

President's Message

Hello Members!

The Holidays are upon us! Are you ready to roll? Wrap? Decorate? Bake? I'm behind already! In December we close out an amazing year for BHRW – all due to this amazing group of Republican Women – YOU! GENEROUS in thought and deed! I remain in awe and deep appreciation of your willingness to volunteer, cooperate, discuss and donate throughout the year.

What a sight you are in your BHRW vest, shirt, or lanyard, especially at larger venues such as the Day at the Legislature, Board meetings and conventions, and GOP campaign events, meetings and conventions. **YOU ARE THE BEST!**

Regards, Sue

Annual Christmas Party & Installation of Officers

December 14, 2017 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Gail Wilhelms' Home 4353 N.W. Tam O'Shanter Way Portland, Oregon 97229

Please bring:

- * A salad or dessert to share!
- * A \$10 ~ \$15 gift for exchange!
- * Donations for the Veterans and Family Center!

* Donations for the Union Gospel Mission's LifeChange for Women and Their Children!

For items needed see last page.

RSVP by December 12 to gailwilhelms@gmail.com or 503-533-8966

BHRW News

Fall Events

☆ Regan Dinner

The BHRW had THREE reserved tables of 10 at the WCRP fund-raiser Regan Dinner November 9. At least another 15 members and guest graced other hosted tables. The room only held 170! What an impressive turnout (and not 1 picture of a table!). BHRW teamed up with Plum Hill Vineyard (Juanita Lint) to offer a wine-pairing dinner for 6 April 14, 2018. Les Davis, Lithex Printing, made the winning bid of \$210. All proceeds go to WCRP.

☆ Veterans Day Dessert



On November 14, BHRW hosted its third annual Veterans Day

Dessert at Salvation Army's

Veterans and Family Center in Beaverton. BHRW contributed fresh fruit trays to the evening birthday celebrations. Mary Lou Aman offered the







invocation. Sue Zike thanked the veterans and their families.



We handed out raffle tickets and played several games of bingo, led by Laurel Reagan. Winners and the other participants selected prizes from an

impressive array of donated items from members and restaurants. All the goodies found a home.

Interacting with the veterans and families is always gratifying. How about doing 2 Desserts in 2018? July and November??

☆ November Speaker

Elaine Woods, BHRW Legislative chair, gave a very



informative presentation at our November 16 meeting entitled, "How-to's of Influencing the Oregon Legislature". She stressed the importance of using our voices to make a difference. For her hand out, click here.

Elaine listed several important web sites:

- For your legislature, committee membership, calendar, citizen activism: www.oregonlegislature.gov;
- 2) To access bills, agendas and submit testimony: https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2017I1;
- 3) For analysis of bills by 5 criteria, opportunities to be more involved, and to see how legislators voted:

 www.oregoncitizenslobby.org and
- 4) For news of gun rights concerns and legislative alerts: www.oregonfirearms.org

BHRW Member Spotlight

Juanita (Sailer) Lint - 2018 BHRW 1st VP - grew up in Eastern Oregon and went to college at Oregon Institute of Technology in Computer Science. Later,



she earned a BS from University of San Francisco and a Masters of Science of National Technological University, with Certificates in Telecommunications and Project Management. She applied those degrees to building computer systems for the telecommunications industry for

23 years living in Oregon, New Jersey and California and traveling all over the United States. While based in New Jersey, she met RJ (Richard) Lint and they married in 1987 just before moving to California where they lived for 11 years. In 1999, she dragged

him back to Oregon where she retired in 2000, a few years after his retirement. They planted a small vineyard on their property in Forest Grove, learning from other area



wineries before getting the bug themselves. They bought an old Gaston dairy farm and converted it into a vineyard, award-winning winery, popular tasting room and gift shop.

Juanita has been very active in the community and business organizations. She served on the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Board, Forest Grove-Cornelius Chamber Executive Board, North Willamette Vintner's Executive Board and chaired the Western Washington County Tourism Committee. She currently serves on Senator Riley's Small Business Council, Hillsboro Chamber Public Policy Committee, National Federation of Independent Business Leadership Council, Washington County Museum Board (Vice President), Washington County Business Council, Cornelius Economic Development Board and belongs to several wine and business associations.

Juanita had not been active in politics other than voting regularly and taking firm positions on issues. However in 2016, she ran for House Representative

in District 29. While not successful, Juanita ran a tough campaign and left an enduring Republican mark in HD 29. In 2017 she testified several times at the Legislature and is



currently Chief Petitioner for Ballot Initiative #36, Oregon Government Spending Limit and Excess Revenue for Unfunded Pension Liability Initiative. (click here).

Besides wine, politics and business, Juanita's passion is sewing and crafting. She owns 11 sewing machines and every craft tool imaginable. If she doesn't get to spend time in her craft room at least once a week or at least shop for crafts and/or sewing, she cannot be dealt with! She has also been referred to as the Crazy Cat Woman because of her 3 domestic cats and 4+ barn cats.

Dorothy Merritt - 2018 BHRW Recording Secretary -

grew up in the tourist town of Jackson Hole,



Wyoming where she attended school, worked for a public accountant and was a telephone operator. She married Hal Merritt from Star Valley, Wyoming right out of high school in 1959. They have been married for 58 years, have 6 married children, 30

grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

They have lived in Wyoming, Colorado and Utah



before moving to Oregon in 1968. Dorothy stayed at home her raising a family and serving in her church in various administrative and teaching positions. She also learned to play the organ. In 1986 she

became a realtor to help people with their real estate needs. Dorothy retired in 2009 after 23 years in business.

Dorothy and Hal served a mission for 1½ years. Upon returning home she was elected to work on the Jackson School Neighborhood Association Board and served for 3 years. In the meantime, she decided it was time to take up painting, something that she had always wanted to do but hadn't had the time. To date she has painted over 150 paintings.

In 2014 she and Hal attended a rally in Portland and signed up to be Precinct Committee Persons. They were not quite sure what it meant, but they enjoyed learning more about the



local political process. She also joined the BHRW in 2015 and has learned a lot from this experience.

Dorothy always enjoyed following politics. She remembers when Truman and Dewey were running when she was 8 years old and wanting Dewey to win. Dorothy has listened and watched political discussions, debates and National Conventions on both sides. While Eisenhower was running, Dorothy determined she believed in the principles of the Republican Party. Dorothy is looking forward to becoming more involved in BHRW and the political process.

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Christmas Party Donation Needs

REMINDER LIST

Veteran Family Center		UGM LifeChange for Women and Their Children	
Toothpaste	Stamps	Baby Wipes	Super tampons
Toothbrushes	Bus tickets	Disposable razors	Diapers Sze 3 – 5
Combs	Notecards	Women's deodorant	Sunscreen
Denture cream	Shampoo	Alcohol-free nail polish remover	New women's clothing (spring/summer, larger sizes)
Deodorant	Conditioner	Hairspray	Women's hoodies
Tampons	Baby wipes	Face wash	Paper towels
Dog treats	Diapers	Body wash	Toys/activities for older children/teenagers
Twin sheet sets	Body Lotion	Q-tips/cotton balls	Water toys - no pools
Mouth wash	Shaving cream	Outdoor sports equip	Pencil pouches
Razors	Qtips/Vaseline		

For the latest, don't forget:

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BHRW Facebook: click here

BHRW Twitter: click here

Special Election: January 23, 2018

For ballot measures click here

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