

January 2013

2012 - 2013 Officers

Carolyn Conner President

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2012 - 2013 Dates to Remember

<u>January</u>

26 - Valentines for Vets, Evangelical Children's Health Fair

February

7 – Meeting in Northumberland County. Topic: Prevailing Wage.

tbd - Veteran's Hospital Visit.

March

7 – Meeting in Snyder County. Topic: Property Tax Reform.

SUN AREA COUNCIL OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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JANUARY MTG: RIGHT TO WORK

"Right to Choose"

That's the message of worker freedom. Do you, as an employee get to choose whether to join a union or are you forced to pay dues to an organization that more than likely uses those funds to work against the candidates and undermine the principles you hold dear.

Matthew Wagner, a liaison with PA Right to Work, Inc. presented the plan to turn Pennsylvania into the 25th state to pass right-to-work legislation. He educated us on the specific benefits to the employee and the economy. State with right-to-work have lower unemployment, more stable economies, and comparable wages when compared to states who force workers into unions.

SERV SAFE CERTIFICATION

For some time we have contemplated arranging a Serv Safe class for our members, friends and family. Finally we can announce that this is being scheduled.

The cost is \$68 plus s/h for the textbook and \$75 for the exam. This will be a self-study class with a review period before the proctored test.

If you or anyone you know is interested, please sign up no later than Monday January 14 so that we can inform the instructor and set a final test date. (We are aiming for a test date of February 23rd, but that is not finalized.) We will place the book order early next week so please sign up with Carolyn asap.

Serv Safe certification is good for 5 years.

VALENTINES FOR VETS

SUNACRW will have a booth at the Evangelical Children's Health Fair on Saturday January 26th from 10am-2pm. Setup time is from 8-10 am.

Children and their parents will be invited to create valentines to be delivered to the inpatient vets

at Wilkes Barre VA Medical Center in February (date tbd).

During our annual VA visit we will once again present a variety program. If everyone to come up with an idea to present individually or with others in the group that ill be a huge help.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

2013 Memberships are Now Due

SUNACRW membership applications are available to print at www.sunacrw.wordpress.com . 2013 memberships are at a special rate of \$5 for full and associate members to make it easier to recruit new people in these hard economic times. Please make your check out to SUNACRW and mail to Christena Harder, 1920 Jefferson Avenue, Lewisburg PA 17837.

Membership Challenge

We will soon have available a sample letter you can send to your Republican friends asking them to join SUNACRW this year. Our goal is for each member to send these personalized notes encouraging our Republicans friends to add their voice to our conservative Republican organization. So start thinking about who you can invite to join SUNACRW.

VOICE YOUR OPINIONS

Member Survey

Carolyn is asking every member to complete a survey either on a paper copy or using the link you were sent to SurveyMonkey. If you need an email copy sent to you let her know. We want SUNACRW to meet the needs of its members so let us know what you think!

By-Laws Revisions

Carolyn and Irene have been discussing several possible changes to the bylaws to make them more functional for our group. Please review the bylaws and submit any suggestions you have to Carolyn. The current bylaws are on our website.

PRESIDENT'S VIEW

Meryl Hatton was elected PFRW
President at last September's
Convention. Shortly after she
announced her theme for 2013: **Our Children, Our Future.** I expect that this
theme will reveal itself in her scrapbook
topic which is still undetermined.

As I was thinking about that I thought I would like to play off Meryl's theme with our own focus. We have all been working with elections and legislatures to keep this wonderful country as it was

intended- as a beacon to the world of freedom. More than ever the government's decisions will affect the ability of our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to have a decent life.

So I am declaring this year as the year of **Restoring Freedom for Future Generations.** Let's not give up - together we can make a difference for our families.

Carolyn