



# Republican Women of Trussville

'One Nation Under God'

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*Foolish men multiply when wise men are silent!*

*Nelson Mandella*

*Let's make America great again!*

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<http://www.rwot.net/uploads/RepublicanWomenofTrussvilleApplication3.pdf>



## Republican Women of Trussville Mission Statement

*Our mission is to increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government; inform the public through political education and activity; promote the principles of the Republican Party; work for Republican candidates in all general elections. We believe in a limited government that is "of the people, by the people, and for the people" at the local, state and national levels.*

*Adopted October 26, 2015*

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*Contents may be edited prior to insertion for brevity, composition, and subject matter.*

*If your name or address (including email) changes, please return email to sender or make a note on meeting sign-in sheet.*

## **RWOT Upcoming Meetings**

### ***The Three Earred Rabbit***

205-655-2000

Eat and Greet @ 5:30 p.m.

Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

209 Main Street, Suite 101

Trussville, Alabama

### **September, 2017**

Carolyn Potter, Executive Director, Well-House  
Trafficking Crisis

### **October, 2017**

Kelly Rice - Awareness Advocate  
Topic: Female Health and Gyn Cancer



## **TACC**

### **Luncheon Preview**

September 21, 2017

11:30 a.m.

Trussville Civic Center

Speaker: Congressman Gary Palmer

### **Other activities**

September 14, 5:00 p.m.

Drive-By at 5

Chamber office

Sponsored by: BancorpSouth

### **Legislative Breakfast**

September 28, 7:00 a.m.

Trussville Civic Center

Sponsored by: Chick-fil-A

**Register online here, via email by clicking here, or  
by calling 655-7535.**

## **“Don’t forget items for the Well House”**

Members are encouraged to bring items for the women at the Wellhouse. The speaker will be a team member from Wellhouse and we want to gift them with items such as bathroom and personal items. We will also kick off a Jewelry fundraiser to give cash to the Wellhouse. These funds will be used at their discretion for any items or needs they have. I will have more info at the meetings on the details.

### **Fund Raising Updates:**

Please contact Leigh Anne Moorhead, 422-8321 for any questions or ideas.

### **Membership**

**The Democrat Party is reaching out to our young people! It is vital that we do the same but BETTER!**

The "Each One Reach One" is a campaign designed to reach girls and women who are not involved in Politics. We need to seek out those who want to be part of the next generation of Republican Women. The Republican Women of Trussville Club is actively reaching out to all girls and women who are interested in playing an active role in their local, state and federal governments. Our focus will be reaching those girls and women who are in our social circles and Churches.

Each RWOT member is asked to invite girls and women to visit our Club and see if it is a fit for them. Our overall goal is to create a Club that is open to all ages of girls and women, that will be active in the political process in all areas of government and that ensures our Country continues in the Conservative values of our Founders.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Because there are so many new/old words floating around lately, I thought we needed to get familiar with what they really mean. In the next few Newsletters I will be sharing with you what I have found. Did you know.....

### ANTIFA (Wikipedia)

**Antifa** may refer to:

- [Antifa movements](#), post-World War II movements opposing capitalism and fascism
- An [Antifascist Action](#) group or its members, such as:
  - [Antifa \(United States\)](#), an American political movement
  - [Anti-Fascist Action](#), a British group
  - [Antifaschistische Aktion](#), a German group whose name means "Anti-Fascist Action"
  - [Antifasistisk Aktion](#), an affiliated group in Sweden

**Antifa** is a far-left militant political movement of autonomous, self-described [anti-fascist](#) groups in the United States. The term is loosely used to refer to [anti-racist](#), [anti-sexist](#), [anti-homophobia](#), as well as [anarchist](#) and [anti-capitalist](#) groups. Unlike the [traditional left](#), the ambit of self-described Antifa groups is to "oppose" fascism in direct action. These groups are usually anti-government and anti-capitalist, and their methodologies and tactics are more aggressively violent and [anarchistic](#) than those of associated groups in the [far left](#).

According to [The Economist](#), the "word Antifa has its roots in [Anti-Fascist Action](#), a name taken up by European political movements in the 1930s" which was revived in the 1990s, particularly in Germany. [Peter Beinart](#) writes that "in the late '80s, left-wing [punk](#) fans in the United States began following suit, though they initially called their groups [Anti-Racist Action](#), on the theory that Americans would be more familiar with fighting racism than fascism. Antifa groups are known for militant protest tactics, including property damage and physical violence. Antifa focuses more on fighting far-right ideology directly than on encouraging pro-left policy.

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#### History

The first group described as Antifa was the [Antifaschistische Aktion](#) formed in 1930s Germany Anti-fascists were also involved in battles against [Benito Mussolini's Blackshirts](#), [Adolf Hitler's Brownshirts](#) and [Francisco Franco's](#) nationalist army. Outside of Europe, anti-fascist tactics were used as a model for anti-Japanese resistance in occupied-China during World War II.

Groups forming in the United States "initially called their groups [Anti-Racist Action](#) Network, on the theory that Americans would be more familiar with fighting racism than fascism. In Minneapolis, Minnesota a group called the Baldies in 1987 formed a group with the intent to fight [neo-Nazi](#) groups.

Antifa groups either form loose support networks, such as NYC Antifa, or operate independently.

#### Activity

Damage to a limo during the Donald Trump inauguration in Washington, D.C. on 20 January, 2017.

Antifa is composed of autonomous groups, not a formal organization. Activists typically organize protests via [social media](#) and through websites and list-serves. According to [Salon.com](#) it is an organizing strategy, not a group of people, and is commonly associated with a willingness to engage in a show of force.

Antifa groups have most notably protested the 2016 election of Donald Trump. During the inauguration celebrations mask-wearing black bloc protestors "rage[d] across the area just outside" of the security perimeter, "smashing windows and burning cars."

According to [Peter Beinart](#), Antifa activists "combat white supremacism not by trying to change government policy but through direct action. They try to publicly identify white supremacists and get them fired from their jobs and evicted from their apartments," in addition to "disrupt(ing) white-supremacist rallies, including by force."

In June 2017 Antifa was linked to anarchist extremism by the [New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness](#).

## Street violence

Antifa protesters participated in the [2017 Berkeley protests](#) where they gained mainstream media attention, "throwing Molotov cocktails and smashing windows. Later, two Antifa groups threatened to disrupt the 2017 [82nd Avenue of Roses Parade](#) after hearing that the Multnomah County Republican Party would participate. The parade organizers received an anonymous email, saying, "You have seen how much power we have downtown and that the police cannot stop us from shutting down roads so please consider your decision wisely". The email also said that 200 people would "rush into the parade" and "drag and push" those marching with the Republican Party. The two groups denied having anything to do with the email. The parade ended up being canceled by the organizers due to safety concerns.

Antifa counter protestors at the far-right [2017 Unite the Right rally](#) In [Charlottesville, Virginia](#) in August 2017 "certainly used clubs and dyed liquids against the white supremacists." Journalist Adele Stan interviewed an Antifa protester at the rally who said that the sticks carried by Antifa protesters are a justifiable countermeasure to the fact that "the right has a goon squad." Some Antifa participants at the Charlottesville rally chanted that counter-protesters should "punch a Nazi in the mouth." Antifa participants also protected [Cornel West](#) and various clergy from Fascist attack.

## Approaches

The nature and activities of Antifa have caused some debate among anarchists; the prominent anarcho-communist website *It's Going Down* published a critique of Antifa in November 2016 originally from *Lucha No Feik*, entitled *On Antifa: Some Critical Notes*. The article criticised Antifa for essentially being a reactive, rather than a proactive force. The article argues that Antifa are too hyper-focused on micro [Neo-Nazi](#) groups or single figures such as President Donald Trump, instead of "analyzing the structural nature of our racist society." *It's Going Down* stated that the Antifa's ideological position was "but a few steps removed from the Liberal position that we should just all get along." It also pointed out that Antifa did not protest against the administration of President Barack Obama. This elicited a response from three active participants in the movement with *What do US Antifascists Actually Believe?*, where they stated, "Mobilizing large radical movements against [neoliberal](#) (or populist) capitalism is not the focus of anti-fascism; this is the work of the anarchist and anti-capitalist movements as a whole."

According to [National Public Radio](#), "People who speak for the Antifa movement acknowledge they sometimes carry clubs and sticks," and their "approach is confrontational. CNN describes Antifa as "known for causing damage to property during protests." Scott Crow, described by CNN as "a longtime Antifa organizer," argues that destroying property is not a form of violence.

According to Brian Levin, director of the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism at the California State University, San Bernardino, Antifa activists participate in violent actions because "they believe that elites are controlling the government and the media. So they need to make a statement head-on against the people who they regard as racist."<sup>1</sup> According to Antifa organizer Crow, Antifa is based on the idea of [direct action](#), "The idea in Antifa is that we go where they (right-wingers) go. That hate speech is not free speech. That if you are endangering people with what you say and the actions that are behind them, then you do not have the right to do that. And so we go to cause conflict, to shut them down where they are, because we don't believe that Nazis or fascists of any stripe should have a mouthpiece.

More next month.



SAVE THE DATE: THE ALABAMA REPUBLICAN PARTY  
SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

**150 YEARS** 1867-2017  
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6-9 P.M. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

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## *President's Commentary*

*Dear RWOT Members and Friends,*

This month we have had a terrible natural disaster with Hurricane Harvey. Pray for those that have been affected by Harvey. Many have lost everything, some lost their lives. It could take years for things to get back to normal there. Pray for the emergency workers and first responders that have put their lives on hold to help all those people. It is good to see people helping people, no matter their political standing, their monetary worth, whether they are a blue life, a black life, a brown life, homosexual life, they are all God's people.

We had a great Candidate Forum at Sheepdog Firing Range. We had four candidates participating, plus, we had Judges, mayors, senators and representatives in attendance.

Jefferson County GOP also had the candidates at their August quarterly meeting. They also hosted "Coffee with Luther Strange". This was a very casual time to set around with our current Senator and ask questions. His wife was there also and it was so informative.

Several of our ladies went to Montgomery for the 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Luncheon. This was such a pleasant event. Diane Bentley is such a sweet, gentle lady. As always, we ladies had a ball!

Let's keep working for our two candidates for Senator Session's senate seat, our judgeships and other candidates. Our club must be neutral until after the primary, but you can work for your candidate. They need our help handing out handbills, making calls and delivering yard signs.

And as always, continue to pray for our country, wisdom for our President, an end to the infighting going on, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, for truth to be known and Israel.

God bless America!

*Debbie Rangel*

President / RWOT



## AUGUST SPECIAL EVENTS - 2017



Live Senate Candidate Forum:  
Bryan Peoples, Sen. Luther Strange, Dr. Randy Brinson & Congressman Mo Brooks  
Hosted by: RWOT & Al. Minority GOP  
Moderator J. T. WERC — at Sheepdog Firearms Training Center.



Republican Women of Trussville attend **the Frist Ladies' Luncheon** in Montgomery today. – with Paige Lucas, Debbie Rangel, Rosemarie Reinhard Musso, Diane Bentley, Judy Bates Pate, Vicki Bailey and Lynn Batemon.



## AUGUST MEETING 2017



With Terri LaPoint, Michaelle McGinnis, Debbie Rangel, Mary Richmond, Rosemarie Reinhard Musso, Lynn Batemon, Twinkle Andress Cavanaugh, Judy Bates Pate, Leigh Anne Clark Moorhead, Cheryl Alphin Mathews, Sandy Holmes Lancaster, Deanna K. Frankowski and Sara Bridges Noyes at The Three Earred Rabbit.



Terry Cates  
One of our Quilts of Honor, made by Terry,  
To be given away  
To some special person.