

# MESA COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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Mark  
your  
calendar:

- Monday, July 12th at noon is the next MCRW luncheon.
- Friday, July 16th 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

I'm sure you are well aware of the ruckus Rose Pugliese has kicked up by daring to take two petitions to the District Board of Education - with six and seven hundred signatures respectively, no less! This sure did strike a sore spot with the "Al Gore" groupies! First of all, the Daily Sentinel Editorial staff had such a hissy fit that they had not one, but two (I'm including Dennis Herzog in the staff) editorials denouncing Rose and her request that students in District 51 be allowed to have balanced information regarding "Man Made Global Warming".

Never mind the seven hundred parents, taxpayers and District 51 residents who signed that petition! Rose is to be commended for her stiff backbone in standing up to the criticism and nastiness she's had to endure for taking a strong stand for the students. She only laughed when the reporters suggested this would be the end of the issue - her response? "A Pandora's Box has been opened"! There is much information available that refutes the claim that Global Warming is "settled science". Laura Bradford came

across a booklet titled "Global Warming - Facts Versus Faith" by Walter Cunningham, an astronaut on Apollo 7.

Mr. Cunningham states that "Anthropogenic (man made) Global Warming true believers are past the point of considering evidence. They cannot be reasoned out of their position, because it wasn't reason that got them there, it was emotion and



politics." Sadly, it would seem we have some in our schools who fit this description.

The condescending manner of the Board's report is appalling. They praised the teachers and the teacher's union; But made no mention that there might be some validity to the concerns raised by Rose and the petition signers. No

mention was made of the possibility that the issue should at the very least, be open to review. In the resolution that was passed, the basic response is that there currently is in place a process by which any parent or student can address an issue and this process must be followed. The problem with this approach is that too many parents are hesitant to confront a teacher for fear of retribution to their child.

In fact, when Rose was collecting signatures several parents said they agreed with the petitions but were afraid of retribution if the teachers were to see their names listed. We don't all have kids in school, but if you know someone who does, encourage them to be very involved with their child's classroom activities and when teaching occurs that is counter to their beliefs they must not be afraid to confront the teacher. Communication is essential!

The only way a change can be made is for parents to come forward and confront the problem. Rose's petitions have opened the door and with the involvement of parents and the community -Hey! - She's (and we've) only just begun!

# MONTHLY LUNCHEON

By Heather Benjamin

Looking for a legislative update? Come to the July luncheon where State Representatives Steve King and Laura Bradford will give a legislative wrap-up from the 2010 session. They will also highlight their respective campaigns. For more information or to donate to their campaigns, visit their websites listed below.

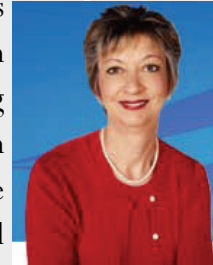
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Rep. Steve King has served House District 54 for the past four years, after nearly 30 years in law enforcement on the Western Slope. At the State House, Steve has fought for our Western Slope values, including legislation to strengthen school safety, enhance DNA laws, and our 2nd

Amendment freedoms.

Rep. Laura Bradford has served House District 55 for two years and is currently planning a run to make it another two years. She is excited and passionate about representing Western Slope interests in Denver. Laura also wants to “restore some conservative sense to the Colorado Legislature.”



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

Want to use your credit card to pay for lunch?

Jump on the MCRW

website, we now have

PayPal, allowing you to use a credit card!



# MEMBERSHIP

By Cathy Percefull

YEA TEAM MCRW! We sit at 142 full members plus 32 associate members! THANK YOU to all our renewing members and new members. If you have not picked up your member handbook, I'll have them at our July meeting. Some of y'all from last year still have your handbooks to pick up! Our MCRW handbook has useful information, including our MCRW committees (you might want to get on one, and how to contact elected officials!) MCRW is considered a large club since we have 100 plus members. But don't let that stop you from recruiting new members!! We hope MCRW is meeting your needs and expectations. I'll email our updated member roster as soon as it's updated. Please let us know your ideas, comments, complaints. We want you to project excitement about being a member of

MCRW. If you are unhappy, that won't happen. Our successful membership recruitment is in our members' hands. MCRW knows every member is valuable and plays an important role in the club. When MCRW grows, NFRW and CFRW grow! Our Federated Republican Women mission is to organize the most powerful grassroots energy nationwide in electing Republicans. Thank you and let's keep recruiting new members! Cathy Percefull, 2nd VP [cathypercefull@att.net](mailto:cathypercefull@att.net), Ph: (970) 874 – 8664. We're tickled pink over our new members: Jennifer Bailey, Elinor Bergman, Pamela Brown, Kanesa Collins, Ellen Cowan, Jennifer Dalley, Charlene Donoho, Elizabeth Harris, Julia Kinney, Krysstine Hislop, Carolyn McKee, Betty Parker, and Katherine Smith. Associate Members: Kelly Sloan and James Wamack.

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## ...SIDE NOTES...

- Rose Pugliese is still collecting recipes for a recipe book that MCRW is putting together. Please get her your favorite recipes at the July luncheon.
- **PayPal Payers:** We will need to close out PayPal on the Thursday before our meetings. If you wish to pay by PayPal, please be sure to get it in before Thursday, July 8th. We're sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, and we really appreciate your using PayPal.
- The Western Slope Conservative Alliance will be hosting an event discussing immigration issues with powerful state and national advocate and activist Helen Krible with the Vernon Krible Foundation. The presentation will take place on July 1st at the City Hall Auditorium at 6:30pm.
- Save the Date: Colorado Republican Party Chairman Dick Wadhams will be the MCRW August luncheon speaker. Keep August 9<sup>th</sup> open for this luncheon as you won't want to miss it!
- MCRW is looking for volunteers to man the booth at the Thursday evening Farmer's Market on Main Street in GJ. If you can do this, please contact Susan Redmond at: danandsusan1@msn.com
- Feel like a walk? Join fellow Republicans and walk in the Independence Day Parade on July 5th. The parade begins at 5pm on Main Street in GJ. Contact Ruth Ehlers at: 257-7120.

