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Martin Republican Women's Federated, January 2011

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Martin County Taxpayers Association

GUEST SPEAKER, January 2011

Mission Statement:

To study the tax situation in Martin County, Florida; to work with Public Officials and Boards toward economy and efficiency in the operation of the Government of Martin County and other political bodies in said County; to improve, extend and place upon a safe and more permanent foundation the general tax program of said communities and county, etc.

"The County is faced with serious financial issues that will not go away and the county must take aggressive action in reducing expenditures by cutting, eliminating, combining or outsourcing of services and jobs in order to sustain a level of service in the County that is measured against projected revenues."

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 17th – Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday

January 18th– Regular Meeting
Finz, 12 noon

February 15th – Regular Meeting
Finz, 12 noon



MISS ME YET?????



A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, Diane McKechnie

Well we all survived the Holidays, even though some of us were stuck up north in a blizzard and had trouble getting back to sunny Florida. I for one am truly grateful to be back. I hope you had a great holiday and a fabulous New Year.

I am really excited about 2011. This is the time to prepare and get ready for the Democratic assault of 2012. To that end I will be calling on you to meet this huge challenge.

I have recently been given the appointment of Legislative Liaison for the FFRW . This as you can imagine is a big job and I look forward to it. As a side bar , it should also be good for our club, as you can be sure I will inform each and everyone of them about the wonderful MRWF. Also I am taking on a major task as a lead fundraiser for the FFRW.

I am looking forward to starting some very important committees in our club and please let me know anything that you are interested in getting involved with. To mention a couple, *Outreach for members, Communication/ public relations, Speakers, Business* and more. Myself and the BOD want to make sure that we will be keeping it enjoyable and relevant. Any and all suggestions will be appreciated.

You are one great group of women and together there is nothing that we cannot accomplish. I thank all you and God Bless you and may God continue to bless America. Now to quote our new Governor **"lets get to work"** and let's have some fun!

We are the life of the party.

Fondly, Diane McKechnie, President

Florida Federation of Republican Women



A powerful history of Republican grassroots activism

The Florida Federation of Republican Women (FFRW) was chartered in 1950 and is affiliated with the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW). At the national level, we are a grassroots organization of over 100,000 women throughout the country who support Republican candidates and issues at all levels of government.

FFRW clubs can be found in the large cities and small communities in the state and with such a powerful network, we commit ourselves to advancing the participation of Republican Women in all areas of the political system. We are dedicated to encouraging and empowering women of all ages and backgrounds, strengthening the Republican Party and working to influence the crucial issues that face our communities, state and nation.

Our goals include assisting the party in electing qualified Republicans to office, educating our members on current issues and promoting Republican initiatives. Many of our members hold political office in their local communities and many others serve in the Florida Legislature. Our members are also active Republican Executive Committee leaders and serve as State Committeewomen.

JANUARY IS "AWARENESS MONTH"

Awareness of:
Blood Donating
Glaucoma
Cervical Health
Stalking
Poverty in America
Birth Defect Prevention
Thyroid

NOMINATIONS for MRWF Officers at January Meeting! Please attend!



REMINDER!

Our meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, at noon. We have our luncheon meetings at Finz, unless otherwise indicated.

Welcome to 2011!

Do you realize that campaigning for the 2012 Presidential Election will be beginning in a few months? This is no time to keep congratulating ourselves for regaining control of the House, and gaining many Republican Governors. We need to stay active and alert! Being a member of our MRWF gives us the power for our voices to be heard. You can help – join the MRWF. The first step is to **PAY YOUR DUES**. We need to raise some money this year, so please support our efforts in any fundraising. We are trying to come up with ideas, maybe you can help with that too? If each member would bring in only one new member – we would **double** in size. Together we will make a difference!

Contact your Congressional Members! Here is a handy guide to use:

Capital Building: 1-800-828-0498

Senator Marco Rubio:
rubio.senate.gov/contact
Phone 202-224-3041

Senator Bill Nelson:
billnelson.senate.gov/contact
Phone 202-224-5274

Congressman Thomas Rooney:
rooney.house.gov
202-225-5792
(In Stuart) 772-288-4668

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN BY-LAWS!

The Board of Directors is proposing a change in our By-Laws, Nominations and Elections, Section 5, to read:

"No officer shall serve more than four consecutive terms in the same office."

(Currently the By-Laws state:

"No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.")

**DON'T FORGET THAT WE ADVERTISE
YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR NEWSLETTERS:**

Business cards - Members \$25.00 for 4 issues, Non-members \$25.00 an issue. We would also advertise any "personal" greeting such as birthdays, anniversaries, births, graduations, for \$10.
(Contact Diane or Deena)

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