

*"There's a Place for you at our Table"*



October 1, 2019



## Matthew Hill

### The 2020 Census

Matthew Hill was born in Davenport, IA, but currently resides in Murfreesboro with his wife Lauren, son Carter, and their dog Lily. Matthew received an Architectural Drafting Diploma from Tennessee Technology Center in Murfreesboro and an Associate's degree in Technology from Motlow State in Smyrna, TN. Matthew is currently attending evening classes at Middle Tennessee State University to finish his Bachelor's degree in Leadership. He has worked in the *Tennessee State Comptroller's Office of Local Government* for 15 years and currently holds the role of *GIS Specialist*. He has since presided over the Redistricting process for Local Government officials and serves as Tennessee's Liaison to the Census Bureau for Redistricting and city annexations and de-annexations.

We are looking forward to Matthew giving us all the details about the 2020 Census. Make your reservation to come and hear about this very important subject.



### "Tennessee Triumph"

*Thank you* to Dr. Dewey Browder for sharing with us at our September meeting the plans by the [Arts and Heritage Development Council to sponsor a statue](#) to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment providing for Woman Suffrage. The bronze statue will be titled "Tennessee Triumph" and will be unveiled on **August 15, 2020** on Public Square. The text of the Nineteenth Amendment will be engraved around the base, and the entire statue will be surrounded by engraved bricks. The statue and installation will cost in excess of \$200,000. Contributions are already being committed in amounts up to \$25,000. Bricks will go on sale on September 22, 2019. There will be two options: a 4x8 brick with 3 lines of 20 characters for \$100 and a 8x8 brick with 6 lines of 20 characters for \$200. The plan is to sell between 400 and 700 bricks.



Montgomery County Republican Women have been invited to contribute by purchasing an engraved brick recognizing that contribution. It was the mother of a Republican representative from McMinn County, Tennessee, who convinced her son to vote in favor of women's right to vote. His vote was the final vote that led to the passage of this bill! *"Hurray and vote for suffrage. Don't forget to be a good boy."*

#### Luncheon Meetings

are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the **Tanglewood House** at 1601 Madison Street in Clarksville. Cost is **\$20**. **Make check payable to MCRW.**



When you receive your reservation request email from **Joan Niles**, please respond as to whether you will attend or not, by clicking "Reply" with a yes or a no and include your name. You can made your reservation by email [joanniles@gmail.com](mailto:joanniles@gmail.com) or phone **616-450-2800**.

You must have made a reservation at least **three days in advance of our meeting** to be able to eat or have coffee: **before 10:00 am the Friday before our 11:30 am meeting the following Tuesday**. Remember that *"a reservation made is a reservation paid."*

If you know someone who does not have email, let her know to contact Joan by phone. [Click here](#) to do online payments.

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## A Message from Your President

If the weather ever begins to change, it will finally feel like football season. With leaves on the ground, pumpkins outside, and the right chill in the year, many of us begin to venture back to our alma maters for a big game or two. There's something strong and proud about putting on your school's colors, singing your fight song, and being a part of something bigger.

It's no secret that Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raiders are mine. Though after a few decades of calling Clarksville home, I will admit to attending quite a few APSU games - though never in red if they were playing my Blue! When you're with your people and they all cheer together for the same goal, with an incredible band accompanying you,

there's a sense of pride that washes all over.

With Homecoming right around the corner for many of us, I can't help but think of the power and tradition in coming back - in being invited to take part in something bigger than one person. As we start to look at the end of the year and our calendars fill up, I want to challenge you to invite someone back to the Montgomery County Republican Women.

Whether it's to one of our wonderful monthly meetings or the fall chili cook-off, I know they will find friendly faces ready to welcome them back and cheer alongside them for the Party we hold so dear.



### Montgomery County Republican Women

*Brenda Lewis Graham*  
President

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The 111th General Assembly  
*Ashley Elizabeth Graham Johnson*

Congress in on recess, so a recap on fall legislative activity coming next month!

Ashley Elizabeth Graham Johnson

By Tom Wurtz

“Hillary Clinton continues to accuse Republicans of conducting a **War on Women**. She's lying.

During this fall's general election, Democrat Hillary Clinton will again play the gender card blaming Republicans for conducting a War on Women.

She's lying. She's good at that.

The Republicans need to debunk this lie by setting the record straight. They need to explain the truth about the passage of the **19th Amendment** - women's right to vote.”

<https://www.theblaze.com/contributions/in-1920-republicans-defeated-democrats-war-on-women>

### Our Club Objectives

- To promote and inform public through political education and activity.
- To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government.
- To facilitate cooperation among the National and State Federation.
- To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its principles and candidates in all elections, including non-partisan elections.
- To support the objectives and policies of the Republican National and Tennessee Executive Committees and to work for the election of Republican Party nominees.
- To attain Diamond Award in 2018-2019.

## Upcoming TFRW Biennial Convention News

At our September meeting, we elected the **delegates** to represent MCRWC at the TFRW Biennial Convention in Johnson City, Tennessee, on October 18-19, 2019. Those elected were **Willi Frank, Teresa Tuttle, and Kyong Dawson. Marie Tillman** and **Brenda Graham** will each be attending as a TFRW Delegate at Large.

It was also announced that the **2021 TFRW Biennial Convention** is scheduled to be held in Middle Tennessee, having been in West Tennessee in 2017 and East Tennessee this year, 2019. The last time that it was in Middle Tennessee was in 2015 when it was held in Murfreesboro, so it is due to come back to Middle Tennessee in 2021.

**Marie Tillman, Willi Frank** and **Brenda Graham** have been working on arrangements to bid at the Convention in Johnson City for the venue to be held Clarksville in 2021. It is not certain that any other Middle Tennessee clubs are going to bid, so it may be that we will come home as the elected host for the 2021 TFRW Biennial Convention.

In order to be considered, a club is required to put together a host hotel and prepare a presentation at the Convention in October. We have contracted with the **Riverview Inn** and they are very excited at

the prospect of hosting this TFRW event in 2021. We have also contacted the City of Clarksville Division of Tourism and Special Events and they will provide us with handouts to present to the delegates at the October 2019 Convention.

Among the business that will be conducted at the Convention in October is the **election of new State Officers** to serve 2020 thru 2021. **Marie Tillman** is on the slate of officers to be elected at the Convention and **Pat Allen** will be installed as the new Area 5A Vice President. Those on the slate are **Barbara Trautman**, President; **Marie Tillman**, 1st Vice President; **Judy Cooley**, 2nd Vice President; **Bonnie Siler**, Treasurer; **Sharon Boreing**, Recording Secretary; and **Sharon Ohsfeldt**, Corresponding Secretary.

Other business that will be conducted includes a review of the Bylaws and Standing Rules; award presentations to clubs, and other miscellaneous business that needs to be conducted. There will be three (3) workshops, one being led by **Marie Tillman** on Membership and reporting forms.

Registration forms have been sent to register these ladies to represent the Montgomery County Republican Women and we look forward to hearing about that event at our November meeting.

## Officer Nominating Committee Elected

Those elected to the **Nominating Committee** at the September meeting were **Willi Frank**, Chairman; **Pat Allen, Kyong Dawson, Cheryl Hood,** and **Marie Tillman**; **Teresa Tuttle** was elected to be the Alternate.

This committee was given the task of searching for candidates to fill the positions of President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer for the next term of 2020-2021 for the Montgomery County Republican Women. The slate of officers selected by this committee will then be presented to the membership at the October meeting and nominations will be entered from the floor. The election of the new officers will be at the November meeting. At the December meeting the new officers will be installed by Barbara Trautman, the TFRW President.

Please make plans to attend the October meeting so that you can have a vote in the electing of your new officers.

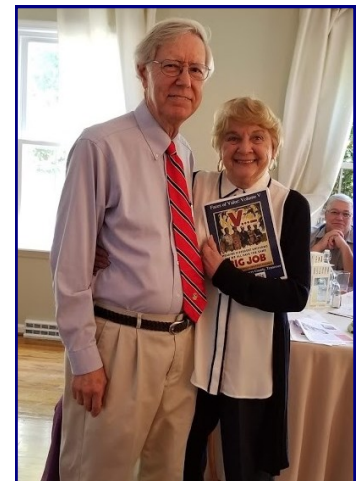


## DONATION PRESENTED

Montgomery County Republican Women has for the past several years donated to the **Kiwanis "Interview a Veteran" Essay Contest**.

This year we were privileged to have the long-standing Chairman of this Committee, **Ron Smithfield**, available at our September meeting to present the check for \$130.00. This annual Kiwanis Essay Contest has participants of 16,000+ children who have interviewed veterans or military and written essays and over \$25,000 in awards have been given to students.

**Brenda Graham** presented the check to Ron (left) and **Barbara Corley** (right) was the recipient of the door prize that Ron donated, one of the five "Faces of Valor" Kiwanis publi-



cations that includes local veteran's pictures & service records.



**We are still taking dues for 2019.** Just \$25 per year! Men may join as Associate Members for \$10 per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to: **Opal Kennedy, 1151 Needmore Road, Clarksville, TN 37040.** You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting. We have 78 members and want to continue to GROW! [Click here](#) to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or [fill in and pay by online form.](#)

## Tennessee Woman Suffrage Monument Project

*“From 2019-2020, the US will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment and women’s constitutional right to vote.”*

The Tennessee Federation of Republican Women, as a Suffrage supporter, was one of 16 organizations that participated in a wreath hanging ceremony along on August 24, 2019 at the [Tennessee Woman Suffrage Monument](#) in Centennial Park in Nashville. This is the beautiful wreath that was laid by a former TFRW President, Susan Witcher on behalf of the TFRW.

**Teresa Tuttle, Joan Niles** and **Cheryl Hood** made the trip on August 21st and August 22nd to Nashville to the Tennessee State Library and Archives to help the education team prepare for the year of commemorating women’s suffrage! They worked to build 20 copies of the [Women’s Suffrage Docsbox](#) and prepare folders for the upcoming teacher workshop series.



The 917 Society reached 90,000 8th grade students across the State by delivering pocket Constitutions in time for Constitution Day on September 17th, 2019.

**Marie Tillman** delivered to three (3) schools in Carroll County.



### *WE THE PEOPLE . . .*

Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by thirty-nine brave men on September 17, 1787, recognizing all who are born in the U.S. or by naturalization, have become citizens.

**Demetra Boyd, a long-time member, asked me to share the following with you. She periodically brings me things that she feels needs to be shared and I hope that you enjoy this and let her know if you did enjoy it!**

### **My Pledge to Pray Daily for the Protection of You and Your Family**

**Dear President Trump,**

I want you to know I am praying for you every day.

I am praying for the protection of you and your family. I also pray for our nation as we speed toward a **"tipping point"** election in 2020 - an election that will decide whether or not America survives as the "land of the free."

First, Barack Obama's leaders at the FBI, CIA, NSA, and Department of Jus-

tice illegally used our government's awesome surveillance powers to spy on your campaign to tip the election to Hillary Clinton.

Once that failed, these same Obama officials set the wheels in motion to trigger an entirely illegiti-

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mate Special Counsel investigation designed to destabilize and overthrow your government. They tried to frame you, claiming you were an agent of Russia. Special Counsel Robert Mueller hired all Democrats on his team of 18 prosecutors, one of whom was the chief counsel for the Clinton Foundation.

They issued 2,800 subpoenas and 500 search warrants, conducted 500 interviews, investigated for two years and spent \$30 MILLION, but were able to find absolutely nothing - not so much as an unpaid parking ticket. But the Democrats say this was not enough. They continue their investigations and subpoenas.

They attack your beautiful wife Melania. They attack your 12-year-old son Barron. They even attack your grandchildren.

They refuse to work with you on anything. Today's Democrats refuse to help you secure America's borders. The Democrat-controlled House even voted to allow illegal immigrants to vote in our elections. Top

**Regular Monthly Club Meetings**

**MCRWC** — 1st Tuesday — 11:30 am  
 September 3, 2019  
 October 5, 2019  
 November 5, 2019  
 Tanglewood House

**RRRW**—3rd Saturday — 9:30 am  
 October 19, 2019  
 The Looking Glass

**Montgomery County GOP**  
 4th Tuesday — 7:00 pm  
 October 22, 2019  
 GOP Headquarters

Democrat contenders for President say they want to knock down existing barriers and structures along our border so millions more illegal immigrants can pour in more easily.

Incredibly, every Democrat in the U.S. Senate, except three, voted to allow the killing of healthy babies born alive by mistake after an attempted partial-birth abortion. Democrat activists actually even boast about their abortions.

They have a hash tag on social media encouraging women to **ShoutYourAbortion**. That's how radical today's Democrats have become.

But you are standing strong. You did not need this job. You could have lived a very nice peaceful life as a multi-billionaire celebrity. But you saw our country was heading for destruction under Barack Obama and the Left. So you put your own personal and business interests aside to run for President. And then you won, to the shock of the dishonest "fake news" media that did all they could to defeat you. They never forgave you for winning.

And now there is nothing they won't do to destroy you, your family, and our great country.

I want you to know that I am standing with you. I am praying for God to protect you and your family, and to save America from being destroyed forever by the unhinged radical, anti-America Left.

**2018-2019 Officers**

- President**  
Brenda Graham
- 1st VP --Programs**  
Pam Johnson
- 2nd VP—Membership**  
Opal Kennedy
- Corresponding Secretary**  
Elaine Tucker
- Recording Secretary**  
Nancy Adkison
- Treasurer**  
Juanita Golson
- Assistant Treasurer**  
Syndi Carlson
- Immediate Past President**  
Marie Tillman

**Committee Chairs**

- Americanism**  
Willi Frank
- Armed Forces/ Homeland Security**  
Willi Frank
- Budget & Finance**  
Cheryl Chapin
- By-Laws**  
Teresa Tuttle
- Campaign Hours**  
Nicole O'Connor
- Caring for America**  
Diane Green—Chair  
Marty Matthews—CoChair
- Chaplain**  
Barbara Corley
- Club Achievement Awards**  
Pat Allen
- Communications**  
Marie Tillman
- Decorations**  
Teresa Tuttle
- Facebook/Website**  
Cheryl Hood/Marie Tillman
- Fundraising**  
Nicole O'Connor
- Historian**  
Juanita Golson
- Leadership**  
Niesha Wolfe
- Legislative**  
Ashley Elizabeth Graham
- Literacy/Education**  
Ellen Twombly
- Luncheon Reservations**  
Joan Niles
- Newsletter Editor**  
Marie Tillman
- Parliamentarian**  
Pat Allen
- Publicity**  
Joan Niles
- Volunteer Hours**  
Nicole O'Connor
- Voter Registration**  
Peggy Vaughn

*From our Cookbook...*

**Savory Biscuit Breadsticks**

Pat Allen

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- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 2 teaspoons garlic salt
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 (12-ounce) tube refrigerated buttermilk biscuits
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a shallow bowl, mix cheese, garlic and pepper flakes. Roll each biscuit into 6-inch ropes. Brush lightly with oil; then roll in cheese mixture. Place on greased baking sheet. Bake for 8-10 minutes, until golden brown. Makes 10.



# Upcoming Events



*Lots of food, fun and fellowship to enjoy! Come out and network with like-minded Republicans and help your local GOP raise money for supporting candidates in the 2020 election cycle. There may be some surprises, too!*

## Chili n'Dogs Fall Feed & Fundraiser

**Dr. Manny**  
MANNY SETHI  
U.S. SENATE



*Other candidates have been invited*

**Saturday, October 5, 2019  
6:00 – 9:00 PM**

**Budweiser Barn  
1816 Ross Road  
Cedar Hill, TN**

\$35.00 Donation per Ticket

\$300.00 Sponsor Donation  
(Includes 10 tickets)

For tickets, contact:

Helga Redd	931-216-5640
Brenda Graham	931-801-3654
Pat Allen	931-648-0174
Rob Bateman	931-206-2491

Go online at [montgomerycountytngop.org](http://montgomerycountytngop.org)

**Support your local Montgomery County Republican Party by purchasing your tickets today! This is our annual Fall Fundraiser and we need your help to make this a success. Call one of the members listed or go online and get your tickets. [www.montgomerycountytngop.org](http://www.montgomerycountytngop.org)**