



Capital City Republican Women

July 2010 Newsletter



Candidate Martha Roby Talks Politics

Candidate Martha Roby is our guest speaker for July. She's a conservative Republican and candidate for Alabama's Second Congressional District.

A native of Montgomery, Martha serves on the Montgomery City Council representing Council District Seven, the most socially and economically diverse council district in Montgomery.

Martha's first experience in public service came when she was elected to the City Council in 2003, defeating five other candidates to win the election without a runoff. Because of her ability to work with others and reach out to every community in her district, she was overwhelmingly re-elected in 2007 with more than 82% of the vote.

During her tenure on the Montgomery City Council, Martha has routinely opposed tax increases, fighting hard in 2008 alone to vote against five proposed tax increases and offering solutions to reduce government spending.

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July 22 Luncheon Meeting Capital City Club 11:30 a.m.

Our menu is Tillamook blue cheese salad with grilled chicken and, for dessert, chocolate pecan pie. Also included are rolls and both iced tea and coffee.

The cost is \$22 per person with reservations to **Donna Robins** at dlobins@knology.net or 262-3673 by noon on Tuesday, July 20. Those making reservations and not attending will be billed by CCRW. Please allow 24 hours notice for cancellations.

Now that the primary and run off are behind us, we can take a deep breath (or two) before we move on to the general election in November. Congratulations to all CCRW members who won their races. This will be another wonderful opportunity for us to rack up volunteer hours and help these fine ladies win their races. Be sure to call your hours in to Joan Powers at 277-8215. We will also have forms on the table at the luncheon for your convenience.

I just spent a wonderful week at one our beautiful gulf beaches with family and friends. Our location did not have oil but we will continue to keep those people and those areas affected in our prayers. I hope you, as I did, took time to celebrate and contemplate on Independence Day. We are a grateful nation and know our freedoms did not come without sacrifice. We must do our part to make sure this and future generations DO NOT forget those who fought and died for this great country.

Take time to teach a child the importance of patriotism and why we place our hand over our heart when the National Anthem is played (might as well teach them the National Anthem too). If you would like to take part in putting together a brochure or brief presentation we could promote in elementary schools, please let me know.

Those attending the debate and Republican Summer Dinner in Birmingham on June 25 and 26 experienced a very energized event. The staff at the state party in Birmingham put together a wonderful video tribute to Governor Riley. The guest speaker, Dick Morris, gave an electrifying speech and has continued talking about Alabama on the national news. He had the crowd on their feet clapping and cheering.

On July 24, I will be traveling to Springville, AL (near Trussville) to attend the AFRW Board/Presidents meeting held at Mathews Manor. Elois Zeanah, as AFRW president, will be in charge of the meeting. This will be a day of workshops, presentations, and (for the first time) an official "presidents' gripe session," all in an *continued page two...*

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effort to help our clubs grow, work together, and be more effective. If you have any suggestions or ideas you would like me to present, please do not hesitate to get that information to me as soon as possible.

We want to welcome our new members and encourage each of you to continue, as always, to bring additional people into our club. At the luncheon you will hear more about the membership incentives set forth by NFRW and how each club will help AFRW reach its membership goal.

I look forward to seeing you at the luncheon. Please bring a friend and an additional check made out to "CCRW" so we can purchase phone cards for our soldiers. Thank you, Dale Franklin, for helping us Care for America!

Thank you Capital City Republican Women for all your hard work. Now we will pool our efforts and work for the common good of the Republican party. Enjoy the weeks left of summer vacation, come hear Martha Roby, and as always, thank a veteran!

Karen Fisher

Help Them Call Home

We're reaching around the world with our Caring for America project in July. Your check (made payable to CCRW) will allow us to purchase telephone cards for deployed military overseas so they can call home.

Give your check to **Dale Franklin**, our Caring for America program chairperson and thanks!

Win A Door Prize

Thank you Carl's Clays in Wetumpka for the beautiful Alabama clay magnolia leaf for our July door prize. Karen Stewart donated this wonderful piece via **Elizabeth Gillian**, CCRW member. Remember, tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six. **Betty Mitchell** has tickets!

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Chairing a committee on immigration, Martha led the efforts for the Montgomery City Council to adopt an ordinance to comply with federal law and prohibit businesses from harboring illegal aliens. Martha's work has resulted in a local sales tax holiday and tougher measures in Alabama's landlord-tenant laws.

Martha obtained a Bachelor of Music degree from New York University in 1998 and her law degree from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in 2001. Prior to her entry into public service, Martha practiced law at Copeland, Franco, Screws & Gill, P.A. and remains a member in good standing with the Alabama and Mississippi bar associations.

She is an active member of the Board of Directors of Sav-A-Life Montgomery, the Cleveland Avenue YMCA, the Britton YMCA, the Montgomery Area Business Committee for the Arts and the Montgomery Weed and Seed Executive Board. Martha has recently participated in the Southern Women Leadership Conference and also the National Security Forum at Maxwell Air Force Base.

Martha is married to Riley Roby and they have two children, Margaret and George. The Robys are members of Trinity Presbyterian Church, where they are involved in various ministries.

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