



Clarksville, Tennessee

"There's a Place for You at our Table"

October 4, 2022

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October Speaker

United States Senator Marsha Blackburn

As a small business woman, author, mother, grandmother, and Member of Congress, Marsha Blackburn has dedicated her service to making America a more free and more prosperous place to live.



Marsha went to college on a 4-H scholarship and worked her way through school selling books for the Southwestern Company. She was one of their first female sales associates and one of their first female sales managers, assisting the company in establishing a division focused on women.

Senator Blackburn began her elected service career in 1998 as a Tennessee State Senator. While serving in the Tennessee Senate, Blackburn led a statewide

grassroots campaign to defeat a proposed state income tax. While defeating the tax, she earned the reputation as a champion of anti-tax and government accountability issues, taking to the airwaves to make the case that government wrongly believes it never gets enough of the taxpayer's paycheck.

Tennesseans sent her to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2002 to represent the 7th Congressional District, where she continued the fight for accountable government and led the investigation into Planned Parenthood.

In 2018, Tennesseans voted overwhelmingly to send her to the United States Senate. She is the state's first female Senator.

Marsha and her husband Chuck live in Williamson County, Tennessee. They have two children, Mary Morgan (Paul) Ketchel and Chad (Hillary) Blackburn; and two grandsons, and a granddaughter.



Begins October 19th

October Birthdays

Erin Yow	10/3	Robert Nash	10/5
Jerry Randolph	10/8	AC Lopez	10/6
Cindy Greene	10/9	Collie Cook	10/7
Vickie Wright	10/10	Adrienne Fry	10/19
Cheryl Chapin	10/15	Tommy Vallejos	10/19
Carol Englen	10/16		
Jemina Clinard	10/27		

Associates:



LUNCH RESERVATIONS

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 \$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 reservations.mcrw@gmail.com 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. [Click here](#) to do online payments. Payments made online will include a \$1.00 convenience fee.

A Message from Your President

What will October 2022, or 2023 bring? The possibilities are unsure, however I know we need to work together as a party in order to work through whatever is thrown our way. You have heard it a million times, but I am going to say it again. We need to Ride the Red Wave all the way to the White House and we can only do that together as ONE Party.

October Surprise

<https://politicaldictionary.com/words/october-surprise/>

An October surprise is a news event which takes place shortly before a closely watched election and which may influence the election's outcome.

Usually, the term in reference to a presidential election, although it can be applied to any election.

Merriam Webster notes that October surprise wasn't always a political term. In the early 20th century, it referred to the annual autumn sales held by major department stores. Around 1980, people started using October surprise in its modern political sense.

An October surprise can take many different forms. A natural disaster, an economic downturn, or even a war can all impact elections, especially if they take place just before people go to the polls. All of those count as an

October surprise. However, the term is more commonly used for deliberately planned news events. Last-minute revelations about a candidate's personal life or their finances can also constitute an October surprise.

In 2000, George W Bush was running for president against Al Gore. The two were in a close race, but Bush appeared to have pulled ahead. Then in early November, the news broke that Bush had been arrested and charged with a DUI in Maine back in 1976. The news shook Bush's support. Karl Rove, Bush's chief strategist, later said that if the DUI news had never become public, Bush would have won the popular vote, eliminating the need for a recount.

In October 2004, when Bush was running for re-election, Osama bin Laden released a video that boosted the president's position in the polls. The video referred to the September 11 attacks and called President Bush a dictator, accusing him of repressing civil liberties by means of the Patriot Act. The video put national security back at the forefront of public discussion and likely inflated support for the president.

Four years later, in 2008, John McCain was running for president against Barack Obama. In October, the stock market crashed, unemployment reached an all-time high, and the global economy seemed to be on the point of collapse. The market crash was widely credited with helping



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Obama win the election.

The most famous October surprise of them all, however, may be one which never actually took place. In 1980, Ronald Reagan was running for president against the incumbent, Democrat Jimmy Carter. The Reagan campaign was reportedly afraid that Carter would orchestrate a last-minute deal to free the American hostages that had been held in Iran since 1979. Reagan's staffers feared that if the hostages were released, Carter would get a huge bump in the polls.

In the event, though, Iran waited to free the hostages until just after Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as president. Since then, theories have abounded as to what happened. Many Democrats believe that Reagan himself made a deal with Iran, asking them not to liberate the hostages until after he won the election. What's clear is that, in the absence of an October surprise, Reagan was able to sweep to victory.

Tina



Pay your dues for 2023 Our dues are **\$35.00 per year!**

Men may join as Associate Members for **\$20.00** per year. Make all checks payable to MCRW and send to Erin Yow at 501 Hwy 76, Clarksville, TN 37043. You can also email her at membership.mcrw@gmail.com

[Click here](#) to go to the website and download a membership form, pay your membership online, or [fill in and pay by online form](#). You may also pay your dues at the Luncheon meeting.

Mamie Eisenhower Library Project

On Monday, Sep. 12, 2022, Ellen Twombly, Literacy Chairman for the Montgomery County Republican Women's Club, Clarksville, TN, presented two books to the Montgomery County Public Library. They were received by Christina Riedel, Interim Librarian.



The books were “Justice on Trial: The Kavanaugh Confirmation” and “The Future of the Supreme Court” by Mollie Hemmingway and Carrie Sev-

erino and “Riglee Celebrates Thanksgiving” by Lori Piotrowski and Michelle Hirstius. The first book is for anyone to enjoy, especially if you are interested in law and American courts. The second book is a children's book on the history of the Thanksgiving holiday.

These books will be placed in general circulation in the library. The donated books contain a bookplate crediting the Montgomery County Republican Women for the donation.

[About MELP](#)

The Mamie Eisenhower Library Project (MELP) is the NFRW's oldest program, celebrating 60 years of book donations from an approved list to schools, libraries, hospitals and other public institutions.

In 1961, the NFRW established the Mamie Eisenhower Library Project as a memorial honoring the former Republican First Lady who served for decades as a military wife and prepared the family home for over 30 moves during President Eisenhower's military service to our country. Born in Iowa and moving to the South as a child, Mrs. Eisenhower was active in financial decisions in her home and often said that a woman's independence was based upon her own ability to save money. She practiced fiscal responsibility as a First Lady, often clipping recipes for the White House Chef to prepare using boxed cake mixes as they were cheaper than baking from scratch.

Each biennium, the NFRW Literacy and Education Committee compiles a list of books that reflect Republican conservative beliefs of self-reliance, freedom and independence. In 1992, tapes and videos were added to the list. In 2020, DVDs and streaming services were added to the list. These books, both adult and children's levels, are intended to be donated to public libraries, all schools, and hospitals to provide reading material to a wide variety of children and adults in our communities. During the COVID-19 pandemic, many clubs expanded to reading children's books online through social media to a nation's children not able to enter school buildings.

Club participation in the Mamie Eisenhower Library Project is one of the requirements for receiving the NFRW Achievement Awards, which are given out at NFRW's biennial convention. (from the [NFRW website](#))

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CARING FOR OUR MEMBERS



If you know of a current or former member who has been or is ill, has suffered a loss or could just use a little cheer, please give **Willi Frank**, Corresponding Secretary, their names and addresses so she can send them a card.

Montgomery County Republican Women

"Baby Shower"



September Luncheon



Linda Kellman TFRW President





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.

Early Voting Begins October 19; Voting Dates & Times

State General and City of Clarksville Elections

Nov 8, 2022
Early Voting Dates and Times
Oct 19 – Nov 3, 2022

Election Commission Site 350 Pageant Lane, Suite 404

Oct 19,	Wed	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
20,	Thur	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
21,	Fri	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
22,	Sat	.....8 a.m. to Noon
Oct 24,	Mon	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
25,	Tue	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
26,	Wed	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
27,	Thur	.....8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
28,	Fri	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
29,	Sat	.....8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Oct 31,	Mon	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Nov 1,	Tue	.....8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
2,	Wed	.....8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
3,	Thur	.....8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Clarksville Regional Airport Site 200A Outlaw Field Rd.

Oct 19,	Wed	.....Closed
20,	Thur	.....Closed
21,	Fri	.....Closed
22,	Sat	.....Closed
Oct 24,	Mon	.....10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
25,	Tue	.....10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
26,	Wed	.....10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
27,	Thur	.....10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
28,	Fri	.....10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
29,	Sat	.....8 a.m. to Noon
Oct 31,	Mon	.....Noon to 4 p.m.
Nov 1,	Tue	.....Noon to 4 p.m.
2,	Wed	.....Noon to 4 p.m.
3,	Thur	.....Noon to 4 p.m.



Phone (931) 648-5707 www.mcgtn.org/election

On the Ballot:

Governor

Proposed Constitutional Amendments 1,2,3,4

US House of Rep. - Dist. 7

State Senate - Dist. 23

House of Rep. Dist. 67

TN House of Rep. Dist. 68

TN House of Rep. Dist. 75

City Mayor

City Council - Ward 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11

For a sample ballot, [click here](#).

The four proposed amendments to the Tennessee Constitution on the Nov. 8 ballot:

- 1) An amendment to Article XI, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the right to work.
- 2) An amendment to Article II and Article III of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to the exercise of the powers and duties of the Governor during disability.
- 3) An amendment to Article I, Section 33 of the Constitution of Tennessee, to prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude.
- 4) An amendment to Article IX, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to disqualifications.

To learn about the Proposed Constitutional Amendments, [click here](#). (a PDF copy of the summaries will be attached with this newsletter)



The Constitution of the United States of America

Article VI

All Debts contracted and Engagements entered into, before the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be as valid against the United States under this Constitution, as under the Confederation.

This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding.

The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the Members of the several State Legislatures, and all executive and judicial Officers, both of the United States and of the several States, shall be bound by Oath or Affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States.

Article VII

The Ratification of the Conventions of nine States, shall be sufficient for the Establishment of this Constitution between the States so ratifying the Same.

First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Second Amendment

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Third Amendment

No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Fourth Amendment

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

The next Newsletter will begin with the **Fifth Amendment**.

Cut out this article and all others and put together into your own booklet.

If you read *every word* of this as we share it, you will be able to say that you have "read" the Constitution!

Click the [blue hyperlink](#) for explanation of the selected text.)

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 2022-2023.

