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REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF RUTHERFORD COUNTY

May 17, 2022 – 6 PM

CARRIAGE LANE INN -- 337 East Burton Street

Join us for the monthly meeting of RWRC on Tuesday May 17 at 6 pm where we will welcome State Election Coordinator Mark Goins and County Administrator of Elections Alan Farley. Pay at the door - \$20 cash (no change provided) or check payable to RWRC.

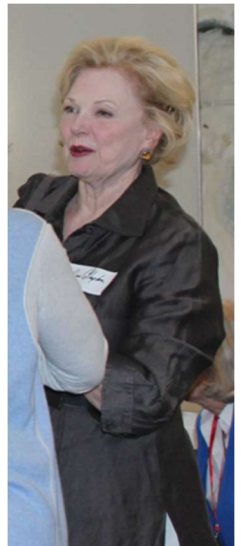


Tennessee Coordinator of Elections **Mark Goins** was recently elected to serve as chairman of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Standards Board. His term began on April 29 and will last one year. Goins, a former state representative, represented the Volunteer State on the board’s nine-member Executive Board for the past year. He served three two-year terms through the year 2021. He has been Tennessee Coordinator of Elections since 2009.

Alan Farley is responsible for overseeing all elections in Rutherford County and managing the day-to-day operations of the Election Commission staff. As Administrator he led the innovative change that allowed Rutherford County to be the first county in Tennessee to establish convenient vote centers on Election Day in 2018. Any voter can vote anywhere in the county on Election Day. Farley has served as an election advisor to graduate students of the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. He was one of two election professionals in the state selected to take part in a bipartisan initiative on cyber-security called Defending Digital Democracy Project.

April Meeting

Guest speaker **Jordan Sekulow** spoke to our group during our April 12th meeting about his experiences as the Executive Director of the **American Center for Law and Justice (ACLJ)**, cohost of *Sekulow*, a syndicated radio program providing cutting analysis of today's political and legal landscape with elected officials and conservative leaders, and as President Trump's attorney during the Mueller probe and first impeachment trial.



Information to Know

Name tags – At our May meeting, you will have an opportunity to order a new names tag for \$10 per member with our logo included if you have not already done so. Order sheets will be available.

Volunteers needed this summer at Rutherford County GOP headquarters, 111 East Main Street, through the County General election on August 4, 2022. If interested, please email director@rutherfordgop.org. Hours would typically be from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4 Monday through Friday this summer.

Upcoming Events for May & June 2022

May 14 - TFRW spring meeting at Hillwood Country Club ~ 10 a.m. ~ Reservations required.

May 17 - RWRC meeting - Elections and Election Integrity - State Election Coordinator Mark Goins and County Administrator of Elections Alan Farley @ 6 pm at the Carriage Lane Inn

May 15-21 – National Police Week

May 30 - Memorial Day

June 2 or 3 - *Whose Children Are They?* movie documentary exposing the hidden agenda in America's schools. 6:30 pm home of Karen Hudson. Notice and signup will be sent out. Cost is \$1 (to rent the movie). More dates will be added if there is interest.

June 10 - Rutherford County GOP Reagan Day Dinner at Copper Ridge (Details on how to purchase tickets on the next page.)

June 14 - Flag Day

June 21- RWRC meeting - Mission America speaker (veterans working with law enforcement to combat human trafficking)

Reagan Day Dinner June 10th

Our first live Reagan Day Dinner in two years will take place on Friday, June 10th, with U.S. Senator Bill Hagerty as our keynote speaker. Individual tickets to the Dinner (6:00 PM) with Senator Hagerty and the Reception (5:00 PM) with Senator Hagerty can be purchased via our Ticket Tailor link found here: <https://buytickets.at/rutherfordcountyrepublicans/690049> . We are especially grateful to Murfreesboro Flower Shoppe for the usage of their facility Copper Ridge Event Venue. Please be sure to support Murfreesboro Flower Shoppe for their support of the local GOP!

May 3rd Republican Primary Results

Rutherford County Sheriff: Mike Fitzhugh, incumbent

*Fitzhugh will run against Pat Garrett, Independent,
in the general election on August 4.*

Rutherford County Mayor: Joe Carr

*Carr will run against Independent candidates Royce Olen Johnson,
Randy Allen, and Norman Hanks
in the general election on August 4.*

Circuit Court Clerk: Melissa Harrell, incumbent

Register of Deeds: Heather Dawbarn, incumbent

County Clerk: Lisa Duke Crowell, incumbent

No Democrat or Independent candidate qualified.

Trustee: Teb Batey, incumbent

No Democrat or Independent candidate qualified.

County Commission

- **District 1:** David Gammon, incumbent (R), will face Hope Oliver (D) on August 4th.
- **District 2:** Steve Percy, incumbent (R), winner.
- **District 3:** Michael Wrather, incumbent (R), will face Anita L. Herron, (D).
- **District 4:** Michael A. Rodgers (R) will face incumbent Robert Peay, Jr. (I)
- **District 5:** Carol Cook, incumbent (R), will oppose Laura Davidson (I).
- **District 6:** Jonathan Beverly (R) will face Tim Tidwell (I).
- **District 7:** Mike Kusch, incumbent (R), will face Paul "Roscoe" Williams (I).
- **District 8:** Pettus Read, incumbent (R), will face Matthew Burke (D).
- **District 9:** Joshua James (R) will face Mark A. Linville (D).
- **District 10:** Philip E. Wilson (R) will face Iris Dismukes (D).
- **District 11:** Anthony Johnson (R) winner.
- **District 12:** Carl B. Boyd, (R) will face Celest Davis (D).
- **District 13:** Paul Johnson, incumbent (R), will face Byron Glenn (I).
- **District 14:** Wayne Irvin (R) winner.
- **District 15:** Craig Harris, incumbent (R), will face Cedric Alford (D).
- **District 16:** Phil Dodd, incumbent (R), will face Kyle Mullicane (D).
- **District 17:** Jeff Phillips, incumbent (R). will face Mariah Phillips (D).
- **District 18:** Allen McAdoo, incumbent (R). *No opposition.*
- **District 19:** Corey Sippola (R) will face Romel McMurry (I).
- **District 20:** Trey Gooch, incumbent (R). *No opposition.*
- **District 21:** *No Republican candidate qualified.* Chantho Sourinho, incumbent (D), faces no competition on August 4.

Rutherford County Board of Education

Zone 1: Tammy Sharp, incumbent (R), unopposed.

Zone 3: Caleb Tidwell (R) will face Jason Scales election (I).

Zone 4: Katie Darby (R)

Zone 7: Frances Rosales (R) will face Cindy Daniel (I).

Murfreesboro City School Board (at large)

Barbara Long (R) will face three Independent candidates: Amanda Moore (incumbent), Florence E. Omachonu, and Karen L. Dodd.

Circuit Court Judges 16th Judicial District

Division I: Independents Mark Rogers (incumbent) and Mike Jones will face each other in the August 4 general election.

Division II Judge: Jimmy Turner, incumbent Republican

Division III Judge: Barry Tidwell, incumbent Republican

Division IV Judge: Jo Atwood, incumbent Republican

Division V Judge: Darrell Scarlett, incumbent Republican

Chancellor: Howard Wilson, incumbent Republican

General Sessions Court Judges

Judge Part I: Ben Hall "Trey" McFarlin III, incumbent Republican

Judge Part II: Ben Bennett, incumbent Republican

Judge Part III: Toby Gilley, incumbent Republican

Judge Part IV: Lisa Eischeid, incumbent Republican

Juvenile Court Judge

Travis Lampley, Republican, will face Andrae Crismon, Independent.

District Attorney General 16th Judicial District

Jennings Jones, incumbent Republican. *No opposition.*

Public Defender 16th Judicial District

Gerald Melton, incumbent Republican. *No opposition.*

RWRC Committees

Get to Know Your Chairs and Pick a Committee that Interests You!

Standing Committees and Chairs:

Bylaws - Bridget Howland
Campaign - Lynda Ytzen
Legislation - Lisa Elder
Membership - Bridget Howland
Program - Linda Roberts
Public Relations - Suzie Schulenberg
Fundraising/Christmas – Linda Roberts
and Dixie Phillips

Special Committees and Chairs:

Americanism – Deborah Arvin
Armed Services - Benita Carpenter
Caring for America - Whitney Burford
Literacy and Education - Beth Duffield
Leadership Development - Terri Kilgour
and Karen Hudson

Committee Spotlight- Legislative Committee

The Legislative Committee is designed to keep members abreast of legislative news and events on the local, state, and national level. Its members should be somewhat experienced in research and following the progress of a legislative or Congressional session. Legislative Committee members should be aware of who their elected representatives are (even the Democrats), what committees they sit on, and what bills they sponsor, as well have a working knowledge of the major pieces of legislation at all levels of government.

Goals of the Committee:

- Have a working knowledge of the legislative process at every level of government.
- Increase legislative knowledge and interest among your organization's members.
- Make your voice heard! Write your representatives and let them know what you think.
- Develop a plan of action for your organization to influence government positively.
- The Legislative Chair should keep a file that includes names, correct titles, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails of their organization's elected representatives. This should include notes on the proper way to address correspondence to the officials. Also, there should be information about the committees on which their representatives sit. Lastly, basic information about major or controversial bills being considered should be included. This file should be brought to every meeting for the benefit of the organization's members. Committee members should also consider submitting informational pieces on legislation for their organization's newsletter.