

FRANK LOTT

Executive Director, Customs House Museum and Cultural Center

Note the change of meeting to July 11.

Frank Lott has been active in the Clarksville Community for many years. Prior to becoming Executive Director of the Customs House Museum & Cultural Center, Frank was active as a volunteer supporter of the Custom House Museum since its inception in 1983, serving 3 terms as Board Chairman.

Frank Lott teamed with Jeff Bibb in BLF Marketing for 42 years, providing marketing consulting, public relations, advertising design, & media planning services until they closed the business to pursue other interests.



Frank Lott has been involved in several Clarksville Community Projects including publishing of "Historic Clarksville" for its Bicentennial Celebration in 1984, serving on the Physical Planning committee of the Tornado Recovery Task Force & helping

to develop the permanent exhibit & trail-marking system at the Ft. Defiance Civil War Park. Frank Lott is a special assent to the Clarksville Community.

	July Birthdays	
Members		
Christina	Riggs	1-Jun
Nancy	Adkison	2-Jun
Niesha	Wolfe	2-Jun
Michelle	McPherson	5-Jun
Kathleen	Newman	17-Jun
Ashleigh	Travis	26-Jun



LUNCH RESERVATIONS

Luncheon Meetings are every first Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am at the <u>Tanglewood House</u> at 1601 Madison Street in Clarksville. However, this month we will meet on the **2nd Tuesday**. Cost is \$25.00 for members/associates and \$30.00 for non-members. Make check payable to MCRW. Make your reservation by email to Carol Englen at <u>reservations.mcrw@gmail.com</u> or by phone at 719-371-2065.

Reservations must be made before 10:00 am the Friday prior to 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 Carol by phone. <u>Click here</u> to do online payments. Payments made online will include a \$1.00 convenience fee.



Become an Approved Site Member by creating your Profile. You must be a voting member of the <u>Montgomery</u> <u>County Republican Women</u> Club to access this page. When the website opens, go to the LOG IN tab and complete the registration form. Whenever you have been approved, you will receive an email notification. Go in and complete your Profile and get started!

From Your President . . .

Hello MCRW,

I was watching the news the other day and they were talking about how the American Flag makes people feel anxious, so much that these people have left business because the business is displaying the American Flag. Why are people surprised when they are in United States of America and then see us displaying our own flag. People had fought for this flag, people have died for this flag, and people come to this country because of this flag. The Flag is a unifying symbol that binds together Americans from the east to west, north to south. The people that believe it brings anxiety or fear it are trying to divide just that.

This Fourth of July marks 247 years since the Founding Fathers declared three self-evident truths: that we are all created equal; that God has endowed us with unalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and that government derives its powers from the consent of the governed. The founding generation fought to secure these principles and since then generations have bled to defend them.

As Americans celebrate Independence Day with parades and fireworks, we should recognize what makes our country special. America is great because of the founding ideals and fundamental freedoms first articulated in our Declaration of Independence and later guaranteed by our Constitution and Bill of Rights.

Mark Your Calendars!

Montgomery County Lincoln Reagan Day Dinner to be held on **Friday, August 11th** at the Wilma Rudolph Event Center starting at 6pm. More info later.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Lincoln Reagan coordinator Willi Frank at <u>sfwilli@aol.com</u>

The Montgomery County Republican Party meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the party headquarters at 1817A Madison Street, Suite 1, Clarksville, TN 37043. Headquarters is open on Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 10 am - 2 pm. Telephone (931) 919-2457. July meeting will be July 25, 2023. Since the United States' independence, the national Flag has been revised twenty-seven separate times. Each time a state (or states) was added to the union, another star had to be added to the top left corner of the Flag. The most recent version of the Flag was recognized in 1960 when Hawaii became a state. The evolution of the United States Flag is therefore not only a history of an American symbol but the history of this country's land and people.

Each state has a star sewn into a blue background that represents vigilance, perseverance, and justice. The red stripes symbolize valor whereas the white means purity and innocence. Although the design of the US Flag was altered – and may continue to alter – as states were added, the red, white, and blue remains unchanged. These colors represent characteristics of the American people throughout history, across the nation.

"We're blessed with the opportunity to stand for something, for liberty and fairness. And these are things worth fighting for, worth devoting our lives to." President Ronald Reagan

Happy 4th of July, Tina

> Tina Englen, President 931-249-3605



<u>Tina.Englen@yahoo.com</u>



Plan to attend our Cocktails with Conservatives event scheduled for October 3 from 6:30—8:30 pm. This will replace our luncheon meeting on that day. More information will be coming later.



Membership Pins. If you are a member and have not received your membership pin, please contact Taylor at <u>Lthornung@gmail.com</u>

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The October Biennial Convention

"Republicans on the River" will be held in Pickwick on October 20-21, 2023.

2024-2025 TFRW Officer Positions. The Nominating Committee announces that applications are being accepted from TFRW membership for the positions of:

- \cdot President
- · 1st Vice President
- · 2nd Vice President
- · Treasurer
- \cdot Vice-Treasurer
- · Recording Secretary
- \cdot Corresponding Secretary



TFRW CONVENTION OCT 20 & 21, 2023 The Lodge at Pickwick Landing 120 Playground Loop - Counce TN Phone # 731-689-3135 TFRW Group Code #7660

A limited number of rooms available for Thursday, October 19, 2023

Rooms, Cabins, and Premium Cabins (Riverfront) The cabins are two and three bedroom and sleep several people.

OVERFLOW HOTEL Hampton Inn By Hilton Pickwick Dam at Shiloh Falls 90 Old South Rd, Counce, TN Phone # 731-689-3031 Just minutes from the Pickwick Lodge



You should have received by email the Member **Directory** that was sent out on Tuesday, June 20. If you did not receive this, please contact Marie at tillmanlm@charter.net There is no cost for an online directory but if you wish to receive a printed one, the cost is \$10.00 to cover printing and paper; contact Marie if you wish a printed copy. Updates will be provided for those who purchased a copy. This is also on the Member website page.



46th Annual Statesmen's Dinner at the Music Center Nashville

July 15, 2023

TICKETS and TABLES will be sold on a first come basis





2022 – 2023 Committee Chairs

Americanism, Willi Frank Armed Forces/ Homeland Security, Tina Englen Budget & Finance, Cheryl Chapin Bv-Laws. Teresa Tuttle Campaign/Volunteer Hours, Brenda Graham Caring for America, Tina Englen Chaplain, Opal Kennedy Club Achievement Awards, Marie Tillman Facebook/Communications, Tina Englen Historian, Juanita Golson Iris Fund, Brenda Graham Leadership, Pat Allen Legislative, Tina Englen Literacy/Education, Ellen Twombley Luncheon Reservations, Carol Englen Newsletter Editor, Marie Tillman Parliamentarian, Opal Kennedy Publicity/Communications, Pat Allen Voter Registration, Carol Englen Ways and Means Website, Marie Tillman Women in Business/Free Enterprise, Niesha Wolfe

2022 - 2023 Officers

President, Tina Englen 1st VP — Programs, Patricia Allen 2nd VP—Membership, Taylor Hornung Corresponding Secretary, Willi Frank Recording Secretary, Brenda Lewis Graham

Treasurer, Juanita Golson Assistant Treasurer, Marie Tillman Immediate Past President, Teresa Tuttle

Pay your dues for 2023

Men may join as Associate Members for **\$20.00** per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to Juanita Golson, 1557 Armistead Drive, Clarksville, TN 37042.

<u>Click here</u> to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or <u>fill in and pay by online</u> <u>form</u>. You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting. CONGRESSMAN MARK GREEN'S Sth ANNUAL RED, WHITE Unes July 8, 2023 5:30PM

> THE RUBY CORA 2300 Gunn Rd, Adams, TN 37010

Come Celebrate with Camie and Mark Green

> Join us for blues & BBQ!

\$25/Adult and \$10/Children 18 and under

Congressman Mark Green's 5th Annual Red, White & Blues

<u>Tickets</u>



The annual SAR/ DAR July 4th reading of the Declaration of Independence will be held at 9am the morning of July 4th, on the steps of the old Montgomery County Courthouse downtown. This is a family friendly event,

with period clothing, musket firing and shooting off of the courthouse cannon (as weather permits), bringing the past to life. The Cumberland Winds plan to be there adding Fife and Drum music to the festivities this year.



The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a Republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American Patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my Country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

United States (U.S.) Declaration of Independence

The significant aspect of the **Declaration of Independence** is that it changed the American "rebellion" against Great Britain into a "revolution." From April 19, 1775 until July 2, 1776 the war was being fought so the colonists could regain their rights as Englishmen that had been taken away by the



British from 1763-1775. On July 2, 1776 the Second Continental Congress approved the resolution by Richard Henry Lee from Virginia that "these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States, that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved" This was truly a revolutionary statement. John Adams felt that July 2 would be the day that would be "solemnized with Pomp and Parade with shows, games, sports, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this Continent to the other"

July 4 is the day that has been chosen as our "independence" day. That was the day that the Second Continental Congress approved but did not sign the Declaration of Independence mostly written by Thomas Jefferson. History has had a lot to do with the sanctity of July 4. It was on that day that the news of the Louisiana Purchase arrived in Washington, Henry David Thoreau arrived at Walden Pond and President Abraham Lincoln learned of the Union victories at Vicksburg and Gettysburg. However, the one incredible event that happened to ordain July 4 as something significant were the deaths of both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams on July 4, 1826 only hours apart from each other.

The Declaration of Independence is on public display at the <u>National</u> <u>Archives</u> in Washington, D.C.

Taken from Constitutionfacts.com.

Read the Declaration of Independence in its entirety by clicking here.