



Colorado Federation of Republican Women **TUSK TALK**



2ND QTR - 2024



Judith Jergensen President



We the People

On July fourth, we celebrated American Independence Day. There were parades, barbecues, bands, and fireworks. And there were flags!

The Flag Resolution of June 14, 1777, stated: Resolved: that the flag of the United States of America be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new Constellation.”

Our founding fathers designed a flag to serve as a beacon of hope. It represented the ideals and principles that would guide us to become the greatest nation the world has ever known. It embodies the ideals of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The hope and promise of the American Dream.

We again face challenges to the promises our founders fought to establish, and the freedoms generations fought and continue to fight to preserve. In the late 1970s, Ronald Reagan stood strong and called upon the American people *to return to our nation's founding principles and paint again with bold colors*. He knew this was the way to defeat a bully.

Freedom is not something that should be taken for granted. It is a precious gift that must be cherished and protected at all costs. “Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free.” — **Ronald Reagan**

So raise every flag! Proudly display the red, white, and blue! Honor the principles for which it stands and all those who stand strong to preserve those principles.



AN OPPORTUNITY TO BRING BALANCE BACK TO THE LEGISLATURE

LEADERSHIP:

ROSE PUGLIESE, House Minority Leader; TY WINTER, Asst. Minority Leader
RICK TAGGERT, JBC Member; ANTHONY HARTSOOK, New Day Colorado Liaison

MISSION: Goal this cycle is to flip three House seats and end the Democrat supermajority.

This means:

- **Stopping extreme legislation** – shifting committee majorities from 8-3 to 7-4 or 7-5. Killing bad bills, or severely weakening bad provisions.
- **Divided power** – protecting important gubernatorial vetoes and having a bigger role in negotiating controversial legislation.
- **Checks and balances** – Stopping the House from referring constitutional amendments to the ballot without a single Republican vote.

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Races to Watch



Rebecca Keltie v. Stephanie Vigil (HD-16)

Rebecca Keltie (R) is a Navy veteran and works for Space Command. She is challenging Democrat incumbent Stephanie Vigil. In 2022, the HD16 margin of victory was only 1.8%.



Dan Woog v. Jennifer Parenti (HD-19)

Former Rep. Dan Woog (R) is running against Democrat Jennifer Parenti. Dan Woog is a small business owner and former town council member. In 2022, this House race was decided by only 3%.



George Mumma v. Tammy Story (HD-25)

George Mumma (R) is the owner of White Knight Consulting Group and was the former Police Chief of Morrison. The 2022 HD25 margin was 1.4%.



Rep. Challenger v. Bob Marshall (HD-43)

Matt Burcham (R) and Douglas County Commissioner Lora Thomas (R) are both running to unseat Bob Marshall. The winner of the primary election will advance to the general, wherein in 2022, the margin was less than 1%.



Ryan Gonzalez v. Mary Young (HD-50)

Ryan Gonzalez is a technician for the J.M. Smucker Co. running to unseat Mary Young and flip House District 50 from blue to red. House District 50 only had a margin of victory of 1.9% in 2022, and Gonzalez is fluent in Spanish in a district that is 46% Hispanic.

AMERICANISM

Independence Day, known colloquially as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence, which was ratified by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, establishing the United States of America. The Founding Father delegates of the Second Continental Congress declared that the Thirteen Colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain, King George III, and were now united, free, and independent states. The Congress voted to approve independence by passing the Lee Resolution on July 2 and adopted the Declaration of Independence two days later, on July 4.

Independence Day is commonly associated with fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, fairs, picnics, concerts, baseball games, family reunions, political speeches, and ceremonies, in addition to various other public and private events celebrating the history, government, and traditions of the United States. Independence Day is the national day of the United States.

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

CENTENNIAL CLUB—SOMETHING SPECIAL

Centennial Club Co-Chairs: Deanna “Dede” SchottGrace dedeschottgrace@live.com
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Colorado Federation of Republican Women

86th Annual Board of Directors Meeting & Fall Convention

SEPTEMBER 21 – 22, 2024

Executive Committee Meeting and Welcome Reception

September 20, 2024

Board Meeting & Convention – September 21-22, 2024

HOTEL COLORADO

526 Pine Street

Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

970-945-8948, www.hotelcolorado.com



Empowering 70K Voices



All members of qualifying clubs may purchase a silver tone 70K pin.

The goal of the NFRW Empower 70K voices is to increase membership by 25% over the 2023 final membership count. **Returning Clubs:** strive to increase membership (new, returning, renewing) by 25% over the 2023 final membership. **New Clubs:** Start a new club in 2024 and recruit a minimum of 25 members by the end of 2024.

NFRW Totals as of June 5, 2024

ClubName	2023	6/5/2024	2024 Goal	% of Goal	# Needed	CFRW June Totals
Chaffee Co. RW	10	15	12	125%		15
San Luis Valley RW	14	19	17	112%		18
Elbert Co. RW	23	30	28	107%		30
Ouray Co. RW	14	16	17	94%	1	16
Montrose Co. RW	28	32	35	91%	3	32
Jefferson Co. RWC	17	18	21	86%	3	20*
Archuleta Co. RW	20	21	25	84%	4	21
North West RW	20	21	25	84%	4	22*
El Paso Co. RW	39	40	48	83%	8	40
Douglas Co. RW	72	73	90	81%	17	73
Greeley RW	23	22	28	79%	6	22
Lone Cone RW	15	14	18	78%	4	14
RW of Montezuma Co.	17	16	21	76%	5	17*
RW of Weld County	20	16	25	64%	9	19*
Boulder RW	65	50	81	62%	31	50
Mesa Co. RW	64	48	80	60%	32	48
Mesa Verde RW	New	15	25	60%	10	15
Denver RW	17	11	21	52%	10	11
Larimer Co. RW	33	20	41	49%	21	30*
Summit Co. RW	36	21	45	47%	24	21
Longmont RW	24	12	30	40%	18	12
Sunrise RW	52	22	65	34%	43	22
Cherry Creek RW	122	44	152	29%	108	114*
Southwest RW	62	17	77	22%	60	
Centennial RW	10	2	12	17%	10	10*
Otero Co. RW	18	0	22	0%	22	
R Trumpeters of Adams Co.	10	0	12	0%	12	10*
Colorado Total	845	599	1056	57%	457	702

*Different from NFRW number



The primary elections held a lot of surprises on a lot of levels. We all worked hard to get good candidates on the November ballot. Now we have to really dig in and work even harder to get them elected on November 5th! We can't stop and rest until AFTER NOVEMBER 5TH! As my daddy used to say, "Let's git 'er done while the sun's still up!"

President: Julie Harris

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National Federation of Republican Women

NFRW BENEFITS:

Your club annual dues include your \$20 National Membership giving you access to:

A robust national website and member database management system that connects the entire Federation and provides key membership services, including administrative access and capabilities at the club level.

The NFRW's electronic communications, including the weekly and monthly newsletters and political briefings, and free or nominally priced publications like the Leader's Guide, Membership Handbook, Legislative Advocacy Manual, and outreach/recruitment materials.

The Member Center, a private online network on the NFRW web site available to members only. The Member Center includes a member directory and the Digital Resource Library, which features committee and issue-related resources and materials, general organizational publications and forms, event information, graphics, and more.

Assistance in creating new clubs, launching or updating a state or club web site, and other membership services.

Sample materials, multimedia and resources that assist states and clubs with public relations and fundraising efforts, membership recruitment, campaign and issue advocacy programs, meeting planning, literacy and armed services initiatives, leadership development, community service, and more.

Campaign Management Schools, Legislative Day at the U.S. Capitol, and other programs, workshops and seminars that offer members the opportunity to meet national Republican leaders, discuss key issues, and develop leadership and professional skills.

Networking opportunities and the ability to meet and develop relationships with women from across the country through online discussion forums and national events such as the biennial convention and annual board meetings. NFRW's national events include interactive workshops, exciting speakers, and informative programs and discussions.

Representation in Washington, D.C., including the services of a professional staff and maintenance of NFRW headquarters – located in Alexandria, Virginia, a few miles from Capitol Hill.

District and Club Reports



All submissions for the 3rd Quarter 2024 MUST BE IN to Billie Nigro

NLT 15 September 2024
(The earlier, the better!)

To:
BillieN.COREpWomen@gmail.com

DISTRICT I Ashley Troxell, Director

In April, the Denver Republican Women had the pleasure of welcoming Congressional District 1 candidate Valdamar Archuleta. Valdamar is challenging longtime Congresswoman Diana DeGette in Colorado's 1st Congressional District, bringing a fresh perspective that resonates with voters across the Mile-High City. "Let's do something different in Washington," he declared. "As your congressman, I will fight the complacency of Washington to reinvigorate America. Together, we can accomplish real change for our economy, criminal justice system, and sense of unity as Americans."

Ashley Troxell.
Valdemar Achuleta,
Susy Johnson



In May, our focus shifted to empowering our members with essential skills for effective voter engagement. We hosted our CFRW District One Meeting and welcomed Holly Horn from The Leadership Institute for a voter persuasion workshop at the Courtyard by Marriott in DowntownDenver. The workshop provided valuable insights into voter persuasion techniques and effective

DISTRICT IV
Judy Allen, Director
And
DISTRICT VI
Evie Ashmore, Director

2024 Spring Board Meeting

Evie attended the 2024 Spring Board Meeting – April 12-14 in Durango, CO. Teri Otley and the ladies of Southwest Republican Women did a fantastic job hosting the meeting and Wolf Creek Pass was clear. CFRW President Judith Jorgensen presided over a highly informative session.

Districts 4 & 6 Meeting

Judy Allen, Director District 4 and Evie Ashmore, Director District 6 are planning the District Meeting for July 20 – 11:30 am at the DoubleTree Hotel I-25 and Orchard featuring Michael Fields, President Advance Colorado who will speak on the five propositions that will appear on the November ballot. All are welcome to attend. Please contact Evie Ashmore – jeashmore@comcast.net – cell 303-746-4608 if you would like to attend.

Cherry Creek Republican Women – CCRW

Evie continues to attend the informative and fun meetings/events under the leadership of President Dorothy Gotlieb. They never cease to amaze.

SUMMIT COUNTY RW
Debra Irvine , President

Summit County Republican Women enjoy frequent luncheons together at a local restaurant, beginning with a brief business meeting and ending with guest speakers from local community organizations.

Social evenings are also planned, giving us the opportunity to grow friendships and to talk informally with each other. In addition, we gather at members' homes for a monthly book club and lively discussion. Recent books include: "Brave New World" by Aldous Huxley; "1984" by George Orwell; "Get Trump: The Threat to Civil Liberties, Due Process, and Our Constitutional Rule of Law" by Alan Dershowitz; and "Lost in Trans Nation: A Child Psychiatrist's Guide Out of the Madness" by Miriam Grossman, MD.

Because many of our members are part-time residents, we also utilize Zoom, Facebook, Instagram, email, and a bi-monthly newsletter to remain in contact with each other and to learn about important legislative issues.

As the ski season comes to a close, we are looking forward to warmer weather and the many Outdoor activities available in the beautiful Rocky Mountains!

SUNRISE RW
Robin Little, President

April was a busy month. Members of SRW and EPCRW met with a delegation from the German Embassy in Washington D.C. The goal was to gain a better understanding of politics between the U.S. and Europe.

April also brought our Sunrise Stampede Fundraiser. We had a full house filled with smiles, laughter and fun. Deborah Flora, our guest speaker, spoke on Restoring America.

SRW members participated in the CFRW Spring Board meeting. We gained valuable from the Leadership Institute Training Program for Women Leaders.

In May, SRW participated in the CFRW District 5 meeting. Heidi Ganahl discussed the Road to Red. Both SRW and EPCRW co-hosted a County Commissioner District 3 Debate.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY RW
Leanne Thompson, President

In May, our featured speaker was the Honorable Kevin Lundberg, Executive Director of the Republican Study Committee of Colorado and former Colorado State Senator. Kevin spoke on the craziness in the final days at the Colorado Capitol and about some of the outrageous and good bills. Then, he spoke about the "Art Club" documentary he helped produce that is an intimate look at public school transgender indoctrination with expert testimony and advice to protect children. Kevin also talked about three initiative petitions available to sign. The presentation was followed by Saturday Afternoon at the Movies featuring "Art Club" with popcorn, soda, and candy. After the movie, there was discussion among the attendees. It was an eye opener to learn what is happening regarding this issue.

Our June meeting was combined with the Colorado Federation of Republican Women (CFRW) District VII North meeting at the Old Spaghetti Factory. Featured speaker was Steven Schleiker, El Paso County Clerk & Recorder, who spoke on Rank Choice Voting and the election integrity upgrades he has made in his office. Linda Bissett also spoke on three initiative petitions and the title board process. The food was delicious, and the attendees learned we need to stop Rank Choice Voting in Colorado.

CHERRY CREEK RW
Dorothy Gotlieb , President



Cherry Creek Republican Women (CCRW)
JUNE 2024

March saw our fabulous fundraiser, "Puttin' on the Gitz." Check it out!



The room and tables were gorgeous, with top hats/gloves/flowers.
There were 20 volunteers who put the event together!
The 135+ guests were "sparkly" - and "into" it.
The auctions were spectacular.
The food (and the cake!), were delicious.
The emcee was fab - and the talented entertainer, "Frank Sinatra" - Darek Evilsizor was magical (and soooo cute!!!)
The vibe in the room was warm and wonderful.
It was truly a one-of-a-kind event...

Then, in April, we featured:

...Three members of the Aurora City Council - the "gold" standard for city councils across Colorado. This strong conservative majority(!), told us what they have been doing to combat crime,

homelessness, illegal immigration - and to make Aurora one of Colorado's most business-friendly cities...



Danielle Jurinsky, Steve Sundberg and Stephanie Hancock

In May, our speaker was the irrepressible American Furniture Warehouse (and other businesses') Entrepreneur, Philanthropist, Musician, Author, Member of the CO Business Hall of Fame...The One, The Only: **JAKE JABS**. He was outstanding!



NOTE: To honor one of our past CCRW Presidents, June Robinson, who recently passed away, we asked our members to wear hats, just as she would have.

Cherry Creek Republican women does not meet in June or July. Our next luncheon/general meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024.

Engage, Enlighten, Empower

...And may the force be with us - especially in this very crucial election year!



EL PASO COUNTY RW Candi Boyer, President



A research analyst at the Bertelsmann Foundation in Washington, DC



contacted our club to set up a “town hall”. The delegation from the German Embassy hoped to gain insight and a stronger understanding of the current state of Politics in Colorado. We had a lively discussion amongst members and guests.



Our March meeting speaker was El Paso County Sheriff Joe Roybal. He gave us a report on his first year in office. He told us about a



landmark case he and our DA were able to prosecute involving drugs coming into the County Jail. He provided us with information about legislative actions that he and his fellow law officers fought for and against this last session.

The Cookie Ladies struck again! Our club was invited to provide cookies for the Congressional Art Competition Reception. In addition to the cookies, we also sponsored prizes for the students who participated in this competition. It was encouraging to see the talent in our young people!



The Republican Women from Colorado Springs at the Spring CFRW meeting in Durango. Ask us about Fireball!

Our favorite “Letter to the Editor” writer, Billie and her husband Paul.



BOULDER RW Marty Kinsley , President

Boulder Republican Women are very proud of their members, LeMoine Dowd and Marty Neilson who were elected at their 2nd Congressional District meetings to be delegates to the Republican National Convention in July. Marty Neilson will be serving on the Platform Committee.

BRW has had great programs: April: Jeri Curry reporting on the Marshall Fire recovery. March: Kevin Lundberg discussing his movie “Art Club” and many other things. February: our BCR Chairwoman, Tara Menza, reported on issues in Boulder County. We will have our Colorado Republican National Committeeman Randy Corporan, speak at our May evening meeting with husbands and guests.

On Saturday, July 20th BRW invites you to join us at the BCR Summer Social hosted by Boulder Republican Women. All local GOP candidates are encouraged to attend. It should be a lot of fun with like-minded folks. Our Master of Ceremonies will be former Congressman Tom Tancredo. Check it out and rsvp on our website: boulderrepublicanwomen.org

NORTHWEST RW Shandy Deakins, President

This quarter we have been planning and organizing the district III N meeting that we will be hosting on June 22nd in Craig. We also reviewed our bylaws that were last updated in 2011. We made several revisions to get them up to date and just voted on the final version. We had a presentation by Gays against Groomers that was very eye opening.

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