

# **NEWSLETTER**

## **Montgomery County Republican Women**

### **Clarksville, Tennessee**

**November 5, 2013**

#### 2012 ~ 2013 OFFICERS

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1st Vice President, Programs Sue Ellen Yates

2nd Vice President, Membership Marie Tillman

Treasurer Sandra Gilkey

Assistant Treasurer Cheryl Chapin

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Speakers for our meeting today will be B.J. Worthington, Superintendent of the local Clarksville-Montgomery School District. His topic is S.T.E.M. We will also host U.S. Representative Marsha Blackburn from the 7<sup>th</sup> district of Tennessee. She will provide us an updated report on Congress. (Our next luncheon is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup>.)

We want to thank the nominee committee (Pat Allen, Chairman, Irene Smith, Cynthia Frazier, Joan Moseley and Shirley Hogan) again for completing their task efficiently and providing us with worthy candidates willing to serve for the upcoming 2014-1015 term. The floor will be open for additional nominations prior to our vote at the meeting.

#### Nominees for Election of Officers 2014 and 2015

President.....Marie Tillman  
1st Vice President.....Joy Huggins  
2nd Vice President/Membership.....Shirley Hogan  
Recording Secretary.....Pamela Johnson  
Treasurer.....Sandra Gilkey  
Assistant Treasurer.....Joan Moseley  
Corresponding Secretary.....Virginia Birdwell

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

##### I. BILL SUMMERS MAYORAL CANDIDATE

Hello,

2014 will mark the eighth year that I have had the honor to be a city councilman. Ward 10 voters helped re-elect me to my second term in 2010 by providing me over 81% of the vote. I have always been humbled by the margin of support I received in that election and by the support of the people in getting the job done. For a number of months I have been evaluating the option for running for a third and final term in 2014, as outlined in the city charter. After much deliberation and talk with a great number of folks, both within Ward 10 and throughout the city I have decided I will not seek a third city councilman term.

I make this decision based on the lack of support and leadership at the mayoral level in addressing the needs not only of Ward 10, but Clarksville as a whole. I could work to be re-elected for a third term to the council and sit and watch for another term as Clarksville remains stuck in a leaderless quagmire or take a more direct approach to help lead a city by providing a vision and plans that will tap its potential. I have chosen the more direct approach.

Therefore, I am announcing my candidacy for the Office of Clarksville Mayor in the 2014 elections. I will make an official announcement and presentation of this decision on **Monday, November 4, 2013 at the Customs House Museum at 7PM**. I am inviting you and your family to attend this event. I will talk about the

issues and plans I will address as your next mayor. I hope you can attend as your public support at this event and during the campaign will serve notice that Clarksville is ready for leadership that will provide a documented vision for future prosperity.

Event: **Bill Summers Mayoral Candidacy Announcement**

Date: **November 4, 2013**

Time: **7PM**

Location: **Customs House Museum Auditorium**

200 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

Parking is free by and around the Museum after 5PM

## II. "COMMON CORE" IN EDUCATION DISCUSSION

### **Red River Republican Women Community Event**

Thursday, November 14, 2013 @ 6:30 p.m.  
New Providence Middle School Auditorium  
Located at 146 Cunningham Lane, Clarksville

#### Event Topic

"Common Core"

What It Is/What It Is Not and Its Effects on Teacher Evaluation

#### Guest Speakers:

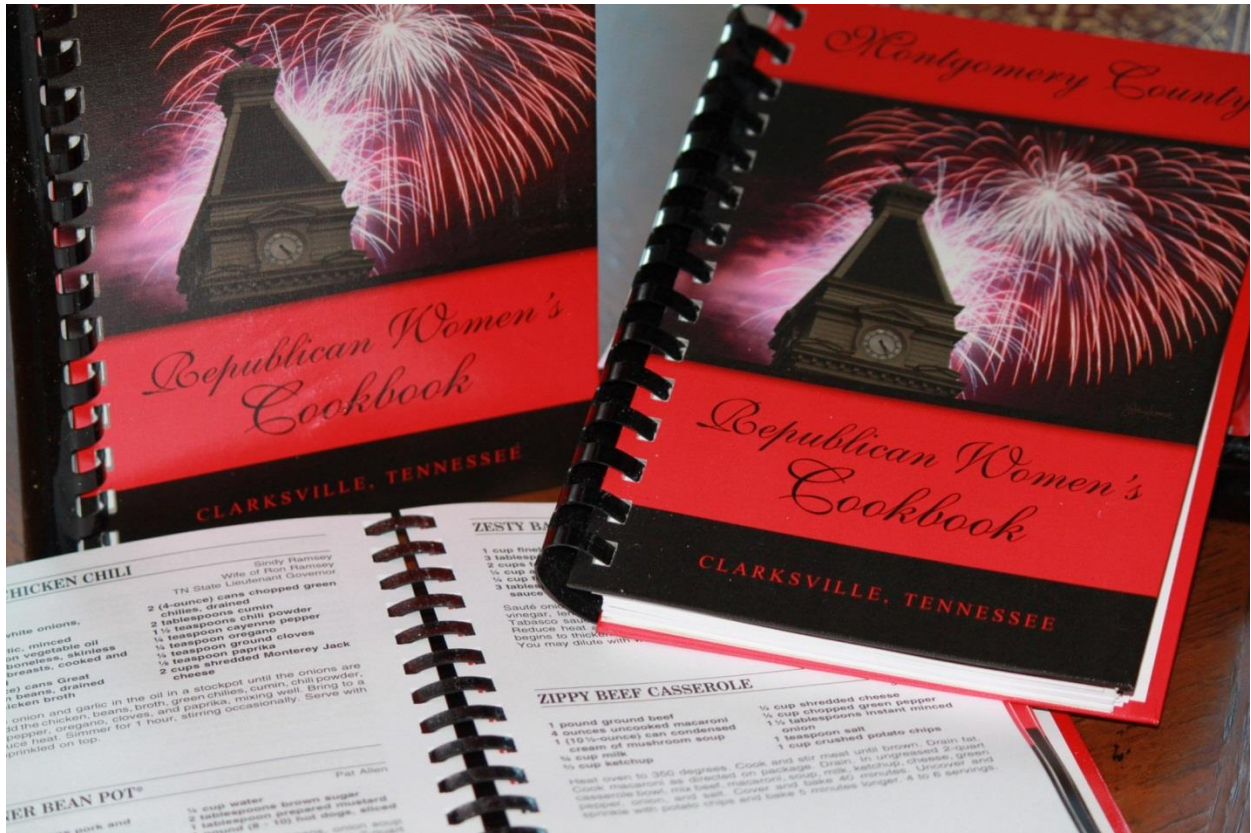
Dr. J.C. Bowman (Professional Educators of Tennessee - PET)  
Dr. Jared Bigham (State Collaborative on Reforming Education - SCORE)

Please join us for an evening of information gathering on this current education reform initiative. This event is free and open to all who would like to attend.

## III. CARING FOR AMERICA

The chaplain's office is doing a food drive for the thanksgiving season, that helps (mainly young enlisted) soldiers, who cannot afford to buy groceries (and other basic items, such as toiletries, diapers, etc) for their families for the holidays. So I thought it would be nice if we could get some things for that together as a Caring for America project.

#### IV. OUR COOKBOOK ... They're \$20 and they are here!



#### V. RED RIVER REPUBLICAN WOMEN

A Christmas party with Red River Club on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. It's a brunch at 10:00 am – cost will most likely be \$25 each, like last year.