

# MESA COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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Mark  
your  
calendar:

- Monday, February 8th at noon is the next MCRW luncheon.
- Friday, February 19th at noon is the next MCR luncheon.
- All monthly luncheons are held at Two Rivers Convention Center now!

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## President's Message

By Ruth Ehlers

Anyone who has been around me for very long is well aware that I am a "Reagan Republican". My issues are conservatism - low taxes, small government and follow the Constitution. I personally believe that the government has no business being involved in "Social Issues". That being said, you can imagine how elated I was with the election of Scott Brown to the Senate from the State of Massachusetts. Mr. Brown's agenda was very clear - NO to the health care bill which had been passed by the Senate on Christmas Eve; NO to the sleazy back-room deals going on in Washington. He campaigned on lower taxes and smaller government. I was very impressed with his acceptance speech when he stated that he had gone to the people - shaking hands with everyone.

He didn't care if they were Democrat, Independent or Republican and they didn't care what his party affiliation was. All they were interested in was his agenda. Credit has been given to the "Tea Party people" for put-

ting him over the top. This should certainly be a wake-up call to all candidates running - or thinking of running - for office.

The American People are fed up with what's going on in Washington - NOT only with the Democrats, but with both parties. The "Establishment Repub-



licans" especially, need to pay attention to the demands of the Citizens. Politics as usual will not be tolerated by the voters. The "Tea Party" people have been criticized as being "radical", "a bunch of crazies" - what have you. Rep. Michelle Bachman, R. MN, spoke to Bill O'Reilly on

his show and when he asked her which she thought would be stronger, the Establishment Republicans or the "Tea Party" group, she said without hesitation "The Tea Party group". It seems to me that the point that is being missed is that most of the "Tea Party" participants are really what used to be the base of the Republican Party - the CONSERVATIVES! - And I'm one of them!

We are the people who have been silent for entirely too long - the people who voted for John McCain - or in some cases did not vote at all - because we didn't have any other choice. The people who allowed the Republican Party to become so moderate it was difficult to find the difference between the two major parties. If the Republican Party is to return as a strong, viable party once again we must return to our basic principles - the Constitutional Principles on which our country was founded. Our candidates must have a strong, conservative message - one they adhere to once they are in office.

Join us for the February luncheon! Contact Ruth Ehler to R.S.V.P.

Women's

Forum

Will have a new 2010 schedule soon!



# MONTHLY LUNCHEON

By Heather Benjamin

Attending the February lunch will be a learning experience times three. House District 54 Republican candidates David Cox, Ray Scott and Bob Hislop will participate in a question and answer session.

Ray Scott was raised on the Western Slope and credits hard work to his life long success. He currently owns and operates Gas



Production Corporation, Skyline Warehouse, and Coolwater Homes, LLC.

Bob Hislop spent thirty years with the U.S. Secret Service and then worked for John Paul Mitchell Systems. He is married to Krysstine and together they have four children and three grand-children.

David Cox was born and raised in Mesa



County where his family has been in the peach business since 1970. David owns Palisade Produce and works with his family's two other businesses operating over 250 acres and employing 6 full time people (not family) and 45

employees during harvest season.



# MCRW MEMBERSHIP

By Cathy Percefull

As a Republican Woman, it is not enough to just show up on Election Day. It's vital that we learn and educate, after all, we own the responsibility of running our country. If Republican women don't vote, Democrats win. One way to ensure power for our party is to strengthen our individual votes by standing together with others of like minds. MCRW was founded for just that purpose. We invite you to renew your membership. The dues are \$25 for full membership. You can be as involved or uninvolved as fits your schedule. The choice is yours! Won't you take a moment to send your renewal check to: MCRW, Joan Kelsey, Treasurer, P.O. Box 427, Grand Junction, CO 81502. We have a website ( www.mesacountyrepublicanwomen.org ) for your information and emails/Twitter to keep you in-

formed of the many gatherings, meetings and events being held by our organization and your GOP. Also, we ask you to invite your friends and family to join us. Together let's make MCRW number one in the state for increasing our membership! From the sisters who forged the way before us, to the future sisters who are counting on us, help continue the chain. Your loyalty as a returning MCRW member is deeply appreciated! MCRW welcomes our new members: Sue Carson, Emily Deines, Mindy Franchell, Ann Godfrey, Cathie Jorgenson, Fonda LaBach, Sue McFarland, Kristine McGovern, Lori McInnis, Mary Motter, Lisa Mullen, Susan Redmond, Joyce Schaffer, Jane Williams New Associate Members: Robert Gutierrez, Ali Hasan, Donald McFarland, Scott McInnis, Jacque Stafford, Earl Stitt, and Dulany Woodward.

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## DON'T MISS THESE EVENTS

- Join MCRW members at the Kids Voting annual banquet and fundraiser on February 11th at 6 p.m., held at Two Rivers Convention Center. Tickets are \$50 a person, contact Ruth Ehlers at 257-7120. There are 2 seats left, so hurry!
- Caucus Training will be held at the County Building on February 16th, from 6-8 p.m.
- Precinct Captains can pick-up their packets for caucus on February 20th at the County Building from 9-11 a.m.
- March 16th will be your precinct caucus with locations to be announced soon.
- April 10th is the County Assembly to be held at Two Rivers Convention Center.
- The WSCA will host the HD 54 candidates at their February 4th meeting. This is held at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.
- On February 19th, the WSCA will host their next conservative movie night at the County Building at 6:30 p.m.
- To get on the MC Young Republican email list and/or to attend their monthly events please email Rose at: vilarose16@aol.com
- If you have any crutches or medical equipment that can be donated to the Haiti efforts, please email Duncan McArthur at: K a t a l i n a 5 @ b r e s n a n . n e t
- Meet 3rd CD candidate Scott Tipton at Bassett Furniture on January 30th, 10:30 a.m. And bring a friend with you too!

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## **Members Are Treasures**

Excitement is in the air,  
For an afternoon steeped in fun,  
Bring out your Spring bonnet!  
Join the cause & enjoy a 'cuppa'

## **The Mesa County Republican Women**

Cordially Invite You to

## **Membership Tea Party**

**Guest speaker: Dulany Woodward,  
NFRW Achievement Awards Committee**

Saturday, February 20, 2010

Time 2 – 4 p.m.

Location: 3150 Lakeside Drive # 103  
Lakeside Drive is located off N 12<sup>th</sup> or Horizon

Tea treats will be provided

Please RSVP by February 18 to Cathy: 874 – 8664  
Or email at [cathypercefull@att.net](mailto:cathypercefull@att.net)