the resolutions were adopted. It was a reminder that when people come together with a shared purpose, incredible things can happen.



As I left the convention, I couldn't help but feel inspired and invigorated. The knowledge and inspiration gained from the members, coupled with the exceptional leadership displayed by the organizers of the Four from the Floor movement, left an indelible mark on my heart and mind.

**VOTE FOR  
WOMEN  
XX NOT XY**



## WE ARE MOVING, AGAIN!

Here we go again, we are on the move! I am hopeful this will be our last move for a while. Through member Sue Williams' knowledge of the best place to eat in the area, and Sharon Petri's nephew, who is partial owner, we have secured a beautiful

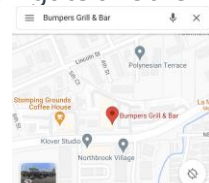
meeting space at Bumper's Bar & Grill. We will begin meeting at Bumper's for our **November 8<sup>th</sup>** regular meeting. We would like to express our gratitude for your patience and continued support for our long journey to find a permanent meeting space that is large enough to accommodate our growing membership. If you have any questions or concerns about the move, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at

<https://www.mthrw.org/contact.html>. We value your feedback and input as we navigate another transition.



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# CLASSIFIEDS

## Get Involved

### County Party Contacts

Clackamas -

<https://www.clackamascountyrepublicans.org>

Marion - <http://www.marioncountygop.org>

Multnomah - <http://www.multco.gop>

Washington - <https://www.washco.gop>

Oregon Republican Party - <http://www.oregon.gop>

### MT Hood Republican Women's Executive Board Meeting

The club meets the last Wednesday of every month at 11 am at Elmer's, 1590 NE Burnside Rd, Gresham, OR 97030 to work on future programs. If you have anything you would like to add to this meeting, please contact us at MTHRW@yahoo.com.

### Beaverton Hillsboro Republican Women

Regular meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. If you would like to join them, you can reach them at <https://www.bhrwf.org>

### East Clackamas County Republican Women

Regular meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month. If you would like to join them, you can reach them at [neace26@gmail.com](mailto:neace26@gmail.com).

### Republican Women Downtown Portland

Regular meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. If you would like to join them, you can reach them at [pjmorehouse-g@comcast.net](mailto:pjmorehouse-g@comcast.net).

### Executive Club Meeting

The Executive Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, at Tacho's Restaurant, 515 Molalla Ave, in Oregon City. All are welcome to attend. Restaurant and (no host) bar will be open and plenty of free parking is available. (Dinner from 5:30 - 7 pm) Dinner reservations are strongly encouraged. Join us for an interesting and lively discussion!

### Multnomah County

For volunteer options in Multnomah County or for more information about how to get involved, visit <https://www.multco.us/services/volunteer-county>

### Clackamas County

There's volunteer options in Clackamas County! Please think about applying to serve on one of the many advisory boards and commissions that communicate directly with Clackamas County Board of Commissioners. This is a great experience that will help guide our county. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.clackamas.us/pga/volunteering-in-clackamas-county>

**Please Help** our children succeed in school by contacting the Smart Program in your area. Call Michelle Gilmore at 971-634-1628 or [www.getSMARTOregon.org](http://www.getSMARTOregon.org) for more information. We can't let our children fall farther behind.

The best local newspaper in our area is the **NORTHWEST CONNECTION**. It's published monthly and is available at newsstands, restaurants, and your favorite doctor's office. Subscribe for \$65 a year. Call 503-328-8415 or write to PO Box 61, Troutdale, OR 97060 for more information.

## For Sale

Support the Mt Hood Women's Republican Party by purchasing a Mt. Hood red tote bag. So handy to use and easily identifiable to all that you are a Mt. Hood Republican Women!  
\$10 each or 2 for \$15.  
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American Flag Lapel Pin.  
This stylish pin is simple, yet elegant, and a great way to represent the country we love. Just \$10 each.  
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