

HAMILTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

NEWSLETTER

— AUGUST 2008 —

Chairman's Message

We are all looking forward to the excitement ahead as we work together to get John McCain elected the next President of the United States. At this pivotal time, Republicans have a responsibility that is more important than any other charge in the last 40 years.

John McCain must be elected to the Presidency.

The facts are clear:

John McCain is the only candidate that not only has the experience but he is the only candidate that has the judgment necessary to hold the office.

John McCain is the only candidate that believes negotiating, without preconditions, with countries that are classified, as "State-Sponsors of Terrorism" to be wrong.

John McCain is the only candidate that is the real agent of change and not an empty vessel of change.

John McCain is the only candidate with real foreign policy experience and not just a single 5-day whirlwind tour through Europe and the Middle East.

John McCain is the only candidate that considers Iran as a threat to stability in the Middle East and **does not** think of Iran as a "tiny" country "that does not pose a serious threat to us" and is "no big deal."

John McCain's encouragement and support of the surge in Iraq is the only reason the Democratic glamour seekers are even able to visit Iraq. John McCain was visiting Iraq and walking down the streets of Baghdad when it was a very dangerous place. He is a man with "Courage".

John McCain is John McCain not the weak rhetoric that he is the third Bush term. John McCain has always defined himself as his own man and candidate and cannot be defined any other way in this race.

To quote our Congressman, Zach Wamp, "Do not flinch in your support for John McCain."

The Hamilton County "Women for McCain" are organized and working tirelessly to support John McCain.

Let's all be determined, stand tall and strong in our support of John McCain.

Your Party Chairman
Connie Weathers

HAMILTON COUNTY PACHYDERM CLUB

Though the summer months often bring a different, perhaps slower tempo to the normal rhythm of life, it is certainly not the case with the Pachyderm Club. This summer has been packed with fantastic guest speakers and strong attendance. And we continue to add new members, including our most recent speaker, Georgia State Senator Jeff Mullis. Our thanks to you, Senator, for your service to our wonderful neighbors to the south! We've also been privileged to hear from many of our local legislative and county leadership—on the heels of Chattanooga's most exciting news, the announcement of the arrival of Volkswagen, a \$1 Billion boost to our local economy. On behalf of the Pachyderm Club, I wish to offer my most sincere congratulations to Mayors Ramsey and Littlefield, Senator Alexander, and of course, our very own Congressman Zach Wamp and Senator Bob Corker for this wonderful news.

August promises to be another great month for the Pachyderm Club. We'll start the month with a local candidate's forum, moderated by HCGOP Vice-Chair Brett Hale, who also will be our program chairman for August. The very next week, we are privileged to have **Congressman Zach Wamp** for our speaker.

Also, please make sure we have your email address! Email is the primary means by which we are communicating our weekly guest speakers as well as other Pachyderm news. Please email me at bryant@covenant.edu if you are currently not receiving these emails. Later this month, we'll be updating our entire email list, so we will be sure to get you included at that time.

**For the Grand Ole Party,
Matthew Bryant, President
Pachyderm**

HAMILTON COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS

It's been a busy month for the Hamilton County Young Republicans. Although we didn't have a regular monthly meeting in July, opportunities to help with various campaigns have been plentiful, and we've been happy to pitch in. We participated in the extremely successful Jim Hammond GOTV Ice Cream Social on July 15, and some have chosen to canvass for school board candidates as well. This is definitely an exciting time of year, and we look forward to the months ahead.

Our next meeting date will be Thursday, August 21, so please plan to attend. Please check our website for further details at www.hcyrs.com.

In the meantime, I encourage all YR's and friends to get out and make a difference in this election—it's not too late to provide campaign help. And by all means, exercise your freedom and vote!

**For the Grand Old Party,
Brent Lambert, Chairman
Hamilton County Young Republicans**

HAMILTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Hamilton County Republican Women met for their monthly meeting on July 15 at Country Place Restaurant with standing room only.

After the devotional, pledge, reading of the minutes, and treasurer's report, Mary Jane Reilly, legislative chairman, gave a most interesting report on the gas situation.

The many guests were welcomed and all the new members were recognized.

Linda Hullander's family was remembered in the loss of her mother-in-law and also the family of Susan Cooper who passed away recently. (Susan was a former president of HCRW.)

Sherre Bales, yearbook chairman, and Ida Cotter reported the yearbook would soon be ready to deliver.

It was decided not to have a booth at the County Fair, but instead have a booth (fundraiser) at "Bark-in-the Park" in September.

Eva Jo Smith reported the articles (box) for the military guy had been bought and mailed.

Recipes for the state cookbook were collected.

Next meeting the members are asked to bring paper goods for "Teen Challenge."

Connie Weathers gave a report on the "Women for McCain." Shirts are available at GOP Headquarters from Connie.

Jim Hammond spoke briefly and invited everyone to the "ice cream" party for him at Harold Coker's barn. (Many of us went and it was very enjoyable.)

Patsy Henry introduced our speaker, Gary Henry (her son), a local attorney, who was a most elegant speaker. His topic was "Abortion" and what the law is according to the U.S. Constitution.

Early voting is 7-18 to 8-2. Election day 8-7.

Janelle Merritt, President
Hamilton County Republican Women

TENNESSEE VALLEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The month of July for the Tennessee Valley Republican Women has a primary goal: **Get Out the Vote**. With that all important August election just days away, Republican women are working diligently to help get their candidates elected. Whether it's a donation of time, money, or hard work, this organization is supporting those who will represent the Republican philosophy in all local, state and national issues that are before the American people.

The TVRW had an opportunity in its July meeting to hear directly from the Republican nominee for Hamilton County Sheriff, Jim Hammond. After presenting his goals and ideas for giving the citizens of Hamilton County the best choice for the sheriff's office, Jim sat down with the TVRW to talk one-to-one about important issues facing our community.

This summer is also a time for the TVRW to move forward in the work being done to raise money to support the ladies in the work they do both locally and for the State of Tennessee. A beautiful linen tablecloth, designed with the approval of Laura Bush, will be awarded to the lucky ticket holder just in time for Christmas. Any TVRW member can tell you just how to get in on this fabulous opportunity. The TVRW is also supporting the TNFRW as that group puts together a cookbook that will be on sale in just a couple of months. Anyone wanting to contribute their favorite recipe to this book can contact our president, Delores Vinson.

The month of August that is ahead of us will be a time when we see the results of our primary election and it will be a time for everyone to move forward to **Get Out the Vote** for John McCain in November. The TVRW encourages everyone to get involved in the work being done to get our candidates elected.

**Respectfully submitted by
Robbie Morgan, Secretary for
Delores Vinson, President
Tennessee Valley Republican Women**

JIM HAMMOND FOR SHERIFF BARBEQUE

The **Jim Hammond for Sheriff Barbeque** at Chester Frost Park was a tremendous success. Over 400 people attended. Our greatest thanks go to Charlie Peavyhouse for his dedication to the Party.

A thank you also goes to:

Music: Matt “Elvis” Brown and Jerry Wilson--We thank them for their wonderful entertainment and the special music composition by Matt Brown of “One Nation Under God.”

Sponsors: Jim Coppinger, Richard Floyd, Larry Henry, Christian Lanier, Roy Rumfelt, Bo Watson and John Weathers

Food contributed by: Daved’s Deli, GollyWhoppers Sandwich Shoppe, Marilyn Parker, Rib & Loin, Sticky Fingers and Two Pigs Bar-B-Q

Door Prizes: Ida Cotter, Patsy Henry, Gail Walldorf, Connie Weathers

Special thanks to: Gary Behler, June Cooper, Patsy Henry, Jack McGill, Liz Norris, Bettye Parker, Marilyn Parker, Eula Peavyhouse, Janey Stitt, Bobby and Jeanne Wood, Jim Woods, Wayne Shearer, Jamie Sharp, Joyce Shrum and Ricky Crook (The Meeting Company)

Charlie Peavyhouse has requested this to be published in the newsletter:

I wish to especially thank the individuals who helped make the Barbeque a huge success. They did an outstanding job, especially June Cooper and Connie Weathers for their tremendous help I wish to express a great thank you.

Election Day

August 7th

Polls open
8 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Jim Hammond
For Sheriff
Hamilton County

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